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**Aim:** Assembly Language Program to display character A to z in both uppercase and lowercase

### **Theory:**

DOS provide various interrupt services that are used by the system programmer. The most commonly used interrupt is INT 21H. It invokes inbuilt DOS functions which can be used to perform various tasks. The most common tasks are reading a user input character from the screen, displaying result on the existing program etc.

In this program, we display the characters A to Z on the DOS prompt. DOS interrupt function 02 displays the contents of DL (ASCII code) on the screen. By loading the ASCII code of 'A' in the DL register, loading AH register with 02h and calling INT 21h it is possible to display character from A to Z on the screen.

INT 21h/AH = 2 - write character to standard output.

Entry: DL = character to write, after execution AL = DL.

### **Example :-**

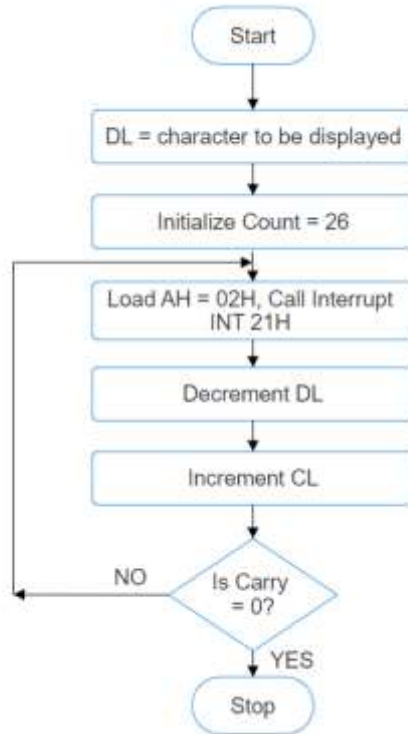
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mov ah , 2
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mov dl , 'a'
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int 21h
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**Flowchart:**



**Algorithm:**

1. Start.
2. Initialize DL with 'A'.
3. Load CL with count = 26.
4. Load AH = 02H and call INT 21H.
5. Increment DL, to next character.
6. Decrement the count.
7. Repeat steps 4,5,6 till CL is not zero.
8. To end the program use DOS interrupt:
  - 1) Load AH = 41H.
  - 2) Call INT 21 H.
9. Stop.



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Program:

org 100h

mov cx, 1Ah

mov dl,'a'

L1:

mov ah, 02h

int 21h

inc dl

dec cx

jnz L1

mov dl, 0ah

int 21h

mov dl, 0dh

int 21h

mov cx, 26

mov dl,'A'

L2:

mov ah, 02h

int 21h

inc dl

dec cx

jnz L2

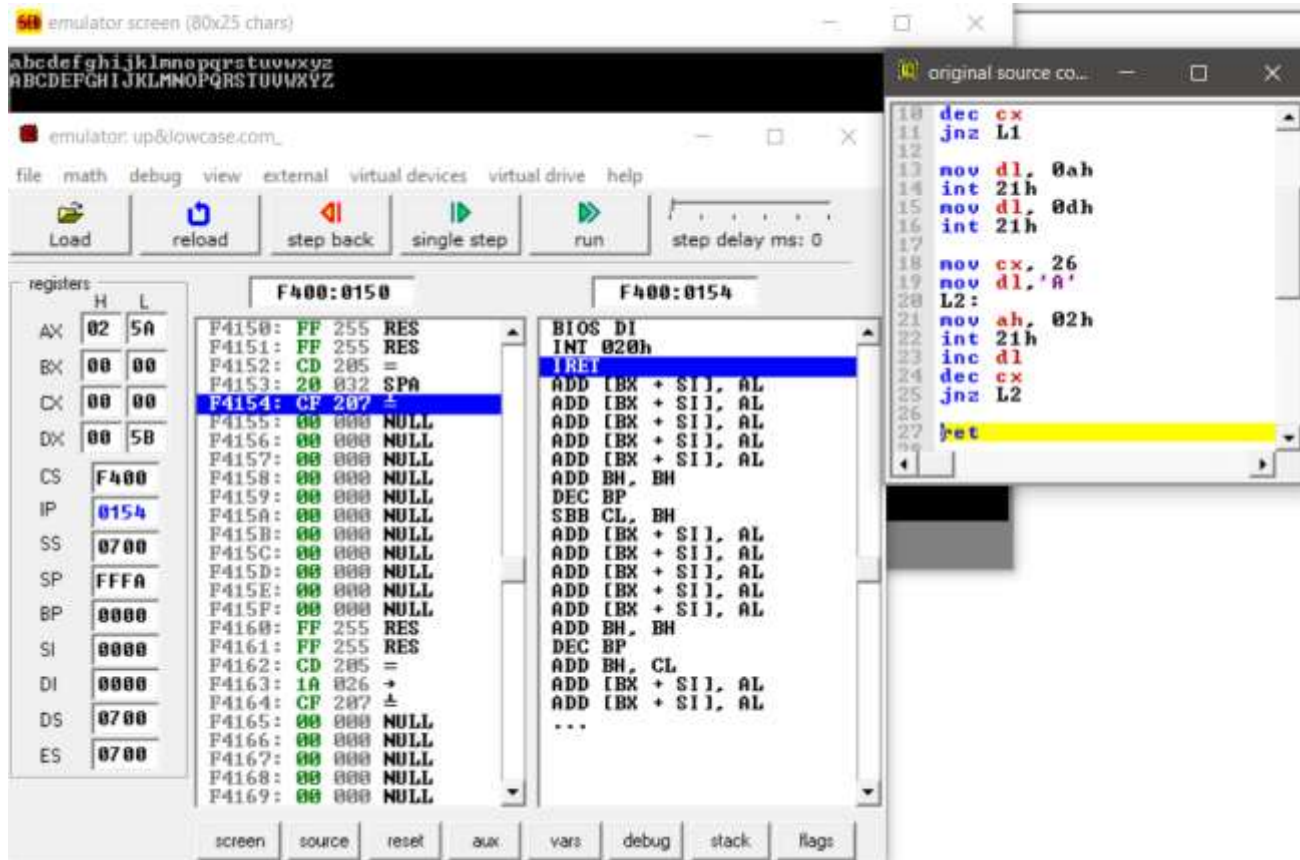
ret



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Output:



**Conclusion:** In this practical exercise, we successfully implemented a program to display characters in both uppercase and lowercase.

### 1. Explain INT 21H.

Ans. In assembly language programming for DOS and early versions of Windows, INT 21h is a software interrupt that provides access to various services offered by the operating system through the DOS API (Application Programming Interface). This interrupt is commonly used for performing file operations, keyboard input/output, screen output, and other system-level tasks.

Here are some of the commonly used functions provided by INT 21h:

#### File Operations:

- AH = 0x3D: Open File
- AH = 0x3E: Close File
- AH = 0x3F: Read from File
- AH = 0x40: Write to File
- AH = 0x42: Move File Pointer
- AH = 0x4C: Terminate Program with Return Code

#### Screen Output:

- AH = 0x02: Display Character
- AH = 0x09: Display String



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### Keyboard Input/Output:

- AH = 0x01: Read Character from Standard Input
- AH = 0x06: Direct Console Output
- AH = 0x07: Direct Console Input
- AH = 0x08: Read Character with Echo

### Miscellaneous:

- AH = 0x00: Terminate Program
- AH = 0x4A: Resize Memory Block

When using INT 21h, the specific function to be performed is specified in the AH register, and additional parameters or data may be passed in other registers or memory locations, depending on the function being called.

For example, to display a character on the screen using INT 21h, you would load the ASCII value of the character into the AL register and set AH to 0x02. Then you would trigger the interrupt using the INT 21h instruction.

### 2. Explain working of increment and decrement instructions.

Ans. Increment Instruction: Syntax: INC destination. Function: The increment instruction increases the value of the destination operand by one. The destination operand can be a register or a memory location. After the increment operation, the Zero Flag (ZF) and Sign Flag (SF) in the CPU's flags register are updated based on the result. If the result is zero, the ZF is set; if the result is negative, the SF is set. Example: INC AX increases the value in the AX register by one.

Decrement Instruction: Syntax: DEC destination. Function: The decrement instruction decreases the value of the destination operand by one. Similar to the increment instruction, the destination operand can be a register or a memory location. After the decrement operation, the Zero Flag (ZF) and Sign Flag (SF) in the CPU's flags register are updated based on the result. If the result is zero, the ZF is set; if the result is negative, the SF is set. Example: DEC BX decreases the value in the BX register by one.