

# Assignment # 03

Q1:- Using the value  $-35$ , write it as an integer literal in decimal, octal and binary formats that are consistent with MASM syntax.

Ans:-  $-35d$ ,  $00h$ ,  $3350$ ,  $1101110110$

Q2:- Create a single integer expression that uses all the operators. Calculate the value of the expression.

Ans:-  $(5+1)(-2+3)*2 \text{ mod } 5 = 2$

Q3:- Write the real number  ~~$-6.2$~~   $-6.2 \times 10^4$  as a real number literal using MASM syntax.

Ans:-  $-62E+04$

Q4:- Which statement halts the assembly language program?

Ans:- The exit statement (indirectly) call a predefined MS window function that halts the program. The ENDP direct marks the end of the main procedure. The END main direct marks the last line of the program to be assembled.



Q5:- What is a calling convention and how is used in assembly language declaration?

Ans:- A calling convention determines how parameters are passed to subroutine and how the stack is restored after the subroutine call.

Q6:- How are data label and code label different?

Ans:- Data labels exist in the data segments as variable offsets code labels are in the code segment and are offset for transfer of control instructions. A code label is followed by a colon but a data label does not with a colon.

Q7:- Why might you use a symbolic constant rather than an integer literal in your code.

Ans:- An integer literal, such as 48, has no direct meaning to someone reading the program's source code instead a symbolic constant such as STUDENT-COUNT can be assigned an integer value and is self-documenting.



Q8:- How ~~are~~ is a source file different from a listing file?

Ans:- A source file is given as input to the assembler.

A listing file has ~~adding~~ editing text that will not assemble by the assembler and it is optionally generated.

Q10:- What type of files are produced by the assembler and linker?

Ans:- The main output produced by assembler on input assembly language source file is the translation of the file into an object file in (ELF). ELF files produced by the assembler are relocatable files that hold code and/or data. They are input files for the linker.

Q11:- Which operating system component reads and executes program?

Ans:- A monolithic kernel runs all the operating system instructions in the same address space for speed. A microkernel runs most processes in user space for modularity. This central component of a computer system is



responsible for running or executing programs.

Q12:- Declare an unsigned, 16-bit integer variable named wArray that uses three initializers.

Ans:- wArray word 10, 20, 30.

Q13:- Declare a string variables containing the name of your favorite color, initialize it as a null-terminate string.

Ans:- my color BYTE "Red" 0.

Q14:- Write a statement that causes the assembler to calculate the number of bytes in the following array and assign the value to a symbolic constant name.

ArraySize:

mArray WORD 20 DUP(?)

Ans:- Array Size = (\$ - myArray)

Q15:- Show how to calculate the number of elements in the following array, and assign the value to a symbolic constant named ArraySize:

mArray DWORD 30 DUP(?)



Ans:- Array Size = ( \$-my Array / TYPE )  
DWORD

Q16:- Create an uninitialized data declaration for a 08-bit, 16-bit and 32-bit unsigned and signed integer.

Ans:-

★ 16-bit signed integer.

Var 1 SWORD

★ 8-bit unsigned integer.

Var 2 BYTE

★ 32-bit signed

SDWORD

Q17:- Create a data definition for a doubleword that stored it in memory in little endian format.

Ans:- The least significant byte (the "little end") of the data is placed at the byte with the



lowest address. The rest of the data is placed in order in the next bytes in memory.

→ In these definition, the data a 32-bit pattern is regarded as a 32-bit unsigned integer. The "most significant" byte is the one for the largest power of two:  $2^{31}$  ...  $2^{24}$ . The smallest power of two:  $2^7$  ...  $2^0$ .

Q18:- Show the order of individual bytes in memory (lowest to highest) for the following doubleword.

variable : val DWORD  
87654321h

True or false: The following is a valid data definition of statement

var 1 BYTE 0Ah, 255

write an assembly language program to compute that following expression.

AL = BL + val

val is an 8-bit variable



Q19:- Differentiate between equal-sign directive and EQU directive.

Ans:- The equal-sign directive associates a symbol name with an integer expression.

This syntax is

name = Expression

→ Expression is a 32-bit integer

→ May be defined.

→ Name is called a symbolic constant

EQU-directive.

→ Define a symbol as either an integer or text expression.

→ Cannot be redefined.

Q20:- Name the four basic parts of an assembly language instruction.

Ans:- [label:] Mnemonic [Operands]  
[Comment]



Q21:- Show an example of a block comment?

Ans: COMMENT:

First line comment  
Second line comment

Q22: Why it is not good idea to use numeric addresses when writing instructions that access variable?

Ans: You do not use numeric addresses (offsets) for variable because the addresses would change if new variables were introduced before the existing ones.

Q23:- What type of argument must be passed to the Exit process procedure?

Ans: An integer, preferably 0.



Q24:- What type of argument must be passed to the `Print` process procedure?

Ans: make small  
386  
stock work

data  
Sunday = 0

Monday = 1

Tuesday = 2

wednesday = 3

Thursday = 4

Friday = 5

Saturday = 6

Days, DB Sunday, Monday, Tuesday,  
wednesday, thursday, friday, saturday

code

main:

mov ax, @data

mov ds, ax

; just for test; print the  
first value

mov ah, 02h

mov di, days

add di, 30h

int 21h



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mov ah, 4ch  
int 21h
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end main
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Q25:- Declare an array of 120 uninitialized unsigned doubleword value.

Ans: Array DWORD 120(?)

Q26:- Declare an array of byte and initialize it to the first 5 letter of the alphabets.

Ans: my Array BYTE 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E'

Q27:- Find out if you can declare a variable of type DWORD and assign it a negative value.

Ans: V90 DWORD, 12345678h = unsigned  
V913 DWORD, 20 DUP(?); Unsigned

Q28:- Discuss the following MASK directives.

Stack:-

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The stack directive tell how many bytes of memory to reserve for the runtime stack



4096 happen to correspond to the size of a memory page in this processor system for managing memory.

### MODEL:-

This tells the assembler which memory model to use in 32-bit program. We use the flat memory model which is associated with the processor's protected model.

### 386:-

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-> model flat  
-> stack 4096  
Exit process PROTO  
dw Exit code: DWORD
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The 386 directive identifies it as a 32-bit program. Line 2 uses the flat memory model and window requires the model conversation to be used.

Line 3 set aside 4096 bytes of storage.

Lin 4 declares a proto type for the Exit process function.



## CODE:-

code  
main PROC

it is the beginning of the code area of the program (meaning what's after word is usually the main procedure.

## Data:-

The DATA directive creates a near data segment.

→ This segment contain the frequency used data for your program

→ Data segment can occupy

\* up to 64k in MS-DOS

\* or upto 512 mega-byte under flat model in window NT

## PROTO:-

The proto directives by using the invoke directives

## Syntax:-

Label PROTO [[distance]] [[language-type]]  
[[parameter]]: tag...]]



parameter :-

distance (32-bit MASM only)  
(optional) used in 16-bit memory model to override the default and indicate NEAR or FAR calls

PROC :-

MASK starts and ends of a procedure block called label.

The statements in the block can be called with the call instruction or INVOKE directives

ENDP :-

Mark the end of procedure name previously begun with PROC.

END :-

Directives for END of file command. That's end of file here as you are using "main" you have to end it with.

Q29: - Give examples of three different instruction mnemonics having zero, one and two operands.

Ans:

One operand:

inc eax ; register

inc myByte ; memory



Two operands :-

odd ebx, eax ; register, register  
Sub myByte, 25 ; memory, constant  
odd eax, 36 \* 25 ; register, constant  
expression

Zero Operands :-

Stc ; set carry flag

Q 30 :-

Write a program that defines symbolic names for several string literals (character between quotes). Use each symbolic name in a variables definition.

Ans :-

• 386

• Model flat stdcall

• Stack 4096

Exit process PROTO.

dw Exit code : DWORD

Str 1 EQU <"Hadiga".0>

Str 2 EQU <"Iqra".0>

Str 3 EQU <"Aqsa".0>

• data