

From Bits and Gates to C and Beyond

A Calculator

Chapter 10

Calculator: A Comprehensive Example

Write a program that implements a simple arithmetic calculator.

- Operations: add, subtract, and multiply integers.
- User interface: input characters from keyboard, output to monitor.
- Stack-based calculator -- integers are pushed onto the stack and then operations are performed on the stack values.

Sample Run:

The diagram shows a sample run of a calculator program. On the left, the program's output is shown: 'Enter a command:', 'Enter a command:', 'Enter a command:', 'Enter a command:', and '153'. On the right, the user's input is shown in a yellow box: '123', '30', '+', and 'D'. Red arrows point from the input box to the output lines: from '123' to the first 'Enter a command:', from '30' to the second 'Enter a command:', from '+' to the third 'Enter a command:', and from 'D' to the fourth 'Enter a command:'. A yellow arrow points from the '153' output line to the text 'Program output' below. Four annotations with red arrows point to the input box: 'Push values onto the stack' points to '123' and '30'; 'Pop the top two values, add them, and push the result' points to '+'; 'Display (print) the value at the top of stack' points to 'D'; and 'User input in bold' points to the entire input box.

Enter a command: **123**

Enter a command: **30**

Enter a command: **+**

Enter a command: **D**

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Push values onto the stack

Pop the top two values, add them, and push the result

Display (print) the value at the top of stack

User input in bold

Program output

Restriction: Integer inputs and results must be with the range -999 to +999.

Program Organization

Main program + 11 subroutines

- ASCII to binary conversion.
- Binary to ASCII conversion.
- Push value (from user) to the stack.
- Display (print) value at top of stack.
- Add.
- Multiply.
- Negate.
- Range check.
- Clear stack.
- Push (from Chapter 8).
- Pop (from Chapter 8).

Topics that need further explanation

Converting between ASCII
and 2's complement

Arithmetic using a stack

Data Type Conversion: ASCII Strings to Binary Integers

User input is based on ASCII strings -- characters typed on the keyboard.

In this program, users type decimal integers: "123."

A linefeed (or Enter) must be typed after each input.

LC-3 operations work on 2's complement binary integers, not strings.

So we have to convert the string "123" into the 2's complement representation of the integer 123.

Not all numbers are three digits -- user might type "6" or "30."

Key insight: Each digit corresponds to a **multiple of 1, 10, or 100**, depending on its position in the string.

ASCII to Binary: Data Storage

As characters are read, they will be stored in an array called ASCIIBUFF. Instead of using a null terminator for the string, we will track how many digits were entered.

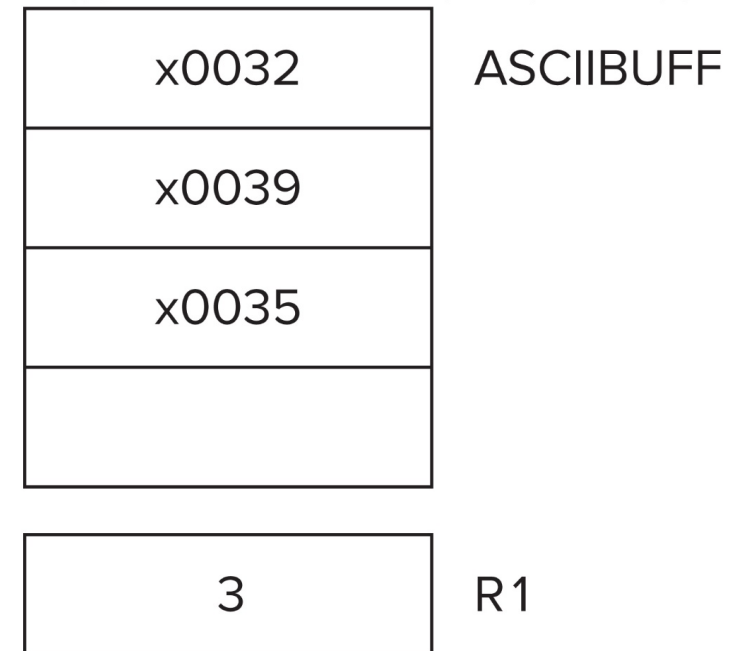
The figure shows "295" in the buffer.

The ASCII codes for '2' and '9' and '5' are in memory, and R1 tells us that three digits were entered.

Since no null terminator, why do we show four memory locations for the buffer? This same buffer will be used for converting binary to ASCII, and we will need space for a minus sign '-' for negative values.

Why not use a null terminator? We are doing character-by-character I/O and we have a limited number of characters -- the null terminator doesn't provide any benefit.

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ASCII to Binary: Computation

Given the data structure on the previous slide, we can easily identify the ones digit, tens digit (if any), and hundreds digit (if any). Need to do the following:

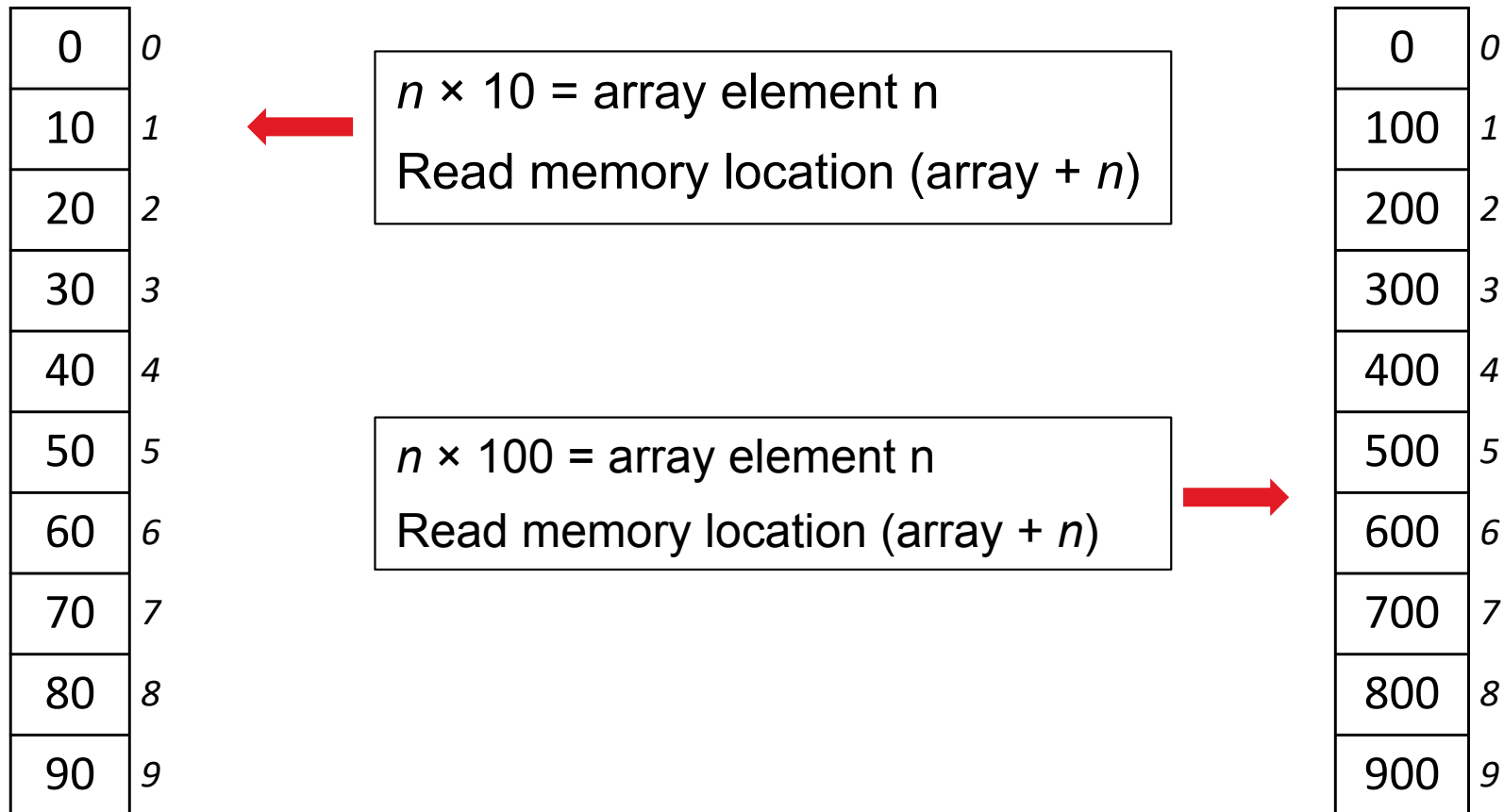
- Convert ones digit to a binary value (subtract $\times 30$).
- Convert tens digit to binary value and multiply by 10.
- Convert hundreds digit to binary value and multiply by 100.
- Add the three values together.

No multiply instruction? Next slide...

ASCII to Binary: Multiply by Lookup Table

We do not need a general multiply routine, because there are only 10 interesting multiples of ten and 10 interesting multiples of 100.

Use a lookup table -- put the multiples of 10 (or 100) in an array, and choose the right value based on an index.



ASCII to Binary: Algorithm

Initialize R0 (result) to 0.

R1 is number of digits (1, 2, or 3).

Initialize pointer (R2) to ASCIIbuff + R1 - 1.

If R1 > 0:

R4 = M[R2] (ones digit)

Convert R4 to binary value (0-9).

Add to R0.

Decrement R1.

If R1 > 0:

R4 = M[R2-1] (tens digit)

Convert R4 to binary value (0-9).

Multiply by 10 and add to R0.

Decrement R1.

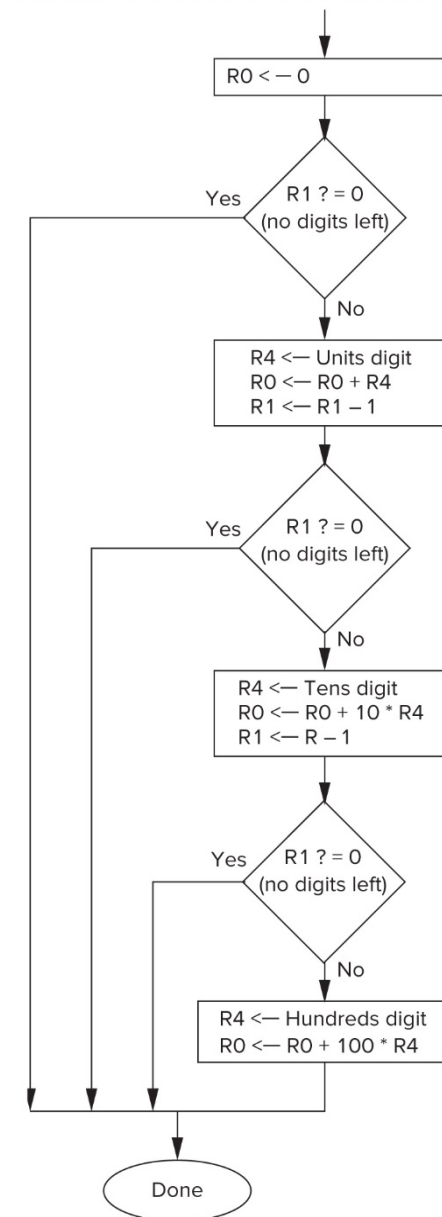
If R1 > 0:

R4 = M[R2-2] (hundreds digit)

Convert R4 to binary value (0-9).

Multiply by 100 and add to R0.

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ASCII to Binary Subroutine: Part 1

```
; Convert ASCII string to 2's complement binary.  
; ASCIIIBUFF is address of string buffer. R1 is number of digits.  
; Result returned in R0.
```

```
ASCIItoBinary    ST    R1, AtoB_SR1    ; save registers  
                 ST    R2, AtoB_SR2  
                 ST    R3, AtoB_SR3  
                 ST    R4, AtoB_SR4  
                 AND    R0, R0, #0      ; initialize result  
                 ADD    R1, R1, #0      ; if zero digits, result is 0  
                 BRz    AtoB_DONE  
  
                 LD     R2, AtoB_ASCIIIBUFF  
                 ADD    R2, R2, R1  
                 ADD    R2, R2, #-1     ; point to one's digit  
  
                 LDR    R4, R2, #0      ; load ones digit  
                 AND    R4, R4, x0F     ; lowest four bits = value  
                 ADD    R0, R0, R4      ; add to result  
                 ADD    R1, R1, #-1     ; decrement counter  
                 BRz    AtoB_DONE
```

ASCII to Binary Subroutine: Part 2

```
LDR    R4, R2, #-1      ; load tens digit
AND     R4, R4, x0F      ; convert to binary
LEA     R3, Lookup10     ; index into lookup table
ADD     R3, R3, R4
LDR     R4, R3, #0
ADD     R0, R0, R4       ; add to result
ADD     R1, R1, #-1      ; decrement counter
BRZ     AtoB_DONE
```

```
LDR     R4, R2, #-2      ; load hundreds digit
AND     R4, R4, x0F
LEA     R3, Lookup100    ; multiply by 100
ADD     R3, R3, R4
LDR     R4, R3, #0
ADD     R0, R0, R4       ; add to result
```

```
AtoB_DONE    LD     R1, AtoB_SR1    ; restore regs and return
              LD     R2, AtoB_SR2
              LD     R3, AtoB_SR3
              LD     R4, AtoB_SR4
              RET
```

ASCII to Binary Subroutine: Part 3

```
AtoB_ASCIIIBUFF    .FILL    ASCIIIBUFF    ; pointer to string buffer
AtoB_SR1            .BLKW    1
AtoB_SR2            .BLKW    1
AtoB_SR3            .BLKW    1
AtoB_SR4            .BLKW    1
Lookup10            .FILL    #0            ; lookup table for x10
                    .FILL    #10
                    .FILL    #20
                    .FILL    #30
                    .FILL    #40
                    .FILL    #50
                    ; 60-90 go here: removing values to fit on slide...
Lookup100           .FILL    #0
                    .FILL    #100
                    .FILL    #200
                    .FILL    #300
                    .FILL    #400
                    .FILL    #500
                    ; 600-900 go here...
```

Exercise: Make this code safer by checking if entered string is a 3-digit decimal number.

Binary to ASCII

Data Storage: Same buffer as before. Resulting buffer will always have four characters -- a sign (+ or -) and three digits, including leading zeroes.

Computation: Instead of multiplying by 10 or 100, we need to divide. The lookup table method is not so helpful this time. Our input value is in the range 0 to 999, so we would need 1000 entries in the lookup table. Instead, we will repeatedly subtract 10 (or 100) until the result goes negative. If we count how many times we subtracted, that is the quotient.

Example: Divide 392 by 100.

Quotient = 0

$392 - 100 = 292: \geq 0$, quotient = 1

$292 - 100 = 192: \geq 0$, quotient = 2

$192 - 100 = 92: \geq 0$, quotient = 3

$92 - 100 = -8: < 0$, STOP! quotient = 3

Binary to ASCII: Algorithm

R0 is number to be converted.

Initialize pointer (R1) to ASCIIBUFF.

If $R0 < 0$:

Store minus sign (x2D) to M[R1].

Negate R0 (to make it positive).

Else:

Store plus sign (x2B) to M[R1].

R2 = '0'

Each time we subtract 100 and get a positive value, add +1 to R2.

Store R2 (hundreds digit) to M[R1+1].

R2 = '0'

Each time we subtract 10 and get a positive value, add +1 to R2.

Store R2 (tens digit) to M[R1+2].

R2 = '0' + remainder (ones digit), store to M[R1+3].

Binary to ASCII Subroutine: Part 1

; Convert value in R0 to 4-character ASCII buffer: +xxx or -xxx.
; ASCIIIBUFF is address of string buffer.

```
BinaryToASCII    ST    R0, BtoA_SR0    ; save registers
                  ST    R1, BtoA_SR1
                  ST    R2, BtoA_SR2
                  ST    R3, BtoA_SR3
                  LD    R1, BtoA_ASCIIIBUFF ; pointer to buffer

                  ADD   R0, R0, #0      ; check for +/-
                  BRn   NegSign
                  LD    R2, ASCIIPlus  ; store '+'
                  BRnzp Begin100
NegSign           LD    R2, ASCIINeg   ; store '-'
                  NOT   R0, R0
                  ADD   R0, R0, #1     ; absolute value

Begin100          STR   R2, R1, #0
```

Binary to ASCII Subroutine: Part 2

```

                                LD    R2, ASCIIoffset    ; R2 = '0' (hundreds digit)
                                LD    R3, Neg100
Loop100                        ADD    R0, R0, R3
                                BRn   End100
                                ADD    R2, R2, #1        ; next digit
                                BRnzp  Loop100
End100                         STR    R2, R1, #1        ; store hundreds digit char
                                LD     R3, Pos100
                                ADD    R0, R0, R3        ; restore R0 to positive

                                LD     R2, ASCIIoffset    ; R2 = '0' (tens digit)
Loop10                          ADD    R0, R0, #-10
                                BRn   End10
                                ADD    R2, R2, #1        ; next digit
                                BRnzp  Loop10
End10                           STR    R2, R1, #2        ; store tens digit char
                                ADD    R0, R0, #10       ; restore R0 to positive
```

Binary to ASCII Subroutine: Part 3

```
LD    R2, ASCIIoffset    ; R2 = '0' (ones digit)
ADD   R2, R2, R0          ; convert to char
STR   R2, R1, #3          ; store ones digit char

LD    R0, BtoA_SR0        ; restore regs and return
LD    R1, BtoA_SR1
LD    R2, BtoA_SR2
LD    R3, BtoA_SR3
RET
```

```
ASCIIPlus      .FILL '+'
ASCIINeg       .FILL '-'
ASCIIoffset    .FILL '0'
Neg100         .FILL #-100
Pos100         .FILL #100
BtoA_SR0      .BLKW 1
BtoA_SR1      .BLKW 1
BtoA_SR2      .BLKW 1
BtoA_SR3      .BLKW 1
BtoA_ASCIIUFF .FILL ASCIIUFF
```


Data Conversion Challenges

Challenge #1: ASCII to Binary (Exercise 10.4)

Devise an algorithm that can convert a input strings of arbitrary size.

We can't create an indefinite number of lookup tables, because we don't know the maximum power of 10 needed. Also assume that we don't know the maximum number of bits in a binary integers.

Challenge #2: Binary to ASCII (Exercise 10.6)

Devise an algorithm that does not create unneeded characters. In other words, do not create leading zeroes or a leading '+'. You can still assume that the range of integer values is -999 to $+999$.

Using a Stack for Arithmetic

While LC-3 and modern ISAs use general-purpose registers for temporary storage, some ISAs use no registers at all. So-called **stack machines** use a memory stack for all source and destination operands.

Example:

- ADD specifies no source or destination operands.
The instruction always **pops two values** from the stack, **adds** them together, and then **pushes the result** to the stack.

In this architecture, the number of temporary values is limited only by the size of the memory stack, and the programmer never needs to keep track of which register holds which value.

Arithmetic Expressions: Postfix Notation

We are used to writing arithmetic expressions using **infix** notation, with the operator in between the operands: **100 + 47**

For a stack machine, it's more convenient to write the expression using **postfix** notation, where the operator comes after the relevant operands, like this: **100 47 +**

This can be interpreted as: push 100, push 47, ADD
The result (147) is pushed onto the stack when the ADD is complete.

More complex expressions can be handled with more temporary values on the stack.

Infix

$(25 + 17) \times (3 + 2)$

Postfix

25 17 + 3 2 + x

There's a reasonably simple algorithm to convert an expression from infix to postfix notation, but it's beyond the scope of this discussion. (But it uses a stack!)

Arithmetic Subroutines

We will need three subroutines for the three operations performed by our calculator.

OpAdd Pop two integers from the stack, add, push the result.

OpMult Pop two integers from the stack, multiply, push the result.

OpNeg Pop one integer from the stack, negate, push the result.

These routines all use the User Stack and the Push/Pop subroutines defined in Chapter 8.

We also create a **RangeCheck** subroutine, to make sure that an integer value (in R0) is within the specified range of -999 to $+999$. If out of range, an error message is printed and a value of 1 is returned in R5. Otherwise, 0 is returned in R5.

OpAdd Subroutine

```
OpAdd      ; save regs: R0, R1, R5, R7 (omitted to save space)
           JSR  POP      ; pop first arg into R0
           ADD  R5, R5, #0 ; check for success
           BRp  OpAdd_EXIT

           ADD  R1, R0, #0 ; move to R1
           JSR  POP      ; pop second arg into R0
           ADD  R5, R5, #0 ; check for success
           BRp  OpAdd_Restore1 ; if fail, put 1st back on stack

           ADD  R0, R0, R1 ; perform the add
           JSR  RangeCheck ; check result
           ADD  R5, R5, #0
           BRp  OpAdd_Restore2 ; if fail, put both args back
           JSR  PUSH      ; push result

OpAdd_Restore2 ADD  R6, R6, #-1
OpAdd_Restore1 ADD  R6, R6, #-1
OpAdd_Exit    ; restore regs (omitted to save space)
           RET
```

RangeCheck Subroutine

```
; R5 = 0 if -999 <= R0 <= +999; otherwise, R5 = 1
RangeCheck      LD      R5, Neg999
                ADD     R5, R0, R5
                BRp     BadRange      ; R0 > 999
                LD      R5, Pos999
                ADD     R5, R0, R5
                BRn     BadRange      ; R0 < -999
                AND     R5, R5, #0
                RET

BadRange        ST      R0, RangeCheck_SR0
                LEA     R0, RangeErrorMsg
                PUTS
                AND     R5, R5, #0
                ADD     R5, R5, #1
                LD      R0, RangeCheck_SR0
                RET

Neg999          .FILL #-999
Pos999          .FILL #999
RangeErrorMsg   .FILL x000A ; linefeed
                .STRINGZ "Error: Number is out of range."
RangeCheck_SR0 .BLKW 1
```

OpMult and OpNegate

Subroutines are similar to OpAdd.

OpMult -- see Figures 10.11 and 10.12

OpNeg -- see Figure 10.13

Complete Program: User Interface

Program will print a prompt for the user to enter a command.

If the command is X (exit), the machine halts.

Otherwise, the command is performed and the program prompts for another command. Each command will be echoed as the user types.

Cmd Character	Description
X	Exit the program. (Halts the machine.)
C	Clear the stack. All temporary values are removed.
+	ADD -- pop two values, add, push result.
*	MULTIPLY -- pop two values, multiply, push result.
–	NEGATE -- pop one value, negate, push result.
LF/CR	User types a positive decimal integer, up to 3 digits, followed by linefeed (or Enter). Value is pushed to the stack.

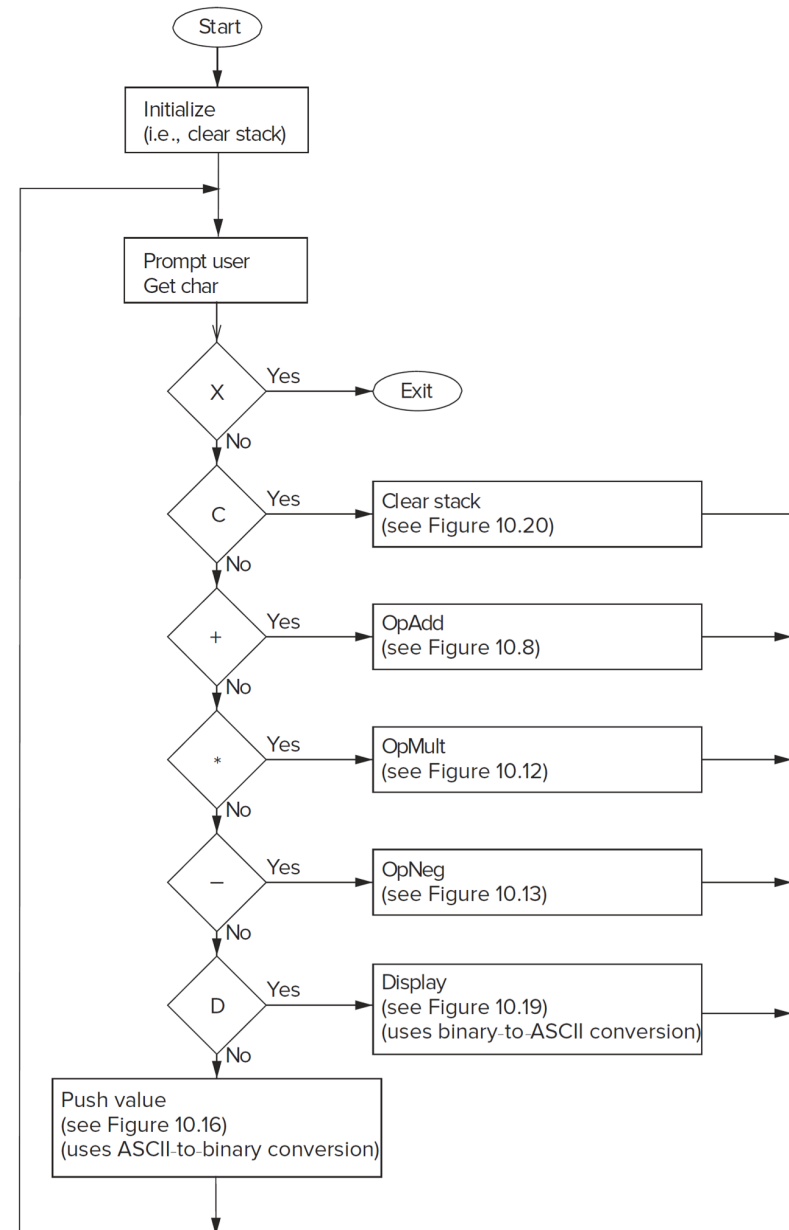
Program Flowchart

The flow of the main program is shown to the right. Many subroutines have been defined, but we have three more:

OpClear Clear the stack.

OpDisplay Convert top of stack to ASCII and print.

PushValue Convert user input to binary and push.



OpClear Subroutine

```
; Clear the stack -- set R6 (stack pointer) to its max value  
; Main program defines StackBase as max. address allocated to stack
```

```
OpClear          LD    R6, OpClear_StackBase  
                 ADD   R6, R6, #1    ; empty = one beyond highest addr  
                 RET  
OpClear_StackBase .FILL StackBase
```

OpDisplay Subroutine

```
; Convert top of stack to ASCII -- store chars in ASCIIIBUFF
; (Do not pop the stack.)  Print linefeed after string.
```

```
OpDisplay          ST    R0, OpDisplay_SR0    ; save regs
                   ST    R5, OpDisplay_SR5
                   ST    R7, OpDisplay_SR7
                   JSR    POP                  ; pop stack into R0
                   ADD    R5, R5, #0          ; check for error
                   BRp    OpDisplay_DONE
                   JSR    BinaryToASCII       ; convert R0 to ASCII
                   LD     R0, NewlineChar
                   OUT
                   LD     R0, OpDisplay_ASCIIIBUFF
                   PUTS
                   ADD    R6, R6, #-1 ; push displayed number back on stack
OpDisplay_DONE     ; restore regs (omitted for space)
                   RET
NewlineChar        .FILL x000A
OpDisplay_ASCIIIBUFF .FILL ASCIIIBUFF
OpDisplay_SR0      .BLKW 1
OpDisplay_SR5      .BLKW 1
OpDisplay_SR7      .BLKW 1
```

PushValue Subroutine: Part 1

```
; Called when command is not X, C, +, *, or -.
; Expect user input to be 0-3 digits followed by linefeed.
; Convert to binary.
PushValue          ; save R0, R1, R2, R7 (omitted for space)
                   LD    R1, PV_ASCIIIBUFF    ; ptr to string buffer
                   LD    R2, MaxDigits        ; will count down to check # digits

ValueLoop          ADD    R3, R0, #-10        ; if linefeed
                   BRz    GoodValue
                   ADD    R2, R2, #0          ; if 4th digit, bad value
                   BRz    TooLargeInput
                   LD     R3, NegASCII0       ; check for digit
                   ADD    R3, R0, R3
                   BRn    NotInteger
                   LD     R3, NegASCII9
                   ADD    R3, R0, R3
                   BRp    NotInteger
                   ADD    R2, R2, #-1        ; count digit and store
                   STR    R0, R1, #0
                   ADD    R1, R1, #1
                   GETC
                   OUT
                   BRnzp ValueLoop
```

PushValue Subroutine: Part 2

```
GoodInput      LD      R2, PV_ASCIIIBUFF
                NOT     R2, R2
                ADD     R2, R2, #1
                ADD     R1, R1, R2                ; calculate # digits
                BRz     NoDigit
                JSR     ASCIItoBinary            ; push binary value to stack
                JSR     PUSH
                BRnzp   PushValue_DONE

NoDigit        LEA     R0, NoDigitMsg
                PUTS
                BRnzp   PushValue_DONE

NotInteger     GETC                                ; read chars until linefeed
                OUT
                ADD     R0, R0, #-10
                BRnp    NotInteger
                LEA     R0, NotIntegerMsg
                PUTS
                BRnzp   PushValue_DONE
```

PushValue Subroutine: Part 3

```
TooLargeInput      GETC                ; get chars until linefeed
                   OUT
                   ADD    R0, R0, #-10
                   BRnp   TooLargeInput
                   LEA    R0, TooManyDigits
                   PUTS

PushValue_DONE      ; restore regs (omitted for space)
                   RET

TooManyDigits       .FILL x000A        ; linefeed before message
                   .STRINGZ "Too many digits"

NotIntegerMsg       .FILL x000A
                   .STRINGZ "Not an integer"

NoDigitMsg          .FILL x000A
                   .STRINGZ "No digits entered"

MaxDigits           .FILL #3
NegASCII0           .FILL x-30
NegASCII9           .FILL x-39
PV_ASCIIIBUFF       .FILL ASCIIIBUFF
```

Program Main Routine: Part 1

```
; stack of 10 values is allocated at end of main routine
        LEA    R6, StackBase
        ADD    R6, R6, #1          ; empty stack

NewCommand    LEA    R0, PromptMsg    ; print prompt
               PUTS
               GETC                    ; get command character and echo
               OUT

TestX         LD     R1, NegX        ; check for X
               ADD    R1, R1, R0
               BRnp   TestC          ; if no match, go to next command
               HALT

TestC         LD     R1, NegC        ; check for C
               ADD    R1, R1, R0
               BRnp   TestAdd
               JSR    OpClear
               BRnzp  NewCommand

; similar code (omitted) for +, *, -, D
```

Program Main Routine: Part 2

```
; if reaches this point, none of the other commands have matched  
; should be a number
```

```
EnterNumber      JSR   PushValue  
                  BRnzp NewCommand
```

```
PromptMsg        .FILL x000A  
                  .STRINGZ "Enter a command: "
```

```
NegX              .FILL xFFA8      ; negative of 'X'  
NegC              .FILL xFFBD      ; negative of 'C'  
                  ; etc.
```

```
StackMax          .BLKW 9          ; space for stack  
StackBase         .BLKW 1  
ASCIIBUFF         .BLKW 4  
                  .FILL x0000 ; null terminator for display string
```




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