

# ASSIGNMENT 2

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## 2. Design outline

For the design outline of my program, I have submitted a total of 6 code files for each stage from stage 1 to stage 5a, and a full code program file (similar to the stage5a)

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## 2.1. Stage 1

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```
1|      MOV R0, #message1
2|      STR R0, .WriteString
3|      MOV R1, #codemaker
4|      STR R1, .ReadString
5|      STR R1, .WriteString
6| ;
7|      MOV R0, #message2
8|      STR R0, .WriteString
9|      MOV R2, #codebreaker
10|     STR R2, .ReadString
11|     STR R2, .WriteString
12| ;
13|     MOV R0, #message3
14|     STR R0, .WriteString
15|     MOV R12, #maxguesses
16|     LDR R12, .InputNum
17|     STR R12, .WriteSignedNum
```

I stored the required strings: `Codemaker is:`, `Codebreaker is:`, `Maximum number of guesses:` to variables (message1, message2, message3) and then I stored the input of the user into 3 variables: codemaker, codebreaker, maxguesses. Here is an example of the output:

`Codemaker is: tung`

`Codebreaker is: tung2`

`Maximum number of guesses: 3`

## 2.2. Stage 2

```
19|getcode:
20|    PUSH {R2, R3}
21|    MOV R0, #get_code_message
22|    STR R0, .WriteString
23|    MOV R2, R1
24|    STR R2, .ReadString
25|    STR R2, .WriteString
26|    MOV R3, #0
27|check_code:
28|    LDRB R0, [R2+R3]
29|    CMP R0, #114      ; "r"
30|    BEQ next
31|    CMP R0, #103     ; "g"
32|    BEQ next
33|    CMP R0, #98      ; "b"
34|    BEQ next
35|    CMP R0, #121     ; "y"
36|    BEQ next
37|    CMP R0, #112     ; "p"
38|    BEQ next
39|    CMP R0, #99      ; "c"
40|    BEQ next
41|    B invalid_input
42|next:
43|    ADD R3,R3,#1
44|    CMP R3, #4
45|    BLT check_code
46|    LDRB R0, [R2+R3]
47|    CMP R0, #0
48|    BNE invalid_input
49|    POP {R2, R3}
50|    RET
51|invalid_input:
52|    MOV R0, #error_message
53|    STR R0, .WriteString
|invalid_input:
|    MOV R0, #error_message
|    STR R0, .WriteString
|    B getcode
```

In this stage, I created a function call `getcode` to get the input code from the codemaker. The function behind this is to loop through all the index in the input string of the user and then compare the character in the string to the color string such as r, g. After a character is checked if the character is not valid, invalid message will show up. If it is valid, the next character in the string will be checked and the index of the loop will be incremented by 1 until all 4 characters are checked. If there is another character, an invalid message will also show up.

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## 2.3. Stage 3

```
41|      B invalid_input
42|next:
43|      ADD R3,R3,#1
44|      CMP R3, #4
45|      BLT check_code
46|      LDRB R0, [R2+R3]
47|      CMP R0, #0
48|      BNE invalid_input
49|      POP {R2, R3}
50|      RET
51|invalid_input:
52|      MOV R0, #error_message
53|      STR R0, .WriteString
54|      B getcode
55|getsecretcode:
56|      MOV R0, #new_line
57|      STR R0, .WriteString
58|      MOV R0, #codemaker
59|      STR R0, .WriteString
60|      MOV R0, #secret_code_message
61|      STR R0, .WriteString
62|      PUSH {R1}
63|      MOV R1, #secretcode
64|      BL getcode
65|      POP {R1}
66|      MOV R5, #1
67|      ADD R12,R12,#1
```

I get the input string code from the user, check if it satisfies all the requirements, then store it into the #secretcode array.

At this point, R12 is currently used to store my maximum number of guesses, while R5 would be used to store the current guess number (I added 1 to R12 in line 67, since a BLT method would be used later to check if the user has reached the maximum guess number or not in the latter stage).

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## 2.4. Stage 4

```
stage4:
    PUSH {R2}
    CMP R5, R12
    BLT get_query_code
    POP {R2}
    BL print_lose
;
get_query_code:
    MOV R0, #new_line
    STR R0, .WriteString
    MOV R0, #new_line
    STR R0, .WriteString
    MOV R0, #codebreaker
    STR R0, .WriteString
    MOV R0, #guess_count_message
    STR R0, .WriteString
    STR R5, .WriteSignedNum
    PUSH {R1}
    MOV R1, #querycode
    BL getcode
```

In this stage, I will keep asking for the input of the user until the maximum number of guesses has been reached. This is possible due to the (cmp R5, R12/ BLT get\_query\_code) functions I used in line 70 and 71. The user input will be stored into the #querycode array to be compared later.

## 2.5. Stage 5

```
88 stage5:
89     PUSH {R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8}
90     MOV R0, #0
91     MOV R1, #0
92     MOV R4, #0
93     MOV R5, #0
94     MOV R6, #0
95     MOV R7, #0
96     MOV R8, #0
97     BL comparecodes
98     POP {R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, LR}
99     CMP R0, #4
100    BEQ print_win
101    POP {R1}
102    ADD R5, R5, #1
103    B stage4
104 comparecodes:
105     MOV R7, #0
106     MOV R2, #querycode
107     LDRB R2, [R2 + R4]
108     MOV R6, #secretcode
109     LDRB R3, [R6 + R5]
110     CMP R3, R2
111     BNE compare_byte
112     ADD R0, R0, #1
113     B next_byte
114 compare_byte:
115     LDRB R3, [R6 + R7]
116     CMP R7, R4
117     BEQ next_byte
118     CMP R2, R3
119     BNE next_byte
120     ADD R1, R1, #1
121 next_byte:
122     ADD R7, R7, #1
123     CMP R7, #4
124     BLT compare_byte
125     ADD R4, R4, #1
126     ADD R5, R5, #1
127     CMP R4, #4
```

```

115|     LDRB R3, [R6 + R7]
116|     CMP R7, R4
117|     BEQ next_byte
118|     CMP R2, R3
119|     BNE next_byte
120|     ADD R1, R1, #1
121|next_byte:
122|     ADD R7, R7, #1
123|     CMP R7, #4
124|     BLT compare_byte
125|     ADD R4, R4, #1
126|     ADD R5, R5, #1
127|     CMP R4, #4
128|     BLT comparecodes
129|     PUSH {LR}
130|     POP {LR}
131|     RET
132|print_win:
133|     MOV R0, #new_line
134|     STR R0, .WriteString
135|     MOV R0, #codebreaker
136|     STR R0, .WriteString
137|     MOV R0, #win
138|     STR R0, .WriteString
139|     MOV R0, #game_over
140|     STR R0, .WriteString
141|     HALT
142|print_lose:
143|     MOV R0, #new_line
144|     STR R0, .WriteString
145|     MOV R0, #codebreaker
146|     STR R0, .WriteString
147|     MOV R0, #lose
148|     STR R0, .WriteString
149|     MOV R0, #game_over
150|     STR R0, .WriteString
151|     HALT

```

The comparecodes function is used to compare the position of the each character between the querycode and the secretcode array. The compare\_bytes function is used when the position do not match: The program will then loop through the other components in the querycode array to find any matching bytes (or matching colors).

After comparing, the #win message will be printed out if the user got the secretcode before reaching the guess limit (matching positions equals to 4), and the #lose message will be printed out if the user is not able to do the above (by using print\_win and print\_lose methods respectively).

### Sample screenshots:

```

Codemaker is: tung
Codebreaker is: turner
Maximum number of guesses: 3
tung, please enter a 4-character secret

```

```

turner, this is guess number: 1
Enter a code:
rygb

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```
turner, this is guess number: 2
Enter a code:
rygb
turner, this is guess number: 3
Enter a code:
rygb
turner, You LOSE!
rygb
turner, You LOSE!
Game Over!
Program HALTED. STOP, LOAD or EDIT
```

### 3. Unresolved problems

I have only finished the assignment from stage 1 to stage 5a. I still have not completed stage 5b and stage 6 of the assignment (which has graphic display of the pegs).

### 4. Conclusion

In conclusion, I believe that this assignment 2 is a great way of showing the application of ARM Assembly programming.