ES 215: Assignment - 3

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Question-1: Write a program in assembly language to subtract two 16 bit numbers without using the subtraction instruction. Note: the numbers have to be fetched from the memory.

Memory Locations:

The two 16-bit numbers (num1 and num2) are stored in memory and fetched using lw (load word) instructions. They are stored in 32-bit words.

Number Representation:

Both numbers are treated as 16-bit integers, and subtraction is performed using two's complement arithmetic by negating num2 and adding it to num1.

Result Storage:

The result of the subtraction is stored in a memory location labeled answer.

Assumptions: Taking num1 = 0x1234 (4660) and num2 = 0x00F0 (240) - we can take any random value.

```
.data
num1: .word 0x1234  # First 16-bit number (4660)
num2: .word 0x00F0  # Second 16-bit number (240)
result: .word 0
msg: .asciiz "Result: "
.text
.globl main
```

Printing the result:

```
# Printing the result:
    li $v0, 4
    la $a0, msg
    syscall

# Print the result
    li $v0, 1
    lw $a0, result
    syscall

# Exit the program (system call to exit)
    li $v0, 10
    syscall
```

Output:

```
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```

Question-2: Write an assembly language program to find an average of 15 numbers stored at consecutive locations in memory.

Memory Layout:

The 15 numbers are stored as 32-bit words in consecutive memory locations starting from the label numbers.

Loop Counter:

The loop iterates exactly 15 times, matching the number of elements in the numbers array.

Result Storage:

The computed average is stored in a memory location labeled average, and it is assumed to be a 32-bit word.

Assumptions:

The chosen 15 numbers are: 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75 Their average should be 40

```
.data
numbers: .word 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75
average: .word 0
msg: .asciiz "The average is: "

.text
.globl main
```

Code:

```
main:
   # Initialize variables
   li $t0, 0
   li $t1, 15  # count = 15 (number of elements)
                   # i = 0 (loop counter)
   li $t2, 0
   la $t3, numbers # array address = address of numbers array
loop:
   beq $t2, $t1, done # if i == count then break
   lw $t4, 0($t3) # number = numbers[array address]
   add $t0, $t0, $t4 # sum += number
   addi $t3, $t3, 4 # array_address += 4 (move to next element)
   addi $t2, $t2, 1
   j loop
                      # jump to start of loop
done:
   li $t5, 15 # divisor = 15
   div $t0, $t5
                    # quotient = sum / divisor
   mflo $t6
                     # average = quotient
   sw $t6, average # store average in memory
```

Output:

```
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The average is: 40
```

Question-3: Write an assembly language program to find an LCM of two numbers stored at consecutive locations in memory.

Memory Layout:

The two numbers whose LCM is to be calculated are stored at memory locations labeled number1 and number2, and each number is a 32-bit word.

Result Storage:

The computed Least Common Multiple (LCM) is stored in the memory location labeled lcm_result, and it is assumed to be a 32-bit word.

Formula used:

I used the following formula: LCM = (number1 * number2) / GCD Where GCD is calculated using the euclidean algorithm.

Assumptions:

The chosen numbers are 12 and 15, so their LCM will be 60.

```
main:
   lw $t0, number1  # $t0 = number1
   lw $t1, number2
                    # $t1 = number2
   move $t2, $t0
                 # $t2 = number1
   move $t3, $t1  # $t3 = number2
gcd loop:
   beq $t1, $zero, done gcd # if $t1 == 0, then GCD is in $t0
                        # Divide $t0 by $t1
   div $t0, $t1
   mfhi $t4
                        # $t4 = remainder
   move $t0, $t1
                        # Move $t1 to $t0
   move $t1, $t4  # Move remainder to $t1
   j gcd loop
                        # Repeat the loop
done gcd:
   # Calculate LCM
   mul $t5, $t2, $t3 # $t5 = number1 * number2
   mflo $t6
                       # $t6 = LCM result
   sw $t6, lcm result  # Store LCM result in memory
```

Output:

```
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The LCM is: 60
```

Question-4: Write an assembly language program to calculate multiplication of two numbers without using MUL commands.

Memory Layout:

Two numbers are stored in consecutive memory locations labeled num1 and num2.

Result Storage:

The calculated result is stored in a memory location labeled product.

Formula used:

Multiplication is the same as repeated addition, I used the same principle.

Assumptions:

For testing purposes, the numbers chosen are 18 and 21, whose product is 378.

```
main:
   lw $t0, num1
                           # Load num1 into $t0
                          # Load num2 into $t1
   lw $t1, num2
   li $t2, 0
                          # Initialize $t2 (result) to 0
   li $t3, 0
                           # Initialize $t3 (counter) to 0
mul loop:
   beq $t1, $t3, end # If counter == num2, end loop
   add $t2, $t2, $t0 # Add num1 to result
   addi $t3, $t3, 1
                           # Increment counter
   j mul loop
                               # Jump back to loop
end:
                          # Store the result in memory
   sw $t2, result
```

Output:

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Question-5: Write an assembly language program to find a given number in the list of 10 numbers (assuming the numbers are sorted). If found store 1 in output, else store 2 in output. The given number has been loaded from X location in memory, the output has to be stored at the next location and if found store the number of iterations and the index of the element at the next at the next consecutive locations, if found.

Answer about to write.

Question-6:

Write an assembly language program to find a character in a string.

Method Used:

String and Character: The string to search is stored at the memory location labeled string, and the character to search for is stored at char.

Initialization: Initialize an index counter to 0.

Character Search: Iterate through each character in the string:

- 1) Load the current character from the string.
- 2) If the current character matches the target character, jump to the "found" section.
- 3) If the end of the string (null terminator) is reached, jump to the "not found" section.

Character Found: If the character is found, print the message indicating the index where the character was found.

Character Not Found: If the character is not found after scanning the entire string, print a message indicating the character was not found.

End Program: Exit the program after printing the appropriate message.

Assumptions:

The string is taken as "Computer Architecture" and the character to search for is "A", which is at a position of 9 (following zero based indexing)

```
.data
    string:
              .asciiz "Computer Architecture" # String to search in
    char:
              .byte 'A'
                                         # Character to search for
    notfound: .asciiz "Character not found.\n"
    found:
              .asciiz "Character found at index: "
              .asciiz "\n"
    newline:
.text
    .globl main
main:
   la $t0, string
                          # Load address of the string
   lb $t1, char
                            # Load the character to find
                            # Initialize index
   li $t2, 0
search loop:
   1b $t3, 0($t0)
                             # Load current character
   beq $t3, $zero, not_found # End of string
   beq $t3, $t1, found_char # Character found
   addi $t0, $t0, 1
                             # Next character
   addi $t2, $t2, 1
                            # Increment index
   j search loop
                             # Continue loop
not_found:
   li $v0, 4
                            # Print string
   la $a0, notfound
                            # Load address
   syscall
   j exit_program
found_char:
   li $v0, 4
                            # Print string
   la $a0, found
                            # Load address
                             # Print message
   syscall
   li $v0, 1
   move $a0, $t2
   syscall
                             # Print index
    li $v0, 4
                            # Print newline
    la $a0, newline
                            # Load address
    syscall.
                             # Print newline
exit program:
   li $v0, 10
   syscall
                             # Exit program
```