

CS1021 Tutorial #5

More Pseudo-code and Flow Control

1 Translating Pseudo-code into ARM Assembly Language

Translate each of the following pseudo-code programs into ARM Assembly Language.

- (a) Assume `m` and `n` are signed values stored in R8 and R9 respectively

```
if (m >= 100 && n < 10)
{
    m = m + n;
}
```

- (b) Assume `x` and `y` are unsigned values stored in R2 and R3 respectively

```
if (x == 5 || x == 15)
{
    y = y + 1;
}
```

- (c) Assume `ch` is an ASCII character stored in R3 and `v` is an unsigned value stored in R1.

```
if (ch=='a' || ch=='e' || ch=='i' || ch=='o' || ch=='u')
{
    v = v + 1;
}
```

- (d) Assume `ch` is an ASCII character stored in R0 and `count` is an unsigned value stored in R1.

```
if ( (ch >= 'a' && ch <= 'z') || (ch >= 'A' && ch <= 'Z') )
{
    count = count + 1;
}
```

- (e) Assume `ch` is an ASCII character stored in `R6` and `a`, `b` and `c` are signed values stored in `R0`, `R7` and `R8` respectively.

```
if (ch == '+')
{
    a = b + c;
}
else if (ch == '-')
{
    a = b - c;
}
else if (ch == '*')
{
    a = b * c;
}
else
{
    a = 0;
}
```

2 Reading User Input

- (a) The pseudocode below illustrates an approach to read a sequence of characters entered by a user. The program stops reading input when the user presses the return key, which we will assume corresponds to the ASCII character code `0x0D`.

A single character is read by calling the `getchar()` method. Unfortunately, `getchar()` by itself does not display the key pressed by the user so we need to do this ourselves. The function `sendchar(ch)` displays the character with ASCII code `ch`.

```
// read first character
ch = getchar();

// continue reading until RETURN is pressed
while (ch != 0x0D)
{
    sendchar(ch);
    ch = getchar();
}
```

Modify the pseudo-code so it reads a sequence of digits ('0' ... '9') representing a multi-digit decimal value and converts the sequence of digits into the value they represent. For example, if the user types '1', '2', '4', the program should convert this to the value 124.

- (b) Convert your pseudo-code into ARM Assembly Language. Replace invocations of `getchar()` with the instruction `BL getchar` and assume that the character code will be stored in `R0`. Similarly, replace invocations of `sendchar()` with the instruction `BL sendchar` after storing the code for the character to be displayed in `R0`.