



CS1021 Tutorial #10 Solution

Sample Exam Questions

(a)

```
1      MOV      R2, #1
2      MOV      R4, #1
3      MOV      R3, #1
4  fori    CMP      R3, #32
5          BHS      efori
6          AND      R1, R0, #1
7          MOV      R0, R0, LSR #1
8          AND      R5, R0, #1
9          CMP      R1, R5
10         BNE      elsneq
11         ADD      R2, R2, #1
12         B        eifeq
13  elsneq
14         CMP      R2, R4
15         BLS      eifhi
16         MOV      R4, R2
17  eifhi
18         MOV      R2, #1
19  eifeq
20         ADD      R3, R3, #1
21         B        fori
22  efori
23         CMP      R2, R4
24         BLS      eifhi2
25         MOV      R4, R2
26  eifhi2
```



- (b) While the value in R0 is not less than 1010, isolate the four lest significant bits of R1 in a remporary register and compare them with 1010, adding one to the result if equal. Shift R1 right by one bit and repeat.

```
1      MOV    R1, #0
2 wh      CMP    R0, #2_1010
3          BLO   ewh
4          AND   R2, R0, #2_1111
5          CMP   R2, #2_1010
6          BNE   skip
7          ADD   R1, R1, #1
8
9 skip     MOV   R0, R0, LSR #1
10
11        B     wh
```



- (c) There are a number of ways this can be done. We could count the number of As, the number of Bs, and so on. This would require $26 \times n$ iterations but would use no additional memory. Instead, we will use 26 words in memory to store a count of the number of occurrences of each letter as we move through the string. (Beginning at the address in R3, the first word will contain our count of As, the second word will contain the count of Bs, and so on. The idea is similar to the Scrabble problem.)

Finally, we will need to iterate through the letter counts to find the maximum value. This will be our result.

```
// We need to set every letter count to 0 first
for (i = 0; i < 26; i++) {
    Memory.Word[countaddr + (i * 4)] = 0
}

// Count the number of occurrences of each letter
while ((char=Memory.Byte[straddr]) != 0) {
    // Convert to uppercase to simplify letter check
    char = char & 0xDF // mask is inverse of 0x20
    if (char >= A && char <= Z) {
        index = (char - 'A')
        count = Memory.Word[countaddr + (index * 4)]
        count++
        Memory.Word[countaddr + (index * 4)] = count
    }
    straddr++
}

// Find the maximum count
resLetter = 'A'
resCount = 0
for (i = 0; i < 26; i++) {
    count = Memory.Word[countaddr + (i * 4)]
    if (count > resCount) {
        resLetter = 'A' + i
        resCount = count
    }
}
```

```
1      MOV     R6, #0
2      MOV     R4, #0
3  whZero
4      CMP     R4, #26
5      BHS     eWhZero
6      MOV     R5, R4, LSL #2 ; index * 4
7      ADD     R5, R5, R3
8      STR     R6, [R5]
9      ADD     R4, R4, #1
10     B       whZero
11  eWhZero
12
13  whCount
14     LDRB     R4, [R2]
15     CMP     R4, #0
16     BEQ     eWhCount
17     BIC     R4, R4, #20
18     CMP     R4, #'A'
```



```
19      BLO      elfLetter
20      CMP      R4, #'Z'
21      BHI      elfLetter
22      SUB      R4, R4, #'A'
23      MOV      R4, R4, LSL #2 ; index * 4
24      ADD      R4, R4, R3
25      LDR      R5, [R4]
26      ADD      R5, R5, #1
27      STR      R5, [R4]
28  elfLetter
29      ADD      R2, R2, #1
30      B        whCount
31  eWhCount
32
33      MOV      R0, #'A'
34      MOV      R1, #0
35      MOV      R4, #0
36  whZero
37      CMP      R4, #26
38      BHS      eWhZero
39      MOV      R5, R4, LSL #2 ; index * 4
40      ADD      R5, R5, R3
41      LDR      R6, [R5]
42      CMP      R6, R1
43      BLS      elfHigher
44      MOV      R1, R6
45      ADD      R0, R4, #'A'
46  elfHigher
47      ADD      R4, R4, #1
48      B        whZero
49  eWhZero
```



- (d) Similar to the Proper Case problem, we need to identify spaces in the original string and, when we find one, capitalise the next alphabetic character. All other characters should be lower case. We can simplify the program as we are told that the original string only contains alphabetic characters and spaces. When generating the new string, we don't store the spaces from the original string.

```
while ( (char = Memory.Byte[str1]) != NULL) {
    if (char == SPACE) {
        spaces=TRUE
    } else {
        if (spaces == TRUE) {
            char = char & 0xDF
            spaces = FALSE
        } else {
            char = char | 0x20
        }
        Memory.Byte[str2] = char
        str2++
    }
    str1++
}
Memory.Byte[str2] = NULL
```

```
1 NULL EQU 0
2 TRUE EQU 1
3 FALSE EQU 0
4
5      MOV R5, #FALSE
6 whStr
7      LDRB R4, [R1]
8      CMP R4, #NULL
9      BEQ eWhStr
10     CMP R4, #' '
11     BNE notSpaceCh
12     MOV R5, #TRUE
13     B elfSpaceCh
14 notSpaceCh
15     CMP R5, #TRUE
16     BNE notSpaces
17     BIC R4, R4, #0x20
18     MOV R5, #FALSE
19     B elfSpaces
20 notSpaces
21     ORR R4, R4, #0x20
22 elfSpaces
23     STRB R4, [R0]
24     ADD R0, R0, #1
25 elfSpaceCh
26     ADD R1, R1, #1
27     B whStr
28 eWhStr
```