Lab 3 Control Structures & Introduction to ATmega2560 Board and I/O Instructions

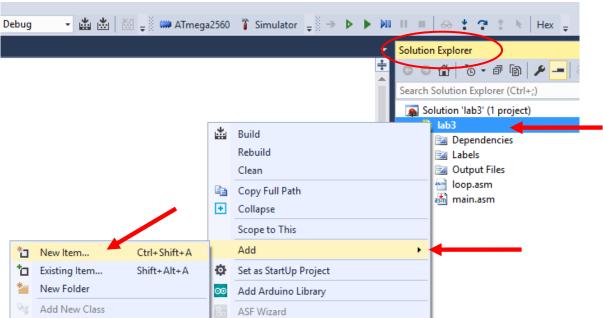
I. Control Instructions

<u>Learn to write branches:</u> recall the code we did in lab 2. Now, modify the code: if "number" (r16) is even, set register r19 to 1, 0 if "number" is odd. Suggest name r19 as "isEven".

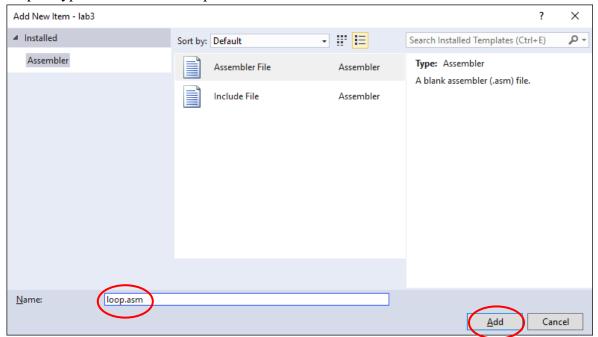
Create a project named lab3 (see the instructions in lab2 on how to create a project). In the main, type the following code:

Add a new file to project lab3, and name it loop.asm:

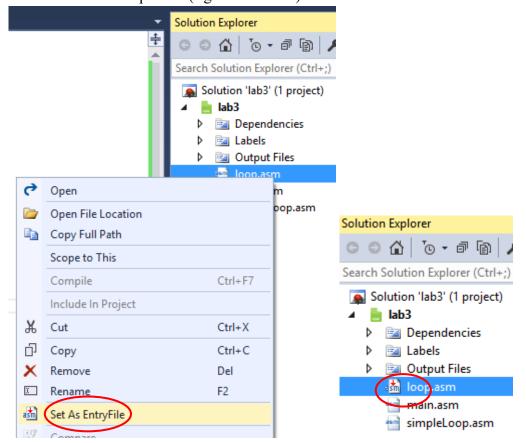
Step 1: in Solution Explorer panel, right click on the project name "lab3", choose "Add" -> "New item..." in the pull down menus:



Step2: Type the file name "loop.asm" and click on the "Add" button.



Step 3: In Solution Explorer panel, right click on "loop.asm", see a drop-down menu, click on "Set As EntryFile" (left screenshot). After choosing "loop.asm" as entry file, there is a red down arrow for "loop.asm" (right screenshot).



<u>Learn to write a loop</u>: count a number from 0 to 4. In the newly created loop.asm file, type the following code:

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.org 0 ;begin assembling at address 0

;Define symbolic names for resources used
.def count=r17 ;r17 holds counter value
    ldi count, 0 ;Initialize count to 0 - note decimal is ok

loop:
    inc count    ;increment the counter
    cpi count, 0x04 ;can use hexdecimal number as well
    breq done
    rjmp loop

done: jmp done
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Build and run the program.

Optional: Load a big number to "count", decrement it to 0. What is the biggest number that can be loaded to count? What if you want to repeat it 1024 times, or 10K times? Hint: Use ADIW or SBIW. Refer to p113 of Some Assembly Required, p16 and p126 of the AVR_Instruction_Set.pdf on course website.

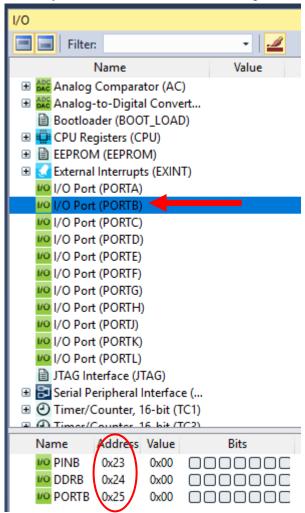
II. ATmega2560 Board and I/O Instructions

Create a new file named led.asm by repeating the steps 1-3 above, then type the code on page 6. The explanation of the code is:

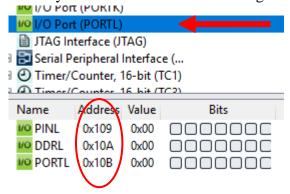
In the AVR MEGA 2560 microcontroller, each Input/Output (I/O) port has three associated registers, the data direction register (DDRx), output register (PORTx), and input register (PINx). These registers correspond to addresses in the data space accessible by the processor (the first 0x200 bytes in SRAM).

Observe the memory address of PortB and PortL: choose the current .asm file in part I, build the program. From the menu, click on "Debug" -> "Start Debugging and Break". On the right hand side, observe the I/O View. To see the memory address of PORTB and PORTL, click on PORTB or PORTL:

Memory addresses of the associated registers for PortB:



Memory addresses of the associated registers for PortL:

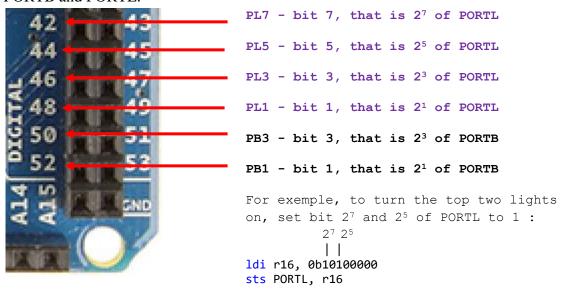


Some ports are mapped to addresses smaller than or equal to 0x3F, for example, PORTB is mapped to 0x25. Use IN/OUT instructions to transfer data between registers and SRAM (data memory) for addresses between 0x00 and 0x3F, but some ports such as PORTL are mapped

to addresses which are bigger than 0x3F, they can't be accessed using the IN/OUT instructions, in this case, use LDS and STS instructions. In AVR, Ports A to G use Port Mapped I/O (separate addresses from memory) and Ports H to K use Memory Mapped I/O (usage is similar to any memory location). Port Mapped addresses have to use separate In/Out instructions while Memory mapped use LDS and STS.

III. Pins and Ports

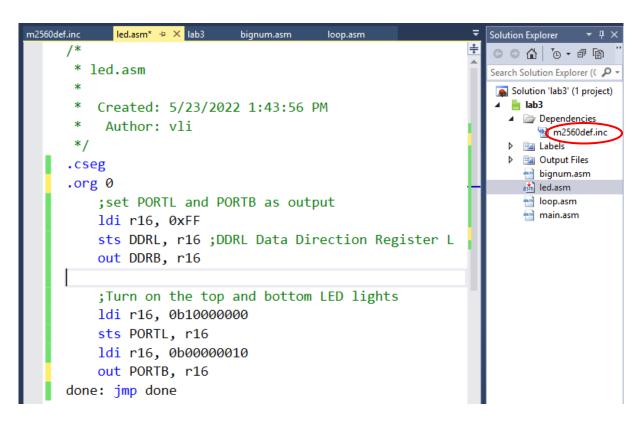
The six LEDs are associated with six pins and the pins are mapped to some bits of two ports: PORTB and PORTL:

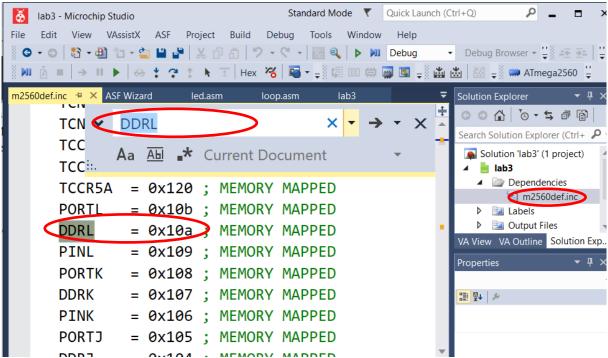


Write a program to turn on a specific LED light: In the same project, add a new file called led.asm.

Once led.asm is added to the project, type the following code. Note that the I/O registers - 0x10B and 0x10A - are specified in hexadecimal numbers. The two I/O registers are given names, PORTL and DDRL, by using the .equ directive to represent the port numbers (the memory addresses in data memory). Once equated, the I/O registers are referred to by names instead of numbers in the program.

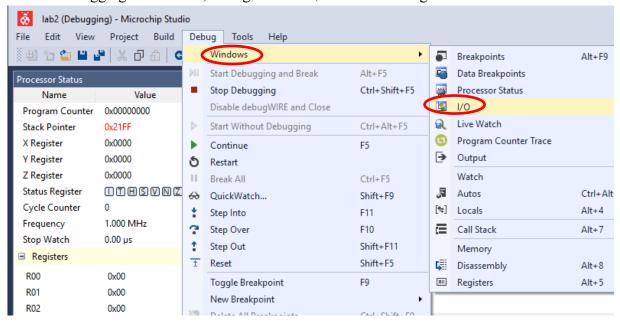
The memory addresses of DDRL, DDRB, PORTL, and PORTB are defined in file named "m2560def.inc". To read the file, in the "Solution Explorer", click on "Dependencies" -> "m2560def.inc". Refer to the screenshot on the next page:



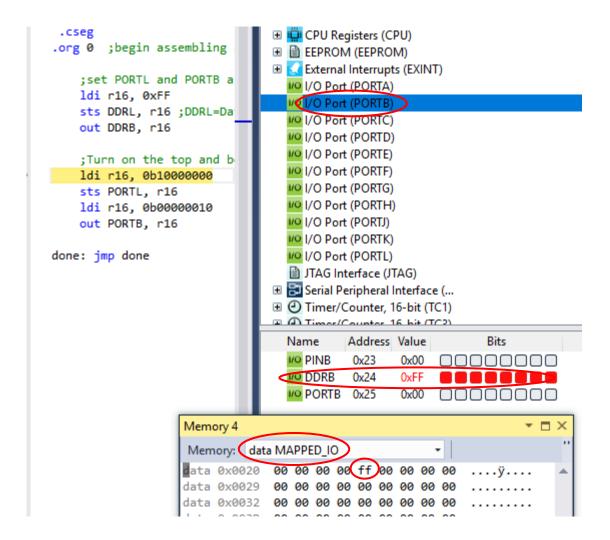


IV. Build and upload the .hex file to the board:

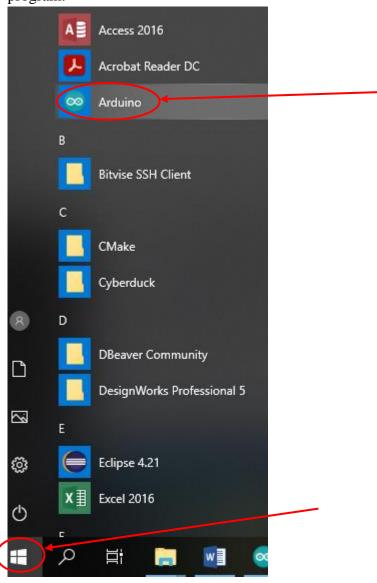
- Right click on *led.asm* and choose "Set As EntryFile" (Go to step 3 of page 2 of this lab note for details.)
- If the I/O pane is not visible, go to the menu and click on "Debug" -> "Start Debugging and Break", then go to menu, click on "Debug" -> "Windows" -> "I/O":



• Build -> Build Solution, then run the program above (Debug -> Start Debugging and Break). Observe the changes of the registers and the I/O registers.

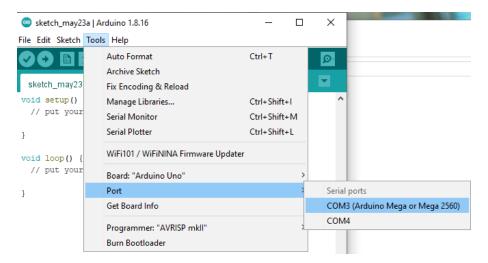


- Find to which COM port the lab AVR board is connected to. This is different on each machine. You can check this by launch the Arduino IDE. The step by step instructions are:
- Step 1: Launch Arduino IDE: click on the *Start* button, then click on the *Arduino* program.



- Step 2: In the Arduino IDE program, from the menu, click on *Tools* → *Port*: → "COM3" (Arduino Mega or Mega 2560)
COM4.

The machine shown in the screenshot below shows that the Arduino board is connected to the computer through port COM3.



• Upload the lab3.hex file to the board:

Method I:

Follow the instructions below:

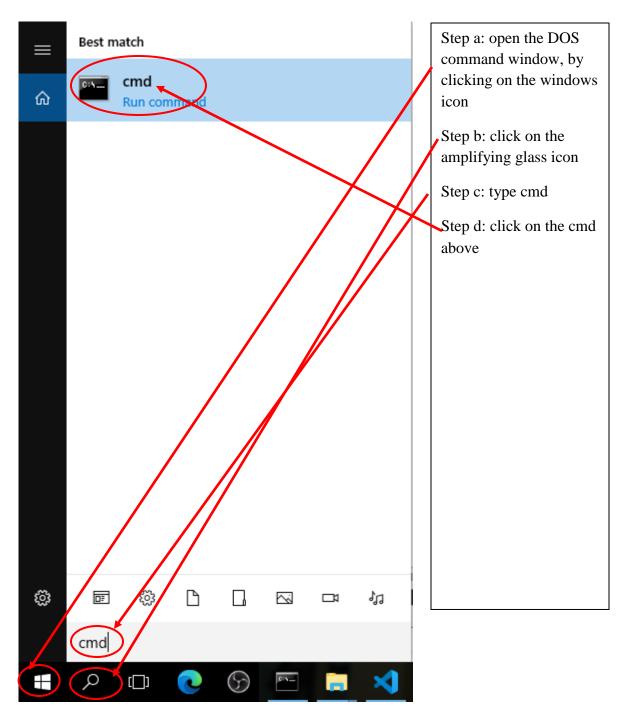
- download upload.bat.txt from the lab 3 folder on the course website
- Save the upload.bat.txt file into the folder where lab3.hex is stored. For example, if the project is called lab3 and saved on H:\230\, then the lab3.hex file is stored at H:\230\lab3\lab3\Debug\. Save the upload.bat.txt file to H:\230\\lab3\lab3\Debug\
- Change the file name from *upload.bat.txt* to *upload.bat*. Right click on upload.bat, and open it with Notepad++, check the port number and .hex file name. If the port is not the same port shown in step 2 on page 9, change it. If the .hex file name is not the same as the one in the Debug directory, change the file name.

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"C:\Program Files (x86)\Arduino\hardware\tools\avr\bin\avrdude.exe" -C
"C:\Program Files (x86)\Arduino\hardware\tools\avr\etc\avrdude.conf" -p
atmega2560 -c wiring -P COM4 -b 115200 -D -F -U flash:w lab3.hex

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3
4 pause
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- Double click on the upload.bat file from the Window's Explorer to upload the .hex file to the Arduino Board.

Method II:



Step e: navigate to the directory containing lab3.hex. Suppose the lab3.hex is stored at H drive in 230\lab3\lab3\Debug:

Go to H drive: type *H*: and press the enter key:

Once in H drive, type *cd* 230\lab3\lab3\Debug and press enter.

Step h: type *dir* to see if *lab3.hex* and *upload.bat* are in the *Debug* directory, then type *upload.bat* and press enter. The lab3.hex file should be uploaded from the PC to the board. The screenshot is on the next page.

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C:\Windows\system32>H:

H:\>cd 230\lab3\lab3\Debug
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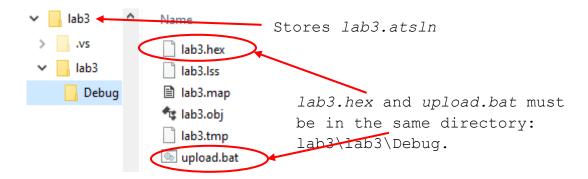
Method III:

Repeat steps a-e as in "Method II", instead of typing *upload.bat*, typing the following command at the command window:

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You may need to change the path (e.g. C:\Program Files (x86)) and filename (e.g. lab3.hex) if the settings are different from this. Instead of typing such a long command, download "upload.bat.txt" file to the same directory where your lab3.hex file is stored. Modify the communication port (-P COM4) to reflect the one on your machine. Open a command window, get to the same directory where upload.bat is stored, and type upload.bat. "upload.bat" is a batch file. It is another way to type a command. You need to change the file name lab3.hex if your project is not called lab3. Learn some DOS commands, such as "cd" – change directory.

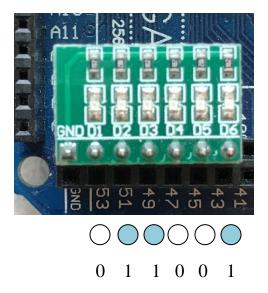
To find the *lab3.hex* file, refer to the following screen shot:



V. Exercises:

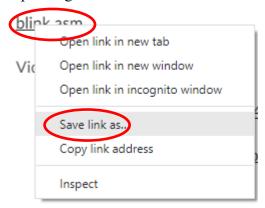
Tilt the LED light by 90 degrees. If the 6 LED lights represent 6 bit binary number, with pin 52 represent the most significant bit and pin 42 represent the least significant bit, modify your

code in led.asm, let the lights represent any 6 bit binary number. Let LED light on represents binary 1, off represents 0. The blue circle represents light on in the following diagram, therefore, the pattern represents 0b011001. (Hint: go to page 5 to see with bit should be 1 if the led controlled by that bit should be on).



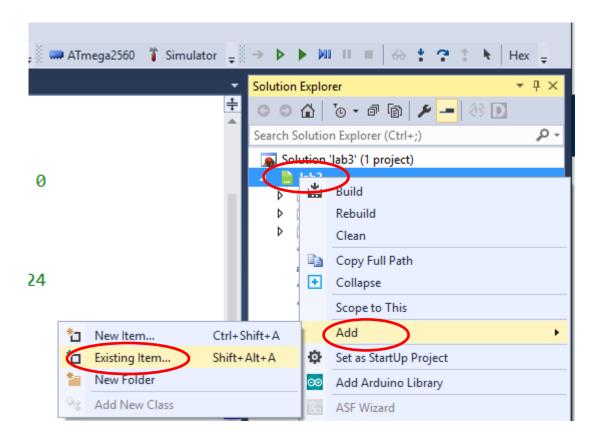
Optional: You can make the LED lights blink by letting the lights on for a while and off for a while. Hint: use nested loops to run "nop" (no operation) for a million times, then turn the lights on or off (XOR gate?). Take a look at the blink.asm to learn more.

To add blink.asm to your lab3 project, follow the instructions below: Step 1: Right click on the blink.asm on the lab website, then choose "Save link as ..."

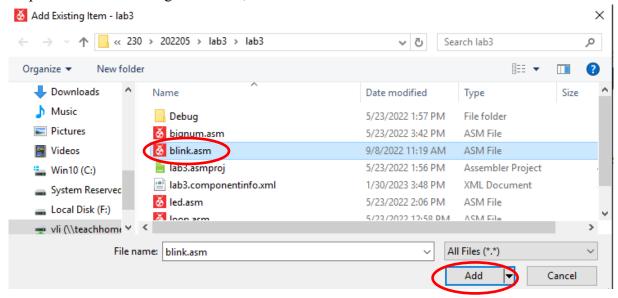


Step 2: On the dialogue window, choose the directory where the main.asm of the lab3 project is stored and save the file.

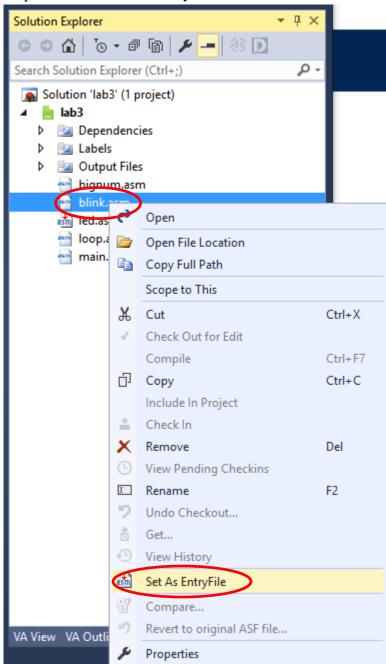
Step 3: Make sure to stop debugging. At the Solution Explorer pane, right click on the project name "lab3" -> "Add" -> "Existing Item" (refer to the screenshot on the next page):



Step 4: on the next dialogue window, click on "blink.asm" and click on the "Add" button:



Step 5: set blink.asm as entry file:



Step 6: build and upload.