# CMPE 310 Systems Design and Programming

L3: Chapter 1 – Introduction to the Microprocessor and Computer

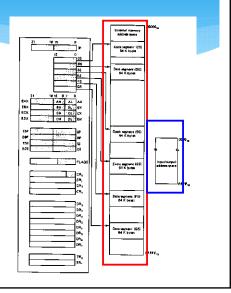


# L<sub>3</sub> Objectives

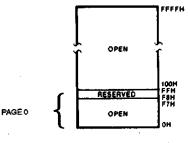
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- \* Describe how data is organized in the memory/ IO space
- \* Discuss the importance of data alignment
- \* Describe the data types

# Memory and Input/Output

- Architecture implements independent memory and input/output address spaces
  - \* Why?
- Memory address space-1,048,576 bytes long (1MB)
- \* Input/output address space-65,536 bytes long (64KB)



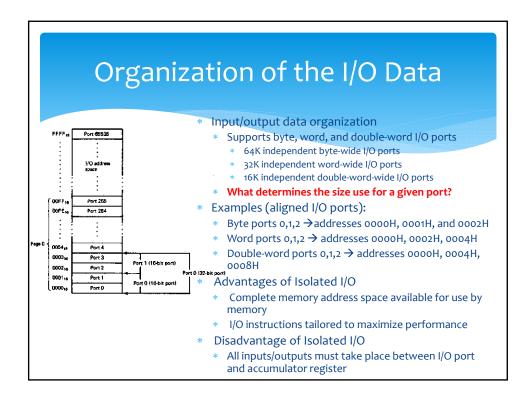
# I/O Address Space

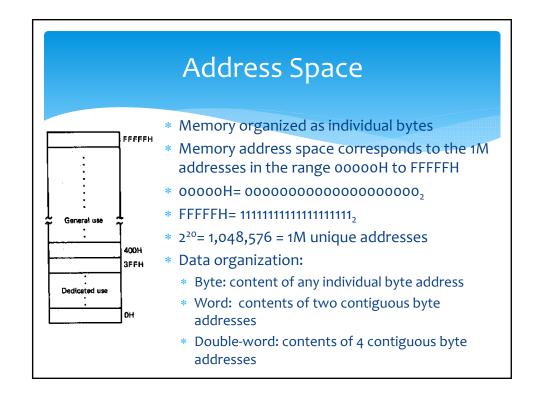


- I/O addresses are NOT memory-mapped addresses on the x86
- Input/output address space
  - Place where I/O devices are normally implemented
  - \* I/O addresses are only 16-bits in length
  - \* Independent 64K-byte address space
  - \* Address range ooooH through FFFFH

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- First 256 byte addresses → 0000H 00FFH
- Can be accessed with direct or variable I/O instructions
- \* Ports F8H through FF reserved

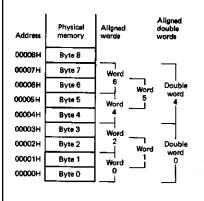




# \* Memory address space is partitioned into general use and dedicated use areas \* Dedicated (OH – 3FFH):

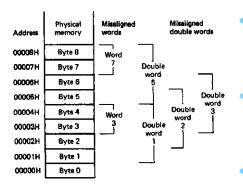
- Ganeral use
  400H
  3FFH
  Declicated use
- \* Interrupt vector table
- 1st 1024 bytes
  - \* Addresses oH → 3FFH
- 256 4-byte pointers
  - \* 16-bit segment base address
  - \* 16-bit offset
- General use:
  - \* 400H → FFFFFH
  - \* Used for stack, code, and data

# Aligned Words, Double words



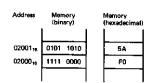
- Words and double words of data can be stored in memory at an even or odd address boundary
  - Examples of even address boundaries:
    - 00000<sub>16</sub>, 00002<sub>16</sub>, 00004<sub>16</sub>
  - \* Examples of odd address boundaries: 00001,6, 00003,6, 00005,6
- Aligned double-words are stored at even addresses that are a multiple of 4
  - \* Examples: double words o and 4

# Misaligned Words

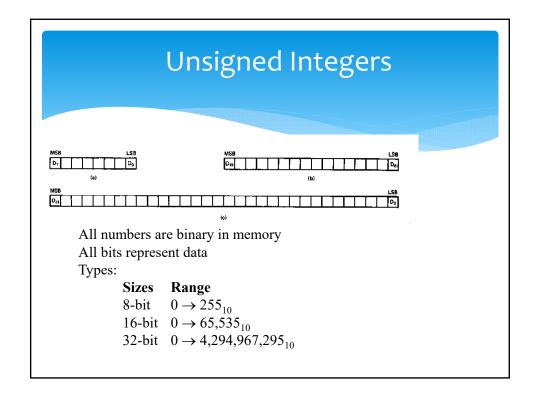


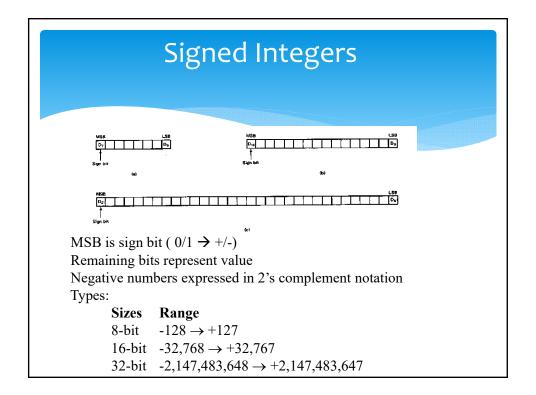
- 80x86 architecture supports access of aligned or misaligned data
- Words stored across a doubleword boundary are said to be "misaligned or unaligned words"
- Examples: words 3 and 7
   Misaligned double-words are stored at addresses that are not a multiple of 4
  - \* Examples: double words 1, 2, 3 and 5
- There is a performance impact for accessing unaligned data in memory (16-bit data bus)
- \* Why?

# **Examples of Words of Data**



- \* "Little endian" organization
- Most significant byte at high address
- Least significant byte at low address

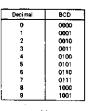




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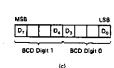
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# **BCD Numbers**



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- Direct coding of numbers as binary coded decimal (BCD) numbers supported
- Unpacked BCD [Fig (b)]
  - \* Lower four bits contain a digit of a BCD number
  - Upper four bits filled with zeros (zero filled)
- \* Packed BCD [Fig (c)]
  - Lower significant BCD digit held in lower 4 bits of byte
  - More significant BCD digit held in upper 4 bits of byte
  - \* Example: At memory address 01000H is 10010001
    - \* What number does that represent in BCD?

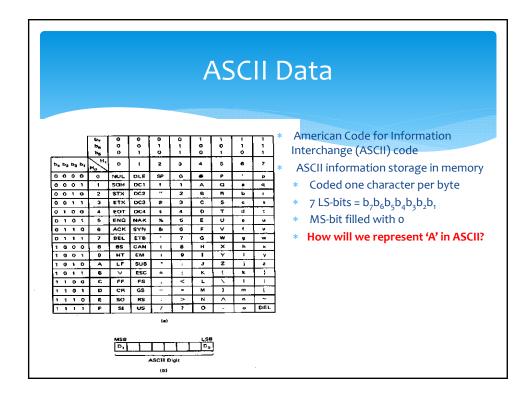
## **Character Code**

- \* **ASCII**: American Standard Code for Information Interchange
  - \* Represent each character with a 7-bit string
  - \* 128 different characters (see ASCII table)
  - \* Uppercase & lowercase alphabet, numerals, punctuation, nonprinting control characters
- \* Eighth bit may be used for parity (forcing number of 1s to be even or odd)
- \* Check out www.asciitable.com
- \* ASCII is somewhat eclipsed now by Unicode

# **Standard ASCII**

ASCII	$MSBs - b_6b_5b_4$							
$b_3b_2b_1b_0$	000 - 0	001 - 1	010 - 2	011 - 3	100 - 4	101 - 5	110 - 6	111 - 7
0000 - 0	NUL	DLE	SP	0	@	P	,	p
0001 - 1	SOH	DC1	!	1	A	Q	a	q
0010 - 2	STX	DC2	"	2	В	R	b	r
0011 - 3	ETX	DC3	#	3	С	S	c	s
0100 - 4	EOT	DC4	\$	4	D	T	d	t
0101 - 5	ENQ	NAK	%	5	E	U	e	u
0110 - 6	ACK	SYN	&	6	F	V	f	v
0111 – 7	BEL	ETB	•	7	G	W	g	w
1000 - 8	BS	CAN	(	8	H	X	h	X
1001 - 9	HT	EM	)	9	I	Y	i	у
1010 - A	LF	SUB	*	:	J	Z	j	z
1011 – B	VT	ESC	+	;	K	[	k	-{
1100 - C	FF	FS	,	<	L	\	1	
1101 – D	CR	GS	-	=	M	]	m	}
1110 – E	so	RS		>	N	^	n	~
1111 - F	SI	US	/	?	0	_	0	DEL

- \* "Yeccch!"
- \* 1011001 1100101 1100011 1100011 1100011 1101000 01000001



# So we discussed...

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# Next time

\* 80x86 Hardware Specification

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