

## Some simple examples of assembler programs

These are presented in an order that may help incremental development of your assembler system - ensure that it can handle each program in turn before tackling the next one.

After making the assembler system with the CMAKE command, a command of the form

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TEST 000
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(note no extension) will assemble the source in 000.ASM using both the CSC201 assembler and the ASSEM assembler and compare the object code - which should be identical (although this is not an exhaustive test).

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BEG          ; 000.ASM - empty
END

BEG          ; 001.ASM - halts
NOP
HLT
END

BEG          ; 002.ASM - simple output (one byte opcodes)
CLA          ; CPU.A = 0
OTC          ; display 0
OTI          ; display 0
INC
OTC          ; display 1
OTI          ; display 1
SHL
OTC          ; display 2
SHL
OTC          ; display 4
SHR
OTC          ; display 2
HLT
END

BEG          ; 003.ASM - hex and binary output
CLA          ; CPU.A = 0
INC
OTH          ; display 01
OTB          ; display 00000001
SHL
SHL
OTH          ; display 04
OTB          ; display 00000100
HLT
END

BEG          ; 004.ASM - simple Decimal I/O
INI          ; input a Decimal number - say 130 or 70
OTI          ; signed      -126      70
OTC          ; unsigned    130       70
OTH          ; hex         82        46
OTB          ; binary     10000010  01000110
OTA          ; character   ?         F
HLT
END

BEG          ; 005.ASM - Hex I/O
INH          ; input a Hex number, say D2 or 2F
OTI          ; signed      -46       47
OTC          ; unsigned    210       47
OTH          ; hex         D2        1F
OTB          ; binary     11010010  00101111
OTA          ; character   0         /
HLT
END

BEG          ; 006.ASM - Binary I/O
INB          ; input a Binary number - say 10101010
OTI          ; signed      -86
OTC          ; unsigned    170
OTH          ; hex         AA
OTB          ; binary     10101010
OTA          ; character   a
HLT
END
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BEG          ; 007.ASM - character I/O
INA          ; input a single character - say X
OTI          ; signed      88
OTC          ; unsigned   88
OTH          ; hex        58
OTB          ; binary     01011000
OTA          ; character  X
HLT
END

BEG          ; 008.ASM - simple two-byte ops
LDI 10       ; a = 10
OTC          ; unsigned   10
ADI 20       ; a = 30
OTC          ; unsigned   30
HLT
END

BEG          ; 009.ASM - simple two-byte ops
LDI 'A'      ; a = 65 (ASCII for A)
OTC          ; unsigned   65
OTA          ; character  A
LDI 0111%    ; a = 7
OTC          ; unsigned   7
LDI 0FFH     ; a = 255
OTC          ; unsigned  255
HLT
END

LOOP        ; 010.ASM - backward reference
LDI '*'      ; a = 42 (ASCII for A)
OTA          ; character  *
BRN LOOP     ; infinite loop!
HLT
END

BEG          ; 011.ASM - a forward reference
; does nothing useful - but check code carefully
LOOP        ; a = 65 (ASCII for A)
OTA          ; character  A
BRN STOP    ; let me out of here
STOP        ; won't get here - we have branched over this
OTC          ; unsigned   65 (not 66)
HLT
END

BEG          ; 012.ASM - several forward references to one label
; does nothing useful - but check code carefully
LOOP        ; a = 65
OTA          ; character
BRN EXIT    ; get out of here
INC         ; won't get here
BRN STOP
DEC
BRN STOP
HLT
EXIT        ; unsigned - still 65
HLT
STOP        ; should not get here
LDI '?'
OTA
BRN LOOP    ; a valid branch, of course
END

BEG          ; 013.ASM - simple variable storage
LDI 4        ; a = 4
STA X
ADD X        ; a = 8
STA Y
SHL         ; a = 16
OTC          ; unsigned  16
LDA Y        ; a = 8
OTC          ; unsigned   8
HLT
X           DS 1
Y           DS 1
HLT
END

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    BEG                ; 014.ASM - simple constants
    LDA AGE            ; a = 64
    OTC                ; unsigned 64
    LDA PERIOD        ; a = 46
    OTA                ; character .
    LDA DEVIL         ; a = 80 (ASCII for P)
    OTA                ; character P
    LDI DEVIL         ; 14 - puzzle it out
    OTC                ; unsigned 14
    HLT
PERIOD DC  '.'        ; American for full stop
DEVIL  DC  "PD Terry" ; you know that too
AGE    DC  64         ; you'll get there one day
IQ     DC  160        ; jealous?
END

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    BEG                ; 015.ASM - longer address fields
    LDI 100            ; puzzle it out!
    ADI STOP
    OTC
    STA A + 2
    LDI 5
    ADD A + 2
    OTI
    BRN 2 + STOP
A     DS 12
STOP  LDI A + A + A
    OTC
    HLT
    END

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    BEG                ; 016.ASM - some errors
    LDI                ; puzzle them out!
    NOP
    OTC 4
    NOP
    STA A + + 2
    NOP
    DC
    NOP
    BRN
    NOP
A     DS
    NOP
    LDI 00123%
    NOP
    LDI 123Z
    NOP
    LDI 123           Comment
    NOP
123  LDI A + A + A
    NOP
    HLT
    END

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The remaining examples are more substantial - the programs are designed to do something useful! There are quite a few more like this in the kit, but they are not listed out here.

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    BEG                ; 107.ASM - write 100 asterisks to the screen
                        ; P.D. Terry, 2009

    LDI 100            ; CPU.A = 100;
    TAX                ; CPU.X = 100;
    LDI '*'            ; CPU.A = '*';
LOOP  ; do {
    OTA                ; IO.writeChar('*');
    DEX                ; CPU.X--;
    BNZ LOOP           ; } while (CPU.X != 0);
    HLT                ; System.exit(0);
    END

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        BEG                ; 109.ASM - count the bits in a number
                          ; P.D. Terry, 2009

        CLA                ;
        STA BITS           ; bits = 0;
        INI                ; CPU.A = IO.readInt();
LOOP    ; do {
        SHR                ; CPU.A = CPU.A / 2
        BCC EVEN          ; if (CPU.A % 2 != 0) {
        STA TEMP          ; temp = CPU.A; // save it
        LDA BITS
        INC
        STA BITS         ; bits++;
        LDA TEMP         ; CPU.A = temp; // restore it
        EVEN BNZ LOOP    ; } while (CPU.A != 0);
        LDA BITS
        OTC              ; IO.writeCard(bits);
        HLT              ; System.exit(0);
TEMP    DS 1             ; byte temp;
BITS    DS 1             ; byte bits;
        END

        BEG                ; 114.ASM - read a word and then write it backwards
                          ; P.D. Terry, 2009

        CLX                ; CPU.X = 0;
INLOOP  ; while (true) {
        INA                ; CPU.A = IO.readChar();
        CPI ' '           ; if (CPU.A == ' ') break;
        BZE OUTLOOP      ;
        STX WORD          ; word[CPU.X] = CPU.A;
        INX                ; CPU.X++;
        BRN INLOOP       ; }
OUTLOOP ; do {
        LDX WORD-1        ;
        OTA                ; IO.writeChar(word[CPU.X-1]);
        DEX                ; CPU.X--;
        BNZ OUTLOOP      ; } while (CPU.X != 0);
        HLT              ; System.exit(0);
WORD    DS 255 - *      ; // reserve memory for word
LAB
        END

        BEG                ; 118.ASM - simple program to test PRINT routine
                          ; P.D. Terry, 2009

        LDI MESS1         ; Address of first byte of first string
        JSR PRINT         ; Print it
        LDI MESS2         ; Address of first byte of second string
        JSR PRINT         ; Print that too
        HLT              ; System.exit(0);

MESS1   DC "First exciting message$"
MESS2   DC "Another exciting message$"
        ;
        ; Subroutine to print a message
        ; To use, code JSR PRINT with CPU.A
        ; set up to store the address of first byte
PRINT   TAX              ; CPU.X = CPU.A to point to start of Message
LOOP    ; while (true) {
        LDX 0            ; CPU.A = message[CPU.X]
        CPI '$'         ; // String terminates with $
        BZE CRLF        ; if (CPU.A == '$') break;
        OTA              ; IO.writeChar(CPU.A);
        INX              ; CPU.X++;
        BRN LOOP        ; }
CRLF   LDI ODH           ;
        OTA              ; IO.writeChar(CR);
        LDI OAH         ;
        OTA              ; IO.writeChar(LF);
        RET              ; Return when all done
        END

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        BEG          ; 124.ASM - read a list of up to MAX non zero numbers and
                    ; build into a list[1..n] in ascending order
                    ; write out list forwards
                    ; P.D. Terry, 2009

        CLA
        STA N        ; n = 0;
INLOOP  ; while (true) {
        INI          ; CPU.A = IO.readInt();
        BZE SORTED  ; if (CPU.A == 0) break;
        STA LIST    ; List[0] = CPU.A; // sentinel
        LDA N
        CPI 100
        JLT INSERT  ; if (n >= 100) {
        LDI STR1    ; IO.writeString("Too many values");
        JSR WRSTR   ; System.exit(0);
        HLT        ; }
INSERT  ; x = n;
WHILE   ; while (list[x] > list[0]) {
        CMP LIST    ; // CPU.A = list[x]
        BLE STORE
        STX LIST + 1 ; list[x+1] = list[x];
        DEX        ; x--;
        BRN WHILE  ; }
STORE  ; list[x+1] = list[0];
        LDA LIST
        STX LIST + 1
        LDA N
        INC
        STA N      ; n++;
        BRN INLOOP ; }
SORTED ; // prepare to write list in order
        LDI STR5
        JSR WRSTR  ; IO.writeString("Sorted list is")
        JSR WRLN   ; IO.writeLine();
        LDA N
        BNZ DISPLAY ; if (n == 0) {
        LDI STR2   ; IO.writeString("empty");
        JSR WRSTR  ; System.exit(0);
        HLT        ; }
DISPLAY CLX
        INX        ; x = 1;
OUTLOOP ; do {
        LDX LIST
        OTI        ; IO.writeInt(List[x]);
        INX        ; x++;
        LDA N
        DEC
        STA N      ; n--;
        BNZ OUTLOOP ; } while (n != 0);
        HLT        ; System.exit(0);

WRSTR   ; Subroutine to print a nul-terminated string
        ; To use, code JSR WRSTR with CPU.A
        ; set up to store the address of first byte
        ; CPU.X = CPU.A to point to start of string
WLOOP  ; while (str[CPU.X] != 0) {
        TAX 0
        BZE WEXIT  ;
        OTA        ; IO.writeChar(CPU.A);
        INX        ; CPU.X++;
        BRN WLOOP  ; }
WEXIT  RET        ; return;

WRLN   ; Subroutine to output CR/LF sequence
        LDI ODH    ; IO.writeChar(CR);
        OTA
        LDI OAH    ;
        OTA        ; IO.writeChar(LF);
        RET        ; return;

STR1   DC "Too many values"
        DC 0        ; nul terminated string
STR2   DC "empty"
        DC 0        ; nul terminated string
STR3   DC "Sorted list is"
        DC 0        ; nul terminated string
N      DS 1        ; int n;
LIST   DS 101     ; int[] list = new int[101];
END

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BEG          ; 126.ASM - sieve algorithm for primes less than 255
             ; P.D. Terry, 2009

ENTRY       ;

LDI 126
TAX
LDI 1

LOOP        ; for x = 126 downto 0 {
            ; sieve[x] = true;
STX SIEVE
DEX
BPZ LOOP    ; }
LDI 2
JSR WRITE   ; 2 as a special case
CLA
STA I       ; i = 0;
TEST       ; while (i <= 126) {
CPI 126
BPZ HALT
TAX
LDX SIEVE   ; CPU.A = sieve[I];
BZE INCI    ; if (!sieve[i]) {
LDA I
SHL
ADI 3
STA STEP    ; step = 2 * i + 3;
JSR WRITE   ; IO.write(2 * I + 3);
LDA I
STA K       ; k = i;
REMOVE     ; repeat {
TAX         ; CPU.A = false
CLA         ; sieve[k] = false
STX SIEVE
LDA K
ADD STEP
STA K       ; k = k + 2 * i + 3;
BCS INCI    ; // but exit if overflow
CPI 127
BNG REMOVE  ; until (k > 126); // or overflow
            ; }

INCI       ;
LDA I
INC
STA I       ; i++;
BRN TEST    ; }

HALT       HLT

WRITE      ; function to write
           ; A as an unsigned number
           ; CR/LF pair for line mark
OTC
LDI 0DH
OTA
LDI 0AH
OTA
RET        ; }

I          DS 1      ; byte i, k, step
K          DS 1
STEP       DS 1
SIEVE     DS 128    ; boolean[] sieve = new boolean[128];
END

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