



Tutorial 4

MUPI

Taking single character user input in masm

```
.model small
.stack 100h

.data
    msg db 0ah, 0dh, "Enter a character: $"
    msg2 db 0ah, 0dh, "entered character is: $"
    char db '$'

.code
main:
    mov ax, @data
    mov ds, ax

    mov ah, 09h ; 09h for printing string
    lea dx, msg
    int 21h

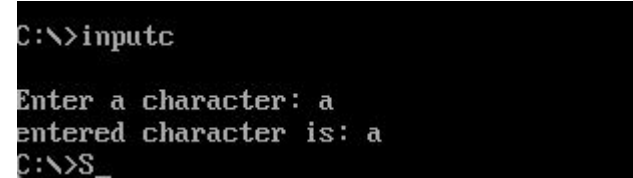
    mov ah, 01h ; 01h for taking character input
    int 21h
    mov char, al

    mov ah, 09h
    lea dx, msg2
    int 21h

    mov ah, 02h ; for printing character
    mov dl, char
    int 21h

    mov ah, 4Ch ; for termination
    int 21h

end main
```



```
C:\>inputc
Enter a character: a
entered character is: a
C:\>S_
```

String input/output

```
.model small
.stack 100h

.data
input_buffer db 100,?,100 dup('$') ; Buffer to store input string
prompt      db 13,10,"Enter a string: $"
output_msg   db 13,10,"You entered: $"

.code
main proc
    mov ax,@data
    mov ds,ax

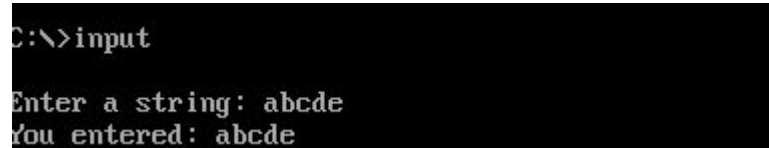
    mov ah,09h
    lea dx,prompt
    int 21h

    mov ah,0ah                ; 0ah for taking string i/p
    lea dx,input_buffer
    int 21h

    mov ah,09h
    lea dx,output_msg
    int 21h

    mov ah,09h
    lea dx,input_buffer+2 ; Skip the length byte,
    int 21h

    mov ah,4ch
    int 21h
main endp
end main
```



```
C:\>input
```

```
Enter a string: abcde
You entered: abcde
```

Taking An integer Input



```
.model small
.stack 100h
.data
    msg1 db 10, 13, "Enter an integer: $"
    msg2 db 10, 13, "You entered: $"
    num dw ?
.code
main proc
    mov ax, @data
    mov ds, ax

    mov ah, 9
    lea dx, msg1
    int 21h

    mov ah, 01h
    int 21h

    sub al, 30h
    mov bl, al
```

```
    mov ah, 9
    lea dx, msg2
    int 21h

    add bl, 30h
    mov dl, bl

    mov ah, 02h
    int 21h

    mov ah, 4ch
    int 21h
main endp
end main
```

Taking An integer Input



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.model small
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.data
    msg1 db 10, 13, "Enter an integer: $"
    msg2 db 10, 13, "You entered: $"
    num dw ?
.code
main proc
    mov ax, @data
    mov ds, ax

    mov ah, 9
    lea dx, msg1
    int 21h

    mov ah, 01h ; Function to read a character from STDIN
    int 21h ; DOS interrupt

    sub al, 30h ; Convert ASCII character to integer
    mov bl, al ; Move the entered integer to bl
```

```
    mov ah, 9
    lea dx, msg2
    int 21h

    add bl, 30h ; Convert integer back to ASCII character
    mov dl, bl ; Move the ASCII character to dl

    mov ah, 02h ; Function to print character to STDOUT
    int 21h ; DOS interrupt

    mov ah, 4ch
    int 21h
main endp
end main
```

Output



```
C:\>ml pq3.asm
Microsoft (R) Macro Assembler Version 6.11
Copyright (C) Microsoft Corp 1981-1993. All rights reserved.

Assembling: pq3.asm

Microsoft (R) Segmented Executable Linker Version 5.31.009 Jul 13 1992
Copyright (C) Microsoft Corp 1984-1992. All rights reserved.

Object Modules [.obj]: pq3.obj
Run File [pq3.exe]: "pq3.exe"
List File [nul.map]: NUL
Libraries [.lib]:
Definitions File [nul.def]:

C:\>pq3

Enter an integer: 3
You entered: 3
C:\>_
```



Practice problem 1

Q1. Design a MASM program that takes user input for two hexadecimal numbers (assume that each number is a two-digit hexadecimal), computes their sum, and prints whether the sum is even or odd.

Data

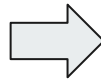
inp1 that holds the message \$ denotes the end of the string.

max1 db 3 maximum number of digits allowed

act1 db store the actual number of digits

num1 db 3 dup(?): declares an array num1 of 3 bytes

These lines declare two strings



indicating that the sum is even and the sum is odd

```
.model tiny
.data
inp1 db "Input the first number: $"
inp2 db 0dh,0ah,"Input the second number: $"
max1 db 3
act1 db ?
num1 db 3 dup(?)
max2 db 3
act2 db ?
num2 db 3 dup(?)
eve1 db 0dh,0ah,"Result: The sum is even$"
odd1 db 0dh,0ah,"Result: The sum is odd$"
```




Code

int 21h DOS interrupt

mov ah, 09h displays the string whose offset is in dx.

This segment loads offset address into the resp registers

```
.code
.startup
    lea dx, inp1
    mov ah, 09h
    int 21h

    lea dx, max1
    mov ah, 0ah
    int 21h

    lea dx, inp2
    mov ah, 09h
    int 21h

    lea dx, max2
    mov ah, 0ah
    int 21h

    lea si, num1
    mov ch, act1
    mov cl, 4
```



Conversion

Shifts the bits in bl to the left.

Compares the value in al with the ASCII value of the character 'A'

Subtracts the ASCII value of 'A' from the value in al, to get hex from A-'F'

Adds the ASCII value of '0ah' (10 in decimal)

repeats the conversion process until ch becomes zero.

Similarly for num 2 : conv2 , alph2 and cont2

```
conv1:  rol bl,cl
        mov al,[si]

        cmp al,'A'
        jge alph1
        and al,0fh
        jmp cont1

alph1:  sub al,'A'
        add al,0ah

cont1:  add bl,al
        inc si
        dec ch
        jnz conv1
```



Addition and output

Clears bh and dh for junk values

and bx,1h performs a bitwise AND operation

Prints even if 0 or odd if set

```
mov bh,00h  
mov dh,00h
```

```
add bx,dx
```

```
and bx,1h  
jz eve
```

```
lea dx,odd1  
mov ah,09h  
int 21h  
jmp finish
```

```
eve:  lea dx,eve1  
      mov ah,09h  
      int 21h
```

```
finish:  
.exit  
end
```



Expected output

Sample Output:

```
Input the first number: 45  
Input the second number: 30  
Result: The sum is even
```

```
Input the first number: 40  
Input the second number: 27  
Result: The sum is odd
```



Practice problem 2

Q2. Write a MASM program which takes input for a decimal number in the range of 0-9999, converts it into its hexadecimal equivalent and displays the result on the screen.



Data

Maxi - maximum number of digits
for decimal input

Acti - actual number of digits
entered by user

Num - array to store numbers typed
in by user

Conv - array to store converted
hexadecimal values

```
.model tiny
.data
inp db "Enter the number in decimal: $"
res db 0dh,0ah,"The result in hexadecimal is: $"
maxi db 5
acti db ?
num db 4 dup(?)
conv db 5 dup(?)
```



The Logic

Retrieve each decimal digit from the array

Convert to hexadecimal representation.

Store it in the conv array.

If number is greater than or equal to 10 , subtract 10 and add 65 (ASCII for A) else add 0 (Since numbers will be within 0-9). [to get the numbers in hexadecimal range]

Print the digits of hexadecimal number equivalent.



Example

44 - 0000 0000 0010 1100

2 C

To perform this in MASM, we use ASCII values.

So, 44 would be broken down as $40 + 4$ (this is done by multiplying the position value with the digit)-

$$4 * 10 + 4 * 1$$

4 in ASCII table (hexadecimal) is 34 -> retrieve last 4 bits = 4

40 in ASCII table(hexadecimal) is 28 -> Now we add both numbers = we get 2C which is the ASCII value for 44.

Conversion to hexadecimal.

Steps mentioned in previous slide are being performed in these code sections.

```
.code
    mov ax, @data
    mov ds, ax
    lea dx, inp
    mov ah, 09h
    int 21h

    lea dx, maxi
    mov ah, 0ah
    int 21h

    lea si, num
    mov cl, acti
    mov di, 0ah
    mov ax, 00h

convert: mul di
        mov bl, [si]
        and bl, 0fh

        add ax, bx
        inc si
        dec cl
        jnz convert

    lea di, conv
    mov ch, 4
```

ASCII table with decimal and hexadecimal equivalents.

40	28
41	29
42	2A
43	2B
44	2C



Storing numbers in memory

If number is greater than or equal to 10 , subtract 10 and add 65

(ASCII for A) else add 0(Since numbers will be within 0-9).

[to get the numbers in hexadecimal range]

```
store:  mov bx,ax
        and bx,000fh
        cmp bl,0ah
        jge l1|
        add bl,30h
        jmp mem
l1:     sub bl,0ah
        add bl,'A'

mem:    mov [di],bl
        mov cl,4
        shr ax,cl
        inc di
        dec ch
        jnz store

        lea bx,conv
        dec bx
        dec di

        lea dx,res
        mov ah,09h
        int 21h
```



Printing the numbers

Print each character one by one from memory.

```
print:  mov dl,[di]
        mov ah,02h
        int 21h

        dec di
        cmp di,bx
        jnz print

        mov ah, 4Ch
        int 21h
end
```