# CHAPTER 3: ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE FUNDAMENTALS

## Chapter Overview

- Basic Elements of Assembly Language
- Example: Adding and Subtracting Integers
- Assembling, Linking, and Running Programs
- Defining Data
- Symbolic Constants
- 64-Bit Programming

## Instruction Format Examples

- No operands
  - stc ; set Carry flag
- One operand
  - inc eax ; register
  - inc myByte ; memory
- Two operands
  - add ebx,ecx ; register, register
  - sub myByte,25 ; memory, constant
  - add eax,36 \* 25 ; register, constant-expression

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## Example: Adding and Subtracting Integers

```
TITLE Add and Subtract
                                      (AddSubAlt.asm)
; This program adds and subtracts 32-bit integers.
.386
.MODEL flat, stdcall
.STACK 4096
ExitProcess PROTO, dwExitCode:DWORD
DumpRegs PROTO
. code
main PROC
                             ; EAX = 10000h
   mov eax, 10000h
   add eax,40000h
                             : EAX = 50000h
   sub eax,20000h
                               : EAX = 30000h
   call DumpRegs
   INVOKE ExitProcess, 0
main ENDP
END main
```

# **Example Output**

#### Program output, showing registers and flags:

```
EAX=00030000 EBX=7FFDF000 ECX=00000101 EDX=FFFFFFFF ESI=000000000 EDI=000000000 EBP=0012FFF0 ESP=0012FFC4 EIP=00401024 EFL=00000206 CF=0 SF=0 ZF=0 OF=0
```

## Suggested Coding Standards (1 of 2)

- Some approaches to capitalization
  - capitalize nothing
  - capitalize everything
  - capitalize all reserved words, including instruction mnemonics and register names
  - capitalize only directives and operators
- Other suggestions
  - descriptive identifier names
  - spaces surrounding arithmetic operators
  - blank lines between procedures

# Suggested Coding Standards (2 of 2)

- Indentation and spacing
  - code and data labels no indentation
  - executable instructions indent 4-5 spaces
  - comments: begin at column 40-45, aligned vertically
  - 1-3 spaces between instruction and its operands
    - ex: mov ax,bx
  - 1-2 blank lines between procedures

# Program Template (review)

main ENDP

END main

(Template.asm)

```
; Program Template
; Description:
; Author:
; Creation Date:
; Revisions:
; Date:
; Modified by:
```

.386
.model flat,stdcall
.stack 4096
ExitProcess PROTO, dwExitCode:DWORD

.data
; declare variables here

.code
main PROC
 ; write your code here
 INVOKE ExitProcess,0

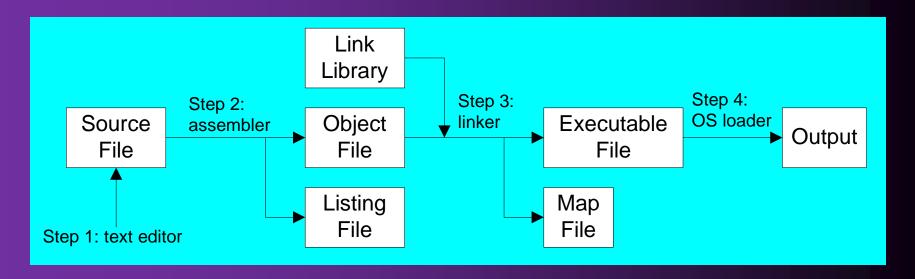
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# Assemble-Link Execute Cycle

- The following diagram describes the steps from creating a source program through executing the compiled program.
- If the source code is modified, Steps 2 through 4 must be repeated.



The assembler contains a preprocessor to process directives, etc.

## Listing File

- Use it to see how your program is compiled
- Contains
  - source code
  - addresses
  - object code (machine language)
  - segment names
  - symbols (variables, procedures, and constants)
- Example: See § 3.3

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## **Defining Data**

- Intrinsic Data Types (内部数据类型)
- Data Definition Statement
- Defining BYTE and SBYTE Data
- Defining WORD and SWORD Data
- Defining DWORD and SDWORD Data
- Defining QWORD Data
- Defining TBYTE Data
- Defining Real Number Data
- Little Endian Order
- Adding Variables to the AddSub Program
- Declaring Uninitialized Data

# Intrinsic Data Types (1 of 2)

- BYTE, SBYTE
  - 8-bit unsigned integer; 8-bit signed integer
- WORD, SWORD
  - 16-bit unsigned & signed integer
- DWORD, SDWORD
  - 32-bit unsigned & signed integer
- QWORD
  - 64-bit integer
- TBYTE
  - 80-bit integer

# Intrinsic Data Types (2 of 2)

- REAL4
  - 4-byte IEEE short real
- REAL8
  - 8-byte IEEE long real
- REAL10
  - 10-byte IEEE extended real

#### **Data Definition Statement**

- A data definition statement sets aside storage in memory for a variable.
- May optionally assign a name (label) to the data
- Syntax:

  [name] directive initializer [,initializer] . . .

  value1 BYTE 10

All initializers become binary data in memory

## Defining BYTE and SBYTE Data

Each of the following defines a single byte of storage:

- MASM does not prevent you from initializing a BYTE with a negative value, but it's considered poor style.
- If you declare a SBYTE variable, the Microsoft debugger will automatically display its value in decimal with a leading sign.

## **Defining Byte Arrays**

#### Examples that use multiple initializers:

```
list1 BYTE 10,20,30,40
list2 BYTE 10,20,30,40
        BYTE 50,60,70,80
        BYTE 81,82,83,84
list3 BYTE ?,32,41h,00100010b
list4 BYTE 0Ah,20h,'A',22h
```

# Defining Strings (1 of 3)

- A string is implemented as an array of characters
  - For convenience, it is usually enclosed in quotation marks
  - It often will be null-terminated
- Examples:

## Defining Strings (2 of 3)

 To continue a single string across multiple lines, end each line with a comma:

```
menu BYTE "Checking Account",0dh,0ah,0dh,0ah,
    "1. Create a new account",0dh,0ah,
    "2. Open an existing account",0dh,0ah,
    "3. Credit the account",0dh,0ah,
    "4. Debit the account",0dh,0ah,
    "5. Exit",0ah,0ah,
    "Choice> ",0
```

## Defining Strings (3 of 3)

- End-of-line character sequence:
  - 0Dh = carriage return
  - OAh = line feed

```
str1 BYTE "Enter your name: ",0Dh,0Ah
    BYTE "Enter your address: ",0
newLine BYTE 0Dh,0Ah,0
```

Idea: Define all strings used by your program in the same area of the data segment.

## Using the DUP Operator

- Use DUP to allocate (create space for) an array or string. Syntax: counter DUP (argument)
- Counter and argument must be constants or constant expressions

## Defining WORD and SWORD Data

- Define storage for 16-bit integers
  - or double characters
  - single value or multiple values

## Defining DWORD and SDWORD Data

Storage definitions for signed and unsigned 32-bit integers:

## Defining QWORD, TBYTE, Real Data

Storage definitions for quadwords, tenbyte values, and real numbers:

```
quad1 QWORD 1234567812345678h

val1 TBYTE 100000000123456789Ah

rVal1 REAL4 -2.1

rVal2 REAL8 3.2E-260

rVal3 REAL10 4.6E+4096

ShortArray REAL4 20 DUP(0.0)
```

#### Little Endian Order

 All data types larger than a byte store their individual bytes in reverse order. The least significant byte occurs at the first (lowest) memory address.

Example:

val1 DWORD 12345678h

0000:	78
0001:	56
0002:	34
0003:	12

# Big Endian Order

 All data types larger than a byte store their individual bytes in "usual" order. The most significant byte occurs at the first (lowest) memory address.

Example:

val1 DWORD 12345678h

0000:	12
0001:	34
0002:	56
0003:	78

## Adding Variables to AddSub

```
TITLE Add and Subtract, Version 2
                                             (AddSub2.asm)
; This program adds and subtracts 32-bit unsigned
; integers and stores the sum in a variable.
INCLUDE Irvine32.inc
.data
val1 DWORD 10000h
val2 DWORD 40000h
val3 DWORD 20000h
finalVal DWORD ?
. code
main PROC
                             ; start with 10000h
   mov eax, val1
   add eax, val2
                             ; add 40000h
                             ; subtract 20000h
   sub eax, val3
   mov finalVal, eax
                             ; store the result (30000h)
   call DumpRegs
                              ; display the registers
   exit
main ENDP
END main
```

## **Declaring Unitialized Data**

 Use the .data? directive to declare an uninitialized data segment:

.data?

 Within the segment, declare variables with "?" initializers:

smallArray DWORD 10 DUP(?)

Advantage: the program's EXE file size is reduced.

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# Symbolic Constants

- Equal-Sign Directive
- Calculating the Sizes of Arrays and Strings
- EQU Directive
- TEXTEQU Directive

## **Equal-Sign Directive**

- name = expression
  - expression is a 32-bit integer (expression or constant)
  - may be redefined
  - name is called a symbolic constant
- good programming style to use symbols

```
COUNT = 500
.
.
mov al, COUNT
```

# Calculating the Size of a Byte Array

- current location counter: \$
  - subtract address of list
  - difference is the number of bytes

```
list BYTE 10,20,30,40
ListSize = ($ - list)
```

## Calculating the Size of a Word Array

Divide total number of bytes by 2 (the size of a word)

```
list WORD 1000h,2000h,3000h,4000h
ListSize = ($ - list) / 2
```

# Calculating the Size of a Doubleword Array

Divide total number of bytes by 4 (the size of a doubleword)

```
list DWORD 1,2,3,4
ListSize = ($ - list) / 4
```

### **EQU** Directive

- Define a symbol as either a number or text expression.
- Cannot be redefined

```
PI EQU <3.1416>
pressKey EQU <"Press any key to continue...",0>
.data
prompt BYTE pressKey
```

#### **TEXTEQU** Directive

- Define a symbol as either an integer or text expression.
- Called a text macro
- Can be redefined.

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## 64-Bit Programming

- MASM supports 64-bit programming, although the following directives are not permitted:
  - INVOKE, ADDR, .model, .386, .stack
  - (Other non-permitted directives will be introduced in later chapters)

#### 64-Bit Version of AddTwoSum

```
1: ; AddTwoSum 64.asm - Chapter 3 example.
3: ExitProcess PROTO
5: .data
6: sum QWORD 0
8: .code
9: main PROC
10: mov rax,5
11: add rax,6
12: mov sum, rax
13:
14: mov ecx,0
15: call ExitProcess
16: main ENDP
17: END
```

## Things to Notice About the Previous Slide

- The following lines are not needed:
  - .386
    .model flat,stdcall

.stack 4096

- INVOKE is not supported.
- CALL instruction cannot receive arguments
- Use 64-bit registers when possible

# CHAPTER 4: DATA TRANSFERS, ADDRESSING, AND ARITHMETIC

## Chapter Overview

- Data Transfer Instructions
- Addition and Subtraction
- Data-Related Operators and Directives
- Indirect Addressing
- JMP and LOOP Instructions
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#### Data Transfer Instructions

- Operand Types
- Instruction Operand Notation
- Direct Memory Operands
- MOV Instruction
- Zero & Sign Extension
- XCHG Instruction
- Direct-Offset Instructions

## **Operand Types**

- Three basic types of operands:
  - Immediate a constant integer (8, 16, or 32 bits)
    - value is encoded within the instruction
  - Register the name of a register
    - register name is converted to a number and encoded within the instruction
  - Memory reference to a location in memory
    - memory address is encoded within the instruction, or a register holds the address of a memory location

## Instruction Operand Notation

Operand	Description
r8	8-bit general-purpose register: AH, AL, BH, BL, CH, CL, DH, DL
r16	16-bit general-purpose register: AX, BX, CX, DX, SI, DI, SP, BP
r32	32-bit general-purpose register: EAX, EBX, ECX, EDX, ESI, EDI, ESP, EBP
reg	any general-purpose register
sreg	16-bit segment register: CS, DS, SS, ES, FS, GS
imm	8-, 16-, or 32-bit immediate value
imm8	8-bit immediate byte value
imm16	16-bit immediate word value
imm32	32-bit immediate doubleword value
r/m8	8-bit operand which can be an 8-bit general register or memory byte
r/m16	16-bit operand which can be a 16-bit general register or memory word
r/m32	32-bit operand which can be a 32-bit general register or memory doubleword
mem	an 8-, 16-, or 32-bit memory operand

## **Direct Memory Operands**

- A direct memory operand is a named reference to storage in memory
- The named reference (label) is automatically dereferenced (解引用) by the assembler

#### MOV Instruction

Move from source to destination. Syntax:

#### MOV destination, source

- No more than one memory operand permitted
- CS, EIP, and IP cannot be the destination
- No immediate to segment moves

```
.data
count BYTE 100
wVal WORD 2
.code
   mov bl,count
   mov ax,wVal
   mov count,al

mov al,wVal ; error
   mov ax,count ; error
   mov eax,count ; error
```

#### Zero Extension

When you copy a smaller value into a larger destination, the MOVZX instruction fills (extends) the upper half of the destination with zeros.

```
0 10001111 Source
00000000 10001111 Destination
```

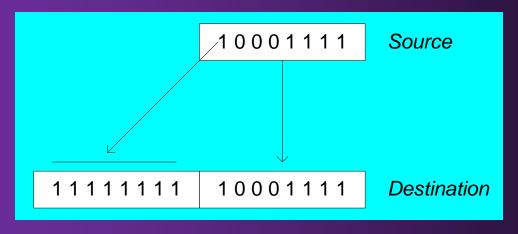
```
mov bl,10001111b

movzx ax,bl ; zero-extension
```

- The destination must be a register.
- The source cannot be immediate.

## Sign Extension

The MOVSX instruction fills the upper half of the destination with a copy of the source operand's sign bit.



```
mov bl,10001111b

movsx ax,bl ; sign extension
```

- The destination must be a register.
- The source cannot be immediate.

#### **XCHG Instruction**

XCHG exchanges the values of two operands. At least one operand must be a register. No immediate operands are permitted.

## Direct-Offset Operands (直接偏移操作数)

A constant offset is added to a data label to produce an effective address (EA). The address is dereferenced to get the value inside its memory location.

Q: Why doesn't arrayB+1 produce 11h?

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#### Addition and Subtraction

- INC and DEC Instructions
- ADD and SUB Instructions
- NEG Instruction
- Implementing Arithmetic Expressions
- Flags Affected by Arithmetic
  - Zero
  - Sign
  - Carry
  - Overflow

### INC and DEC Instructions

- Add 1, subtract 1 from destination operand
  - operand may be register or memory
- INC destination
  - Logic: destination ← destination + 1
- DEC destination
  - Logic: destination ← destination 1

## INC and DEC Examples

```
.data
myWord WORD 1000h
myDword DWORD 1000000h
. code
   inc myWord
                            ; 1001h
   dec myWord
                            ; 1000h
   inc myDword
                            ; 10000001h
   mov ax,00FFh
                            ; AX = 0100h
   inc ax
   mov ax,00FFh
                            ; AX = 0000h
   inc al
```

#### ADD and SUB Instructions

- ADD destination, source
  - Logic: *destination* ← *destination* + source
- SUB destination, source
  - Logic: *destination* ← *destination* source
- Same operand rules as for the MOV instruction

## ADD and SUB Examples

```
.data
var1 DWORD 10000h
var2 DWORD 20000h
.code ; ---EAX---
mov eax,var1 ; 00010000h
add eax,var2 ; 00030000h
add ax,0FFFFh ; 0003FFFFh
add eax,1 ; 00040000h
sub ax,1 ; 0004FFFFh
```

## **NEG** (negate) Instruction

Reverses the sign of an operand. Operand can be a register or memory operand.

## Implementing Arithmetic Expressions

HLL compilers translate mathematical expressions into assembly language. You can do it also. For example:

```
Rval = -Xval + (Yval - Zval)
```

## Flags Affected by Arithmetic

- The ALU has a number of status flags that reflect the outcome of arithmetic (and bitwise) operations
  - based on the contents of the destination operand
- Essential flags:
  - Zero flag set when destination equals zero
  - Sign flag set when destination is negative
  - Carry flag set when unsigned value is out of range
  - Overflow flag set when signed value is out of range
- The MOV instruction never affects the flags.

## Zero Flag (ZF)

The Zero flag is set when the result of an operation produces zero in the destination operand.

```
mov cx,1
sub cx,1
row ax,0FFFFh
inc ax
row ax
row ax, 0FFFFh
inc ax
row ax
row ax, 0FFFFh
row ax
row ax, 0FFFFh
row ax, 0FFFH
row ax
```

#### Remember...

- A flag is set when it equals 1.
- A flag is clear when it equals 0.

## Sign Flag (SF)

The Sign flag is set when the destination operand is negative. The flag is clear when the destination is positive.

```
mov cx,0

sub cx,1

add cx,2

; CX = -1, SF = 1

; CX = 1, SF = 0
```

The sign flag is a copy of the destination's highest bit:

```
mov al,0

sub al,1

add al,2

; AL = 111111111b, SF = 1

; AL = 00000001b, SF = 0
```

# Signed and Unsigned Integers A Hardware Viewpoint

- All CPU instructions operate exactly the same on signed and unsigned integers
- The CPU cannot distinguish between signed and unsigned integers
- YOU, the programmer, are solely responsible for using the correct data type with each instruction

## Carry Flag (CF)

The Carry flag is set when the result of an operation generates an unsigned value that is out of range (too big or too small for the destination operand).

## Overflow Flag (OF)

The Overflow flag is set when the signed result of an operation is invalid or out of range.

The two examples are identical at the binary level because 7Fh equals +127. To determine the value of the destination operand, it is often easier to calculate in hexadecimal.

#### A Rule of Thumb

- When adding two integers, remember that the Overflow flag is only set when . . .
  - Two positive operands are added and their sum is negative
  - Two negative operands are added and their sum is positive

```
What will be the values of the Overflow flag?

mov al,80h
add al,92h
; OF = 1

mov al,-2
add al,+127
; OF = 0
```

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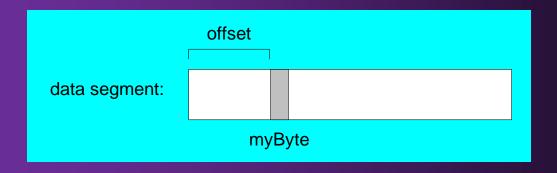
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## Data-Related Operators and Directives

- OFFSET Operator
- PTR Operator
- TYPE Operator
- LENGTHOF Operator
- SIZEOF Operator
- LABEL Directive

## **OFFSET Operator**

- OFFSET returns the distance in bytes, of a label from the beginning of its enclosing segment
  - Protected mode: 32 bits
  - Real mode: 16 bits



The Protected-mode programs we write only have a single segment (we use the flat memory model).

## OFFSET Examples

Let's assume that the data segment begins at 00404000h:

```
.data
bVal BYTE ?
wVal WORD ?
dVal DWORD ?
dVal2 DWORD ?

.code
mov esi,OFFSET bVal ; ESI = 00404000
mov esi,OFFSET wVal ; ESI = 00404001
mov esi,OFFSET dVal ; ESI = 00404003
mov esi,OFFSET dVal ; ESI = 00404007
```

## PTR Operator

Overrides the default type of a label (variable). Provides the flexibility to access part of a variable.

```
.data
myDouble DWORD 12345678h
.code
mov ax,myDouble ; error - why?
mov ax,WORD PTR myDouble ; loads 5678h
mov WORD PTR myDouble,4321h ; saves 4321h
```

Recall that little endian order is used when storing data in memory (see Section 3.4.11 in the 7th Ed).

### Little Endian Order

- Little endian order refers to the way Intel stores integers in memory.
- Multi-byte integers are stored in reverse order, with the least significant byte stored at the lowest address
- For example, the doubleword 12345678h would be stored as:

byte	offset
78	0000
56	0001
34	0002
12	0003

When integers are loaded from memory into registers, the bytes are automatically re-reversed into their correct positions.

## PTR Operator Examples

```
.data
myDouble DWORD 12345678h
```

```
doubleword
            word
                         offset
                   byte
                   78
                         0000
                               myDouble
12345678
           5678
                               myDouble + 1
                   56
                         0001
            1234
                               myDouble + 2
                   34
                         0002
                               myDouble + 3
                   12
                         0003
```

### PTR Operator (cont)

PTR can also be used to combine elements of a smaller data type and move them into a larger operand. The CPU will automatically reverse the bytes.

```
.data
myBytes BYTE 12h,34h,56h,78h

.code
mov ax,WORD PTR [myBytes] ; AX = 3412h
mov ax,WORD PTR [myBytes+2] ; AX = 7856h
mov eax,DWORD PTR myBytes ; EAX = 78563412h
```

## **TYPE Operator**

The TYPE operator returns the size, in bytes, of a single element of a data declaration.

```
.data
var1 BYTE ?
var2 WORD ?
var3 DWORD ?
var4 QWORD ?

.code
mov eax, TYPE var1 ; 1
mov eax, TYPE var2 ; 2
mov eax, TYPE var3 ; 4
mov eax, TYPE var4 ; 8
```

## **LENGTHOF Operator**

The LENGTHOF operator counts the number of elements in a single data declaration.

## SIZEOF Operator

The SIZEOF operator returns a value that is equivalent to multiplying LENGTHOF by TYPE.

```
      .data
      SIZEOF

      byte1 BYTE 10,20,30
      ; 3

      array1 WORD 30 DUP(?),0,0
      ; 64

      array2 WORD 5 DUP(3 DUP(?))
      ; 30

      array3 DWORD 1,2,3,4
      ; 16

      digitStr BYTE "12345678",0
      ; 9

      .code
      ; 64
```

## Spanning Multiple Lines (1 of 2)

A data declaration spans multiple lines if each line (except the last) ends with a comma. The LENGTHOF and SIZEOF operators include all lines belonging to the declaration:

```
.data
array WORD 10,20,
    30,40,
    50,60

.code
mov eax,LENGTHOF array ; 6
mov ebx,SIZEOF array ; 12
```

## Spanning Multiple Lines (2 of 2)

In the following example, array identifies only the first WORD declaration. Compare the values returned by LENGTHOF and SIZEOF here to those in the previous slide:

```
.data
array WORD 10,20
WORD 30,40
WORD 50,60

.code
mov eax, LENGTHOF array ; 2
mov ebx, SIZEOF array ; 4
```

#### LABEL Directive

- Assigns an alternate label name and type to an existing storage location
- LABEL does not allocate any storage of its own
- Removes the need for the PTR operator

```
.data
dwList LABEL DWORD
wordList LABEL WORD
intList BYTE 00h,10h,00h,20h
.code
mov eax,dwList ; 20001000h
mov cx,wordList ; 1000h
mov dl,intList ; 00h
```

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## Indirect Addressing (间接寻址)

- Indirect Operands
- Array Sum Example
- Indexed Operands
- Pointers

## Indirect Operands (1 of 2)

An indirect operand holds the address of a variable, usually an array or string. It can be dereferenced (just like a pointer).

## Indirect Operands (2 of 2)

Use PTR to clarify the size attribute of a memory operand.

## Array Sum Example

Indirect operands are ideal for traversing an array. Note that the register in brackets must be incremented by a value that matches the array type.

ToDo: Modify this example for an array of doublewords.

## Indexed Operands (变址操作数)

An indexed operand adds a constant to a register to generate an effective address. There are two notational forms:

```
[label + reg] label[reg]
```

```
.data
arrayW WORD 1000h,2000h,3000h
.code
  mov esi,0
  mov ax,[arrayW + esi] ; AX = 1000h
  mov ax,arrayW[esi] ; alternate format
  add esi,2
  add ax,[arrayW + esi]
  etc.
```

ToDo: Modify this example for an array of doublewords.

## Index Scaling (索引比例)

You can scale an indirect or indexed operand to the offset of an array element. This is done by multiplying the index by the array's TYPE:

```
.data
arrayB BYTE 0,1,2,3,4,5
arrayW WORD 0,1,2,3,4,5
arrayD DWORD 0,1,2,3,4,5
. code
mov esi,4
mov al,arrayB[esi * TYPE arrayB]
                                         ; 04
                                         ; 0004
mov bx,arrayW[esi * TYPE arrayW]
mov edx,arrayD[esi * TYPE arrayD] ; 00000004
```

### **Pointers**

You can declare a pointer variable that contains the offset of another variable.

```
.data
arrayW WORD 1000h,2000h,3000h
ptrW DWORD arrayW
.code
   mov esi,ptrW
   mov ax,[esi] ; AX = 1000h
```

```
Alternate format:

ptrw DWORD OFFSET arrayW
```

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### JMP and LOOP Instructions

- JMP Instruction
- LOOP Instruction
- LOOP Example
- Summing an Integer Array
- Copying a String

### JMP Instruction

- JMP is an unconditional jump to a label that is usually within the same procedure.
- Syntax: JMP target
- Logic: EIP ← target
- Example:

A jump outside the current procedure must be to a special type of label called a global label (see the textbook for details).

### **LOOP Instruction**

- The LOOP instruction creates a counting loop
- Syntax: LOOP target
- Logic:
  - ECX ← ECX 1
  - if ECX != 0, jump to *target*
- Implementation:
  - The assembler calculates the distance, in bytes, between the offset of the following instruction and the offset of the target label. It is called the relative offset.
  - The relative offset is added to EIP.

## LOOP Example

The following loop calculates the sum of the integers 5 + 4 + 3 +2 + 1:

offset	machine code	source code
0000000	66 B8 00 00	mov ax,0
00000004	в9 05 00 00 00	mov ecx,5
00000009	66 03 C1	L1: add ax,cx
000000C	E2 FB	loop L1
000000E		

When LOOP is assembled, the current location = 0000000E (offset of the next instruction). –5 (FBh) is added to the the current location, causing a jump to location 00000009:

$$00000009 \leftarrow 0000000E + FB$$

### **Nested Loop**

If you need to code a loop within a loop, you must save the outer loop counter's ECX value. In the following example, the outer loop executes 100 times, and the inner loop 20 times.

```
.data
count DWORD ?
. code
  mov ecx,100
               ; set outer loop count
L1:
  mov ecx,20
           ; set inner loop count
L2: .
  loop L2
            ; repeat the inner loop
  ; repeat the outer loop
  loop L1
```

### What's Next

- Data Transfer Instructions
- Addition and Subtraction
- Data-Related Operators and Directives
- Indirect Addressing
- JMP and LOOP Instructions
- 64-Bit Programming

## 64-Bit Programming

- MOV instruction in 64-bit mode accepts operands of 8, 16, 32, or 64 bits
- When you move a 8, 16, or 32-bit constant to a 64-bit register, the upper bits of the destination are cleared.
- When you move a memory operand into a 64-bit register, the results vary:
  - 32-bit move clears high bits in destination
  - 8-bit or 16-bit move does not affect high bits in destination

## More 64-Bit Programming

- MOVSXD sign extends a 32-bit value into a 64-bit destination register
- The OFFSET operator generates a 64-bit address
- LOOP uses the 64-bit RCX register as a counter
- RSI and RDI are the most common 64-bit index registers for accessing arrays.

### Other 64-Bit Notes

- ADD and SUB affect the flags in the same way as in 32-bit mode
- You can use scale factors with indexed operands.

# **CHAPTER 5: PROCEDURES**

## **Chapter Overview**

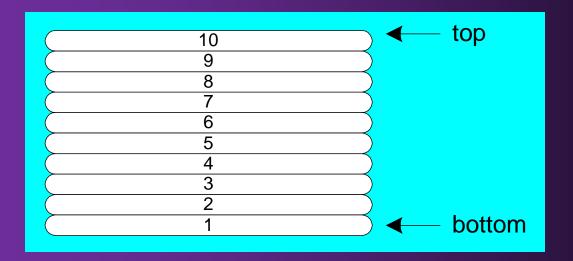
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## **Stack Operations**

- Runtime Stack
- PUSH Operation
- POP Operation
- PUSH and POP Instructions
- Using PUSH and POP
- Related Instructions

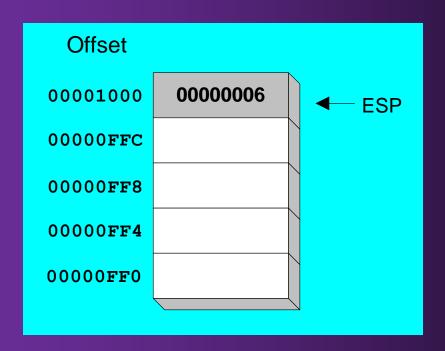
### Runtime Stack

- Imagine a stack of plates . . .
  - plates are only added to the top
  - plates are only removed from the top
  - LIFO structure



### Runtime Stack

- Managed by the CPU, using two registers
  - SS (stack segment)
  - ESP (stack pointer) \*



<sup>\*</sup> SP in Real-address mode

## PUSH Operation (1 of 2)

 A 32-bit push operation decrements the stack pointer by 4 and copies a value into the location pointed to by the stack pointer.



## PUSH Operation (2 of 2)

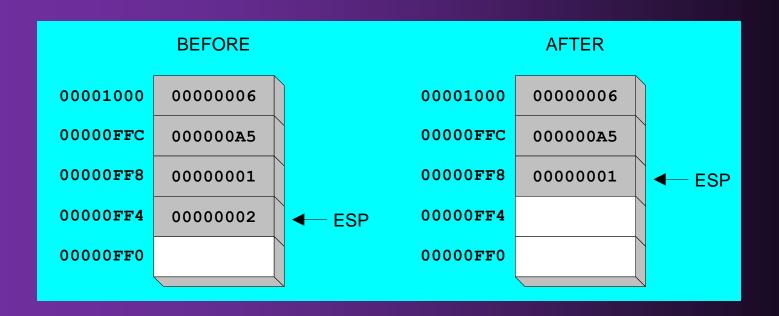
Same stack after pushing two more integers:



The stack grows downward. The area below ESP is always available (unless the stack has overflowed).

## **POP Operation**

- Copies value at stack[ESP] into a register or variable.
- Adds n to ESP, where n is either 2 or 4.
  - value of n depends on the attribute of the operand receiving the data



### **PUSH and POP Instructions**

- PUSH syntax:
  - PUSH *r/m16*
  - PUSH *r/m32*
  - PUSH imm32
- POP syntax:
  - POP *r/m16*
  - POP *r/m32*

## Using PUSH and POP

Save and restore registers when they contain important values. PUSH and POP instructions occur in the opposite order.

```
push esi
                              ; push registers
push ecx
push ebx
mov esi, OFFSET dwordVal
                              ; display some memory
mov ecx, LENGTHOF dwordVal
mov ebx, TYPE dwordVal
call DumpMem
     ebx
                              ; restore registers
pop
pop
   ecx
pop esi
```

#### Related Instructions

- PUSHFD and POPFD
  - push and pop the EFLAGS register
- PUSHAD pushes the 32-bit general-purpose registers on the stack
  - order: EAX, ECX, EDX, EBX, ESP, EBP, ESI, EDI
- POPAD pops the same registers off the stack in reverse order
  - PUSHA and POPA do the same for 16-bit registers

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### Defining and Using Procedures

- Creating Procedures
- Documenting Procedures
- Example: SumOf Procedure
- CALL and RET Instructions
- Nested Procedure Calls
- Local and Global Labels
- Procedure Parameters
- USES Operator

### Creating Procedures

- Large problems can be divided into smaller tasks to make them more manageable
- A procedure is the ASM equivalent of a Java or C++ function
- Following is an assembly language procedure named sample:

```
sample PROC

.
ret
sample ENDP
```

### Documenting Procedures

#### Suggested documentation for each procedure:

- A description of all tasks accomplished by the procedure.
- Receives: A list of input parameters; state their usage and requirements.
- Returns: A description of values returned by the procedure.
- Requires: Optional list of requirements called preconditions that must be satisfied before the procedure is called.

If a procedure is called without its preconditions satisfied, it will probably not produce the expected output.

### Example: SumOf Procedure

```
SumOf PROC
; Calculates and returns the sum of three 32-bit integers.
; Receives: EAX, EBX, ECX, the three integers. May be
; signed or unsigned.
; Returns: EAX = sum, and the status flags (Carry,
; Overflow, etc.) are changed.
; Requires: nothing
   add eax, ebx
   add eax, ecx
                     To call SumOf, prepare arguments: EAX, EBX, ECX
   ret
                             mov eax, 10
SumOf ENDP
                             mov ebx,20
                             mov ecx,30
                             call SumOf
                             WriteDec
```

#### **CALL** and RET Instructions

- The CALL instruction calls a procedure
  - pushes offset of next instruction on the stack
  - copies the address of the called procedure into EIP
- The RET instruction returns from a procedure
  - pops top of stack into EIP

### CALL-RET Example (1 of 2)

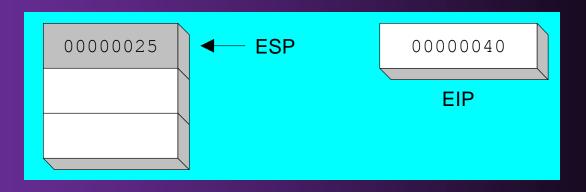
0000025 is the offset of the instruction immediately following the CALL instruction

00000040 is the offset of the first instruction inside MySub

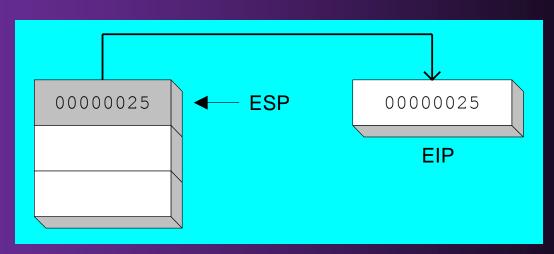
```
main PROC
   00000020 call MySub
   00000025 mov eax, ebx
main ENDP
MySub PROC
   00000040 mov eax,edx
   ret
MySub ENDP
```

### CALL-RET Example (2 of 2)

The CALL instruction pushes 00000025 onto the stack, and loads 00000040 into EIP



The RET instruction pops 00000025 from the stack into EIP



(stack shown before RET executes)

### Procedure Parameters (1 of 3)

- A good procedure might be usable in many different programs
  - but not if it refers to specific variable names
- Parameters help to make procedures flexible because parameter values can change at runtime

### Procedure Parameters (2 of 3)

The ArraySum procedure calculates the sum of an array. It makes two references to specific variable names:

```
ArraySum PROC

mov esi,0 ; array index

mov eax,0 ; set the sum to zero

mov ecx,LENGTHOF myarray ; set number of elements

L1: add eax,myArray[esi] ; add each integer to sum

add esi,4 ; point to next integer

loop L1 ; repeat for array size

mov theSum,eax ; store the sum

ret

ArraySum ENDP
```

What if you wanted to calculate the sum of two or three arrays within the same program?

### Procedure Parameters (3 of 3)

This version of ArraySum returns the sum of any doubleword array whose address is in ESI. The sum is returned in EAX:

```
ArraySum PROC
; Receives: ESI points to an array of doublewords,
  ECX = number of array elements.
; Returns: EAX = sum
   mov eax, 0
                              ; set the sum to zero
L1: add eax, [esi]
                       ; add each integer to sum
   add esi,4
                              ; point to next integer
   loop L1
                              ; repeat for array size
   ret
ArraySum ENDP
```

### **USES** Operator

Lists the registers that will be preserved

```
ArraySum PROC USES esi ecx
   mov eax,0
                               ; set the sum to zero
   etc.
MASM generates the code shown in gold:
ArraySum PROC
   push esi
   push ecx
   pop ecx
   pop esi
   ret
ArraySum ENDP
```

### When not to push a register

The sum of the three registers is stored in EAX on line (3), but the POP instruction replaces it with the starting value of EAX on line (4):

```
SumOf PROC ; sum of three integers
push eax ; 1
add eax,ebx ; 2
add eax,ecx ; 3
pop eax ; 4
ret
SumOf ENDP
```

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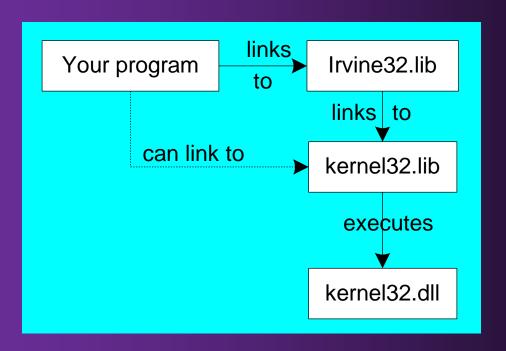
### What is a Link Library?

- A file containing procedures that have been compiled into machine code
  - constructed from one or more OBJ files
- To build a library, . . .
  - start with one or more ASM source files
  - assemble each into an OBJ file
  - create an empty library file (extension .LIB)
  - add the OBJ file(s) to the library file, using the Microsoft LIB utility

Take a quick look at Irvine32.asm

#### **How The Linker Works**

- Your programs link to Irvine32.lib using the linker command inside a batch file named make32.bat.
- Notice the two LIB files: Irvine32.lib, and kernel32.lib
  - the latter is part of the Microsoft Win32 Software Development Kit (SDK)



### Calling Irvine32 Library Procedure

- Call each procedure using the CALL instruction.
  - Some procedures require input arguments.
  - The INCLUDE directive copies in the procedure prototypes (declarations).
- The following example displays "1234" on the console:

```
INCLUDE Irvine32.inc
.code
mov eax,1234h ; input argument
call WriteHex ; show hex number
call Crlf ; end of line
```

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### Program Design Using Procedures

- Top-Down Design (functional decomposition) involves the following:
  - design your program before starting to code
  - break large tasks into smaller ones
  - use a hierarchical structure based on procedure calls
  - test individual procedures separately

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### 64-Bit Assembly Programming

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- Calling 64-Bit Subroutines
- The x64 Calling Convention

### Calling 64-Bit Subroutines

- Place the first four parameters in registers
- Add PROTO directives at the top of your program
  - examples:

```
ExitProcess PROTO ; located in the Windows API WriteHex64 PROTO ; located in the Irvine64 library
```

### The x64 Calling Convention

- Must use this with the 64-bit Windows API
- CALL instruction subtracts 8 from RSP
- First four parameters must be placed in RCX, RDX, R8, and R9
- Caller must allocate at least 32 bytes of shadow space on the stack
- When calling a subroutine, the stack pointer must be aligned on a 16-byte boundary.

See the CallProc\_64.asm example program.

### Summary (Chap 3)

- Integer expression, character constant
- directive interpreted by the assembler
- instruction executes at runtime
- code, data, and stack segments
- source, listing, object, map, executable files
- Data definition directives:
  - BYTE, SBYTE, WORD, SWORD, DWORD, SDWORD, QWORD, TBYTE, REAL4, REAL8, and REAL10
  - DUP operator, location counter (\$)

### Summary (Chap 4)

- Data Transfer
  - MOV data transfer from source to destination
  - MOVSX, MOVZX, XCHG
- Operand types
  - direct, direct-offset, indirect, indexed
- Arithmetic
  - INC, DEC, ADD, SUB, NEG
  - Sign, Carry, Zero, Overflow flags
- Operators
  - OFFSET, PTR, TYPE, LENGTHOF, SIZEOF, TYPEDEF
- JMP and LOOP branching instructions

### Summary (Chap 5)

- Procedure named block of executable code
- Runtime stack LIFO structure
  - holds return addresses, parameters, local variables
  - PUSH add value to stack
  - POP remove value from stack
- Use the Irvine32 library for all standard I/O and data conversion
  - Want to learn more? Study the library source code

### Homework

- Reading Chap 3 -- 5
- Homework
  - Coding Exercises

# Thanks!