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Topics to be covered

1. Creating variables
2. Creating Arrays
3. Create constants
4. Introduction to INC, DEC, LEA instruction
5. Learn how to access memory.

Creating Variables

Syntax for a variable declaration:

name DB value

name DW value

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□ Creating constants:

Syntax for a constants declaration:

name EQU <any expression>

For example:

K EQU 5

MOV AX, K

□ Creating Arrays:

Some array definition examples:

a DB 48h, 65h, 6ch, 6ch, 6Fh, 00h

b DDB 'Hello', 0

⇒ You can access the value of any element in array using square brackets, for example:

MOV AL, a[3]

⇒ You can also use any of the memory index registers BX, SI, DI, BP. for example:

```
MOV SI, 3
```

```
MOV AL, A[SI]
```

⇒ If you need to declare a large array you can use DUP operator.

The syntax for DUP
number DUP (value(s))

for example:

```
C DB 5 DUP (9)
```

is an alternative way of declaring:

```
C DB 9, 9, 9, 9, 9
```

one more example:

```
C DB 5 DUP (1, 2)
```

Memory Access:

To Access memory, we can use these four registers:

BX

SI

DI

BP

$[BX + SI]$ $[BX + DI]$ $[BP + SI]$ $[BP + DI]$	$[SI]$ $[DI]$ $d(16)$ $[BX]$	$[BX + SI + d8]$ $[BX + DI + d8]$ $[BP + SI + d8]$ $[BP + DI + d8]$
$[SI + d8]$ $[DI + d8]$ $[BP + d8]$ $[BX + d8]$	$[BX + SI + d16]$ $[BX + DI + d16]$ $[BP + SI + d16]$ $[BP + DI + d16]$	$[SI + d16]$ $[DI + d16]$ $[BP + d16]$ $[BX + d16]$

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□ Declaring Array:

Array Name db size DUP (?)

□ Value initialize:

arr1 db 50 dup(5,10,12)

□ Index Values:

mov bx, offset arr1

mov [bx], 6 ; inc bx

mov [bx+1], 10

mov [bx+9], 9

□ OFFSET:

Offset is an assembler directive in x86 assembly language. It actually means "address" and is a way of handling the addressing of the "mov" instruction.

Allow me to illustrate the usage -

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1. mov si, offset variable

2. mov si, variable

As a matter of style, when I wrote X86 assembler I would write it this way.

1. mov si, offset variable

2. mov si, [variable]

The square brackets aren't necessary, but they made it much clearer while loading the contents rather than the address.