CS1021 Tutorial #6 Partial Solution
Using Memory

1 Pseudo-code to ARM Assembly Language

```
1     LDR R0, =0        ; a = 0
2     LDR R2, =0        ; c = 0
3     LDR R5, =4        ;
4
5 whSum
6     CMP     R0, R3        ; while (a < N)
7     BHS eWhSum        ; {
8     MUL R4, R0, R5    ;   address = b + (a * 4)
9     ADD R4, R4, R1    ;
10    LDR R6, [R4]      ;
11    ADD R2, R2, R6    ;   c = c + Memory.Word[address]
12    ADD R0, R0, #1    ;   a = a + 1
13    B   whSum         ; }
14 eWhSum
```

2 String Length

```
1     MOV R0, #0        ; len = 0
2     LDRB    R0, [R1]      ; char = Memory.Byte[adr]
3 whLen
4     CMP R0, #0  ; while ( char != 0 )
5     BEQ eWhLen        ; {
6     ADD R0, R0, #1    ;   len = len + 1
7     ADD R1, R1, #1    ;   add = add + 1
8     LDRB    R0, [R1]      ;   char = Memory.Byte[adr]
9 eWhLen                ; }
```

The following solution eliminates one of the LDRB instructions. The above solution may be easier to understand and describe in pseudo-code. Either solution is acceptable.

```
1     MOV R0, #0        ; len = 0
2 whLen
3     LDRB    R0, [R1]      ; while ( (char = Memory.Byte[adr])
4     CMP R0, #0        ;         != 0)
5     BEQ eWhLen        ; {
6     ADD R0, R0, #1    ;   len = len + 1
7     ADD R1, R1, #1    ;   add = add + 1
8 eWhLen                ; }
```

There is a more efficient solution. Instead of adding one to the length of the string during each iteration of the loop, just find the address of the end of the string and subtract the address of the start of the the string from it.

3 String Duplication

As before, the singe LDRB instruction could have been replaced with two LDRB instructions, one before the while loop to load the first character and the second at the bottom of the loop to load the bext character.

```
1 whCpy
2     LDRB    R2, [R1]    ; while ((ch = Memory.Byte[adr1])
3     CMP R2, #0      ;         != NULL)
4     BEQ eWhCpy      ; {
5     STRB    R2, [R0]    ;   Memory.Byte[adr2] = ch
6     ADD R1, R1, #1  ;   adr1++
7     ADD R0, R0, #1  ;   adr2++
8     B   whCpy       ; }
9 eWhCpy
```

4 String Reversal

```
1  ; copy the src string pointer
2      MOV R4, R1
3
4  ; find the end of the src string while moving the dst pointer
5  ; forward to create enough space to store the reversed string
6  whEnd
7      LDRB    R2, [R1]    ; while (ch = Memory.Byte[adrSrc])
8      CMP R2, #0      ;         != NULL)
9      BEQ eWhEnd      ; {
10     ADD R1, R1, #1  ;   adrSrc++
11     ADD R0, R0, #1  ;   adrDst++
12     B   whEnd       ; }
13 eWhEnd
14
15 ; NULL-terminate the dst string
16     MOV R2, #0      ; ch = NULL
17     STRB    R2, [R0]    ; Memory.Byte[adrDst] = ch
18     SUB R0, R0, #1  ; adrDst--
19
20 ; restore the src string pointer to the start of the src string
21     MOV R1, R4
22
23 ; Copy the src string to the dst, moving the src string pointer
24 ; forwards and the dst string pointer backwards
25 whCpy
26     LDRB    R2, [R1]    ; while ((ch = Memory.Byte[adrSrc])
27     CMP R2, #0      ;         != NULL)
28     BEQ eWhCpy      ; {
29     STRB    R2, [R0]    ;   Memory.Byte[adrDst] = ch
30     ADD R1, R1, #1  ;   adrSrc++
31     SUB R0, R0, #1  ;   adrDst--
32     B   whCpy       ; }
33 eWhCpy
```