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EE488 - Computer Architecture Homework Assignment #4

Due day: 3/27/2025

Instructions:

1. Implement the following subroutine function in the *utils.asm* file, properly documenting them, and include programs to test them.

- a. *Mult10* - take an input parameter and return that parameter multiplied by 10 using **ONLY** shift and add operations.
- b. *ToUpper* - take a 32-bits input which is 3 characters and a null, or a 3- characters string. Convert the 3 characters to upper case if they are lower case or do nothing if they are already upper case.
- c. *ToLower* - take a 32-bits input which is 3 characters and a null, or a 3-characters string. Convert the 3 characters to lower case if they are upper case or do nothing if they are already lower case.

⇒ The answer:

⇒ Note: On my laptop, I was not able to link.

1a) .globl Mult10

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# Subroutine: Mult10
# Description: Multiply input integer by 10 using only
shifts and addition.
# Arguments:
# $a0 - integer to multiply
# Returns:
# $v0 - result of $a0 * 10
Mult10:
    sll $t0, $a0, 3    # $a0 * 8
    sll $t1, $a0, 1    # $a0 * 2
    add $v0, $t0, $t1  # $a0 * 10
    jr $ra

```

1a) .data

prompt: .asciiz "Enter a number to multiply by 10: "

result: .asciiz "Result: "

newline: .asciiz "\n"

.text

.globl main

main:

Prompt user

li \$v0, 4

la \$a0, prompt

syscall

Read number

li \$v0, 5

syscall

move \$a0, \$v0

Call Mult10 from 1a.asm

```
jal Mult10
```

```
# Print label
```

```
li $v0, 4
```

```
la $a0, result
```

```
syscall
```

```
# Print result
```

```
li $v0, 1
```

```
move $a0, $v0
```

```
syscall
```

```
# Newline
```

```
li $v0, 4
```

```
la $a0, newline
```

```
syscall
```

```
# Exit
```

```
li $v0, 10
```

```
syscall
```

1b) .globl ToUpper

```
# Subroutine: ToUpper
```

```
# Description: Converts 3-character string in $a0 to  
uppercase
```

```
# Input: $a0 = address of the string (e.g., "abc")
```

```
# Output: In-place conversion to uppercase if needed
```

```
ToUpper:
```

```
li $t0, 0          # index = 0
```

```
loop_upper:
```

```
lb $t1, 0($a0)      # load byte from string
beqz $t1, done_upper # if null char, end
```

```
li $t2, 97          # ASCII 'a'
li $t3, 122          # ASCII 'z'
blt $t1, $t2, skip   # if char < 'a', skip
bgt $t1, $t3, skip    # if char > 'z', skip
```

```
# Convert lowercase to uppercase
li $t4, 32
sub $t1, $t1, $t4
sb $t1, 0($a0)       # store back uppercase
```

```
skip:
    addi $a0, $a0, 1    # move to next char
    addi $t0, $t0, 1
    bne $t0, 3, loop_upper # repeat for 3 chars
```

```
done_upper:
    jr $ra
```

```
1b) .data
inputStr: .ascii "abC"
newline:  .ascii "\n"
result:   .ascii "Result: "
```

```
.text
.globl main
```

```
main:
    la $a0, inputStr
    jal ToUpper
```

```
# Print result
li $v0, 4
la $a0, result
syscall
```

```
li $v0, 4
la $a0, inputStr
syscall
```

```
li $v0, 4
la $a0, newline
syscall
```

```
li $v0, 10
syscall
```

1c) .globl ToLower

```
# Subroutine: ToLower
# Description: Converts 3-character string in $a0 to
lowercase
# Input: $a0 = address of the string (e.g., "ABC")
# Output: In-place conversion to lowercase if needed
```

ToLower:

```
li $t0, 0          # index = 0
```

loop_lower:

```
lb $t1, 0($a0)     # load byte from string
beqz $t1, done_lower # if null char, end
```

```
li $t2, 65         # ASCII 'A'
li $t3, 90         # ASCII 'Z'
```

```
blt $t1, $t2, skip2    # if char < 'A', skip
bgt $t1, $t3, skip2    # if char > 'Z', skip
```

```
# Convert uppercase to lowercase
li $t4, 32
add $t1, $t1, $t4
sb $t1, 0($a0)          # store back lowercase
```

```
skip2:
    addi $a0, $a0, 1      # move to next char
    addi $t0, $t0, 1
    bne $t0, 3, loop_lower # repeat for 3 chars
```

```
done_lower:
    jr $ra
```

```
1c) .data
inputStr: .asciiz "XYZ"
newline:  .asciiz "\n"
result:   .asciiz "Result: "
```

```
.text
.globl main
```

```
main:
    la $a0, inputStr
    jal ToLower
```

```
# Print label
li $v0, 4
la $a0, result
syscall
```

```
# Print modified string
li $v0, 4
la $a0, inputStr
syscall
```

```
li $v0, 4
la $a0, newline
syscall
```

```
li $v0, 10
syscall
```

2. Write a program to find prime numbers from 3 to n in a loop in MIPS assembly.

⇒ [Qno2.asm](#)

3. Prompt the user for a number from 3...100 and determine the prime factors for that number. For example, 15 has prime factors 3 and 5. 60 has prime factors 2, 3, and 5. You ONLY have to print out the prime factors.

⇒ [Qno3.asm](#)

4. Using only *sll* and *srl*, implement a program to check if a user input value is even or odd. The program should read a user input integer and print out "The number is even" if the number is even, or "The number is odd", if the number is odd.

⇒ [Qno4.asm](#)

5. Prompt the user for a number n , $0 < n < 100$. Print out the smallest number of coins (quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies) which will produce n . For example, if the user enters "66", your program should print out "2 quarters, 1 dime, 1 nickel, and 1 penny".

⇒ [Qno5.asm](#)