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## **CALL Instruction**

The call instruction is used to call a procedure.

# **Procedures in Irvine32 Library**

#### a. Clrscr

Clears the console window and locates the cursor at the above left corner.

#### b. Crlf

Writes the end of line sequence to the console window.

## c. Delay (EAX)

Pauses the program execution for a specified interval (in milliseconds).

## d. DumpRegs

Displays the EAX, EBX, ECX, EDX, ESI, EDI, ESP, EIP and EFLAG registers.

## e. GetMaxXY (DX=col, AX=row)

Gets the number of columns and rows in the console window buffer.

# f. GetTextColor (Background= Upper AL, Foreground= Lower AL)

Returns the active foreground and background text colors in the console window.

## g. SetTextColor (EAX= Foreground + (Background\*16))

Sets the foreground and background colors of all subsequent text output to the console.

black = 0	red = 4	gray = 8	lightRed = 12
blue = 1	magenta = 5	lightBlue = 9	lightMagenta = 13
green = 2	brown = 6	lightGreen = 10	yellow = 14
cyan = 3	lightGray = 7	lightCyan = 11	white = 15

## h. Gotoxy (DH=row, DL=col)

Locates the cursor at a specific row and column in the console window.

By default X coordinate range is 0-79, and Y coordinate range is 0-24.

### i. ReadChar

Waits for single character to be typed at the keyboard and returns that character.

## i. ReadDec

Reads an unsigned 32-bit integer from the keyboard.

#### k. ReadHex

Reads a 32-bit hexadecimal integers from the keyboard, terminated by the enter key.

#### 1. ReadInt

Reads a signed 32-bit integer from the keyboard, terminated by the enter key.

### m. ReadString (EDX=OFFSET, ECX=SIZEOF)

Reads a string from the keyboard, terminated by the enter key.

### n. WriteBin

Writes an unsigned 32-bit integer to the console window in ASCII binary format.

o. WriteChar

Writes a single character to the console window.

p. WriteDec

Writes an unsigned 32-bit integer to the console window in decimal format.

q. WriteHex

Writes a 32-bit integer to the console window in hexadecimal format.

r. WriteInt

Writes a signed 32-bit integer to the console window in decimal format.

s. WriteString (EDX= OFFSET String)

Write a null-terminated string to the console window.

t. Randomize

Seeds the random number generator with a unique value.

u. WaitMsg

Display a message and wait for the Enter key to be pressed.

v. **DumpMem (ESI=Starting OFFSET, ECX=LengthOf, EBX=Type)**Writes the block of memory to the console window in hexadecimal.

#### Example 1:

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WriteDec: The integer to be displayed is passed in EAX WriteString: The offset of string to be written is passed in EDX WriteChar: The character to be displayed is passed in AL
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```
.data
       divider BYTE" - ", 0
       codepage DWORD 1252
.code
       mov ecx, 255
       mov eax,1
       mov edx, OFFSET divider
       L1:
                                             ; EAX is a counter
               call
                      WriteDec
                      WriteString
                                             ; EDX points to string
               call
               call
                      WriteChar
                                             ; AL is the character
               call
                      Crlf
               inc
                      al
                                             ; next character
       Loop L1
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#### Example 2:

SetTextColor: Background & foreground colors are passed to EAX

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.data
str1 BYTE "Sample string in color", 0dh, 0ah, 0
.code

mov eax, yellow + (blue * 16)
call SetTextColor

mov edx, OFFSET str1
call WriteString

call DumpRegs
exit
```

#### Example 3:

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DumpMem: Pass offset of array in ESI, length of array in ECX & type in EBX
ReadInt: Reads the signed integer into EAX
WriteInt: Signed integer to be written is passed in EAX
WriteHex: Hex value to be written is passed in EAX
WriteBin: Binary value to be written is passed in EAX
.data
       COUNT = 4
       BlueTextOnGray = blue + (lightGray * 16)
       DefaultColor = lightGray + (black * 16)
       arrayD SDWORD 12345678h, 1A4B2000h, 3434h, 7AB9h
       prompt BYTE "Enter a 32-bit signed integer: ", 0
.code
; Set text color to blue text on a light gray background
       mov eax, BlueTextOnGray
       call SetTextColor
       call Clrscr
                                               : clear the screen
; Display an array using DumpMem.
               esi, OFFSET arrayD
                                              ; starting OFFSET
       mov
                                              ; doubleword = 4 bytes
       mov
               ebx, TYPE arrayD
               ecx, LENGTHOF arrayD
                                              ; number of units in arrayD
       mov
                                               ; display memory
               DumpMem
       call
   ; Ask the user to input a sequence of signed integers
       call
               Crlf
                                              ; new line
               ecx, COUNT
       mov
L1:
               edx, OFFSET prompt
       mov
               WriteString
       call
       call
               ReadInt
                                       ; input integer into EAX
       call
               Crlf
                                              ; new line
; Display the integer in decimal, hexadecimal, and binary
       call
               WriteInt
                                              ; display in signed decimal
       call
               Crlf
               WriteHex
       call
                                              ; display in hexadecimal
       call
               Crlf
       call
               WriteBin
                                              ; display in binary
       call
               Crlf
       call
               Crlf
Loop L1
                                       ; repeat the loop
; Return console window to default colors.
       call
               WaitMsg
                                              ; "Press any key..."
               eax, DefaultColor
       mov
       call
               SetTextColor  
       call
               Clrscr
Example 4:
GetMSeconds: Value is returned in EAX
.data
       startTime DWORD?
.code
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call GetMseconds
mov startTime, eax
L1:
; (loop body)
loop L1
call GetMseconds
sub eax, startTime
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# **Creating A New File**

EAX contains the newly created file's handle or INVALID\_HANDLE\_VALUE if creation is unsuccessful

#### Example:

.data

filehandle DWORD?

filename BYTE "MyFile.txt", 0

.code

mov edx, offset filename call CreateOutputFile mov filehandle, eax

# **Opening An Existing File**

Offset of file name is passed to EDX. Handle of opened file is returned in EAX

#### Example:

.data

filehandle DWORD?

filename BYTE "MyExistingFile.txt", 0

.code

mov edx,OFFSET filename

call OpenInputFile mov filehandle, EAX

# **Reading From A File**

Call arguments:

EAX = an open file handle

EDX = offset of the input buffer

ECX = maximum number of bytes to read

#### Return arguments:

If CF = 0, EAX contains the number of bytes read.

If CF = 1, EAX contains a system error code

#### Example:

.data

buffSize = 10 ; if we want to read just 10 bytes

buffer BYTE buffSize DUP(?) ; buffer will contain the text read from the file

.code

mov eax, filehandle ;assuming filehandle contains handle of an open file mov edx, OFFSET buffer ;buffer will contain the text read from the file

mov ecx, BUFSIZE ;specify how many bytes to read

call ReadFromFile

# Writing To A File:

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Call arguments:
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EAX = an open file handle

EDX = offset of the buffer

ECX = maximum number of bytes to write

#### Return arguments:

If CF = 0, EAX contains the number of bytes written.

If CF = 1, EAX contains a system error code.

#### Example:

.data

bufferSize = 10 ;if we want to write just 10 bytes

buffer BYTE bufferSize DUP(?);uninitialized in this example but buffer will contain the text to be written to file

.code

mov eax, filehandle mov edx, OFFSET buffer mov ecx, bufferSize call WriteToFile ; assuming that filehandle contains handle of an open file

;buffer from where text will be written to file

;number of bytes to be written to file from the buffer

# **Closing A File**

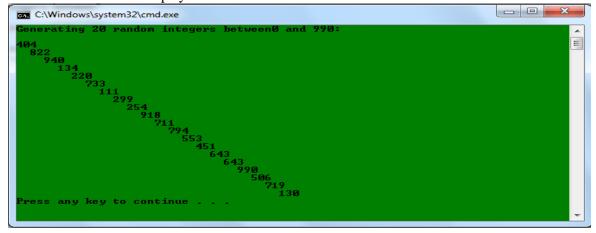
#### Example:

mov eax, filehandle call CloseFile

; assuming filehandle contains handle of an open file

### **Activity:**

Write a program to display random number list in diagonal pattern before each number display 5 milliseconds wait then display number.



Write a program to take input data for an employee and store it in appropriate variables. The program should ask for Employee ID, Name, Year of Birth & Annual Salary from the user. The program should then calculate the annual tax on that employee's annual salary if it exceeds Rs. 50,000 and display the tax message in a message box. The tax is calculated according to formula:

Tax = Monthly Salary / 2

Make a program to create a text file name Fibo.txt and write the first 8 fibonnaci numbers to that file.

Print the followard character.	lowing pattern (using Goto)	XY and any other libra	ary procedure) withou	t using the "Space'
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