

# String Library Demo Program

The "String Library Demo" program demonstrates the usage of string-handling procedures from the Irvine32 library. It performs the following tasks:

Trimming trailing characters from string\_1 using the Str\_trim procedure.

Converting string\_1 to uppercase using the Str\_ucase procedure.

Comparing string\_1 to string\_2 using the Str\_compare procedure.

Displaying the length of string\_2 using the Str\_length procedure.  
Here's the code with detailed explanations:

```
INCLUDE Irvine32.inc
.data
string_1 BYTE "abcde////", 0
string_2 BYTE "ABCDE", 0
msg0 BYTE "string_1 in upper case: ", 0
msg1 BYTE "string_1 and string_2 are equal", 0
msg2 BYTE "string_1 is less than string_2", 0
msg3 BYTE "string_2 is less than string_1", 0
msg4 BYTE "Length of string_2 is ", 0
msg5 BYTE "string_1 after trimming: ", 0

.code
main PROC
    call trim_string    ; Remove trailing characters from string_1.
    call upper_case     ; Convert string_1 to uppercase.
    call compare_strings ; Compare string_1 to string_2.
    call print_length   ; Display the length of string_2.
    exit
main ENDP

trim_string PROC
    ; Remove trailing characters from string_1.
    INVOKE Str_trim, ADDR string_1, '/'
    mov edx, OFFSET msg5
    call WriteString
    mov edx, OFFSET string_1
    call WriteString
    call Crlf
    ret
trim_string ENDP
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upper_case PROC
; Convert string_1 to upper case.
mov edx, OFFSET msg0
call WriteString
INVOKE Str_ucase, ADDR string_1
mov edx, OFFSET string_1
call WriteString
call CrLf
ret
upper_case ENDP

compare_strings PROC
; Compare string_1 to string_2.
INVOKE Str_compare, ADDR string_1, ADDR string_2
.IF ZERO?
    mov edx, OFFSET msg1
.ELSEIF CARRY?
    mov edx, OFFSET msg2
.ELSE
    mov edx, OFFSET msg3
.ENDIF
call WriteString
call CrLf
ret
compare_strings ENDP

print_length PROC
; Display the length of string_2.
mov edx, OFFSET msg4
call WriteString
INVOKE Str_length, ADDR string_2
call WriteDec
call CrLf
ret
print_length ENDP

END main

```

The program's output is as follows:

After trimming string\_1, it displays "string\_1 after trimming:  
abcde."

After converting string\_1 to uppercase, it displays "string\_1 in  
upper case: ABCDE."

It then compares string\_1 and string\_2 and displays one of the  
messages depending on the result.

Finally, it displays the length of string\_2.

This program showcases the use of various string-handling procedures from the Irvine32 library and provides informative messages for each step.

## *Strings using Irvine64*

```
427 INCLUDE Irvine64.inc
428 .data
429     source BYTE "ABCDEFGGAABCDFFG", 0
430     ; size = 15
431     target BYTE 20 DUP(0)
432
433 .code
434     Str_compare PROTO
435     Str_length PROTO
436     Str_copy PROTO
437     ExitProcess PROTO
438
439     main PROC
440         mov rcx, OFFSET source
441         call Str_length
442         ; Returns length in RAX
443         mov rsi, OFFSET source
444         mov rdi, OFFSET target
445         call Str_copy
446         ; We just copied the string, so they should be equal.
447         call Str_compare
448         ; ZF = 1, strings are equal
449         ; Change the first character of the target string, and
450         ; compare them again.
451         mov BYTE PTR [rdi], 'B'
452         call Str_compare
453         ; CF = 1, source < target
454         mov ecx, 0
455         call ExitProcess
456     main ENDP
```

### *Actual Implementation of Procedures:*

To have a complete working program, you need to provide the actual implementation of the Str\_compare, Str\_length, and Str\_copy

procedures.

These procedures are essential for the functionality of your program. They should be implemented with appropriate assembly code to perform the desired operations.

I'll provide you with the implementation of these procedures in Irvine64 assembly:

```
; Str_compare Procedure
; Compares two strings
; Receives:
; RSI points to the source string
; RDI points to the target string
; Returns:
; Sets ZF if the strings are equal
; Sets CF if source < target

Str_compare PROC
    ; Implementation of Str_compare
    ; ...
    ret
Str_compare ENDP

; Str_length Procedure
; Gets the length of a string
; Receives: RCX points to the string
; Returns: length of string in RAX

Str_length PROC
    ; Implementation of Str_length
    ; ...
    ret
Str_length ENDP

; Str_copy Procedure
; Copies a source string to a location indicated by a target pointer
; Receives:
; RSI points to the source string
; RDI points to the target string
; Returns: nothing

Str_copy PROC
    ; Implementation of Str_copy
    ; ...
    ret
Str_copy ENDP
```

## ***Output and Display:***

In the provided test program, there is no code for displaying the results of these operations. You should add code to display whether the strings are equal, the length of the string, and the comparison results. For example, you can use `WriteString` and `WriteDec` functions to display these results:

```
500 mov rsi, OFFSET msg1
501 call WriteString ; Display result message
502 call Crlf
503 ; Check ZF and CF flags to determine equality or comparison result
504 ; Display results accordingly
```

## ***Irvine64 Library Setup:***

The Irvine64 library needs to be included and set up properly in your assembly environment. You should have instructions at the beginning of your program to include the Irvine64 library and set it up. This usually involves specifying the paths and configurations for the Irvine64 library. Here is an example:

```
512 INCLUDE Irvine64.inc ; Include Irvine64 library
513
514 .data
515 ; Your data declarations go here
516
517 .code
518 main PROC
519 ; Your program's main code goes here
520
521 main ENDP
522
523 END main
```

## ***Actual Program:***

```

532 INCLUDE Irvine64.inc
533
534 ; -----
535 ; Str_compare
536 ; Compares two strings
537 ; Receives:
538 ; RSI points to the source string
539 ; RDI points to the target string
540 ; Returns:
541 ; Sets ZF if the strings are equal
542 ; Sets CF if source < target
543 ; -----
544 Str_compare PROC
545     USES rax rdx rsi rdi
546
547 L1:
548     mov al, [rsi]
549     mov dl, [rdi]
550     cmp al, 0      ; End of string1?
551     jne L2         ; No
552     cmp dl, 0      ; Yes: End of string2?
553     jne L2         ; No
554     jmp L3         ; Yes, exit with ZF = 1
555

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556 L2:
557     inc rsi          ; Point to next
558     inc rdi
559     cmp al, dl       ; Characters equal?
560     je L1            ; Yes, continue loop
561                       ; No: Exit with flags set
562
563 L3:
564     ret
565
566 Str_compare ENDP
567
568 ; -----
569 ; Str_copy
570 ; Copies a source string to a location indicated by a target pointer
571 ; Receives:
572 ; RSI points to the source string
573 ; RDI points to the location where the copied string will be stored
574 ; Returns: nothing
575 ; -----
576 Str_copy PROC
577     USES rax rcx rsi rdi
578
579     mov rcx, rsi      ; Get length of the source string
580     call Str_length   ; Returns length in RAX
581     mov rcx, rax      ; Loop counter
582     inc rcx           ; Add 1 for the null byte
583     cld               ; Direction = up
584     rep movsb         ; Copy the string
585     ret

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587 Str_copy ENDP
588
589 ; -----
590 ; Str_length
591 ; Gets the length of a string
592 ; Receives: RCX points to the string
593 ; Returns: length of the string in RAX
594 ; -----
595 Str_length PROC
596     USES rdi
597
598     mov rdi, rcx    ; Get the pointer
599     mov eax, 0      ; Character count
600 L1:
601     cmp BYTE PTR [rdi], 0 ; End of string?
602     je L2           ; Yes: quit
603     inc rdi         ; No: Point to the next
604     inc rax         ; Add 1 to count
605     jmp L1
606 L2:
607     ret             ; Return count in RAX
608
609 Str_length ENDP

```



```

611 .data
612     source BYTE "ABCDEFGFGAABCDGF",0
613     target BYTE 20 dup(0)
614
615 .code
616     main PROC
617         mov rcx, offset source
618         call Str_length      ; Returns length in RAX
619         mov rsi, offset source
620         mov rdi, offset target
621         call Str_copy
622         ; We just copied the string, so they should be equal.
623         call Str_compare
624         ; ZF = 1, strings are equal
625         ; Change the first character of the target string, and compare them again.
626         mov target, 'B'
627         call Str_compare
628         ; CF = 1, source < target
629         mov ecx, 0
630         call ExitProcess
631
632     main ENDP
633
634 END main

```

## Explanation:

**Irvine64 Library:** The `INCLUDE Irvine64.inc` statement includes the Irvine64 library, providing access to Irvine's assembly functions and features.

**USES Keyword:** In the `Str_compare` and `Str_copy` procedures, the `USES` keyword is used to specify registers that will be pushed onto the stack and popped off the stack upon return from the procedure. This helps maintain the calling conventions.

**Str\_compare Procedure:** Compares two strings pointed to by `RSI` and `RDI`. It sets the Zero Flag (ZF) if the strings are equal and the Carry Flag (CF) if the source is less than the target.

**Str\_copy Procedure:** Copies a source string (pointed to by `RSI`) to a location indicated by the target pointer (`RDI`). It calculates the length of the source string using `Str_length`, then uses `rep movsb` to perform the copy.

**Str\_length Procedure:** Calculates the length of a null-terminated string. It receives a pointer in `RCX`, and the result is returned in `RAX`.

**.data Section:** Data declarations for source and target strings.

**.code Section:** The main procedure demonstrates the use of these string procedures, copying the string, comparing strings, and changing a character for comparison.

This code illustrates how to use these string procedures in Irvine64 assembly, focusing on the Irvine64 register usage, stack management, and proper procedure calling conventions.

It's essential to configure your environment correctly to work with Irvine64 and ensure you have the Irvine64 library properly set up.