أسئلة واجوبة لمادة الاسيمبلي

- The main components of the BIU are:
- > 6-byte Instruction Queue (Q). or 6 Byte Pre-fetch Queue (FIFO).
- ➤ Segment Registers (CS, DS, ES, SS).
- ➤ Instruction Pointer (IP).
- \succ Address Generation (Σ).

BIU performs the following functions:

- ➤ It generates the 20-bit physical address for memory access (Address relocation).
- ➤ It fetches instructions or operand from the memory.
- ➤ It transfers data to and from the memory and I/O.
- ➤ Maintains the 6-byte pre-fetch instruction queue (supports pipelining).
- -BIU takes care of all data and addresses transfers on the buses for the EU like sending addresses, fetching instructions from the memory, reading data from the memory as well as writing data to the memory.
- the Segment Registers are located in the BIU.
- the General-purpose registers are located in the EU.
- the 8086 has four special segment register :

1-code segment CS 16-bit 2-data segment DS 16-bit

3-extra segment ES 16-bit 4-stack segment SS 16 bit

-The Segment Registers have a very special purpose – pointing at **accessible** blocks of main memory.

- To be able to support memory address spaces larger than the native size of the internal address register would allow.
- The CS register: points at the segment containing the currently executing machine instructions.
- **The DS register**: is that segment of memory which is used to store global variables for the program.
- DS is a 16-bit register containing address of 64KB segment
- **The ES register**: is exactly that: a spare segment that may be used for specifying a location in memory.
- **The SS register**: it stores the starting address of the stack. The Stack Segment is that segment of memory which is used to store stack data.
- What is the advantage of memory segmentation?
- ➤ Segmentation helps you to increase the speed of execution so that processor can able to fetch & execute the data from the memory even faster and easier.
- ➤ The Segmentation allows the memory capacity to be 1 MB, although the actual address to be handled is of 16-bit size.
- If the 8086 in 16 bits can only address 64K of RAM! How many address lines or address buses are required to address 1 MB memory?

It depends not on the amount of memory, but on the address space. So, you need log2(n) bits to address n bytes.

Table: Default segment and offset register combinations

Segment register	Offset register	purpose		
CS	IP	Address of the next instruction, also called pc		
DS	SI,DI	Address of data		
SS	SP,BP	Sp : top of the stack , Bp :address in stack		
ES	DI	String destination address ,for string instruction		

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