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AIM: Write an assembly language program to display the contents of 16 bit flag register.

Prerequisite: TASM assembler

THEORY:

To display the contents of flag register pushf and pop instruction. Each bit of flag register is then masked off with 1 and all 0's (i.e. 1000 0000 0000 0000 (16 bit) à 8000h) and based on the result of masking either 0 (30h) or 1 (31h) is get displayed on the screen. Each bit of the above 16-bit number gets shifted in the right direction by 1 position before masking to obtain the next bit position of the flag register. This whole procedure gets repeated 16 times.

Algorithm:

- 1. Start
- 2. Initialize data segment through AX register in the DS register.
- 3. Display the flag bit names as "X X X X O D I T SF ZF x AF X PF X CF"
- 4. Push the contents of the flag register to a stack
- 5. Pop the contents of the stack to register to any 16-bit register (say BX =0000 0100 1000 1001)
- 6. Move the contents of BX to a temporary variable say t
- 7. Move the 8000h number to AX. (AXß 8000h)
- 8. Move the count as 16(in decimal) to the CX register (as 16-bit flag register)
- 9. Move the contents of temporary variable t to BX.
- 10. And the contents of BX and AX.
- 11. If the zero flags is set then go to step no 14 otherwise go to step no. 12
- 12. Move the 31h to the DL register.
- 13. Make the unconditional jump to a step no. 15
- 14. Move the 30h to the DL register.
- 15. Preserve the (8000h) number from AX in the t1 temporary variable. (As while displaying 30h or 31 h AH register get modified as 02h function is moved of INT 21h).
- 16. Display the contents of the DL register.
- 17. Move the contents of t1 to AX register back (As while displaying 30h or 31 h AH register get modified as 02h function is moved of INT 21h).
- 18. Rotate the contents of AX by 1 position in the right direction.
- 19. Repeat step no 5 to 17 till count CX reaches 0.
- 20. Stop.

TASM Program:

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Data Segment
msg db 0dh,0ah,"-- -- -- OF DF IF TF SF ZF -- AF -- PF -- CF $"
newl db 0dh,0ah,"$"
flag dw?
Data ends
Code Segment
assume CS:Code,DS:Data
start:
mov ax,Data
mov DS,ax
mov dx,offset msg
mov ah,09h
int 21h
mov dx,offset newl
mov ah,09h
int 21h
cli
stc
std
pushf
pop bx
mov flag,bx
mov cx,16
mov bx,8000h
loops:
mov ax,flag
and ax,bx
jz zero
mov dl,31h
mov ah,02h
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int 21h

jmp space

zero: mov dl,30h mov ah,02h int 21h

space: mov dl,''
mov ah,02h
int 21h

mov ah,02h int 21h ror bx,1

loop loops

mov ah,4ch int 21h Code ends end start

OUTPUT:

Before using CLI,STC,STD:

C:\TASM\BIN>tasm flags.asm

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Assembling file: flags.asm

Error messages: None

Warning messages: None

Passes: 1

Remaining memory: 453k

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