

Addressing modes

Addressing mode = how to specify the effective (~~or actual~~ address (or actual location) of the operand.

M68000 provides these basic addressing modes found in all computers:

- (1) immediate #n
- (2) direct n (also known as "absolute")
- (3) indirect

(An)  
m(An)

M68000: addr. register indirect  
with displacement.  
indirect with displacement

(4) indexed

(An, Dm)  
u(An, Dm)

## Immediate addressing mode : # <constant>

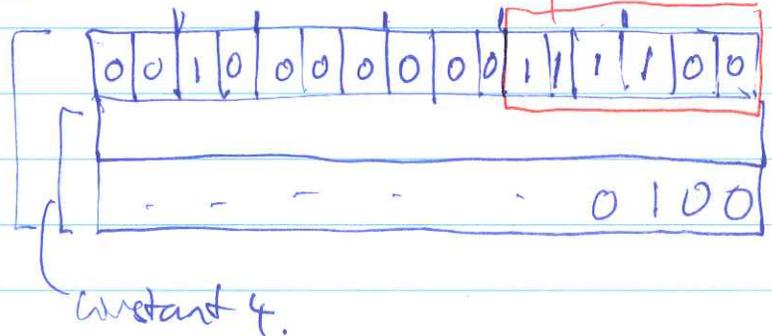
- used to specify constant operands.

eg:    mve.b    #4, D0  
      mve.w    #4, D0  
      mve.L    #4, D0.

encoding:

mve.L #4, D0:

Instruction



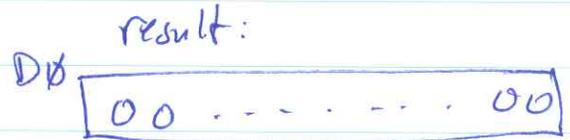
The constant is stuck inside the instruction and it is "immediately" available.

- "immediate" means: the operand is immediately available, in the instruction.

## Examples:

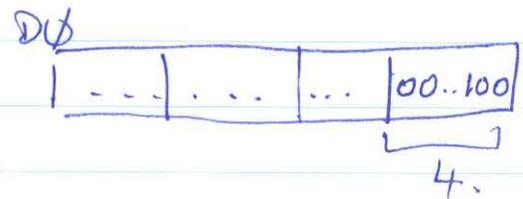
### Simpl

```
move.l #0, D0
move.l #-4, D1
move.b #'H', D2
```



### Symbolic constant:

```
MAX EQU 4
move.b #MAX, D0
```



### Advance usage:

```
move.l #A, A0
move.l #B, A1
```

```
A: ds.l 10
B: ds.l 10
```

- A is equated to <sup>started</sup> address of the array!!!

Q: what's the effect?

- move the base addr. of array A in A0
- and move the base addr. of array B in A1 !

DEMO: imm.s

(Absolute)

Direct addr. mode:  $A_n, D_n, MEM\_ADDR$

- Used to specify operand in a register or in memory location.

- "Direct" means: the location is <sup>immediately</sup> available in the instruction.

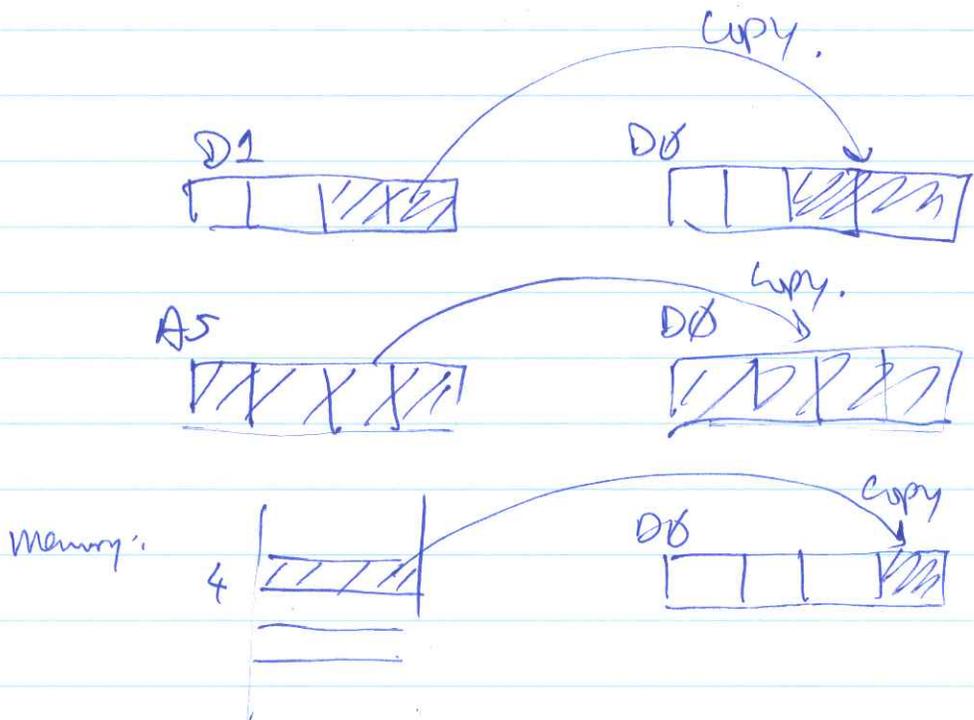
(But NOT the operand! you have to go to the location to find the operand).

notation:

$mve.w \quad D1, D0$   
 $mve.l \quad A5, D0$   
 $mve.b \quad 4, D0$

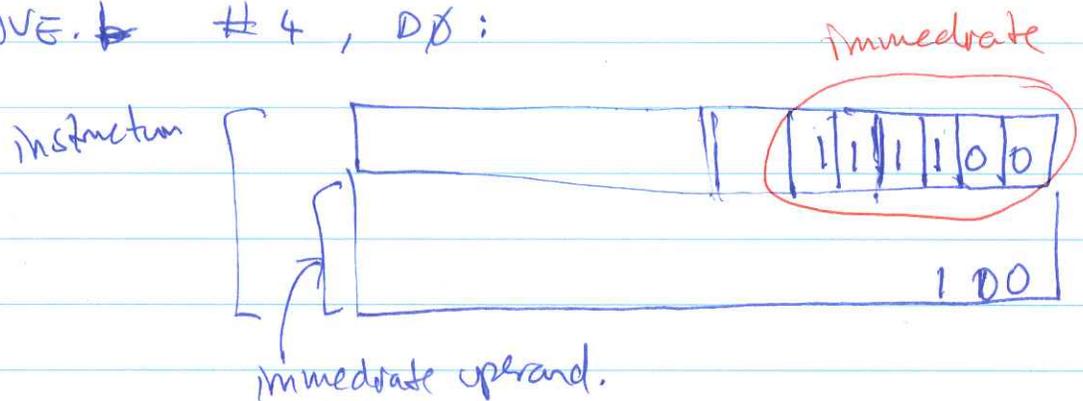
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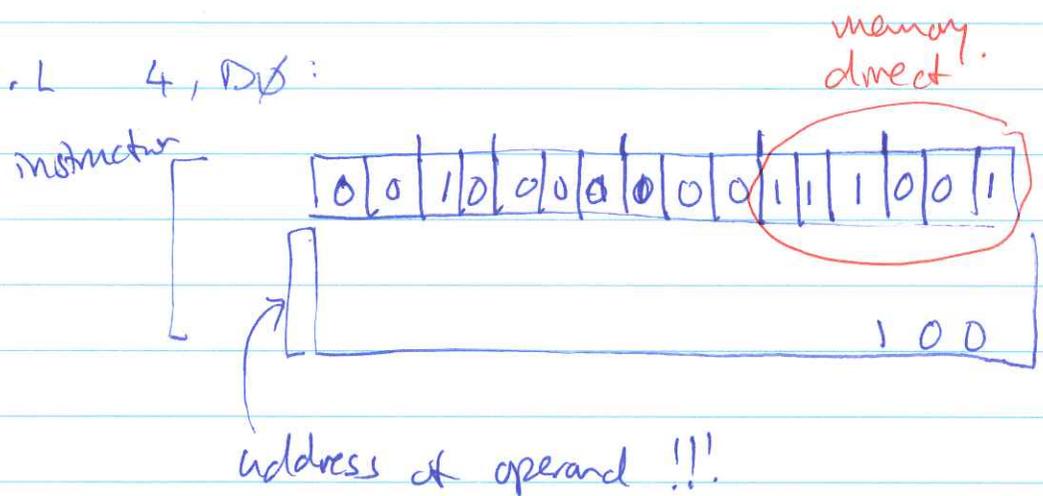


Instruction encoding: difference between `move.l #4, D0` and `move.l 4, D0`.

`MOVE.l #4, D0:`



`move.l 4, D0:`



• Typical use of direct modes:

(1) memory direct: access simple variables  
(int, float, char, short etc)

(2) register direct: get/save data or temp result  
in registers.

absolute.s

### Example use of direct addr. mode

C: int i;

Assembler: i: ds.l 1

i = 4;

move.l #4, i

C: int x, y, z

Assembler: x: ds.l 1

y: ds.l 1

z = x + y

z: ds.l 1

move.l x, d0

add.l y, d0

move.l d0, z

or: move.l x, d0

move.l y, d1

add.l d0, d1

move.l d1, z

C: int i;

i: ds.l 1

i++; (i++ = i = i+1)

addq.l #1, i

or addi.l #1, i

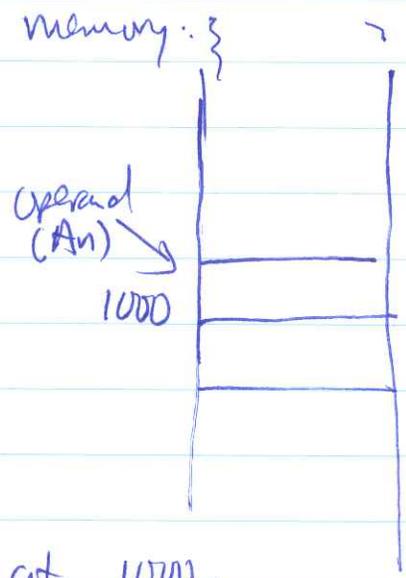
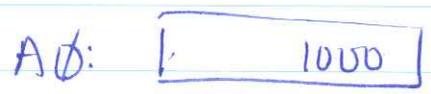
✓ ~~skip this.~~  
~~Included in~~  
~~indexed~~

Indirect addressing mode: (An)

- M68000 only have ~~address~~ <sup>register</sup> indirect mode.
- The operand (of the instruction) is located at memory ~~location~~ address given by An

eg: if ~~A0~~ contains 1000  
then the notation (A0)  
means: the operand is at  
memory location 1000.

Picture:



if size = B, then byte at 1000.  
W word  
L long word.

Demo: indirect

## What is the indirect mode good for?

Indirect mode is primarily used to access sample variables (integer, float) through a pointer.

eg:

```
int i;  
int *ptr;
```

```
ptr = &i;  
*ptr = 4;
```

Explain what is a pointer variable!!!

is equivalent to:

```
i: ds.l 1  
ptr: ds.l 1
```

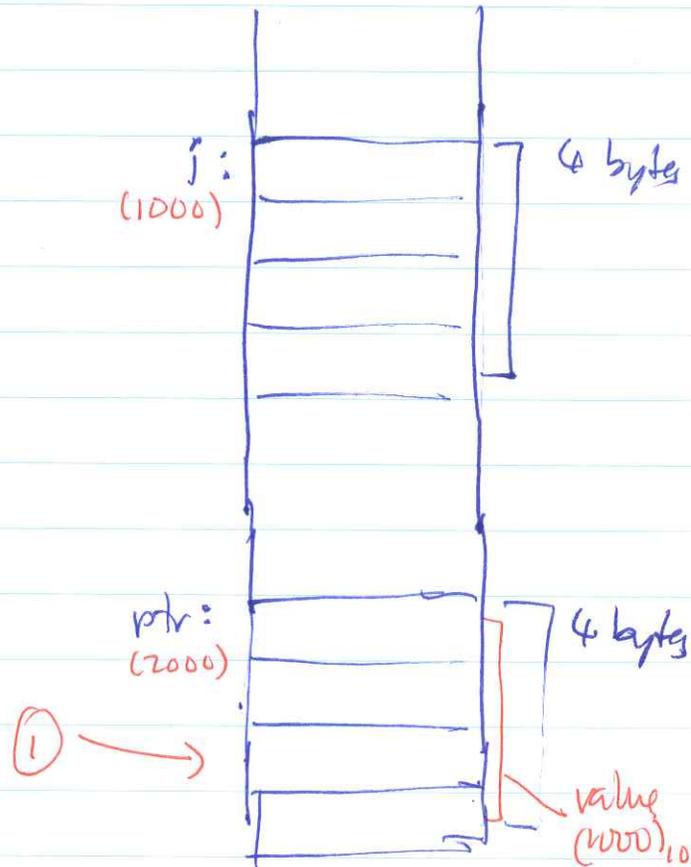
```
move.l #i, ptr . (put addr. of i  
in ptr variable)
```

```
move.l ptr, A0  
move.l #4, (A0)
```

Pictorially:

i: ds.l 1  
ptr: ds.l 2

result:



① move.l #i, ptr

↳ after replacing the label  
by the address values

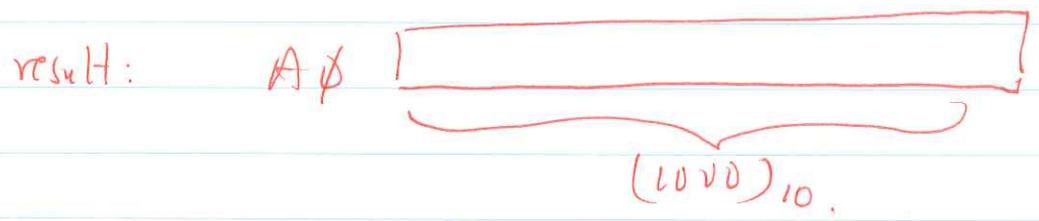
move.l #1000, 2000

- put value 1000  
in loc. 2000  
in memory

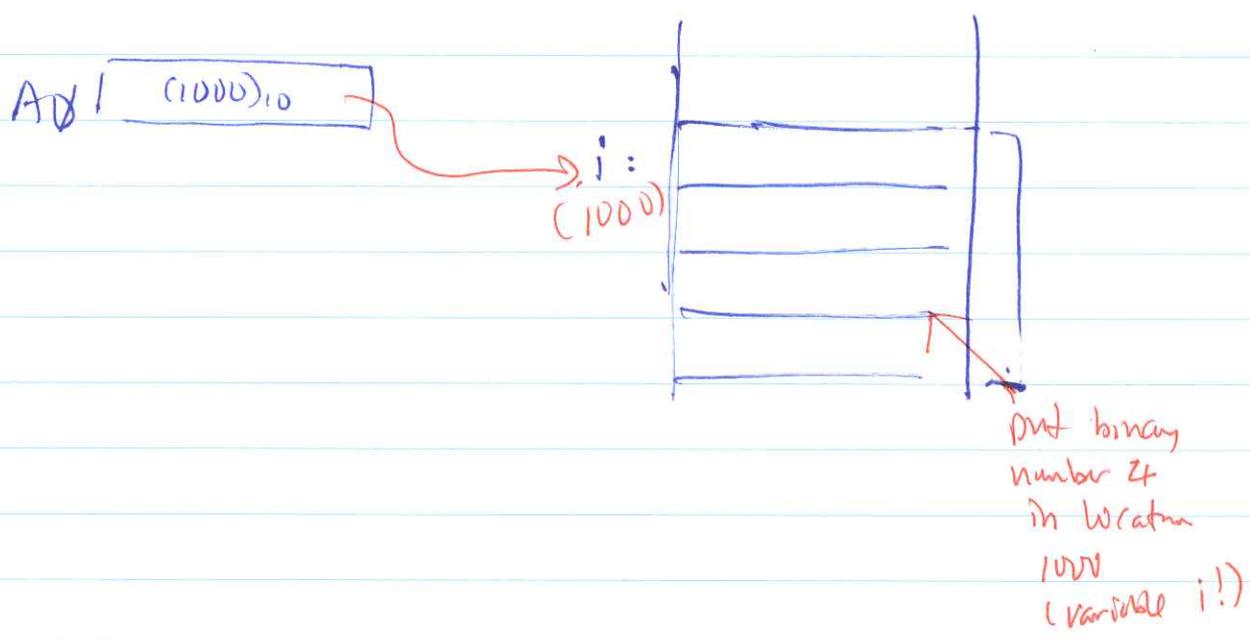
(2) move.l ptr, A0

↳ after replacing label ptr by 2000

instr reads: move.l 2000, A0.



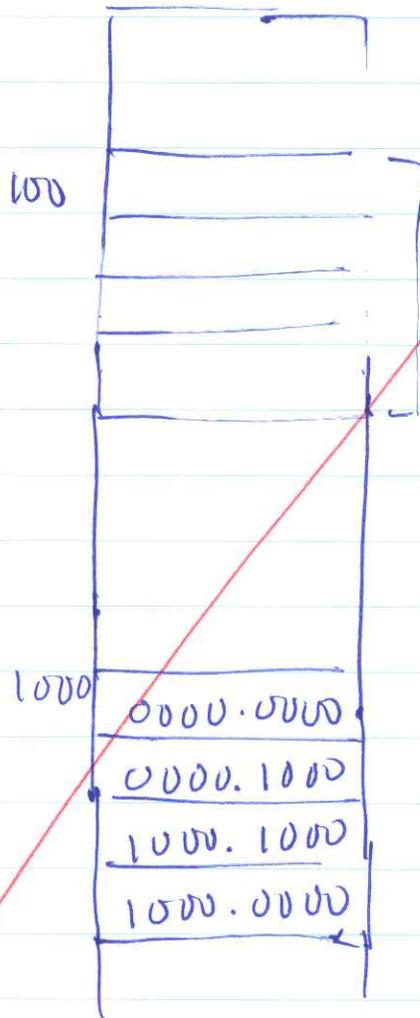
(3) move.l #4, (A0)



- Note: some computers (eg. VAX 11) have memory indirect addressing mode.

eg:

memory:



4 bytes containing binary number  $(1000)_{10}$

SKIP

~~then the instruction:~~

"move.L (100), D0"

will ~~not~~ update D0 to: 

0000.0000	0000.1000	1000.1000	1000.0000
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memory indirect mode is NOT available in M68000.

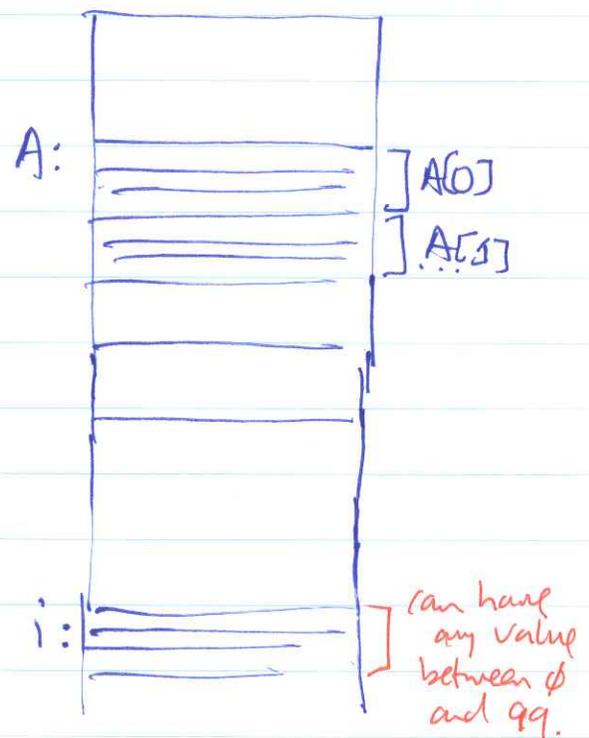
Another use: access array elements.

```
m C:      int A[100];  
          int i;  
  
          A[i] = 4;
```

In assembler:

```
A: ds.l 100      (array A)  
i: ds.l 1        (int i).
```

Situation after definition:



$A[i] = 4;$  means: put the value 4  
into memory location  
reserved for variable  
 $A[i]$ .

note:  $A[i]$  depends on current  
value of  $i$ .

The "ultimate" instruction is:

`movl #4, <ea>`

↑  
this is the address of  
variable  $A[i]$ .

The address of  $A[i]$  = computed!  
= base address of array  $A$   
+  $4 * i$

(1) get the base address of array  $A$

`movl #A, %eax`

(2) compute offset:

compute offset  $4 * i$

move.l i, D0

add.l D0, D0  $(2 * i)$

add.l D0, D0  $(4 * i)$ .

(use multiply later).

(3) compute address of variable A[i]:

adda.l D0, A0

& now A0  
"points" to  
A[i].

(4) put 4 in that memory location:

move.l #4, (A0).

Summary :

move.l #A, A0

move.l i, D0

add.l D0, D0

add.l D0, D0

adda.l D0, A0

move.l #4, (A0).

Better way:

indexed address

mode 16!

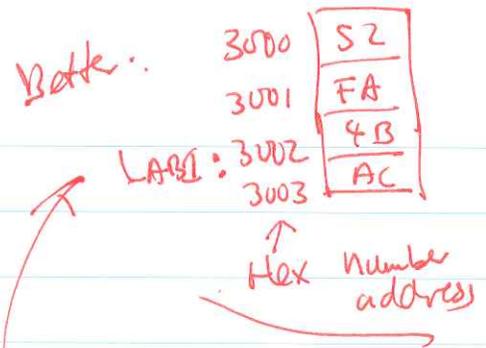
Exercise in book:

Initial situation:

Registers:

D1: A874BF56

A1: 00003004



Memory:

Address	Content
3000	S2FA
LAB1: 3002	4BAC
3004	1234
3006	FFEE
3008	F467

↑  
in hex!

Result:

(a) `MOVE.W D1, 3000H`

3000	<span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">BF56</span>
LAB1: 3002	4BAC
3004	1234
3006	FFEE
3008	F467

Result:

(b) `MOVE.B LAB1, D1`

D1: A874BF 4B

(c) MOVE.L (A1), D1      Result:

D1: 

12	34	FF	EE
----	----	----	----

(d) MOVE.W #12, D1      Result

D1: 

A8	74	00	0C
----	----	----	----

↑  
Hex. decimal  
# for 12.

(e) MOVE.W #\$12, D1      Result.      ( $\$12 = (12)_{10}$ )

D1: 

A8	74	00	12
----	----	----	----

(f) MOVEA.L #LAB, A1      Result

A1: 

00	00	30	02
----	----	----	----

(g) MOVE.L LAB1, D1      Result:

D1 | 4B | AC | 12 | 34 |

(h) MOVE.W (A1), D1      Result

D1 | A8 | ~~74~~ | 12 | 34 |

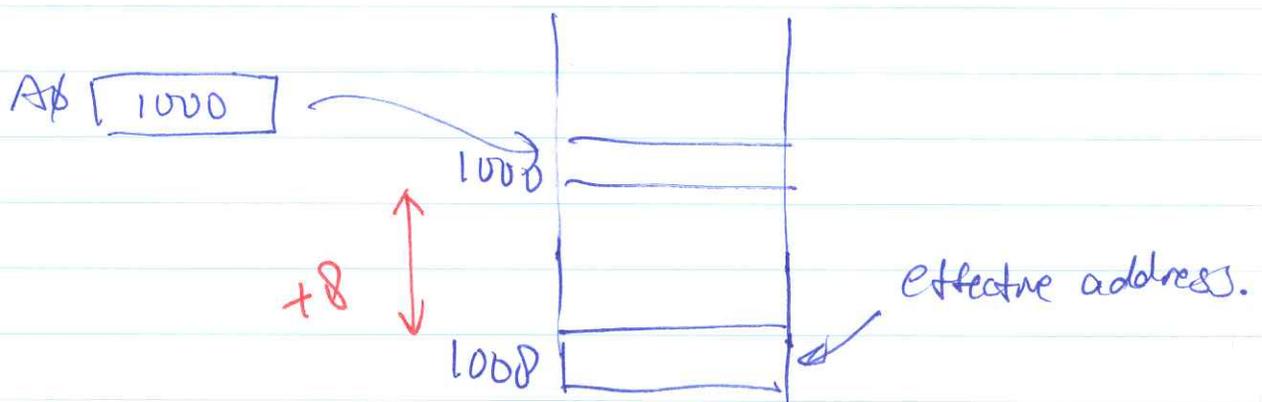
## Address register indirect with displacement: $d16(An)$

- This mode is an extension of the address register indirect mode.
- The addressing mode  $d16(An)$  adds the displacement  $d16$  to the content of the address reg  $An$  to get the effective memory address of the operand:

$$\text{memory effective addr} = d16 + An$$

↑  
16 bit 2's Compl.  
Constant.

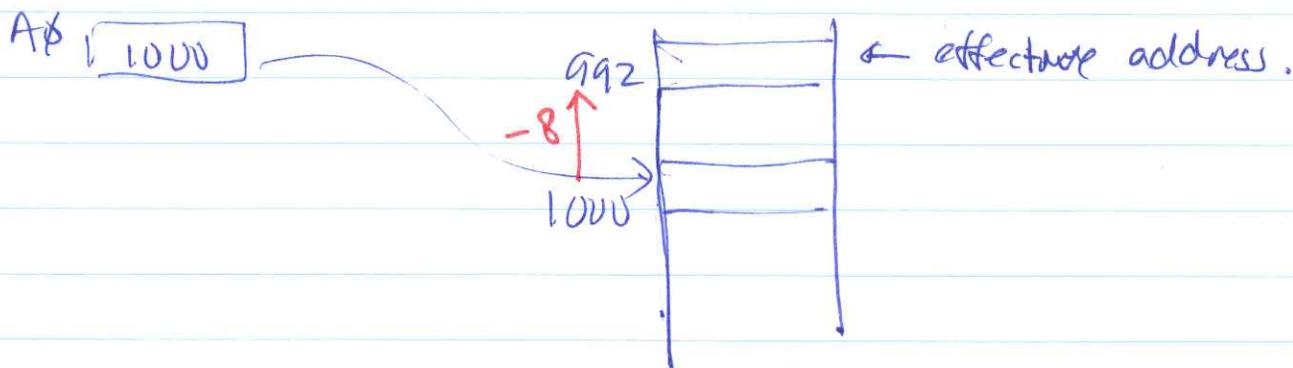
eg:  $8(An)$  = address 8 further than where  $An$  is pointing.



neg. displacement is allowed.

eg:

$-8(A\phi)$  = address  $-8$  further than where  $A\phi$  is pointing.



Usage:

Demo: addr mode - indirect

- ~~Address indirect w~~  
Address register indirect ~~mode~~ with displacement are used in:
  - (0) Access Array element indexed by constant:  $A[4]$
  - (1) accessing elements in structures.
  - (2) accessing parameters of functions that are passed on the stack (later).
  - (4) accessing local variables of (recursive!) functions on the stack.

Example usage:

```
struct my-rec  
{ int x, y, z; };
```

```
struct my-rec A;
```

```
A.x = 10;  
A.y = 20;  
A.z = A.x + A.y.
```

A: ds.l 3

move.l #A, A@  
move.l #10, 0(A@).

move.l #A, A@  
move.l #20, 4(A@)

move.l #A, A@

move.l 0(A@), D@  
add.l 4(A@), D@

move.l D@, 8(A@).

```
class MyClass  
{ int x;  
  int y;  
  int z;  
}
```

```
MyClass A = new MyClass();
```

```
A.x = 10;  
A.y = 20;  
A.z = A.x + A.y.
```

Example: linked list

```
struct linked-list  
{ int value1, value2;  
  struct linked-list *next;  
};
```

int = 4 bytes  
pointer = 4 bytes

```
struct linked-list *head;
```

```
struct linked-list A, B, C;
```

```
A.next = &B;
```

```
B.next = &C;
```

```
C.next = NULL;
```

```
head = &A;
```

```
head->value2 = 1;
```

```
head->next->value2 = 7;
```

```
head->next->next->value2 = 10;
```

head: ds.l 1

A: ds.l 3

B: ds.l 3

C: ds.l 3

A.next = B:

move.l #A, Aφ  
move.l #B, ~~φ~~(Aφ)

B.next = C:

move.l #B, Aφ  
move.l #C, ~~φ~~(Aφ)

C.next = NULL

move.l #C, Aφ  
move.l #φ, ~~φ~~(Aφ).

head = A

move.l #A, head.

head → value2 = 1

move.l head, Aφ  
move.l #1, ~~φ~~(Aφ).

head → next → value2 = 4;

move.l head, Aφ  
move.l ~~φ~~(Aφ), Aφ  
move.l #~~7~~, 4(Aφ).

head  $\rightarrow$  next  $\rightarrow$  next  $\rightarrow$  value 2 =  $\emptyset$

move.l head, A $\emptyset$

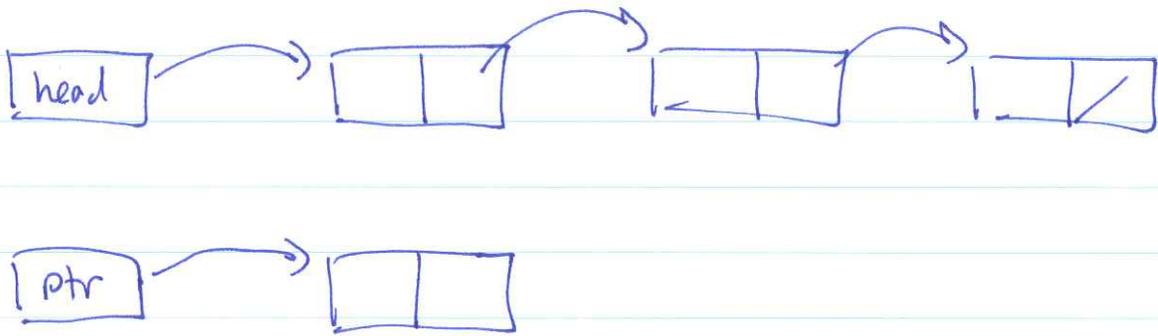
move.l 8(A $\emptyset$ ), A $\emptyset$

move.l 8(A $\emptyset$ ), A $\emptyset$

move.l #10, 4(A $\emptyset$ ).

## Exercise:

Suppose we have a linked list of a list element:

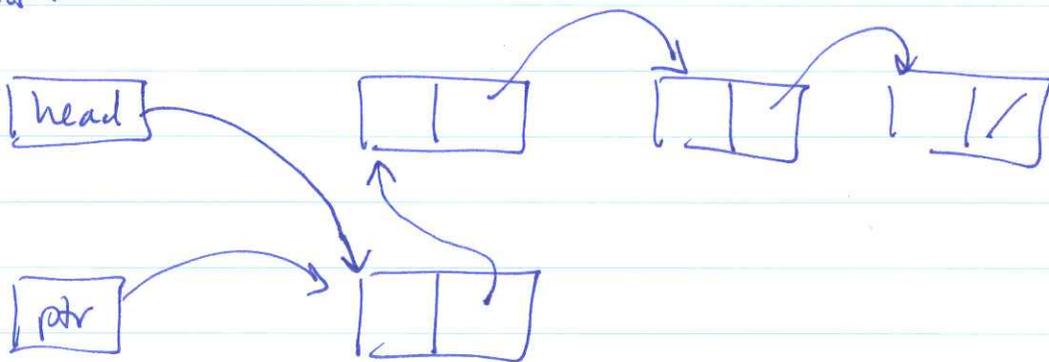


and we want to insert the list element at the start of the list.

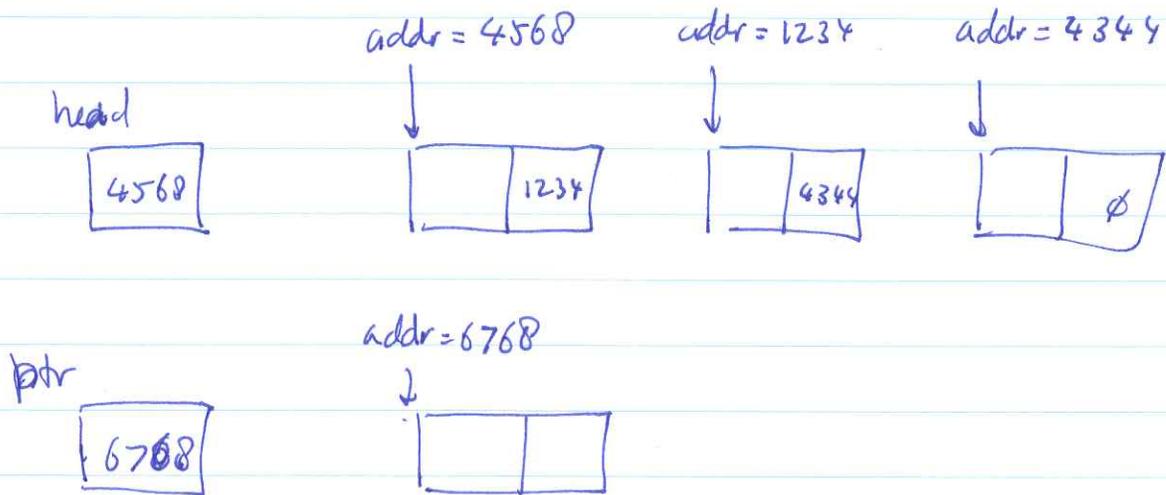
In C:

```
ptr -> next = head;  
head = ptr;
```

Result:



What is really happening? - The linked list is really like this:



When you follow the addresses fields:

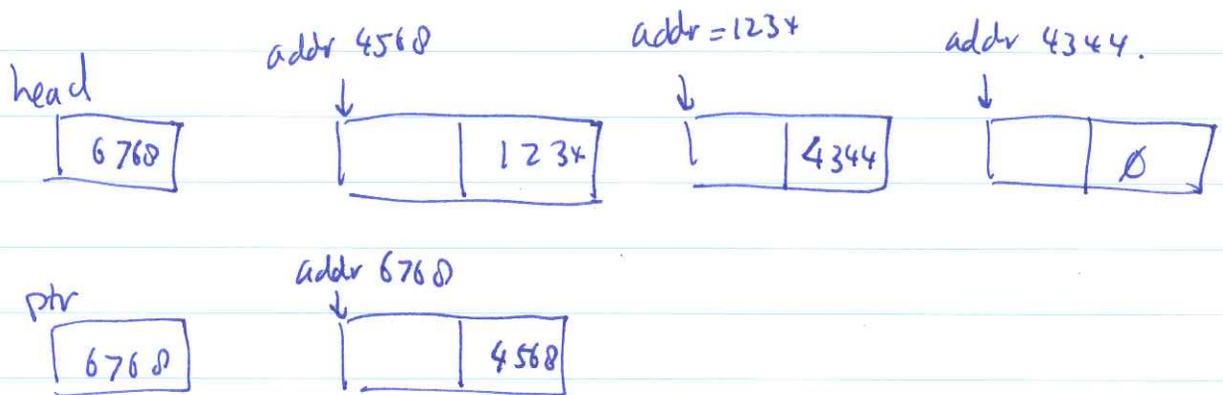
head = 4568.

at 4568 : next = 1234. - next element

at 1234 : next = 4344 - next element

at 4344 : next =  $\emptyset$  end of list.

If you want to insert the 1st element at the start of the list, you need to change the content of the variables to:



In assembler:

`ptr → next = head`

`mov.l ptr, A0`

`mov.l head, 4(A0)`

`head = ptr`

`mov.l ptr, head.`

Exercise-

Insert list element at end of linked list:

can't do it yet

we have not covered while loops !!

M68000 can  
only use .w



Indexed addressing mode :  $d8(A_n, X_m.w)$

• The indexed addressing mode uses 2 registers

- (1) A "base" register
- (2) An "index" register.

• It is the addressing mode used to access away elements

• M68000 has an extended indexed addr. mode :  
called:

"Indirect addressing mode with index and displacement".

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• The effective address is specified as:

8 bit 2's compl. number



$$d8(A_n, X_m.w)$$

The operand is located at memory address:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 d8 & + & A_n & + & X_m.w \\
 \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} \\
 8 \text{ bit} & & 32 \text{ bits} & & 16 \text{ bit} \\
 (\text{extend} & & & & (\text{extend} \\
 \text{to } 32) & & & & \text{to } 32)
 \end{array}$$

Example:

suppose:  $A \oplus$   $\left[ \leftarrow 4000 \rightarrow \right]$

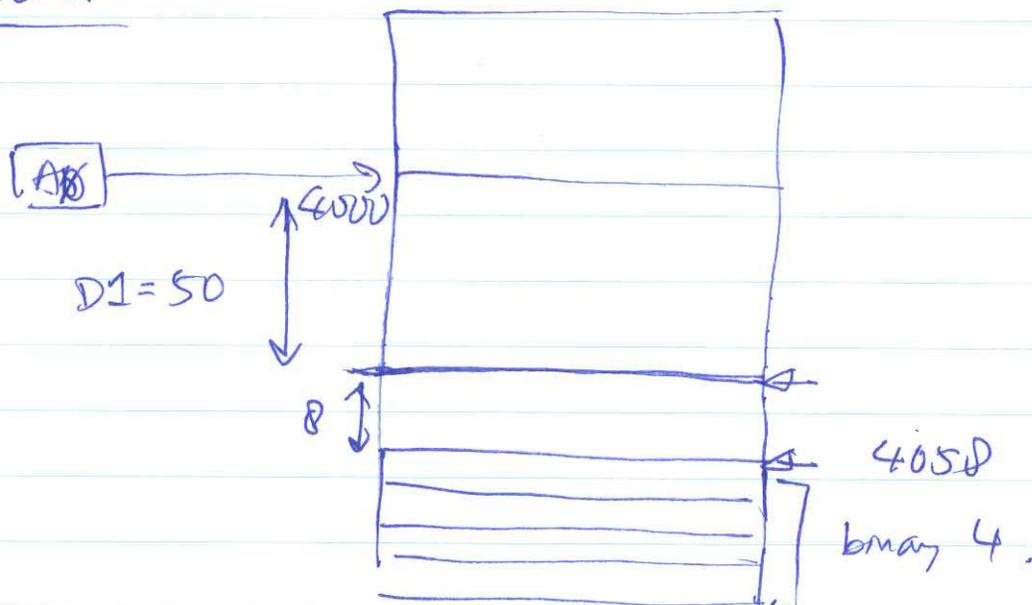
$D1$   $\left[ \text{~~~~} \leftarrow 50 \rightarrow \right]$

Then:

move. l #4,  $\&(A \oplus, D1.w)$

will: start 4 at memory location  $(\& + 4000 + 50)$   
 $= 4050$

Result:



• Usage of indirect addr. mode with index & displacement

(1) Access away of simple variables  
(use displacement = 0)

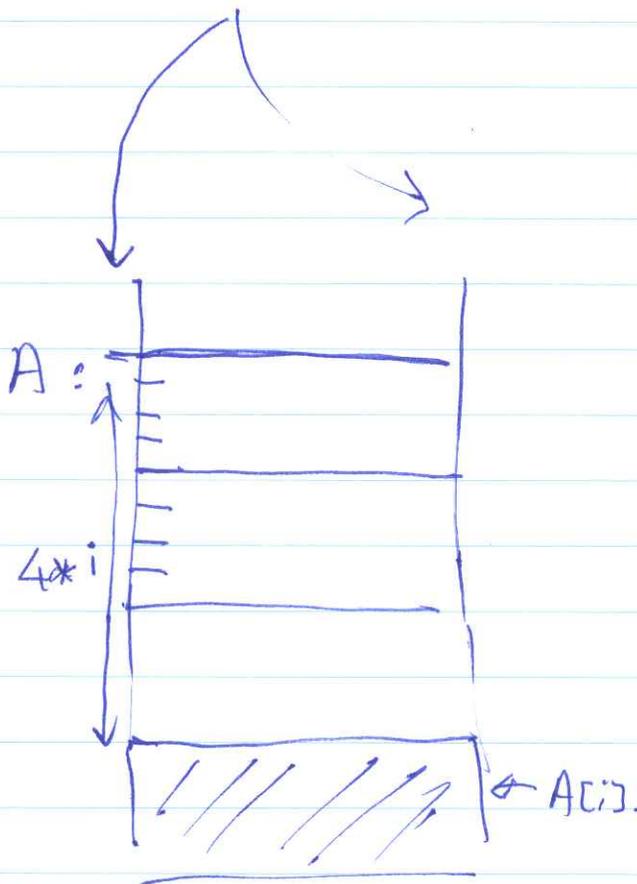
(2) Access away of structures.

Example usage: access array of simple variables.

```
int A[100];  
int i
```

```
A: ds.l 100  
i: ds.l 1.
```

```
A[i] = 4;
```



```
mov.l #A, A0
```

```
mov.l i, D0  
add.l D0, D0  
add.l D0, D0
```

```
mov.l #4, D1(A0, D0.w)
```

We only use  
the lower 16 bits

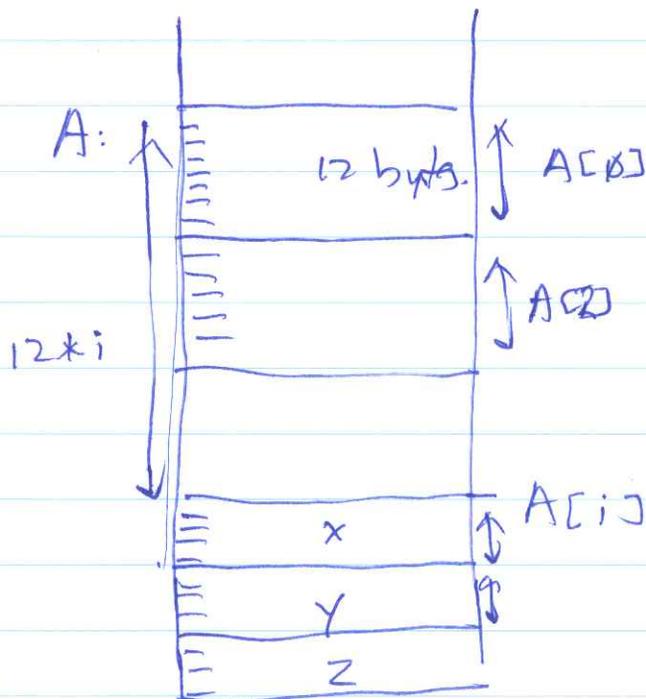
Example usage: access away of structures.

```
struct { int x;  
        int y;  
        int z;  
} A[100];  
int i;
```

```
A: ds.l 300  
i: ds.l 1
```

```
A[i].y = 14;
```

Pictorially:



```
move.l #A, A0
```

```
move.l i, D0  
radd.l D0, D0  
add.l D0, D0
```

```
move.l #14, 4(A0,D0)
```

(convert (A*n*) + and -(A*n*) later!).

first: head towards project.