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Aim	Write a program to Implement a 2 pass Assembler.		
Objective	Implement and evaluate the functionality of a two-pass assembler. Construct a symbol table, resolving forward references, and generating machine code.		
Theory	Compiler Pass[1]		
	A Compiler pass refers to the traversal of a compiler through the entire program. Compiler passes are of two types: Single Pass Compiler, and Two Pass Compiler or Multi-Pass Compiler. These are explained as follows. Single Pass Compiler If we combine or group all the phases of compiler design in a single module known as a single pass compiler. High level language Value Va		



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In the above diagram, there are all 6 phases are grouped in a single module, some points of the single pass compiler are as:

- A one-pass/single-pass compiler is a type of compiler that passes through the part of each compilation unit exactly once.
- Single pass compiler is faster and smaller than the multi-pass compiler.
- A disadvantage of a single-pass compiler is that it is less efficient in comparison with the multipass compiler.
- A single pass compiler is one that processes the input exactly once, so going directly from lexical analysis to code generator, and then going back for the next read.

Problems with Single Pass Compiler

- We can not optimize very well due to the limited context of expressions.
- As we can't back up and process it again so grammar should be limited or simplified.
- Command interpreters such as bash/sh/tcsh can be considered Single pass compilers, but they also execute entries as soon as they are processed.

Two Pass Compiler[2]

A two-pass assembler is a type of assembly language translator that processes the source code in two consecutive passes or phases. In the first pass, the assembler scans the entire source code, building a symbol table that contains information about labels, variables, and their memory locations. It also detects syntax errors and performs macro expansion if applicable. During the second pass, the assembler generates the actual machine code, using the information gathered in the first pass.

Pass 1: Symbol Table Construction

During the first pass, the assembler reads the source code line by line, analyzing each instruction and directive. It identifies and records the symbols (labels, variable names) along with their associated memory locations or addresses. Additionally, it resolves any forward references encountered, ensuring that all symbols are defined before they are used. The symbol table generated during this pass serves as a reference for the subsequent code generation phase.

Pass 2: Code Generation

In the second pass, the assembler utilizes the symbol table constructed in the first pass to generate the machine code instructions. It revisits each line of the source code, translating assembly instructions into their binary equivalents or relocatable machine code. This phase may also involve resolving any remaining unresolved symbols and generating appropriate relocation information if the target machine supports relocatable code.



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Advantages of a Two-Pass Assembler

- Efficient Symbol Resolution: By dividing the assembly process into two passes, a two-pass assembler can efficiently handle forward references, ensuring that all symbols are properly resolved.
- 2. **Error Detection:** The two-pass approach allows the assembler to detect syntax errors, undefined symbols, or other issues early in the assembly process, improving overall code quality and debugging.
- 3. **Macro Expansion:** Two-pass assemblers often support macro expansion, enabling the use of reusable code fragments and simplifying program development.

Difference between One Pass and Two Pass Compiler[1]

One pass Compiler	Two Pass Compiler
It performs Translation in one pass	It performs Translation in two pass
It scans the entire file only once.	It requires two passes to scan the source file.
It generates Intermediate code	It does not generate Intermediate code
It is faster than two pass assembler	It is slower than two pass assembler
A loader is not required	A loader is required.
No object program is written.	A loader is required as the object code is generated.
Perform some professing of assembler directives.	Perform processing of assembler directives not done in pass-1
The data structure used are: The symbol table, literal table, pool	The data structure used are: The symbol table, literal table, and



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table, and table of incomplete.	pool table.
These assemblers perform the whole conversion of assembly code to machine code in one go.	These assemblers first process the assembly code and store values in the opcode table and symbol table and then in the second step they generate the machine code using these tables.
Example: C and Pascal uses One Pass Compiler.	Example: Modula-2 uses Multi Pass Compiler.

Implementation / Code

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Python Code:
import sys
def RemoveSpaces(x):
    if (x != " ") or (x != ", "):
        return x
def RemoveCommas(x):
    if x[-1] == ",":
        return x[: len(x) - 1]
    else:
        return x
def CheckLiteral(element):
    if element[ : 2] == "='":
        return True
    else:
        return False
def CheckSymbol(Elements):
    global SymbolTable, Opcodes
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if (len(Elements) > 1) and ([Elements[-1], None, None, "Variable"]
not in SymbolTable) and (Elements[-1] != "CLA") and (Elements[-2] not
in ["BRP", "BRN", "BRZ"]) and (Elements[-1][ : 2] != "='") and
(Elements[-1][ : 3] != "REG") and (not Elements[-1].isnumeric()):
        return True
    else:
        return False
def CheckLabel(Elements):
    global SymbolTable, Opcodes
    if (len(Elements) >= 2) and (Elements[1] in Opcodes):
        if Elements[0] not in SymbolTable:
            return True
    else:
        return False
Opcodes = ["CLA", "LAC", "SAC", "ADD", "SUB", "BRZ", "BRN", "BRP",
"INP", "DSP", "MUL", "DIV", "STP", "DATA", "START"]
AssemblyOpcodes = {"CLA" : "0000", "LAC" : "0001", "SAC" : "0010",
"ADD" : "0011", "SUB" : "0100", "BRZ" : "0101", "BRN" : "0110",
                   "BRP" : "0111", "INP" : "1000", "DSP" : "1001",
"MUL" : "1010", "DIV" : "1011", "STP" : "1100"}
SymbolTable = []
LiteralTable = []
Variables = []
Declarations = []
AssemblyCode = []
location counter = 0
stop found = False
end found = False
file = open("Assembly Code Input.txt", "rt")
# ERROR 1 : Checking for missing START statement
for line in file:
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# Checking for comments
    if line[ : 2] != "//":
        if line.strip() != "START":
            print("STARTError : 'START' statement is missing. " + "(
Line " + str(location counter) + " )")
            sys.exit(0)
        else:
            file.seek(0, 0)
            break
# First Pass
for line in file:
    # Checking for comments
    if line[ : 2] != "//":
        Elements = line.strip().split(" ")
        Elements = list(filter(RemoveSpaces, Elements))
        Elements = list(map(RemoveCommas, Elements))
        # Removing comments
        for i in range(len(Elements)):
            if Elements[i][ : 2] == "//":
                Elements = Elements[ : i]
                break
        # ERROR 2 : Checking for too many operands
        # If the instruction doesn't contain a Label
        if (len(Elements) >= 3) and (Elements[0] in Opcodes):
            print("TooManyOperandsError : Too many operands used for
the '" + Elements[0] + "' assembly opcode. " + "( Line " +
str(location counter) + " )")
            sys.exit(0)
        # If the instruction contains a Label
        elif (len(Elements) >= 4) and (Elements[1] in Opcodes):
            print("TooManyOperandsError : Too many operands used for
the '" + Elements[1] + "' assembly opcode. " + "( Line " +
str(location counter) + " )")
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sys.exit(0)
        # ERROR 3 : Checking for less operands
       # If the instruction doesn't contain a Label
       if (len(Elements) == 1) and (Elements[0] in ["LAC", "SAC",
"ADD", "SUB", "BRZ", "BRN", "BRP", "INP", "DSP", "MUL", "DIV"]):
           print("LessOperandsError : Less operands used for the '" +
Elements[0] + "' assembly opcode. " + "( Line " +
str(location counter) + " )")
           sys.exit(0)
       # If the instruction contains a Label
       elif (len(Elements) == 2) and (Elements[1] in ["LAC", "SAC",
print("LessOperandsError : Less operands used for the '" +
Elements[1] + "' assembly opcode. " + "( Line " +
str(location_counter) + " )")
           sys.exit(0)
       # ERROR 4 : Checking for invalid opcodes
       if stop found is False:
           if len(Elements) == 3:
               # If the instruction contains a Label
               if Elements[1] not in Opcodes:
                   print("InvalidOpcodeError : '" + Elements[1] + "'
is an invalid opcode. " + "( Line " + str(location counter) + " )")
                   sys.exit(0)
           if (len(Elements) == 2) and (Elements[1] == "CLA"):
           elif len(Elements) == 2:
               # If the instruction doesn't contain a Label
               if Elements[0] not in Opcodes:
                   print("InvalidOpcodeError : '" + Elements[0] + "'
is an invalid opcode. " + "( Line " + str(location counter) + " )")
                   sys.exit(0)
        # Check for STP
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if (len(Elements) == 3) and (Elements[1] == "DATA"):
            stop found = True
        # Check for END
        if (len(Elements) == 1) and (Elements[0] == "END"):
            end found = True
            for i in range(len(LiteralTable)):
                if LiteralTable[i][1] == -1:
                    LiteralTable[i][1] = location counter
                    location counter += 1
            break
        if not stop found:
            # Check for Literal
            for x in Elements:
                if CheckLiteral(x):
                    LiteralTable.append([x, -1])
            # Check for Labels
            if CheckLabel(Elements):
                SymbolTable.append([Elements[0], location counter,
None, "Label"])
            # Check for Symbols
            if CheckSymbol(Elements):
                SymbolTable.append([Elements[-1], None, None,
"Variable"])
        elif stop found:
            if (Elements[0] != "STP") and (Elements[0] != "END"):
                # ERROR 5 : Checking for multiple definations
                if Elements[0] not in Variables:
                    Variables.append(Elements[0])
                    Declarations.append((Elements[0], Elements[2]))
                else:
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print("DefinationError : Variable '" + Elements[0]
 "' defined multiple times. " + "( Line " + str(location counter) + "
)")
                    sys.exit(0)
                # ERROR 6 : Checking for redundant declarations
                if [Elements[0], None, None, "Variable"] not in
SymbolTable:
                   print("RedundantDeclarationError : " + Elements[0]
+ " declared but not used.")
                location = SymbolTable.index([Elements[0], None, None,
"Variable"])
                SymbolTable[location][1] = location counter
                SymbolTable[location][2] = Elements[2]
        location counter += 1
# ERROR 7 : Checking for missing END statement
if end found is False:
   print("ENDError : 'END' statement is missing." + "( Line " +
str(location counter) + " )")
   sys.exit(0)
# ERROR 8 : Checking for undefined variables
for x in SymbolTable:
   if x[1] is None and x[3] == "Variable":
       print("UndefinedVariableError : Variable '" + x[0] + "' not
defined.")
        sys.exit(0)
# Printing Tables after First Pass
print(">>> Opcode Table <<<\n")</pre>
print("ASSEMBLY OPCODE
                         OPCODE")
print("-----")
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for key in AssemblyOpcodes:
   print(key.ljust(20) + AssemblyOpcodes[key].ljust(6))
print("----")
print("\n>>> Literal Table <<<\n")</pre>
print("LITERAL ADDRESS")
print("----")
for i in LiteralTable:
   print(i[0].ljust(12) + str(i[1]).ljust(7))
print("----")
print("\n>>> Symbol Table <<<\n")</pre>
print("SYMBOL ADDRESS VALUE TYPE")
print("-----")
for i in SymbolTable:
   print(i[0].ljust(16) + str(i[1]).ljust(12) + str(i[2]).ljust(10) +
i[3].ljust(10))
print("-----")
print("\n>>> Data Table <<<\n")</pre>
print("VARIABLES VALUE")
print("----")
for i in Declarations:
   print(i[0].ljust(14) + str(i[1]).ljust(10))
print("----\n")
# Second Pass
file.seek(0, 0)
print(">>> MACHINE CODE <<<\n")</pre>
for line in file:
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```
# Checking for comments
    if line[ : 2] != "//":
        Elements = line.strip().split(" ")
        Elements = list(filter(RemoveSpaces, Elements))
        Elements = list(map(RemoveCommas, Elements))
        s = ""
        # Removing comments
        for i in range(len(Elements)):
            if Elements[i][ : 2] == "//":
                Elements = Elements[ : i]
                break
        # To terminate machine code conversion
        if (len(Elements) == 3) and (Elements[1] == "DATA"):
            break
        if Elements[0] == "STP":
            AssemblyCode.append("00 "+ AssemblyOpcodes["STP"] + " 00
00 00")
            print("00 " + AssemblyOpcodes["STP"] + " 00 00 00")
        # If the CLA opcode has a Label before it
        elif (len(Elements) == 2) and (Elements[1] == "CLA"):
            for i in range(len(SymbolTable)):
                if Elements[0] == SymbolTable[i][0]:
AssemblyCode.append(str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0") + " " +
AssemblyOpcodes["CLA"] + " 00 00 00")
                    print(str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0") + " "+
AssemblyOpcodes["CLA"] + " 00 00 00")
        elif Elements[0] != "START":
            if (len(Elements) == 1) and (Elements[0] == "CLA"):
                AssemblyCode.append("00 " + AssemblyOpcodes["CLA"] + "
00 00 00")
                print("00 " + AssemblyOpcodes["CLA"] + " 00 00 00")
            # If there is no Label
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elif (len(Elements) == 2) and (Elements[1] != "CLA"):
                print("00 " + AssemblyOpcodes[Elements[0]], end = " ")
                s = "00 " + AssemblyOpcodes[Elements[0]] + " "
                # Dealing with Literals
                if CheckLiteral(Elements[1]):
                    for i in range(len(LiteralTable)):
                        if LiteralTable[i][0] == Elements[1]:
                            AssemblyCode.append(s + "00 00 " +
str(LiteralTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
                            print("00 00 " +
str(LiteralTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
                # Dealing with Lables (BRP, BRZ, BRN)
                elif Elements[0] in ["BRP", "BRN", "BRZ"]:
                    for i in range(len(SymbolTable)):
                        if SymbolTable[i][0] == Elements[1]:
                            AssemblyCode.append(s +
str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0") + " 00 00")
                            print(str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0")
+ " 00 00")
                # Dealing with Registers
                elif Elements[1][ : 3] == "REG":
                    AssemblyCode.append(s + "00 " + Elements[1][-
1].rjust(2, "0") + " 00")
                    print("00 " + Elements[1][-1].rjust(2, "0") + "
00")
                # Dealing with Variables
                else:
                    for i in range(len(SymbolTable)):
                        if SymbolTable[i][0] == Elements[1]:
                            AssemblyCode.append(s + "00 00 " +
str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
                            print("00 00 " +
str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
            # If the instruction conatins a Label
            elif len(Elements) == 3:
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for i in range(len(SymbolTable)):
                        if SymbolTable[i][0] == Elements[0]:
                            print(str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0")
 " " + AssemblyOpcodes[Elements[1]], end = " ")
                            s = str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0") +
" " + AssemblyOpcodes[Elements[1]] + " "
                # Dealing with Literals
                if CheckLiteral(Elements[2]):
                    for i in range(len(LiteralTable)):
                        if LiteralTable[i][0] == Elements[2]:
                            AssemblyCode.append(s + "00 00 " +
str(LiteralTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
                            print("00 00 " +
str(LiteralTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
                # Dealing with Lables (BRP, BRZ, BRN)
                elif Elements[1] in ["BRP", "BRN", "BRZ"]:
                    for i in range(len(SymbolTable)):
                        if SymbolTable[i][0] == Elements[2]:
                            AssemblyCode.append(s +
str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0") + " 00 00")
                            print(str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0")
+ " 00 00")
                # Dealing with Registers
                elif Elements[2][ : 3] == "REG":
                    AssemblyCode.append(s + "00 " + Elements[2][-
1].rjust(2, "0") + " 00")
                    print("00 " + Elements[2][-1].rjust(2, "0") + "
00")
                # Dealing with Variables
                else:
                    for i in range(len(SymbolTable)):
                        if SymbolTable[i][0] == Elements[2]:
                            AssemblyCode.append(s + "00 00 " +
str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
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print("00 00 " +
str(SymbolTable[i][1]).rjust(2, "0"))
file.close()
file = open("MachineCode.txt", "x")
file.write("-----\nMACHINE CODE\n-----\n\n")
for x in AssemblyCode:
    file.write(x + "\n")
file.close()
Assesmbly Code Input.txt:
START
// Comment Number One
// Comment Number Two
LoopOne
              CLA
                       X
              LAC
              ADD
                       ='1'
              SUB
                       = '35'
              BRP
                                            // Comment Number Three
Loop
                       Subtraction
Subtraction
                       = '5'
              SUB
                                            // Comment Number Four
              ADD
                       в
                        С
              MUL
              SUB
                       = '600'
              MUL
                                         // Comment Number Five
                       Zero1
              BRZ
Division
              DIV
                       E
              CLA
              LAC
                       REG1
              BRP
                       Positive
Zero
              SAC
                       X
              DSP
                       Х
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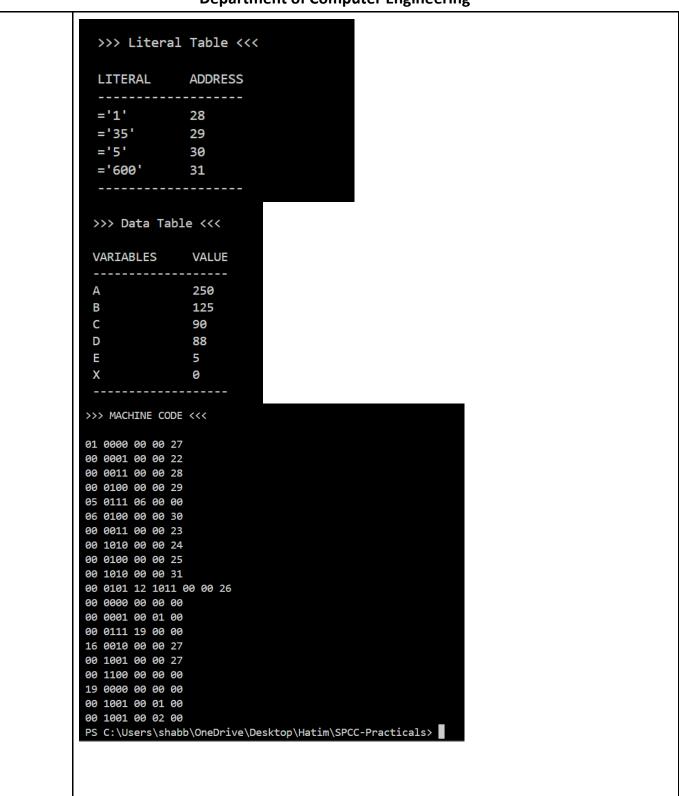
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		STP	
	Positive	CLA	
		DSP	REG1
		DSP	REG2
	A	DATA	250
	В	DATA	125
	С	DATA	90
	D	DATA	88
	E	DATA	5
	x	DATA	0
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		END	
Output	Exp8\exp >>> Opco	o8.py" ode Table ‹	
- a.put	Exp8\exp >>> Opco	08.py"	<<<
- acput	Exp8\exp >>> Opco	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	<<<
. acput	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	<<< OPCODE 0000 0001
asput	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC SAC	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010
usput	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC SAC ADD	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010 0011
. acp ac	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC SAC ADD SUB	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010 0011 0100
- acp ac	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC SAC ADD SUB BRZ	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010 0011 0100 0101
- acput	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC SAC ADD SUB BRZ BRN	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010 0011 0100 0101 0110
- acput	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010 0011 0100 0101 0110 0110
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	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC SAC ADD SUB BRZ BRN BRP INP DSP	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010 0011 0100 0101 0110 0111 1000 1001
	Exp8\exp >>> Opco ASSEMBLY CLA LAC SAC ADD SUB BRZ BRN BRP INP DSP MUL	ode Table <pre> / OPCODE</pre>	OPCODE 0000 0001 0010 0011 0100 0101 0110 0111 1000 1001
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Conclusion	In conclusion, the experiment demonstrated the effectiveness of a two-pass assembler in efficiently constructing symbol tables, resolving forward references, and generating machine code. The approach facilitated early error detection, contributing to improved code reliability and debugging. While supporting macro expansion and enabling reusable code fragments, the two-pass method may have limitations in terms of increased memory usage and processing time, particularly for complex programs. Nonetheless, its benefits in symbol resolution and error detection make it a valuable tool for assembly language programming tasks, offering insights into optimizing software development processes.
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