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MAIOT ASSIGNMENT 11

PROBLEM STATEMENT:
Write an ALP to sort 8-bit number in ascending & descending order

OBJECTIVES:
① To learn the instruction set of Pentium Processors.
② To learn displaying 2 digit hex numbers stored in an array.

THEORY:

Explain new instructions used

· XCHG
The XCHG instruction is a processor instruction used in x86 architecture, including the 8086 & Pentium processors. It stands for "exchange" and is used to swap the contents of two operands.
The XCHG instruction can be used with various operands, including registers & memory locations. The syntax of the instruction -
XCHG dest, source

eg) XCHG AX, BX
After this instruction, the contents of AX & BX are swapped

ALGORITHM :

① SORTING

```
up: mov al, byte [rsi]
cmp al, byte [rsi+1]
jbe only_inc
xchg al, byte [rsi+1]
mov byte [rsi], al

only_inc : inc rsi
dec cl
jnz up
dec bl
jnz loop_outer
operate 1,1, msg, msglen
```

② DISPLAYING SORTED NUMBERS

```
mov rdi,asc ; unpacking
mov rsi, result
mov dl, 10
disp_loop1 :
mov cl, 2 ; displaying 2 digit number
mov al, [rdi]
againx:
rol al, 4
mov bl, al
and al, 0Fh
cmp al, 09h
jbe down x
add al, 07H
```

```
downx:
add al, 30h
mov byte [rsi], al
mov al, bl
inc rsi
dec cl
jnz againx
```

PLATFORM:

Assembler - NASM (Netwide Assembler)

Linker - LD, (a GNU Linker)

System calls used:

sys_write, sys_exit

INPUT:

8 bit Numbers stored in an array.

OUTPUT:

Sorted numbers in ascending & descending order

CONCLUSION:

Thus the program is implemented in an assembly language to sort 8 bit numbers in ascending & descending order

FABs

Q1) Write down the algorithm if we need to accept numbers from the users.

A1) STEPS -

(1) Initialise the segment & offset values of the data segment register.

(2) Set up a loop to iterate through the array & read each element into a register or memory location.

(3) Use the INT 21h or 16h interrupt to read input from the keyboard.

(4) Store each value in a consecutive memory location in the array.

Q2) Explain the following instructions.

A2) (1) CMPXCHG

CMPXCHG stands for compare & exchange, it is an instruction that provides a way to automatically compare a value/register & then exchange it.

(2) BSWAP

BSWAP stands for byte-swap, it is an instruction that provides a way to byte-swap (i.e reverse order of bytes)

(3) PUSHA

Push A is an instruction that provides a way to push all the general purpose registers onto a stack.

(4) POPA

POPA is an instruction that provides a way to pop all general purpose registers from the stack.

CODE :

```
%macro operate 4
mov rax,%1
mov rdi,%2
mov rsi,%3
mov rdx,%4
syscall
%endmacro

section .data
msg db "Sorted Array is:",10
msglen equ $-msg
arr db 05h,0Ah,75h,0D3h,12h

section .bss
result resb 15 ; 3x5 = 15

section .text
global _start
_start:
mov bl,5 ; 5 iterations for outer loop
loop_outer:mov cl,4 ; 4 iterations for inner loop
mov rsi,arr

up:mov al,byte[rsi]
cmp al,byte[rsi+1]
jbe only_inc
xchg al,byte[rsi+1]
mov byte[rsi],al

only_inc:inc rsi
dec cl
jnz up
dec bl
jnz loop_outer
operate 1,1,msg,msglen

mov rdi,arr ; unpacking
mov rsi,result
mov dl,10 ; for one number there are 2 digits

disp_loop1:
mov cl,2 ; displaying 2 digit number
mov al,[rdi]
```

```
againx:
rol al,4
mov bl,al
and al,0Fh
cmp al,09h
jbe downx
add al,07h

downx:
add al,30h
mov byte[rsi],al
mov al,bl
inc rsi
dec cl
jnz againx


mov byte[rsi],0Ah
inc rsi
inc rdi
dec dl
jnz disp_loop1
operate 1,1,result,15

operate 60,0,0,0 ; exit syscall
```

OUTPUT :