
Addressing Modes

Introduction

Most of the instructions must refer to the address or content of a specific memory location. These so-called *memory reference instructions* must somehow identify the address of the location as a part of the instruction encoding. The manner in which this *target address* or *effective address* is identified within the instruction is called the *addressing mode*.

Addressing Modes

- Implied
- Immediate
- Direct
- Indirect
- Register
- Register Indirect
- Displacement (Indexed)
- Autoincrement
- Autodecrement
- Stack

Implied Mode

- Operands are specified implicitly in definition of the instruction

- ***Examples***

- » **COM** : Complement Accumulator

- Operand in AC is implied in the definition of the instruction.
 - All register reference instruction that use an accumulator are implied mode instruction.

- » **PUSH** : Stack push

- Operand is implied to be on top of the stack.
 - Zero address instruction in stack are implied mode since the operands are implied on top of stack.

Immediate Addressing

- Operand is part of instruction
- Operand = address field
- e.g. ADD 5
 - Add 5 to contents of accumulator
 - 5 is operand
- No memory reference to fetch data
- Fast
 - Useful for initializing registers to a constant value
 - **Example** : LD #NBR

Immediate Addressing Diagram

Instruction



Direct Addressing

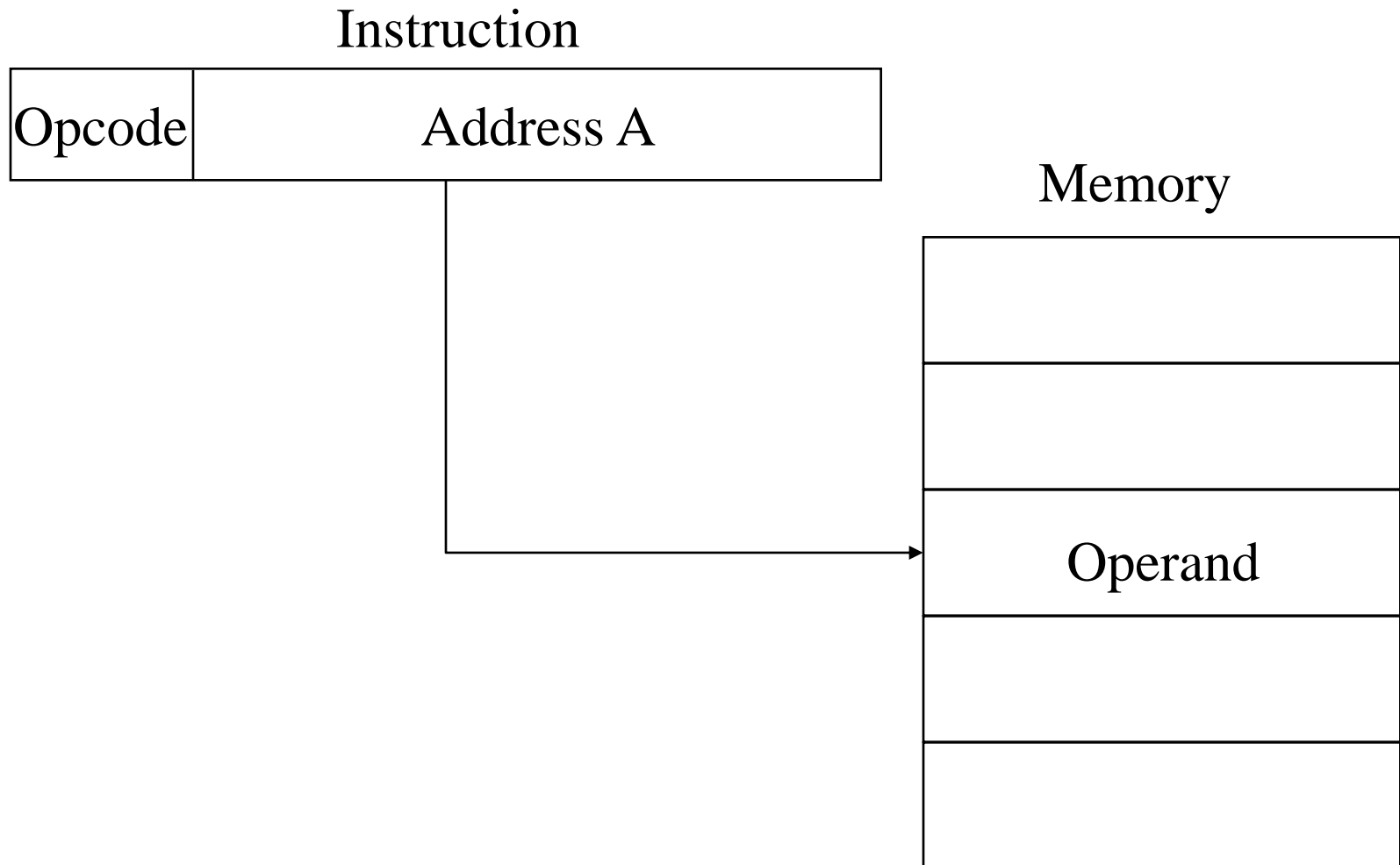
- Address field contains address of operand
- Effective address (EA) = address field (A)
- e.g. ADD A
 - Add contents of cell A to accumulator
 - Look in memory at address A for operand
- Single memory reference to access data
- No additional calculations to work out effective address

• *Example*: LD ADR

$AC \leftarrow M[ADR]$

ADR = Address part of Instruction

Direct Addressing Diagram



Indirect Addressing (1)

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

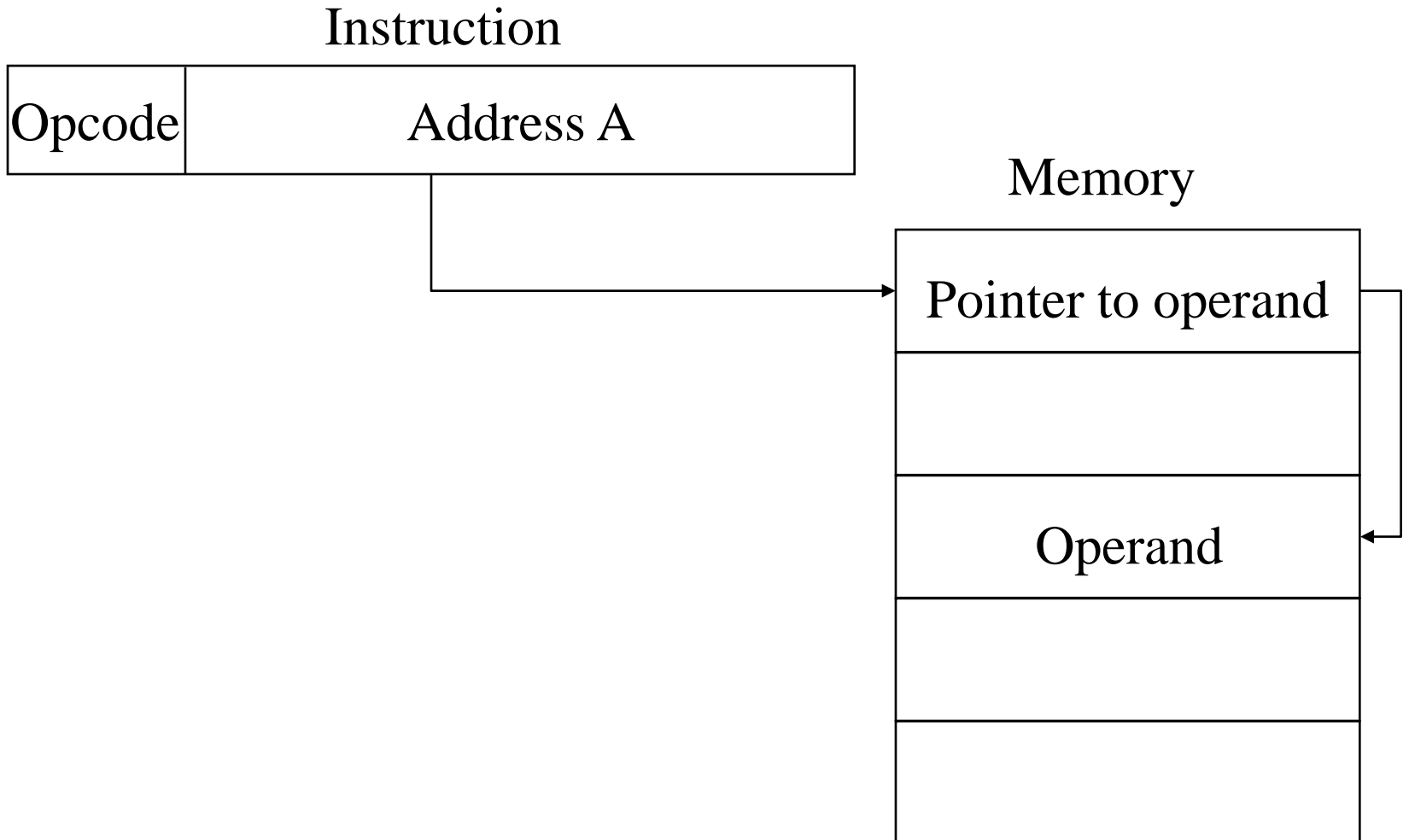
Indirect Addressing (2)

- Large address space
- 2^n where n = word length
- May be nested, multilevel, cascaded
 - e.g. $EA = (((A)))$
- Multiple memory accesses to find operand
- Hence slower

Example: LD @ADR

$$AC \leftarrow M[M[ADR]]$$

Indirect Addressing Diagram



Register Addressing (1)

- Operand is held in register named in address field
 - Register is selected from a register field in the instruction
 - » k-bit register field can specify any one of 2^k registers
- $EA = R$
- Limited number of registers
- Very small address field needed
 - Shorter instructions
 - Faster instruction fetch

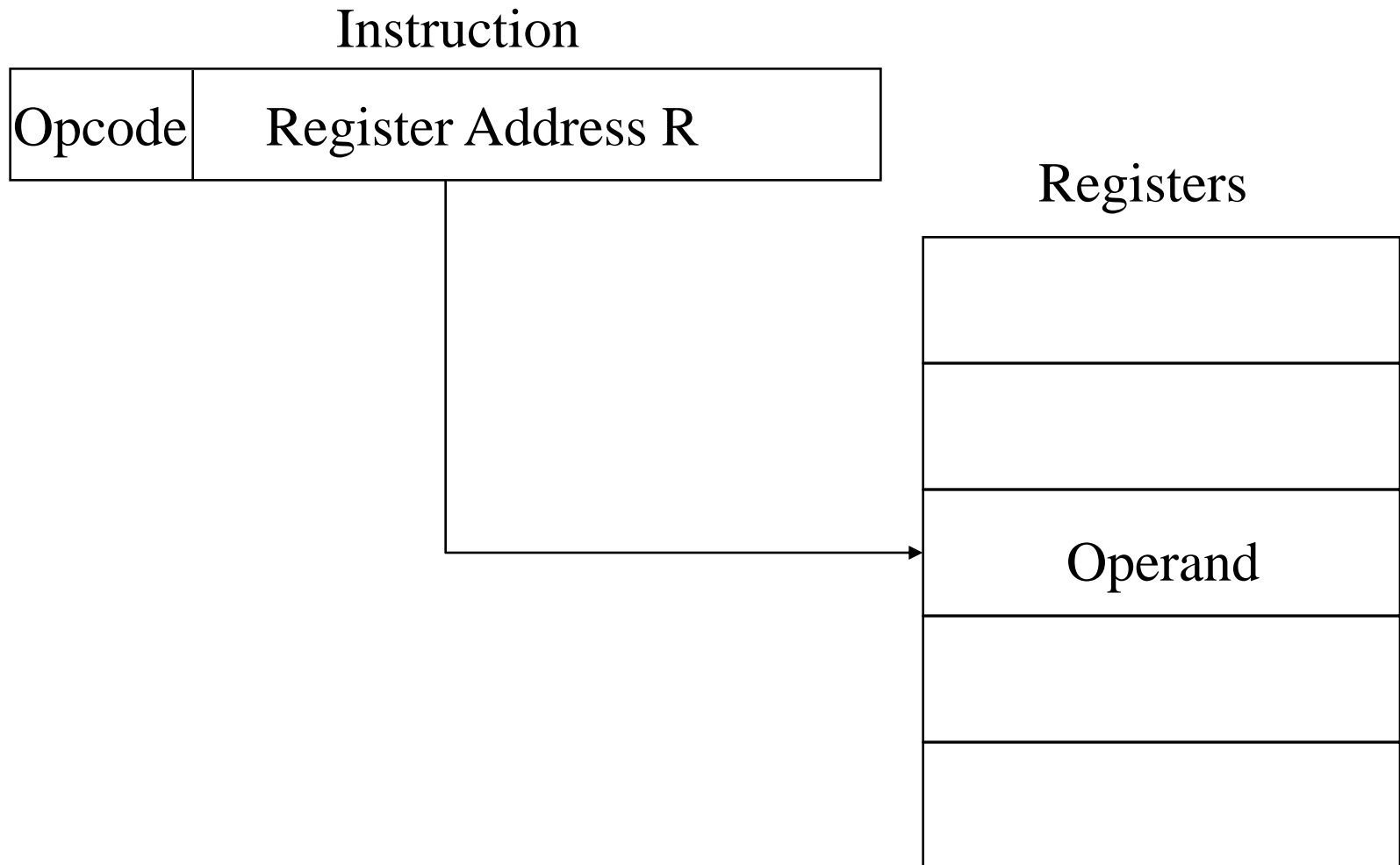
Register Addressing (2)

- No memory access
- Very fast execution
- Very limited address space
- Multiple registers helps performance
 - Requires good assembly programming or compiler writing
 - Ex. C programming
 - register int a;

Example : LD R1

$AC \leftarrow R1$

Register Addressing Diagram

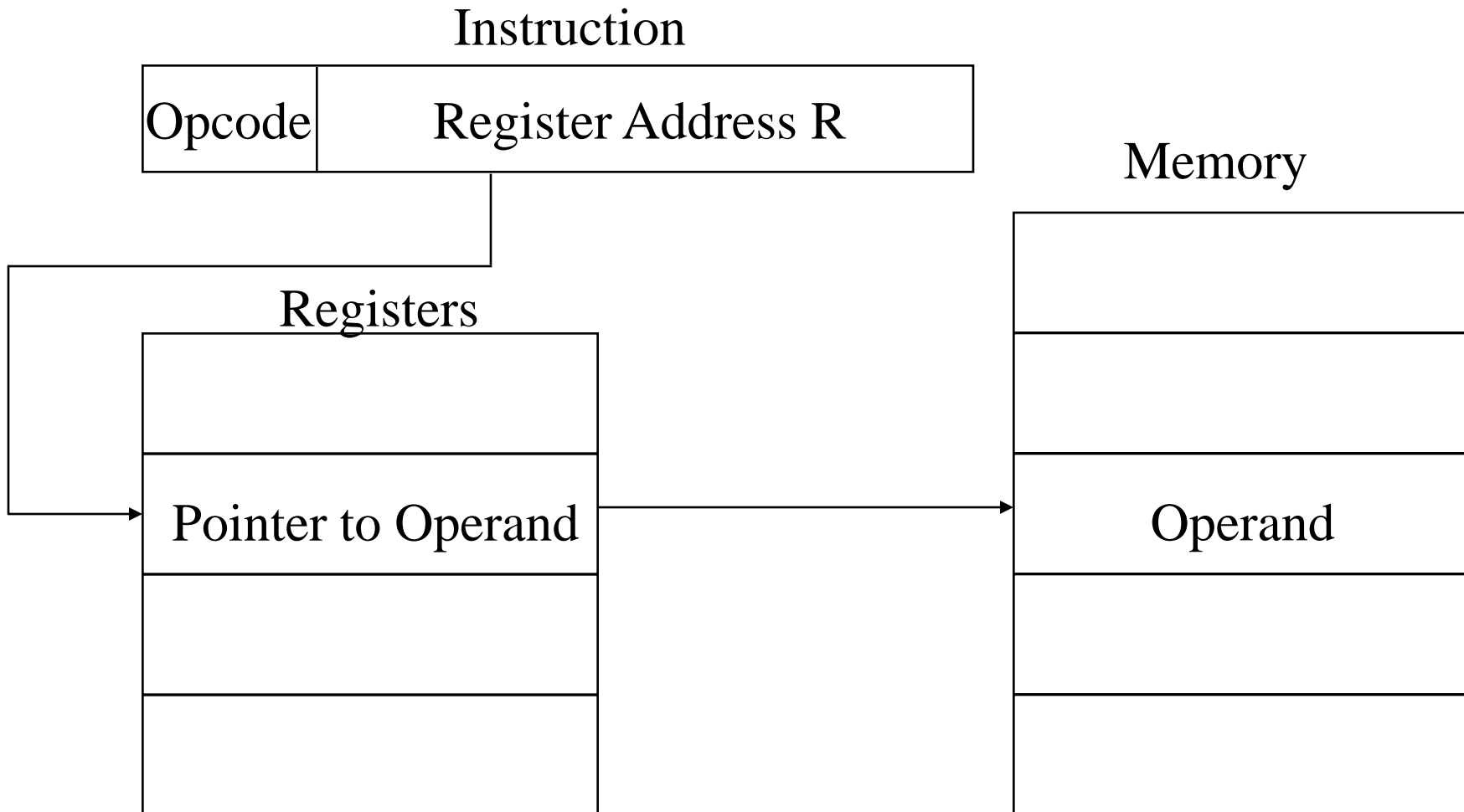


Register Indirect Addressing

- C.f. indirect addressing
- $EA = (R)$
- Operand is in memory cell pointed to by contents of register R
- Large address space (2^n)
- One fewer memory access than indirect addressing

• *Example*: LD (R1) $AC \leftarrow M[R1]$

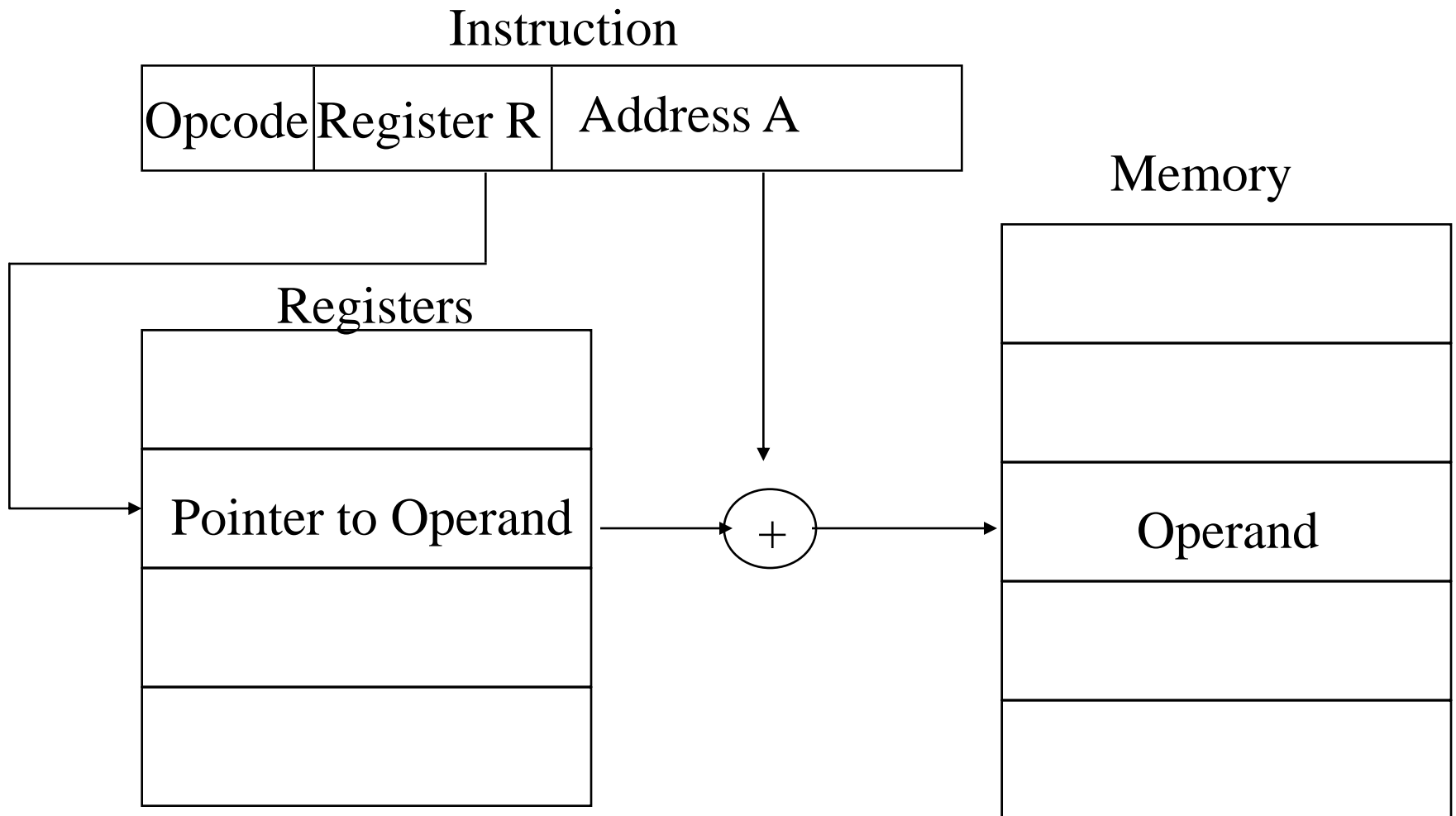
Register Indirect Addressing Diagram



Displacement Addressing

- $EA = A + (R)$
- Address field hold two values
 - A = base value
 - R = register that holds displacement
 - or vice versa

Displacement Addressing Diagram



Relative Addressing

- A version of displacement addressing
 - PC is added to the address part of the instruction to obtain the effective address
- $R = \text{Program counter, PC}$
- $EA = A + (PC)$
- i.e. get operand from A cells from current location pointed to by PC
- c.f locality of reference & cache usage

• *Example*: LD \$ADR

$AC \leftarrow M[PC + ADR]$

Indexed Addressing

- **XR** (*Index register*) is added to the address part of the instruction to obtain the effective address
- **Example** : **LD ADR(XR)**


- $A = \text{base}$
- $R = \text{displacement}$
- $EA = A + (R)$

$$AC \leftarrow M[ADR + XR]$$


Base-Register Addressing

- the content of a base register is added to the address part of the instruction to obtain the effective address

- Similar to the indexed addressing mode except that the register is now called a *base register* instead of an *index register*

- » index register (**XR**) : LD ADR(XR) $AC \leftarrow M[ADR + XR]$ 

 - index register hold an index number that is relative to the address part of the instruction

- » base register (**BR**) : LD ADR(BR) $AC \leftarrow M[BR + ADR]$ 

 - base register hold a base address
 - the address field of the instruction gives a displacement relative to this base address

◆ Autoincrement or Autodecrement Mode

- Similar to the register indirect mode except that
 - » the register is *incremented after* its value is used to access memory
 - » the register is *decrement before* its value is used to access memory

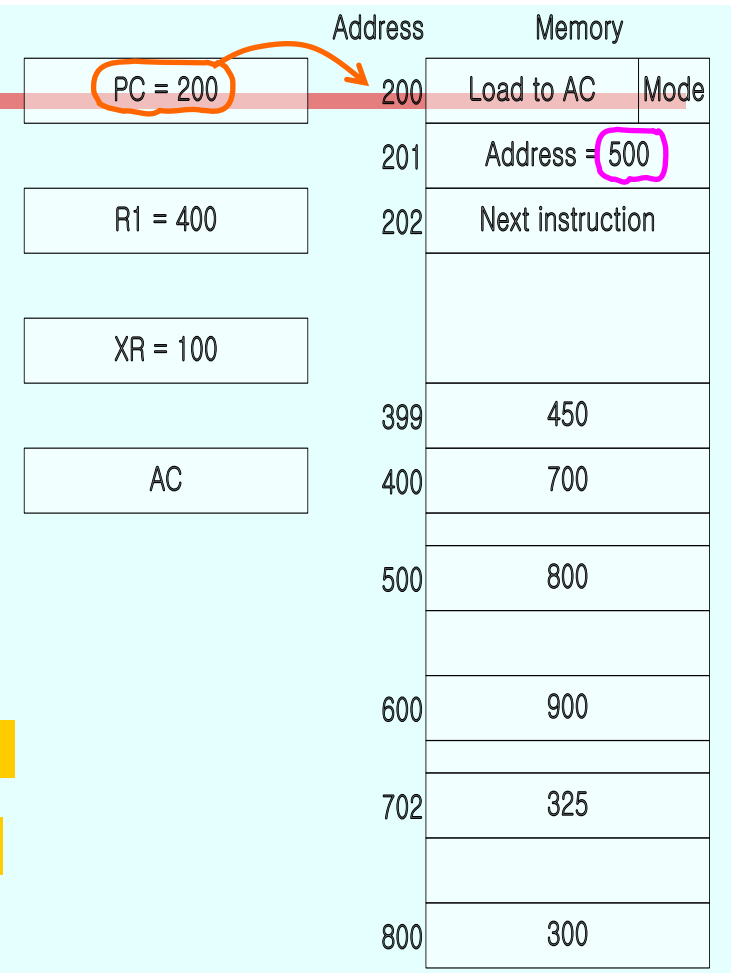
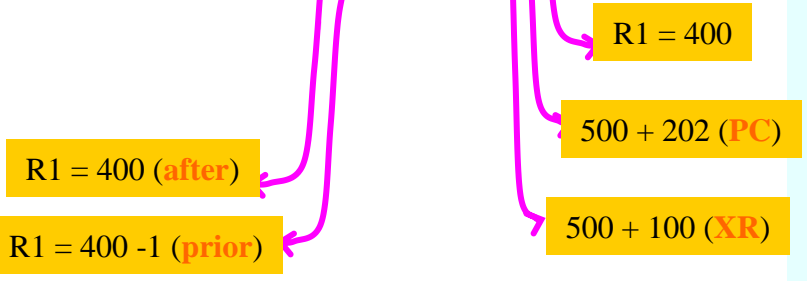
» **Example (Autoincrement) : LD (R1)+**

$$AC \leftarrow M[R1], R1 \leftarrow R1 + 1$$

Stack Addressing

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

	Addressing Mode	Effective Address	Content of AC
$AC \leftarrow 500$	Immediate Address Mode	201	500
$AC \leftarrow (500)$	Direct Address Mode	500	800
$AC \leftarrow ((500))$	Indirect Address Mode	800	300
$AC \leftarrow R1$	Register Mode		400
$AC \leftarrow (R1)$	Register Indirect Mode	400	700
$AC \leftarrow (PC+500)$	Relative Address Mode	702	325
$AC \leftarrow (XR+500)$	Indexed Address Mode	600	900
$AC \leftarrow (R1)+$	Autoincrement Mode	400	700
$AC \leftarrow -(R1)$	Autodecrement Mode	399	450



Application of Addressing Modes

The 8085 has the following 5 different types of addressing.

- 1. Immediate Addressing**
- 2. Direct Addressing**
- 3. Register Addressing**
- 4. Register Indirect Addressing**
- 5. Implied Addressing**

8086 Addressing Modes

Register addressing

Immediate addressing

Direct addressing

Register indirect addressing

Base-plus-index addressing

Register relative addressing

Base relative-plus-index addressing:

Assignment

1. What do you mean by Addressing modes.
2. Explain different types of Addressing modes in 8085 and 8086 micro processor.