

Register and Direct Addressing Modes

Hoda Roodaki

hroodaki@kntu.ac.ir

Register and Direct Addressing Modes

- The CPU can access data in various ways.
 - in a register
 - in memory
 - provided as an immediate value
- These various ways of accessing data are called addressing modes.
- The various addressing modes of a microprocessor are determined when it is designed, and therefore cannot be changed by the programmer.

AVR Addressing Modes

- The AVR addressing modes:
 - Single-Register (Immediate)
 - Register
 - Direct
 - Register indirect

Single-register (immediate) addressing mode

- In this addressing mode, the operand is a register.

| | | |
|-----|-----|---------------------------------|
| NEG | R18 | ;negate the contents of R18 |
| COM | R19 | ;complement the contents of R19 |
| INC | R20 | ;increment R20 |
| DEC | R21 | ;decrement R21 |
| ROR | R22 | ;rotate right R22 |

- In some of the instructions there is also a constant value with the register operand.

| | | |
|------|----------------|------------------------|
| LDI | R19,0x25 | ;load 0x25 into R19 |
| SUBI | R19,0x6 | ;subtract 0x6 from R19 |
| ANDI | R19,0b01000000 | ;AND R19 with 0x40 |

Two-register addressing mode

- Two-register addressing mode involves the use of two registers to hold the data to be manipulated.

```
ADD    R20,R23      ;add R23 to R20
SUB    R29,R20      ;subtract R20 from R29
AND    R16,R17      ;AND R16 with 0x40
MOV    R23,R19      ;copy the contents of R19 to R23
```

Direct addressing mode

- In direct addressing mode, the operand data is in a RAM memory location whose address is known, and this address is given as a part of the instruction.

```
LDS    R19,0x560    ;load R19 with the contents of memory loc $560
STS    0x40,R19      ;store R19 to data space location 0x40
```

Direct addressing mode

- **I/O direct addressing mode**
- To access the I/O registers there is a special mode called ***I/O direct addressing mode***.
- The I/O direct addressing mode can address only the standard I/O registers.
 - The IN and OUT instructions use this addressing mode.
 - The addresses between \$20 and \$5F of the data space have been assigned to standard I/O registers in all of the AVR.
 - These I/O registers have two addresses:
 - I/O address
 - Data memory address
 - The I/O address is used when we use the I/O direct addressing mode, while the data memory address is used when we use the direct addressing mode.
 - In other words, the standard I/O registers can be accessed using both the direct addressing and the I/O addressing modes.

Direct addressing mode

- **I/O direct addressing mode**
 - Example

```
OUT 0x15,R19 ;PORTC=R19 (0x15 is the I/O addr. of PORTC)
STS 0x35,R19 ;PORTC=R19 (0x35 is the data memory addr. of PORTC)

IN  R19,0x16 ;R19=PINB (0x16 is the I/O addr. of PINB)
LDS R19,0x36 ;R19=PINB (0x36 is the data memory addr. of PINB)
```


Direct addressing mode

- **I/O direct addressing mode**
- **First Challenge**
 - Some AVR's have more than 64 I/O registers.
 - The extra I/O registers are located above the data memory address \$5F.
 - *extended I/O memory*
 - In the I/O direct addressing mode, the address field is a 6-bit address and can take values from \$00-\$3F, which is from 00 to 63 in decimal.
 - So, it can address only the standard I/O register memory, and it cannot be used for addressing the extended I/O memory.
 - To access the extended I/O registers we can use the direct addressing mode.
 - OUT 0x65, R19 ;illegal as the address is above \$3F
 - STS 0x65, R19

Direct addressing mode

- **I/O direct addressing mode**
- **Second Challenge**
 - The I/O registers can have different addresses in different AVR microcontrollers.
 - The same instruction can have different meanings in different AVR microcontrollers.
 - The best way to solve this problem is to use the names of the registers instead of their addresses.

Example 6-4

Write code to send \$55 to Port B. Include

- (a) the register name,
- (b) the I/O address, and
- (c) the data memory address.

Solution:

(a) LDI R20,0xFF ;R20 = 0xFF
 OUT DDRB,R20 ;DDR B = R20 (Port B output)
 LDI R20,0x55 ;R20 = \$55
 OUT PORTB,R20 ;Port B = 0x55

(b) From Table 6-4, DDRB I/O address = \$17 and PORTB I/O address = \$18.

```
LDI    R20,0xFF        ;R20 = 0xFF
OUT    0x17,R20        ;DDR B = R20 (Port B output)
LDI    R20,0x55        ;R20 = $55
OUT    0x18,R20        ;Port B = 0x55
```

(c) From Table 6-4, DDRB data memory address = \$37 and PORTB data memory address = \$38.

```
LDI    R20,0xFF        ;R20 = 0xFF
STS    0x37,R20        ;DDR B = R20 (Port B output)
LDI    R20,0x55        ;R20 = $55
STS    0x38,R20        ;Port B = 0x55
```

Register Indirect Addressing Mode

- In the register indirect addressing mode, a register is used as a pointer to the data memory location.
- In the AVR, three registers are used for this purpose: X, Y, and Z.
 - These are 16-bit registers allowing access to the entire 65,536 bytes of data memory space in the AVR.

Register Indirect Addressing Mode

- Each of the registers is made by combining two specific GPRs.
 - X register: combining R26 and R27
 - R26 is the lower byte of X.
 - R27 is the higher byte of X.
 - Y register: combining R28 and R29
 - Z register: combining R30 and R31
 - The R26, R27, R28, R29, R30, and R31 GPRs can be referred to as XL, XH, YL, YH, ZL, and ZH, respectively.
 - For example, "LDI XL,0x31" is the same as "LDI R26,0x31" since XL is another name for R26.

Register Indirect Addressing Mode

- The 16-bit registers X, Y, and Z are used as pointers.
- We can use them with the LD instruction to read the value of a location pointed to by these registers.
 - The following program loads the contents of location 0x130 into R18:

```
LDI    XL, 0x30    ;load R26 (the low byte of X) with 0x30
LDI    XH, 0x01    ;load R27 (the high byte of X) with 0x1
LD      R18, X      ;copy the contents of location 0x130 to R18

LDI    ZL, 0x9F    ;load 0x9F into the low byte of Z
LDI    ZH, 0x13    ;load 0x13 into the high byte of Z (Z=0x139F)
ST      Z, R23      ;store the contents of location 0x139F in R23
```

Advantages of register indirect addressing mode

- It makes accessing data dynamic rather than static, as with direct addressing mode.

Example 6-5

Write a program to copy the value \$55 into memory locations \$140 through \$144 using

- (a) direct addressing mode,
- (b) register indirect addressing mode without a loop, and
- (c) a loop.

Solution:

- (a)
- | | | |
|-----|-----------|------------------------------------|
| LDI | R17,0x55 | ;load R17 with value 0x55 |
| STS | 0x140,R17 | ;copy R17 to memory location 0x140 |
| STS | 0x141,R17 | ;copy R17 to memory location 0x141 |
| STS | 0x142,R17 | ;copy R17 to memory location 0x142 |
| STS | 0x143,R17 | ;copy R17 to memory location 0x143 |
| STS | 0x144,R17 | ;copy R17 to memory location 0x144 |
- (b)
- | | | |
|-----|----------|---|
| LDI | R16,0x55 | ;load R16 with value 0x55 |
| LDI | YL,0x40 | ;load R28 with value 0x40 (low byte of addr.) |
| LDI | YH,0x1 | ;load R29 with value 0x1 (high byte of addr.) |
| ST | Y,R16 | ;copy R16 to memory location 0x140 |
| INC | YL | ;increment the low byte of Y |
| ST | Y,R16 | ;copy R16 to memory location 0x141 |
| INC | YL | ;increment the pointer |
| ST | Y,R16 | ;copy R16 to memory location 0x142 |
| INC | YL | ;increment the pointer |
| ST | Y,R16 | ;copy R16 to memory location 0x143 |
| INC | YL | ;increment the pointer |
| ST | Y,R16 | ;copy R16 to memory location 0x144 |

Example 6-5

```
(c)  LDI    R16,0x5      ;R16 = 5 (R16 for counter)
      LDI    R20,0x55    ;load R20 with value 0x55 (value to be copied)
      LDI    YL,0x40     ;load YL with value 0x40
      LDI    YH,0x1      ;load YH with value 0x1
L1:   ST     Y,R20        ;copy R20 to memory pointed to by Y
      INC    YL           ;increment the pointer
      DEC    R16          ;decrement the counter
      BRNE   L1          ;loop while counter is not zero
```

Use the AVR Studio simulator to examine memory contents after the above program is run.

\$140 = (\$55) \$141 = (\$55) \$142 = (\$55) \$143 = (\$55) 144 = (\$55)

Auto-increment and auto-decrement options for pointer registers

- Because the pointer registers (X, Y, and Z) are 16-bit registers, they can go from \$0000 to \$FFFF, which covers the entire 64K memory space of the AVR.
 - Using the “INC ZL” instruction to increment the pointer can cause a problem when an address such as \$5FF is incremented.
 - The instruction “INC ZL,” will not propagate the carry into the ZH register.
 - The AVR gives us the options of auto-increment and auto-decrement for pointer registers to overcome this problem.

Auto-increment and auto-decrement options for pointer registers

| Instruction | | Function |
|-------------|--------|--|
| LD | Rn,X | After loading location pointed to by X, the X stays the same. |
| LD | Rn,X+ | After loading location pointed to by X, the X is incremented. |
| LD | Rn,-X | The X is decremented, then the location pointed to by X is loaded. |
| LD | Rn,Y | After loading location pointed to by Y, the Y stays the same. |
| LD | Rn,Y+ | After loading location pointed to by Y, the Y is incremented. |
| LD | Rn,-Y | The Y is decremented, then the location pointed to by Y is loaded. |
| LDD | Rn,Y+q | After loading location pointed to by Y+q, the Y stays the same. |
| LD | Rn,Z | After loading location pointed to by Z, the Z stays the same. |
| LD | Rn,Z+ | After loading location pointed to by Z, the Z is incremented. |
| LD | Rn,-Z | The Z is decremented, then the location pointed to by Z is loaded. |
| LDD | Rn,Z+q | After loading location pointed to by Z+q, the Z stays the same. |

- This table shows the syntax for the LD instruction, but it works for all such instructions.
- The auto-decrement or auto-increment affects the entire 16 bits of the pointer register and has no effect on the status register. This means that pointer register going from FFFF to 0000 will not raise any flag.

Example 6-6

Assume that RAM locations \$90–\$94 have a string of ASCII data, as shown below.

\$90 = ('H') \$91 = ('E') \$92 = ('L') \$93 = ('L') \$94 = ('O')

Write a program to get each character and send it to Port B one byte at a time. Show the program using:

- (a) Direct addressing mode.
- (b) Register indirect addressing mode.

Solution:

(a) Using direct addressing mode

```
LDI    R20,0xFF
OUT     DDRB,R20           ;make Port B an output
LDS     R20,0x90           ;R20 = contents of location 0x90
OUT     PORTB,R20         ;PORTB = R20
LDS     R20,0x91           ;R20 = contents of location 0x91
OUT     PORTB,R20         ;PORTB = R20
LDS     R20,0x92           ;R20 = contents of location 0x92
OUT     PORTB,R20         ;PORTB = R20
LDS     R20,0x93           ;R20 = contents of location 0x93
OUT     PORTB,R20         ;PORTB = R20
LDS     R20,0x94           ;R20 = contents of location 0x94
OUT     PORTB,R20         ;PORTB = R20
```

Example 6-6

(b) Using register indirect addressing mode

```
LDI    R16,0x5           ;R16=0x5 (R16 for counter)
LDI    R20,0xFF
OUT     DDRB,R20          ;make Port B an output
LDI    ZL,0x90            ;the low byte of address (ZL = 0x90)
LDI    ZH,0x0             ;the high byte of address (ZH = 0x0)
L1:    LD     R20,Z         ;read from location pointed to by Z
      INC     ZL            ;increment pointer
      OUT     PORTB,R20     ;send to PortB the contents of R20
      DEC     R16           ;decrement counter
      BRNE   L1            ;if R16 is not zero go to L1
```

Example 6-7

Write a program to clear 16 memory locations starting at data memory address \$60.

Use the following:

(a) INC Rn

(b) Auto-increment

Solution:

```
(a)  LDI    R16, 16      ;R16 = 16 (counter value)
      LDI    XL, 0x60    ;XL = the low byte of address
      LDI    XH, 0x00    ;XH = the high byte of address
      LDI    R20, 0x0    ;R20 = 0
L1:   ST     X, R20      ;clear location X points to
      INC    XL          ;increment pointer
      DEC    R16         ;decrement counter
      BRNE   L1         ;loop until counter = zero

(b)  LDI    R16, 16      ;R16 = 16 (counter value)
      LDI    XL, 0x60    ;the low byte of X = 0x60
      LDI    XH, 0x00    ;the high byte of X = 0
      LDI    R20, 0x0    ;R20 = 0
L1:   ST     X+, R20     ;clear location X points to
      DEC    R16         ;decrement counter
      BRNE   L1         ;loop until counter = zero
```

Example 6-8

Assume that data memory locations \$240–\$243 have the following hex data. Write a program to add them together and place the result in locations \$220 and \$221.

\$240 = (\$7D) \$241 = (\$EB) \$242 = (\$C5) \$243 = (\$5B)

Solution:

```
.INCLUDE "M32DEF.INC"
.EQU L_BYTE = 0x220      ;RAM loc for L_Byte
.EQU H_BYTE = 0x221      ;RAM loc for H_Byte
LDI    R16,4
LDI    R20,0
LDI    R21,0
LDI    XL, 0x40          ;the low byte of X = 0x40
LDI    XH, 0x02          ;the high byte of X = 02
L1:    LD     R22, X+      ;read contents of location where X points to
ADD    R20, R22
BRCC   L2                ;branch if C = 0
INC    R21                ;increment R21
L2:    DEC    R16          ;decrement counter
BRNE   L1                ;loop until counter is zero
ST     L_BYTE, R20        ;store the low byte of the result in $220
ST     H_BYTE, R21        ;store the high byte of the result in $221
```

Example 6-9

Write a program to copy a block of 5 bytes of data from data memory locations starting at \$130 to RAM locations starting at \$60.

Solution:

```
LDI    R16, 16      ;R16 = 16 (counter value)
LDI    XL, 0x30      ;the low byte of address
LDI    XH, 0x01      ;the high byte of address
LDI    YL, 0x60      ;the low byte of address
LDI    YH, 0x00      ;the high byte of address
L1:    LD    R20, X+   ;read where X points to
      ST    Y+, R20    ;store R20 where Y points to
      DEC   R16        ;decrement counter
      BRNE  L1        ;loop until counter = zero
```

Before we run the above program.

130 = ('H') 131 = ('E') 132 = ('L') 133 = ('L') 134 = ('O')

After the program is run, the addresses \$60–\$64 have the same data as \$130–\$134.

130 = ('H') 131 = ('E') 132 = ('L') 133 = ('L') 134 = ('O')

60 = ('H') 61 = ('E') 62 = ('L') 63 = ('L') 64 = ('O')

Example 6-10

Two multibyte numbers are stored in locations \$130–\$133 and \$150–\$153. Write a program to add the multibyte numbers and save the result in address \$160–\$163.

 \$C7659812
+ \$2978742A

Solution:

```
    .INCLUDE "M32DEF.INC"
LDI   R16, 4                   ;R16 = 4 (counter value)
LDI   XL, 0x30                 ;load pointer. X = $130
LDI   XH, 0x1                 ;load pointer. Y = $150
LDI   YL, 0x50                 ;load pointer. Z = $160
LDI   YH, 0x1                 ;clear carry
LDI   ZL, 0x60                 ;copy memory to R18 and INC X
LDI   ZH, 0x1                 ;copy memory to R19 and INC Y
CLC                           ;R18 = R18 + R19 + carry
L1:   LD   R18, X+             ;store R18 in memory and INC Z
      LD   R19, Y+             ;decrement R16 (counter)
      ADC   R18,R19            ;loop until counter = zero
      ST   Z+,R18
      DEC   R16
      BRNE L1
```

Example 6-11

Write a function that adds the contents of three continuous locations of data space and stores the result in the first location. The Z register should point to the first location before the function is called.

Solution:

```
.INCLUDE "M32DEF.INC"
    LDI    R16,HIGH(RAMEND)    ;initialize the stack pointer
    OUT    SPH,R16
    LDI    R16,LOW(RAMEND)
    OUT    SPL,R16
    LDI    ZL,0x00             ;initialize the Z register
    LDI    ZH,2
    CALL   ADD3LOC             ;call add3loc
HERE: JMP   HERE               ;loop forever
ADD3LOC:
    LDI    R21,0               ;R21 = 0
    LD     R20,Z               ;R20 = contents of location Z
    LDD    R16,Z+1             ;R16 = contents of location Z+1
    ADD    R20,R16             ;R20 = R20 + R16
    BRCC   L1                 ;branch if carry cleared
    INC    R21                 ;increment R21 if carry occurred
L1:  LDD    R16,Z+2             ;R16 = contents of location Z+2
    ADD    R20,R16             ;R20 = R20 + R16
    BRCC   L2                 ;branch if carry cleared
    INC    R21                 ;increment R21
L2:  ST     Z,R20               ;store R20 into location Z
    STD    Z+1,R21             ;store R21 into location Z+1
    RET
```