Conversion of Binary to BCD to ASCII

- A binary number can be converted to BCD format by using repeated division by 10.
- The largest 16-bit binary number is 65,535 which has five decimal digits.
- The first division by 10 generates the least significant digit (in the remainder).
- The ASCII code of a digit can be obtained by adding \$30 to it.
- The ASCII code of 0 is "\$30", the Ascii code of 1 is 31 and so on

| | Quotient | Remainder |
|--------------------|----------|---------------------|
| <u>12345</u> 10 | 1234 | 5 Least significant |
| 1234 10 | 123 | 4 |
| 123 | 12 | 3 |
| 12 10 | 1 | 2 |
| | 0 | 1 Most significant |

Example: Write a program to convert the 16-bit number stored at \$1000-\$1001 to BCD format and store the result at \$1010-\$1014. Convert each BCD digit into its ASCII code and store it in one byte.

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org $1000
                       ;data to be tested
data dc.w 12345
      org $1010
result
          ds.b 5 ; reserve bytes to store the result
      org $1500
                       ;D = the number to be converted
      ldd data
      ldy #result
                       ;Y = the first address of result
      ldx #10
                       ;X = 10
      idiv
                        ;D/X \rightarrow X, R \rightarrow D
                        ; convert the digit into ASCII code
      addb #$30
                        ;save the least significant digit
      stab 4,Y
      xgdx
       ldx #10
      idiv
       addb #$30
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stab 3,Y; save the second to least significant digit
xgdx
ldx
      #10
idiv
addb #$30
stab 2,Y ; save the middle digit
xgdx
ldx
      #10
idiv
addb #$30
stab 1,Y ; save the second most significant digit
xgdx
addb #$30
stab 0, Y; save the most significant digit
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- If the number is less than 5 digits, we get zeros at left and do unnecessary operations for example: 345 will be 5, 4, 3, 0, 0, 0
- <u>Two improvements</u>: (1) loop can be used to reduce the program and (2) a condition to exit the loop when the quotient = 0