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CISC Instruction Set (Intel x86 as an example)

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Today's Session

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| 9-10 | Instruction Set Architecture - CISC Vs RISC CISC Instruction Set (Intel x86 as an example) Machine Instruction Characteristics Types of Operands Types of Operations Addressing Modes Instruction Formats | T1 |

Introduction



- What is an Instruction Set?
 - The complete collection of instructions that are understood by a CPU
- Elements of an Instruction
 - Operation code (Op code)
 - Source Operand reference
 - Result Operand reference
 - Next Instruction Reference
- Source and Destination Operands can be found in four areas
 - Main memory (or virtual memory or cache)
 - CPU register
 - I/O device
 - Immediate



Simple Instruction Format

| 4 bits | 6 bits | 6 bits | |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| Opcode | Operand Reference | Operand Reference | |

 During instruction execution, an instruction is read into an instruction register (IR) in the processor.

16 bits

- The processor must be able to extract the data from the various instruction fields to perform the required operation.
- Opcodes are represented by abbreviations, called mnemonics

Example: ADD AX, BX -> Add instruction

Instruction Types

- Data processing: Arithmetic and logic instructions
- Data storage (main memory): Movement of data into or out of register and or memory locations
- Data movement (I/O): I/O instructions
- Program flow control: Test and branch instructions

Number of Addresses (1/2)

- 3 addresses
 - Result, Operand 1, Operand 2
 - -c=a+b; add c, a, b
 - May be a forth next instruction (usually implicit)
 - Needs very long words to hold everything
- 2 addresses
 - One address doubles as operand and result
 - a = a + b : add a, b
 - Reduces length of instruction
 - The original value of a is lost.

Number of Addresses (2/2)

- 1 address
 - Implicit second address
 - Usually a register (accumulator)
 - Common on early machines
- 0 (zero) addresses
 - All addresses implicit
 - Uses a stack
 - e.g. c = a + b
 push a
 push b





Example

Execute
$$Y = \frac{A - B}{C + (D \times E)}$$



| Instruction | | Comment |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------|
| SUB | Y, A, B | $Y \leftarrow A - B$ |
| MPY | T, D, E | $T \leftarrow D \times E$ |
| ADD | T, T, C | $T \leftarrow T + C$ |
| DIV | Y, Y, T | $Y \leftarrow Y \div T$ |

(a) Three-address instructions

| Instruction | Comment |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| MOVE Y, A | $Y \leftarrow A$ |
| SUB Y, B | $Y \leftarrow Y - B$ |
| MOVE T, D | $T \leftarrow D$ |
| MPY T, E | $T \leftarrow T \times E$ |
| ADD T, C | $T \leftarrow T + C$ |
| DIV Y, T | $Y \leftarrow Y \div T$ |

(b) Two-address instructions

| Instruc | tion | Comment |
|---------|------|-----------------------------|
| LOAD | D | $AC \leftarrow D$ |
| MPY | E | $AC \leftarrow AC \times E$ |
| ADD | C | $AC \leftarrow AC + C$ |
| STOR | Y | $Y \leftarrow AC$ |
| LOAD | A | $AC \leftarrow A$ |
| SUB | В | $AC \leftarrow AC - B$ |
| DIV | Y | $AC \leftarrow AC \div Y$ |
| STOR | Y | $Y \leftarrow AC$ |

(c) One-address instructions

How Many Addresses

- Fewer addresses
 - More Primitive instructions, shorter length instructions
 - Less complex instructions, hence requires less complex hardware
 - More instructions per program
 - Longer programs
 - More complex programs
 - Longer execution time
- Multiple address instructions
 - Lengthy instructions
 - More registers
 - Inter-register operations are quicker
 - Fewer instructions per program

Instruction set Design Decisions

- Operation repertoire
 - How many ops?
 - What can they do?
 - How complex are they?
- Data types
- Instruction formats
 - Length of op code field
 - Number of addresses
- Registers
 - Number of CPU registers available
 - Which operations can be performed on which registers?
- Addressing modes

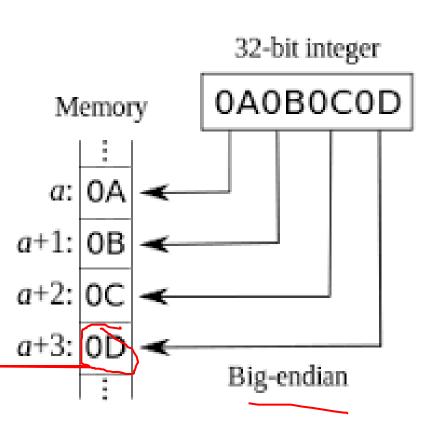
Types of Operand

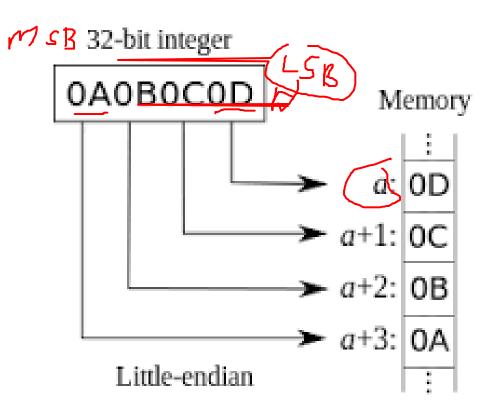
- Machine instructions operate on data
- General categories of data
 - Addresses
 - Numbers
 - Binary integer or binary fixed point, floating point, decimal
 - Characters
 - · ASCII etc.
 - Logical Data
 - Bits or flags
- Packed Decimal
 - 36:0011 0110

Binary Representation

32 16 8 4 2 1 1 0 0 1 0 0

Byte Ordering





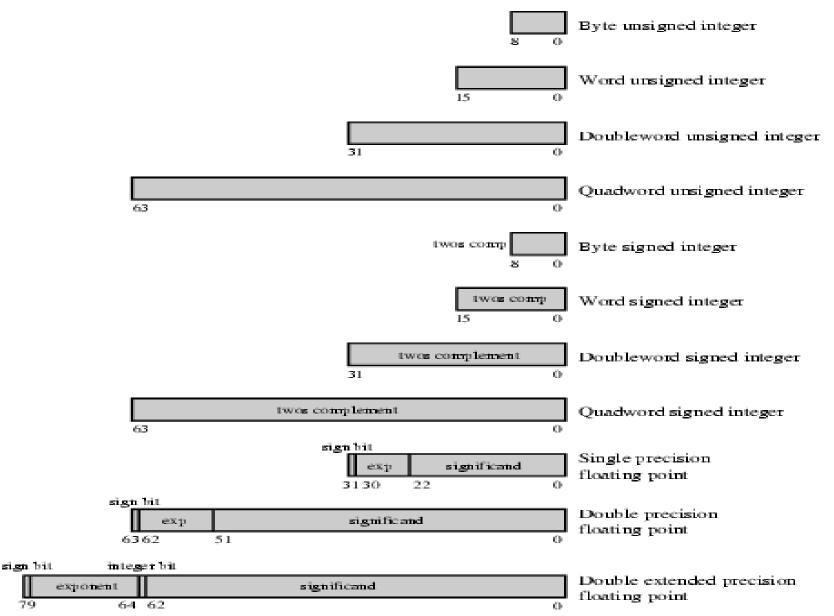
x86 Data Types

- General Byte, Word, double word, quadword, double quad word - arbitrary binary contents
- Integer signed binary using two's complement representation
- Ordinal unsigned integer
- Unpacked BCD One digit per byte
- Packed BCD 2 digits per byte
- Near Pointer 32 bit offset within segment
- Far pointer -
- Bit field: A contiguous sequence of bits in which the position of each bit is considered as an independent unit.
- Bit and Byte String
- Floating Point

| Data Type | Description |
|---|---|
| General | Byte, word (16 bits), doubleword (32 bits), quadword (64 bits), and double quadword (128 bits) locations with arbitrary binary contents. |
| Integer | A signed binary value contained in a byte, word, or doubleword, using twos complement representation. |
| Ordinal | An unsigned integer contained in a byte, word, or doubleword. |
| Unpacked binary coded decimal (BCD) | A representation of a BCD digit in the range 0 through 9, with one digit in each byte. |
| Packed BCD | Packed byte representation of two BCD digits; value in the range 0 to 99. |
| Near pointer | A 16-bit, 32-bit, or 64-bit effective address that represents the offset within a segment. Used for all pointers in a nonsegmented memory and for references within a segment in a segmented memory. |
| Far pointer | A logical address consisting of a 16-bit segment selector and an offset of 16, 32, or 64 bits. Far pointers are used for memory references in a segmented memory model where the identity of a segment being accessed must be specified explicitly. |
| Bit field | A contiguous sequence of bits in which the position of each bit is considered as an independent unit. A bit string can begin at any bit position of any byte and can contain up to 32 bits. |
| Bit string | A contiguous sequence of bits, containing from zero to $2^{32} - 1$ bits. |
| Byte string | A contiguous sequence of bytes, words, or doublewords, containing from zero to $2^{32}-1$ bytes. |
| Floating point | See Figure 10.4. |
| Packed SIMD (single instruction, multiple data) | Packed 64-bit and 128-bit data types |

x86 Numeric Data Formats





Types of Operation

- Data Transfer
- Arithmetic
- Logical
- Conversion
- I/O
- System Control
- Transfer of Control

Data Transfer

- Specify
 - Source
 - Destination
 - Amount of data
- Action:
- 1. Calculate the memory address, based on the address mode
- 2. If the address refers to virtual memory, translate from virtual to real memory address.
- 3. Determine whether the addressed item is in cache.
- 4. If not, issue a command to the memory module.

Arithmetic

- Add, Subtract, Multiply, Divide
- May include
 - Absolute value (|a|)
 - Increment (a++)
 - Decrement (a--)
 - Negate (-a)
- Signed Integer

Logical

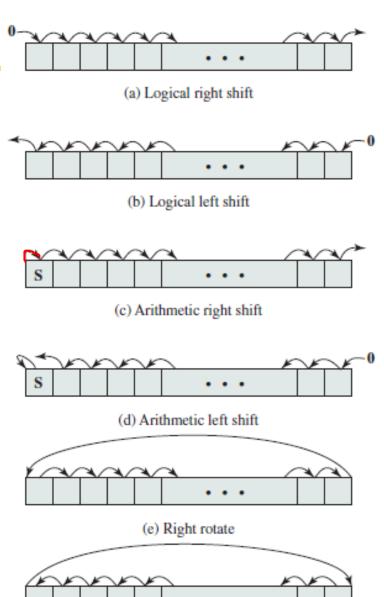
- Bitwise operations
- AND, OR, NOT

Basic Logical Operations

| P | Q | NOT P | P AND Q | P OR Q | P XOR Q | P = Q |
|---|---|-------|---------|--------|---------|-------|
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

Shift and Rotate Operations





| Input | Operation | Output |
|----------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 10101101 | Logical right shift (3 bits) | 10101101=> 00010101 |
| 10101101 | Logical left shift (3 bits) | 10101101=> 01101000 |
| 10101101 | Arithmetic right shift (3 bits) | 10101101=> 11110101 |
| 10101101 | Arithmetic left shift (3 bits) | 10101101=> 11101000 |
| 10101101 | Right rotate (3 bits) | 10101101=> 10110101 |
| 10101101 | Left rotate (3 bits) | 10101101=> 01101101 |

Conversion

E.g. Binary to Decimal

Input/Output

- May be specific instructions (I/O-Mapped I/O)
- May be done using data movement instructions (memory mapped)
- May be done by a separate controller (DMA)

Systems Control

- Privileged instructions
- CPU needs to be in specific state
 - User Mode
 - Kernel mode
- For operating systems use

Transfer of Control

- Jump / Branch (Unconditional / Conditional)
 - e.g. jump to x if result is zero
- Skip (Unconditional / Conditional)
 - skip (unconditional): Increment to skip next instruction
 - e.g. increment and skip if zero

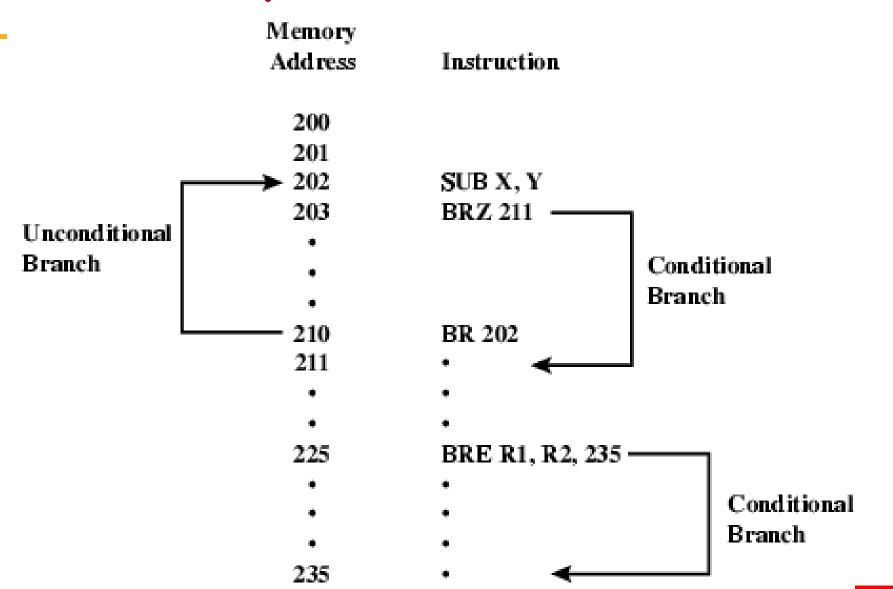
ISZ Register1

Branch xxxx

ADD A

- Subroutine call
- interrupt call

Branch / Jump Instruction



Use of Stack

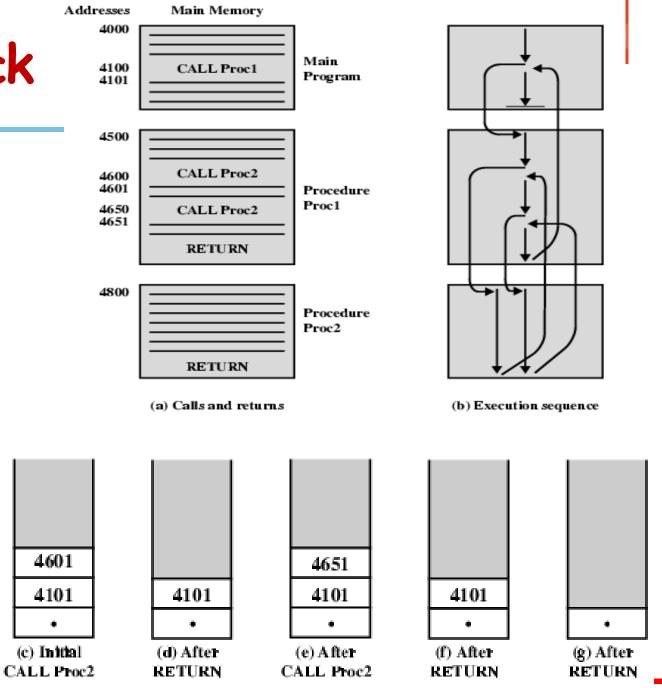
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(b) After

CALL Proc1

(a) Initial stack

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Addressing Modes

- Addressing modes refers to the way in which the operand of an instruction is specified
- Types:
 - · Immediate
 - Direct
 - Indirect
 - Register
 - Register Indirect
 - Displacement (Indexed)
 - Stack

Immediate Addressing

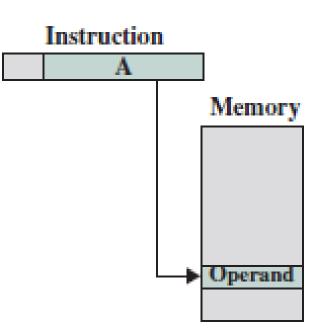
- Operand is specified in the instruction itself
- e.g. ADD #5
 - Add 5 to contents of accumulator
 - 5 is operand
- No memory reference to fetch data
- Fast
- Limited range

Instruction

Operand

Direct Addressing

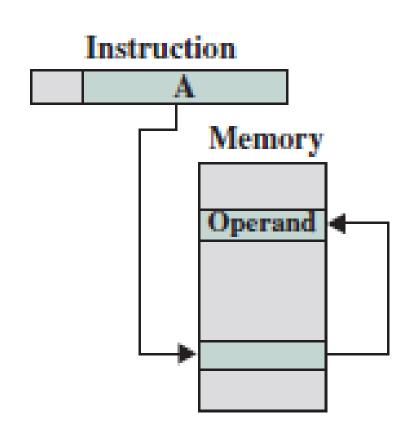
- Address of the operand is specified in the instruction
- Effective address (EA) = address field
 (A)
- e.g. ADD A
 - Add contents of memory cell whose address is A to accumulator
 - Look in memory at address A for operand
- Single memory reference to access data
- No additional calculations to work out effective address
- Limited address space





Indirect Addressing

- Memory cell pointed to by address field of the instruction contains the address of (pointer to) the operand
- EA = (A)
 - Look in A, find address and look there for operand
- e.g. ADD (A)
 - Add contents of cell pointed to by contents of A to accumulator



Indirect Addressing...

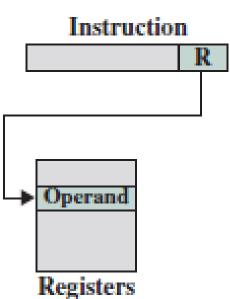
- Large address space
- 2ⁿ where n = word length
- May be nested, multilevel, cascaded

$$- e.g. EA = (((A)))$$

- · Multiple memory accesses to find operand
- Slower

Register Addressing

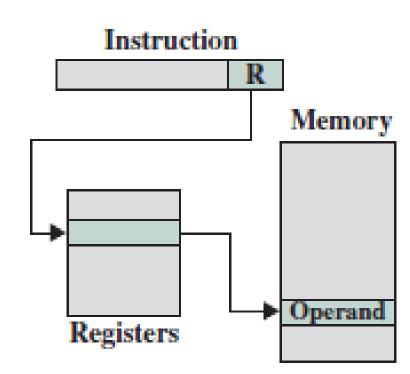
- Operand is held in register named in address filed
- EA = R
- Limited number of registers
- Very small address field needed
 - Shorter instructions
 - Faster instruction fetch
- No memory access hence Very fast execution but very limited address space
- Multiple registers helps in improving performance
 - Requires good assembly programming or compiler writing
 - C programming : register int a;





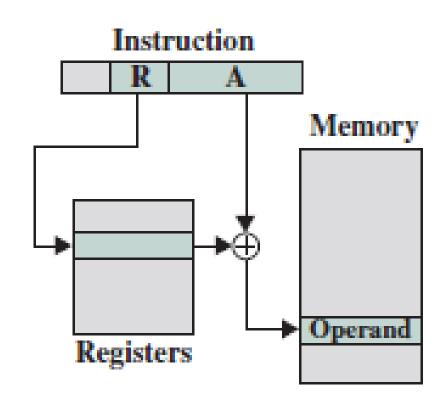
Register Indirect Addressing

- Similar to indirect addressing
- EA = (R)
- Operand is in memory cell pointed to by contents of register R
- Large address space (2ⁿ)
- One memory access compared indirect addressing



Displacement Addressing

- EA = A + (R)
- Address field hold two values
 - -A = base value
 - R = register that holds displacement
 - or vice versa
- Three variants:
 - Relative addressing
 - Base register addressing
 - Indexing



Relative Addressing

- Also known as PC relative addressing
- A version of displacement addressing
- R = Program counter, PC
- EA = A + (PC)
- Relative addressing exploits the concept of locality
 - If most memory references are relatively near to the instruction being executed, then the use of relative addressing saves address bits in the instruction.



Base-Register Addressing

- The referenced register "R" contains a main memory address
- address field contains a displacement A
- R may be explicit or implicit
- e.g. segment registers in 80x86

Indexed Addressing

- The address field references a main memory address
- The referenced register R contains a positive displacement from that address.
- EA = A + R
- Good for accessing arrays
 - -EA = A + R
 - R++



Auto Indexing

Auto indexing incase certain registers are devoted exclusively to indexing

$$EA = A + (R)$$

$$(R) \leftarrow (R) + 1$$

Example: LODSB: Load byte at DS:[SI] into AL. Update SI.

SI is incremented or decremented based on direction flag.

$$D = 0 \rightarrow increment SI$$

$$D = 1 \rightarrow \text{decrement SI}$$

- Two types:
 - Postindex
 - Preindex

Post-indexing

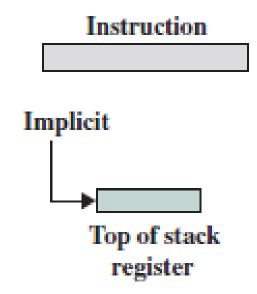
- indexing is performed after the indirection EA = (A) + (R)
- Steps:
 - 1. The contents of the address field are used to access a memory location containing a direct address.
 - 2. Address is then indexed by the register value
- Use:
 - for accessing one of a number of blocks of data of a fixed format

Pre-indexing

- An address is calculated as with simple indexing EA = (A + (R))
- Use:
 - to construct a multiway branch table

Stack Addressing

- Operand is (implicitly) on top of stack
- e.g.
 - ADD Pop top two items from stack and add, push the result on stack top



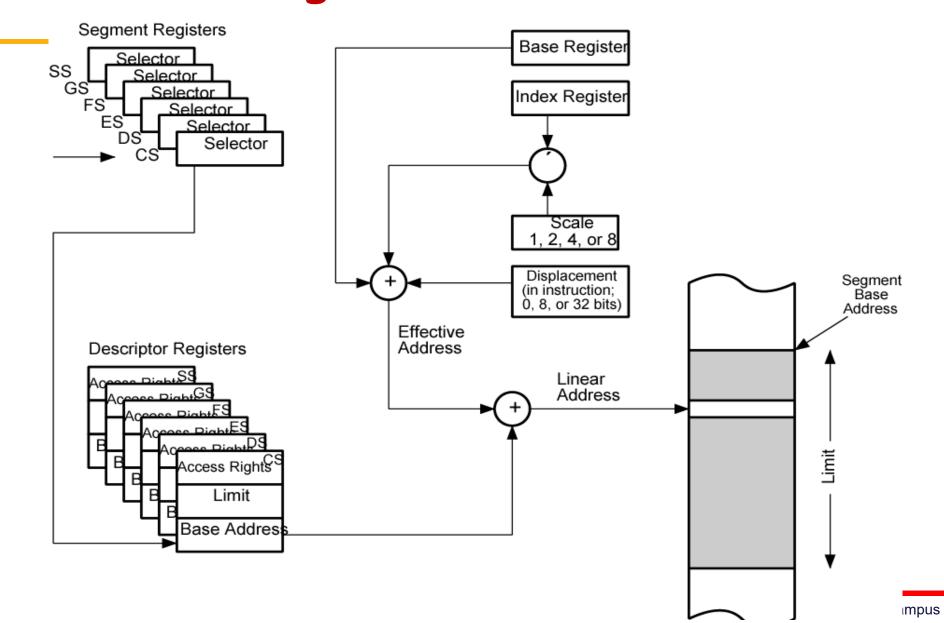
x86 Addressing Modes

Virtual or effective address is offset into segment

- Starting address plus offset gives linear address
- This goes through page translation if paging enabled

12 addressing modes available

- Immediate
- Register operand
- Displacement
- Base
- Base with displacement
- Scaled index with displacement
- Base with index and displacement
- Base scaled index with displacement
- Relative



Instruction Formats

- · Layout of bits in an instruction
- Includes opcode
- Includes (implicit or explicit) operand(s)
- Usually more than one instruction format in an instruction set



Instruction Length

Affected by and affects:

- Memory size
- Memory organization
- Bus structure
- CPU complexity
- CPU speed

Trade off between powerful instruction repertoire and saving space

Allocation of Bits

- Number of addressing modes
- Number of operands
- Register versus memory
- Number of register sets
- Address range
- Address granularity