Assignment #2 DIS Disassembler for XE computer CS530, Fall 2020

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Overview & Goals:

The goal of this project was to create a working disassembler for the SIC/XE machine.

We approached this project in a way similar to incremental developmental design. We believed this was appropriate because the process of disassembling SIC/XE code happens in stages, so we wanted to make sure we could replicate each stage with successful output before moving on to the next.

Our subgoals were to have working iterations of the project, adding more each time:

Iteration 1: Be able to successfully parse the .sym/.obj files and store data

Iteration 2: Add accurate addressing mode calculations for formats 3 and 4

Iteration 3: Add accurate addressing mode calculations for formats 1 and 2

Iteration 4: Be able to print properly formatted data to .sic/.lis files

Project Description:

Design, develop, test, and deliver a disassembler program for the XE variant of the SIC/XE family of machines.

The goal of this project is to design, develop, test, and deliver a Disasembler program for the SIC/XE machine.

- The project must accept and open an XE object file, alongside its accompanying .sym file.
- Once the program processes all necessary information, it shall generate a source file and .lis file using the same <filename> during input.
- If neither the .obj file or the .sym file exist, the program will exit immediately.

Plan of Action and Milestones:

Week 1:

Outline Pseudocode

- Brainstorm direction of implementation
- Begin code for reading .obj file and .sym file

Week 2:

 Beginning construction functions and implementing the beginning steps to Disassembling an Object code file.

Week 3:

• Begin implementation of logic to calculate various addressing modes and object code.

Week 4:

• Work on successful output of .sic and .lis files to be generated

Week 5:

- Create a valid makefile
- Write a descriptive README
- Revise Final Draft of the Software Design Document
- Final week of testing and debugging before submitting final project.



Requirements:

Linux environment or shell emulator required for use of the SIC/XE Disassembler.

Disassembler requirements: Summarized in the description of the project....

- Project must implement a Disassembler for SIC/XE machine .obj file/.sym file
- Project will scan the current working directory for necessary files and begin execution, shutting down immediately if none are found.
- Addresses for each operation, along with the object code, shall be calculated and stored in a data structure for later reference.
- Source file and listing file shall be generated at the end using the information calculated and shall output to their respective files in the same directory.

Required Documents:

- README
- Makefile
- Test files

• SDD (Software Design Document) Final Draft

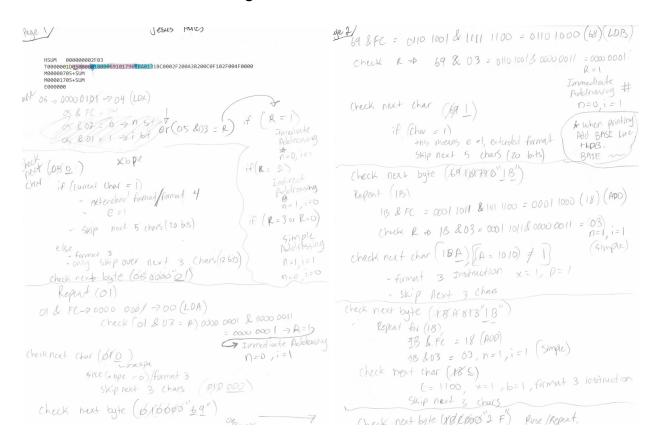
System Design/Specification:

Data structures utilized: 1D arrays of structs

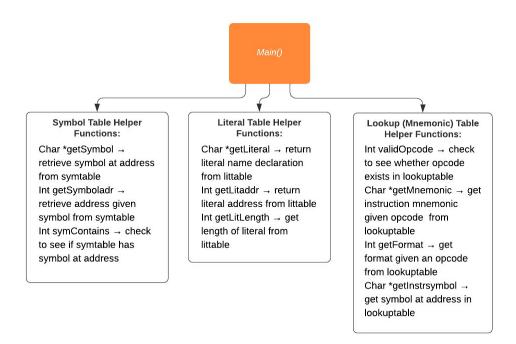
Implementation: 2 pass instructions as outlined in the textbook

- Pass 1 Defining symbols
- Pass 2 Assembling the instructions and generating the object program files

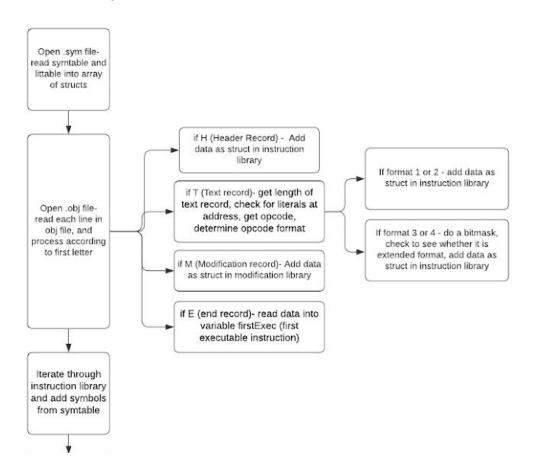
Initial Psuedocode/Brainstorming:

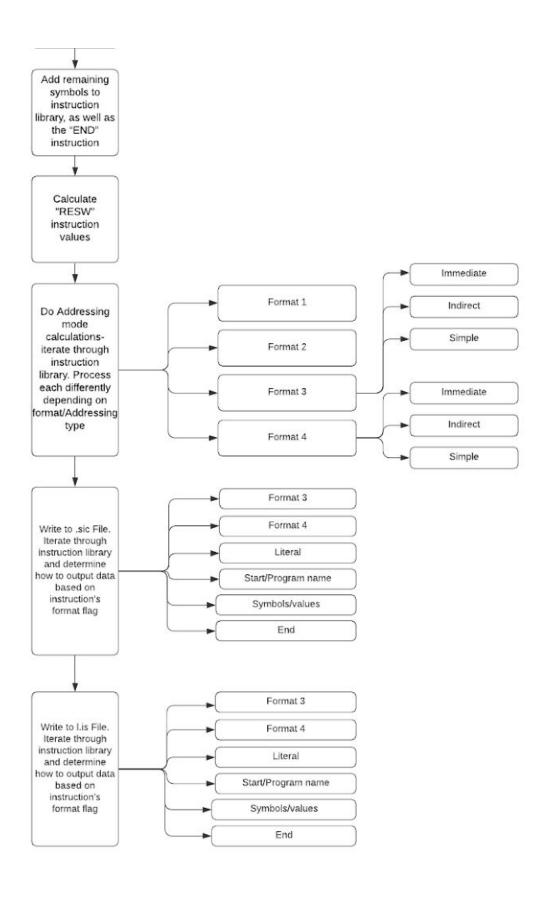


Function diagram:



Procedural Diagram for main() (with conditional branches):





Development Environment:

Code written in C using the following IDE/environments:

- Visual Studio Code using GCC Compiler (via MinGW)
 - o Debugging/Run extensions: C/C++ Intellisense, C/C++ CompileRun, Coderunner
- Edoras- Vi editor

Possible implementation of pair programming and cooperative design.

Run/Test Environment:

- Vi editor
- Edoras Linux environment
- GCC Compiler

Unit testing involved:

- Testing for edge cases and input validation
 - File input
 - Data structure memory allocation
- Verifying out logic via test cases such as Fixed input w/known outcome

Debugging:

- Debugging in stages will allow us to polish and ensure that our functions work as intended before proceeding which may also help reduce future bugs
- Main Debugging method: Print statements