Assembly Homework 2 #Procedure

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DATA SECTION:

ChStrs: the pattern '7' in 8x8 grid

BitStrs: the 1X8 line we want to print to the console each time

THOUGHT:

Given the recommended structure of the code, it is easy to see that we treat 'change PROC' as a function which we want to call 8 time, for each we print a 1X8 line of our 8X8 pattern to the screen. Therefore, we just have to consider what we are going to perform to each line of the pattern.



MAIN PROC:

Esi: to store the current index of ChrStrs

Ecx: loop count

L1: call 'change' 8 times

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29 main PROC

30
31 mov esi, 0 ; esi = 0

32 mov ecx, 8 ; ecx = 8

L1:

34 CALL change ; invoke process 'change'

LOOP L1 ; ecx = ecx - 1, if ecx != 0, jump to L1

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37 exit

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39 main ENDP
```

CHANGE PROC:

```
change PROC
    mov edi, 0
    L3:
        cmp ChStrs[esi], '#'
        je L2
        mov BitStrs[edi], '0'
        jmp L4
        L2:
            mov BitStrs[edi], '1'
        L4:
            inc esi
            inc edi
            cmp edi, 8
            jne L3
    mov edx, OFFSET BitStrs
    CALL writestring
    CALL Crlf
    RET
change ENDP
```

Line 10:

I use edi as loop count of L3 and the current index of BitStrs.

```
10 mov edi, 0
```

Line 12-17:

Compare character in ChStrs. If it is '#' then store '1' in BitStrs, else store'0'.

```
12 cmp ChStrs[esi], '#'
13 je L2
14 mov BitStrs[edi], '0'
15 jmp L4
16 L2:
17 mov BitStrs[edi], '1'
```

Line 19-22:

Increase esi, edi. If edi equals 8, the line is complete, finish the loop.

```
inc esi
inc edi
cmp edi, 8
jne L3
```

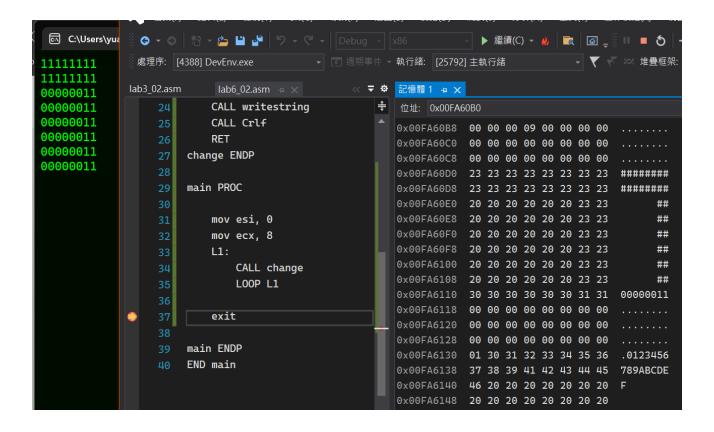
Line 23-26:

Write the line (BitStrs) to the console and return.

```
mov edx, OFFSET BitStrs
CALL writestring
CALL Crlf
RET
```

Before returning out of 'change' we will have printed a 1X8 line of our pattern to the console.

RESULT:



REVIEW:

I encountered a bug during my homework. The loop L1 doesn't finish when the *cx* counts down to 0, and then my friend told me to make sure the entire *ecx* is 0, not until which I realized that I didn't move 0 to the entire register *ecx*.



```
main PROC

MOV CX,8

L1:

CALL change

LOOP L1

main ENDP
```

the code beside is misleading

FULL CODE:

```
INCLUDE Irvine32.inc
3 .data
## ##
                                                            ##
                                                                   ##"
5 BitStrs BYTE 8 DUP(?)
7 .code
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10
  change PROC
                                  ; edi = 0
      mov edi, 0
      L3:
          cmp ChStrs[esi], '#'
         je L2
                                 ; jump to L2 if char is '#'
        mov BitStrs[edi], '0' ; else write '0' if blank
         jmp L4
                                 ; jump to L4
        L2:
             mov BitStrs[edi], '1' ; write '1'
         L4:
            inc esi
                                 ; ++esi
            inc edi
                                  ; ++edi
             cmp edi, 8
             jne L3
                                 ; loop L3 if edi != 8
      mov edx, OFFSET BitStrs
                                 ; move the address to edx
                                 ; print to console
      CALL writestring
      CALL Crlf
                                 ; new line
      RET
                                 ; return
   change ENDP
   main PROC
      mov esi, 0
                                 ; esi = 0
      mov ecx, 8
                                  ; ecx = 8
      L1:
                                 ; invoke process 'change'
       CALL change
       LOOP L1
                                 ;ecx = ecx - 1, if ecx != 0, jump to L1
      exit
   main ENDP
   END main
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