

# Introduction to System Programming

## Syllabus Topics

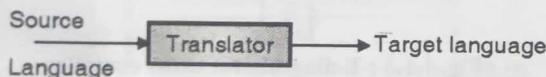
Components of System Software, Language Processing Activities, Fundamentals of Language Processing.

### 1.1 Introduction

Language processing activity involves translation of a program written in a high level language into machine code. A translator permits the programmer to express his algorithm in a language other than that of a machine. Some of the benefits of writing a program in a language other than a machine language are as follows :

- (1) Increase in the programmer's productivity – It is easy to write a program in a high level language.
- (2) Machine independence – A program written in a high level language is machine independent.

The input to a translator is a program written in a source language (high level language). The output of a translator is a program in target language (machine code).



(S1.1)Fig. 1.1.1 : A translator

There is a difference between source language and the target language.

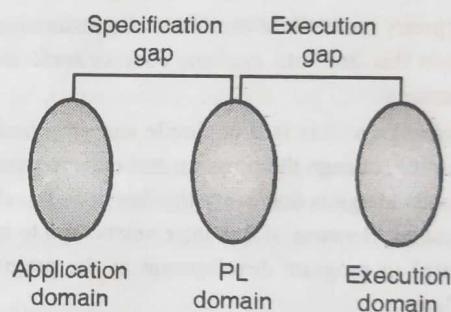
- A source language is closure to application domain. A source language should provide features necessary for expressing an algorithm.
- The ideas expressed in source domain must ultimately be interpreted in terms of execution domain of the computer system.
- Semantic gap between the two domains often implies efforts needed by a translator to convert a program written in source language into machine code. If the semantic gap is less then it is easy write a translator. But this will have adverse consequences in program development, particularly large development times, large development efforts and poor quality of software.

The development of large programs involve two steps :

- (1) Specification, design and writing of algorithm.

- (2) Implementation of algorithm through a programming language (PL).

Software development using a programming language introduces a new domain, the PL domain. It is shown in Fig. 1.1.2.



(S1.2)Fig. 1.1.2 : Specification and execution gap

- Specification gap can be reduced by selecting a programming language which provides features suited for writing a particular application; but this will increase the execution gap.

#### Definition of a language processor

A language processor is software which bridges a specification or execution gap. There are different types of language processors :

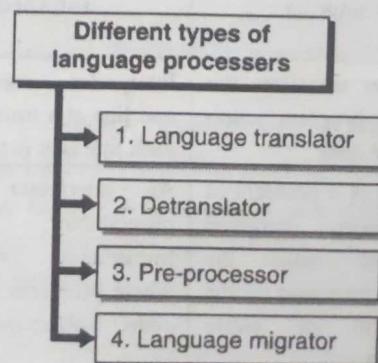


Fig. C1.1 : Types of language processor

- (1) **A language translator** : It translates a program written in any programming language into machine code. A C-Compiler is a language translator for a program written in C-Language.
- (2) **A detranslator** does the reverse of a language translator.
- (3) **A preprocessor** bridges an execution gap but it is not a language translator.
- (4) **A language migrator** bridges the specification gaps between two programming languages.

### 1.1.1 An Interpreter

→ (Dec. 2013)

**Q. What is interpreter ? Explain the role of interpreter with suitable example.**

**SPPU - Dec. 2013, 8 Marks**

An interpreter is useful during program development. A program execution requires either a compiler or interpreter. A compiler translates a source program into machine instructions. These machine instructions can be executed by a computer. In case of an interpreter, the interpreter accepts the source program and performs the actions associated with the instructions. Thus it creates a virtual execution environment. The interpreter has the control of the execution of the program during execution.

An interpreter reads the source code one instruction or line at a time, converts this line into machine code or some intermediate form and executes it.

The advantage of this is it is simple and you can interrupt it while it is running, change the program and either continue or start again. The disadvantage is that every line has to be translated every time it is executed. Because of this interpreters tend to be slow but it is very useful in program development as the program can be modified on line.

### 1.1.2 Difference between Interpreter and Compiler

→ (Aug. 2015, Oct. 2016, May 2017)

**Q. Compare Compiler and Interpreter.**

**SPPU - Aug. 2015(In Sem), May 2017, 4 Marks**

**Q. Explain Compilers and Interpreters.**

**SPPU - Oct. 2016(In Sem), 6 Marks**

Sr. No.	Compiler	Interpreter
1.	Compiler translates the entire program into machine code.	Interpreter translates code one line at a time, executing each line as it is translated.
2.	If there is a problem in the code, compiled programs make the programmer wait for the execution of entire program.	An interpreter lets the programmer know immediately when and where problems exist in the code.
3.	Compilers produce	Interpreters can be easier to

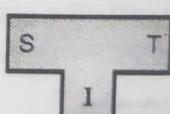
Sr. No.	Compiler	Interpreter
	better optimised code that generally runs faster and compiled code is self sufficient and can be run on their intended platforms without the compiler present.	use and produce more immediate results. However the source code of an interpreted language cannot run without the interpreter. Program execution is relatively slow due to interpretation overhead.
4.	A compiler spends a lot of time analyzing and generating machine code. It is not suited during program development.	Relatively little time is spent in analyzing as it executes line by line.

### 1.1.3 A Cross Compiler

A cross compiler is a type of compiler. It creates an executable code for a platform other than the one on which the compiler is run. In short, we can say the cross compiler runs on machine x and generates machine code for machine y.

- Cross compilers are useful for microcontrollers that do not support an operating system.
- Cross compiler is used to compile for a platform upon which it is not feasible to do the compiling.
- The fundamental use of a cross compiler is to separate the build environment from target environment. It is useful for embedded computers.

A T-diagram for cross-compiler is shown in Fig. 1.1.3.



(s1.3)Fig. 1.1.3 : T-diagram for cross compiler

A compiler is characterized by three languages :

- (1) The source language that it compiles.
- (2) The target language T that it generates.
- (3) The implementation language I that is used for writing the compiler.

A cross compiler runs on one machine and produces target code for another machine.

### 1.1.4 A Bootstrap Compiler

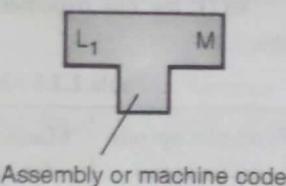
Bootstrapping is a term used for describing a technique involving writing a compiler in the target programming language which it is intended to compile.

General form of bootstrapping builds up a compiler for larger and larger sub-sets of a language.

- Suppose a new language L is to be implemented on machine M.

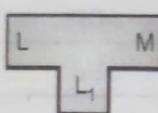


- As a first step we might write a small compiler either in assembly or machine code. This compiler translates a subset  $L_1$  of  $L$  into the target code of  $M$ .



(S1.4)Fig. 1.1.4

- Now, we have a working compiler for a subset of  $L$ . We can use the subset  $L_1$  to write a compiler for  $L$  or it can be iterated a number of times.



(S1.5)Fig. 1.1.5

### Syllabus Topic : Components of System Software

## 1.2 System Software

→ (Oct. 2016, Dec. 2016)

**Q. Explain program generation activity.**

**SPPU - Oct. 2016(In Sem), 4 Marks**

**Q. Explain the steps in program development.**

**SPPU - Dec. 2016, 7 Marks**

System software is needed for program development. System programs were developed to make computers better adapted to the needs of their users. Some of the common system programs are :

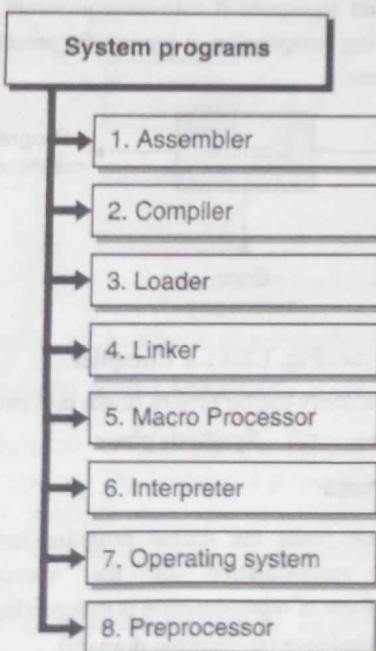


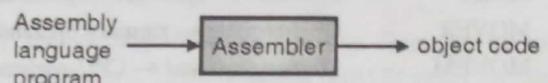
Fig. C1.2 : System programs

### → 1.2.1 Assembler

Machine and assembly languages are low level languages since the coding for a problem is at the individual instruction level. An assembly language is machine dependent. It differs from computer to computer.

Writing a program in assembly language is more convenient than in machine language. Instead of binary sequence, as in machine language, it is written in the form of symbolic instructions.

- An assembly program is written using symbols (Mnemonic).
- An assembly program is more readable. It is difficult to understand and develop a program using machine language.
- Assembly language is machine dependent.
- An assembly program is translated into machine code before execution.
- An assembler is a translator which takes its input in the form of an assembly language program and produces machine language code as its output.



(S2.1)Fig. 1.2.1 : Assembler

### ☞ Elements of assembly language

An assembly language provides three basic features :

1. Operation codes in the form of mnemonics.
2. Symbolic operands.
3. Data declaration.

Let us consider an assembly instruction.

MOV AX, X

- MOV is a mnemonic opcode for the operation to be performed.
- AX is register operand in a symbolic form
- X is a memory operand in a symbolic form.

Let us consider an assembly instruction for data declaration.

X db 5

- Name of the variable is X
- X requires 1 byte of memory
- Initial value of X is set to 5.

The storage specifier db reserves one byte of storage for holding a value of X.

### ☞ Statement format

An instruction in assembly program has the following format :

1. **Label** : It is optional, if present it occupies the first field.
2. **Opcode** : It contains the symbolic operation code or storage specification.
3. **Operand** : Operand is a symbolic name for CPU-register or memory variables. There can be a number of operands in an instruction.

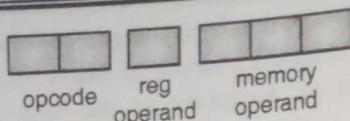
[ Label ] < opcode > < operand > [ , < operand > ... ]

(S2.2)Fig. 1.2.2 : Format of an assembly instruction

A general format of an assembly instruction is shown in Fig. 1.2.2. The notation [...] indicates that the enclosed specification is optional.

### ☞ Operation codes

We will assume a hypothetical assembly language with the machine instruction format shown in Fig. 1.2.3.



(S2.3)Fig. 1.2.3 : Instruction format

Our machine has three CPU registers :

1. AREG
2. BREG
3. CREG

Our machine supports 11 different operations :

1. STOP - to stop execution
  2. ADD -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} + \text{operand2}$
  3. SUB -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} - \text{operand2}$
  4. MULT -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} * \text{operand2}$
  5. MOVER - CPU-register  $\leftarrow$  memory operand
  6. MOVEM - Memory operand  $\leftarrow$  CPU-register
  7. COMP - Set condition code, these condition codes will be used by the conditional branch instruction BC.
  8. BC - Branch on condition. Conditions to be used for branching are :
    - a) EQ - equal
    - b) NE - not equal
    - c) LT - less than
    - d) GT - greater than
    - e) LE - less or equal
    - f) GE - greater or equal
    - g) ANY
  9. DIV -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} / \text{operand2}$
  10. READ -  $\text{operand2} \leftarrow \text{input value}$
  11. PRINT - output  $\leftarrow \text{operand2}$
- First operand is always a CPU register
  - Second operand is always a memory operand
  - READ and PRINT instructions do not use the first operand
  - The stop instruction has no operand.

### Example

Meaning of some typical instructions are given below :

Statement	Meaning
ADD AREG, X	$\text{AREG} \leftarrow \text{AREG} + \text{X}$
MOVER BREG, X	$\text{BREG} \leftarrow \text{X}$
MOVEM CREG, X	$\text{X} \leftarrow \text{CREG}$
COMP AREG, Y	Compare AREG and the memory variable Y and set the necessary condition codes. These condition codes are required by BC instruction.

Each symbolic opcode is associated with machine opcode. These details are stored in machine opcode table (MOT). A MOT contains :

1. Opcode in mnemonic form
2. Machine code associated with the opcode.

MOT for our hypothetical assembly language is given in Table 1.2.1.

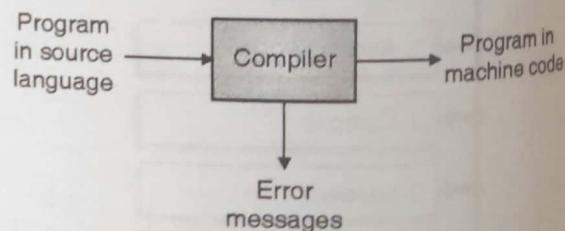
Table 1.2.1 : Machine opcode table

Symbolic opcode (mnemonic)	Machine code for opcode	Size of instruction (in number of words)
STOP	00	1
ADD	01	1
SUB	02	1
MULT	03	1
MOVER	04	1
MOVEM	05	1
COMP	06	1
BC	07	1
DIV	08	1
READ	09	1
PRINT	10	1

- Machine opcode is a two digit code.
- Size of each instruction is assumed to be of 1 word.

### → 1.2.2 Compilers

A compiler is a program that reads a program written in source language and translates it into an equivalent program in machine code. During compilation, it reports the presence of errors in the source program.



(S4.1)Fig. 1.2.4 : A Compiler

Compilation activity can be broken down into two parts :

- (1) Analysis phase
- (2) Synthesis phase

#### (1) Analysis Phase

Analysis phase reads the source program and creates an intermediate representation of the source program. Intermediate form of representation is independent of both :

- (1) Source language (application domain)
- (2) Machine language (execution domain)

#### (2) Synthesis Phases

The synthesis phase generates the desired program in machine code from the intermediate representation.

- Analysis phase is dependent on the source language.
- Synthesis phase is dependent on the machine for which the target code is to be generated.

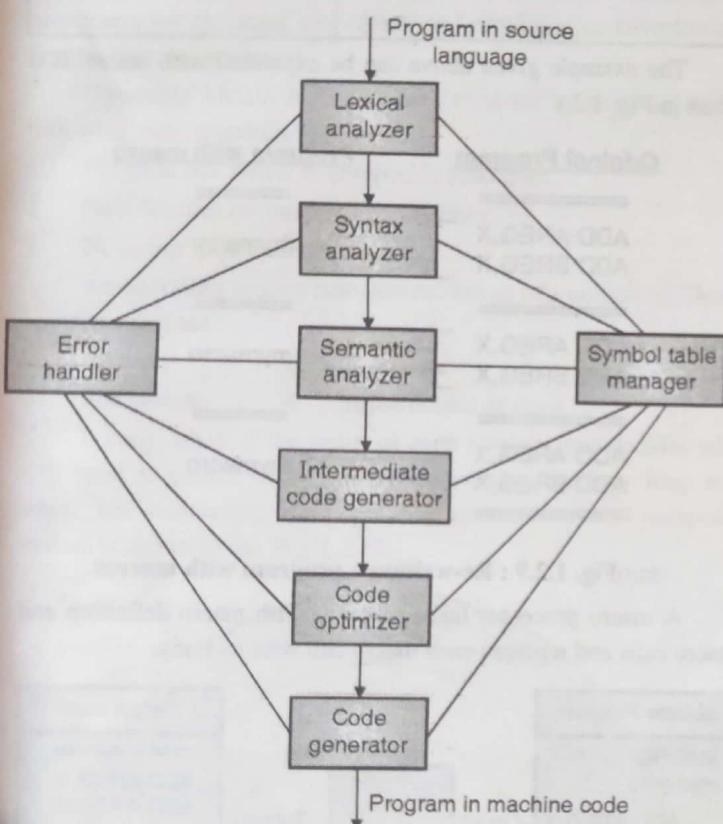


### Phase of compilers

A compiler works in phases. Output of one phase becomes the input of next phase. Phases of compilers are :

- (1) Lexical analysis
- (2) Syntax analysis
- (3) Semantic analysis
- (4) Intermediate code generation
- (5) Code optimization
- (6) Code generation.

A Typical decomposition of a compiler is shown in Fig 1.2.5.



(S4.2)Fig. 1.2.5 : Phases of a compiler

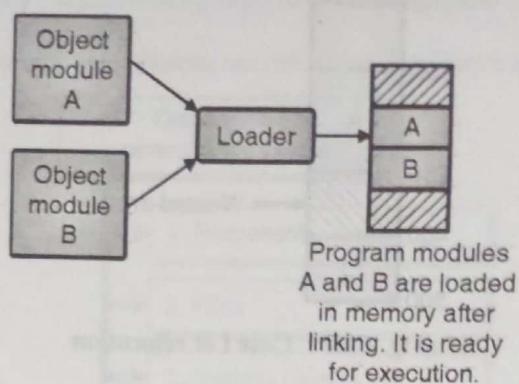
### 1.2.3 Loaders and Linkers

A source program is converted to object program by assemblers and compilers. The loader is a program which accepts object codes and prepares them for execution and initiates execution. As many as four functions are performed by a loader. These functions are :

- Allocation of space in main memory for the programs.
- Linking of object modules with each other. Linking involves resolving of symbolic references between object modules.
- Adjust all address dependent locations, such as address constants, to correspond to the allocated space. It is also called relocation.

Physically loading the machine instructions and data into the main memory.

A general loading scheme is shown in the Fig. 1.2.6.



(S5.1)Fig. 1.2.6 : General loading scheme

### What is linking ?

Any usable program written in any language has to use functions/ subroutines. These functions could be either user defined functions or they can be library functions.

For example, consider a program written in C-language. Such a program may contain calls to functions like printf() and scanf(). During program execution the main program as well as functions must reside in the main memory. In addition, every time a function is called, the control should get transferred to the appropriate function.

- The linking process makes address of modules known to each other so that transfer of control takes place during execution.
- Passing of parameters is handled by the linker. Parameters can be passed by value or by reference. A value returned by a function must be handled.
- Every public variable should have the same address in every module. An external variable can be defined in one module and can be used in another module. The address of an external variable should be same in every module. Resolving of addresses of symbolic references are handled by the linker.

### What is relocation ?

Relocation is the process of modifying the addresses used in the address sensitive instructions of a program such that the program can execute correctly from any designated area of memory.

Consider the statement

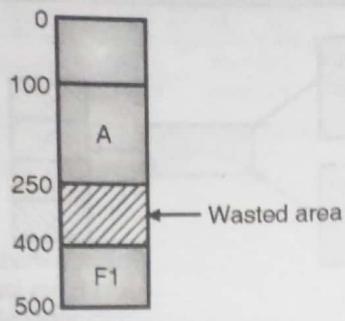
MOVER AREG, X

This is an address sensitive instruction. For this instruction to execute correctly, the actual address of X should be put in the instruction.

Assume that a program written in C-language (let us call it A) calls a function F1. The program A and the function F1 must be linked with each other. But when in main storage shall we load A and F1 ? A possible solution would be to load them according to the addresses assigned when they were translated.

### Case I

At the time of translation, A has been given storage area from 100 to 250 while F1 occupies area between 400 to 500. If we were to load these programs at their translated addresses, a lot of storage lying between them will be wasted.

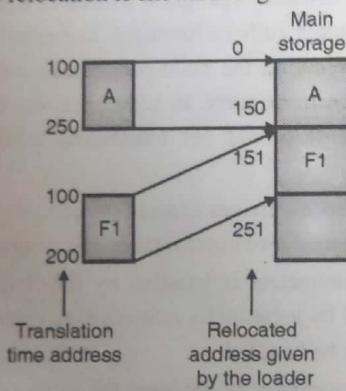


(S5.2) Fig. 1.2.7 : Case I of relocation

#### Case II

At the time of translation, both A and F<sub>1</sub> may have been translated with the identical start address 100. A goes from 100 to 250 and F<sub>1</sub> goes from 100 to 200. These two modules cannot co-exist at same storage locations. The loader must relocate A and F<sub>1</sub> to avoid address conflict or storage waste.

A possible relocation is shown in Fig. 1.2.8



(S5.3) Fig. 1.2.8 : Relocation to avoid address conflict or storage waste

It may be noted that relocation is more than simply moving a program from one area to another in the storage. It refers to adjustment of address fields and not to movement of a program.

#### → 1.2.4 Macro Processor

Macro allows a sequence of source language code to be defined once and then referred to by name each time it is to be referred. Each time this name occurs in a program, the sequence of codes is substituted at that point.

A macro consists of :

- (1) Name of the macro      (2) Set of parameters
- (3) Body of macro (Code)

Parameters in a macro are optional.

For example, let us consider a program segment given below:

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ADD AREG, X
ADD BREG, X
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In the above program, the sequence

ADD AREG, X

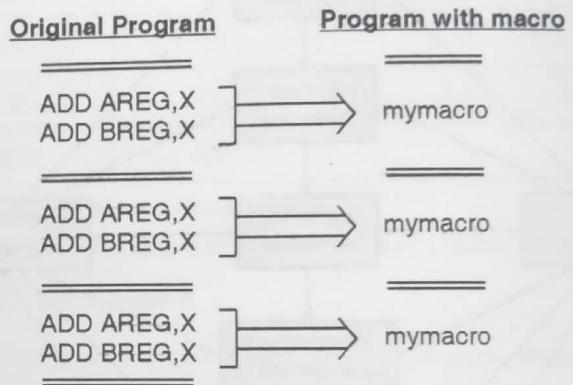
ADD BREG, X

occurs three times. A macro allows us to attach a name to this sequence and to use this name in its place.

We can attach a name to a sequence by means of a macro definition, which is formed in the following manner :

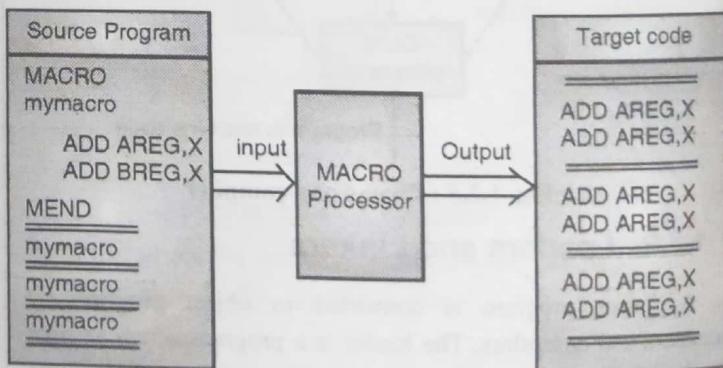
Start of definition	MACRO
macro name	mymacro
macro body	<pre> ADD AREG, X ADD BREG, X =====</pre>
End of macro definition	MEND

The example given above can be expressed with macro. It is given in Fig. 1.2.9



(S3.1) Fig. 1.2.9 : Re-writing a program with macros

A macro processor takes a source with macro definition and macro calls and replaces each macro call with its body.



(S3.2) Fig. 1.2.10 : Macro expansion

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### → 1.2.6 Operating System

An operating system is an interface between users and the hardware of a computer system. It is a system software which may be viewed as an organised collection of software consisting of procedures for operating a computer and providing an environment for execution of programs.

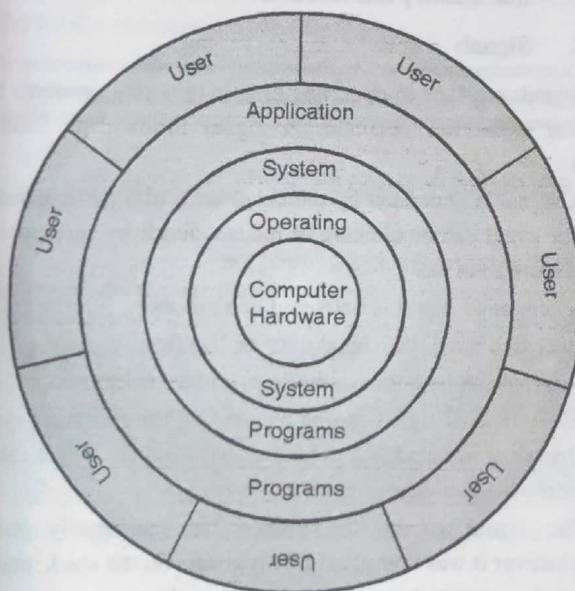
Operating system functions have evolved in response to the following considerations :

1. Efficient utilization of computing resources.
2. New features in computer architecture.
3. New user requirements.

An operating system manages resources of a computer. These resources include :

1. Memory            2. Processor
3. File system.        4. Input/output devices.

It keeps track of the status of each resource and decides who will have a control over computer resources, for how long and when. The positioning of an operating system in overall computer system is shown in the Fig. 1.2.11.



(S7.1)Fig. 1.2.11 : Components of a computer system

- Operating system controls computer hardware resources.
- Programs interact with computer hardware with the help of operating system.
- There are two ways in which one can interact with operating system :
  1. By making a system call.
  2. By operating system commands.

### 1.2.6(a) Operating System Concepts

Some of the important operating system concepts include :

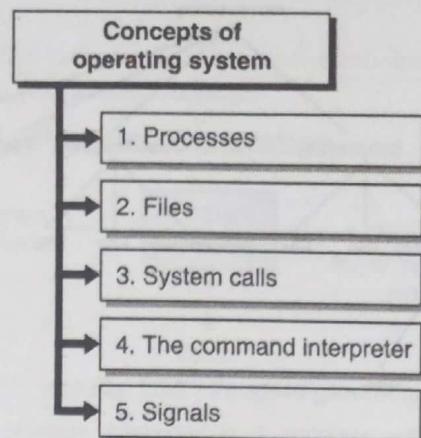


Fig. C1.3 : Concepts of operating system

#### → 1. Processes

A process is program in execution. It consists of the followings :

1. Executable program
  2. Program's data
  3. Stack and stack pointer
  4. Program counter and other CPU registers
  5. Details of opened files
- A process can be suspended temporarily and the execution of another process can be taken up. A suspended process can be re-started at a later time.
  - Before suspending a process, its details are saved in a table called the process table.
  - An operating system supports two system calls to manage processes :
    1. **Create** to create a new process.
    2. **Kill** to delete an existing process.
  - A process can create a number of **child processes**.
  - Processes can communicate among themselves either using shared memory or by message passing techniques. Two processes running on two different computers can communicate by sending messages over a network.

#### → 2. Files

Files are used for long term storage. Files are used both for input and output. Every operating system provides file management service.

These files hide the peculiarities of the disks and other input/output devices from users. Thus it can also be treated as an abstraction. Every operating system provides system calls for file management. These calls include system calls for :

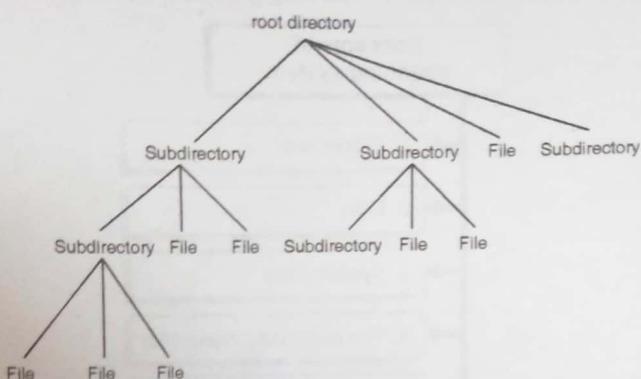
1. File creation
2. File deletion
3. Read and write operations

Files are stored in directory. System calls are provided :

1. To put a file in a directory
2. To remove a file from a directory

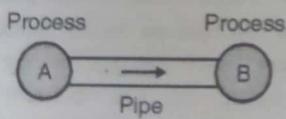


The directory entry may be a file or a directory itself. Directory structure is a hierarchical structure (Shown in Fig. 1.2.12)



(S7.7)Fig. 1.2.12 : Tree-structured directory

- Every file can be specified by giving its path from the root.
- At every instant, each process has a current working directory.
- Normally, files in a system are protected so that the privacy of each person's files can be maintained.
- Many operating systems represent each input/output device as a special file. This makes input/output devices look like a file. There are two kinds of special files :
  1. Block special files.
  2. Character special files.
 Block special files can model a device containing a set of randomly accessible blocks. Character special files can model a device consisting of character streams like monitor, keyword etc.
- Many operating systems support a special file known as pipe. Pipe is a Pseudo file that can be used to connector two processes. Output of one process can be sent as input to another process through a pipe. It is shown in Fig. 1.2.13.



(S7.8)Fig. 1.2.13 : Two processes connected by a pipe

### → 3. System calls

System calls provide an interface to the services made available by an operating system. User program interact with operating system through system calls.

- These calls are normally available as library functions in a high level language such as C.
- In an assembly language, necessary parameters are stored in specified CPU-registers and then it issues a software interrupt instruction. System calls in DOS are availed by using "INT 2IH".
- Execution of the following instruction to read n bytes from a file :

Count = read (filepointer, buffer, n);

Will internally make a system call to read n bytes from the specified file and the data will be stored in the array 'buffer'.

- The number and type of system calls varies from operating system to operating system.

In general, system calls are available for the following operations :

1. Process management
2. Memory management
3. File operations
4. Input/output operations

### → 4. Command interpreter

There are several ways for users to interface with the operating system. One of the approaches of user interaction with operating system is through commands.

Command interpreter provides command-line interface. It allows user to enter a command on command line prompt. The command interpreter accepts and executes a command entered by an user.

- For example, shell is a command interpreter under UNIX. A \$ at the beginning of the command line tells the user that the shell is waiting to accept a command. User can display the contents of the file file1.txt using the following command:

\$ cat file1.txt

- The commands to be executed are implemented in two ways :
  1. Command interpreter itself contains the necessary code to be executed.
  2. Command is implemented through a system file. To execute a command the necessary system file is loaded into memory and executed.

### → 5. Signals

Signals are used in operating system to notify a process that a particular event has occurred. A signal follows the following pattern :

1. A signal is generated by the occurrence of a particular event. The event can be clicking of mouse, divide by zero operation in a program etc.
2. A generated signal is delivered to a process.
3. Once delivered, the signal must be handled.
- A signal can be both synchronous and asynchronous.
- Every type of signal can be handled by the operating system. Operating system has a default signal handler. A user can also define his own signal handler.
- The signal causes the process to temporarily suspend whatever it was doing, save its registers on the stack, and start running a special signal handling procedure.
- Signals are the software analog of hardware interrupts. Many illegal conditions detected by hardware during program execution are also converted into signals to the guilty process. Signals are also used for inter-process communication.

### → 1.2.7 Preprocessor

A pre-processor is a program that processes a source file to produce output that is used as input by the translator. The output of



a pre-processor is often used by the compiler. Some preprocessors are only capable of performing relatively simple textual substitutions and macro expansions, while others have the power of a full fledged programming language. Some common preprocessors are :

1. Lexical Preprocessors
2. Syntactic preprocessors
3. General purpose preprocessors.

Lexical preprocessors typically perform macro substitution, textual inclusion of other files, and conditional compilation or inclusion. C-preprocessor is an example of lexical pre-processor.

Syntactic preprocessors were introduced with LISP family of languages. They are used for following purposes :

1. Customizing syntax
2. Extending a language
3. Specializing a language.

A pre-processor may be promoted as being general purpose, meaning that it is not aimed at specific usage or programming language :

#### Example 1.2.1

Compare system program and application program.

**Solution :**

System software (e.g. compilers, loaders, linkers, macro processors, operating systems) are written to make computers better suited to the needs of computer users. These are helpful and developing an application program. An application runs on top of the operating system and performs a number of tasks for the user application. Software is written to solve problems from application domain. Without application software, a computer will not be useful for the end-user.

#### Syllabus Topic : Language Processing Activities

→ (Dec. 2013, May 2014, Aug. 2015)

**Q. What are language processing activities ? Give details of language processing activities**

**SPPU - Dec. 2013, May 2014, 4 Marks**

**Q. Explain the Language processing activities.**

**SPPU - Aug. 2015(In Sem), 6 Marks**

Language processing activities can be divided into two groups :

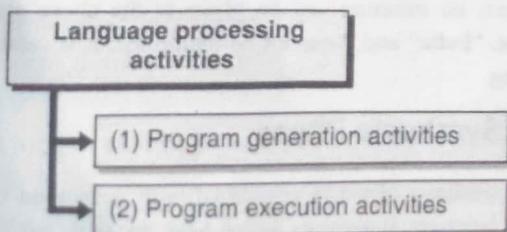
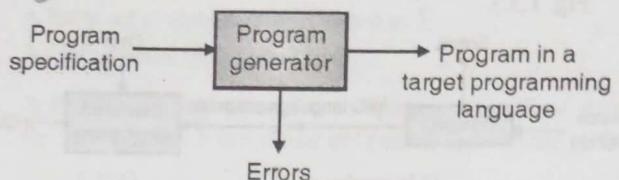


Fig. C1.4 : Language processing activities

Program generation activity can be automated. Here the source language is a specification language of an application domain and the target language is a program in a programming language.

Program execution activities involve execution of a program written in a programming language.

#### → 1.3.1 Program Generation



(S1.6)Fig. 1.3.1 : Program generation

The program generator is a software which accept the specification of a program to be generated, and generates a program in target programming language.

It is easy to write the specification of a program rather than writing the entire program in a programming language.

A generated program is more reliable.

The program generator bridges the gap between application domain and programming language domain.

It is more economical to develop a program generator than to develop a problem oriented language. Program generators are restricted to specific application domain. It is not possible to develop a generalized program generator.

The execution gap between the programming language domain and the execution domain is bridged by the compiler or interpreter.

For example, the input form for data entry can be automated with the help of form filling program. User has to give the format of input form with the following details :

- (1) Headings.
- (2) Type of each field.
- (3) Location of entry field on the screen.

The form filling program accepts these details and generates a program in a programming language (say COBOL) for data entry.

Item Code	<input type="text"/>
Item Name	<input type="text"/>
Price	<input type="text"/>

(S1.7)Fig. 1.3.2 : Screen displayed by a screen handling program

The specification of fields in Fig. 1.3.2 could be as follows :

**Item code :** Integer : start (line 3, position 25) end (line 3, position 32) ;

**Item name :** String : start (line 4, position 25) end (line 3, position 35) ;

**Price :** Float : Start (line 5, position 25) end (line 5, position 35);

Errors in giving specifications are located by the program generator.



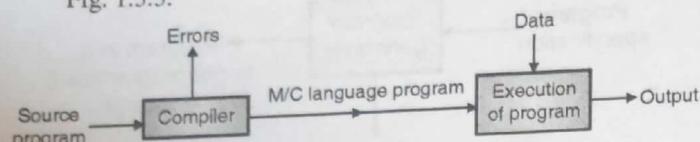
### → 1.3.2 Program Translation / Execution

A program translation activity involves translation of a program from source code into machine code.

✓ Compilers are used for program translation.

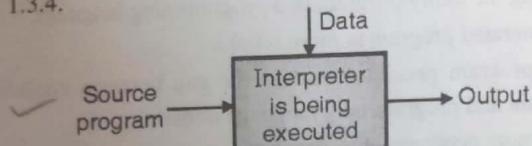
✓ The translated program may be saved in a file. The saved program may be executed repeatedly.

✓ The program execution using a compiler is shown in Fig. 1.3.3.



(S1.8)Fig. 1.3.3 : Program execution using a compiler

A program can also be executed by an interpreter. An interpreter reads the source code one instruction at a time converts this instruction into machine code or some intermediate form and executes it. The program execution using an interpreter is shown in Fig. 1.3.4.



(S1.9)Fig. 1.3.4 : Program execution using an interpreter

### Syllabus Topic : Fundamentals of Language Processing

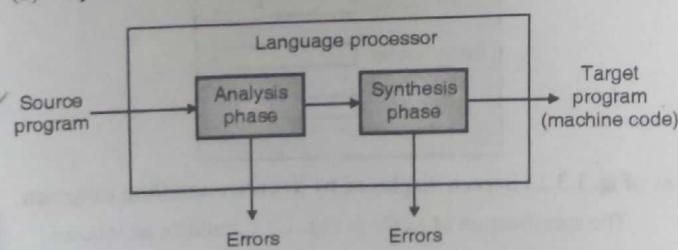
## 1.4 Fundamentals of Language Processing

→ (Dec. 2015)

**Q. Explain the different phases of language processing.**  
SPPU - Dec. 2015, 6 Marks

A language processing involves :

- (1) Analysis of source program.
- (2) Synthesis of target (machine code) program.



(S1.10)Fig. 1.4.1 : Phases of language processing

### 1.4.1 Analysis Phase

→ (May 2015, May 2016)

**Q. Explain Analysis phase of compiler.**

SPPU - May 2015, May 2016, 7 Marks

A source program consists of several components. These components include :

- (1) **Reserve words** like int, float, void, char, while etc.
- (2) **Statements** like assignment statement, while loop etc.
- (3) **Constants** like integer constants (153, 94), floating point constants (15.64, 93.845), character constants ('A', '9') etc.

These components are written using predefined rules. They have to meet language specifications.

Analysis of a source statement consists of the followings :

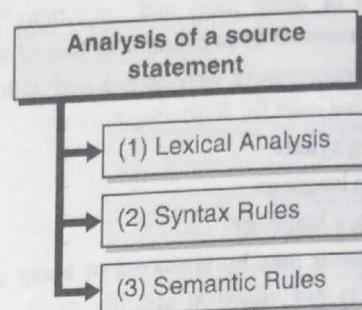


Fig. C1.5: Analysis of a source statement

### → (1) Lexical Analysis

Lexical analysis rules govern the formation of lexical units (symbols) in the source program.

### ☞ Example

- (1) Rules for identifier name.
- (2) Rules for integer constant.
- (3) Rules for string constants.

An identifier name must start with an alphabet or underscore followed by a list of alphanumeric characters. x1 is a valid identifier, but 1x is not a valid identifier.

### → (2) Syntax Rules

Syntax rules govern the formation of valid statement in the source language.

### ☞ Example

- (1)  $x = y + 3$  ; is a valid statement in C-Language.
- (2)  $x = y + *3$  ; is not a valid statement in C-language.

### → (3) Semantic Rules

Semantic rules associate meaning with valid statement of the language.

### ☞ Example

$x = \text{"India"} * 3$  ; Although the statement is syntactically correct, no meaning can be given to the above statement. Since, "India" and 3 cannot be multiplied, it is semantically wrong.

### 1.4.2 Synthesis Phase

The synthesis phase is concerned with generation of target (machine) language statements which have the same meaning as a source statement. A synthesis phase is close to machine domain.



### 1.4.3 Forward References and Passes

→ (May 2013, Oct. 2016, Dec. 2016)

- Q. Define the term forward reference and explain where it is used with example. **SPPU - May 2013, 2 Marks**
- Q. Explain the terms terminals, non-terminals, starting symbol and production rule set with example.

**SPPU - Oct. 2016 (In Sem), 6 Marks**

- Q. Explain with example use of Terminals and non-terminals in representing language grammar.

**SPPU - Dec. 2016, 6 Marks**

During synthesis phase, every variable should be assigned memory address. A machine instruction uses memory address to reference a variable. Therefore, the generation of machine code must be delayed until addresses of every variable are fixed.

A forward reference of a program entity is a reference to the entity which precedes its declaration.

For example, in the code given below

```
x = y + 5 ;
int x, y ;
```

The statement "x = y + 5 ;" makes forward reference to variables x and y as they are declared later in the program.

The compiler will not be able to generate the machine code for the statement.

"x = y + 5 ;" until it has seen declaration of the two variables x and y.

- Passes are required to solve the above problem.
- Compiler will scan the source code twice (two passes).

#### Pass I

Perform analysis of the source program store necessary information. For the above example, it will look for variable declaration before going to pass II.

#### Pass II

Perform synthesis of target program. It is same as generation of machine code.

## 1.5 Fundamentals of Language Specification

A source program analysis is based on source language specification. During analysis phase, a translator (compiler) must ensure that :

- (1) Program meets lexical rules.
- (2) Program meets syntactic rules.
- (3) Program meets semantic rules.

To write an analysis phase of a compiler, one should have the knowledge of the following :

- (1) Finite automata
- (2) Regular expression
- (3) Context free grammar

### 1.5.1 Deterministic Finite Automata (DFA)

The word "deterministic" refers to the fact that the transition is deterministic. There is only one state to which an automaton can transit from the current state on each input. The word "finite" implies that number of states is finite. A finite automata consists of five parts :

- (1) A finite set of states, represented as Q.
- (2) A finite set of alphabet, represented as  $\Sigma$ .
- (3) An initial state, represented as  $q_0$ .
- (4) A set of accepting states. An accepting state or final state is for 'yes' answer. It is a subset of Q and is represented as F.

$$F \subseteq Q \quad [F \text{ is subset of } Q]$$

- (5) A next state function or a transition function. Next state depends on the current state and the current input. It is a function from  $Q \times \Sigma$  to Q. It is represented as  $\delta$ .

#### 1.5.1(a) Definition of a DFA

→ (May 2013)

- Q. Define the term DFA and explain where it is used with example. **SPPU - May 2013, 2 Marks**

A deterministic finite automata is a quintuple.

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F), \text{ where}$$

$Q$  is a set of states.

$\Sigma$  is a set of alphabet.

$q_0 \in Q$  is the initial state,

$F \subseteq Q$  is the set of final states, and  $\delta$ , the transition function, is a function from  $Q \times \Sigma$  to Q.

#### 1.5.1(b) Representation of a DFA

Let the machine M be a deterministic finite automata.

$$M = \{Q, \Sigma, \delta, q_0, F\}, \text{ where}$$

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$$

$q_0$  is the starting state

$$F = \{q_1\}.$$

and  $\delta$  is the transition function as given below :

$$\delta(q_0, 0) \Rightarrow q_0$$

$$\delta(q_0, 1) \Rightarrow q_1$$

$$\delta(q_1, 0) \Rightarrow q_1$$

$$\delta(q_1, 1) \Rightarrow q_0$$

The above representation of transition function is not very readable. Conventionally, there are two representations for transition function :

- (1) State transition table.
- (2) State transition diagram.

#### (1) State transition table

The Fig. 1.5.1 shows the state transition table of the transition function discussed in this section.



- Preceding two symbols are ab. (ab constitutes first two symbols of abb).
- DFA has already seen the substring abb in the input string. Once the substring abb is found in input string, this status will not change irrespective of what follows thereafter in the input string.
- Preceding symbols are neither a nor ab, and abb has not come earlier.

The machine will have four states, each standing for one of the four situations.

## → 2. Transition function

Transition function gives the next-state, depending on :

1. Current state
2. Current input

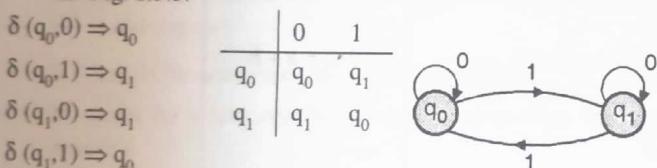
A transition function is problem specific and it depends on the problem.

### For example

- (1) Give transition function for a "DFA to check whether a binary number has even number of 1's".

We have already seen that the corresponding DFA will have two states :

- (i) State  $q_0$ , indicating even number of 1's seen so far.
- (ii) State  $q_1$ , indicating odd number of 1's seen so far.
- 0 as next input will have no effect on number of 1's.
- 1 as next input will make the transition from  $q_0$  to  $q_1$  and from  $q_1$  to  $q_0$ . Thus, the transition behaviour can be described using the Fig. 1.5.3.



(a) Tabular form (b) Transition table (c) Transition diagram

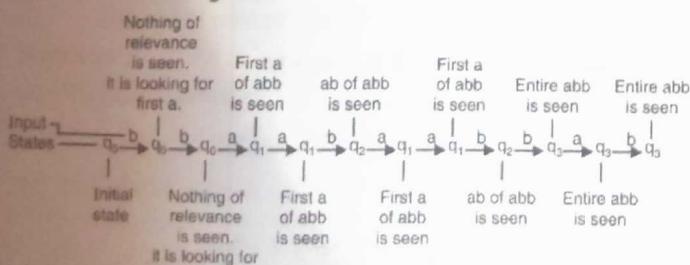
(S1.12)Fig. 1.5.3 : Transition behaviour

- (2) Give transition function for a "DFA to check whether a string over alphabets (a, b) contains a substring abb".

We have already seen that the corresponding DFA will have four states.

- (1) State  $q_1$ , preceding symbol is a.
- (2) State  $q_2$ , preceding two symbols are ab.
- (3) State  $q_3$ , substring abb has already been seen in input string.
- (4) State  $q_0$ , situations  $q_1$ ,  $q_2$ , or  $q_3$  are not there.

State of the DFA after every input symbol for a sample input data is shown in Fig. 1.5.4.



(S1.13)Fig. 1.5.4 : States of DFA

Transition behaviour is described using Fig. 1.5.5.

$$\delta(q_0, b) \Rightarrow q_0$$

$$\delta(q_0, a) \Rightarrow q_1$$

$$\delta(q_1, a) \Rightarrow q_1$$

$$\delta(q_1, b) \Rightarrow q_2$$

$$\delta(q_2, a) \Rightarrow q_1$$

$$\delta(q_2, b) \Rightarrow q_3$$

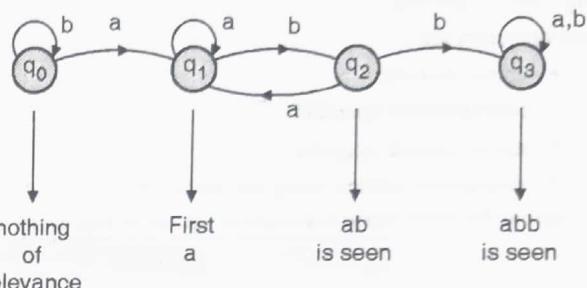
$$\delta(q_3, a) \Rightarrow q_3$$

$$\delta(q_3, b) \Rightarrow q_3$$

	a	b
$\rightarrow q_0$	$q_1$	$q_0$
$q_1$	$q_1$	$q_2$
$q_2$	$q_1$	$q_2$
$q_3$	$q_3$	$q_3$

(a) Tabular form

(b) Transition table



(c) Transition diagram

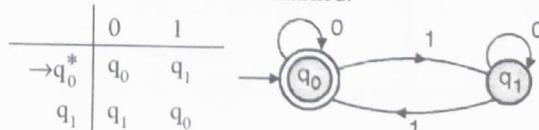
(S1.14)Fig. 1.5.5 : Transition behaviour

- Machine transits from  $q_0$  to  $q_1$  on input a, as the first symbol of abb is seen.
- Machine remains in  $q_1$  state on input a, as the previous two symbols aa will still make the first symbol a of abb.
- Machine transits from  $q_1$  to  $q_2$  on input b, as ab of abb is seen.
- Machine transits from  $q_2$  to  $q_3$  on input b, as entire abb is seen.
- Machine transits from  $q_2$  to  $q_1$  on input a, as the previous three symbols aba will still make the first symbol a of aba.

## → 3. Starting state and final states

In Fig. 1.5.3(c),  $q_0$  is both the initial state and final state as :

- (1) Zero number of 1's is even number of 1's.
- (2) Machine will have "yes" answer for even number of 1's.  $q_0$  is final state. Machine in Fig. 1.5.3(c) is redrawn in Fig. 1.5.6 with initial and final states marked.



(S1.15)Fig. 1.5.6 : Final DFA for Fig. 1.5.3

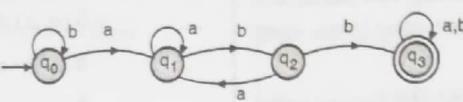
In Fig. 1.5.5(c),  $q_0$  is initial state and  $q_3$  is the final state.

- (1) Initially, we have nothing that is relevant to substring abb. Therefore,  $q_0$  is initial state.
- (2) Machine goes to state  $q_3$  after seeing the substring abb. Therefore,  $q_3$  is final state.

Machine in Fig. 1.5.5 is redrawn in Fig. 1.5.7 with initial and final states marked.



	a	b
$\rightarrow q_0$	$q_1$	$q_0$
$q_1$	$q_1$	$q_2$
$q_2$	$q_1$	$q_3$
$q_3^*$	$q_3$	$q_3$



(S1.16) Fig. 1.5.7 : Final DFA for Fig. 1.5.5(c)

→ (May 2013)

### 1.5.2 Regular Expression

SPPU - May 2013, 2 Marks

The set of strings accepted by finite automata is known as regular language. This language can also be described in a compact form using a set of operators.

These operators are :

- (1) + , union operator
- (2) . , concatenation operator
- (3) \* , star or closure operator.

An expression written using the set of operators (+, ., \*) and describing a regular language is known as regular expression. Regular expressions for some basic automata are given in Fig. 1.5.8.

Automata	Language	Regular expression
	{ε}	R.E. = ε
	{a}	R.E. = a
	{a, b}	R.E. = a + b
	{ab}	R.E. = a · b or simply ab
	∅	R.E. = ∅
	{ε, a, aa, aaa, ...}	R.E. = a*
	{a, aa, aaa, ...}	R.E. = aa* or a+
	{ab, ba}	R.E. = ab + ba

Automata	Language	Regular expression
	{abaa, baaa}	R.E. = $(ab + ba) aa$
	{ε, a, b, aa, ab, ba, bb, ...}	R.E. = $(a + b)^*$

(S1.17)Fig. 1.5.8 : Examples on regular expression

If  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are regular expressions then :

$R_1 + R_2$  is also regular,

$R_1 \cdot R_2$  is also regular,

$R_1^*$  is also regular,

$R_2^*$  is also regular,

$R_1^+$  is also regular.

$[R_1^+]$  Stands for one or more occurrences of  $R_1$

- $0^*$  stands for a language in which a word contains zero or more 0's.
- $(0 + 1)^*$  stands for a language in which a word  $\omega$  contains any combination of 0's and 1's and  $|\omega| \geq 0$ .

### Example 1.5.1

Write regular expression for the following languages.

- The set {1010}
- The set {10, 1010}
- The set {ε, 10, 01}
- The set {ε, 0, 00, 000, ...}
- The set {0, 00, 000, ...}
- The set of strings over alphabet {0, 1} starting with 0.
- The set of strings over alphabet {0, 1} ending in 1.
- The set of strings over alphabet {a, b} starting with a and ending in b.
- The set of strings recognized by  $(a + b)^3$

**Solution :**

- (a) Regular expression,

$$\text{R.E.} = 1010 \quad \text{stands for the set } \{1010\}$$

- (b) Regular expression,

$$\text{R.E.} = 10 + 1010 \quad \text{represent the set } \{10, 1010\}$$

- (c) The set {ε, 10, 01} is represented by the regular expression,

$$\text{R.E.} = \epsilon + 10 + 01$$

- (d) The set {ε, 0, 00, 000, ...} is represented by the regular expression,

$$\text{R.E.} = 0^*$$

- (e) The set {0, 00, 000, ...} is represented by the regular expression,

$$\text{R.E.} = 0^+$$

$$\text{R.E.} = 00^*$$

$00^*$  represents  $0\{\epsilon, 0, 00, 000, \dots\} = \{0, 00, 000, \dots\}$

- (f) The set of string starting with 0 is given by 0 followed by any combination of 0, 1.

$$\text{R.E.} = 0(0 + 1)^*$$

- (g) The regular expression for a set over alphabet {0, 1} ending in 1 is given by :

$$\text{R.E.} = (0 + 1)^*1$$

- (h) The regular expression for a set of strings over alphabet {a, b} starting with a and ending in b is given by,

$$\text{R.E.} = a(a + b)^*b$$

- (i)  $(a + b)^3$  stands for  $(a + b)(a + b)(a + b) = aaa + aab + aba + abb + baa + bab + bba + bbb$ .

### 1.5.3 Context Free Grammar → (May 2013)

- Q.** What do you understand by Grammar? Explain the use of Terminal and Non-Terminal in representing grammar.

**SPPU - May 2013, 4 Marks**



A context free grammar G is a quadruple  $(V, T, P, S)$ , where,

V is a set of variables.

T is a set of terminals.

P is a set of productions.

S is a special variable called the start symbol  $S \in V$ .

A production is of the form

$V_i \rightarrow \alpha_i$  where  $V_i \in V$  and  $\alpha_i$  is a string of terminals and variables.

### 1.5.3(a) Notations

- (1) Terminals are denoted by lower case letters a, b, c ... or digits 0, 1, 2 ... etc.
- (2) Non-terminals (variables) are denoted by capital letters A, B, ..., V, W, X ...
- (3) A string of terminals or a word  $w \in L$  is represented using u, v, w, x, y, z.
- (4) A sentential form is a string of terminals and variables and it is denoted by  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  etc.

#### CFG explained through an example

Let us consider English sentences of the form :

- (1) Mohan eats.
- (2) Soham plays.
- (3) Ram reads.

The first word of in the above sentences is a noun and the second word is a verb. A sentence of the above form can be written as

$\langle \text{sentence} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{noun} \rangle \langle \text{verb} \rangle$

Here, noun can be replaced with Mohan, Soham or Ram and  $\langle \text{verb} \rangle$  can be replaced with reads, plays or eats. We can write :

- $\langle \text{noun} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Mohan}$
- $\langle \text{noun} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Soham}$
- $\langle \text{noun} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Ram}$
- $\langle \text{verb} \rangle \rightarrow \text{eats}$
- $\langle \text{verb} \rangle \rightarrow \text{plays}$
- $\langle \text{verb} \rangle \rightarrow \text{reads}$

In the above example :

- (1)  $\langle \text{sentence} \rangle$ ,  $\langle \text{noun} \rangle$  and  $\langle \text{verb} \rangle$  are variables or non-terminals.
- (2) Mohan, Soham, Ram, eats, plays and reads are terminals.
- (3) The variable  $\langle \text{sentence} \rangle$  is the start symbol as a sentence will be formed using the start symbol  $\langle \text{sentence} \rangle$ .

Formally, the grammar can be written as :

$$\begin{aligned} G &= (V, T, P, S), \text{ where} \\ V &= \{\langle \text{sentence} \rangle, \langle \text{noun} \rangle, \langle \text{verb} \rangle\} \\ T &= \{\text{Mohan}, \text{Soham}, \text{Ram}, \text{eats}, \text{plays}, \text{reads}\} \\ P &= \{\langle \text{sentence} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{noun} \rangle \langle \text{verb} \rangle, \\ &\quad \langle \text{noun} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Mohan}, \\ &\quad \langle \text{noun} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Soham}, \\ &\quad \langle \text{noun} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Ram}, \end{aligned}$$

$\langle \text{verb} \rangle \rightarrow \text{eats},$   
 $\langle \text{verb} \rangle \rightarrow \text{plays},$   
 $\langle \text{verb} \rangle \rightarrow \text{reads}$   
 }

$S = \langle \text{sentence} \rangle$

Several productions of  $\langle \text{noun} \rangle$  and  $\langle \text{verb} \rangle$  can be merged together and the set of productions can be re-written as :

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \{\langle \text{sentence} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{noun} \rangle \langle \text{verb} \rangle, \\ &\quad \langle \text{noun} \rangle \rightarrow \text{Mohan} \mid \text{Soham} \mid \text{Ram}, \\ &\quad \langle \text{verb} \rangle \rightarrow \text{eats} \mid \text{plays} \mid \text{reads} \\ &\quad \} \end{aligned}$$

### 1.5.3(b) The Language of a Grammar

Every grammar generates a language. A word of a language is generated by applying productions a finite number of times. Derivation of a string should start from the start symbol and the final string should consist of terminals.

If G is a grammar with start symbol S and set of terminals T, then the language of G is the set

$$L(G) = \left\{ w \mid w \in T^* \text{ and } S \xrightarrow[G]{*} w \right\}$$

If the production rule is applied once, then we write  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$

When it is applied a number of times then we write  $\alpha \xrightarrow[G]{*} \beta$

Derivations are represented either in the

- (1) Sentential form OR
- (2) Parse tree form.

### 1.5.3(c) Sentential Form

Let us consider a grammar given below :

$$S \rightarrow A1B \quad (\text{Production 1.1})$$

$$A \rightarrow 0A \mid \epsilon \quad (\text{Production 1.2})$$

$$B \rightarrow 0B \mid 1B \mid \epsilon \quad (\text{Production 1.3})$$

where, G is given by  $(V, T, P, S)$

with,

$$V = \{S, A, B\}$$

$$T = \{0, 1\}$$

$$P = \{\text{Productions 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3}\}$$

$$S = \text{Start symbol}$$

Let us try to generate the string 00101 from the given grammar.

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow A1B && [\text{Starting production}] \\ &\rightarrow 0A1B && [\text{Using the production } A \rightarrow 0A] \\ &\rightarrow 00A1B && [\text{Using the production } A \rightarrow 0A] \\ &\rightarrow 001B && [\text{Using the production } A \rightarrow \epsilon] \\ &\rightarrow 0010B && [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 0B] \\ &\rightarrow 00101B && [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 1B] \\ &\rightarrow 00101 && [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow \epsilon] \end{aligned}$$



Thus the string  $00101 \in L(G)$ .

In sentential form, derivation starts from the start symbol through a finite application of productions.

A string  $\alpha$  derived so far consists of terminals and non-terminals.

$$S \stackrel{*}{\Rightarrow} \alpha \mid \alpha \in (V \cup T)^*$$

G

- A final string consists of terminals.
- In left sentential form, leftmost symbol is picked up for expansion.
- In right sentential form, rightmost symbol is picked up for expansion.
- A string can be derived in many ways. But we restrict ourselves to :
  - (1) Leftmost derivation.
  - (2) Rightmost derivation.

In leftmost derivation the leftmost variable of  $\alpha$  (sentential form) is picked for expansion.

In rightmost derivation the rightmost variable of  $\alpha$  (sentential form) is picked for expansion.

### Example 1.5.2

For the grammar given below

$$S \rightarrow A1B$$

$$A \rightarrow 0A \mid \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow 0B \mid 1B \mid \epsilon$$

Give leftmost and rightmost derivation of the string 1001.

**Solution :**

- (i) Leftmost derivation of 1001 (Leftmost variable is picked up for expansion.)

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow A1B \quad [\text{Derivation starts from the start symbol}] \\ &\rightarrow 1B \quad [\text{Using the production } A \rightarrow \epsilon] \\ &\rightarrow 10B \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 0B] \\ &\rightarrow 100B \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 0B] \\ &\rightarrow 1001B \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 1B] \\ &\rightarrow 1001 \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow \epsilon] \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) Rightmost derivation of 1001 (Rightmost variable is picked up for expansion)

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow A1B \quad [\text{Derivation starts from the start symbol}] \\ &\rightarrow A10B \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 0B] \\ &\rightarrow A100B \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 0B] \\ &\rightarrow A1001B \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow 1B] \\ &\rightarrow A1001 \quad [\text{Using the production } B \rightarrow \epsilon] \\ &\rightarrow 1001 \quad [\text{Using the production } A \rightarrow \epsilon] \end{aligned}$$

### 1.5.3(d) Parse Tree

A set of derivations applied to generate a word can be represented using a tree. Such a tree is known as a parse tree. A parse tree representation gives us a better understanding of :

(1) Recursion

(2) Grouping of symbols

A parse tree is constructed with the following condition :

(1) Root of the tree is represented by start symbol.

(2) Each interior mode is represented by a variable belonging to V.

(3) Each leaf mode is represented by a terminal or  $\epsilon$ .

A string generated by a parse tree is seen from left to right.

### Example 1.5.3

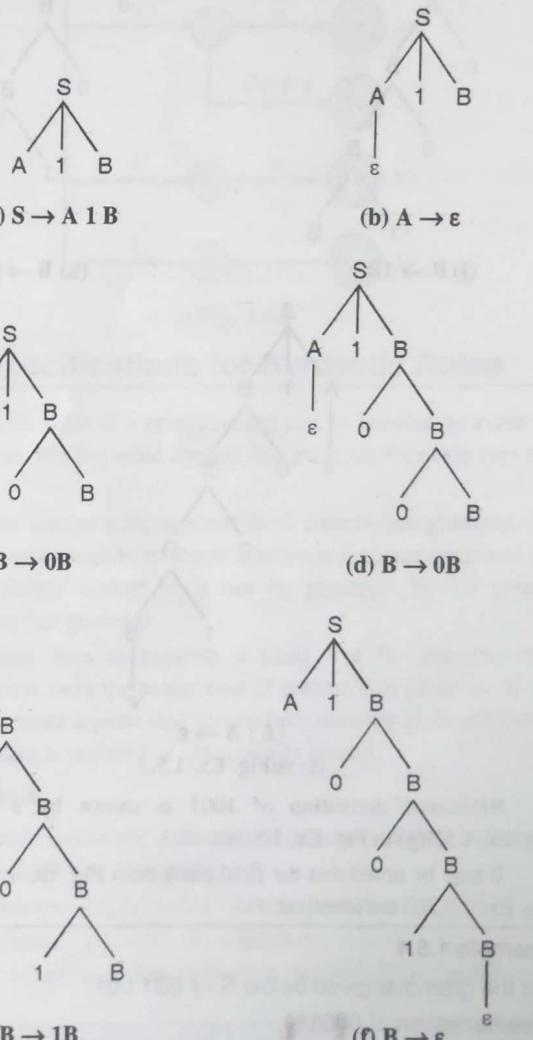
For the grammar given below

$$S \rightarrow A1B ; A \rightarrow 0A \mid \epsilon ; B \rightarrow 0B \mid 1B \mid \epsilon$$

Give parse tree for leftmost and rightmost derivation of the string 1001.

**Solution :**

- (i) Parse tree for leftmost derivation of 1001.

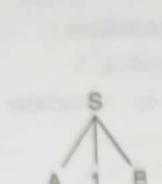
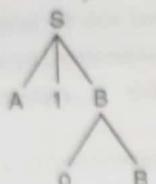
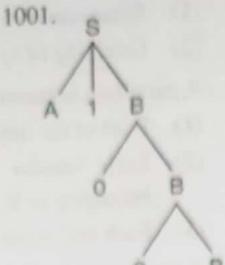
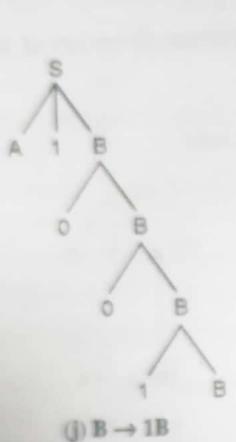
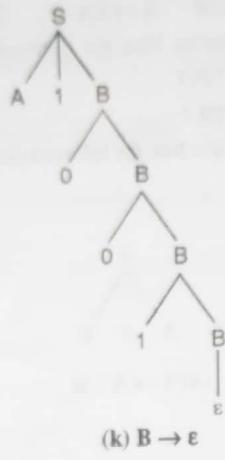
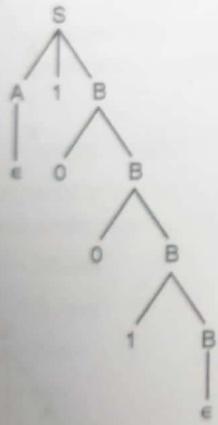


(S1.18)Fig. Ex. 1.5.3

Leftmost derivation of 1001 is shown by series of Figs. 1.5.3(a) to 1.5.3(f).



(ii) Parse tree for rightmost derivation of 1001.

(g)  $S \rightarrow A 1 B$ (h)  $B \rightarrow 0B$ (i)  $B \rightarrow 0B$ (j)  $B \rightarrow 1B$ (k)  $B \rightarrow \epsilon$ (l) :  $A \rightarrow \epsilon$ 

(S1.16) Fig. Ex. 1.5.3

Rightmost derivation of 1001 is shown by a series of Fig. Ex. 1.5.3(g) to Fig. Ex. 1.5.3(l).

It may be noted that the final parse trees Fig. Ex. 1.5.3(f) and Fig. Ex. 1.5.3(l) are identical.

#### Example 1.5.4

For the grammar given below  $S \rightarrow 0S1 \mid 01$

Give derivation of 000111.

**Solution :**

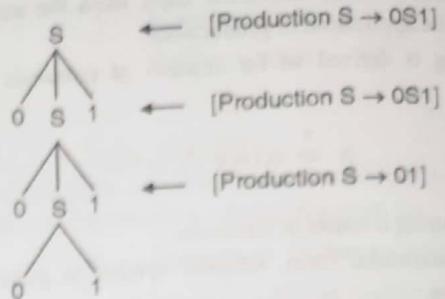
(1) Derivation in sentential form

$$S \rightarrow 0S1 \quad [\text{Using production } S \rightarrow 0S1]$$

$$S \rightarrow 00S11 \quad [\text{Using production } S \rightarrow 0S1]$$

$$S \rightarrow 000111 \quad [\text{Using production } S \rightarrow 01]$$

(2) Derivation using parse tree.



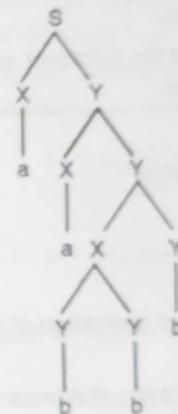
(S1.19) Fig. Ex. 1.5.4 : Derivation of 000111

#### Example 1.5.5

Find whether the string aabbb is in  $L = L(G)$ , where  $G$  is given by  $S \rightarrow XY, X \rightarrow YY|a, Y \rightarrow XY \mid b$

**Solution :**

Parse tree for the string aabbb is shown in Fig. Ex. 1.5.5.



(S1.20) Fig. Ex. 1.5.5 : Derivation of aabbb

Hence,  $aabbb \in L(G)$ .

#### Example 1.5.6

For the grammar given below

$$E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid a \mid b$$

Give the derivation of  $(a + b)^* a + b$ .

**Solution :**

For the grammar given in Example 1.5.6,

$$\text{Set of variables } V = \{E, T, F\}$$

$$\text{Set of terminals } \Sigma = \{+, *, (), a, b\}$$

$$\text{Set of productions } P = \begin{cases} E \rightarrow E + T \mid T \\ T \rightarrow T * F \mid F \\ F \rightarrow (E) \mid a \mid b \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Start symbol } = E$$

(i) Derivation in sentential form

$$E \rightarrow E + T \quad [\text{Using production } E \rightarrow E + T]$$

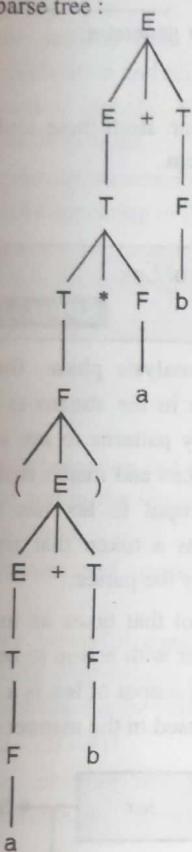
$$\rightarrow T + T \quad [\text{Using production } E \rightarrow T]$$

$$\rightarrow T * F + T \quad [\text{Using production } T \rightarrow T * F]$$



- $\rightarrow F * F + T$  [Using production  $T \rightarrow F$ ]
- $\rightarrow (E) * F + T$  [Using production  $F \rightarrow (E)$ ]
- $\rightarrow (E + T) * F + T$  [Using production  $E \rightarrow E + T$ ]
- $\rightarrow (T + T) * F + T$  [Using production  $E \rightarrow T$ ]
- $\rightarrow (F + F) * F + F$  [Using production  $T \rightarrow F$ ]
- $\rightarrow (a + b) * a + b$  [Using production  $F \rightarrow a \mid b$ ]

(ii) Derivation using parse tree :



(S1.21)Fig. Ex. 1.5.6 : Parse tree for  $(a + b) * a + b$

## 1.6 Specifications for Lexical Rules

Each lexical unit in the source language can be expressed using regular expression. For every regular expression there is an equivalent DFA (deterministic finite automata). DFA can be viewed as an algorithm for recognizing a lexical unit in the source language.

### Example

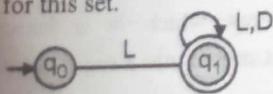
Identifiers in some programming languages is the set of strings of letters and digits beginning with a letter. Here is a regular definition for this set.

$$L \rightarrow A + B + \dots + Z + a + b + \dots + z$$

$$D \rightarrow 0 + 1 + \dots + 9$$

$$\text{Identifier} \rightarrow L (L + D)^*$$

Here is a DFA for this set.



(S1.22)Fig. 1.6.1

Where L is a set of alphabet and D is a set of digits.

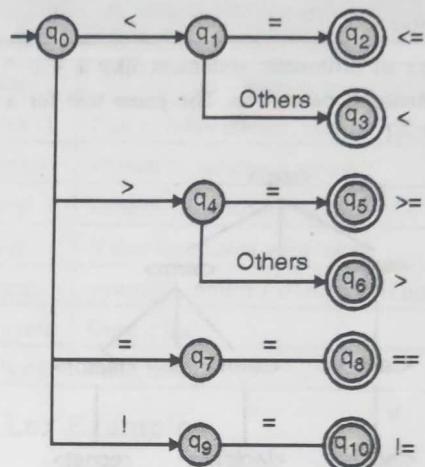
It may be noted that a C-Program can be generated automatically that can simulate a DFA. We can always consider a DFA as an algorithm. Similarly, a DFA can be generated automatically from a regular expression.

### Example

Every programming language has a set of relational operators. Here is a regular definition for relational operators of C-Language.

$$\text{Relop} \rightarrow < + > + == + < = + > = + ! =$$

Here is a DFA for this set.



(S1.23)Fig. 1.6.2

## 1.7 Specifications for Syntactic Rules

Syntactic rules of a programming language can be handled by context free grammar. We can write context free grammar for every type of statement.

- We can always write a parser for a context free grammar. A parser is a program to check whether a program statement is syntactically correct or it can be generated by the given context free grammar.
- A parser tries to generate a parse tree for the program statement from the production of context free grammar. If it can generate a parse tree successfully then the given program statement is declared as syntactically correct.

### Example

A typical arithmetic statement in a programming language contains the following (assumption) :

- |                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| (1) Operators $+, -, *, /$ | (2) Integer constants |
| (3) Identifiers.           | (4) Brackets.         |

Here is context free grammar for a set of arithmetic statements.

```

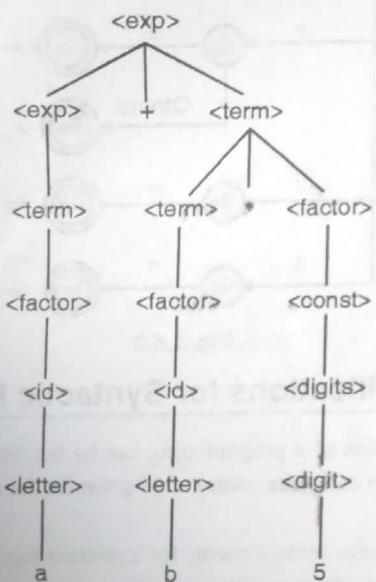
<exp> → <exp> + <term>
      | <exp> - <term>
      | <term>
<term> → <term> * <factor>
      | <term> / <factor>
      | <factor>
<factor> → (<exp>) | <id> | <const>
  
```



```

<id> → <letter><alphanum>
<alphanum> → <letter><alphanum>
| <digit><alphanum>
| <letter>
| <digit>
<letter> → A | B | ... | Z | a | b | ... | z
<digits> → <digit> <digits>
| <digit>
<digit> → 0 | 1 | ... | 9
<const> → + <digits>
| - <digits>
| <digits>
  
```

The syntax of arithmetic statement like  $a + b * 5$  can be checked by drawing a parse tree. The parse tree for  $a + b * 5$  is shown in Fig. 1.7.1.

(S1.24)Fig. 1.7.1 : Parse tree for  $a + b * 5$ 

## 1.8 Language Processor Development Tools

→ (May 2013, May 2014, May 2015, May 2016)

**Q. What are language processor development tools?**

SPPU - May 2013, 4 Marks

**Q. Explain different development tools used to develop language processor.**

SPPU - May 2014, May 2015, May 2016, 6 Marks

Writing a compiler is not a simple project and anything that makes the task simpler is worth exploring. Many aspects of compiler design can be automated. There are several software tools that help in the production of a compiler. Two best known software tools for compiler construction are :

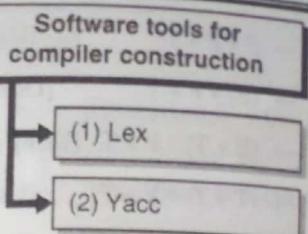


Fig. C1.7 : Software tools

→ (1) lex

It is a lexical analyzer generator.

→ (2) yacc

It is a parser generator. Both these tools are available under UNIX operating system.

### 1.8.1 Lex

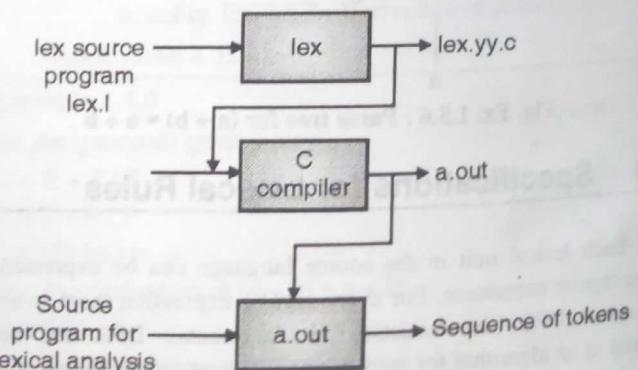
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**Q. Explain the working of Lex.**

SPPU - May 2013, 2 Marks

During the lexical analysis phase, the compiler reads the input and converts strings in the stream to tokens. With regular expressions we can specify patterns to lex so that it can generate code that will allow it to scan and match strings in the input. Each pattern specified in the input to lex has an associated action. Typically an action returns a token that represents the matched string for subsequent use by the parser.

Lex is a software tool that takes as input a specification of regular expressions together with action to be taken on recognising each of these patterns. The output of lex is a C-Program for lexical analysis. Lex is generally used in the manner shown in Fig. 1.8.1.



(S1.25)Fig. 1.8.1 : Creating a lexical analyzer with lex

- First, a specification of lexical analyzer as prepared by creating a program lex.l in the Lex language.
- Then, lex.l is run through the lex compiler to produce a C-Program lex.yy.c.
- lex.yy.c is a C-Program containing recognizer for regular expressions together with user supplied code.
- Finally, lex.yy.c is run through the C-Compiler to produce an object program a.out which is a lexical analyzer that transforms an input stream into a sequence of tokens.

### Lex specifications

A Lex program consists of three parts :

declarations
%%
translation rules
%%
user functions

- Any of these three sections may be empty but the %% separator between declaration and rules cannot be omitted.
- The declaration section includes declaration of variables, constants and regular definitions.
- The regular definitions are statements used as components of the regular expressions appearing in the translation rules.
- The translation rules of a lex program which is a key part of the lex input are statements of the form :

P1 [action]

P2 [action]

:

Pn [action]

Where Pi is a regular expression and each action is a program fragment, describing what action the lexical analyzer should take when pattern Pi matches a token.

- The third section contains user functions which are needed by 'actions.'
- Lex supports a very powerful range of operators for the construction of regular expressions. For example a regular expression for an identifier can be written as :

[A – Za – z] [A – Za – Z0 – 9]\*

which represents an arbitrary string of letters and digits beginning with a letter suitable for matching a variable in many programming languages.

Here is a list of lex operators with examples :

Operator notation	Example	Meaning
*	a*	Set of all strings of zero or more a's, i.e. {E, a, a, a, ...}
	a   b	Either a or b
+	a <sup>+</sup>	Set of all strings of one or more a's, i.e. {a, a, a, ...}
?	a?	Zero or one instance of a.
[]	[abc]	Either a or b or c. An alphabetical class such as [a..z] denotes the regular expression abl...lz.

### Here are few examples of lex expressions

Expression	Matches
(a   b)	a or b
(a   b) (a   b)	aa, ab, ba or bb
abc*	ab, abc, abcc, ...
abc+	abc, abcc, abccc, ...

Expression	Matches
[abc]	one of : a, b, c
[a – z]	any letter between a and z
[a\ – z]	one of : a, -, z
(ab)*	ε, ab, abab, ...
[ \t\n]+	Whitespace
.	Any/ character except newline
\n	Newline
[^ab]	Anything except : a,b

Some variables are already defined in lex. They can be used in writing lex specifications. Here are a few variables :

Name	Functions
int yylex()	Call to invoke lexer, returns token
char *yytext	Pointer to matching string
yylen	Length of matching string
yyval	Value associated with token
int yywrap()	yywrap(), return 1 if done, 0 if not done
FILE *yyout	Output file
FILE *yyin	Input file

### 1.8.1(a) Lex Examples

- (1) Give lex specification for prepending line numbers to each line in a file.

```
%{
    int lineno;
%
}%
%%

^(.*)\n    printf ("%d\t%s", ++lineno, yytext);
%%

int main (int argc, char * argv[])
{
    yyin = fopen (argv [1], "r");
    yylex ();
    fclose (yyin);
}
```

The regular expression ^(.\*)\n defines a line.

- (2) Give lex specification for counting number of identifiers in a source file.

```
digit      [0 – 9]
letter     [A – Za – z]
%{
    int count;
%
}%
%%

/* match identifiers */
{letter} ({letter} | {digit})*count ++;

int main (int argc, char * argv [])
{
    yyin = fopen (argv [1], "r");
}
```



```

yylex () ;
printf ("\n No. of identifiers = %d", count) ;
return 0 ;
}

```

- (3) Give lex specifications for counting the number of characters, words and lines in a file.

```

%{
    int nchar, nword, nline ;
%}
%%%
\n      {nline++; nchar++ ;}
[ \t\n]+   {nword++; nchar = nchar + yyleng ;}
.         {nchar++ ;}
%%%%
int main (int argc, char *argv[])
{
    yyin = fopen (argv [1], "r") ;
    yylex () ;
    printf ("\n%d\t%d\t%d", nchar, nword, nline) ;
    return 0 ;
}

```

- (4) Write lex specifications for recognizing tokens in a subset of a C-Program.

```

delin  [\t\n]
ws    {delin} +
letter [A -Za -z]
digit [0 -9]
identifier {letter} ({letter} ! {digit})*
number {digit} + (\. {digit} +)?
%{
    /* definition of LT, LE, GT, GE, NE, EQ, OPERATOR,
ASSIGN, IF, ELSE, ID, NUMBER, RELOP as constants */
%
%}
{ws}    /* no action */
if      {return (IF) ;}
else    {return (ELSE) ;}
identifier {yyval = install_id () ; return (ID) ;}
number   {yyval = instal_num () ; return (NUMBER) ;}
<
<=
>
>=
!=
===
!=
+
;
-
%{
    {yyval = MINUS ; return (OPERATOR) ;}
}
%%%

```

```

Install_id ()
{
    /*function to store an identifier in the symbol table.
The symbol is pointed to by yytext.
The length of the symbol is given by yytext. */
}

```

```

Install_num ()
{
    /*function to store a number in the literal table. */
}

```

## 1.8.2 Yacc

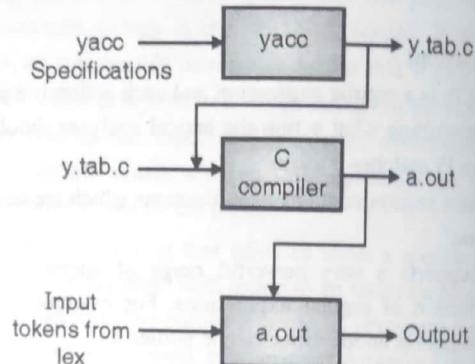
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- Q. Explain the working of YACC.

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yacc assists in parsing phase. It creates a C-Program for parser. yacc is available as a command on the UNIX system.

A parser can be constructed using yacc in the manner illustrated in Fig. 1.8.2.



(S1.26)Fig. 1.8.2 : yacc functioning

- First, a file containing yacc specifications for a set of statements is prepared.
- yacc transforms the file containing specifications into a C-Program called y.tab.c, which is a parser in C-Language.
- y.tab.c is run through C-compiler which produces object program a.out.
- The parser a.out can be run to parse a source containing a stream of tokens.

The input of yacc is divided into three sections as given below :

```

declaration
%%
translation rules
%%
C-functions

```

- The declaration section consists of token declarations and C-code bracketed by "%{ and % }".
- The context free grammar is placed in the rule section. Actions can be associated with each rule.
- User functions are added in the last section.

The working yacc can be illustrated by constructing a small calculator that can add and subtract numbers. Here is the definition section for the yacc input file.

**Definition section for yacc**

```
% token NUMBER
```

The definition-declaration a **NUMBER** as a token.

Yacc generates a parser in the file **y.tab.c**.

Yacc generates an include file **y.tab.h** for lex. This file associates an integer value with each type of token. The file **y.tab.h** should be included in lex input file.

To obtain tokens yacc calls **yylex()**. The function **yylex()** returns a token. Value associated with the token is returned by lex in variable **yyval**.

For example, if the rule section of lex specification contains :

```
[0-9]+ {yyval = atoi (yytext) ; return (NUMBER) ;}
```

Then the value of the number will be stored in **yyval** and a token **NUMBER** will be returned to yacc by lex.

A rule such as

```
[-+] return *yytext ;
```

Will return - or + to yacc.

The complete lex input specification for our simple calculator is being below.

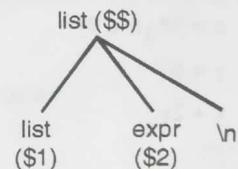
```
%{
# include <stdlib.h>
void yyerror (char *) ;
# include "y.tab.h"
%}
%%
[0-9]+ {yyval = atoi (yytext) ; return (NUMBER) ;}
[-+ \n] return *yytext ;
[\t] ; /* skip white spaces */
yyerror ("invalid characters") ;
%%
int yywrap (void)
{
    Return 1 ;
}
```

Here is the yacc input specification for our calculator :

```
%{
# include <stdio.h>
int yylex (void) ;
void yyerror (char *) ;
%}
% token NUMBER
%%
list :
list expr '\n'      {printf ("%d\n", $2) ;}
```

```
expr :  
NUMBER      {$$ = $1 ;}  
| expr '+' expr   {$$ = $1 + $3 ;}  
| expr '-' expr {$$ = $1 - $3 ;}  
;  
%%  
void yyerror (char *s)  
{  
    printf ("%s\n", s) ;  
}  
int main (void)  
{  
    yyparse () ;  
    return 0 ;  
}
```

- The rule section resembles productions of a context free grammar.
- The left-hand side of a production is entered left-justified and followed by a colon. It is followed by the right-hand side of the production.
- Actions associated with a rule are entered in braces.
- The first rule  
List → list expr '\n'      {printf ("%d\n", \$2) ;}  
Says that, a program contains a list of expressions.



Each expression terminates by a newline character. The action associated with the above rule says that the evaluated value of the expression, which is in \$2 is displayed.

- (1) \$\$ stands for the left hand side variable of a production.
  - (2) \$1 stands for the first symbol on the right hand side of a production.
  - (3) \$i stand for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  symbol on the right hand side of a production.
- The second rule says that, an expression is equal to some of two expressions or difference of two expressions. NUMBER terminates the recursion.

$\text{expr} \rightarrow \text{expr} + \text{expr}$

$\text{expr} - \text{expr}$

|NUMBER

### 1.8.3 Running Lex and Yacc

Let us assume that the specification files for lex and yacc are **lex.l** and **yacc.y** respectively.



We need to do the followings in UNIX to build a parser.

```
$ lex lex.l
$ yacc -d yacc.y
$ cc -c lex.yy.c y.tab.c
$ cc -o parser lex.yy.o y.tab.o -ll
```

- The first line runs lex over lex specification and generates a file, lex.yy.c which contains C code for lexical analysis.
- In the second, we run yacc over yacc specification and generate both y.tab.c and y.tab.h (the latter is the file of token definitions created by the -d switch).
- The next line compiles each of the two programs.
- The final line links them together and uses routines in the lex library.

### Example 1.8.1

Implement simple arithmetic operations using lexical analyzer and compiler using **lex** and **yacc**.

#### Solution :

Our proposed calculator will support following operations :

- |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| (1) Add      | (2) Subtract |
| (3) Multiply | (4) Divide   |

Parentheses may be used to over-ride operator precedence, and single-character (lower case) variables may be specified in assignment statements. The following illustrates sample user input and the output of the calculator.

User :             $3 * (6 + 9)$

Calculator :     45

User :             $x = 3 * (6 + 9)$

User :             $y = 6$

User :             $x + 2y$

Calculator :     57

User :            x

Calculator :     45

The lexical analyzer returns **ID** and **NUMBER** tokens. For variables **yyval** specifies an index to the symbol table **symtable**. The **symtable** merely holds the value of the associated variable. When **NUMBER** tokens are returned, **yyval** contains the number scanned.

#### Input specification for lex :

```
%{
# include <stdio.h>
void yyerror (char *);
# include "y.tab.h"
%}
%{
[a-z] {yyval = *yytext - 'a';
return ID;
}
/* yyval will contain the index to the symtable. */
[0-9] + ([0-9] + )? {yyval = atof (yytext); return
NUMBER;}
```

```
[ \t]; /* Skip whitespaces */
yyerror ("invalid character");
%%
int yywrap(void)
{ return (1);
}
```

#### Input specifications for yacc

```
% union
{ float dval ;
int index ;
}

% token <dval> NUMBER
% token <index> ID
% left '+' '-'
% left '*' '/'
% nonassoc UMINUS
%
{
void yyerror (char *) ;
int yylex (void) ;
float symtable[26] ;
}

% type <dval> exp
%%
statement_list : statement '\n'
| statement_list statement '\n'
;

statement :
expr {printf ("%f\n", $1),
| ID '=' expr {symtable[$1] = 93 ;}

expr :
NUMBER
| ID {$$ = symtable[$1];
}
| expr '+' expr {$$ = $1 + $3;};
| expr '-' expr {$$ = $1 - $3;};
| expr '*' expr {$$ = $1 * $3;};
| expr '/' expr {$$ = $1 / $3;};
| '(' expr ')' {$$ = $2;};
| '-' expr % prec UMINUS {$$ = -$2;};

void yyerror (char *s)
{ printf ("%s\n", s);
}

int main (void)
{
yyparse ();
return 0;
}
```

- In the above specification, we have multiple types of symbol value. Expression value is of the type float, while the value of a variable is index in the symbol table.
- To define the possible symbol types, in the definition section we add a % union declaration :

```
% union
{
    float dval ;
    int index ;
}
```

- Evaluation of an arithmetic expression has the potential problem of ambiguity. This problem can be handled by telling the yacc about the precedence and associativity of operators.
- yacc lets us specify precedence explicitly. We can add these lines to the definition section :

```
% left '+' '-'
% left '*' '/'
% nonassoc UMINUS
```

Each of these declarations defines a level of precedence. It tells the yacc that "+" and "-" are at the lowest precedence and are left associative. "\*" and "/" are at a higher precedence level and are left associative. UMINUS, a pseudo-token standing for unary minus, has no associativity and is at the highest precedence.

## 1.9 Scanning and Parsing

### 1.9.1 Scanning

→ (Dec. 2013)

Q. What is scanning? Briefly explain.

SPPU - Dec. 2013, 4 Marks

The main task of a scanner is to read the input characters and recognize the lexical components. The scanner produces a sequence of tokens to be used by the parser.

- Scanning is separated from parsing to reduce the burden of the parser.
- Lexical components can be specified by regular expressions.
- Regular expressions can be used for automatic generation of DFA. The DFA can be used for recognizing of lexical components.

### 1.9.2 Parsing

→ (Dec. 2013, May 2015, May 2016)

Q. What is parsing? Briefly explain.

SPPU - Dec. 2013, May 2015, May 2016, 2/4 Marks

We can always find a method for determining whether a particular string is generated by a CFG. Parsing a string is nothing but finding a derivation of the string in the given grammar G. A great deal of work has been done in finding an efficient algorithm for parsing. These algorithms depend on specific properties of the grammar.

PDA is a machine for CFG. A PDA can be used for parsing. A PDA can be enhanced to record its moves, so that the sequence of moves leading to an acceptance of the string can be remembered. Different types of parsing are :

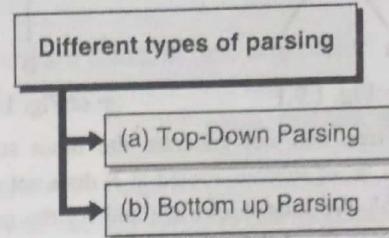


Fig. C1.8: Different types of parsing

### → 1.9.2(a) Top-Down Parsing → (Dec. 2014)

Q. Explain top down parsing with an example.

SPPU - Dec. 2014, 4 Marks

A top down parser for a given grammar G tries to derive a string through a sequence of derivations starting with the start symbol.

A top down parser normally uses leftmost derivation to derive an input string.

- **Recursive-descent parser** is a general top down parser.
- A recursive descent parser may require backtracking and repeated scan of input string. Working of a recursive descent parser is being explained with the help of an example:

#### Example

Consider the grammar

$S \rightarrow aXb$

$X \rightarrow ab \mid b$

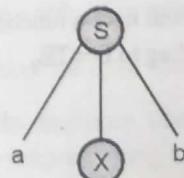
and the input string abb.

The parse tree of abb can be constructed as given below :

**Step 1 :** We create a parse tree with single node S. S is the start symbol.

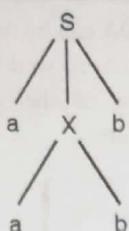


**Step 2 :** We use the first production  $S \rightarrow aXb$  to expand the node

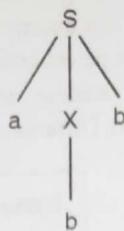


The leftmost leaf, labelled a, matches the first symbol of input string abb. Input pointer is advanced to the next symbol b of abb.

**Step 3 :** Now, X is expanded using  $X \rightarrow ab$  and if it fails to generate remaining input symbols, we backtrack and try the next production  $X \rightarrow b$ .



(S1.51) Fig. 1.9.1



(S1.52) Fig. 1.9.2

The first tree will not generate the input string abb. The leftmost symbol 'a' of subtree, rooted at X does not match the next input symbol 'b'. We must backtrack and try the next production  $X \rightarrow b$ , as shown in Fig. 1.9.2.

- A recursive-descent parser may enter an infinite loop.
- We can write a predictive parser (without backtracking) by modifying the grammar :

- (1) Left recursion should be eliminated.
- (2) Apply left factoring to the grammar.

We can easily write a program for a recursive descent parser.

- There must be a function corresponding to each variable.
- A global variable 'position' points to the current input character.
- If the current input character matches the terminal in the production then the next input character is read by advancing the variable 'position' to the next location.

#### Example 1.9.1

Write a program for recursive descent parser for the following grammar.

$$E = E + T \mid T$$

$$T = T * F \mid F$$

$$F = (E) \mid a \mid b$$

**Solution :**

**Step 1 :** Removing left recursion from the grammar we get :

$$E = TE_1$$

$$E_1 = + TE_1 \mid \epsilon$$

$$T = FT_1$$

$$T_1 = *FT_1 \mid \epsilon$$

$$F = (E) \mid a \mid b$$

**Step 2 :** The program will have a function for each variable.

Function corresponding to  $E = TE_1$

$E()$

```
{   T();
    E_1();
}
```

Function corresponding to  $E_1 = + TE_1 \mid \epsilon$

$E_1()$

```
{   if (input [position] == '+')
    {   match();
        T();
        E_1();
    }
}
```

}

//The function match() will increment the current position pointer for input string by 1.  
Function corresponding to  $T = FT_1$

```
T()
{
    F();
    T_1();
}
```

Function corresponding to  $T_1 = *FT_1 \mid \epsilon$

```
T_1()
{
    if(input [position] == '*')
        {   match();
            F();
            T_1();
        }
}
```

Function corresponding to  $F = (E) \mid a \mid b$

```
F()
{
    if(input [position] == 'C')
        {   match();
            E();
            if (input [position] == ')')
                match();
            else
                error = 1;
        }
    else
        if(input [position] == 'a' || input [position] == 'b')
            match();
}
```

// main program

char input [30];

int error = 0, position = 0;

void main()

{

printf("\n enter a string :");

gets(input);

E();

if(error == 1 || input [position] != '\0')

printf("\n invalid string");

else

printf("\n valid string");

#### → 1.9.2(b) Bottom-Up Parsing

In bottom up parsing, the source string is reduced to the start symbol of the grammar. The bottom up parsing is also known as shift-reduce parsing.



- A shift reduce parser constructs a parse tree by beginning at the leaves and then working up towards the root.
- A shift reduce parser can be constructed using a stack.

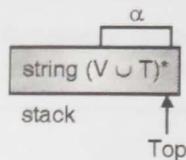
**Implementation of shift reduce parser**

- A stack is taken to hold grammar symbols.
- An array is taken to store input string to be parsed.
- Initially, the stack is empty.

At each step the parser can take one of the following two steps :

- (1) **Reduce** : The process of reduction is shown in the Fig. 1.9.3.

If there is a production  $X \rightarrow \alpha$  and the string  $\alpha$  is found at the top end of the stack then  $\alpha$  should be replaced by  $X$ .



(S1.53)Fig. 1.9.3

- (2) If the reduction step cannot be carried out then the next input symbol is shifted on the stack.

The parser repeats this cycle of shift-reduce until it has detected an error or until the stack contains the start symbol and the input is empty.

**Example 1.9.2**

Consider the grammar

$$E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$$

$$F \rightarrow (E) \mid id$$

and the input string  $id + id * id$ . Show the working of the shift reduce parser.

**Solution :**

Sr. No.	Stack	Input	Action
1.	empty	$id + id * id$	Shift
2.	$id$	$+ id * id$	Reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
3.	$F$	$+ id * id$	Reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
4.	$T$	$+ id * id$	Reduce by $E \rightarrow T$
5.	$E$	$+ id * id$	Shift
6.	$E +$	$id * id$	Shift
7.	$E + id$	$* id$	Reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
8.	$E + F$	$* id$	Reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
9.	$E + T$	$* id$	Shift
10.	$E + T^*$	$id$	Shift
11.	$E + T^* id$	$-$	Reduce by $F \rightarrow id$
12.	$E + T^* F$	$-$	Reduce by $T \rightarrow T^* F$
13.	$E + T$	$-$	Reduce by
14.	$E$	$-$	Accept

## 1.10 Exam Pack (University Questions)

- Q. What is interpreter ? Explain the role of interpreter with suitable example.

(Refer section 1.1.1) (8 Marks) (Dec. 2013)

- Q. Compare Compiler and Interpreter.

(Refer section 1.1.2) (4 Marks) (Aug. 2015 (In Sem), May 2017)

- Q. Explain Compilers and Interpreters.

(Refer section 1.1.2) (6 Marks) (Oct. 2016 (In Sem))

**Syllabus Topic : Components of System Software**

- Q. Explain program generation activity.

(Refer section 1.2) (4 Marks) (Oct. 2016 (In Sem))

- Q. Explain the steps in program development.

(Refer section 1.2) (7 Marks) (Dec. 2016)

**Syllabus Topic : Language Processing Activities**

- Q. What are language processing activities ? Give details of language processing activities.

(Refer section 1.3) (4 Marks)

(Dec. 2013, May 2014)

- Q. Explain the Language processing activities.

(Refer section 1.3) (6 Marks) (Aug. 2015 (In Sem))

**Syllabus Topic : Fundamentals of Language Processing**

- Q. Explain the different phases of language processing.

(Refer section 1.4) (6 Marks) (Dec. 2015)

- Q. Explain Analysis phase of compiler.

(Refer section 1.4.1) (7 Marks)

(May 2015, May 2016)

- Q. Define the term forward reference and explain where it is used with example.

(Refer section 1.4.3) (2 Marks) (May 2013)

- Q. Explain the terms terminals, non-terminals, starting symbol and production rule set with example.

(Refer section 1.4.3) (6 Marks) (Oct. 2016 (In Sem))

- Q. Explain with example use of Terminals and non-terminals in representing language grammar.

(Refer section 1.4.3) (6 Marks) (Dec. 2016)

- Q. Define the term DFA and explain where it is used with example.

(Refer section 1.5.1(a)) (2 Marks) (May 2013)

- Q. Define the term regular expression and explain where it is used with example.

(Refer section 1.5.2) (2 Marks) (May 2013)



- Q. What do you understand by Grammar? Explain the use of Terminal and Non-Terminal in representing grammar.  
*(Refer section 1.5.3) (4 Marks)* **(May 2013)**
- Q. What are language processor development tools?  
*(Refer section 1.8) (4 Marks)* **(May 2013)**
- Q. Explain different development tools used to develop language processor.  
*(Refer section 1.8) (6 Marks)*  
**(May 2014, May 2015, May 2016)**

- Q. Explain the working of Lex.  
*(Refer section 1.8.1) (2 Marks)* **(May 2013)**
- Q. Explain the working of YACC.  
*(Refer section 1.8.2) (2 Marks)* **(May 2013)**
- Q. What is scanning? Briefly explain.  
*(Refer section 1.9.1) (4 Marks)* **(Dec. 2013)**
- Q. What is parsing? Briefly explain.  
*(Refer section 1.9.2) (2/4 Marks)*  
**(Dec. 2013, May 2015, May 2016)**
- Q. Explain top down parsing with an example.  
*(Refer section 1.9.2(a)) (4 Marks)* **(Dec. 2014)**

# CHAPTER

## 2

# Assemblers

### Syllabus Topics

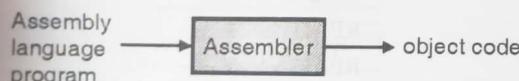
Elements of Assembly language Programming, Simple assembler scheme, Structure of an assembler, Design of single and two pass assemblers.

## 2.1 Assembly Language Programming

Machine and assembly languages are low level languages since the coding for a problem is at the individual instruction level. An assembly language is machine dependent. It differs from computer to computer.

Writing a program in assembly language is more convenient than in machine language. Instead of binary sequence, as in machine language, it is written in the form of symbolic instructions.

- An assembly program is written using symbols (Mnemonic).
- An assembly program is more readable. It is difficult to understand and develop a program using machine language.
- Assembly language is machine dependent.
- An assembly program is translated into machine code before execution.
- An assembler is a translator which takes its input in the form of an assembly language program and produces machine language code as its output.



(S2.1)Fig. 2.1.1 : Assembler

### Syllabus Topic : Elements of Assembly Language Programming

#### 2.1.1 Elements of Assembly Language

An assembly language provides three basic features :

1. Operation codes in the form of mnemonics.
2. Symbolic operands.
3. Data declaration.

Let us consider an assembly instruction.

**MOV AX, x**

- **MOV** is a mnemonic opcode for the operation to be performed.

- AX is register operand in a symbolic form
- X is a memory operand in a symbolic form.

Let us consider an assembly instruction for data declaration.

**X db 5**

- Name of the variable is X
- X requires 1 byte of memory
- Initial value of X is set to 5.

The storage specifier **db** reserves one byte of storage for holding a value of X.

#### ☞ Statement format

An instruction in assembly program has the following format :

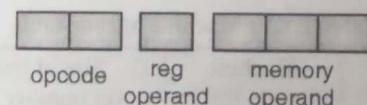
1. **Label** : It is optional, if present it occupies the first field.
2. **Opcode** : It contains the symbolic operation code or storage specification.
3. **Operand** : Operand is a symbolic name for CPU-register or memory variables. There can be a number of operands in an instruction.

[ Label ] < opcode > < operand > [ , < operand > ... ]

(S2.2)Fig. 2.1.2 : Format of an assembly instruction

A general format of an assembly instruction is shown in Fig. 2.1.2. The notation [...] indicates that the enclosed specification is optional.

**Operation codes** : We will assume a hypothetical assembly language with the machine instruction format shown in Fig. 2.1.3.



(S2.3)Fig. 2.1.3 : Instruction format

Our machine has three CPU registers :

1. AREG
2. BREG
3. CREG



- Our machine supports 11 different operations :
1. STOP - to stop execution
  2. ADD -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} + \text{operand2}$
  3. SUB -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} - \text{operand2}$
  4. MULT -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} * \text{operand2}$
  5. MOVER - CPU-register  $\leftarrow$  memory operand
  6. MOVEM - Memory operand  $\leftarrow$  CPU-register
  7. COMP - Set condition code, these condition codes will be used by the conditional branch instruction BC.
  8. BC - Branch on condition. Conditions to be used for branching are :
    - a) EQ - equal
    - b) NE - not equal
    - c) LT - less than
    - d) GT - greater than
    - e) LE - less or equal
    - f) GE - greater or equal
    - g) ANY
  9. DIV -  $\text{operand1} \leftarrow \text{operand1} / \text{operand2}$
  10. READ -  $\text{operand2} \leftarrow$  input value
  11. PRINT - output  $\leftarrow$  operand2
- First operand is always a CPU register
  - Second operand is always a memory operand
  - READ and PRINT instructions do not use the first operand
  - The stop instruction has no operand.

**Example :** Meaning of some typical instructions are given below :

Statement	Meaning
ADD AREG, X	$\text{AREG} \leftarrow \text{AREG} + \text{X}$
MOVER BREG, X	$\text{BREG} \leftarrow \text{X}$
MOVEM CREG, X	$\text{X} \leftarrow \text{CREG}$
COMP AREG, Y	Compare AREG and the memory variable Y and set the necessary condition codes. These condition codes are required by BC instruction.

Each symbolic opcode is associated with machine opcode. These details are stored in machine opcode table (MOT).

A MOT contains :

1. Opcode in mnemonic form
2. Machine code associated with the opcode.

MOT for our hypothetical assembly language is given in Table 2.1.1.

Table 2.1.1 : Machine opcode table

Symbolic opcode (mnemonic)	Machine code for opcode	Size of instruction (in number of words)
STOP	00	1
ADD	01	1
SUB	02	1
MULT	03	1
MOVER	04	1
MOVEM	05	1

Symbolic opcode (mnemonic)	Machine code for opcode	Size of instruction (in number of words)
COMP	06	1
BC	07	1
DIV	08	1
READ	09	1
PRINT	10	1

- Machine opcode is a two digit code.
- Size of each instruction is assumed to be of 1 word.

### Example 2.1.1

In certain cases assembly language programming holds an edge over high level language programming. Comment on the above statement.

#### Solution :

Assembly language is machine dependent. A machine dependent application cannot be developed using a high level language. Such applications are best developed in assembly language.

A program written in assembly language is more efficient than a program written in high level language. A compiler cannot efficiently utilize various architectural features of a machine. In addition, the code generated by a compiler is not very efficient and optimized.

### 2.1.2 Assembly Program to Machine Language Program

An assembly program can be translated into machine language. It involves following steps :

1. Find addresses of variables and labels.
2. Replace symbolic addresses by numeric addresses.
3. Replace symbolic opcodes by machine operation codes.
4. Reserve storage for data.

Let us consider a sample program as shown in Fig. 2.1.4. The program finds the sum of two numbers X and Y.

```

START    101
READ     X
READ     Y
MOVER   AREG, X
ADD     AREG, Y
MOVEM   AREG, RESULT
PRINT   RESULT
STOP
X       DS 1
Y       DS 1
RESULT  DS 1
END
  
```

Fig. 2.1.4 : A sample program for finding  $X + Y$   
Generation of machine code for program of Fig. 2.1.4 is being explained, step-wise.

**Step 1 :** Finding addresses of variables :

The instruction, 'START 101' is an assembler directive. This directive indicates that the address (location count or LC) of the first instruction will be 101.

- LC value of the first executable instruction will be 101.
- LC value is incremented by 1 after every instruction as each machine instruction requires a word of memory.

The instruction 'X DS 1' is for reserving one word of memory for the variable X. The DS stands for declare storage.

The program after LC processing is shown in Fig. 2.1.5.

Location counter (LC)	Assembly program		
	START	101	
101	READ	X	
102	READ	Y	
103	MOVER	AREG, X	
104	ADD	AREG, Y	
105	MOVEM	AREG, RESULT	
106	PRINT	RESULT	
107	STOP		
108	X	DS	1
109	Y	DS	1
110	RESULT	DS	1
	END		

**Fig. 2.1.5 : Program after LC processing**

After LC processing, the addresses of the three variables are given below :

Variable	Address
X	108
Y	109
RESULT	110

**Step 2 :** Generation of machine code

LC	Assembly Instruction	Machine code
101	READ X	09 0 108 opcode for READ as declared in table 2.1.1 Address of X Absence of register operand is shown by 0
108	X DS 1	
109	Y DS 1	
110	RESULT DS 1	

LC	Assembly Instruction	Machine code
102	READ Y	09 0 109 opcode for READ address of Y Register operand is missing
103	MOVER AREG, X	04 1 108 opcode for MOVER address of X Stands for AREG
104	ADD AREG, Y	01 1 109 opcode for ADD address of Y Stands for AREG
105	MOVEM AREG, RESULT	05 1 110 opcode for MOVEM address of RESULT Stands for AREG
106	PRINT RESULT	10 0 110 opcode for PRINT address of RESULT Absence for register
107	STOP	00 0 000 opcode for STOP address of memory operand Absence for register

} Memory is reserved but no-code is generated.

Thus the required machine code will be :

LC	Opcode	Register	Address
101	09	0	108
102	09	0	109



LC	Opcode	Register	Address
103	04	1	108
104	01	1	109
105	05	1	110
106	10	0	110
107	00	0	000
108			
109			
110			

### 2.1.3 Assembly Language Statements

→ (Dec. 2016, May 2017)

Q. Explain different assembly language statements with examples.

**SPPU-Dec. 2016, 7 Marks**

Q. Explain in brief imperative statements, declaration statements and assembler directives with examples for assembly language programming.

**SPPU-May 2017, 9 Marks**

There are three types of statements in an assembly program. These are :

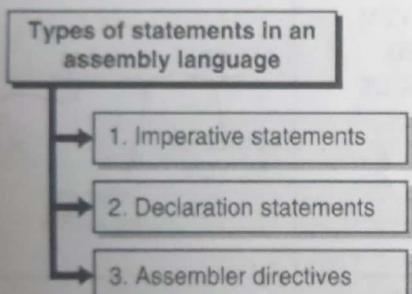


Fig. C2.1: Types of statements in an assembly language

#### → 1 Imperative statements

These are executable statements. Each imperative statement indicates an action to be taken during execution of the program. Each imperative statement translates into a machine instruction.

**Example :** Some sample imperative statements are given below :

1. MOVER BREG, X
2. STOP
3. READ X
4. PRINT Y
5. ADD AREG, Z
6. BC NE, LI

#### → 2. Declaration statements

Declaration statements are for reserving memory for variables. We can specify the initial value of a variable. Syntax of declaration statements is as follows :

- [Label] DS <Constant specifying the size of memory to be reserved>
- [Label] DC '<Value specifying the initial value of the variable>'

DS : DS stands for declare storage

DC : DC stands for declare constant

DS statement can be used for reserving a block of memory for a variable

X DS 1  
Y DS 5

The first statement 'X DS 1' reserves a memory area of 1 word for the variable X. The second statement 'Y DS 5' reserves a memory area of 5 words for the variable Y.

DC statement can be used for reserving 1 word of memory for a variable. Initial value of the variable can be specified.

ONE DC '1'

The statement 'ONE DC '1'' does the following :

1. Reserves one word of memory for the variable ONE.
2. Memory is initialized with '1'.

#### → 3. Assembler directives

→ (May 2016)

Q. Explain in brief assembler directives with examples.

**SPPU - May 2016, 6 Marks**

Assembler directives instruct the assembler to perform certain actions during assembly of a program.

- A directive is a direction for the assembler.
- A directive is also known as pseudo instruction.
- Normally, machine code is not generated for assembler directives.

Some assembler directives are :

START <constant>  
END [operand specification]

The START directive indicates that the first word of the machine code should be placed in the memory word with address <constant>

The END directive indicates the end of the source program. The optional <operand specification> indicates the address of the instruction where the execution of the program should begin. By default, the execution begins with the first instruction.

### 2.1.4 Literals and Constants

A literal is an immediate operand appearing in a statement.

In the C-statement

x = y + 5;

The constant value '5' is known as literal.

In the C-statement

int Z = 5;

The value '5' is a constant. Initial value of Z is set to 5. Z can be modified in subsequent instructions.

- A literal is an operand with constant value.
  - A literal can not be changed during program execution.
  - A literal is more safe and protected than a constant.
  - Literals appear as part of the instruction.
- They are specified using immediate addressing.

### Literals in assembly language

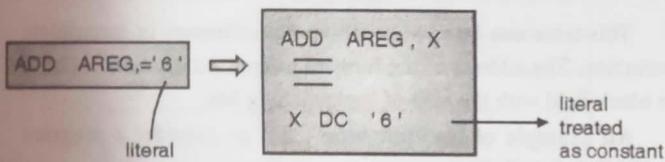
Many machines support immediate operands in machine instruction. Assembly language of 8086 supports this feature. We can write an assembly instruction for 8086 with immediate operand.

MOV AX, 15 [8086 instruction]

Our hypothetical machine does not support immediate operand as part of the machine instruction. Our simple machine can still handle literals. The process of handling a literal by our machine is being explained below :

When the assembler finds a literal in the operand field of a statement :

- It allocates memory word to the literal. The value of the literal is stored in the allocated memory word.
- It then replaces the literal in the statement with the address of the allocated memory word.



(S2.5)Fig. 2.1.6 : Handling of literals

Handling of literal is shown in Fig. 2.1.6.

- The literal is stored as a constant at the memory location referred to by X.
- The immediate operand 6 in the statement ADD AREG, 6 is replaced by the address of X.

ADD AREG, X

The technique of handling literals as explained above should be used only in those cases, where the machine does not support immediate operands and still we want to have literals in assembly statements.

### Example 2.1.2

Immediate operands and literals are both ways of specifying an operand value in a source statement. What are the merits and demerits of each ? When might each be preferable to the other ?

#### Solution :

- A machine is required to support immediate operands. Many machines provide support for immediate addressing. In such machines, an immediate operand can be used instead of literals.
- Literals need not be supported by machine architecture. When the assembler encounters the use of literal in operand field of a statement, it allocates memory word to store the value of the literal and replaces literal in the statement by its address.
- An instruction using immediate operand executes faster as the operand is part of the instruction. An additional memory fetch is not needed to get the operand value from the memory.
- An assembly instruction with a literal will ultimately use direct addressing. Direct addressing requires an additional memory fetch to bring the value of the operand.

## 2.2 Assembler and Related Programs

→ (Dec. 2013)

Q. What is an assembler ? SPPU - Dec. 2013, 4 Marks

An assembler translates an assembly program and generates information necessary for running the program. The translated program contains three kinds of entities :

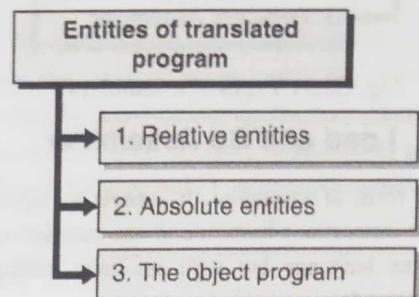


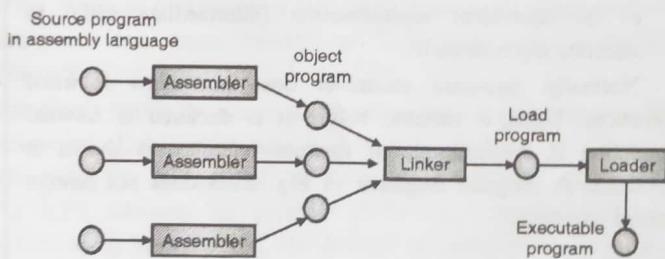
Fig. C2.2: Entities of translated program

#### → 1. Relative entities

Relative entities include addresses of instructions and variables. These are fixed with respect to each other and are stated relative to the beginning of the module.

#### → 2. Absolute entities

Absolute entities include operation codes, numeric and string constants and fixed addresses. The values of absolute entities are independent of which storage locations the resulting machine code will eventually occupy.



(S2.6)Fig. 2.2.1 : Program translation

#### → 3. The object program

The object program includes identification of :

- which addresses are relative
- which symbols are defined externally.
- which symbols are defined internally and referenced externally.

- The external references are resolved for two or more modules by a linker. The linker accepts the several object programs as input and produces a single program ready for loading.
- The output of a linker is input for the loader. The loader readjusts the relative entities in a program and then loads the program in memory for execution.

There are three types of assemblers :

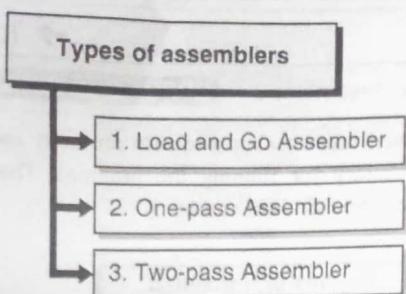


Fig. C2.3 : Types of assemblers

### → 2.2.1 Load and Go Assembler

It is a simplest form of assembler. It accepts as input assembly programs whose instructions have one to one correspondence with those of machine language but with symbolic names used for operators and operands.

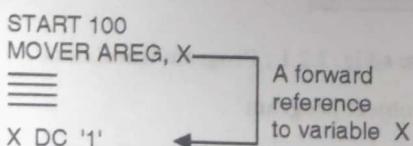
- It produces machine language as output which are loaded directly in main memory and executed.
- The load and go assembler has the ability to design code and test different program components in parallel.
- Change in one particular module does not require scanning the rest of program.

### → 2.2.2 One-pass Assembler

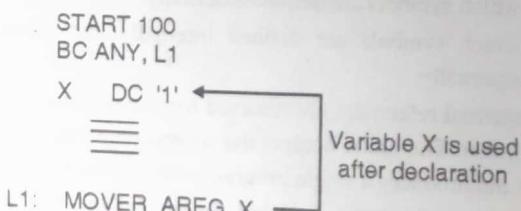
A pass of an assembler is scan of the source program or its equivalent representation.

- A one-pass assembler requires 1 scan of the source program to generate machine code.
- A two-pass assembler requires 2 scans of the source program or its equivalent representation (intermediate code) to generate machine code.

Normally, one-pass assembler does not allow **forward references**. Using a variable before it is declared is forward referencing it. An example of forward reference is shown in Fig. 2.2.2. A program fragment in Fig. 2.2.3 does not have a forward reference.



(S2.7) Fig. 2.2.2 : An example of forward reference



(S2.8) Fig. 2.2.3 : A program with backward reference

- An assembler cannot generate machine code for an assembly instruction with forward references.

- Machine code for an assembly instruction can be generated, after the address of the variable used in the instruction is known.
- A data structure, **symbol table** is used to record addresses of variables. These addresses can be used during generation of machine code.

### 2.2.2(a) One-pass Assembler with Forward References

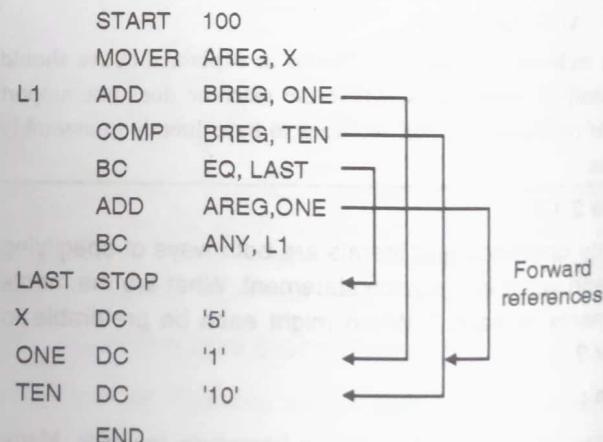
The problem of forward references can be tackled using a technique known as **backpatching**.

- The operand field of an instruction containing forward references is left blank initially.
- A table of instruction containing forward reference is maintained separately. An entry in this table is a pair. (<instruction address>, <symbol making a forward reference>)

This table can be used to fill-up the addresses in incomplete instruction. The address of the forward referenced symbols is put in the blank field with the help of backpatching list.

**An example of backpatching :** Let us consider a program segment as given below :

- The instruction 'L1 ADD BREG, ONE' makes a forward reference to the variable ONE.
- The instruction 'COMP BREG, TEN' makes a forward reference to the variable TEN.
- The instruction 'BC EQ, LAST' makes a forward reference to the label 'LAST'.



**Step 1 :** Generation of machine code with operand field containing a forward reference, left as blank.

Assembly instruction			Machine instruction				
	START	100					
	MOVER	AREG, X	100	04	1	---	To be backpatched
L1	ADD	BREG, ONE	101	01	2	---	
	COMP	BREG, TEN	102	06	2	---	



Assembly instruction			Machine instruction			
	BC	EQ, LAST	103	07	1	---
	ADD	AREG, ONE	104	01	1	---
	BC	ANY, L1	105	07	7	101
LAS T	STOP		106	00	0	000
X	DC	'5'	107	00	0	005
ONE	DC	'1'	108	00	0	001
TEN	DC	'10'	109	00	0	010

**Backpatch list**

Instruction Address	Symbol making a forward reference
100	X
101	ONE
102	TEN
103	LAST
104	ONE

**Step 2 :** Backpatch list can be used to fill up addresses in blank fields of instructions.

Machine instructions after backpatching :

100	04	1	107
101	01	2	101
102	06	2	109
103	07	1	106
104	01	1	108
105	07	7	101
106	00	0	000
107	00	0	005
108	00	0	001
109	00	0	010

**Syllabus Topic : Design of Single Pass Assembler****2.2.2(b) Design of Single Pass Assembler****Data structures needed**

1. Op code table
2. Symbol table
3. Backpatch list
4. Literal table

**Algorithm**

```
LC = 0; // Location counter loop until the end of the
program
{
```

1. Read in a line of assembly code.
  - a. If there is label then insert the label with LC in the symbol table.
  - b. If assembler directive then process it
  - c. If executable instruction then generate machine code. If the instruction contains a symbol with forward reference then enter the same in the Backpatch list.

Process the Backpatch list.

**Syllabus Topics : Simple Assembler Scheme, Structure of an Assembler****→ 2.2.3 Two Pass Assembler**

Mostly assemblers are designed in two passes. The pass-wise grouping of tasks in a two pass assembler is given below :

**☛ Pass I**

1. Separate the labels, mnemonic op-code and operand fields.
2. Determine the storage requirement for every assembly language statement and update the location counter.
3. Build the symbol table. Symbol table is used to store each label and each variable and its corresponding address.

**☛ Pass II : Generate machine code.****Example 2.2.1**

Why must the one pass assembler fail for literals ?

**Solution :** A two pass assembler can handle literals.

**In the first pass**

When the assembler encounters the use of literal in operand field of a statement, it allocates memory word to store the value of the literal. This is done with the help of literal table.

**In the second pass**

The assembler replaces every literal by its address.

A one-pass assembler will not be able to assign memory address to a literal. Hence, one-pass assembler will not be able to handle literals.

**Example 2.2.2**

What features of assembly language makes it mandatory to design a two pass assembler ? Explain with suitable example.

**Solution :** Normally, one-pass assembler does not allow **forward references**. Using a variable before it is declared is forward referencing it. An example of forward reference is shown in Fig. 2.2.2. Although the problem of forward references can be tackled using backpatching, the process of backpatching is quite difficult.

Literals cannot be handled by one-pass assembler.

Thus, forward references and use of literals make it mandatory to design a two pass assembler.

**Example 2.2.3**

The process of fixing up a few forward references should involve less overhead than making a complete second pass of the source program. Why don't all assemblers use the one-pass technique for efficiency ?

**Solution :** Normally, one-pass assembler does not allow forward references. The problem of forward references can be tackled using backpatching.

- A one pass assembler cannot handle literals.
- A one pass assembler cannot handle statements like.

X EQU Y + 10

where Y is a forward reference.



Backpatching in every case could become very difficult. A two pass assembler can easily handle every type of forward reference including literals.

- The speed of second pass can be improved by using intermediate code. Therefore, it is best to use a two pass assembler with intermediate code.

## 2.3 Advanced Assembler Directives

In addition to basic assembler directives, we can have some advanced directives. These directives include.

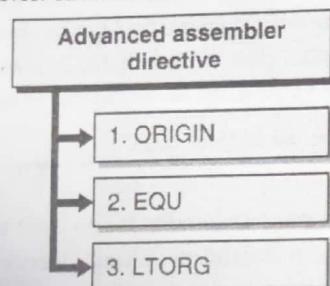


Fig. C2.4 : Advanced assembler directive

### → 1. ORIGIN

→ (May 2014, Aug. 2015, Oct. 2016)

Q. Explain ORIGIN statement with example.

SPPU - May 2014, Aug. 2015(In Sem), Oct. 2016(In Sem), 2 Marks

The syntax of this directive is :

ORIGIN <address specification>

where <address specification> is an operand, a constant or an expression containing an operand and a constant.

- This directive sets the address of LC to the address given by <address specification>.
- The ORIGIN directive is useful when the machine code is not stored in consecutive memory locations.
- This directive gives the ability to perform LC processing in a relative rather than absolute manner.

### Example

Let us consider the assembly program given in Fig. 2.3.1.

Sr. No.	Assembly program			LC
1	START	100		
2	MOVER	BREG,='2'	100	
3	LOOP	MOVER	AREG, N	101
4		ADD	BREG,='1'	102
5		ORIGIN	LOOP+5	
6	NEXT	BC	ANY, LOOP	106
7		LTORG		
8		ORIGIN	NEXT+2	
9	LAST	STOP		108
10	N	DC	'5'	109
11		END		

Fig. 2.3.1 : An assembly program illustrating ORIGIN

- The statement number 5, viz. ORIGIN LOOP+5, sets LC to the value 106. The label LOOP is associated with the address 101.
- The statement number 8, viz. ORIGIN NEXT+2, sets LC to the value 108. The label NEXT is associated with the address 106.

### → 2. EQU

→ (May 2014, Aug. 2015)

Q. Explain EQU statement.

SPPU - May 2014, Aug. 2015(In Sem), 2 Marks

The EQU statement has the syntax

<symbol> EQU <address specification>

where <address specification> can be an <operand specification> or a <constant>

The EQU simply associates the <symbol> with the <address specification>

e.g.

BACK EQU LOOP

The symbol BACK is set to the address of LOOP.

### Example 2.3.1

An assembly language program contains the statement : XEQU Y + 25. Indicate how the EQU statement can be processed if (i) Y is back reference (ii) Y is forward reference

Solution :

#### (i) Y is back reference

The EQU statement will associate the symbol X with the address Y + 25. The assembler will store the symbol X with the address Y + 25 in the symbol table. This can be handled in pass I.

#### (ii) Y is forward reference

If Y is a forward reference then its address cannot be fixed at the time the assembler finds the statement

X EQU Y + 25

The assembler can generate an equivalent intermediate code for 'Y + 25' in Pass I and in Pass II, the address of X can be filled up.

### → 3. LTORG

→ (May 2014, Oct. 2016)

Q. What is a LTORG Statement ? Explain with example.

SPPU - May 2014, Oct. 2016(In Sem), 8 Marks

The LTORG statement permits a programmer to specify where literals should be placed. If the LTORG statement is not present, literals are placed after the END statement.

At every LTORG statement, memory is allocated to the literals of the current pool of literals. The pool contains all literals used in the program since the start of the program or since the last LTORG statement.



## Syllabus Topic : Design of Two Pass Assembler

### 2.4 Design of Two Pass Assembler

→ ( May 2013, Dec. 2015)

Q. How Pass I of an assembler works.

**SPPU - May 2013, 4 Marks**

Q. Explain two pass assembler along with the schematic diagram.

**SPPU - May 2013, 4 Marks**

Q. Describe the design of Pass 1 of two pass assembler.

**SPPU - Dec. 2015, 7 Marks**

An assembler is a program that accepts an assembly language program as input and produces its machine code. An assembler has to perform certain functions in translating from assembly language to machine code. These functions are :

1. Replace symbolic address by numeric address.
2. Replace symbolic operation codes by machine operation codes.
3. Reserve storage for instruction and data
4. Handle literals.

Because variables can be used before they are defined, it is convenient to make a two pass assembler. First pass has to fix addresses of variables; the second pass can generate the machine code.

Consider the assembly statement

ADD AREG, X

Following information is needed to produce machine instruction corresponding to this statement.

1. Machine operation code for the mnemonic ADD.
2. Address of the variable 'X'.

Assembler will need the following data structures during processing.

1. Machine operation code table (MOT)
2. Symbol table (ST).

Each entry in MOT has two primary fields :

1. Mnemonic
2. Opcode

MOT is used during generation of machine code. Assembler can obtain machine opcode corresponding to a mnemonic.

Each entry in ST has two primary fields.

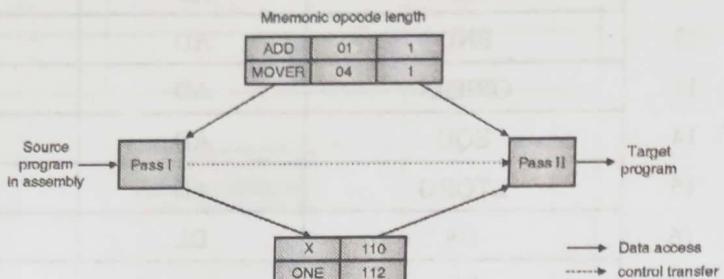
1. Name
2. Address

The symbol table (ST) is built in first pass. During second pass, the assembler can obtain addresses of variables and labels from the symbol table.)

Fig. 2.4.1 illustrates the use of data structures in two passes.

- As symbols (variables and labels) are handled using a symbol table (ST), literal are handled using a literal table (LT). Each entry in literal table (LT) has two primary fields :

1. Value of the literal
2. Address of the associated memory location.



(S2.10) Fig. 2.4.1 : Data structures for the assembler

- In the first pass, literal table (LT) is used to collect literals. LTORG directive permits a programmer to specify where the literals should be placed in the memory. Subsequent literals in the program are placed in the memory on encountering the next LTORG statement. Thus, literals are divided into pools.
- These pools of literals are maintained using an auxiliary pool table (PT). This table contains the literal number of starting literal of each literal pool.

Pool table (PT) has one field :

1. Starting literal number of each pool.

On encountering an LTORG statement (or the END statement), literals in the current pool are allocated addresses starting with the current value in LC and LC is appropriately incremented.

#### Working of pass I of a two pass assembler

Pass I uses the following data structures :

1. Machine operation code table (MOT)
2. Symbol table (ST)
3. Literal table (LT)
4. Pool table (PT).

Contents of MOT are fixed for an assembler. Sample contents of MOT are shown in Fig. 2.4.2. For convenience mnemonic opcodes, psuedo opcodes, names of registers and comparison conditions are clubbed in a single table.

Table 2.4.1 : An enhanced machine opcode table (MOT)

	Mnemonic	opcode	Class	Length
0	STOP	00	IS	1
1	ADD	01	IS	1
2	SUB	02	IS	1
3	MULT	03	IS	1
4	MOVER	04	IS	1
5	MOVEM	05	IS	1

IS : Imperative Statement

AD : Assembler Directive

DL : Declaration Statement

RG : Register



	Mnemonic opcode	Class	Opcode	Length
6	COMP	IS	06	1
7	BC	IS	07	1
8	DIV	IS	08	1
9	READ	IS	09	1
10	PRINT	IS	10	1
11	START	AD	01	-
12	END	AD	02	-
13	ORIGIN	AD	03	-
14	EQU	AD	04	-
15	LTORG	AD	05	-
16	DS	DL	01	-
17	DC	DL	02	1
18	AREG	RG	01	-
19	BREG	RG	02	-
20	CREG	RG	03	-
21	EQ	CC	01	-
22	LT	CC	02	-
23	GT	CC	03	-
24	LE	CC	04	-
25	GE	CC	05	-
26	NE	CC	06	-
27	ANY	CC	07	-

CC : Comparison Condition

Contents of various tables for processing of program of Fig. 2.4.2 are being listed after every program instruction.

	START	200
	MOVER	AREG, ='5'
	MOVEM	AREG, X
L1	MOVER	BREG, ='2'
	ORIGIN	L1+3
	LTORG	
NEXT	ADD	AREG,='1'
	SUB	BREG,='2'
	BC	LT, BACK
	LTORG	
BACK	EQU	L1
	ORIGIN	NEXT + 5
	MULT	CREG, 4
	STOP	
X	DS	1
	END	

Fig. 2.4.2 : An assembly program for understanding pass I



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### 2.4.1 Intermediate Code

Intermediate code is an equivalent representation of source program.

- Pass I of the assembler involve scanning of the source file. It has to separate labels, mnemonics, op-code and operand fields.
- Every opcode is searched in the machine opcode table.
- Every operand (variable) is searched in the symbol table.

In intermediate code, processed information is stored. It helps in avoiding :

1. Scanning of source file in pass II.
2. Searching MOT and ST in pass II.

Thus, intermediate code increases the processing efficiency in pass II.

#### Format of intermediate code

For every line of assembly statement, one line of intermediate code (IC) is generated.

- Each mnemonic opcode field is represented as  
(Statement class, machine code)
- The statement class can be :
  1. IS : Imperative statement
  2. DL : Declaration statement
  3. AD : Assembler directive
- The machine opcode for mnemonic code is shown in Table 2.4.1.
- For example :
  1. The mnemonic opcode MOVER will be represented as (IS, 04)
  2. The pseudo mnemonic opcode LTORG will be represented as (AD, 05).
  3. The assembler directive START will be represented as (AD, 01).
  4. DC will be represented as (DL, 02).
- Each operand field is represented as  
(Operand class, reference)
- The operand class can be :
 

C : Constant  
S : Symbol (variable)  
L : Literal  
RG : Register  
CC : Condition code
- For a symbol or literal, the reference field contains the index of the operand's entry in symbol table or literal table.

- An example of intermediate code is shown in Fig. 2.4.3.
- For a constant, the reference field contains the constant itself.

	Assembly program	LC	Intermediate code
1.	START 200		(AD,01) (C,200)
2.	MOVER AREG, = '5'	200	(IS,04) (RG, 01) (L, 0)
3.	MOVEM AREG, X	201	(IS,05) (RG, 01) (S, 0)
4.	L1 MOVER BREG, = '2'	202	(IS, 04) (RG, 02) (L,1)
5.	ORIGIN L1 + 3	203	(AD, 03) (C, 205)
6.	LTORG	205	(DL, 02) (C, 5)
		206	(DL, 02) (C, 2)
7.	NEXT ADD AREG, = '1'	207	(IS, 01) (RG, 01) (L, 2)
8.	SUB BREG, = '2'	208	(IS, 02) (RG, 02) (L, 3)
9.	BC LT, BACK	209	(IS, 07) (CC, 02) (S, 3)
10.	LTORG	210	(DL, 02) (C, 1)
		211	(DL, 02) (C, 2)
11.	BACK EQU L1	212	(AD, 04) (C, 202)
12.	ORIGIN NEXT + 5	212	(AD, 03) (C, 212)
13.	MULT CREG, = '4'	212	(IS, 03) (RG, 03) (L, 4)
14.	STOP	213	(IS, 00)
15.	X DS 1	214	(AD, 02)
16.	END	215	(AD, 02)
		215	(DL, 02) (C, 4)

Symbol Table		Literal Table		Pool Table
Symbol	Address	Literal	Address	
0 X	214	0 = '5'	205	0 0
1 L1	202	1 = '2'	206	1 2
2 NEXT	207	2 = '1'	210	2 4
3 BACK	202	3 = '2'	211	3 3
		4 = '4'	215	4 5

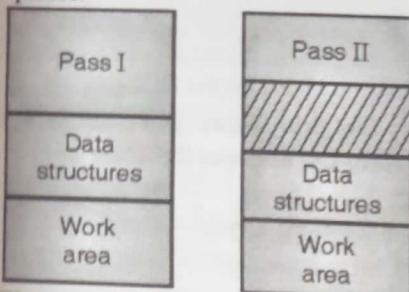
Fig. 2.4.3 : An example of intermediate code



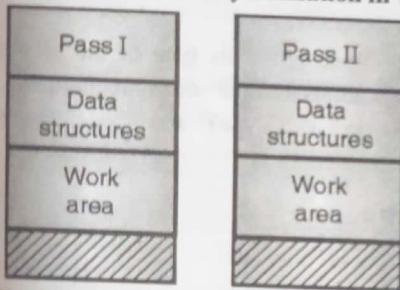
### 2.4.1(a) Variants of Intermediate Code

There could be many variants of intermediate code. We will confine ourselves to two variants.

1. Variant I : Operands are processed in pass I.
  2. Variant II : Operands are processed in pass II.
- Variant I does more work in pass I. Operand fields are completely processed in pass I. The task of pass II becomes quite simple. Intermediate code becomes quite compact. Memory and processing requirements are higher in pass I. Fig. 2.4.4 (a) shows memory utilization by an assembler in different passes.



(S2.11(a)) Fig. 2.4.4(a) : Memory utilization in variant I



(S2.11(b)) Fig. 2.4.4(b) : Memory utilization in variant II

- Variant II reduces the work of pass I by transferring the work of operand processing from pass I to pass II. In variant II, pass II of the assembler has to do more work. Here the processing requirement is evenly distributed over two passes. Code sizes of two passes are comparable (as shown in Fig. 2.4.4(b)). In variant II, the overall memory requirement of the assembler is lower.

#### Variant I

In variant I, each operand is represented by a pair of the form (operand class, code)

The operand class is one of :

1. S for symbol      2. C for constant
3. L for literal      4. RG for register
5. CC for condition code

The value of code is :

1. Index of the operand entry in the symbol table for a symbol (variable, label).
2. Index of the operand entry in the literal table for a literal.
3. Internal representation of a constant for a constant as an operand.
4. Serial number of the register for a CPU register.
5. Serial number of the condition code for a condition code as operand.

A sample intermediate code using variant I is shown in Fig. 2.4.5.

	START	100	(AD, 01) (C, 100)
L1	READ	A	(IS, 09) (S, 1)
	SUB	AREG, = '5'	(IS, 02) (RG, 01) (L, 0)
	BC	GT, L1	(IS, 07) (CC, 03) (S, 0)
	STOP		(IS, 00)
A	DS	1	(DL, 01) (C, 1)
	-		-
	-		-
	-		-

Fig. 2.4.5 : Intermediate code using variant I

#### Variant II

In variant II, operands are processed selectively.

1. Constants are processed.
2. Literals are processed.
3. Symbols, condition codes and CPU registers are not processed.

A sample intermediate code using variant II is shown in Fig. 2.4.6.

	START	100	(AD, 01) (C, 100)
L1	READ	A	(IS, 09) A
	SUB	AREG, = '5'	(SI, 02) AREG, (L, 0)
	BC	GT, L1	(IS, 07) GT, L1
	STOP		(SI, 00)
A	DS	1	(DL, 01) (C, 1)
	-		-
	-		-
	-		-

Fig. 2.4.6 : Intermediate code using variant II

### 2.4.2 Algorithm for Pass I

→ (May 2013)

- Q. Explain the algorithm in detail with data structures used.

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#### >Data structures for pass I

Pass I uses the following data structures :

1. Machine opcode table (MOT)
2. Symbol table (ST)
3. Literal table (LT)
4. Pool table (PT)
5. Table for storing intermediate code in internal format (IC)

#### 1. Structure of machine opcode table (MOT)

```
struct MOTtable
{
    char Mnemonic [6];
    int Class;
    char Opcode [3];
};
```



The class field indicates the following :

Sr. No.	Type of mnemonic symbol	Value of class field
1.	Imperative statement (IS)	1
2.	Declaration statement (DL)	2
3.	Assembler directive (AD)	3
4.	CPU register (RG)	4
5.	Condition code (CC)	5

Initial value of MOT is given below. It is a fixed table and it does not change during the course of program execution.

```
struct MOTtable MOT [28] =
{{"STOP",1,"00"}, {"ADD",1,"01"}, {"SUB",1,"02"}, {"MULT",1,"03"}, {"MOVER",1,"04"}, {"MOVEM",1,"05"}, {"COMP",1,"06"}, {"BC",1,"07"}, {"DIV",1,"08"}, {"READ",1,"09"}, {"PRINT",1,"10"}, {"START",3,"01"}, {"END",3,"02"}, {"ORIGIN",3,"03"}, {"EQU",3,"04"}, {"LTORG",3,"05"}, {"DS",2,"01"}, {"DC",2,"02"}, {"AREG",4,"01"}, {"BREG",4,"02"}, {"CREG",4,"03"}, {"EQ",5,"01"}, {"LT",5,"02"}, {"GT",5,"03"}, {"LE",5,"04"}, {"GE",5,"05"}, {"NE",5,"06"}, {"ANY",5,"07"}};
```

## 2. Symbol table (ST)

```
struct symboltable
{
    char symbol [8];
    int address;
    int size;
}ST[20];
```

A symbol table entry contains the followings :

1. Name of a variable or a label.
2. Its address.
3. Its size in number of words.

## 3. Literal table (LT)

```
struct literaltable
{
    int literal;
    int address;
}LT[10];
```

A literal table entry contains the following:

1. Value of the literal.
2. Address of the memory location associated with the literal. Literals are accommodated in memory on seeing the 'LTORG' statement or after the 'END' statement.

## 4. Pool table (PT)

```
int PT[10];
```

This table contains the literal number of the starting literal of each literal-pool.

**PT[0] :** Gives the literal number (index of literal table) of pool 0.

**PT[i] :** Gives the literal number (index of literal table) of pool i.

## 5. Intermediate code table (IC) :

```
struct intermediatecode
```

```
{
    int LC;
    int Code1, Type1;
    int Code2, Type2;
    int Code3, Type3;
}IC[30];
```

An IC table entry contains the followings :

1. **Type 1 :** The field Type1 gives the type of mnemonic symbol. Type1 can be one of the followings :

IS - 1

DL - 2

AD - 3

2. **Code1 :** The field Code1 gives the index of the mnemonic symbol in the MOT.

Similarly, Type2 gives the type of the second symbol and Code2 gives the reference of the corresponding table. A constant is stored as it is in IC. Type3 and Code3 have the similar interpretation.

## Algorithm :

1. LC = 0 ; // location counter
2. iPPT = 0 ; // index of next entry in pool table
3. PT [iPPT] = 0 ; // pool 0 starts from location 0 // in the literal table
4. iLT = 0 ; // index of next entry in the literal table
5. Open the source file

```
printf("\n enter the source file :");
gets(file1);
ptrl = fopen(file1, "r");
```

6. while (!end of the source file)

```
{
```

- a) Read the next line and store the same in a character array 'nextline' after substituting special characters with blanks.

```
i = 0;
nextline[i] = fgetc(ptrl);
while( nextline[i] != '\n' && nextline[i] != EOF )
{
    if ( !isalnum(nextline[i]) )
        nextline[i] = ' ';
    else
        nextline[i] = toupper(nextline[i]);
    i++;
    nextline[i] = fgetc(ptrl);
}
```

b) if(nextline is an END statement)  
break;

```
sscanf(nextline, "%s", SI);
if(strcmp(SI,"END") == 0)
    break;
```

c) if the nextline contains a label then it is stored in the symbol table (ST).

```
if (searchMOT (SI) == -1)
    insert (SI, LC, 0);
```

d) Separate opcode and operands.

```
if (label is present)
    sscanf(nextline, "%s%s%s%s", label, S1, S2, S3);
else
    sscanf(nextline, "%s%s%s", S1, S2, S3);
```

e) If the statement stored in nextline is a declaration statement then

- Type1 = type of the declaration statement
- Code1 = code (index in MOT) of the declaration statement.
- Size = size of the memory area required by DS/DC.
- Generate intermediate code and store the same in IC table.
- LC = LC + size.

```
void DC()
{
    int index :
    index = searchMOT (s1) ;
    IC[iIC].Type1 = IC[iIC].Type2 = IC[iIC].Type3 = 0;
//initialize
    IC[iIC].LC = LC;
    IC[iIC].Code1 = index;
    IC[iIC].Type1 = MOT[index].Class ;
    IC[iIC].Type2 = 6; //6 IS TYPE FOR CONSTANTS
    IC[iIC].Code2 = atoi(s2) ;
    index = searchST(label) ;
    if (index == -1)
        index = insertST(label, 0, 0) ;
    ST[index].Address = LC ;
    ST[index].Size = 1 ;
    LC = LC + 1 ;
    iTC++ ;
}

void DS0
{
    int index ;
```

index = searchMOT(s1) ;

IC[iIC].Type1 = IC[iIC].Type2 = IC[iIC].Type3 = 0;

//initialize

IC[iIC].LC = LC;

IC[iIC].Code1 = index ;

IC[iIC].Type1 = MOT[index].Class ;

IC[iIC].Type2 = 6; //6 IS TYPPE FOR CONSTANTS

IC[iIC].Code2 = atoi (s2);

index = searchST (label);

if(index == -1)

index = insertST(label, 0, 0);

ST[index].Address = LC ;

ST[index].Size = atoi(s2) ;

LC = LC+atoi (s2) ;

iIC++ ;

}

f) If the statement stored in nextline is an imperative statement then

- Type1 = type of the imperative statement
- Code1 = code(index in MOT) of the opcode
- Size = size of the instruction
- If operand is a literal then the literal is stored in the literal table
- Generate intermediate code and store the same in the IC table
- LC = LC + size

void imperative()

{

int index ;

index = searchMOT(s1);

IC[iIC].Type1 = IC[iIC].Type2 = IC[iIC].Type3 = 0;

//initialize

IC[iIC].LC = LC ;

IC[iIC].Code1 = index ;

IC[iIC].Type1 = MOT[index].Class ;

LC = LC+1 ;

if(tokencount >1)

{

index = searchMOT (s2) ;

if(index != -1)

{

IC[iIC].Code2 = index ;

IC[iIC].Type2 = MOT[index].Class ;

}



```

        else
        {
            //It is a variable
            index = searchST(s2) ;
            if(index == -1)
                index = insertST(s2, 0, 0) ;
            IC[iIC].Code2 = index ;
            IC[iIC].Type2 = 7;
//VALUE 7 IS FOR VARIABLES
        }
    }

if(tokencount > 2)
{
    if(isdigit(*s3))
    {
        LT[iLT].Literal = atoi(s3) ;
        IC[iIC].Code3 = iLT ;
        IC[iIC].Type3 = 8 ;
//VALUE 8 IS FOR LITERAL TYPE
        iLT++ ;
    }
    else
    {
        index = searchST (s3) ;
        if(index == -1)
            index = insertST(s3, 0, 0) ;
        IC[iIC].Code3 = index;
        IC[iIC].Type3 = 7 ;
//VALUE 7 IS FOR VARIABLES
    }
}
iIC++ ;
}

```

- g) If the statement stored in nextline is an LTORG statement then
- Literals of the current pool of literals are assigned addresses
  - iPT = iPT + 1
  - PT[iPT] = iLT
  - LC is modified suitably.

```
void LTORG()
```

```
{
int i, index;
for(i = PT[iPT]; i < iLT ; i++)
}
```

```

{
    LT[i].Address = LC ;
    index = searchMOT ("DC" );
    IC[iIC].Type1 = IC[iIC].Type2 = IC[iIC].Type3 = 0;
//initialize
    IC[iIC].LC = LC ;
    IC[iIC].Code1 = index ;
    IC[iIC].Type1 = MOT[index].Class ;
    IC[iIC].Type2 = 6 ; //6 IS TYPE FOR CONSTANTS
    IC[iIC].Code2 = LT[i].Literal ;
    LC = LC+1 ;
    iIC++ ;
}
iPT++ ;
PT[iPT] = iLT ;
}

```

- h) If the statement stored in the nextline is a START or ORIGIN statement then
- LC = address specified in the statement
  - Generate intermediate code and store the same in the IC table.

```

void START()
{
    int index ;
    index = searchMOT(s1) ;
    IC[iIC].Type1 = IC[iIC].Type2 = IC[iIC].Type3 = 0;
//initialize
    IC[iIC].LC = LC ;
    IC[iIC].Code1 = index ;
    IC[iIC].Type1 = MOT[index].Class ;
    IC[iIC].Type2 = 6 ; // 6 IS TYPE FOR CONSTANTS
    IC[iIC].Code2 = atoi (s2) ;
    LC = atoi(s2) ;
    iIC++ ;
}

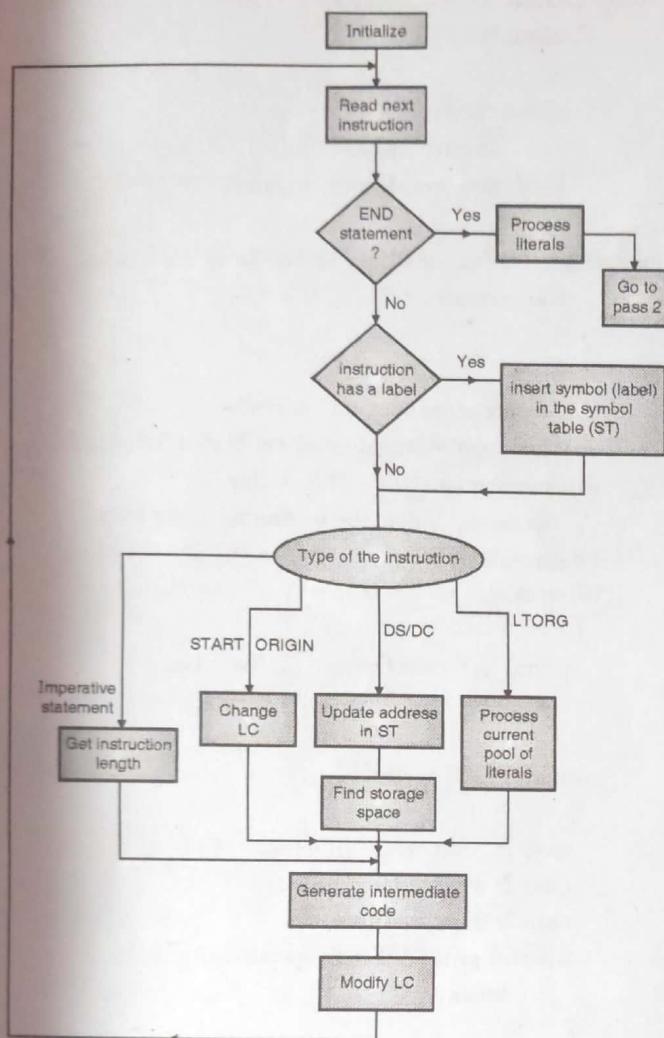
```

- i) If the statement stored in nextline is an EQU statement then
- Address of the variable is corrected in the symbol table. New address is extracted from the statement.
  - Generate intermediate code and store the same in the IC table.

```
}
```

7. Processing of END statement  
 (i) Perform step 6(g)  
 (ii) Go to pass II

### 2.4.3 Flowchart for Pass I



(S2.12) Fig. 2.4.7

### 2.4.4 C-Program for Pass I

#### ➤ Program 2.4.1 : Program for pass I

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
struct MOTTable
{
    char Mnemonic[6];
    int Class;
    char Opcode[3];
};

struct symboltable
{
    char Symbol[8];
}
```

```

int Address;
int Size;
}ST[20];
struct literaltable
{
    int Literal;
    int Address;
}LT[10];
int PT[20];
struct intermediatecode
{
    int LC;
    int Code1,Type1;
    int Code2,Type2;
    int Code3,Type3;
}IC[30];

static struct MOTTable
MOT[28]={{ {"STOP",1,"00"}, {"ADD",1,"01"}, {"SUB",1,"02"}, {"MULT",1,"03"}, {"MOVER",1,"04"}, {"MOVEM",1,"05"}, {"COMP",1,"06"}, {"BC",1,"07"}, {"DIV",1,"08"}, {"READ",1,"09"}, {"PRINT",1,"10"}, {"START",3,"01"}, {"END",3,"02"}, {"ORIGIN",3,"03"}, {"EQU",3,"04"}, {"LTORG",3,"05"}, {"DS",2,"01"}, {"DC",2,"02"}, {"AREG",4,"01"}, {"BREG",4,"02"}, {"CREG",4,"03"}, {"EQ",5,"01"}, {"LT",5,"02"}, {"GT",5,"03"}, {"LE",5,"04"}, {"GE",5,"05"}, {"NE",5,"06"}, {"ANY",5,"07"} };
int nMOT=28; //Number of entries in MOT
int LC=0; //Location counter
int iPT; //Index of next entry in Pool Table
int iLT=0; //Index of next entry in Literal Table
int iST=0; //Index of next entry in Symbol Table
int iIC=0; //Index of next entry in intermediate code table
int searchST(char symbol[])
{
    int i;
    for(i=0;i<iST;i++)
        if(strcmp(ST[i].Symbol,symbol)==0)
            return(i);
    return(-1);
}

int searchMOT(char symbol[])
{
    int i;
    for(i=0;i<nMOT;i++)
        if(strcmp(MOT[i].Mnemonic,symbol)==0)
            return(i);
}
```



```

        return(-1);
    }

int insertST( char symbol[],int address,int size)
{
    strcpy(ST[iST].Symbol,symbol);
    ST[iST].Address=address;
    ST[iST].Size=size;
    iST++;
    return(iST-1);
}

void imperative();           //Handle an executable statement
void declaration();         //Handle a declaration statement
void directive();           //Handle an assembler directive
void print_symbol(); //Display symbol table
void print_pool();   //Display pool table
void print_literal(); //Display literal table
void print_opcode(); //Display opcode table
void intermediate(); //Display intermediate code
char s1[8],s2[8],s3[8],label[8];
void LTORG();            //Handle LTORG directive
void DC();                //Handle declaration statement DC
void DS();                //Handle declaration statement DS
void START();              //Handle START directive
int tokencount;           //total number of words in a statement
void main()
{
    char file1[40],nextline[80];
    int len,i,j,temp,errortype;
    FILE *ptr1;
    clrscr();
    printf("Enter Source file name:");
    gets(file1);
    ptr1=fopen(file1,"r");
    while(!feof(ptr1))
    {
        /*Read a line of assembly program and remove special
        characters*/
        i=0;
        nextline[i]=fgetc(ptr1);
        while(nextline[i]!='\n'&& nextline[i]!=EOF )
        {
            if(!isalnum(nextline[i]))
                nextline[i]=' ';
            else
                nextline[i]=toupper(nextline[i]);
            i++;
            nextline[i]=fgetc(ptr1);
        }
        nextline[i]='\0';
    }
}
//if the nextline is an END statement

```

```

sscanf(nextline,"%s",s1);           //read from the nextline in s1
if(strcmp(s1,"END")==0)
    break;
//if the nextline contains a label
if(searchMOT(s1)==-1)
{
    if(searchST(s1)==-1)
        insertST(s1,LC,0);
    //separate opcode and operands
}

tokencount=sscanf(nextline,"%s%s%s%s",label,s1,s2,s3);
tokencount--;
}
else
    //separate opcode and operands
tokencount=sscanf(nextline,"%s%s%s",s1,s2,s3);
if(tokencount==0) //blank line
    continue; //goto the beginning of the loop
i=searchMOT(s1);
if(i == -1)
{
    printf("\nWrong Opcode .... %s",s1);
    continue;
}
switch(MOT[i].Class)
{
    case 1: imperative();break;
    case 2: declaration();break;
    case 3: directive();break;
    default: printf("\nWrong opcode ...%s",s1);
        break;
}
}

LTORG();
print_symbol();
getch();
print_pool();
getch();
print_literal();
getch();
print_opcode();
getch();
intermediate();
getch();
}

void imperative()
{
    int index;
    index=searchMOT(s1);
}

```

```

IC[iIC].Type1=IC[iIC].Type2=IC[iIC].Type3=0;
                                //initialize
IC[iIC].LC=LC;
IC[iIC].Code1=index;
IC[iIC].Type1=MOT[index].Class;
LC=LC+1;
if(tokencount>1)
{
    index=searchMOT(s2);
    if(index != -1)
    {
        IC[iIC].Code2=index;
        IC[iIC].Type2=MOT[index].Class;
    }
    else
    { //It is a variable
        index=searchST(s2);
        if(index == -1)
            index=insertST(s2,0,0);
        IC[iIC].Code2=index;
        IC[iIC].Type2=7; //VALUE 7 IS FOR VARIABLES
    }
}
if(tokencount>2)
{
    if(isdigit(*s3))
    {
        LT[iLT].Literal=atoi(s3);
        IC[iIC].Code3=iLT;
        IC[iIC].Type3=8;
            //VALUE 8 IS FOR LITERAL TYPE
        iLT++;
    }
    else
    {
        index=searchST(s3);
        if(index == -1)
            index=insertST(s3,0,0);
        IC[iIC].Code3=index;
        IC[iIC].Type3=7;
            //VALUE 7 IS FOR VARIABLES
    }
}
iIC++;
}

void declaration()
{
    if(strcmp(s1,"DC")==0)
    {
        DC();
    }
}

```

```

return;
}
if(strcmp(s1,"DS")==0)
    DS();
}

void directive()
{
    if(strcmp(s1,"START")==0)
    {
        START();
        return;
    }
    if(strcmp(s1,"LTORG")==0)
        LTORG();
}

void LTORG()
{
    int i,index;
    for(i=PT[iPT];i<iLT;i++)
    {
        LT[i].Address=LC;
        index=searchMOT("DC");
        IC[iIC].Type1=IC[iIC].Type2=IC[iIC].Type3=0;
        //initialize
        IC[iIC].LC=LC;
        IC[iIC].Code1=index;
        IC[iIC].Type1=MOT[index].Class;
        IC[iIC].Type2=6; //6 IS TYPE FOR CONSTANTS
        IC[iIC].Code2=LT[i].Literal;
        LC=LC+1;
        iIC++;
    }
    iPT++;
    PT[iPT]=iLT;
}

void DC()
{
    int index;
    index=searchMOT(s1);
    IC[iIC].Type1=IC[iIC].Type2=IC[iIC].Type3=0;
    //initialize
    IC[iIC].LC=LC;
    IC[iIC].Code1=index;
    IC[iIC].Type1=MOT[index].Class;
    IC[iIC].Type2=6; //6 IS TYPE FOR CONSTANTS
    IC[iIC].Code2=atoi(s2);
    index=searchST(label);
    if(index == -1)

```



```

index = insertST(label, 0, 0);
ST[index].Address = LC;
ST[index].Size = 1;
LC = LC + 1;
iIC++;
}

void DS()
{
    int index;
    index = searchMOT(s1);
    IC[iIC].Type1 = IC[iIC].Type2 = IC[iIC].Type3 = 0;
    //initialize
    IC[iIC].LC = LC;
    IC[iIC].Code1 = index;
    IC[iIC].Type1 = MOT[index].Class;
    IC[iIC].Type2 = 6;      //6 IS TYPE FOR CONSTANTS
    IC[iIC].Code2 = atoi(s2);
    index = searchST(label);
    if(index == -1)
        index = insertST(label, 0, 0);
    ST[index].Address = LC;
    ST[index].Size = atoi(s2);
    LC = LC + atoi(s2);
    iIC++;
}

void START()
{
    int index;
    index = searchMOT(s1);
    IC[iIC].Type1 = IC[iIC].Type2 = IC[iIC].Type3 = 0;
    //initialize
    IC[iIC].LC = LC;
    IC[iIC].Code1 = index;
    IC[iIC].Type1 = MOT[index].Class;
    IC[iIC].Type2 = 6;      //6 IS TYPE FOR CONSTANTS
    IC[iIC].Code2 = atoi(s2);
    LC = atoi(s2);
    iIC++;
}

void intermediate()
{
    int i;
    char decode[9][3] =
    {" ", "IS", "DL", "AD", "RG", "CC", "C", "S", "L"};
    printf("\nIntermediate Code :");
    for(i=0;i<iIC;i++)
    {
        printf("\n%3d)(%s,%2s)", IC[i].LC, decode[IC[i].Type1]
}

```

```

,MOT[IC[i].Code1].Opcode);
if(IC[i].Type2 != 0)
{
    if(IC[i].Type2 < 6)
        printf(" (%s,%2s)", decode[IC[i].Type2]
,MOT[IC[i].Code2].Opcode);
    else
        printf(" (%s,%2d)", decode[IC[i].Type2]
,IC[i].Code2);
}
if(IC[i].Type3 != 0)
    printf(" (%s,%2d)", decode[IC[i].Type3]
,IC[i].Code3);
}

void print_symbol()
{
    int i;
    printf("\n*****symbol table *****\n");
    for(i=0;i<iST;i++)
        printf("\n%10s %3d
%3d", ST[i].Symbol, ST[i].Address, ST[i].Size);
}

void print_pool()
{
    int i;
    printf("\npool table *****\n");
    for(i=0;i<iPT;i++)
        printf("\n%d", PT[i]);
}

void print_literal()
{
    int i;
    printf("\nliteral table*****\n");
    for(i=0;i<iLT;i++)
        printf("\n%5d\t%5d", LT[i].Literal, LT[i].Address);
}

void print_opcode()
{
    int i;
    printf("\nopcode table *****");
    for(i=0;i<nMOT;i++)
        if(MOT[i].Class == 1)
            printf("\n%6s 2s", MOT[i].Mnemonic, MOT[i].Opcode);
}

```

**Input / Output**

enter Source file name:xx.asm

\*\*\*\*\*symbol table \*\*\*\*\*

L1	100	0
X	108	1
Y	109	2

pool table \*\*\*\*\*

0  
2

literal table\*\*\*\*\*

5	103
2	104
4	111

opcode table \*\*\*\*\*

STOP	00
ADD	01
SUB	02
MULT	03
MOVER	04
MOVEM	05
COMP	06
BC	07
DIV	08
READ	09
PRINT	10

Intermediate Code :

0)	(AD,01)	(C,100)
100)	(IS,04)	(RG,01) (L, 0)
101)	(IS,05)	(RG,02) (S, 1)
102)	(IS,02)	(RG,01) (L, 1)
103)	(DL,02)	(C, 5)
104)	(DL,02)	(C, 2)
105)	(IS,04)	(RG,01) (S, 2)
106)	(IS,07)	(CC,07) (S, 0)
107)	(IS,01)	(RG,03) (L, 2)
108)	(DL,02)	(C, 5)
109)	(DL,01)	(C, 2)
111)	(DL,02)	(C, 4)

Contents of the file xx.asm

```

START 100
L1 MOVER AREG,=5
MOVEM BREG X
SUB AREG,=2
LTORG
MOVER AREG Y
BC any,L1
ADD CREG,4
X DC 5
Y DS 2
END

```

### 2.4.5 Pass II of the Assembler

→ (May 2014)

**Q.** Design and explain assembler pass-II of two pass assembler in detail. **SPPU - May 2014, 8 Marks**

Algorithm for pass II assumes that the intermediate code is stored in the table IC[ ]. Target code will be assembled in the area named code-area.

#### Algorithm

1. Code\_area\_address = address of Code\_area
2. For each entry in IC[ ]
  - {
  - a) If an imperative statement
    - (i) Read LC
    - (ii) Get opcode
    - (iii) Get operand / literal address from the symbol / literal table.
    - (iv) Assemble instruct in machine code\_buffer.
    - (v) Move contents of machine\_code\_buffer in code\_area at the address LC + code\_area\_address.
  - b) If a DC statement then
    - (i) Read LC
    - (ii) Assemble the constant in machine\_code\_buffer.
    - (iii) Move contents of machine\_code\_buffer in code\_area at the address LC+ code\_area\_address.
3. Write code\_area into output file.

### 2.4.6 C-Program for Pass II

#### ➤ Program 2.4.2 : Program for pass II

```

#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
struct MOTTable
{

```



```

char Mnemonic[6];
int Class;
char Opcode[3];
};

struct symboltable
{
    char Symbol[8];
    int Address;
    int Size;
}ST[20];

struct literaltable
{
    int Literal;
    int Address;
}LT[10];

int PT[20];
struct intermediatecode
{
    int LC;
    int Code1,Type1;
    int Code2,Type2;
    int Code3,Type3;
}IC[30];

int LC=0; //Location counter
int iPPT; //Index of next entry in Poll Table
int iLT=0; //Index of next entry in Literal Table
int iST=0; //Index of next entry in Symbol Table
int iIC=0; //Index of next entry in intermediate code table

void main()
{
    char file1[40],nextline[80];
    char code1 [5],code2 [5],code3 [5],code4 [5],
    code5 [5],code6 [5];
    int len,i,j,temp,errorType,count;
    FILE *ptrl;
    printf("\nEnter Symbol Table Entries : ");
    printf("\nEnter No. entries : ");
    scanf("%d",&count);
    iST=count;
    for(i=0;i<count;i++)
    {
        printf("\nEnter the address of the symbol : ");
        scanf("%d",&(ST[i].Address));
    }

    printf("\nEnter Literal Table Entries : ");
    printf("\nEnter No. entries : ");
    scanf("%d",&count);
    iLT=count;
}

```

```

for(i=0;i<count;i++)
{
    printf("\nEnter the address of the literal : ");
    scanf("%d",&(LT[i].Address));
}

printf("\nEnter Source file name(containing Intermediate
Code):");
flushall();
gets(file1);
ptrl=fopen(file1,"r");
while(!feof(ptrl))
{
/* Read a line of intermediate code and remove special */
    characters
    i=0;
    nextline[i]=fgetc(ptrl);
    while(nextline[i]!='\n'&& nextline[i]!=EOF )
    {
        if(!isalnum(nextline[i]))
            nextline[i]=' ';
        else
            nextline[i]=toupper(nextline[i]);
        i++;
        nextline[i]=fgetc(ptrl);
    }
    nextline[i]='\0';
}

count=sscanf(nextline,"%s%s%s%s%s",code1,code
2,code3,code4,code5,code6);
if(strcmp(code1,"AD")==0 &&
strcmp(code2,"01")==0)
{
    LC=atoi(code4);
    continue;
}

if(strcmp(code1,"IS")==0 )
{
    printf("\n%3d %s ",LC,code2);
    if(count==2)
    {
        printf("00 000");
        LC=LC+1;
        continue;
    }
    if(count==4)
    {
        strcpy(code5,code3);
        strcpy(code6,code4);
    }
}

```



```

        printf("00 ");
    }
else
    printf("%os ",code4);
if(strcmp(code5,"S")==0)
    printf("%d",ST[atoi(code6)].Address);
else
    printf("%d",LT[atoi(code6)].Address);

LC=LC+1;
continue;
}
if(strcmp(code1,"DL")==0)
{
    printf("\n%3d ",LC);
    if(strcmp(code2,"01")==0)
        LC=LC+atoi(code4);
    else
    {
        printf("00 00 %3s",code4);
        LC=LC+1;
    }
}
}

```

**Input / Output**

Enter Symbol Table Entries :

Enter No. entries : 4

Enter the address of the symbol : 101

Enter the address of the symbol : 132

Enter the address of the symbol : 103

Enter the address of the symbol : 112

Enter Literal Table Entries :

Enter No. entries : 1

Enter the address of the literal : 108

enter Source file name(containing Intermediate Code):ic.ic

- 100) 09 00 101
- 101) 04 02 108
- 102) 05 02 132

- 103) 03 02 132
- 104) 04 03 132
- 105) 06 03 101
- 106) 07 04 103
- 107) 05 02 112
- 108) 00 00 1
- 109) 10 00 112
- 110) 00 00 000
- 111)
- 112)
- 132)

## Contents of the file ic.ic

- (AD,01) (C,100)
- (IS,09) (S,0)
- (IS,04) (RG,02) (L,0)
- (IS,05) (RG,02) (S,1)
- (IS,03) (RG,02) (S,1)
- (IS,04) (RG,03) (S,1)
- (IS,06) (RG,03) (S,0)
- (IS,07) (CC,04) (S,2)
- (IS,05) (RG,02) (S,3)
- (DL,02) (C,1)
- (IS,10) (S,3)
- (IS,00)
- (DL,01)(C,1)
- (DL,01) (C,20)
- (DL,01) (C,1)
- (AD,02)

**Example 2.4.1**

For the following assembly language code show the contents of symbol table, literal table and also generate intermediate and target code. [Assume suitable op-codes and instruction length and clearly indicate the assumptions made]

	START	1000
	READ	N
	MOVER	B, = "1"
	MOVEM	B, TERM
AGAIN	MUL	B, TERM
	MOVER	C, TERM
	COMP	C, N
	BC	LE, AGAIN
	MOVEM	B, RESULT
	LTORG	
	PRINT	RESULT
	STOP	
N	DS	1
	RESULT	20
	TERM	1
	END	





Symbol Table		Literal Table		Pool Table	
Symbol	Address	Literal	Address	0	0
0 A	102	0 = 5	108	1	2
1 L1	105	1 = 1	109		
2 B	112	2 = 1	113		
3 C	103				
4 D	103				

Step 2 :

	Intermediate code	LC	Machine code		
1.	(AD, 01) (C, 100)				
2.	(IS, 04) (RG, 01) (L, 0)	100	04	01	108
3.	(IS, 01) (RG, 03) (L, 1)	101	01	03	109
4.	(DL, 01) (C, 3)	102			
5.	(IS, 04) (RG, 01) (S, 2)	105	04	01	112
6.	(IS, 01) (RG, 01) (S, 3)	106	01	01	103
7.	(IS, 05) (RG, 01) (S, 4)	107	05	01	103
8.	(DL, 02) (C, 5)	108	00	00	005
	(DL, 02) (C, 1)	109	00	00	001
9.	(AD, 04) (C, 103)				
10.	(IS, 10) (S, 4)	110	10	00	103
11.	(AD, 03) (C, 101)				
12.	(IS, 02) (RG, 01) (L, 2)	101	02	01	113
13.	(IS, 03) (RG, 03) (S, 2)	102	03	03	112
14.	(DL, 02) (C, 5)	103	00	00	005
15.	(AD, 03) (C, 111)				
16.	(IS, 00)	111	00	00	000
17.	(DL, 02) (C, 19)	112	00	00	019
18.	(AD, 02)				
19.	(DL, 02) (C, 1)	113	00	00	001

## 2.4.7 Error Reporting

An assembly program may contain errors. It may be necessary to report these errors effectively. Some errors can be reported during processing in pass I. Some errors can only be reported at the end of the source program. Some of the typical errors include :

1. Syntax errors like missing commas etc.
2. Invalid opcode.
3. Duplicate definition of a symbol.
4. Undefined symbol.
5. Missing START statement.
6. Missing END statement.
7. Symbol defined but not used.

- Errors like undefined symbol, missing START statement and missing END statement can only be reported at the end of the source program.

- A sample program with error reporting is shown in Fig. 2.4.8.

Sr. No.	Statement	Address
001	START 100	
002	MOVER AREG, X	
003	ADDER BREG,X	
	***error *** invalid opcode	
004	ADD AREG, Y	
005	X DC '2'	
006	X DS 1	
	***error*** duplicate definition of X	
007	Z DC '3'	
	END	
	***error *** undefined symbol Y	
	***error *** symbol Z is not used.	

Fig. 2.4.8 : Error reporting in pass I

### Example 2.4.3

With respect to the design of a two pass assembler, state whether the following statements are true or false. Justify your answer in each case.

- Literals are processed in PASS-II.
- Undefined symbols are detected in PASS-I.
- Incorrect op-codes are identified in PASS-I.

#### Solution :

##### i) Literals are processed in Pass-II

- No.

Literals are processed in Pass-I and not in Pass-II. Literals are stored in literal table in pass-I. These literals are accommodated in memory on processing of LTORG directive.

##### ii) Undefined symbols are detected in Pass-I

- Yes.

At the end of Pass-I, undefined symbols can be detected. Undefined symbols can be detected by introducing one more column in the symbol table. Value of this column-entry can be set to true if the corresponding symbol is defined using DC/DS.

##### iii) Incorrect op-codes are identified in Pass-I

- True.

Processing of opcode is carried out in Pass-I.]

### Example 2.4.4

State true or false.

- The output of an assembler is an object program.
- The EQU statement defines the symbol to represent the constant in the operand specification.

#### Solution :

- True
- True.

**Example 2.4.5**

Is it necessary to have an explicit representation of DS statements and assembler directives in intermediate code ? Explain.

**Solution :**

If the intermediate code contains the address field (LC value) then the representation of DS statements in intermediate code is not necessary. With the address field of intermediate code omitted, a representation for the DS statements and assembler directives become necessary. It will be needed for LC processing in Pass-II.

## 2.5 Exam Pack (University Questions)

☞ Syllabus Topic : Elements of Assembly Language Programming

- Q. Explain in brief imperative statements, declaration statements and assembler directives with examples for assembly language programming.  
*(Refer section 2.1.3) (9 Marks) (May 2017)*
- Q. Explain different assembly language statements with examples.  
*(Refer section 2.1.3) (7 Marks) (Dec. 2016)*
- Q. Explain in brief assembler directives with examples.  
*(Refer section 2.1.3) (6 Marks) (May 2016)*
- Q. What is an assembler ?  
*(Refer section 2.2) (4 Marks) (Dec. 2013)*

☞ Syllabus Topics : Simple Assembler Scheme, Structure of an Assembler

- Q. Explain ORIGIN statement with example.  
*(Refer section 2.3(1)) (2 Marks) (May 2014, Aug. 2015(In Sem), Oct. 2016(In Sem))*
- Q. Explain EQU statement.  
*(Refer section 2.3(2)) (2 Marks) (May 2014, Aug. 2015(In Sem))*
- Q. What is a LTORG Statement ? Explain with example.  
*(Refer section 2.3(3)) (8 Marks) (May 2014, Oct. 2016(In Sem))*

☞ Syllabus Topic : Design of Two Pass Assembler

- Q. How Pass I of an assembler works.  
*(Refer section 2.4) (4 Marks) (May 2013)*
- Q. Explain two pass assembler along with the schematic diagram.  
*(Refer section 2.4) (4 Marks) (May 2013)*
- Q. Describe the design of Pass 1 of two pass assembler.  
*(Refer section 2.4) (7 Marks) (Dec. 2015)*
- Q. Explain the algorithm in detail with data structures used.  
*(Refer section 2.4.2) (4 Marks) (May 2013)*
- Q. Design and explain assembler pass-II of two pass assembler in detail.  
*(Refer section 2.4.5) (8 Marks) (May 2014)*

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# Macro Processor

## Syllabus Topics

Macro Definition and call, Macro expansion, Nested Macro Calls, Advanced Macro Facilities, Design of a two-pass macro-processor.

### ~~Syllabus Topic : Macro Definition~~

#### 3.1 Macro Definition

→ (May 2014)

Q. Explain the term macro definition.

SPPU - May 2014, 2 Marks

Macro allows a sequence of source language code to be defined once and then referred to by name each time it is to be referred. Each time this name occurs in a program, the sequence of codes is substituted at that point.

A macro consists of :

- (1) Name of the macro
- (2) Set of parameters
- (3) Body of macro (Code)

Parameters in a macro are optional.

For example, let us consider a program segment given below:

ADD AREG, X

ADD BREG, X

=====

ADD AREG, X

ADD BREG, X

=====

ADD AREG, X

ADD BREG, X

=====

In the above program, the sequence

ADD AREG, X

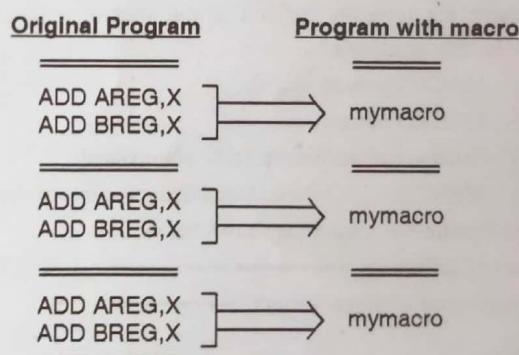
ADD BREG, X

occurs three times. A macro allows us to attach a name to this sequence and to use this name in its place.

We can attach a name to a sequence by means of a macro definition, which is formed in the following manner :

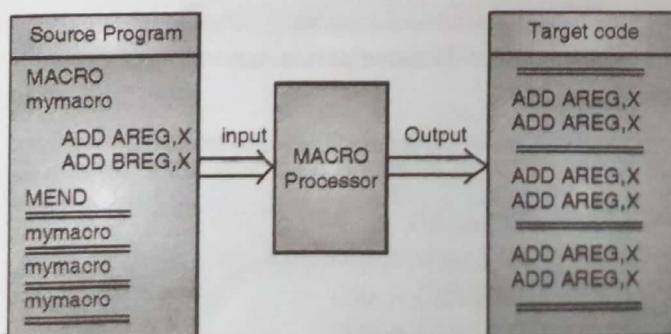
Start of definition	MACRO
macro name	mymacro
macro body	ADD AREG, X ADD BREG, X
End of macro definition	MEND

The example given above can be expressed with macro. It is given in Fig. 3.1.1



(S3.1)Fig. 3.1.1 : Re-writing a program with macros

A macro processor takes a source with macro definition and macro calls and replaces each macro call with its body.



(S3.2)Fig. 3.1.2 : Macro expansion

**Example 3.1.1**

Compare and contrast the properties of macros and subroutines with respect to the following :

- Code space requirement
- Execution speed
- Processing required by the assembler
- Flexibility and generality

**Solution :**

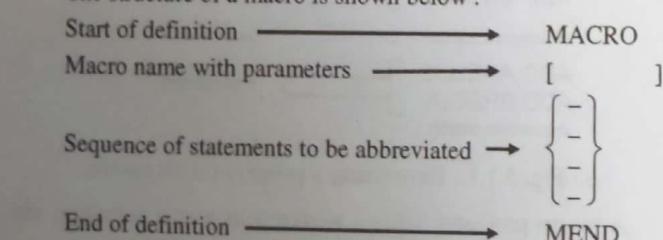
Sr. No.	Properties	Macro	Subroutines
1	Code space requirement	More, macro is expanded inline	Less, subroutines are not expanded. It is called.
2	Execution speed	More, there is no calling overhead (i.e passing of parameters and saving of return address )	Less, there is calling overhead.
3	Processing required by the assembler.	Assembler will take more time to process as code size increases	Assembler must handle passing of parameters.
4.	Flexibility and generality	A macro cannot handle labels.	A subroutine can handle every type of feature.

**3.2 Defining a Macro**

Macros are typically defined at the start of a program. A macro definition consists of

- MACRO pseudo opcode
- MACRO name
- Sequence of statements to be abbreviated
- MEND pseudo opcode terminating the macro definition

The structure of a macro is shown below :



- The MACRO Pseudo opcode is the first line of the macro definition.
- The next line has macro name with a list of parameters.  
< macro name > [< list of parameters>]

**Example**

Fig. 3.2.1 shows the definition of macro INCR.

```

MACRO
INCR &ARG
ADD AREG, &ARG
ADD BREG, &ARG
ADD CREG, &ARG
MEND
  
```

Fig. 3.2.1 : A macro definition

- The macro-name line INCR &ARG indicates that :
  - The name of the macro is INCR.
  - There is one parameter to macro, called ARG.
- The parameter ARG does not have a default value. Such parameter is also known as positional parameter.
- The three lines :
 

```

ADD AREG, &ARG
ADD BREG, &ARG
ADD CREG, &ARG
      
```

form the body of the macro which will be used during macro expansion. During a macro call, the value of the positional parameter should be supplied.

**Syllabus Topic : Macro Call****3.2.1 Calling a Macro**

→ ( May 2014)

- Q. Explain the term macro calls.

**SPPU - May 2014, 2 Marks**

A macro is called by writing the macro name with actual parameters in an assembly program.

The macro call has the following syntax :

< macro name > [< list of parameters >]

For example,

INCR X

Will call the macro INCR with the actual parameter X.

A macro call leads to macro expansion.

**Syllabus Topic : Macro Expansion****3.2.2 Macro Expansion**

→ (May 2013, May 2014)

- Q. Explain the process of Macro Expansion with relevant data structures.

**SPPU - May 2013, 8 Marks**

- Q. Explain the term macro expansion.

**SPPU - May 2014, 2 Marks**

Each call to a macro is replaced by its body.

During replacement, actual parameter is used in place of formal parameter.

- During macro expansion, each statement forming the body of the macro is picked up one by one sequentially.
- Each statement inside the macro may have :
  - An ordinary string, which is copied as it is during expansion.
  - The name of a formal parameter which is preceded by the character '&'.
- During macro expansion an ordinary string is retained without any modification. Formal parameters (string starting with &) is replaced by the actual parameter value.

Consider a macro as given in Fig. 3.2.2

```

MACRO
    INCR  &VARIABLE,
    &INCR_BY,&USE_REG
    MOVER  &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
    ADD    &USE_REG, &INCR_BY
    MOVEM  &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
MEND

```

Fig. 3.2.2 : A macro definition

- Name of the macro is **INCR**

- There are three positional parameters

These parameters are :

- (1) VARIABLE
- (2) INCR\_BY
- (3) USE\_REG

- The body of macro **INCR** contains three statements.

Consider an assembly program with macro definition and macro-call as given in Fig. 3.2.3.

```

MACRO
    INCR &VARIABLE, &INCR_BY,&USE_REG
    MOVER  &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
    ADD    &USE_REG, &INCR_BY
    MOVEM  &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
MEND
START 100
READ   X
READ   Y
INCR   X, Y, AREG
PRINT  X
STOP
X DS 1
Y DS 1
END

```

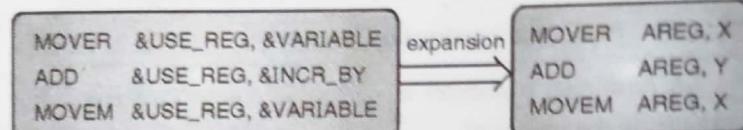
Fig. 3.2.3 : An assembly program with macro

The macro processor will process the program given in Fig. 3.2.3 as explained below.

- (1) The statement **START 100** will be copied as it is.
- (2) The statement **READ X** will be copied as it is.
- (3) The statement **READ Y** will be copied as it is.
- (4) The statement **INCR X, Y, AREG** is a call to macro. The macro **INCR** will be expanded there. Values of the formal parameters are :

Formal parameter	Value
VARIABLE	X
INCR_BY	Y
USE_REG	AREG

There are three statements in the body of the macro. During expansion of the macro, actual parameters will be used instead of formal parameters.



#### (5) Remaining statements

```

PRINT X
STOP
X DS 1
Y DS 1
END

```

will be retained without any modification.

The output of macro processor is an expanded program with each call to macro, expanded. The output is shown in Fig. 3.2.4.

```

START      100
READ       X
READ       Y
MOVER      AREG, X
ADD        AREG, Y
MOVEM      AREG, X

```

INCR X, Y, AREG  
is expanded here.

```

PRINT      X
STOP
X DS 1
Y DS 1
END

```

Fig. 3.2.4 : Expanded code

#### Example 3.2.1 : SPPU - Oct. 2016 (In Sem), 6 Marks

Explain lexical expansion of macro with example.

Soln. :

It is used to generate an assembly statements from a model statement. Each call to a macro is replaced by its body. During replacement, actual parameter is used in place of formal parameter.

#### 3.2.3 Macro with Keyword Parameters

→ (Dec. 2015)

- Q. Explain the advance macro facilities : Attributes of parameters.

SPPU - Dec. 2015, 3 Marks



A macro can have two types of parameters :

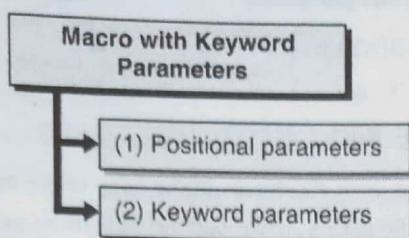


Fig. C3.1 : Keyword parameters of macros

#### → (1) Positional parameter

A positional parameter is written as &parameter\_name. For example, in the statement

INCR &VARIABLE, &INCR\_BY, &USE\_REG  
VARIABLE, INCR\_BY AND USE\_REG are positional parameters.

During macro expansion, actual values of parameters are substituted on the basis their positions in the macro-call-statement.

For example, in the macro call statement

INCR X, Y, AREG

- The value X at position 1 will be assigned to the first formal parameter VARIABLE.
- The value Y at position 2 will be assigned to the second formal parameter INCR\_BY.
- The value AREG at position 3 will be assigned to the third formal parameter USE\_REG.

#### → (2) Keyword parameter

Keyword parameters are used for following purposes :

- (1) Default value can be assigned to the parameter
- (2) During a call to macro, a keyword parameter is specified by its name. It takes the following form :

< parameter name > = < parameter value >

- | Macro call statement |   |
|----------------------|---|
| 1.                   | INCR VARIABLE=A, INCR_BY=B,<br>USE_REG = BREG |
| 2.                   | INCR INCR_BY=B, USE_REG=BREG,<br>VARIABLE = A |
| 3.                   | INCR VARIABLE = A                             |
| 4.                   | INCR  |

Fig. 3.2.5 shows macro INCR of Fig. 3.2.2 using keyword parameters.

```

MACRO
INCR      &VARIABLE = X,
          &INCR_BY = Y, &USE_REG = AREG
MOVER     &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
ADD       &USE_REG, &INCR_BY
MOVEM    &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
MEND
  
```

Fig. 3.2.5 : A macro with keyword parameters

- VARIABLE is a keyword parameter with default value X.
- INCR\_BY is a keyword parameter with default value as Y.
- USE\_REG is a keyword parameter with default value AREG.
- The following macro calls are equivalent :

```

INCR      VARIABLE=A, INCR_BY = B,
USE_REG = BREG
INCR      INCR_BY = B, USE_REG = BREG,
          VARIABLE = A
...
INCR USE_REG = BREG, VARIABLE = A, INCR_BY = B
  
```

The position of keyword parameter during a macro call is important.

- It is not necessary to pass value of every keyword parameter. If the value of a keyword parameter is not specified then default value is taken during expansion.

Expansion of the macro in Fig. 3.2.5 is shown under various cases in Fig. 3.2.6.

Expanded macro	
MOVER	BREG,A
ADD	BREG,B
MOVEM	BREG,A
MOVER	BREG,A
ADD	BREG,B
MOVEM	BREG,A
MOVER	AREG,A
ADD	AREG,Y
MOVEM	AREG,A
MOVER	AREG,X
ADD	AREG,Y
MOVEM	AREG,X

Fig. 3.2.6: Various cases of expansion



### 3.2.4 Macro with Mixed Parameters

A macro may be defined with both :

- (1) Positional Parameters
- (2) Keyword Parameters

In such cases, positional parameters should be written before keyword parameters.

Fig. 3.2.7 shows the definition of macro INCR. It uses both positional and keyword parameters.

**MACRO**

```
INCR      &VARIABLE, &INCR_BY,
&USE_REG = AREG,
MOVER    &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
ADD      &USE_REG, &INCR_BY
MOVEM    &USE_REG, &VARIABLE
```

**MEND**

Fig. 3.2.7 : A macro with mixed parameters

- The parameters **VARIABLE** and **INCR\_BY** are positional parameters while **USE\_REG** is a keyword parameter.
- A macro call

INCR X, Y, USE\_REG = BREG

will assign X and Y to the positional parameters **VARIABLE** and **INCR\_BY** respectively. BREG will be used as a value of the keyword parameter **USE\_REG**.

### 3.2.5 Other Uses of Parameters

Formal parameters are not restricted to operands. Formal parameters can appear in any field of a statement inside the body of a macro. These fields include :

- (1) Label    (2) Opcode    (3) Operand

For example, let us consider a macro definition shown in Fig. 3.2.8.

**MACRO**

```
CALC      &X, &Y, &OP = ADD, &LABEL = L1
&LABEL    MOVER    BREG, &X
           &OP BREG, &Y
           MOVEM    BREG, &X
```

**MEND**

Fig. 3.2.8 : A macro showing other uses of parameters

- The parameter **LABEL** appears in the label field
- The parameter **OP** appears in the opcode field
- Expansion of the macro CALC

CALC A, B, LABEL = LOOP leads to the following lines of code :

```
LOOP    MOVER    BREG, A
       ADD      BREG, B
       MOVEM    BREG, A
```

### Example 3.2.2

State true or false

- (i) A macro definition consists of macro preprocessor statements.
- (ii) Macro expansion is a result of a macro call.
- (iii) The default flow control during macro expansion is sequential.
- (iv) A macro may be defined to use both positional and keyword parameters.

**Solution :**

- (i) True    (ii) True    (iii) True    (iv) True

### Example 3.2.3

State true or false

- (i) MDT contains macro names.
- (ii) Keyword parameters can be used in macro.

**Solution :**

- (i) False, MDT need not contain macro names. Macro names are stored in MNT.
- (ii) True.

### Example 3.2.4

Comment on the following statements.

"Macro can not detect instructional errors i.e. errors in opcodes".

**Solution :** Macro pre-processor is only concerned with macro definitions and macro calls. It does not have machine opcode table.

### Syllabus Topic : Nested Macro Calls

### 3.3 Nested Macro Calls

→ (Dec. 2014, May 2015, May 2016)

**Q. Explain nested macros with example.**

**SPPU - Dec. 2014, May 2015, May 2016, 3 Marks**

A nested macro call is a macro call within a macro. There can be several levels of nesting.

- A macro containing a macro call is known as outer macro.
- A called macro is known as inner macro.
- Expansion of nested macro calls follows the LIFO (last in first out) rule.

For example, let us consider the program segment shown in Fig. 3.3.1.

**MACRO**

```
COMPUTE   &ARG
MOVER     AREG, &ARG
ADD       AREG, = '1'
MOVEM    AREG, &ARG
```

**MEND**

**MACRO**

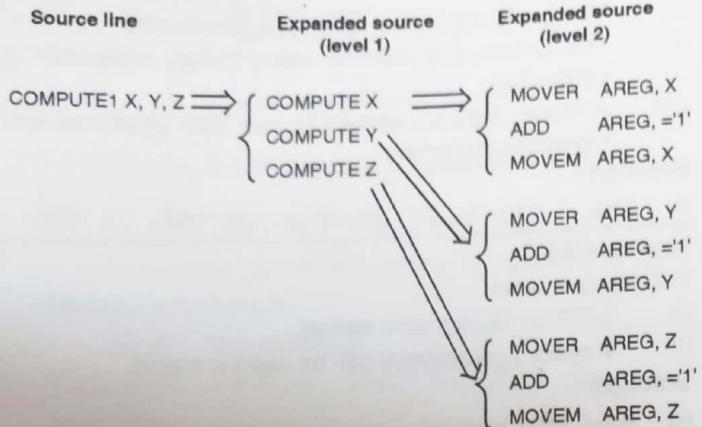
```
COMPUTE1  &ARG1, &ARG2, &ARG3
COMPUTE   &ARG1
COMPUTE   &ARG2
COMPUTE   &ARG3
```

**MEND**

Fig. 3.3.1 : Nested macros



The definition of macro **COMPUTE1** contains three separate calls to a previously defined macro **COMPUTE**. Such macros are expanded on multiple levels. Expansion of COMPUTE1 X, Y, Z is shown in Fig. 3.3.2.



(S3.4)Fig. 3.3.2 : Expansion of compute X, Y, Z

### 3.3.1 Nested Macro Definition

A macro can be defined inside the body of a macro. This concept can be used for defining a group of similar macros.

- Inner macro comes into existence after a call to the outer macro.
- Inner macro can be called after it has come into existence.

A nested macro definition is shown in Fig. 3.3.3.

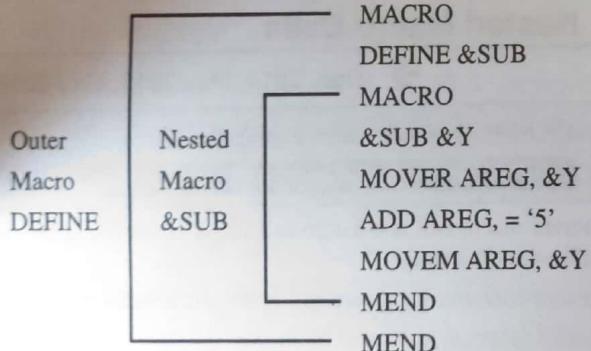


Fig. 3.3.3 : Nested macro definition

The Fig. 3.3.3 defines a macro **DEFINE**, which when called with a parameter, defines a macro with the same name as the actual parameter.

The user might call the macro with the statement

DEFINE NESTED

This will define a new macro **NESTED** as shown below.

```

MACRO
NESTED &Y
MOVER AREG, &Y
ADD AREG, = '5'
MOVEM AREG, &Y
MEND

```

### 3.4 Advanced Macro Facilities

→ (May 2013, Dec. 2015, May 2017)

- Q. Explain the process of alteration of flow of control during macro expansion. **SPPU - May 2013, 4 Marks**
- Q. Explain the advance macro facilities : Alteration of flow of control during expansion. **SPPU - Dec. 2015, 3 Marks**
- Q. Explain advanced macro facilities with example. **SPPU - May 2017, 6 Marks**

Advanced macro facilities permit conditional reordering of the sequence of macro expansion. It allows conditional selection of the machine instructions that appear in expansion of macro call.

Flow of control during macro expansion can be altered using:

- (1) Conditional branch Pseudo-opcode **AIF**.
  - (2) Unconditional branch Pseudo- opcode **AGO**.
- AIF is similar to IF statement, the **label** used for branching is known as **sequencing symbol**.
  - A sequencing symbol has the syntax  
<ordinary string>
  - AGO is similar to GO TO statement
  - An AIF statement has the syntax  
AIF (<expression>) < sequencing symbol >
  - An AGO statement has the syntax  
AGO < sequencing symbol >

An example showing the usage of AIF, AGO and the sequencing symbol is shown in Fig. 3.4.1.

```

MACRO
VARY &COUNT, &ARG1
AIF (&COUNT · EQ · 1) · ONCE
AIF (&COUNT · EQ · 2) · TWICE
AIF (&COUNT · EQ · 3) · THRICE
AGO · FINAL
· ONCE MOVER AREG, X
ADD AREG, &ARG1
AGO · FINAL
· TWICE MOVER AREG, X
ADD AREG, &ARG1
ADD AREG, &ARG1
AGO · FINAL
· THRICE MOVER AREG, X
ADD AREG, &ARG1
ADD AREG, &ARG1
ADD AREG, &ARG1
AGO · FINAL
· FINAL MEND

```

Fig. 3.4.1 : A macro with conditional expansion

- In this macro, the number of instructions generated during expansion will depend on the value of the parameter **&count**. ONCE, TWICE and THRICE are sequencing symbol. They help in transfer of control during expansion of the macro.
- Various cases of macro expansions are shown below :

	<b>Macro call</b>	<b>Expanded source</b>
1.	VARY 1, Y	MOVER AREG, X ADD AREG, Y
2.	VARY 2, Y	MOVER AREG, X ADD AREG, Y ADD AREG, Y
3.	VARY 3, Y	MOVER AREG, X ADD AREG, Y ADD AREG, Y ADD AREG, Y

- AIF and AGO statements do not appear in the expanded source. AIF and AGO statements control the sequence in which the macro processor expands the statements during expansion.
- Sequencing symbols do not appear in the expanded code.

### 3.4.1 Expansion Time Variables (EV)

→ (Dec. 2014, May 2015, Dec. 2015)

**Q. Explain expansion time variables with example.**

SPPU - Dec. 2014, May 2015, 3 Marks

**Q. Explain the advance macro facilities : Expansion time variables**

SPPU - Dec. 2015, 3 Marks

Expansion time variables are used during macro expansions. These variables are declared as local variables. Local variables are declared as given below :

LCL <&variable name> [, <&variable name> ...]

An expansion time variable can be manipulated through the statement SET. The SET statement is written as :

<Expansion time variable> SET <expression>

- In many macros, similar statements are generated during expansion.
- For example, the macro shown in Fig. 3.4.2 generates similar statements.

**MACRO**

CLEAR	&ARG
MOVER	AREG, = '0'
MOVEM	AREG, &ARG
MOVEM	AREG, &ARG+1
MOVEM	AREG, &ARG+2
MOVEM	AREG, &ARG+3
MEND	

Fig. 3.4.2 : A macro with similar statements

A call to macro CLEAR with the statement,

CLEAR A

will lead to following expansion

MOVER AREG, = '0'

MOVEM AREG, A

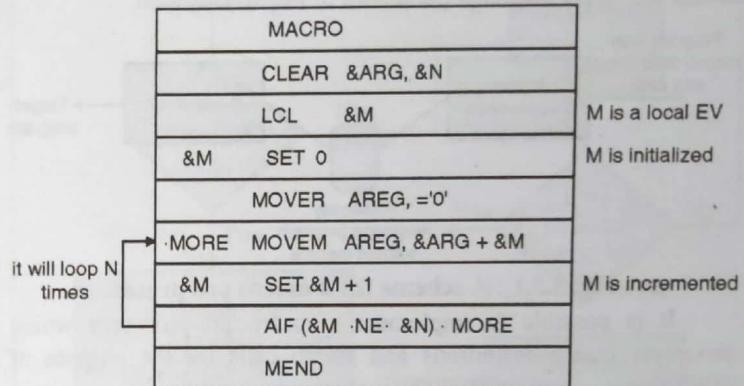
MOVEM AREG, A + 1

MOVEM AREG, A + 2

MOVEM AREG, A + 3

The above code stores the value '0' in four consecutive locations with the address A, A + 1, A + 2 and A + 3.

- Alternatively, the same effect can be created by implementing loop for expansion. Loop can create the same effect as given in the macro CLEAR. Expansion time loop can be written using expansion time variable.
- The macro given in Fig. 3.4.2 can be re-written as shown in Fig. 3.4.3.



CLEAR A, 3

will loop three times for each value of M from 0 to 3 with the following expansion.

MOVER AREG, = '0'

MOVEM AREG, A — M = 0

MOVEM AREG, A + 1 — M = 1

MOVEM AREG, A + 2 — M = 2

MOVEM AREG, A + 3 — M = 3

#### Example 3.4.1

Can a one pass macro processor successfully handle a macro containing macro pseudo-ops ? If not what modifications are necessary to enable it to handle such situations ? If yes, how does it handle ?

#### Solution :

A single pass macro processor requires that macro definitions must be given before they are called. Macro definitions must be processed before calls.

Macro processor pseudo-ops, AIF and AGO, permit conditional reordering of the sequence of macro expansion. These details can be stored in macro definition table in an intermediate form. A one pass macro processor can successfully handle a macro containing macro pseudo-ops.

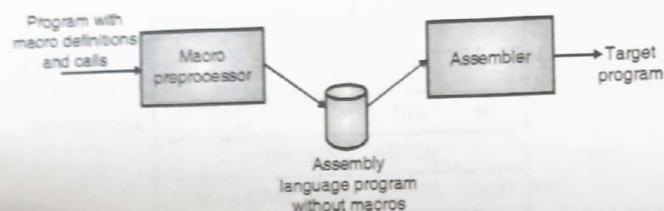
Handling of pseudo-ops is discussed in section 3.4.

### 3.5 Design of Macro Processor

→ (May 2013, May 2014)

- Q. List down the steps in designing a Macro Preprocessor.  
**SPPU- May 2013, 6 Marks**
- Q. Explain the process of Macro Expansion with relevant data structures.  
**SPPU - May 2013, 8 Marks**
- Q. Explain design of two pass MACRO processor in detail.  
**SPPU - May 2014, 8 Marks**

Macro pre-processor takes a source program containing macro definitions and macro calls and translates into an assembly language program without any macro definitions or calls. This program can now be handed over to a conventional assembler to obtain the target language (as shown in Fig. 3.5.1).



(s3.e) Fig. 3.5.1 : A scheme for a macro pre-processor

It is possible to implement a macro pre-processor which processes macro definitions and macro calls for the purpose of expansions.

#### 3.5.1 Issues Related to the Design of a Simple Macro Preprocessor

We will go for a simple two pass macro pre-processor and then enhance it to handle advance features like :

1. AIF
2. AGO
3. Sequencing symbol
4. Expansion time variable

The macro pre-processor has to perform the four basic tasks :

1. Recognize macro definition
2. Save the macro definition
3. Recognize macro calls
4. Expand macro calls and substitute arguments.

- A macro definition is identified by MACRO and MEND pseudo opcodes.
  - A macro definition is saved as it is required during macro expansion.
  - A macro call appears as operation mnemonic.
  - During macro expansion, the pre-processor must substitute formal parameters with actual parameters.
- A macro pre-processor has to do the following :

#### Pass 1

Scan all macro definitions one by one. For each macro:

- (a) Enter its name in the Macro Name Table (MNT).
- (b) Store the entire macro definition in the Macro Definition Table (MDT).
- (c) Add the information to the MNT indicating where the definition of a macro can be found in MDT.
- (d) Prepare argument list array.

#### Pass 2

Examine all statements in the assembly source program to detect macro calls. For each macro call :

- (a) Locate the macro name in MNT.
- (b) Establish correspondence between formal parameters and actual parameters.
- (c) Obtain information from MNT regarding position of the macro definition in MDT.
- (d) Expand the macro call by picking up model statements from MDT.

#### Example 3.5.1

Consider the following code segment.

MACRO	&X, &Y, &REG = AREG
INCR	&REG, &X
MOVER	&REG, &Y
ADD	&REG, &X
MOVEM	&REG, &X
MEND	
MACRO	
DECRR	&A, &B, &REG = BREG
MOVER	&REG, &A
SUB	&REG, &B
MOVEM	&REG, &A
MEND	
START	100
READ N1	
READ N2	
INCR N1, N2, REG = CREG	
DECR N1, N2	
STOP	
N1	DS 1
N2	DS 1
END	

Show the contents of

- (i) Macro Name Table
- (ii) Macro Definition Table
- (iii) Argument List Array

#### Solution :

Pass I of the macro pre-processor will store the details of the two macros in MNT and MDT.

MNT		MDT
Name	Address in MDT	
0 INCR	0	0 INCR &X, &Y, &REG = AREG
1 DECR	5	1 DECR &A, &B, &REG = BREG

#1 - First parameter  
#2 - Second parameter  
#3 - Third parameter

(s3.7)Fig. Ex. 3.5.1

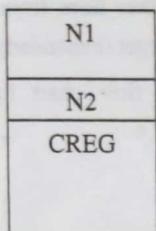


Pass II of the macro pre-processor will create the argument list array, every time there is a call to macro, and expand the macro.

#### (1) Macro call :

INCR N1, N2, REG = CREG

Argument list array



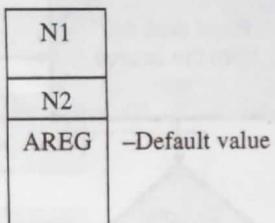
Expanded code :

MOVER CREG, N1  
ADD CREG, N2  
MOVEM CREG, N1

#### (2) Macro call :

DECR N1, N2

Argument list array



Expanded code :

MOVER AREG, N1  
SUB AREG, N2  
MOVEM AREG, N1

### 3.5.2 Databases used in Pass-1 of 2 Pass Macro Processor

→ (Dec. 2013)

Q. What are the data structure used for the design of macro processing ?  
SPPU - Dec. 2013, 3 Marks

#### Pass 1

Uses the following databases :

1. Source program as input
2. Source program without macro definition as output of pass1 and input of pass2.
3. Macro definition table (MDT)
4. Macro name table (MNT)
5. Argument list array (ALA)
6. MNTP (macro name table pointer)
7. MDTP (macro definition table pointer)

A source program containing both macro definitions and macro calls is given as input to pass1 of microprocessor.

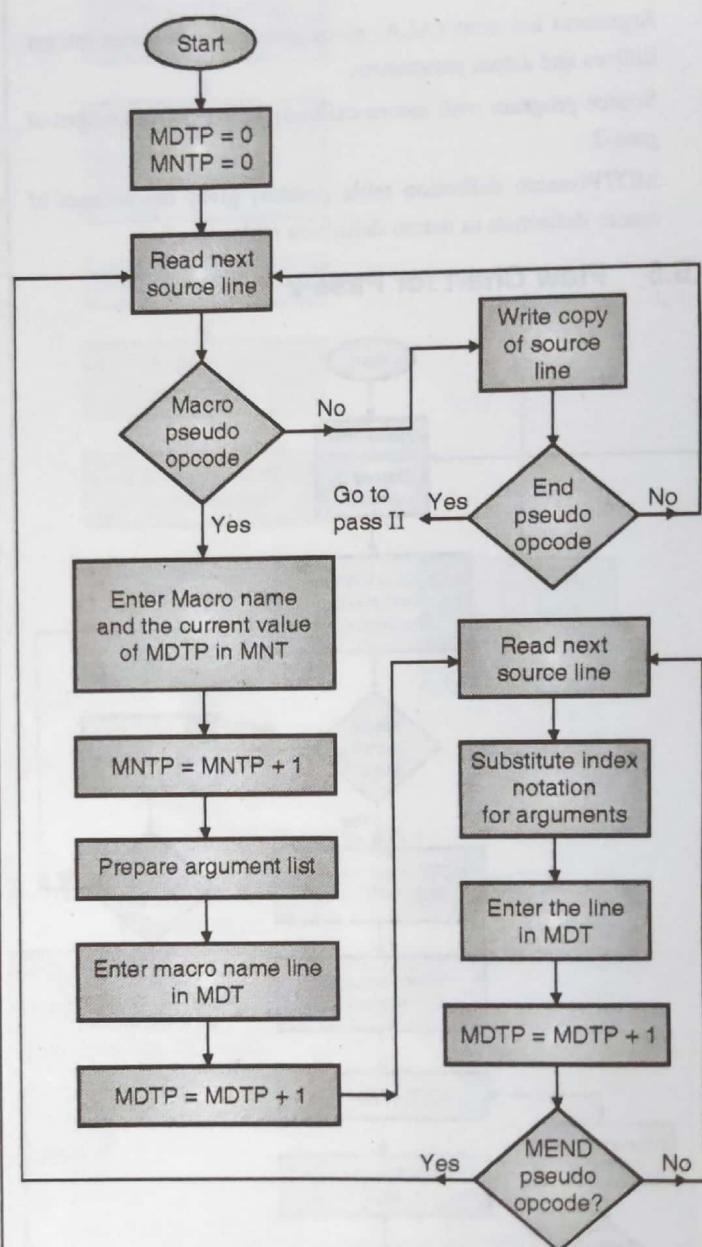
The MNT is used to store name of macros. The entire macro definition is stored in the MDT. The index into MDT (starting row number of this macro definition) is stored in MNT.

The argument list array (ALA) is used to substitute index markers for formal parameters before storing macro definition in MDT.

MNTP gives the next available entry in MNT.

MDTP gives the next available entry in MDT.

### 3.5.3 Flow Chart for Pass 1



(s3.8)Fig. 3.5.2

### 3.5.4 Databases used in Pass-2 of 2 Pass Macro Processor

→ (Dec. 2013)

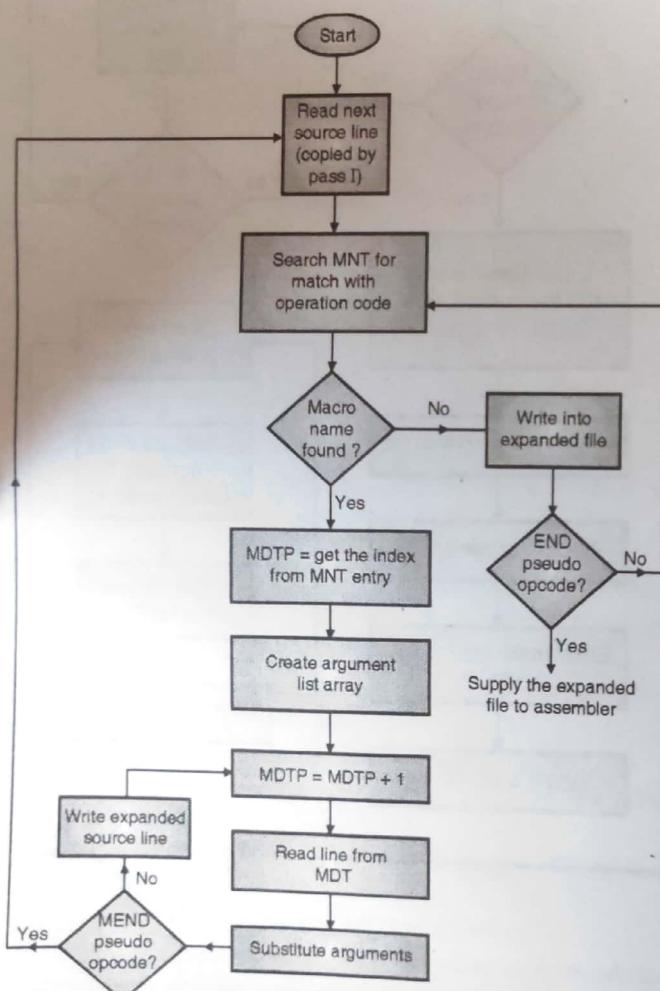
Q. What are the data structure used for the design of macro processing?  
SPPU - Dec. 2013, 3 Marks



**Pass-2 uses the following databases**

1. Input source program for pass-2. It is produced by pass-1.
2. Macro definition table (MDT) produced by pass-1.
3. Macro name table (MNT) produced by pass-1.
4. Mntp (macro name table pointer) gives number of entries in MNT.
5. Argument list array (ALA) gives association between integer indices and actual parameters.
6. Source program with macro-calls expanded. This is output of pass-2.
7. MDTP(macro definition table pointer) gives the address of macro definition in macro definition table.

### 3.5.5 Flow Chart for Pass-2



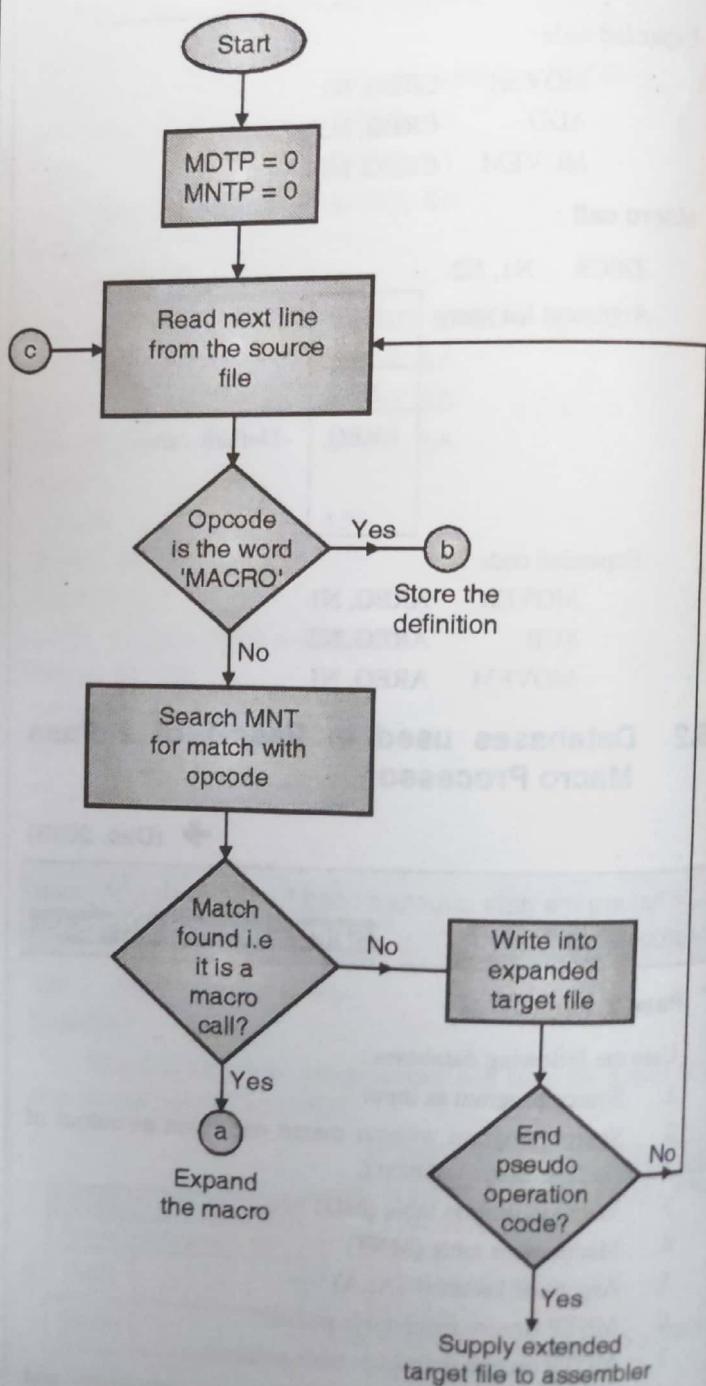
(S3.9) Fig. 3.5.3

### 3.5.6 A Simple One-Pass Macro Processor

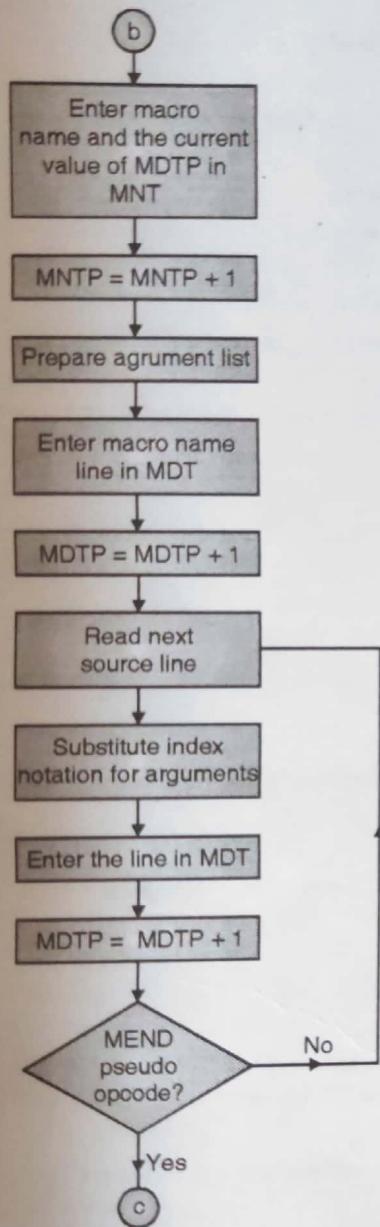
We can write a single-pass macro processor if the macro definition appears before macro calls. Single-pass macro processors are more efficient. We can combine two passes into a single pass by :

- (1) Storing definition of a macro in MDT, when a macro definition appears in the source file.
- (2) Expanding a macro, when a macro call appears in the source file.
- (3) Other lines from the source file are copied as it is into the target (expanded) file.

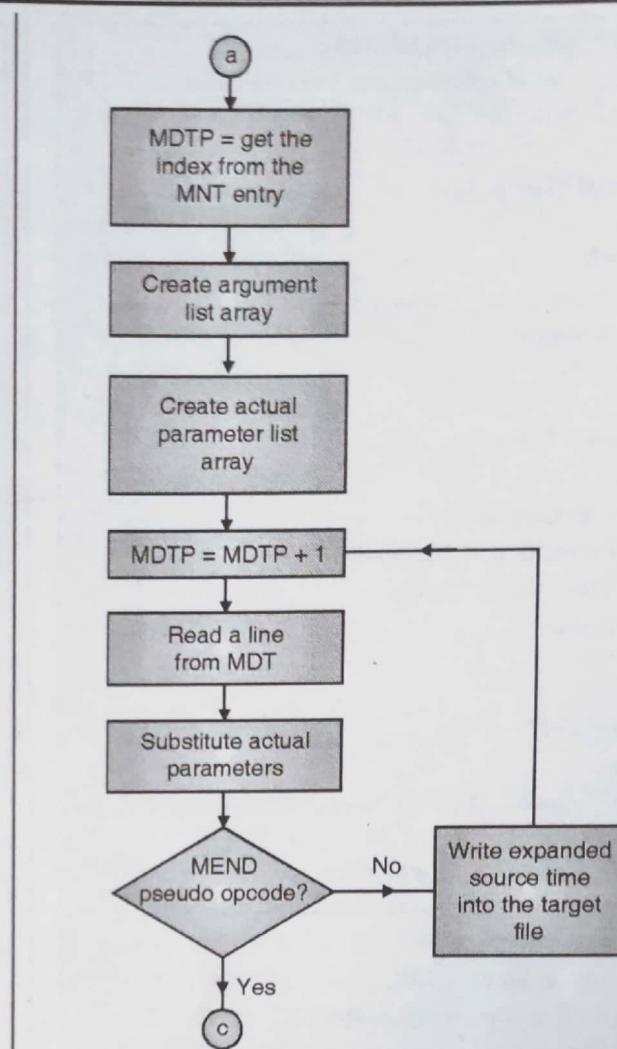
A flow chart for one-pass macro processor is shown in Fig. 3.5.4.



(S3.10) Fig. 3.5.4 Contd.....



(S3.10)Fig. 3.5.4 Cont...



(S3.10)Fig. 3.5.4

### 3.5.7 C-Program for One-pass Macro Processor

```

#include<stdio.h>
#include<conio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<string.h>

struct MNT
{
    char mname[20];
    int mdtp;
}mnt[5];

struct MDT
{
    char opcode[15],rest[35];
}mdt[30];

char arglist[15][15],apt[10][15];
int mdtp=0,mntp=0,arglistp=0;
char FName[20], TName[20];
  
```



```

char Buffer[80], temp[40], tok1[40];
int pp, kpp; // no. of positional and keyword parameters
FILE *fp1, *fp2;

int SearchMNT(char *s)
{
    int i;
    for(i=0; i<mntp; i++)
        if(strcmpi(s, mnt[i].mname) == 0)
            return(i);
    return(-1);
}

int SearchPNT(char *s)
{
    int i;
    for(i=0; i<arglistp; i++)
        if(strcmpi(arglist[i].s) == 0)
            return(i);
    return(-1);
}

void Print_MNT()
{
    int i;
    printf("\n\n-----MACRO NAME TABLE-----");
    printf("\n# \tMName \tMDTP");
    printf("\n-----");
    for(i=0; i<mntp; i++)
        printf("\n%#d \t%#s \t%#d",
               i, mnt[i].mname, mnt[i].mdtp);
    printf("\n-----");
    getch();
}

void Print_PNT()
{
    int i;
    printf("\n\n-----PARAMETER NAME TABLE-----");
    printf("\n# \tPName");
    printf("\n-----");
    for(i=0; i<arglistp; i++)
        printf("\n%#d \t%#s \t%#s", i, arglist[i].apt[i]);
    printf("\n-----");
    getch();
}

void Print_MDT()
{
    int i;
    printf("\n\n-----MACRO DEFINITION TABLE-----");
    printf("\nOpcode \tRest");
    printf("\n-----");
    for(i=0; i<mdtp; i++)
        printf("\n%#d \t%#s \t%#s", i, mdt[i].opcode, mdt[i].rest);
    printf("\n-----");
}

```

```

getch();

}

char *nexttoken(char *str, char *token)
{
    int i;
    while(*str == ' ')
        str++;
    if(*str == '=' || *str == '#')
    {
        *token = *str;
        token++;
        str++;
        *token = '\0';
        return(str);
    }
    while(isalnum(*str) || *str == '#' || *str == '&')
    {
        *token = *str;
        token++;
        str++;
    }
    *token = '\0';
    return(str);
}

void make_arglist(char *s)
{
    int k;
    pp = kpp = 0; // no. of positional and keyword parameters
    arglistp = 0;
    while(*s)
    {
        s = nexttoken(s, temp);
        k = SearchPNT(temp + 1);
        if(k == -1)
            strcpy(arglist[arglistp++], temp + 1);
        else
        {
            printf("\nError: Multiple Declaration of Symbol %s in Argument List", temp);
            exit(0);
        }
        s = nexttoken(s, temp);
        if(*temp == '=')
        {
            kpp++;
            break; // handle keyword parameter
        }
        pp++;
    }
    if(*temp == '=') // handle keyword parameter

```



```

while(*s)
{
    s=nexttoken(s,temp);
    if(*temp != ',')
        strcpy(apt[arglistp-1],temp);

    else
        strcpy(apt[arglistp-1],"");
    s=nexttoken(s,temp);
    if(*temp == '\0')
        break;
    k = SearchPNT(temp+1);
    if(k == -1)
        strcpy(arglist[arglistp++],temp+1);
    else
    {
        printf("\nError: Multiple Declaration of
Symbol
                %s in Argument List",temp);
        exit(0);
    }
}

```

```

void Expand(int n)
{
    int a;
    int MEC;
    char *pointer;
    MEC = mnt[n].mdtp + 1;
    while(strcmpi(mdt[MEC].opcode,"MEND")!= 0)
    {
        sprintf(fp2,"+%s ",mdt[MEC].opcode);
        pointer = mdt[MEC].rest;
        pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
        while(tok1[0]!='\0')
        {
            if(tok1[0] == '#')
            {
                a = atoi(tok1+1);
                sprintf(fp2,"%s", apt[a]);
            }
            else
                sprintf(fp2,"%s",tok1);
            pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
        }
        sprintf(fp2,"\n");
        MEC++;
    }
}

```

```
void main()
```

```

{
    int i=0,j=0,k=0,n;
    char *pointer ;//pointer for the array buffer
    clrscr();
    printf("\nEnter Source File Name: ");
    scanf("%s",FName);
    printf("\nEnter Target File Name: ");
    scanf("%s",TName);
    if((fp1=fopen(FName,"r"))==NULL)
    {
        printf("\nCannot Open Source File...%s",FName);
        exit(0);
    }
    if((fp2=fopen(TName,"w"))==NULL)
    {
        printf("\nCannot Create Intermediate File...%s",TName);
        exit(0);
    }
    while(fgets(Buffer,80,fp1))
    {
        pointer = Buffer;
        nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
        if(strcmpi(tok1,"MACRO") == 0)
        {
            fgets(Buffer,80,fp1); //read the parameter line
            pointer=nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
            strcpy(mnt[mntp].mname,tok1);
            mnt[mntp].mdtp = mdtp;
            strcpy(mdt[mdtp].opcode,tok1);
            strcpy(mdt[mdtp].rest,pointer);
            mdtp++;
            make_arglist(pointer);
            mntp++;
            while(fgets(Buffer,80,fp1))
//store the body of the macro
            {
                pointer=Buffer;
                pointer=nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
                if(strcmpi(tok1,"MEND")==0)
                {
                    strcpy(mdt[mdtp].opcode,"MEND");
                    strcpy(mdt[mdtp++].rest,"");
                    arglistp=0;;
                    break;
                }
                else
                {
                    strcpy(mdt[mdtp].opcode,tok1);
                    strcpy(mdt[mdtp].rest,"");
                    pointer=nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
                    while(tok1[0]!='\0')
                    {

```

```

        if(tok1[0] == '&')
        {
            k = SearchPNT(tok1+1);
            if(k == -1)
            {
                printf("\nError: Parameter %s not
                      found",tok1+1);
                exit(0);
            }
            temp[0] = '#';
            temp[1] = k + 48;//convert to ASCII
            temp[2] = '\0';
            strcat(mdt[mdtp].rest,temp);
        }
        else
            strcat(mdt[mdtp].rest,tok1);
        pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);

    }
    mdtp++;
}

}
else
{
    k = SearchMNT(tok1);
    if(k == -1)
        fprintf(fp2,"%s",Buffer);
    else
    {
        arglistp = 0;
        pointer = mdt[mnt[k].mdtp].rest;
        make_arglist(pointer);
        pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
        //Handle positional parameters
        pointer = Buffer;
        pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);//skip macro

        name
        for(i=0;i<pp;i++)
        {
            pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
            strcpy(apf[i],tok1);
            pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);//skip ,
        }
        //Handle keyword parameters
        pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
        while(tok1[0] != '\0')
        {
    }
}

```

```

j = SearchPNT(tok1);
//get location of the keyword parameter
//get the new value of the keyword parameter
pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1); //skip =
pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
strcpy(apf[j],tok1);
pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1); //skip ,
pointer = nexttoken(pointer,tok1);
//read next
parameter
}

Print_PNT();
Expand(k);
}//macro expansion
}

Print_MNT();
Print_MDT();
fcloseall();
}

```

**Input / Output**

Enter Source File Name: test.asm

Enter Target File Name: test.ini

**-----PARAMETER NAME TABLE-----**

# PName

0	X	N1
1	Y	N2
2	REG	CREG

**-----PARAMETER NAME TABLE-----**

# PName

0	A	N1
1	B	N2
2	REG	BREG

**-----MACRO NAME TABLE-----**

# MName #MDTP

0	INCR	0
---	------	---



```
1 DECR 5
```

-----MACRO DEFINITION TABLE-----

Opcode Rest

```
0 INCR &X, &Y, &REG=AREG
```

```
1 MOVER #2,#0
```

```
2 ADD #2,#1
```

```
3 MOVEM #2,#0
```

```
4 MEND
```

```
5 DECR &A,&B,&REG=BREG
```

```
6 MOVER #2,#0
```

```
7 SUB #2,#1
```

```
8 MOVEM #2,#0
```

```
9 MEND
```

Contents of Input File

```
MACRO
```

```
INCR &X, &Y, &REG = AREG
```

```
MOVER &REG, &X
```

```
ADD &REG, &Y
```

```
MOVEM &REG, &X
```

```
MEND
```

```
MACRO
```

```
DECR &A,&B,&REG = BREG
```

```
MOVER &REG, &A
```

```
SUB &REG, &B
```

```
MOVEM &REG, &A
```

```
MEND
```

```
START 100
```

```
READ N1
```

```
READ N2
```

```
INCR N1, N2, REG = CREG
```

```
DECR N1, N2
```

```
STOP
```

```
N1 DS 1
```

```
N2 DS 1
```

```
END
```

Contents of expanded file

```
START 100
```

```
READ N1
```

```
READ N2
```

```
+MOVER CREG,N1
```

```
+ADD CREG,N2
```

```
+MOVEM CREG,N1
```

```
+MOVER BREG,N1
```

```
+SUB BREG,N2
```

```
+MOVEM BREG,N1
```

```
STOP
```

```
N1 DS 1
```

```
N2 DS 1
```

```
END
```

### 3.6 Handling of Nested Macro Calls

→ (Dec. 2013, May 2014)

Q. How to handle macro cells within macros ?

**SPPU - Dec. 2013, 6 Marks**

Q. Explain the term nested macro calls.

**SPPU - May 2014, 2 Marks**

There are several methods for handling of nested macro calls. These methods are :

**Methods for handling of nested macro calls**

(1) Several levels of expansion

(2) Recursive expansion

(3) Use of stack during expansion

Fig. C3.2 : Methods for handling of nested macro calls

→ (1) Several levels of expansions

Fig. 3.6.1 illustrates nested macro calls. The macro call  
COMPUTE1 X, Y, Z

Call be expanded (level 1) using the algorithm of macro expansion.

$$\text{COMPUTE1 } X, Y, Z \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{COMPUTE } X \\ \text{COMPUTE } Y \\ \text{COMPUTE } Z \end{cases}$$

The expanded code itself contains macro calls. The macro expansion algorithm can be applied to the first level expanded code to expand these macro calls and so on, until we obtain a code form which does not contain any macro calls. This approach requires several passes of expansion, which is not desirable.

→ (2) Recursive expansion

To handle nested macro calls, the macro expansion function should be able to work recursively. During recursion, while processing one macro the processing of inner macro can begin and after the expansion of inner macro finishes, the processing of outer macro may continue. A recursion is handled through a stack, where local variables are stored onto the stack before making a recursive call.

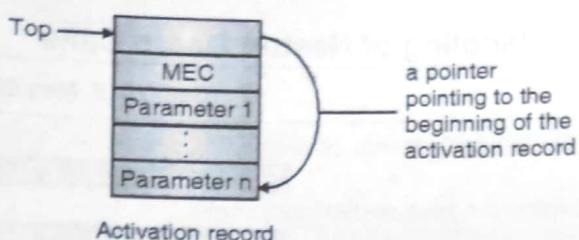
→ (3) Use of stack during expansion

Nested macro calls can be handled with the help of explicit stack.

- Macro calls are handled in LIFO manner.
- Stack can be used to accommodate the expansion time data structure.



- Expansion time data structure include :
  1. MEC – Macro expansion counter
  2. Actual parameter table
- Expansion time data structure is stored in an activation record. The structure of the activation record is given in Fig. 3.6.1.



(S3.11)Fig. 3.6.1

- Every call to a macro involves pushing an activation record onto the stack.
- At the end of the macro expansion, an activation record is removed from the stack. The top of the stack can be shifted to the next record through the following operation.

```
top = stack[top] - 1;
```

### Example 3.6.1

Consider the following code segment

```

1. MACRO
2. INCR      &A, &B, &REG
3. MOVER    &REG, &A
4. ADDS      &A, &B
5. MOVEM    &REG, &A
6. MEND
7. MACRO
8. ADDS      &F, &S
9. MOVER    AREG, &F
10. ADD     AREG, &S
11. MOVEM    AREG, &S
12. WRITE    &S
13. MEND
14. MACRO
15. SUBS      &F, &S
16. MOVER    BREG, &F
17. SUB     BREG, &S
18. MOVEM    BREG, &S
19. WRITE    &S
20. MEND
21. START    200
22. READ     N1
23. READ     N2
24. ADDS    N1, N2
25. SUBS    N1, N2
26. INCR    N1, N2, DREG
27. STOP
28. N1      DS    2
29. N2      DS    2
  
```

Show the content of  
 (i) Macro name table  
 (ii) Macro definition table  
 (iii) Argument list Array

**Solution :**

Pass I : Contents of MNT and MDT at the end of Pass I.

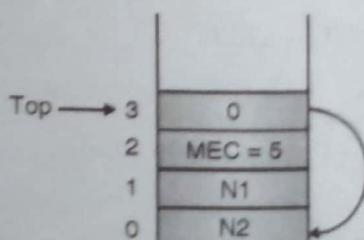
MNT		MDT	
Name	MDTP	Opcode	Rest
0	INCR	0	&A, &B, &REG
1	ADDS	5	#2, #0
2	SUBS	11	#0, #1
3	MOVEM		#2, #0
4	MEND		
5	ADDS		&F, &S
6	MOVER		AREG, #0
7	ADD		AREG, #1
8	MOVEM		AREG, #1
9	WRITE		#1
10	MEND		
11	SUBS		&F, &S
12	MOVER		BREG, #0
13	SUB		BREG, #1
14	MOVEM		BREG, #1
15	WRITE		#1
16	MEND		

### Pass I

#### 1. Expansion of line 24 ADDS N1, N2

Argument list array : 0 N1  
1 N2

Activation record on the stack :



Expanded Code :

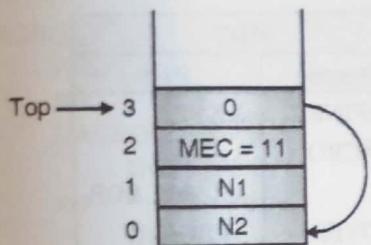
$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{MOVER } \text{AREG, N1} \\ \text{ADD } \text{AREG, N2} \\ \text{MOVEM } \text{AREG, N2} \\ \text{WRITE } \text{N2} \end{array} \right\}$

#### 2. Expansion of line 25 SUBS N1, N2

Argument list array : 0 N1  
1 N2



Activation record on the stack :



Expanded Code :

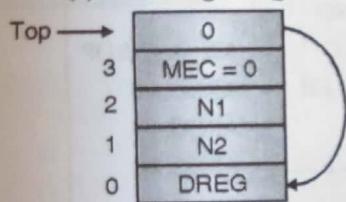
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{MOVER BREG, N1} \\ \text{SUB BREG, N2} \\ \text{MOVEM BREG, N2} \\ \text{WRITE N2} \end{array} \right\}$$

## 3. Expansion of line 26 INCR N1, N2, DREG

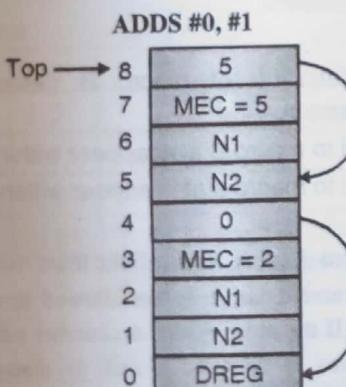
Argument list array : 0    N1  
                      1    N2  
                      2    DREG

Activation record (stack)

(a) At the beginning



(b) At the time of nested macro call



Expanded Code :

$$\left\{ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{MOVER DREG, N1} \\ \text{MOVER AREG, N1} \\ \text{ADD AREG, N2} \\ \text{MOVEM AREG, N2} \\ \text{WRITE N2} \\ \text{MOVEM DREG, N1} \end{array} \right\} \right\}$$

Expanded source file at the end of pass II :

START	200
READ	N1
READ	N2

MOVER	AREG,	N1
ADD	AREG,	N2
MOVEM	AREG,	N2
WRITE		N2

Expansion of ADDS N1, N2

MOVER	BREG,	N1
SUB	BREG,	N2
MOVEM	BREG,	N2
WRITE		N2

Expansion of SUBS N1, N2

MOVER	DREG,	N1
MOVER	AREG,	N1
ADD	AREG,	N2
MOVEM	AREG,	N2
WRITE		N2
MOVEM	DREG,	N1

Expansion of INCR N1, N2, DREG

STOP		
N1	DS	2
N2	DS	2

## 3.7 Handling of Nested Macro Declaration

A macro can be defined inside the body of a macro.

- Inner macro comes into existence after a call to the outer macro.
- Inner macro can be called after it has come into existence.

## Example 3.7.1

Consider the following program segment :

```

MACRO
DEFINE      &XYZ
MACRO
&XYZ      &X, &Y, &OP
MOVER      AREG, &X
&OP      AREG, &Y
MOVEM      AREG, &X
MEND
MEND
MACRO
COMPUTE    &F, &S
MOVEM      BREG, TMP
INCRM      &F, &S, BREG
MOVER      BREG, TMP
MEND
MACRO
INCRM      &M, &I, &R
MOVER      &R, &M
ADD       &R, &I
MOVEM      &R, &M
MEND
START     100
DEFINE     CACL
COMPUTE   X, Y
CALC      A, B, MULT
END

```

- (i) Show the contents of MDT and MNT after macro processing  
(ii) Expanded assembly language program.

**Solution :****(i) MDT and MNT**

MNT	
Name	MDTP
DEFINE	0
COMPUTE	8
INCRM	13
CALC	18

MDT	
Opcode	Rest
0	DEFINE &XYZ
1	MACRO
2	#0 &X, &Y, &OP
3	MOVER AREG, &X
4	&OP AREG, &Y
5	MOVEM AREG, &X
6	MEND
7	MEND
8	COMPUTE &F, &S
9	MOVEM BREG, TMP
10	INCRM #0, #1, BREG
11	MOVER BREG, TMP
12	MEND
13	INCRM &M, &I, &R
14	MOVER #2, #0
15	ADD #2, #1
16	MOVEM #2, #0
17	MEND
18	CALC &X, &Y, &OP
19	MOVER AREG, #0
20	#2 AREG, #1
21	MOVEM AREG, #0
22	MEND

This will come into existence after a call to DEFINE

**(ii) Expanded assembly language program**

Source line	Expanded code
START 100	- START 100
DEFINE CALC	- NO code will be generated
COMPUTE X, Y	- MOVEM BREG, TMP INCRM &M, &I, &R - [ MOVER BREG, X ADD BREG, Y MOVEM BREG, X ] MOVER BREG, TMP
CALC A, B, MULT	- MOVER AREG, A MULT AREG, B MOVEM AREG, A
END	- END

Thus the final code will be

MOVEM	START	100
MOVER	BREG,	TMP
ADD	BREG,	X
MOVEM	BREG,	X
MOVER	BREG,	TMP
MOVER	AREG,	A
MULT	AREG,	B
MOVEM	AREG,	A
END		

**Example 3.7.2**

Consider the definition of macro B nested within the definition of a macro A.

- (i) Can a call to macro B also appear within macro A?
- (ii) Can a call to macro A also appear within macro B?

**Solution :**

- (i) An outer macro A can always call the inner macro B.
- (ii) Normally, a nested macro is not allowed to make a call to its outer macro. If the outer macro A contains a call to macro B and the macro B contains a call to macro A then the expansion phase will be caught in a peculiar situation where it will never end.

**Example 3.7.3**

Consider the following code, show the contents of macro name table and macro definition table.

START	100
SR	2, 2
USING	*, 15
MACRO	
XYZ	& A
A	1, & A
AR	2, 2



```

MEND
L      1, D1
MACRO
    ABC  &z
    SR   3, 3
MACRO
    DISPLAY
xyz   B
    MEND
L     1, &z
MEND
xyz   B1
SR   4, 4
ABC  B1
D1  DC  F'4'
B1  DC  F'5'
END

```

**Solution :**

MNT	
Name	Address in MDT
XYZ	0
ABC	4
DISPLAY	12

MDT		
0	XYZ	&A
1	A	1, #1
2	AR	2, 2
3	MEND	
4	ABC	&Z
5	SR	3, 3
6	MACRO	
7	DISPLAY	
8	XYZ	B
9	MEND	
10	L	1, #1
11	MEND	
12	DISPLAY	
13	XYZ	B
14	MEND	

**Expanded code**

START	100	
SR	2, 2	
USING	* , 15	
L	1, D1	
+	A	1, B1
+	AR	2, 2
		xyz B1 is expanded
SR	4, 4	
+	SR	3, 3
+	L	1, B1
D1	DC	F'4'
B1	DC	F'5'
		END

### 3.8 Exam Pack (University Questions)

#### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Macro Definition

- Q. Explain the term macro definition.  
(Refer section 3.1) (2 Marks) (May 2014)

#### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Macro Call

- Q. Explain the term macro calls.  
(Refer section 3.2.1) (2 Marks) (May 2014)

#### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Macro Expansion

- Q. Explain the process of Macro Expansion with relevant data structures.  
(Refer section 3.2.2) (8 Marks) (May 2013)

- Q. Explain the term macro expansion.  
(Refer section 3.2.2) (2 Marks) (May 2014)

- Example 3.2.1 (6 Marks) (Oct. 2016 (In Sem))

- Q. Explain the advance macro facilities : Attributes of parameters. (Refer section 3.2.3) (Dec. 2015)

#### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Nested Macro Calls

- Q. Explain nested macros with example.  
(Refer section 3.3) (3 Marks)  
(Dec. 2014, May 2015, May 2016)

#### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Advanced Macro Facilities

- Q. Explain the process of alteration of flow of control during macro expansion.  
(Refer section 3.4) (4 Marks) (May 2013)

- Q. Explain the advance macro facilities : Alteration of flow of control during expansion.  
(Refer section 3.4) (3 Marks) (Dec. 2015)

- Q. Explain advanced macro facilities with example.  
(Refer section 3.4) (6 Marks) (May 2017)

- Q. Explain expansion time variables with example.  
(Refer section 3.4.1) (3 Marks)  
(Dec. 2014, May 2015)

- Q. Explain the advance macro facilities : Expansion time variables (Refer section 3.4.1) (3 Marks)  
(Dec. 2015)

#### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Design of a Two-pass Macro-processor

- Q. List down the steps in designing a Macro Preprocessor. (Refer section 3.5) (6 Marks) (May 2013)

- Q. Explain the process of Macro Expansion with relevant data structures.  
(Refer section 3.5) (8 Marks) (May 2013)

- Q. Explain design of two pass MACRO processor in detail. (Refer section 3.5) (8 Marks) (May 2014)

- Q. What are the data structure used for the design of macro processing ?  
(Refer sections 3.5.2 and 3.5.4) (6 Marks)  
(Dec. 2013)

- Q. How to handle macro cells within macros ?  
(Refer section 3.6) (6 Marks) (Dec. 2013)

- Q. Explain the term nested macro calls.  
(Refer section 3.6) (2 Marks) (May 2014)



## CHAPTER

## 4

## Compilers

## Syllabus Topics

Basic compilers function, Phases of compilation, memory allocation, Compilation of expressions, compilation of control structures, Code of optimization.

## Syllabus Topic : Basic Compilers Function

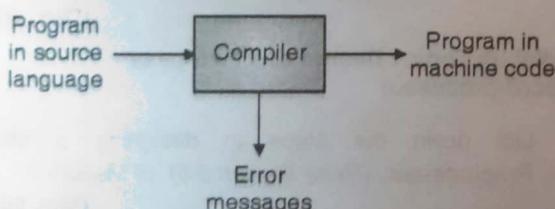
## 4.1 Basic Compilers Function

→ (Dec. 2013, Dec. 2014)

Q. Explain : Compiler.

SPPU - Dec. 2013, Dec. 2014, 4 Marks

A compiler is a program that reads a program written in source language and translates it into an equivalent program in machine code. During compilation, it reports the presence of errors in the source program.



(S4.1)Fig. 4.1.1 : A Compiler

Compilation activity can be broken down into two parts :

## Compilation activity

- (1) Analysis phase
- (2) Synthesis phase

Fig. C4.1 : Compilation activity

## → (1) Analysis Phase

Analysis phase reads the source program and creates an intermediate representation of the source program. Intermediate form of representation is independent of both :

- (1) Source language (application domain)
- (2) Machine language (execution domain)

## → (2) Synthesis Phases

→ (Dec. 2014)

Q. Explain synthesis phase of a compiler.

SPPU - Dec. 2014, 6 Marks

The synthesis phase generates the desired program in machine code from the intermediate representation.

- Analysis phase is dependent on the source language.
- Synthesis phase is dependent on the machine for which target code is to be generated.

## Syllabus Topic : Phases of Compilation

## 4.2 Phase of Compilers

→ (Aug. 2015, May 2017)

Q. Explain phases of a compiler with example.

SPPU - Aug. 2015(In Sem), May 2017, 6 Marks

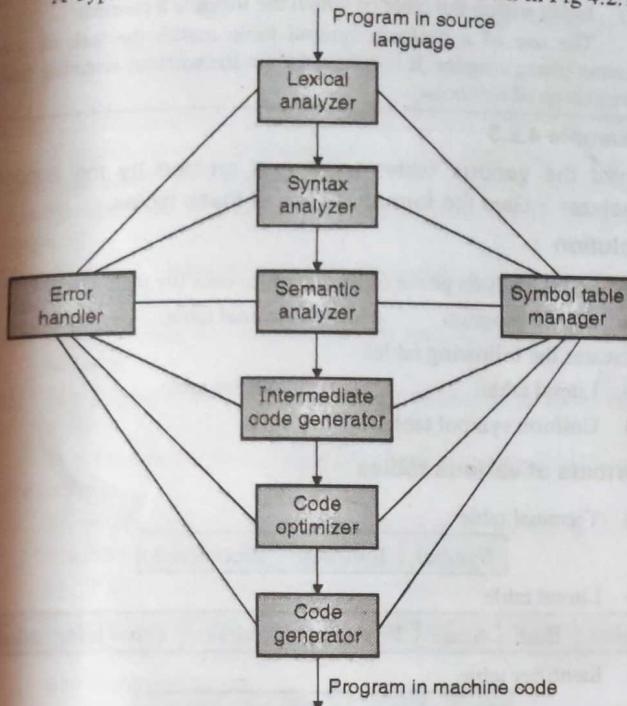
A compiler works in phases. Output of one phase becomes the input of next phase. Phases of compilers are :

## Phases of compilers

- (1) Lexical analysis
- (2) Syntax analysis
- (3) Semantic analysis
- (4) Intermediate code generation
- (5) Code optimization
- (6) Code generation

Fig. C4.2 : Phases of compilers

A Typical decomposition of a compiler is shown in Fig 4.2.1.



(S4.2)Fig. 4.2.1 : Phase of a compiler

### → 4.2.1 Lexical Analysis

→ (Dec. 2016, May 2017)

Q. Explain lexical analysis with example.

SPPU - Dec. 2016, 3 Marks

Q. Explain lexical analysis for language processor.

SPPU - May 2017, 3 Marks

Lexical analysis involves scanning of the source program from left to right and separating them into tokens. A token is a sequence of characters having a collective meaning. Tokens are separated by blanks, operators and special symbols.

A lexical analysis on the statement

$x = y + z \times 30;$

will generate the following tokens

x    =    y    +    z    \*    30    ;

- (1) x is an identifier
- (2) = is a terminal symbol
- (3) y is an identifier
- (4) + is a terminal symbol
- (5) z is an identifier
- (6) \* is a terminal symbol
- (7) 30 is a literal
- (8) ; is a terminal symbol

- Blanks separating the token are eliminated.

- Lexical phase discards comments since they have no effect on the processing of the program.

- Identifiers are stored in the symbol table.

- Literals are stored in the literal table.

### ☞ Uniform symbol table

This table is created by lexical analysis phase to represent the source program as a stream of tokens rather than of individual characters. Each entry in the uniform symbol table consists of :

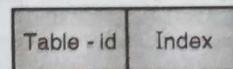
- (1) Identification of table of which the token is a member. It could be

LIT for literal table.

IDN for identifier table.

TRM for terminal symbol.

- (2) Index of the token in the corresponding table.



(S4.3)Fig. 4.2.2 : Uniform symbol table entry

- Terminal symbol table is a fixed table for any compiler.
- Literal table is generated during lexical analysis.
- Symbol table is generated during lexical analysis.
- Uniform symbol table is generated during lexical analysis.

### Example 4.2.1

Consider the following program

main ()

{

```

int a, b, c, d ;
char c ;
a = b + 10 ;
d = a + b ;
}
```

Write down output of the lexical analyzer for above program. Explain which tables are used (built-in and generated). Show contents of each table.

**Solution :** Following tables are used during lexical analysis phase.

- (1) Terminal table (It is a fixed table).
- (2) Symbol table (It is generated during lexical analysis).
- (3) Literal table (It is generated during lexical analysis).
- (4) Uniform symbol table (It is generated during lexical analysis).

The given program will generate the following tokens :

main ( )

{

int a, b, c, d ;

char c ;

a = b + 10 ;

d = a + b ;

}





### 4.2.3 Semantic Analysis

→ (May 2017)

- Q. Explain semantic analysis for language processor.

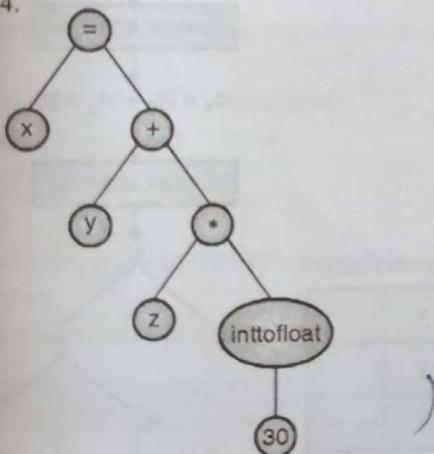
**SPPU - May 2017, 3 Marks**

Semantic analysis is for semantic errors. Type checking is an important aspect of semantic analysis. Each operator should have suitable operands. Some examples of semantic errors are given below.

- (1)  $5 * "ABC"$  [Multiplication of an integer and a string is not permitted].
- (2) Multiplication of two pointers P1 and P2.  $P1 * P2$  is not allowed.
- (3) Many languages do not allow a real number as an index of an array.

In some cases, two operands can be made compatible through type casting.

- Many languages do not allow mixing of integer and real numbers in an expression.  
i.e.  $5 * 6.5$  is not allowed by many languages.
- C-language permits mixing of real numbers and integer in an expression. C-language does type casting and upgrades the type of integer to real.
- In Fig. 4.2.3, if x, y and z are float type then the literal 30 should be converted into float. Let us assume the existence of an operator inttofloat that explicitly converts an integer into a float. Modified syntax tree after semantic analysis is shown in the Fig. 4.2.4.



(S4.6)Fig. 4.2.4 : Syntax tree after semantic analysis

### Syllabus Topic : Compilation of Expressions

#### 4.2.4 Intermediate Code Generation

Before generation of the machine code, the compiler creates an intermediate form of the source program. An intermediate code has the following properties :

- (1) It should be easy to produce from the syntax tree.
- (2) It should be easy to translate into machine code.

Intermediate code separates machine-independent phases (Lexical, Syntax, Semantic) of a compiler from the machine-dependent phases (code generation) of a compiler. The intermediate representation can have a variety of forms. These forms include :

#### Representation of intermediate code generation

- (1) Three address code
- (2) Quadruple
- (3) Triple
- (4) Postfix notation
- (5) Syntax tree

Fig. C4.3 : Representation of intermediate code generation

##### → (1) Three address code

The three address code consists of a sequence of instructions, each instruction has maximum of three operands.

These instructions are similar to assembly instructions.

For example, to evaluate  $z = x + y * A$

- (1)  $y * A$  must be evaluated first and the result can be stored in a temporary variable temp1 (say).  
 $temp1 = y * A$
- (2) temp1 must be added to x and the result can be stored in a temporary variable temp2 (say)  
 $temp2 = x + temp1$
- (3) temp2 should be assigned to z.  
 $z = temp2$

Thus, the three address code corresponding to

$z = x + y * A$

is given by :

- (1)  $temp1 = y * A$
- (2)  $temp2 = x + temp1$
- (3)  $z = temp2$

##### → (2) Quadruple representation

A quadruple representation has the following format :

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2	Result
----------	-----------	-----------	--------

The quadruple representation of  $z = x + y * A$  is shown in the Fig. 4.2.5.

	Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2	Result
temp1 = y * A	1	*	y	A
temp2 = x + temp1	2	+	x	temp1
$z = temp2$	3	=	temp2	-

Fig. 4.2.5 : Quadruple representation of  $z = x + y * A$

##### → (3) Triple representation

A triple representation has the following format:

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2
----------	-----------	-----------



The triple representation of  $z = x + y * A$  is shown in Fig. 4.2.6.

	Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2
temp1 = y * A	1	*	y A
temp2 = x + temp1	2	+	x (1)
z = temp2	3	=	z (2)

- '1' Stands for the result of the first triple  $y * A$
- '2' Stands for the result of the second triple  $x + (\text{result of first triple})$ .

Fig. 4.2.6 : Triple representation of  $z = x + y * A$

#### → (4) Postfix notation

In postfix notation, the operator appears after operands.

- A postfix notation is free from precedence.
- A postfix expression is simple to evaluate. Operators are evaluated in the order in which they appear in the expression.

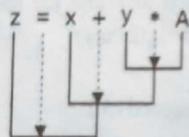
The postfix representation of  $z = x + y * A$  is given by :  

$$z \ x \ y \ A \ * \ + \ =$$

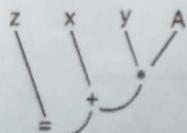
#### → (5) Syntax tree

A syntax tree for an expression like  $z = x + y * A$  can be constructed using the following steps.

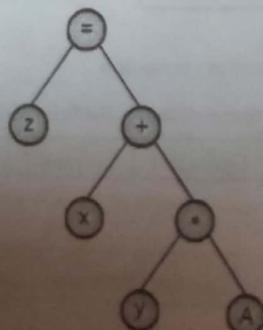
Step 1 : Grouping elements as per the sequence of evaluation.



Step 2 : Moving the operators at the centre of the groups.



Step 3 : Inverting the structure.



#### → 4.2.5 Code Optimization

In this phase, the compiler tries to improve the intermediate code so that a smaller and faster running machine code can be derived.

For example, the three instructions :

- (1)  $\text{temp1} = y * A$
- (2)  $\text{temp2} = x + \text{temp1}$
- (3)  $z = \text{temp2}$

can be written as,

$$(1) \text{temp1} = y * A \quad (2) \ z = x + \text{temp1}$$

Since, the temp2 is used only once, there is no point in storing the result of  $x + \text{temp1}$  into temp2. It can be directly assigned to z.

#### → 4.2.6 Code Generation

It is easy to translate an intermediate instruction into a sequence of machine (assembly instruction). Translation of the above intermediate code is shown in Fig. 4.2.7.

Sr. No.	Intermediate code	Assembly code
1	$\text{temp1} = y * A$	MOVER AREG, y MUL AREG, A MOVEM AREG, temp1
2	$z = x + \text{temp1}$	MOVER AREG, x ADD AREG, temp1 MOVEM AREG, z

Fig. 4.2.7

#### Example 4.2.4

Explain the working of the various phases of the compiler for the expression :

$$x = y + z * 30$$

The variables x, y and z are of float type.

**Solution :**

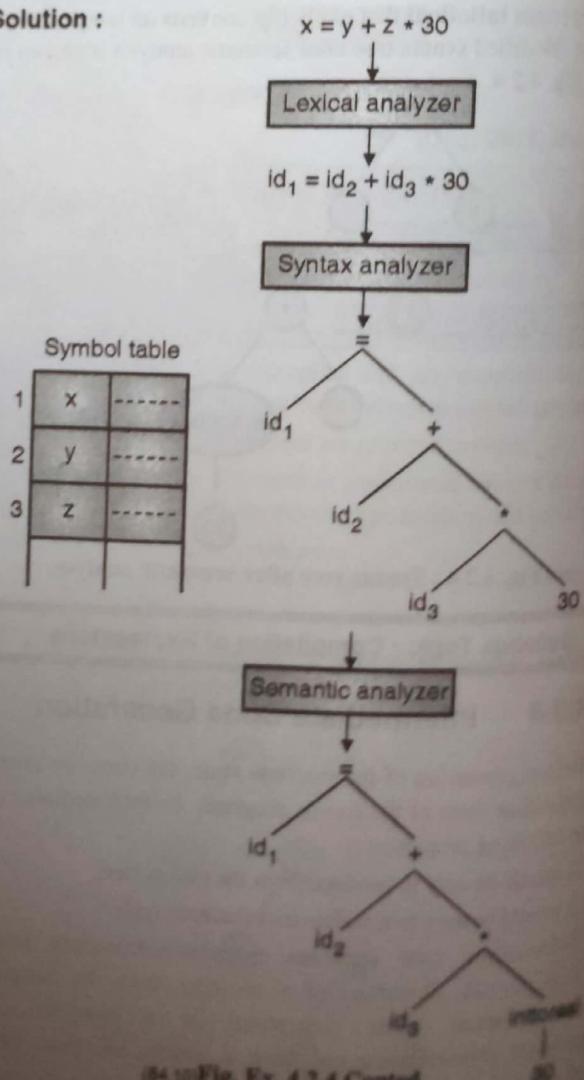
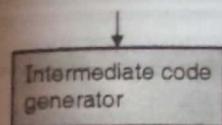


Fig. Ex. 4.2.4 Contd...



$t_1 = \text{inttoreal}(30)$   
 $t_2 = id_3 * t_1$   
 $t_3 = id_2 + t_2$   
 $id_1 = t_3$

Code optimizer

$t_1 = id_3 * 30.0$   
 $id_1 = id_2 + t_1$

code generator

$\text{MOVF } R_1, id_3 \quad [R_1 \leftarrow id_3]$   
 $\text{MULF } R_1, \#30.0 \quad [R_1 \leftarrow R_1 * 30.0]$   
 $\text{MOVF } R_2, id_2 \quad [R_2 \leftarrow id_2]$   
 $\text{ADDF } R_1, R_2 \quad [R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2]$   
 $\text{MOVF } id_1, R_1 \quad [R_1 \leftarrow id_1]$

(S4.10) Fig. Ex. 4.2.4

#### Example 4.2.5

For the statement given below, generate intermediate code in the format :

- (i) Postfix notation      (ii) Quadruple
- (iii) Parse tree          (iv) Triple

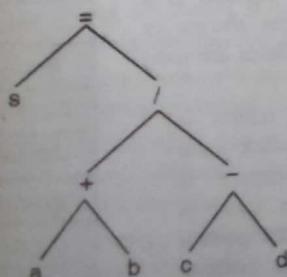
$s = (a + b) / (c - d)$

Solution :

- (i) Postfix notation of  $s = (a + b) / (c - d)$  is given by  
 $s a b + c d - / =$
- (ii) The quadruple representation of  $s = (a + b) / (c - d)$  is given by :

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2	Result
1 +	a	b	$t_1$
2 -	c	d	$t_2$
3 /	$t_1$	$t_2$	$t_3$
4 =	$t_3$	-	s

- (iii) The parse tree representation is given by



(S4.11) Fig. Ex. 4.2.5

- (iv) Triple representation is given by

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2
1 +	a	b
2 -	c	d
3 /	(1)	(2)
4 =	s	(3)

#### Example 4.2.6

For the statement given below generate intermediate code in the format.

- (i) Quadruple
- (ii) Triple
- (iii) Parse tree
- (iv) Postfix notation.  
 $A = - P * (- Q + R)$

Solution :

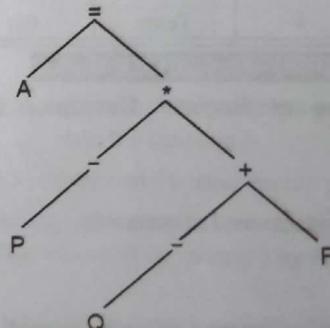
- (i) Quadruple

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2	Result
1 -	P	-	$t_1$
2 -	Q	-	$t_2$
3 +	$t_2$	R	$t_3$
4 *	$t_1$	$t_3$	$t_4$
5 =	$t_4$	-	A

- (ii) Triple

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2
1 -	P	-
2 -	Q	-
3 +	(2)	R
4 *	(1)	(3)
5 =	A	(4)

- (iii) Parse tree



(S4.12) Fig. Ex. 4.2.6

- (iv) Postfix notation

$AP - Q - R + * =$

#### Example 4.2.7

What are different intermediate code forms, used in compilers ? Generate intermediate codes, of at least 4 forms, for the assignment statement given below :

$\text{Temp} = \text{limit} * (\text{max} - \text{min}) + 3 * \text{limit} * (\text{max} + \text{min})$

Solution : Several forms are used for representation of intermediate code. These forms include :

- (1) Postfix notation      (2) Quadruple
- (3) Parse tree            (4) Triple



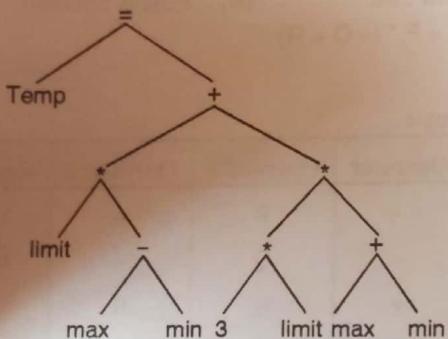
- (1) Postfix representation

Temp limit max min - \* 3 limit \* max min + \* + =

- (2) Quadruple representation

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2	Result
-	Max	Min	$t_1$
*	Limit	$t_1$	$t_2$
*	3	Limit	$t_3$
+	Max	Min	$t_4$
*	$t_3$	$t_4$	$t_5$
=	$t_2$	$t_5$	Temp

- (3) Parse tree representation



(S4.13)Fig. Ex. 4.2.7

- (4) Triple representation:

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2
1	-	Max
2	*	Limit
3	*	3
4	+	Max
5	*	(3)
6	+	(2)
7	=	Temp

#### Example 4.2.8 SPPU - May 2013, 6 Marks

Explain the use of Register Descriptor and Operand descriptor.

#### Solution :

The operand descriptor is used to maintain

1. Type
2. Length
3. Addressability information of each operand. During code generation phase, the compiler takes a decision about the machine instruction to be used by analysing an operator and the descriptors of its operands.
- An operand descriptor is built for every operand in an expression.
- An operand descriptor is used during code generation phase.
- The fields of an operand descriptor are its attributes and its addressability.
- Similarly, a register descriptor has two fields.
  1. Status : indicating free or occupied
  2. Operand descriptor : if occupied then the operand descriptor of the value in the stored register.

#### Syllabus Topic : Memory Allocation

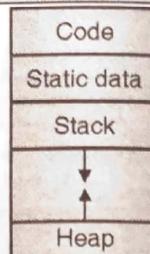
### 4.3 Memory Allocation

→ (Dec. 2015)

- Q. Explain in brief the memory allocation algorithms with examples.  
SPPU - Dec. 2015, 6 Marks

Memory is required for loading and running a program. The run-time storage might be subdivided as given below :

- (1) The generated target code.
- (2) Data items
- (3) Stack to handle function calls.



(S4.14)Fig. 4.3.1 : A typical subdivision of run-time memory into code and data areas

- The size of the generated target code is fixed at compile time. The code of a program can be placed in a statically determined area, possibly at the low end of the memory.
- The sizes of some data items (static data) are known at compile time. They can be placed in a statically determined memory area (shown in Fig 4.3.1). Addresses of statically allocated data items can be compiled into target code.
- An extended stack is used to manage function calls. In case of a function call :
  - (1) The status of the machine, such as the value of the program counter and machine registers is saved on the stack.)
  - (2) When the control returns from the called function, the original state of the calling program can be restored from the stack.
  - (3) Data items of the called function can be allocated on the stack along with other information associated with function call.
- Many programming languages like Pascal require a separate memory area, called a heap, to hold other information. Implementation of language in which lifetimes of variables cannot be handled through stack will use the heap.

#### Activation records

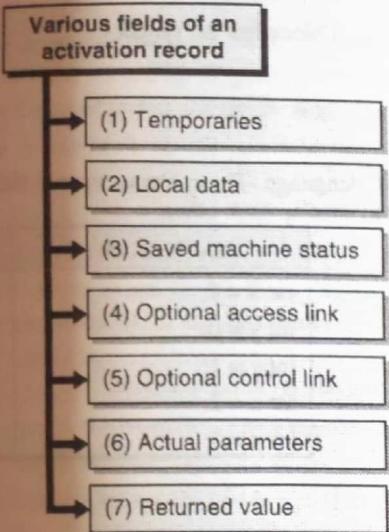
Information need to call and execute a function is managed through an activation record. An activation record uses a contiguous block of storage. It consists of a number of fields (as shown in Fig. 4.3.2). Not all fields are used by all compilers.

- An activation record is pushed on the stack when a function/procedure is called and the same is popped when the control returns to the calling program.

Returned value
Actual parameters
Optional control link
Optional access link
Saved machine status
Local data
Temporaries

(S4.15)Fig. 4.3.2 : A general activation record

The various fields of an activation record are being explained below :



**Fig. C4.4 : Various fields of an activation record**

- (1) **Temporaries** : Temporary values are needed during evaluation of an expression. These temporary values are stored in the field of temporaries.
- (2) **Local data** : Local variables of a function /procedure are stored here.
- (3) **Saved machine status** : The status of machine is saved before transferring control to the called function. This information includes the value of program counter and CPU registers. This information must be restored when the control returns from the called function.
- (4) **Optional access link** : Optional access links are used to access non-local data in block-structured languages. This link is not required for a languages like Fortran where the nonlocal data is kept in a fixed place.
- (5) **Optional control link** : The optional control link points to the activation record of the caller.
- (6) **Actual parameters** : This field is used by the calling function to pass parameters to the called function.
- (7) **Returned value** : This field is used by the called function to return a value to the calling function.

### 4.3.1 Static and Dynamic Memory Allocation → (Oct. 2016)

**Q. Explain static and dynamic memory allocation.  
SPPU - Oct. 2016 (In Sem), 4 Marks**

In static allocation of memory, the size of the generated target code and the size of data items are known at compile time. They can be placed in a statically determined memory area.

- In static memory allocation, memory is allocated to variables before the execution of a program begins.
- In static memory allocation, allocation is performed during compilation. No memory allocation or de-allocation is performed during program execution.
- In static memory allocation, variables (both local and nonlocal) remain allocated. Allocation to variables exists even if the function is not active.

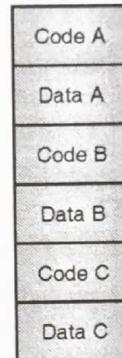
#### ☞ Disadvantages of static memory allocation

- (1) It is almost impossible to handle recursion.
- (2) Memory requirement is higher. Variables remain allocated even when the function is not active.

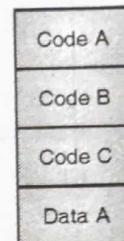
#### ☞ Advantages of static memory allocation

- (1) It is simple to implement. Binding is performed during compilation.
- (2) Execution is faster as there is no binding during the runtime and addresses of variables is directly encoded in machine instructions.

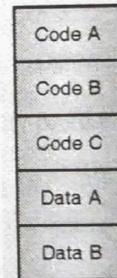
In dynamic memory allocation, memory is allocated and deallocated during execution of a program. Here, memory bindings are established and destroyed during execution of a program.



**(a) Static allocation**



**(b) Dynamic allocation. The main program A is active**



**(c) Dynamic allocation. The main program A calls the function B**

(S4.16) **Fig. 4.3.3 : Static and dynamic memory allocation**

- Dynamic memory allocation is characterized by automatic allocation. This allocation is controlled by the program under execution.
- Memory is allocated to variables declared inside a function when the function is called. This memory is de-allocated when the control returns back to the calling program.
- Dynamic memory allocation has optimal utilization of memory. The same memory can be used for variables of different functions/procedures.
- Dynamic memory allocation is implemented using stacks. It requires pointer based access to variables. Pointer based accesses are slower. Individual variables stored in an activation record can be accessed by adding :
  - (1) Starting address of the activation record.
  - (2) Offset of the variable inside the activation record.
- Recursion can be implemented easily using dynamic memory allocation.

### 4.3.2 Memory Allocation in Block Structured Languages

A block is a list of statements and it can contain its own local data declarations. In C, a block has the syntax

```
{  
    declarations  
    statements  
}
```

A block can have nested structure. A block is confined inside braces {} in C-language. These braces ensure that one block is either independent of another, or is nested inside the other. Two blocks are not allowed to overlap each other.

main()

```
{
    int x = 0;
    int y = 0;
    {
        int
        {
            y = 1;
            int x = 2;
            printf("%d %d", x, y);
        }
        int y = 3;
        printf("%d %d", x, y);
    }
    printf("%d %d", x, y);
}
```

Declaration	Scope
int x = 0;	B <sub>0</sub> - B <sub>2</sub>
int y = 0;	B <sub>0</sub> - B <sub>1</sub>
int y = 1;	B <sub>1</sub> - B <sub>3</sub>
int x = 2;	B <sub>2</sub>
int y = 3;	B <sub>3</sub>

Fig. 4.3.4 : Blocks in a C-Program

The scope of a variable declaration in a block-structured language is given by the following nesting rules :

- (1) The scope of a variable declared inside a block B includes B.
- (2) If a variable x is not declared in a block B<sub>1</sub>, then usage of x in B<sub>1</sub> is in the scope of a declaration of x in an enclosing block B such that :
  - (i) B has a declaration of x, and
  - (ii) B is more closely nested around B<sub>1</sub> than any other block with a declaration of x.

The Fig. 4.3.4 is a sample C-Program with nesting of blocks. Variables x and y are initialized to block numbers in which they are declared.

- The scope of declaration y in B<sub>0</sub> does not include B<sub>1</sub> as y is redeclared in B<sub>1</sub>, it is indicated by B<sub>0</sub>-B<sub>1</sub>.
- The values of x and y in these blocks is given by :

x	y	Block in which the values are printed
2	1	B <sub>2</sub>
0	3	B <sub>3</sub>
0	1	B <sub>1</sub>
0	0	B <sub>0</sub>

#### Implementation of block structure using a stack

Block structure can be implemented using a stack. Block can be treated as a parameterless function/procedure. Space for variables is allocated on the stack when the block is entered, and de-allocated when control leaves the block.

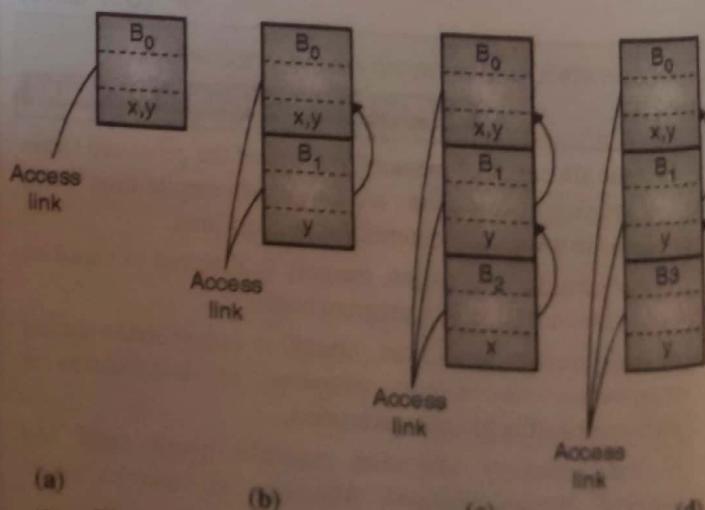


Fig. 4.3.5 : Access links for finding non-local variables



- For finding the scope of variables, an access link is added to each activation record.
- If a block  $B_1$  is nested inside the block  $B_0$ , then the access link in the activation record for  $B_1$  points to the access link in the record for the most recent activation of  $B_0$ .
- Fig. 4.3.5 is a snapshot of the run-time stack during an execution of the program in Fig. 4.3.4.

Fig. 4.3.5 (a) : Block  $B_0$  is entered. Two variables  $x$  and  $y$  are declared inside the block  $B_0$ .

Fig. 4.3.5 (b) : Control enters the block  $B_1$ . Block  $B_1$  is nested inside the block  $B_0$ . The variable  $y$  is redeclared inside  $B_1$ .

Fig. 4.3.5 (c) : Control enters the block  $B_2$ . Block  $B_2$  is nested inside the block  $B_1$ . The variable  $x$  is redeclared inside  $B_2$ .

Fig. 4.3.5 (d) : Control leaves the block  $B_2$  and enters the block  $B_3$ . The block  $B_2$  is deallocated and block  $B_3$  is allocated on the stack. The variable  $y$  is redeclared inside  $B_3$ .

#### Static Implementation of block structure using a stack

Storage for a complete function/procedure can be made at one time. Necessary actions can be taken for variable declaration inside the blocks. For the entire block  $B_0$  (Fig. 4.3.4), we can make memory allocation as shown in Fig. 4.3.6.



(S4.18) Fig. 4.3.6 : Storage for variable declared in Fig. 4.3.4

The subscripts on local variables  $x$  and  $y$  identify the blocks in which these local variables are declared. It may be noted  $x_2$  and  $y_3$  can be assigned the same storage because they are in blocks that are not alive at the same time.

### 4.3.3 Array Allocation and Access

Elements of an array are stored in consecutive locations. Let us consider an array

$a[\text{low} .. \text{high}]$

index varies from low to high. Number of elements in the array is given by

$$\text{high} - \text{low} + 1$$

If the width of each array element is  $w$ , then the address of  $a[i]$  is given by :

$$\text{base} + (i - \text{low}) \times w$$

where base is the starting address of the storage allocated to the array.

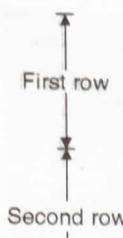
In case of a two dimensional array stored in row-major form, the address of  $A[i_1][i_2]$  in the array  $A[\text{low}_1 .. \text{high}_1][\text{low}_2 .. \text{high}_2]$  can be calculated by the formula.

$$\text{base} + ((i_1 - \text{low}_1) \times n_2 + i_2 - \text{low}_2) \times w$$

where  $n_2$  is the number of columns.  $n_2$  is given by

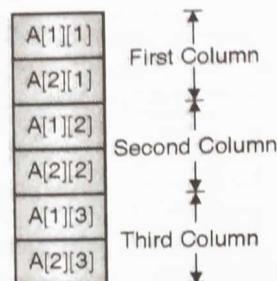
$$n_2 = \text{high}_2 - \text{low}_2 + 1$$

A layout of two-dimensional array is shown in Fig. 4.3.7.



(a) Row-major

(S4.19) Fig. 4.3.7 : Layouts for a two-dimensional array



(b) Column-major

#### Example 4.3.1 SPPU - May 2014, 8 Marks

Explain parameter passing mechanisms :

- |                          |                     |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| (i) call by value        | (ii) call by result |
| (iii) call by references | (iv) call by name.  |

##### Solution :

###### (i) Call by value

In this method, the values of actual parameters are passed to formal parameters (parameters defined in called function). Any changes to the values of formal parameters are not reflected in actual parameters (defined in calling program).

###### (ii) Call by result

It is similar to call by value with one difference. At the time of return from the called function, the values of formal parameters are copied back into corresponding actual parameters.

###### (iii) Call by reference

In this method, the address of an actual parameter is passed to the called function. The called function can access and modify the values of actual parameters.

###### (iv) Call by name

In this method, every occurrence of a formal parameter is the body of the called function is replaced by the name of the corresponding actual parameter.

#### Syllabus Topic : Compilation of Control Structures

### 4.4 Compilation of Control Structure

There are language features which govern the sequencing of control through a program. Some of the common control structures are :

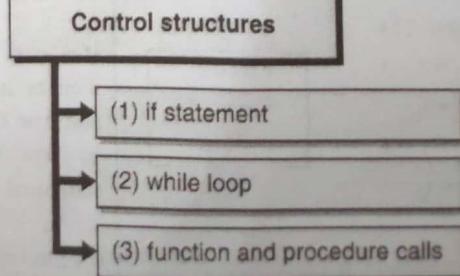


Fig. C4.5 : Control structures

### → 4.4.1 if Statement

We can translate an if-statement into three-address code. A program containing if-statement can be mapped into an equivalent program containing explicit goto's. A sample if statement is compiled into three-address code in Fig. 4.4.1.

if (E)	100 : if (E) then goto 102
{	101 : goto 104
s <sub>1</sub> ;	102 : s <sub>1</sub> ;
}	⇒ 103 : goto 105
else	104 : s <sub>2</sub> ;
{	105 : s <sub>3</sub> ;
s <sub>2</sub> ;	
}	
s <sub>3</sub> ;	

Fig. 4.4.1 : Translation of if-statement

- It should be clear that if E is true then the two statements S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>3</sub> will be executed.
- If E is false then the two statements S<sub>2</sub> and S<sub>3</sub> will be executed.

### Example 4.4.1

Generate intermediate code for the following program segment.

```
if (a < b || c < d && e < f)
{
    x = x + 1;
    y = y - 1;
}
else
{
    x = x - 1;
    y = y + 1;
}
```

### Solution

```
100: if a < b goto 105
101: if c < d goto 103
102: goto 110
103: if e < f goto 105
104: goto 110
105: t1 = x + 1
106: x = t1
107: t2 = y - 1
108: y = t2
109: goto 114
110: t1 = x - 1
111: x = t1
112: t2 = y + 1
113: y = t2
114:
```

Execute  
x = x + 1;  
y = y - 1;

If a < b then a < b  
|| c < d && e < f is true.

execute  
x = x - 1;  
y = y + 1;

If a < b is false  
then both c < d  
and e < f should  
be true for the  
statement a < b  
|| c < d && e < f to be true.

### → 4.4.2 while Statement

We can translate a while-statement into three-address code. A program containing while-statements can be mapped into an equivalent program containing explicit goto's. A sample while statement is compiled into three-address code in Fig. 4.4.2.

while (E)	100 : if (E) then goto 102
{	101 : goto 105
s <sub>1</sub> ;	102 : s <sub>1</sub> ;
s <sub>2</sub> ;	⇒ 103 : s <sub>2</sub> ;
}	104 : goto 100
s <sub>3</sub> ;	105 : s <sub>3</sub> ;

Fig. 4.4.2

- It should be clear that if E is true then control enters the body of the loop and executes S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub>. Subsequently, it goes back to the beginning of the loop.
- If E is false then control is transferred to the statement S<sub>3</sub>.

### Example 4.4.2

Generate the quadruples for the code given below.

for (j = 0; j <= 5; j++)

x [2 \* j] = y [2 \* j + 5]

where x and y are single dimensional arrays with lower and upper bounds as 0 and 5. Also generate the quadruples for the same after applying machine code optimization of array type.

### Solution :

Base address of the array x is being assumed as base x. Base address of the array y is assumed as base y. Word size is taken as w.

The code can be optimized through elimination of common sub-expression 2\*j.

The three address code is given below :

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| (1) j = 0                                    | (2) t <sub>1</sub> = j > 5                   |
| (3) if t <sub>1</sub> then goto 13           | (4) t <sub>2</sub> = 2 * j                   |
| (5) t <sub>3</sub> = t <sub>2</sub> * w      | (6) t <sub>4</sub> = base x + t <sub>3</sub> |
| (7) t <sub>5</sub> = t <sub>2</sub> + 5      | (8) t <sub>6</sub> = t <sub>5</sub> * w      |
| (9) t <sub>7</sub> = base y + t <sub>6</sub> | (10) * t <sub>4</sub> = * t <sub>7</sub>     |
| (11) j = j + 1                               | (12) goto 2                                  |
| (13)   |  |

### Quadruples

Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2	Result
1	=	0	j
2	>	j	5
3	if	t <sub>1</sub>	13
4	*	2	t <sub>2</sub>
5	*	t <sub>2</sub>	w
6	+	base x	t <sub>3</sub>
7	+	t <sub>2</sub>	5
8	*	t <sub>5</sub>	w



	Operator	Operand 1	Operand 2	Result
9	+	base y	$t_6$	$t_7$
10	=	$* t_7$		$* t_4$
11	+	j	l	j
12	goto			2

### Syllabus Topic : Code of Optimization

#### → 4.4.3 function and procedure call

Function call involves passing a parameter and also the return address must be saved on the stack. This concept is explained in section 4.3.2.

### 4.5 Code Optimization

→ (May 2013, Oct. 2016, Dec. 2016)

Q. List down various code optimization techniques. Explain any two techniques in detail with example.

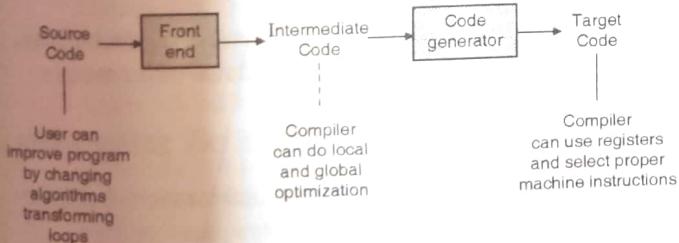
**SPPU - May 2013, Oct. 2016 (In Sem), 8 Marks**

Q. What is the need for code optimization ? Explain various code optimization techniques.

**SPPU - Dec. 2016, 7 Marks**

Code optimization is technique of producing code that can run faster or take less space, or both. This is achieved in the following ways :

- (1) Elimination of redundancies.
- (2) Computations in program are rearranged or rewritten to make it run faster.
- Code optimization has nothing to do with program algorithm.
- Code optimization that we will discuss will not take into account machine properties like instruction set, registers etc.



(S4.20) Fig. 4.5.1 : Places for improvements by the user and the compiler

- Improvement in running time can be obtained by improving a program at various levels (Fig. 4.5.1).
- Compiler can replace a sequence of operations by an algebraic sequence and thereby reduce the running time of a program.

A compiler can carry out several transformations of a program at intermediate code level without changing its meaning. A few techniques used in compilers are given below :

### Compiler techniques

- (1) Compile time evaluation
- (2) Elimination of common sub-expressions
- (3) Dead code elimination
- (4) Frequency reduction
- (5) Strength reduction

Fig. C4.6 : Compiler techniques

#### → (1) Compile time evaluation

Certain operations can be performed during compile time. When all operands in an operation are constants, the operation can be performed during compilation.

#### Example

$$x = 5 * 3 + 9 + y$$

can be written as

$$x = 24 + y$$

This will eliminate multiplication and addition operations during execution of the program. Thus, the execution time of a program can be reduced by compile time evaluation of certain operations.

#### → (2) Elimination of common sub-expressions

Many instructions may contain common sub-expressions. We can avoid re-computing a common sub-expression by using its previously computed value. An occurrence of an expression E is called a common sub-expression if E was previously computed, and the values of variables in E have not changed since previous computation.

#### Example

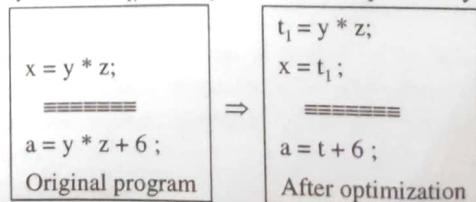
Let us consider a program segment

$$x = y * z ;$$

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$$a = y * z + 6 ;$$

The sub-expression 'y\*z' is common in both the expressions. The value of the sub-expression 'y\*z' can be saved in a temporary variable  $t_1$ . Now,  $t_1$  can be used in place of 'y\*z'.



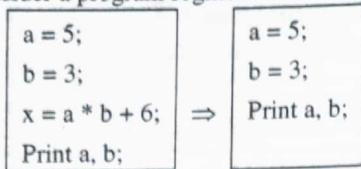
#### → (3) Dead code elimination

A program may contain useless code. Useless code compute values that never get used. Dead code is detected by checking whether the value assigned to a variable is used subsequently in the program.



**Example**

Let us consider a program segment.

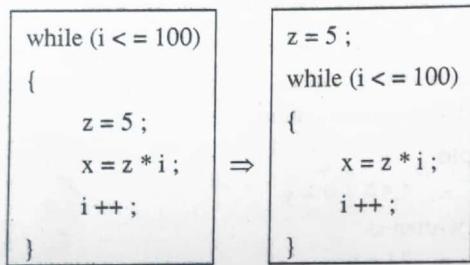


The value assigned to  $x$  is not used subsequently. Therefore, the statement ' $x = a * b + b;$ ' can be eliminated.

**(4) Frequency reduction**

Some instructions can be moved out of a loop. If there is an expression that yields the same result independent of the number of times a loop is executed. Such expressions can be placed before the loop.

**Example**



The statement ' $z = 5;$ ' is a loop-invariant computation. The meaning of the code will not change even if the expression ' $z = 5;$ ' is placed before the loop. Moving a statement outside the body the loop reduces its frequency of execution.

**(5) Strength reduction**

Strength reduction involves replacement of a time consuming operation (a high strength instruction) by a faster operation (a low strength instruction). In some cases the multiplication operation can be replaced by an addition.

**Example**

$x = 2*y$  can be written as  $x = y + y$   
 $x^2$  can be written as  $x * x.$

## 4.6 Exam Pack (University Questions)

**Syllabus Topic : Basic Compilers Function**

- Q.** Explain : Compiler.  
*(Refer section 4.1)(4 Marks)(Dec. 2013, Dec. 2014)*

- Q.** Explain synthesis phase of a compiler.  
*(Refer section 4.1(2)) (6 Marks)*

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**Syllabus Topic : Phases of Compilation**

- Q.** Explain phases of a compiler with example.  
*(Refer section 4.2) (6 Marks)*

(Aug. 2015(In Sem), May 2017)

- Q.** Explain lexical analysis with example.  
*(Refer section 4.2.1) (3 Marks)*

(Dec. 2018)

- Q.** Explain lexical analysis for language processor  
*(Refer section 4.2.1) (3 Marks)*

(May 2017)

- Q.** Explain syntax analysis with example.  
*(Refer section 4.2.2) (3 Marks)*

(Dec. 2018)

- Q.** Explain syntax analysis for language processor  
*(Refer section 4.2.2) (3 Marks)*

(May 2017)

- Q.** Explain semantic analysis for language processor  
*(Refer section 4.2.3) (3 Marks)*

(May 2017)

**Syllabus Topic : Compilation of Expressions**

- Example 4.2.8 (6 Marks)**

(May 2013)

**Syllabus Topic : Memory Allocation**

- Q.** Explain in brief the memory allocation algorithms with examples.  
*(Refer section 4.3) (6 Marks)*

(Dec. 2015)

- Q.** Explain static and dynamic memory allocation.  
*(Refer section 4.3.1) (4 Marks)*

(Oct. 2016 (In Sem))

- Example 4.3.1 (8 Marks)**

(May 2014)

**Syllabus Topic : Code of Optimization**

- Q.** List down various code optimization techniques. Explain any two techniques in detail with example.  
*(Refer section 4.5) (8 Marks)*

(May 2013, Oct. 2016 (In Sem))

- Q.** What is the need for code optimization ? Explain various code optimization techniques.  
*(Refer section 4.5) (7 Marks)*

(Dec. 2018)

## CHAPTER

## 5

## Loaders

## Syllabus Topics

Loader Schemes : Compile and go, General Loaders Scheme, Absolute loaders, subroutine linkages, relocating loaders, direct linking loaders, Design of absolute loader.

## 5.1 Basic Functions of a Loader

→ ( May 2014, Dec. 2014,  
Aug. 2015, Dec. 2015)

Q. What is loader ? List basic functions and features of a loader. **SPPU - May 2014, Dec. 2015, 8 Marks**

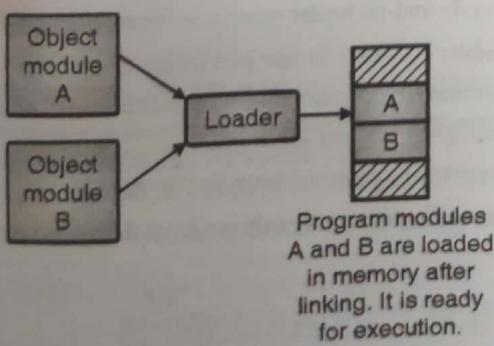
Q. Explain the terms : Loader, Linker. **SPPU - Dec. 2014, 4 Marks**

Q. Explain functions of a Loader. **SPPU - Aug. 2015(In Sem), 4 Marks**

A source program is converted to object program by assemblers and compilers. The loader is a program which accepts object codes and prepares them for execution and initiates execution. As many as four functions are performed by a loader. These functions are :

- Allocation of space in main memory for the programs.
- Linking of object modules with each other. Linking involves resolving of symbolic references between object modules.
- Adjust all address dependent locations, such as address constants, to correspond to the allocated space. It is also called relocation.
- Physically loading the machine instructions and data into the main memory.

A general loading scheme is shown in the Fig. 5.1.1



(SS.1)Fig. 5.1.1 : General loading scheme

☞ What is linking ?

→ (May 2014)

Q. What is linker ?

**SPPU - May 2014, 4 Marks**

Any usable program written in any language has to use functions/ subroutines. These functions could be either user defined functions or they can be library functions.

For example, consider a program written in C-language. Such a program may contain calls to functions like printf() and scanf(). During program execution the main program as well as functions must reside in the main memory. In addition, every time a function is called, the control should get transferred to the appropriate function.

- The linking process makes address of modules known to each other so that transfer of control takes place during execution.
- Passing of parameters is handled by the linker. Parameters can be passed by value or by reference. A value returned by a function must be handled.
- Every public variable should have the same address in every module. An external variable can be defined in one module and can be used in another module. The address of an external variable should be same in every module. Resolving of addresses of symbolic references is handled by the linker.

☞ What is relocation ?

→ (May 2013)

Q. Why program relocation is required and how is it performed? **SPPU - May 2013, 6 Marks**

Relocation is the process of modifying the addresses used in the address sensitive instructions of a program such that the program can execute correctly from any designated area of memory.

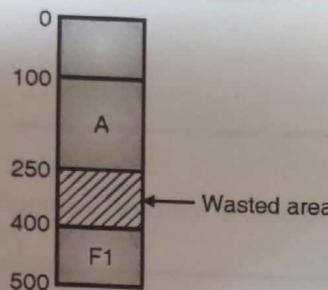
The statement

MOVER AREG, X

This is an address sensitive instruction. For this instruction to execute correctly, the actual address of X should be put in the instruction.

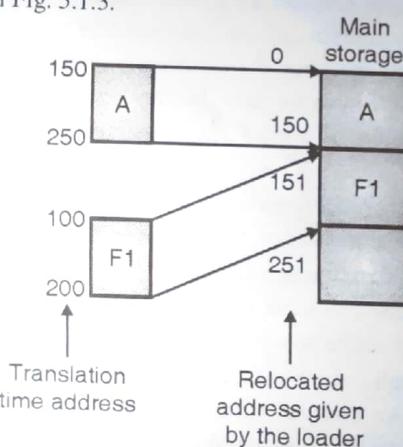
Assume that a program written in C-language (let us call it A) calls a function F1. The program A and the function F1 must be linked with each other. But when in main storage shall we load A and F1? A possible solution would be to load them according to the addresses assigned when they were translated.

**Case I :** At the time of translation, A has been given storage area from 100 to 250 while F1 occupies area between 400 to 500. If we were to load these programs at their translated addresses, a lot of storage lying between them will be wasted.



(S5.2)Fig. 5.1.2 : Case I of relocation

**Case II :** At the time of translation, both A and f<sub>1</sub> may have been translated with the identical start address 100. A goes from 100 to 250 and f<sub>1</sub> goes from 100 to 200. These two modules cannot co-exist at same storage locations. The loader must relocate A and F1 to avoid address conflict or storage waste. A possible relocation is shown in Fig. 5.1.3.



(S5.3)Fig. 5.1.3 : Relocation to avoid address conflict or storage waste

- It may be noted that relocation is more than simply moving a program from one area to another in the storage. It refers to adjustment of address fields and not to movement of a program.

#### Example 5.1.1 SPPU - Dec. 2014, Oct. 2016(In Sem), May 2017

Explain Translated origin, Link origin, Load origin.

**Solution :**

- Translated origin :** It is the address specified by the programmer in an ORIGIN statement. This address is used by the translator for code generator.

- Linked origin :** This address of the origin assigned by the linker while producing the machine code.
- Load origin :** Address of the origin assigned by the loader while loading the program for execution.

#### Syllabus Topic : Loader Schemes

## 5.2 Loading Schemes

→ (May 2014, Dec. 2014, Dec. 2015, Dec. 2016)

- Q. List and explain the different loader scheme in brief.

**SPPU - May 2014, Dec. 2014, Dec. 2015  
Dec. 2016, 8 Marks**

There are several schemes for accomplishing the four loading functions. These schemes are :

#### Loading schemes

1. Compile-and-go loaders
2. General loader scheme
3. Absolute loader
4. Subroutine linkages
5. Relocating loaders
6. Direct-Linking loaders

Fig. C5.1 : Loading schemes

#### Syllabus Topic : Compile and go

### → 5.2.1 Compile-and-go Loaders

→ (Dec. 2014, Dec. 2015, Oct. 2016)

- Q. Explain any one type of loader.

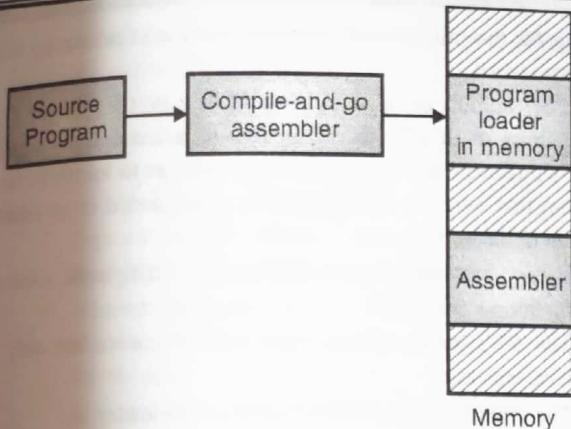
**SPPU - Dec. 2014, 3 Marks**

- Q. Explain compile and go-loader scheme.

**SPPU - Dec. 2015, Oct. 2016 (In Sem), 6 Marks**

A compile-and-go loader scheme is shown in Fig. 5.2.1.

- Assembler is loaded in one part of the memory and it places the assembled program (machine instructions) directly into their assigned memory locations.
- After the loading process is complete, the assembler transfers the control to the starting instruction of the loaded program.



(S4.21)Fig. 5.2.1 : Compile-and-go loader scheme

#### ☞ Advantages of compile and-go-loader

- It is easy to implement.
- It is a very simple scheme.

#### ☞ Disadvantages of compile and-go-loader

- A portion of the memory is wasted as it is occupied by the assembler.
- It is required to re-translate the user program every time it is run.
- It is difficult to handle multiple segments.

Thus, it becomes very difficult to develop a modular program under compile-and-go assembler.

### Syllabus Topic : General Loader Scheme

#### → 5.2.2 General Loader Scheme

A general loading scheme is shown in Fig. 5.1.1.

- Output of assembler is saved in a file. This output can be loaded and executed whenever the user wants to run the program. The output of the assembler is known as the object program.
- With the use of output of assembler as intermediate file, the disadvantages of "compile-and-go" scheme can be removed :
  1. Retranslation of program every time it is run is avoided.
  2. The assembler need not reside in the main memory at the time of execution. Only the loader need to be in the memory but it is much smaller compare to a compile-and-go loader.
  3. It is possible to write a modular program under general loading scheme.
- In this scheme, the loader accepts object files and places machine instructions and data in the memory for execution.

### Syllabus Topic : Absolute Loaders

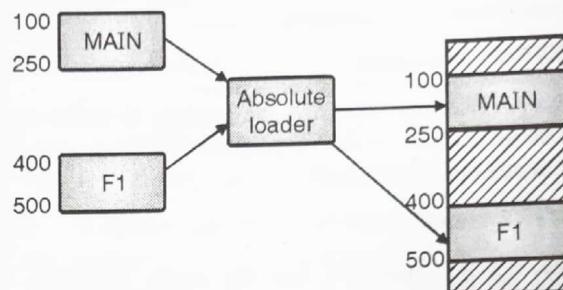
#### → 5.2.3 Absolute Loader → (Aug. 2015)

- Q. Explain Absolute Loaders loading scheme.

SPPU - Aug. 2015 (In Sem), 6 Marks

The task of an absolute loader is virtually trivial. The loader simply accepts the machine language code produced by an assembler and places it into main memory at the location specified by the assembler.

Fig. 5.2.2 illustrates the operation of an absolute loader. The main program is assigned to locations 100 to 250 and the function F1 is assigned locations 400 to 500. The programmer should be careful not to assign overlapping locations to modules to be linked.



(S5.4)Fig. 5.2.2 : Absolute loader example

The four loading functions are accomplished in an absolute loading scheme :

- Allocation – by programmer
- Linking – by programmer
- Relocation – by assembler
- Loading – by loader

#### ☞ Advantages of absolute loading scheme

- No relocation information is required, so the size of the object module is comparatively small.
- This scheme is very simple to implement.
- This scheme makes more memory available for loading since the assembler is not in memory at the time of loading.
- No modification of address sensitive entities is required at the time of loading.
- This scheme supports multiple object modules to reside in memory.

#### ☞ Disadvantages of absolute loader

- Since the linking is handled by the programmer, programmer has to remember the address of each module and use that absolute address explicitly for linking.
- The programmer has to be careful not to assign overlapping locations to modules to be linked.
- Lot of memory lying between modules will be wasted.
- If changes are made to one module that increases its size then it can overlap the start of another module. It may require manual shifting of module. This manual shifting can become very complex and tedious.

### Syllabus Topic : Subroutine Linkages

#### → 5.2.4 Subroutine Linkage → (Dec. 2013)

- Q. Explain sub routine linkers.

SPPU - Dec. 2013, 4 Marks



A program consisting of main program and a set of functions (subroutines) could reside in several files. These program units are assembled separately.

The problem of subroutine linkage is this : a main program A wishes to call the subroutine B and if the subroutine B resides in another file then the assembler will not know the address of B and declare it as an undefined symbol.

To realize such interactions, A and B must contain public definitions and external references.

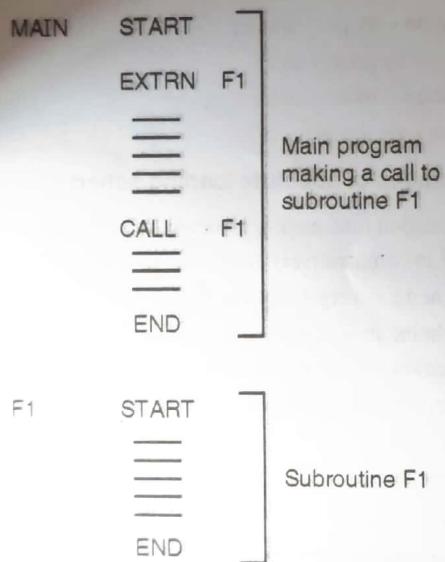
#### EXTRN statements

The EXTRN statement lists the symbols to which external references are made in the current program unit. These symbols are defined in other program units.

#### ENTRY statements

The ENTRY statement lists the public definitions of a program unit, i.e. it lists those symbols defined in the program unit which may be referenced in other program units.

For example, the following sequence of instruction may be a simple calling sequence to another program :



(S5.5)Fig. 5.2.3

- In this example, the subroutine F1 is declared as an external symbol in the main program.
- Assemblers can not provide the addresses of external symbols. Their addresses are fixed at the time of linking. Thus, an external reference is said to be unresolved until linking is performed for it. It is said to be resolved when its linking is completed.

#### Syllabus Topic : Relocating Loaders

#### → 5.2.5 Relocating Loader → (Dec. 2013)

- Q. Explain relocation loaders.

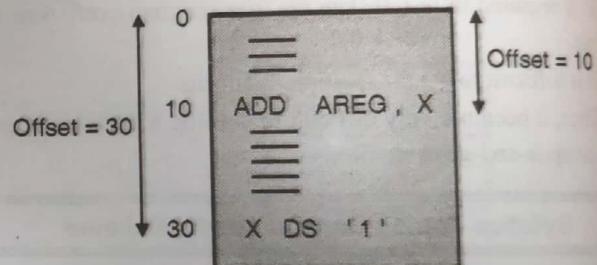
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To avoid possible assembling of all subroutines when a single subroutine is changed and to perform the tasks of allocation and

linking for the programmer, the general class of relocating loaders was introduced.

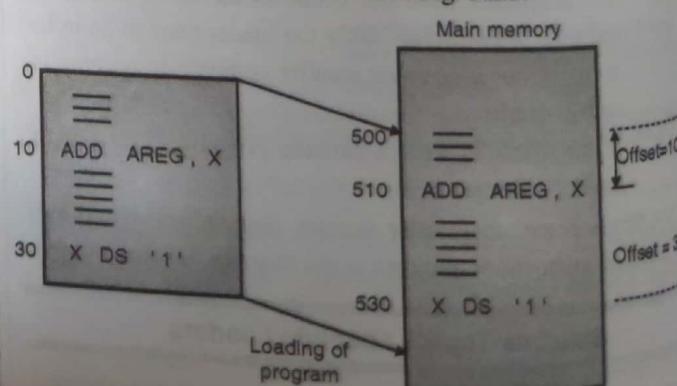
The output of a relocating loader is the program and information about all other programs it references. In addition, there is information (relocation information) as to locations in this program that must be changed if it is to be loaded in an arbitrary location in memory.

- Binary symbolic loader (BSS) is an example of relocating loader.
- The BSS loader allows many code segments but only one data segment.
- The output of the assembler using a BSS loader is :
  1. Object program
  2. Reference about other programs to be accessed.
  3. Information about address sensitive entities.
- The relocation requirements of a program are influenced by the addressing structure of the computer system on which it is to execute. Many computer systems provide hardware support for relocation. Use of segment registers reduces the relocation requirement of a program. Let us consider a program segment as shown in Fig. 5.2.4.



(S5.6)Fig. 5.2.4 : A sample program segment considered for relocation

- In the above program segment the address of variable X in the instruction `ADD AREG, X` will be 30
- If this program is loaded from the memory location 500 for execution then the address of X in the instruction `ADD AREG, X` must become 530, it is shown in Fig. 5.2.5.



(S5.7)Fig. 5.2.5 : Relocation of the program

- Use of segment registers make a program address insensitive. Here all memory addressing is performed using displacement (offset). Starting memory address is stored in the segment register and the actual address is given by :

Contents of the segment register + address of the operand in the instruction.

The address of the variable X can be found as given below :

$$500 + 30 = 530$$

Segment register offset      Actual address

- The BSS loader allows many code segments and one common data segment. The assembler assembles each code segment independently and passes on to the loader the following :

1. Object program prefixed by a transfer vector that consists of addresses containing names of subroutines referenced by the source program.
  2. Relocation information, i.e. locations in the program that must be changed if it is loaded in an arbitrary location in the main memory.
  3. Length of the source program and the length of the transfer vector.
- The loader loads the transfer vector and the object code into memory, then the loader loads each subroutine identified in transfer vector. The transfer vector is used to solve the problem of linking and the program length information is used to solve the problem of allocation.

#### Syllabus Topic : Direct Linking Loaders

#### → 5.2.6 Direct Linking Loader

→ (May 2013)

**Q. In case of a Direct Linking Loader, what is the information required to be passed by a translator to the loader.**

**SPPU - May 2013, 4 Marks**

It is a general relocatable loader, and is perhaps the most popular loading scheme presently used.

- It is a relocatable loader
- It allows multiple procedure segments and multiple data segments.

The assembler must give the loader the following information with each procedure or data segment :

1. The length of segment.
2. A list of symbols defined in the current segment that may be referenced by other segments – public declaration.
3. A list of all symbols not defined in the segment but referenced in the segment – external variables.
4. Information about address constants
5. The machine code translation of source program and the relative addresses assigned.

The object module produced by the assembler is divided into 4 sections :

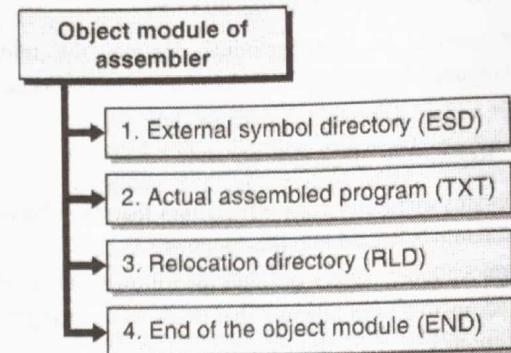


Fig. C5.2 : Object module of assembler

→ 1. External symbol directory (ESD)

It contains information about all symbols that are defined in this program but may be referenced by other programs. It also contains symbols referenced in this program but defined in other program. A sample ESD is shown in Fig. 5.2.6.

	LC		
1.	MAIN	START	0
2.		ENTRY RESULT	-
3.		EXTRN SUM	-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
10.	RESULT	DS	4
			32
		END	36

Fig. 5.2.6(a) : A sample source program

Line No.	Symbol	Type	Relative location	Length
1.	MAIN	SD	0	36
2.	RESULT	LD	32	-
3.	SUM	ER	-	-

Fig. 5.2.6(b) : ESD for program shown in Fig. 5.2.6(a)

SD – symbol is a segment definition

LD – symbol is defined in this program but it can be referenced by other programs

ER – symbol is an external reference. It is defined in some external program.

- The relative location of the program (MAIN) is 0 and its size is 36
- The symbol RESULT is locally defined (LD) and its relative address is 32.
- The symbol SUM is an external reference (ER).



→ **2. Actual assembled program (TXT) :**

Text portion of object module contains the relocatable machine language instructions and data that were produced during translation.

→ **3. Relocation directory (RLD) :**

It contains one entry for each address that must be changed when the module is loaded into main memory.

The relocation directory contains the following information :

1. The address of each operand that needs to be changed due to relocation
2. By what it has to be changed
3. The operation to be performed

→ **4. End of object module (END) :**

This indicated the end of object module.

**Example 5.2.1**

With respect to loader functions state whether the following statements are true or false.

- (i) In absolute loader relocation is done by assembler.
- (ii) In absolute loader linking is done by programmer.
- (iii) In compiler-and-go loader allocation is done by assembler.
- (iv) In compile-and-go loader, loading is done by loader.

**Solution :**

- (i) True    (ii) True    (iii) True  
 (iv) False : Everything is handled by the assembler/compiler.

**Example 5.2.2**

Compare compile-and-go loader and absolute loader.

**Solution :**

Absolute loader is for non-relocatable program :

1. It accepts output of assembler as input.
2. It avoids re-assembly of program, every time it is executed.
3. Assembler need not reside in the memory at the time of execution. Loader is required to be in the memory but it is much smaller compared to an assembler.
4. The four loading functions are accomplished in an absolute loading scheme :
  1. Allocation – by programmer
  2. Linking – by programmer
  3. Relocation – by assembler
  4. Loading – by loader.

Compile-and-go loading scheme is useful if the program is to run a few times. In this scheme, everything is done by the assembler.

- A portion of the memory is wasted as it is occupied by the assembler.
- It is required to re-translate the user program every time it is run.
- It is difficult to handle multiple segments. Thus, it becomes very difficult to develop a modular program under this scheme.

**Example 5.2.3**

At what point of time do each of the following loading schemes perform binding.

- (i) Direct linking loader
- (ii) Absolute loader

**Solution :**

- In absolute loader linking is done by the programmer at the time of writing of the program.
- In direct linking loader, binding is done twice :
  1. At the time of linking.
  2. At the time of loading.

**Example 5.2.4**

State whether the following statements are true or false and justify your answer.

- (i) Relocation is performed by linker.
- (ii) Transfer vector is used by direct linking loader.
- (iii) In absolute loader, linking is done by programmer.
- (iv) In compile-and-go loader linking is performed by loader.

**Solution :**

1. True, translated addresses are changed by the linker at the time of linking.
2. True, transfer vector consists of addresses containing names of subroutines referenced by the source program. The statement corresponding to a subroutine call is translated into a transfer instruction indicating a branch to the location of the transfer vector associated with the subroutine.
3. True, absolute loader does not perform linking. It simply places the executable program at the pre-assigned addresses in the memory.
4. No, in compile-and-go scheme loading functions are performed by the assembler.

**Example 5.2.5**

State true or false :

- (i) Loader loads and executes object code.
- (ii) Linkers and loaders are not needed with re-locatable programs.
- (iii) Transfer vector is used by direct linking loader.
- (iv) In absolute loader relocation is done by assembler.

**Solution :**

- (i) True    (ii) False    (iii) True    (iv) True.

**Example 5.2.6**

Suppose that a programming language requires an interpreter, what kind of loader scheme is required in this case ? Justify your answer.

**Solution :** Normally, linking is not performed by an interpreter. It does the followings :

1. Gather function arguments and makes sure they are valid.
2. Calls the function
3. Handles the return value.

At the best, it can be said that interpreter uses compile-and-go scheme. Interpreter has to reside in the memory at the time of execution.

**Example 5.2.7**

What is linkage editor? What is the essential difference between linkage editor and linking loader?

**Solution :**

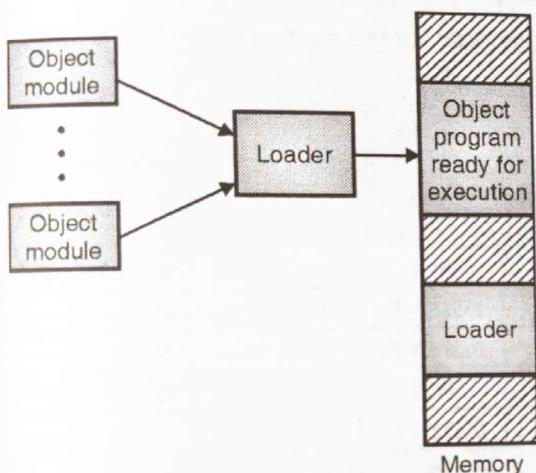
A linkage editor is a linker that links assembled programs. The linker resolves references between program modules and libraries of subroutines. The output of a linkage editor is load module, which is executable code ready to run.

This executable module can be loaded by a loader in the main memory after allocation and relocation.

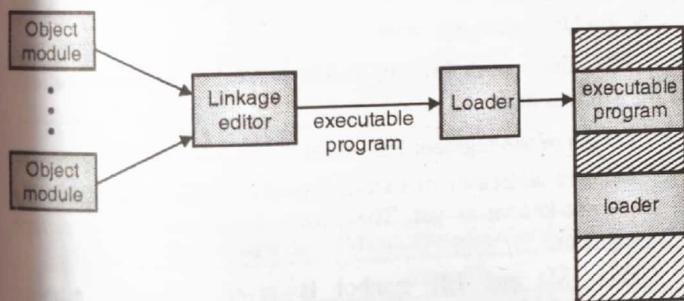
On the other hand, a linking loader performs both linking and loading.

The major disadvantage of linking loader is that every time you want to run the program, linking must be carried out. This step is performed only once in linkage editor.

The two schemes are shown in the Fig. Ex. 5.2.7.



(S4.22(a)) Fig. Ex. 5.2.7(a) : Linking loader scheme



(S4.22(b)) Fig. Ex. 5.2.7(b) : Linkage editor scheme

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**Syllabus Topic : Design of an Absolute Loader**


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### 5.3 Design of an Absolute Loader

→ (Dec. 2013)

**Q. Explain absolute loaders. SPPU - Dec. 2013, 4 Marks**

In absolute loading scheme the programmer and the assembler perform the following tasks :

1. Allocation
2. Relocation
3. Linking

The absolute loader reads the object program line by line and moves the text of the program into the memory at the location specified by the assembler.

The object program generated by the assembler must communicate the following information to the loader :

1. It must convey the machine instructions that the assembler has created along with the memory address.
2. It must convey the starting execution point. Program execution will start at this point after the program is loaded.

The object program is a sequence of object records. Each object record specifies some specific aspect of the program in the object module. There are two types of records :

1. Text record containing binary image of the assembly program.
2. Transfer record containing the starting (entry) point of execution.

The formats of text and transfer records are given in Fig. 5.3.1

Record Type	Number of bytes of information	Memory address	Binary image of data or instruction
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(a) Text record

Record Type	Number of bytes of information = 0	Address of the entry point
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(b) Transfer record

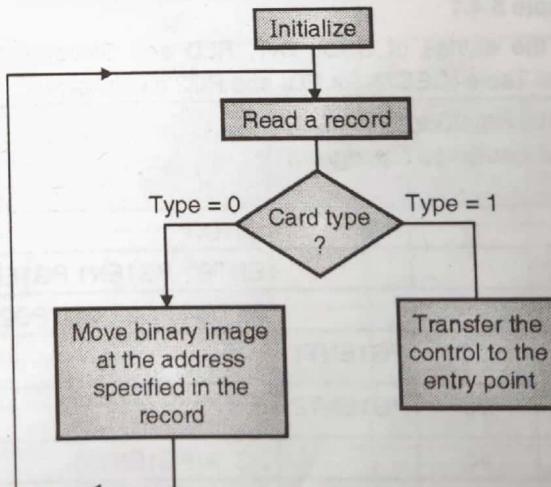
Record type = 0 for Text record

Record type = 1 for Transfer record

Fig. 5.3.1 : Formats of object records

☞ **Algorithm :** The algorithm for absolute loader is very simple. The loader reads the object file record by record and moves the binary image at the locations specified in the record. The last record is the transfer record. On reaching the transfer record the control is transferred to the entry point for execution.

☞ **Flowchart :** Flowchart is given in Fig. 5.3.2.



(S5.8) Fig. 5.3.2

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**Syllabus Topic : Design of Linker**


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### 5.4 Design of Direct Linking Loader

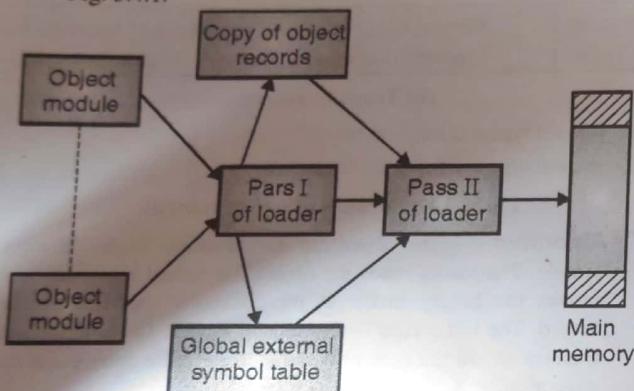
→ (May 2015)

**Q. Explain design of direct linking loader. Also explain the required data structures. SPPU - May 2015, 7 Marks**



The design of a direct linking loader is more complicated than that of the absolute loader. The input to the loader is set of object programs (generated by assembler/compiler) to be linked together. Each object module is divided into 4 sections:

1. External symbol directory (ESD).
  2. Actual assembled program containing the binary code (TXT)
  3. Relocation directory (RLD).
  4. End of the object module (END).
- A direct linking loader requires two passes to complete the linking process.
    - (i) Pass I, assigns addresses to all external symbols.
    - (ii) Pass II, performs actual loading, relocation and linking.
  - In pass I, a global external symbol table (GEST) is prepared. It contains every external symbol and the corresponding absolute address value.
  - The two-pass direct linking loader scheme is shown in Fig. 5.4.1.



(ss.9)Fig. 5.4.1 : Two pass direct linking loader scheme

#### Example 5.4.1

Write the entries of ESD, TXT, RLD and Global External Symbol Table (GEST), for PG1 and PG2 given below :

Object record No.	Relative address	Source program	
1	0	PG1	STRAT
2			ENTRY PG1ENT1,PG1ENT2
3			EXTRN PG2ENT1, PG2
4	20	PG1ENT1	≡
5	30	PG1ENT2	≡
6	40		DC A(PG1ENT1)
7	44		DC A(PG1ENT2 + 15)
8	48		DC A(PG1ENT2 - PG1ENT1 - 3)
9	52		DC A(PG2)
10	56		DC A(PG2ENT1 + PG2 - PG1ENT1 + 4)
11	60		END
12	0	PG2	START

Object record No.	Relative address	Source program	Loaders
13			ENTRY PG2ENT1
14			EXTRN PG1ENT1, PG1ENT2
15	16	PG2ENT1	≡
16	24		DC A(PG1ENT1)
17	28		DC A(PG1ENT2 + 15)
18	32		DC A(PG1ENT2 - PG1ENT1 - 3)
19	36		END

#### Solution :

##### Object records for the module PG1

###### 1. ESD records

Source object record No.	Name	Type	ID	Relative address	Length
1	PG1	SD	01	0	60
2	PG1ENT1	LD	-	20	-
2	PG1ENT2	LD	-	30	-
3	PG2	ER	02	-	-
3	PG2ENT1	ER	03	-	-

SD – Segment definition

LD – Local definition, declared in the current segment but can be used by other segments.

ER – External definition, declared in other segments but can be used in this segment.

- Length of the segment PG1 is 60
- Relative addresses of external symbols PG2 and PG2ENT1 are not known as yet. They are not declared in the current segment.
- Each SD and ER symbol is given a unique number (e.g. 01, 02, ...) by the assembler. This ID will be used in RLD.

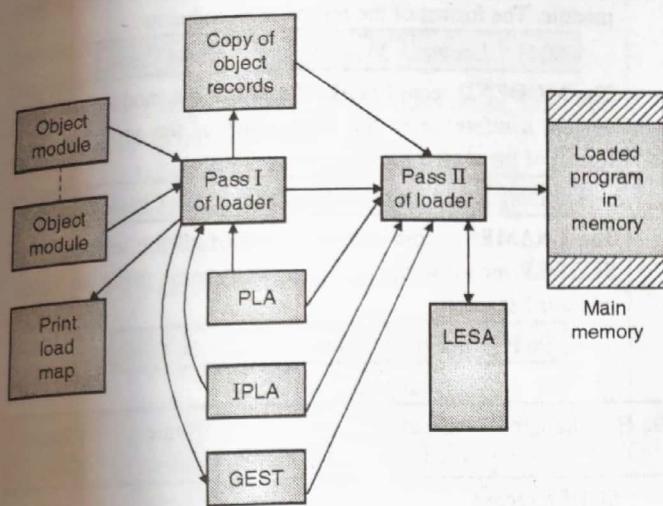
###### 2. TEXT records :

We will confine ourselves in showing entries involving address constants.

Source object record No.	Relative address	Contents	Comments
6	40 - 43	20	Address of PG1ENT1 is 20
7	44 - 47	45	Address of PG1ENT2 + 15 = 30 + 15 = 45
8	48 - 51	7	PG1ENT2 - PG1ENT1 - 3 = 30 - 20 - 3 = 7
9	52 - 55	0	Address of PG2 is not known. It is taken as 0.

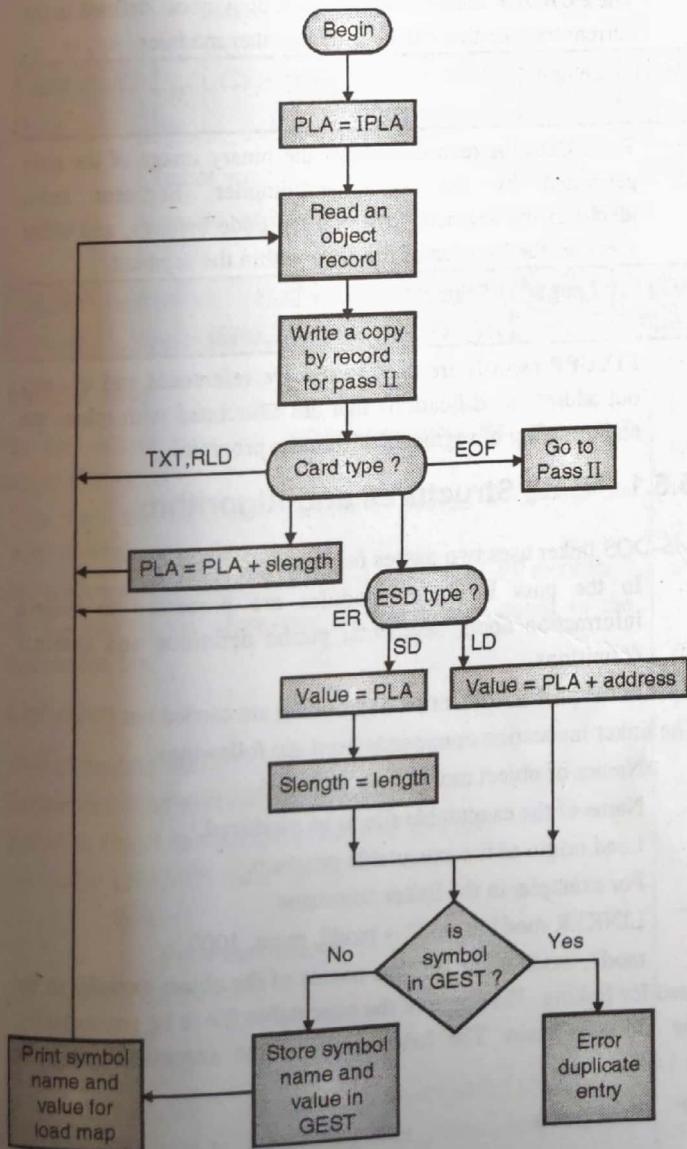






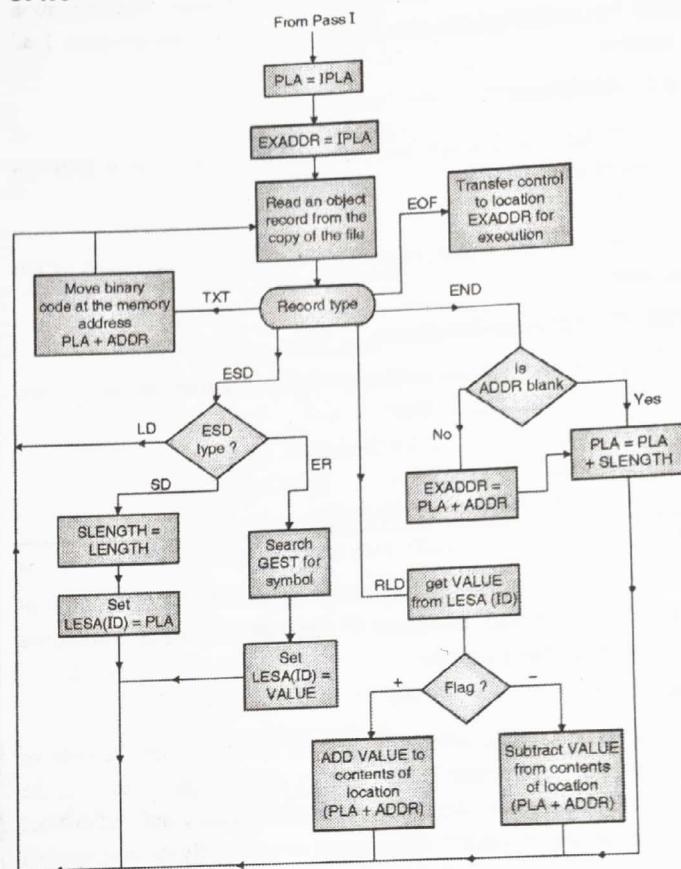
(S5.11)Fig. 5.4.2 : Use of data bases by loader

#### 5.4.2 Flowchart for Pass I



(S5.12)Fig. 5.4.3

#### 5.4.3 Flowchart for Pass II



(S5.13)Fig. 5.4.4

#### Example 5.4.3

Answer the following with respect to two pass linking loader :

- What is the function of Pass-I ?
- What is the function of Pass-II ?
- Suppose you were to restrict to one pass loader, what facilities would you be able to give to the user (viz : Simple address relocation, external symbol etc.)

#### Solution :

- Pass I assigns addresses to external symbols.
- Pass II performs actual loading, allocation, relocation and linking.
- One pass loader will not be able to handle external symbols. Other activities like allocation, relocation, loading and linking can be handled by one pass loader.

#### Example 5.4.4

Give an example of the following types of address constants:

- Simple re-locatable
- Absolute
- Complex re-locatable.

#### Solution :

- Simple re-locatable**

If  $L1$  is a relocatable symbol in a program segment and  $C1$  is a constant then

$$L1 \pm C1$$



the address is constant, A ( $L_1 \pm C_1$ ) is simple relocatable. This address can be calculated by the assembler. The relocation will be performed by the loader by adding the program load address.

### (ii) Absolute

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two relocatable symbols in a program segment then

$$L_1 - L_2$$

will be an absolute value. This value can be calculated by the assembler.

### (iii) Complex re-locatable

If  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are defined in other program segments then assembler cannot handle them.

In such cases

$$L_1 \pm L_2$$

must be calculated by the loader.

#### Example 5.4.5

How can a linker resolve symbols defined to be synonyms of externally defined symbols ? Explain the data structures required for this purpose.

#### Solution :

Linker handles externally defined symbols with the help of Global External Symbol Table (GEST). GEST is prepared from the object deck program. Any synonyms of externally defined symbol will not appear in GEST. A synonym of externally defined symbol is treated as a local symbol and it can be handled by the assembler with the help of symbol table.

## 5.5 Implementation of MS DOS Linker

→ (May 2014)

Q. Explain MS-DOS linker in detail.

SPPU - May 2014, 4 Marks

MS DOS compilers and assembler produce object modules. The object module is a sequence of object records. There are 14 types of object records. These records contain the following three basic categories of information :

1. Binary image (machine instructions)
2. External references
3. Public definitions.

The names and purpose of the object record types is given below :

Record Type	Id (Hex)	Description
THEADER	80	Translator header
LNAMES	96	List of names record
SEGDEF	98	Segment definition
EXTDEF	8C	External definition
PUBDEF	90	Public definition
LEDATA	A0	Translated instructions and data
FIXUPP	9C	Fixup records for relocation
MODEND	8A	Module end record.

- The **THEADER** record specifies the name of the object module. The format of the record is given below.
 

80 H	Length	Module name	Check-Sum
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- The **MODEND** record marks the end of the module and can contain a reference to the entry point of the program. The format of the record is given below.
 

80 H	Length	Type (1)	Start addr. (5)	Check-Sum
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- The **LNAMES** record contains a list of all the segments. A **SEGDEF** record designates a segment name using an index into this list.
 

96 H	Length	Name list	Check-Sum
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LNAMES record

98 H	Length	Attributes (1 - 4)	Segment length (2)	Name index (1)	Check-Sum
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SGDEF record

- The **EXTDEF** record contains a list of external symbols that are used in this module.
 

8 CH	Length	External reference list	Check-Sum
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- The **PUBDEF** record contains a list of symbols defined in the current module that can be used by other modules.
 

90 H	Length	Base (2 - 4)	Name	Offset (2)	...	Check-Sum
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- The **LEDATA** record contains the binary image of the code generated by the assembler/compiler. Segment index identifies the segment to which the code belongs, and offset specifies the location of the code within the segment.
 

AO H	Length	Segment index (1 - 2)	Data offset (2)	Data	Check-Sum
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- **FIXUPP** records are used to resolve references and to carry out address modifications that are associated with relocation and grouping of segments within the program.

### 5.5.1 Data Structures and Algorithm

MS-DOS linker uses two passes for linking :

1. In the pass I, object modules are processed to collect information about segments, public definition and external definitions.
2. In the pass II, relocation and linking are carried out.

The linker invocation commands need the followings :

1. Names of object modules to be linked
2. Name of the executable file to be produced.
3. Load origin of the executable program.

For example, in the linker command  
**LINKER mod1 + mod2 + mod3, main, 1000**  
 mod1, mod2 and mod3 are names of the object modules to be used for linking. The name of the executable file to be generated by the linker is main. The load origin of the executable program is 1,000.

#### First pass

In the first pass, linker processes the object records for building external symbol director (ESD).

### Algorithm

1. Extract load\_origin from the command line.
2. Repeat step 3 for each module to be linked.
3. Select the next object module from the command line. For each record in the object module :
  - (a) If an L NAMES record then enter the name of the module in the name directory (NAMED).
  - (b) If a SEGDEF record then
    - (i) i = name index from the record
    - (ii) segment\_name = NAMED [i]
    - (iii) If an absolute segment then enter (segment\_name, segment\_addr) in ESD.
    - (iv) If the segment is relocatable then
      - Align load\_origin with the next paragraph. It should be multiple of 1b.
      - Enter (segment\_name, load\_origin) in ESD.
      - Load\_origin = load\_origin + segment length.
  - (c) If a PUBDEF record then
    - (i) i = base
    - (ii) Segment\_name = NAMED [i]
    - Symbol = name
    - (iii) Segment\_addr = load address of segment\_name in ESD
    - (iv) Symbol\_addr = segment\_addr + offset
    - (v) Enter (symbol, symbol\_addr) in ESD.

### Second pass

In the second pass the linker constructs the executable program in work-area.

- Data from the LEDATA records is moved to appropriate parts of work area.
- Relocation and linking is performed using FIXUPP records.
- At the end of the processing, the output is stored in the executable file.

### Algorithm

1. Extract module names from the command.
2. Repeat step 3 for every object module.
3. Select an object module and process its records.
  - (a) If an L NAMES record
 

then

Enter the names in NAMELIST.
  - (b) If a SEGDEF record
 

then

    - (i) i = name index
    - (ii) segment\_name = NAMELIST[i]
    - (iii) Enter (segment\_name, load address from ESD) in SEGTAB

- (c) If an EXTDEF record
 

then

  - (i) external\_name = name from EXTDEF record
  - (ii) Enter (external\_name, load address from ESD) in EXTTAB.
- (d) If an LEDATA record then
  - (i) i = segment index
  - (ii) d = data offset
  - (iii) program\_load\_origin = SEGTAB[i].load address
  - (iv) address\_in\_work\_area = address of work\_area + program\_load\_origin - <load origin> + d
  - (v) Move data from LEDATA into the memory area starting at the address address\_in\_work\_area.
- (e) If a FIXUPP record, then for each FIXUPP specification
  - (i) f = offset from locat field
  - (ii) Perform required fix up.
- (f) If a MODEND record then
 

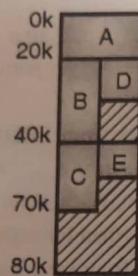
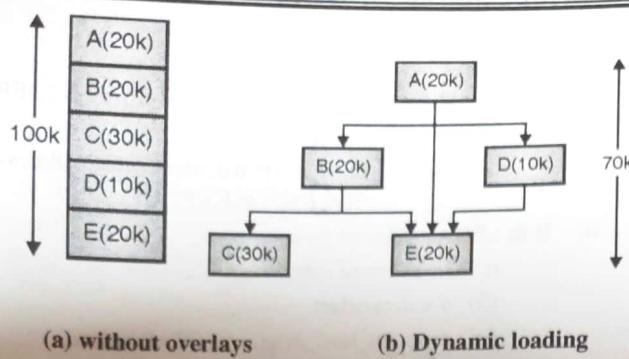
If the start address is specified, compute the corresponding load address.

## 5.6 Overlay Structure

An overlay is a part of a program which has the same load origin as some other parts of the program. It is normally used in a system which does not support virtual memory. In static linking/loading, it is necessary that all the subroutines needed for execution are loaded into the main memory at the same time. If the total amount of memory required by all these subroutines exceeds the amount available, as is common with large programs on small computers, we can get rid of this problem with the help of overlays.

Usually the subroutines of a program are needed at different times. By finding which subroutines call other subroutines it is possible to produce an overlay structure that identifies mutually exclusive subroutines.

- The Fig. 5.6.1 illustrates a program consisting of five subprograms (A, B, C, D and E) that require 100k bytes of memory.
- The arrow indicates that subprogram A only calls B, D and E. The subprogram B only calls C and E. The subprogram D only calls E.
- Procedures B and D are never in use at the same time. Similarly, C and E are never in use at the same time.
- We can create an overlay structure as shown in the Fig. 5.6.1. It will require 70 k of memory.



(c) Possible storage allocation with overlays

(S4.23) Fig. 5.6.1 : Storage allocation with overlays

- In order for the overlay structure to work it is necessary for the module loader to dynamically load the various subroutines as they are needed.
- The portion of the loader that actually intercepts the calls and loads the necessary subroutines is called overlay manager.
- This scheme is called dynamic loading.

## 5.7 Software Tools for Program Development

Software tools are used extensively for program development and user interfaces. Here, we will discuss some important tools like:

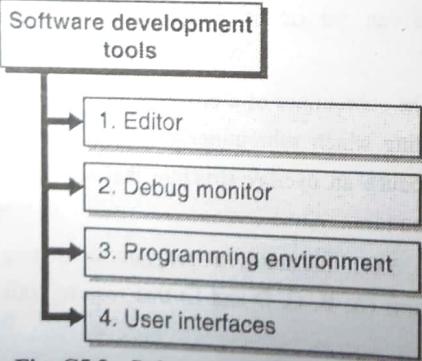


Fig. C5.3 : Software development tools

### → 5.7.1 Editor

→ (Oct. 2016)

Q. Explain in details design of editor.

SPPU - Oct. 2016 (In Sem), 6 Marks

Editor is a computer program that allows a user to create and revise a target document. The document includes objects such as computer programs, text, equations, tables, diagrams, lines and photographs. A text editor is a program in which the primary

elements being edited are character strings of the target strings. The document editing process is an interactive user-computer dialogue designed to accomplish four tasks :

1. Select the part of the document to be viewed and manipulated.
2. Determine two to format this view on line and how to display it.
3. Specify and execute operations that modify the target document.
4. Update the view appropriately.

Text editors come in the following forms :

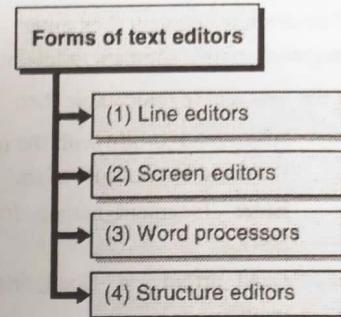


Fig. C5.4 : Forms of text editors

### → (1) Line editors

It is a primitive form of editor. It requires you to specify a specific line of text before you can make changes to it. A line editor does not display the text in the manner it would appear if printed.

- In a line editor, the cursor cannot be used to move around and select a portion of the document.
- Any modification is restricted to current line.
- Interaction with the editor is through a set of commands. This makes a line editor a less user friendly.

### → (2) Screen editors

Screen editor enables one to modify any text that appears on the display screen by moving the cursor to the desired location. The editor displays a screen full of text at a time. The user can see the effect of edit operation on the screen. This is very useful while formatting the text to produce printed documents.

### → (3) Word processors

A word processor recognises word as a basic entity. It is possible to support a spell-check option. A word processor has the concept of paragraph. A typical word processor has the following options :

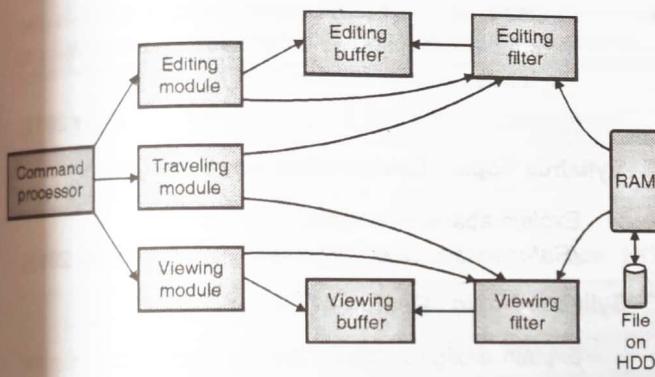
1. Moving a section of text from one place to another.
2. Deleting a section of text.
3. Searching a word.
4. Merging of text
5. Replacement of word.
6. Spell-check.

### → (4) Structure editors

A structure editor has awareness of the structure of document. The structure is specified by the user while creating or modifying the document. Syntax directed editor is an example of structure editor.

### 5.7.1(a) Editor Structure

- Many text editors have a structure similar to the Fig. 5.7.1.
- The common language processor accepts input from the user's input devices, and analyses it and its syntactic structure.
- Editing module is a collection of modules dealing with editing tasks. The current editing pointer is maintained by the editing module.
- The travelling module of the editor performs the setting of the current editing and viewing pointers.
- In viewing document, the start of the area to be viewed is determined by the current viewing pointer. This pointer is maintained by the viewing module.



(S6.1)Fig. 5.7.1 : Typical editor structure

- When the user issues an editing command, the editing module invokes the editing filter. This component filters the document to generate a new editing buffer based on the current editing pointer as well as on the editing filter parameters.

### → 5.7.2 Debug Monitor

An interactive debugging system provides programmers with facilities that aid in the testing and debugging of programs. Debug monitors provide the following facilities for dynamic debugging :

1. Setting breakpoints in the program.
2. Initiating a debug conversation when control reaches the break point.
3. Displaying values of variables.
4. Assigning new values to variables.

A debugging system should provide functions such as tracing and traceback. Tracing can be used to track the flow of execution logic and data modification. Traceback can show the path by which the current statement is reached.

It is also important for a debugging system to have good program display capabilities. It must be possible to display the source program being debugged, complete with statement numbers.

While debugging a program, user specifies a list of breakpoints and actions to be performed at breakpoints. The debug monitor builds a table containing statement number and debug action.

### → 5.7.3 Programming Environment

Programming environment is an integrated program development environment where most of the program development facilities are available in the same environment. These facilities include :

1. Program creation.
2. Editing.
3. Execution.
4. Testing and debugging.

A programming environment consists of the following components

1. A syntax directed editor.
2. Compiler, interpreter.
3. Debug monitor
4. Dialog monitor

These components are accessed through dialog monitor. The syntax directed editor understands the syntax of the source language. The editor can do syntax analysis and convert the input statement into an intermediate representation. The program execution or interpretation can be carried out, immediately after the program is keyed in. In case of any error, the programmer can enter the debug mode to fix the bug. The main advantage is easy accessibility of all functions through dialog monitor.

### → 5.7.4 User Interfaces

A user interface (UI) plays an important role in simplifying the interaction of a user with an application. UI functioning has two important aspects :

1. Issuing of commands
2. Exchange of data

A UI can be seen as consisting of two components :

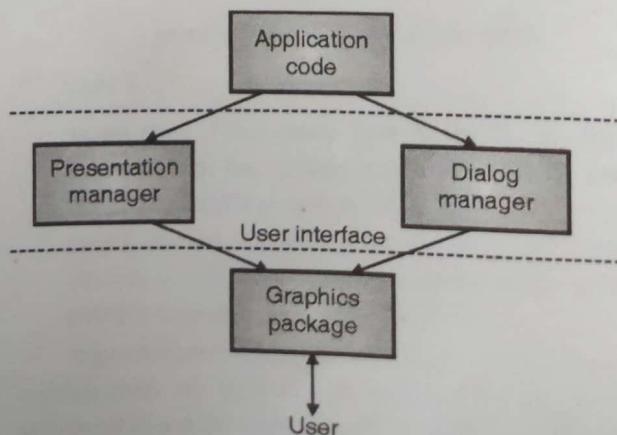
1. A dialog manager.
2. A presentation manager

A typical UI schematic is shown in Fig. 5.7.2.

The presentation manager is responsible for managing user's screen and for accepting data and presenting results.

The dialog manager is responsible for interpreting user command and implementing them by invoking different modules of the application code.

The dialog manager is also responsible for error messages and on line help functions and for organizing changes in the visual context of the user.



(S6.2)Fig. 5.7.2 : User interface



## 5.8 Exam Pack (University Questions)

- Q. What is loader ? List basic functions and features of a loader. (Refer section 5.1) (8 Marks)  
(May 2014, Dec. 2015)
- Q. Explain the terms : Loader, Linker.  
(Refer section 5.1) (4 Marks) (Dec. 2014)
- Q. Explain functions of a Loader.  
(Refer section 5.1) (4 Marks) (Aug. 2015(In Sem))
- Q. What is linker ? (Refer section 5.1) (4 Marks)  
(May 2014)
- Q. Why program relocation is required and how is it performed? (Refer section 5.1) (6 Marks)  
(May 2013)

Example 5.1.1 (Dec. 2014, Oct. 2016(In Sem), May 2017)

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Loader Schemes

- Q. List and explain the different loader scheme in brief.  
(Refer section 5.2) (8 Marks)

(May 2014, Dec. 2014, Dec. 2015, Dec. 2016)

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Compile and go

- Q. Explain any one type of loader.  
(Refer section 5.2.1) (3 Marks) (Dec. 2014)
- Q. Explain compile and go-loader scheme.  
(Refer section 5.2.1) (6 Marks)

(Dec. 2015, Oct. 2016(In Sem))

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Absolute Loaders

- Q. Explain Absolute Loaders loading scheme.  
(Refer section 5.2.3) (6 Marks)  
(Aug. 2015(In Sem))

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Subroutine Linkages

- Q. Explain sub routine linkers.  
(Refer section 5.2.4) (4 Marks)  
(Dec. 2013)

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Relocating Loaders

- Q. Explain relocation loaders.  
(Refer section 5.2.5) (4 Marks)  
(Dec. 2013)

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Direct Linking Loaders

- Q. In case of a Direct Linking Loader, what is the information required to be passed by a translator to the loader. (Refer section 5.2.6) (4 Marks)  
(May 2013)

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Design of an Absolute Loader

- Q. Explain absolute loaders.  
(Refer section 5.3) (4 Marks)  
(Dec. 2013)

### ☛ Syllabus Topic : Design of Linker

- Q. Explain design of direct linking loader. Also explain the required data structures.  
(Refer section 5.4) (7 Marks)  
(May 2013)

- Q. Explain MS-DOS linker in detail.  
(Refer section 5.5) (4 Marks)  
(May 2013)

- Q. Explain in details design of editor.  
(Refer section 5.7.1) (6 Marks) (Oct. 2016(In Sem))

## CHAPTER

## 6

## Linkers

## Syllabus Topics

Relocation and linking concepts, Design of linker, Self relocating programs, Static and dynamic linker.

## Syllabus Topic : Relocation and Linking Concepts

## 6.1 Relocation and Linking Concept

## 6.1.1 Linking

→ (May 2013, May 2014, Dec. 2014)

Q. Explain the need of a linker in program development.

SPPU - May 2013, 4 Marks

Q. What is linker ?

SPPU - May 2014, 2 Marks

Q. Explain the term linker.

SPPU - Dec. 2014, 4 Marks

Any usable program written in any language has to use functions/ subroutines. These functions could be either user defined functions or they can be library functions.

For example, consider a program written in C-language. Such a program may contain calls to functions like printf() and scanf(). During program execution the main program as well as functions must reside in the main memory. In addition, every time a function is called, the control should get transferred to the appropriate function.

- The linking process makes address of modules known to each other so that transfer of control takes place during execution.
- Passing of parameters is handled by the linker. Parameters can be passed by value or by reference. A value returned by a function must be handled.
- Every public variable should have the same address in every module. An external variable can be defined in one module and can be used in another module. The address of an external variable should be same in every module. Resolving of addresses of symbolic references are handled by the linker.

## 6.1.2 Relocation

→ (May 2013)

Q. Why program relocation is required and how is it performed?

SPPU - May 2013, 6 Marks

Relocation is the process of modifying the addresses used in the address sensitive instructions of a program such that the program can execute correctly from any designated area of memory.

The statement

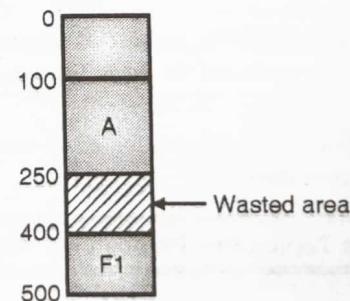
MOVER AREG, X

This is an address sensitive instruction. For this instruction to execute correctly, the actual address of X should be put in the instruction.

Assume that a program written in C-language (let us call it A) calls a function F1. The program A and the function F1 must be linked with each other. But when in main storage shall we load A and F1 ? A possible solution would be to load them according to the addresses assigned when they were translated.

## Case I

At the time of translation, A has been given storage area from 100 to 250 while F1 occupies area between 400 to 500. If we were to load these programs at their translated addresses, a lot of storage lying between them will be wasted.

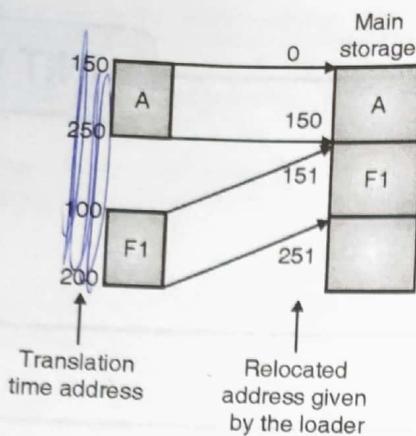


(S5.2) Fig. 6.1.1 : Case I of relocation

## Case II

At the time of translation, both A and F1 may have been translated with the identical start address 100. A goes from 100 to 250 and F1 goes from 100 to 200. These two modules cannot co-exist at same storage locations. The loader must relocate A and F1 to avoid address conflict or storage waste. A possible relocation is shown in Fig. 6.1.2.

It may be noted that relocation is more than simply moving a program from one area to another in the storage. It refers to adjustment of address fields and not to movement of a program.



(S5.3) Fig. 6.1.2 : Relocation to avoid address conflict or storage waste

### 6.1.3 Object Module

An assembler produces an object module. The object module is a sequence of object records. It contains all information necessary to relocate and link different object modules. It has four components :

1. Header
  2. Binary image (machine instructions)
  3. Relocation table
  4. Linking table containing external references and public definitions.
- The header contains the followings :
    1. Size of the object module
    2. Name of the object module
    3. Translated origin
    4. Execution start address of the object module.
  - The binary image contains the machine language program of the module.
  - Relocation table contains the list of instructions requiring relocation. The operands in such instruction are address sensitive.
  - Linking table contains information about external references and public declarations.

### Syllabus Topic : Self Relocating Programs

## 6.2 Self Relocating Programs

→ (Aug. 2015)

Q. Explain the need of program relocatability.

SPPU - Aug. 2015 (In Sem), 4 Marks

Program relocatability refers to the ability to load and execute a given program into an arbitrary place in memory as opposed to a fixed set of locations specified at program translation time. Depending on how and when the mapping from virtual address space to the physical address space takes place in given relocation scheme, there are two basic types of relocation :

1. Static
2. Dynamic

A self relocating program is a program which can perform the relocation itself. It contains the followings :

1. A table of information about address sensitive instructions in the program
2. Relocating logic that can perform the relocation of the address sensitive instructions.

Self relocating program contain the relocating logic that can perform the relocation of the address sensitive instructions. So there is no need of a linker in self-relocating programs.

### Syllabus Topic : Static and Dynamic Linker

## 6.3 Static and Dynamic Link Libraries

### 6.3.1 Static Linking

A static linker takes object files produced by the compiler including library functions and produces an executable file. The executable file contains a copy of every subroutine (user defined or library function).

- The biggest disadvantage of the static linking is that each executable file contains its own copy of the library routines. If many programs containing same library routines are executed then memory is wasted.
- Another disadvantage of static linking is that newer versions of the library routines must be re-linked into executable.

### 6.3.2 Dynamic Linking

→ (Oct. 2016)

Q. Explain dynamic loading and linking.

SPPU - Oct. 2016 (In Sem), 4 Marks

Dynamic linking defers much of the linking process until a program starts running. Dynamic linking involves the following steps :

1. A reference to an external module during run time causes the loader to find the target module and load it.
2. Perform relocation during run time.

There are several advantages to this approach :

1. Dynamically linked shared libraries are easier to create.
2. Dynamically linked shared libraries are easier to update.
3. Dynamic linking provides automatic sharing of code. If multiple applications require the same routine, operating system loads a single copy of the routine and links it with multiple applications.
4. It is easy to add new functionality to existing library. These functions could be useful in a variety of applications.
5. Dynamic linking permits a program to load and unload routines at runtime.

### 6.3.3 Dynamic Link Library (DLL)

DLL is Microsoft implementation of shared library in windows. The file formats for DLL are the same as windows EXE files. A DLL can contain :

1. Code
2. Data
3. Resources

With dynamic linking, shared code is placed into a single, separate file. The programs that call this file are connected to it at run time, with the operating system performing the linking.

While the DLL code may be shared, the data is private except where shared data is explicitly requested by the library. Each process using the DLL has its own copy of all the DLL's data. Sharing of DLL's data section allows interprocess communication through this shared memory.

#### Import libraries

Linking to dynamic libraries is usually handled by linking to an import library.

- The created executable file contains an import address in import address table (IAT). DLL function calls are referenced through this address. Each referenced DLL function contains its own entry in the IAT. At run-time, the IAT is filled with appropriate addresses that point directly to a function in the separately loaded DLL.
- The import libraries for DLL have .lib extension. For example, kernel32.dll, the primary dynamic library for windows base functions such as file creation and memory management, is linked via kernel32.lib.

#### Explicit run-time linking

It is possible to link an executable program with DLL by resolving addresses of the imported functions at the compile time.

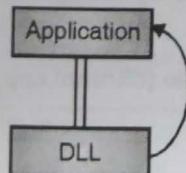
DLL files may be explicitly loaded and linked at run-time. Windows provides a set of standard API functions for it :

1. LoadLibrary : It loads a DLL file
2. GetProcAddress : It looks up the exported symbol by name and returns its address in IAT.
3. FreeLibrary : It unloads the DLL.

### 6.3.4 Call Back Functions

A callback function is a function which we write, but it is called by some other program or module, such as windows or DLL's.

For example, a DLL may control several clients, when a certain event occurs from the DLL, the callback function in the client is called.



(S5.14) Fig. 6.3.1 : A DLL calling a function in an application via a call back

A callback is a function in an application that a DLL can call at suitable times. It is possible for a DLL to call a function in an application, provided that it has a pointer to such a function (Fig. 6.3.1).

#### Implementing the callback function

Implementation of callback function involves writing a DLL that will make use of the callback. This can be broken into five parts :

1. Defining the callback function

2. Declaring a type for the callback function
3. Writing the code that uses the callback
4. Implementing the function in the client
5. Call to DLL

The code in the **calling application** is simple. First, we must declare a function to be used as the callback :

```
#include "myDll.h"
Void CALLBACK MyCallback (int x)
{
    //code of the function
}
```

The address of the callback function must be passed to the DLL function. Let us assume that the DLL function is CalcResult.

The code to call CalcResult is simple :

```
CalcResult (MyCallback);
```

In the above code, we have passed a pointer to callback function as parameter.

#### Callback in the DLL

In the DLL, we must declare a function type and a function itself :

```
typedef void CALLBACK (CallbackFunc) (int);
Void DLL_EXP CalcResult (CallbackFunc * callback)
{
    -
    -
    -
    If (Callback)
        Callback (parameter);
}
```

The use of **DLL\_EXP** symbol tells the compiler whether the function is being exported or imported. This symbol is defined in the DLL's header like this :

```
# if defined (_DLL_)
    # define DLL_EXP_export
# else
    # define DLL_EXP_import
# endif
```

#### Usage of Callback Functions

- Callback functions can be used to provide event handling in languages that do not have built in events. For example, we can call a DLL function by passing a pointer to one of our functions, which will be called when the requisite time has passed.

### 6.3.5 Difference between Callback Function and Normal Function

- Normally, an application program calls functions in the DLL. Sometimes, however, the calling application needs periodic information from the DLL, while a processing is taking place. For example, if the DLL is doing some lengthy calculations, it would be useful for the calling application to receive



periodic reports of the calculation, such as the percentage complete. The calling application could use this information to display a progress bar.

- Callback functions can be used to provide event handling in languages that do not have built in events.

### Example 6.3.1

Explain the difference between .EXE and .DLL file.

**Solution :**

A DLL file is a collection of functions, which can be called upon when needed by the executable program (EXE) that is running.

A DLL is an executable file, that cannot run own its own, it can only run when called inside an executable file.

The EXE file is primarily used by Microsoft for executable file. An EXE file can be executed independently.

## 6.4 Dynamic Linking with and without Import

Here, an example is being given to show the creation of a basic DLL and how to use it (with import library linking and without).

If you are using vc++, create a new project and set the target as a win32 Dynamic\_link library. This way when you compile your code, it should produce :

1. A dll
2. An import library (.lib)
3. An export library (.exp)

Here is a sample code that shows how the sample DLL is put together :

#### Header file (dlitest.h) :

```
#ifndef _DLITEST_H_
#define _DLITEST_H_
#include <iostream.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <windows.h>
extern "C" __declspec(dllexport) void NumberList();
extern "C" __declspec(dllexport) void LetterList();

#endif
```

#### The Source file (dlitest.cpp)

```
#include "dlitest.h"
#define MAXMODULE 50
char module[MAXMODULE];

extern "C" __declspec(dllexport)
void NumberList()
{
    GetModuleFileName(NULL, (LPTSTR) module,
MAXMODULE);
    cout << "\n\nThis function was called from"
```

```
<< module
<< endl << endl;
cout << "NumberList () : ";

for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
{
    cout << i << " ";
}
cout << endl << endl;
}

extern "C" __declspec(dllexport)
void LetterList()
{
    GetModuleFileName(NULL, (LPTSTR) module,
MAXMODULE);

cout << "\n\nThis function was called from"
    << module
    << endl << endl;
    cout << "LetterList () : ";
    for (int i = 0; i < 26; i++)
    {
        cout << char(97 + i) << " ";
    }
    cout << endl << endl;
}
```

The above code contains two simple functions. The first function "NumberList", displays values from 0 to 9 and also tell you where they are being called from. The extern "C" \_\_declspec(dllexport) means that we want to allow these functions to be used by our actual program. When you compile this, it should create the libraries.

### 6.4.1 Using the DLL (with an import library)

Using DLL with the import library is the easiest. All that is required to be done is :

1. Include the header file
  2. Include the import library when you are linking object files.
- Here is an example :

#### DLL test source file (dlrunol.cpp)

```
#include <conio.h>
#include <dlitest.h>

Void main ()
{
    NumberList();
    LetterList();

    getch();
}
```

1. The code above will work fine if you have the following :  
dlitest.h header file in the compiler's header path.

2. dlletest.lib import library in the lib path.
3. import library must be linked with other modules while linking.

**dllrun01.exe output**

```
This function was called from C:\
```

```
DALLTEST\DLLRUN01.EXE
```

```
NumberList() : 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
```

```
This function was called from C:\
```

```
DALLTEST\DLLRUN01.EXE
```

```
LetterList () : a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r t u v w x y z
```

#### 6.4.2 Using DLL (without an import library)

DLL can be loaded without an import library on the fly. This is useful in plug-in system.

Here is the example code :

##### ☞ Source file (dllrun02.cpp)

```
#include <windows.h>
#include <iostream.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
#define MAXMODULE 50
typedef void (WINAPI* cfunc) ();
cfunc NumberList ;
cfunc LetterList ;
void main () {
    HINSTANCE hLib=LoadLibrary ("DALLTEST.DLL");
    if(hLib==NULL){
        cout << "Unable to load library" << endl;
        getch ();
        return;
    }
    char mod [MAXMODULE];
    GetModuleFileName ((HMODULE) hLib, (LPTSTR) mod, MAXMODULE);
    cout << "Library loaded : " << mod << endl ;
    NumberList=(cfunc) GetProcAddress ((HMODULE) hLib, "NumberList");
    LetterList=(cfunc) GetProcAddress ((HMODULE) hLib, "LetterList");
    if ((NumberList ==NULL)|| (LetterList == NULL))
        cout << "unable to load function (s)." << endl ;
    FreeLibrary ((HMODULE) hLib);
    return ;
}
```

```
NumberList ();
LetterList ();
FreeLibrary ((HMODULE) hLib);
getch () ;
```

- This code should load the dll library.
- It will be able to dynamically link with the two functions that we want to call.

##### Example 6.4.1

Comment on the statement "Static binding leads to more efficient execution of a program than dynamic bindings"

**Solution :** Static binding is created before execution of the program. It is carried out by the linkage editor which produces an executable file. Since, there is no need for linking before calling a function during run time, it is more efficient on the contrary, static binding requires more memory as linked routines are part of the executable program.

##### Example 6.4.2

Why are library routines usually relocatable ? What would happen if these routines are made non-relocatable ?

##### Solution :

Non-relocatable program must be loaded at a fixed place in the memory. This is a serious limitation in multiprogramming environment. In addition a swapped out process can be swapped in at a different memory location. If multiple programs use the same library routine then it will be impossible to run them together.

#### 6.5 Exam Pack (University Questions)

##### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Relocation and Linking Concepts

- Q. Explain the need of a linker in program development. (Refer section 6.1.1) (4 Marks) (May 2013)
- Q. What is linker ? (Refer section 6.1.1) (2 Marks) (May 2014)
- Q. Explain the term linker. (Refer section 6.1.1) (4 Marks) (Dec. 2014)
- Q. Why program relocation is required and how is it performed? (Refer section 6.1.2) (6 Marks) (May 2013)

##### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Self Relocating Programs

- Q. Explain the need of program relocatability. (Refer section 6.2) (4 Marks) (Aug. 2015 (In Sem))

##### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Static and Dynamic Linker

- Q. Explain dynamic loading and linking. (Refer section 6.3.2) (4 Marks) (Oct. 2016 (In Sem))

# Introduction to OS

## Syllabus Topics

Architecture, Goals and Structures of O.S., Basic functions, Interaction of O.S. and hardware architecture, System calls, Batch, multiprogramming, Multitasking, time sharing, parallel, distributed and real-time O.S.

### Syllabus Topic : Architecture, Goals

#### 7.1 Evolution of O.S. Functions

→ (May 2014, Dec. 2014)

Q. What is an operating system ?

**SPPU - May 2014, 4 Marks**

Q. Explain the term : Operating System.

**SPPU - Dec. 2014, 2 Marks**

An operating system is an interface between users and the hardware of a computer system. It is a system software which may be viewed as an organised collection of software consisting of procedures for operating a computer and providing an environment for execution of programs.

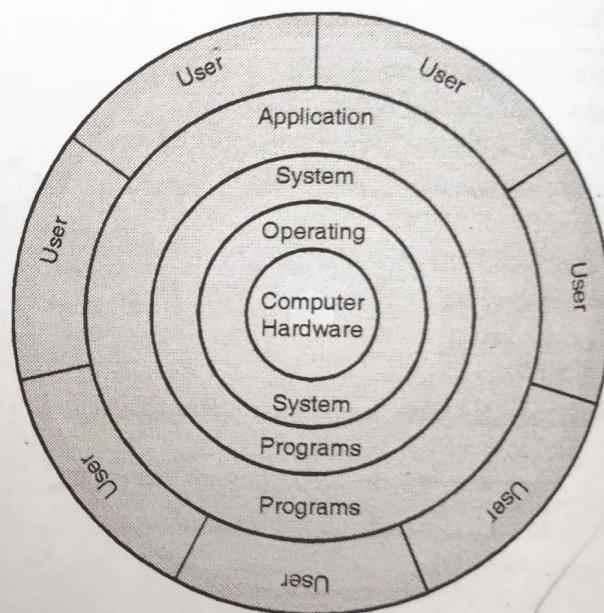
Operating system functions have evolved in response to the following considerations :

1. Efficient utilization of computing resources.
2. New features in computer architecture.
3. New user requirements.

An operating system manages resources of a computer. These resources include :

1. Memory
2. Processor
3. File system.
4. Input/output devices.

It keeps track of the status of each resource and decides who will have a control over computer resources, for how long and when. The positioning of an operating system in overall computer system is shown in the Fig. 7.1.1.



(S7.1)Fig. 7.1.1 : Components of a computer system

- Operating system controls computer hardware resources.
- Programs interact with computer hardware with the help of operating system.
- There are two ways in which one can interact with operating system :
  1. By making a system call.
  2. By operating system commands.

### Syllabus Topic : Basic Functions, Interaction of O.S. and Hardware Architecture

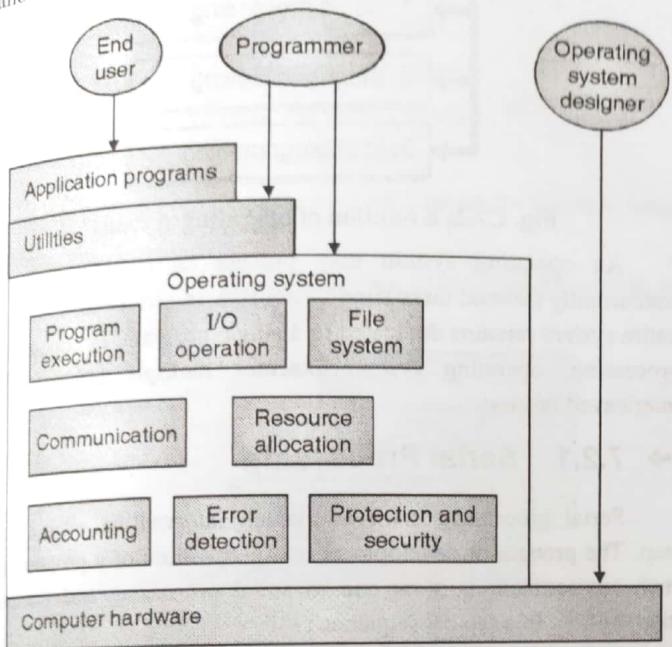
#### 7.1.1 Functions of an Operating System

→ (May 2013, Dec. 2013, Dec. 2016)

Q. Explain functions of an Operating System.

**SPPU - May 2013, Dec. 2013, Dec. 2016, 8 Marks**

An operating system provides an interface between the user and the hardware. It makes a computer more convenient to use. In addition, an operating system manages computer resources. It allows computer resources to be used in an efficient way.



(S6.3) Fig. 7.1.2 : Layers and view of operating system services

### 7.1.1(a) The Operating System as a User/Computer Interface

The operating system hides the details of the hardware from the user and makes it convenient to use the system. It works as an interface between user and the computer. Briefly, the operating system provides services in the following areas :

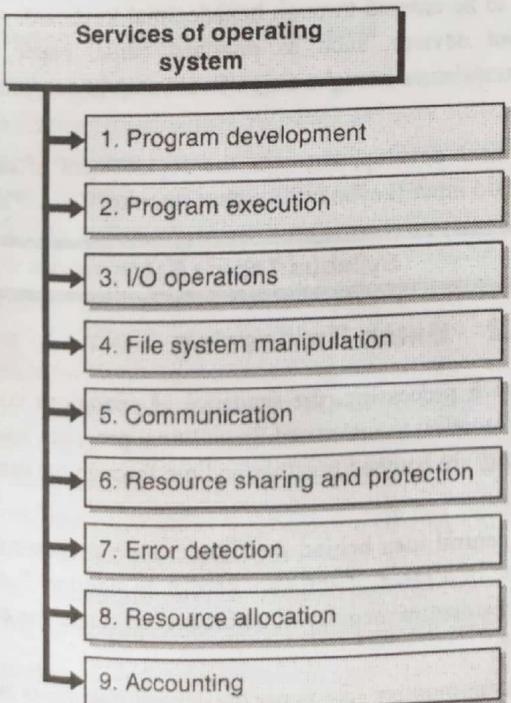


Fig. C7.1: Services of operating system

#### 1. Program development

Operating system provides a set of utility programs which are necessary for program development. These utilities include :

1. Editor
2. Debugger
3. Compiler
4. Interpreter
5. Linker
6. Loader

#### → 2. Program execution

Operating system handles loading and scheduling of programs. Several activities are involved in program execution :

1. Loading of instructions and data
2. Initialization of files and I/O devices
3. Allocation of other resources.

#### → 3. I/O operations

A running program may require I/O. Users are not allowed to control I/O devices directly. Operating system provides a uniform interface and hides details of I/O devices from the user. Therefore an operating system must provide means for doing I/O.

#### → 4. File system manipulation

An operating system provides various system calls for manipulation of files. Details of the underlying secondary storage remain hidden from the user. In addition, in a multiuser environment, the operating system must provide protection mechanism to control access to the files.

#### → 5. Communication

Under many situations a process has to communicate with another process. Communication is required for exchange of information. Such communications may occur between two processes running on the same computer or different computers. The communication between two processes is implemented by the operating system through the following techniques :

1. Shared memory
2. Pipe
3. Message passing

#### → 6. Resource sharing and protection

Sharing and protection of resources allocated to a process is provided by the operating system. In a multiprogramming a process is not allowed to interfere with other processes. Protection involves ensuring that all accesses to system resources are controlled.

#### → 7. Error detection

Different types of errors may occur while a computer system is running. These errors could be due to memory error, connection failure, error in I/O devices etc. For each type of error, the operating system should take appropriate action to ensure consistent computing.

#### → 8. Resource allocation

Computer resources are managed by the operating system. These resources include :

1. Processor
2. Memory
3. File storage
4. I/O devices

When multiple users run their programs, resources must be allocated to them.

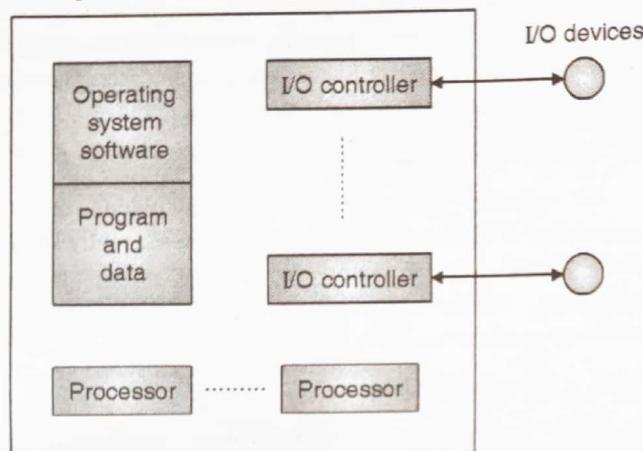


## → 9. Accounting

Each operating system is required to keep track of which users use how much and what kinds of computer resources. Usage statistics are useful in fine tuning computer services.

### 7.1.1(b) The Operating System as Resource Manager

The operating system is responsible for resource management. Resources are required for storing and running of programs. Resources managed by an operating system are shown in the Fig. 7.1.3.



(S6.4)Fig. 7.1.3 : The operating system as resource manager

The major resources managed by an operating system include :

1. Memory
2. Processor
3. I/O devices

When there are multiple users or multiple jobs running at the same time, resources must be allocated to each of them.

- The operating system itself is a program that directs the processor in the use of the other resources and in the timing of its execution of other programs.
- In-between, the operating system relinquishes the control of CPU for program execution.
- A small portion of the operating system, known as kernel always resides in the main memory.
- The allocation of main memory is controlled jointly by the operating system and the memory management hardware in the processor.
- The operating system decides when an I/O device can be used by a particular process. It also controls file system.
- The operating system decides about allocation of processor to a particular program.

## 7.2 Evolution of Operating Systems

→ (Dec. 2016)

**Q. List different types of operating systems with examples.**

SPPU - Dec. 2016, 3 Marks

Operating system has evolved over a period of time. In particular, these are :

### Evolution of operating systems

1. Serial processing
2. Batch processing
3. Multiprogramming

Fig. C7.2: Evolution of operating systems

An operating system may process its tasks serially or concurrently (several tasks simultaneously). In serial execution, the entire system remains dedicated to a single program. In concurrent processing, operating system executes multiple programs in interleaved fashion.

### → 7.2.1 Serial Processing

Serial processing involves manual intervention after every step. The process of development and preparation of a program in such environment is slow due to serial processing and manual intervention. In a typical sequence :

1. Editor is called to create source code of user program written in a programming language.
2. Compiler is called to convert a source code into binary code.
3. Loader is called to load the executable program into main memory for execution.

The serial mode of execution is not efficient. Time is wasted after every step due to manual intervention. This results in low utilization of resources. In early computer systems, instructions and data used to be entered through hexadecimal keyboard. Advent of input/output devices, such as punched cards, paper tape and language translators brought a significant step in computer system utilization.

The next development was the replacement of card-decks with standard input (keyboard) / output (monitor).

### Syllabus Topic : Batch

### → 7.2.2 Batch Processing

In batch processing, the sequence of operations involved in program execution is automated. In addition, programs with similar requirements are batched together and run through the computer as a group.

The central idea behind the simple batch processing scheme was the use of a piece of software known as monitor. The monitor is always resident in memory. It automatically sequences one job to another job.

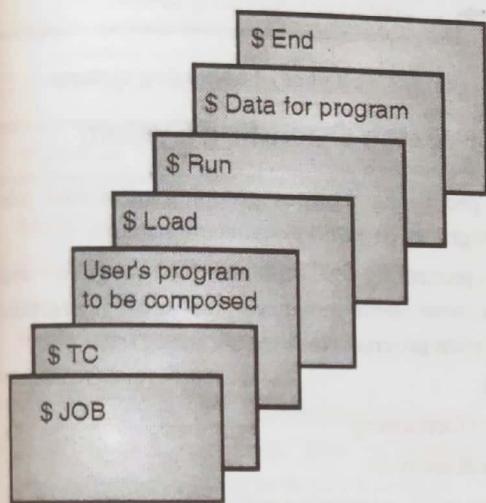
- Resident monitor acts as per the control statements given by a programmer.
- The control statements are for :
  1. Compiling a program
  2. Loading a program
  3. Executing a program

- Control statements are specified using job control language. An example of job control language is given below :

\$ JOB      - First card of a job  
\$ TC       - Execute the C-compiler  
\$ LOAD     - Load program into memory  
\$ RUN      - Execute the user program  
\$ END     - Last card of the job

Fig. 7.2.1 shows a sample card deck set up for a simple batch system.

- Batch processing is advantageous over serial processing as there is no intervening idle time.



(S7.2)Fig. 7.2.1 : Card deck for a C-Program for a simple batch system

#### Buffering of Input/Output devices

The throughput of a computer system can be improved through buffering. Input/output activities are very slow. The speed discrepancy between fast CPU and comparatively slow input/output devices such as keyboard, printer is a major bottleneck. The problem is that while an input/output is occurring, the CPU is idle, waiting for the input/output to complete.

Buffering is a method of overlapping input, output and processing of a single job. The idea behind buffering is very simple. Each device has its own local memory.

- During output operation, the CPU writes the data in device buffer and continues with further execution. It does not wait for the completion of input/output operation.
- During input operation, the input device can fetch and store the data in buffer in advance.

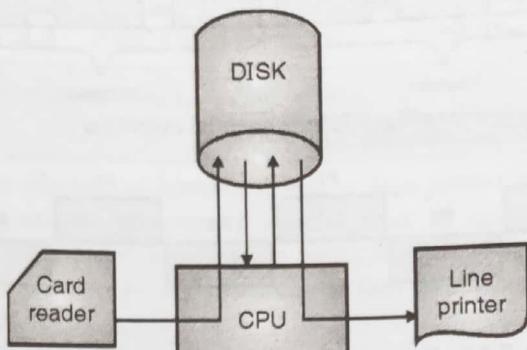
Thus, buffering can improve system throughput by overlapping input, output and processing of a single job.

#### Spooling

If the CPU is, on the average much faster than an input device, buffering will be of little use.

If the CPU is always faster, then it always finds an empty buffer and have to wait for the input device. For example, the CPU can proceed at full speed until, eventually all system buffers are full. Then the CPU must wait for the output device. This situation

occurs with input/output bound jobs where the amount of input/output activity is much more compared to computation.



(S7.3)Fig. 7.2.2 : Spooling

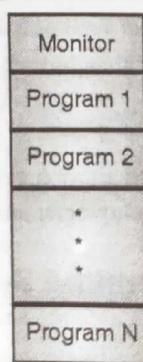
SPOOLING (simultaneous peripheral operation on line) is a more sophisticated form of input/output buffering. It uses the disk as a very large buffer for reading and for storing output files. Spooling allows CPU to overlap the input of one job with the computation and output of other jobs. Therefore, this approach is faster than buffering. Even in a simple system, the spooler may be reading the input of one job while printing the output of a different job.

#### Syllabus Topic : Multiprogramming

### → 7.2.3 Multiprogramming

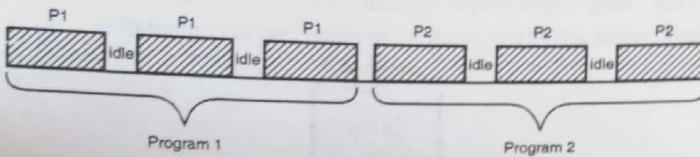
Multiprogramming increases resource utilization. When the current job waits for input/output operation to complete, the CPU can take up next job for execution. A single user cannot always keep CPU or input/output devices busy at all times. In order to increase the resource utilization, systems supporting multiprogramming approach allow more than one job (program) to utilize CPU time at any moment. More the number of programs competing for system resources, the better will be resource utilization.

In multiprogramming, the main memory of a system contains a number of programs (Fig. 7.2.3).

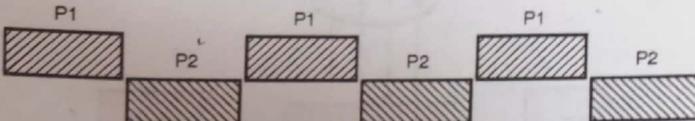


(S7.4)Fig. 7.2.3 : A multiprogramming system with N jobs

The operating system takes one of the programs and start executing. Let us consider a system executing two programs. During execution of program 1, it may require input/output operation. In sequential execution (Fig. 7.2.4), the CPU will sit idle. In multiprogramming system (Fig. 7.2.5), the operating system will simply switch over to the next program.



(S7.5) Fig. 7.2.4 : Sequential execution



(S7.6) Fig. 7.2.5 : Execution in multiprogramming environment

- Multiprogramming increases resource utilization.
- It can support multiple simultaneously interactive users (terminals).
- Compared to sequential operating system, multi-programming operating systems are complex.
- Memory sharing, memory protection, synchronization are some of the important issues in multi-programming environment.

#### Example 7.2.1

Justify the statement : "It is possible to support multiprogramming without using time sharing. However, it is impractical to support time sharing without using multiprogramming."

#### Solution :

- Multiprogramming implies multitasking. In multiprogramming, instructions and data from two or more separate processes are required to reside in primary memory simultaneously. The simplest form of multiprogramming can be implemented through serial multitasking or context switching. It is nothing more than stopping one process temporarily to work on another. Thus, it is possible to support multiprogramming without using time sharing.
- Time sharing is a special case of multiprogramming, where a CPU serves a number of processes by switching context at regular intervals. Most time sharing systems use time-slice (round robin) scheduling of CPU. When the CPU switches from one process to another process, the new process should be in the memory. Thus, it is impractical to support time sharing without using multiprogramming.

### 7.3 Types of Operating System

→ (May 2014)

**Q.** List the various types of the O.S. with their basic functions.

SPPU - May 2014, 4 Marks

There are different types of operating systems. These include :

#### Types of operating systems

1. Batch operating system
2. Multiprogramming operating system
3. Real-time operating system
4. Network operating system
5. Distributed operating system

Fig. C7.3 : Types of operating systems

#### → 7.3.1 Batch Operating System

Batch processing requires grouping of similar jobs which consist of programs, data and system commands.

Batch processing is suitable for programs with large computation time with no need for user interaction. Some examples of such programs include :

1. Payroll
2. Weather forecasting
3. Statistical analysis
4. Large scientific number crunching programs

Users are not required to wait for the completion of programs. Program execution may need few hours to few days for execution.

Batch processing has two major disadvantages :

1. Non-interactive environment
2. Off-line debugging

A batch operating system allows practically no interaction between users and executing programs. The turnaround time taken between job submission and job completion in batch operating system is very high. Users have no control over intermediate results of a program.

In batch operating system, a programmer cannot debug program bugs the moment it occurs.

- Process scheduling, memory management, file management and input/output management in batch processing are quite simple.
- Jobs are typically processed in the order of submission.
- Memory is usually divided into two areas :
  1. One portion contains the operating system.
  2. Second part is for executing the user program.
- When the execution of one program is over, the new program is loaded into the same area.
- Allocation of input/output devices is simple as there is only one program in execution at a time.
- Access to files is serial and there is hardly a need of protection and file access control mechanism.

## → 7.3.2 Multiprogramming Operating System

There are various forms of multiprogramming including :

### Forms of multiprogramming operating system

- 1. Multitasking
- 2. Multiprocessing / multiprogramming
- 3. Multiuser
- 4. Time sharing systems

Fig. C7.4 : Forms of multiprogramming operating system

### Syllabus Topic : Multitasking, Parallel

#### → 1. Multitasking Operating Systems

A multitasking operating system supports two or more active processes simultaneously. It allows the instructions and data from two or more processes to reside in primary memory simultaneously.

The simplest form of multitasking is based on serial multitasking or context switching. This is nothing more than stopping one process temporarily to work on another.

#### → 2. Multiprocessing / Multiprogramming

In multiprocessing, multiple CPUs perform more than one job at a time. The term multiprogramming refers to the situation in which a single CPU divides its time between more than one job. Time sharing is a special case of multiprogramming, where a single CPU serves a number of users at interactive terminals.

#### → 3. Multiuser Operating System

Multiuser operating system allows simultaneous access to a computer system through two or more terminals. A dedicated railway reservation system supports hundreds of terminals in an example of multiuser operating system.

### Syllabus Topic : Time Sharing

#### → 4. Time Sharing System

It is a form of multi-programmed operating system which operates in an interactive mode with a quick response time. A time sharing system allows many users to simultaneously share the computer resources. Since each action or user command requires very little CPU time, the CPU switches quickly from one user to another user.

Most time sharing systems use time-slice (round robin) scheduling of CPU.

- Memory management in time sharing provides for protection and separation of user programs.
- Operating system should be able to handle multiple users.

Multiprogramming operating systems are quite complicated. It provides high system throughput and resource utilization.

### Syllabus Topic : Real Time O.S.

## → 7.3.3 Real-time System

→ (Dec. 2015)

- Q. What is real time operating system?

SPPU- Dec. 2015, 3 Marks

In this form of operating system, a large number of events mostly external to computer systems, must be accepted and processed in a short time or within certain deadlines. Examples of such applications are flight control, real time simulation, process industry etc.

- Primary objective of real-time system is to provide quick response time. Resource utilisation is of secondary concern in a real-time system.
- In real-time system there is a little swapping of programs between primary and secondary memory. Most of the time, processes remain in primary memory in order to provide quick response.
- Time-critical device management is one of the main characteristics of real-time system. It also provides sophisticated form of interrupt management and input/output buffering.
- The primary objective of file management in real-time systems is usually the speed of access rather than efficient utilization of secondary storage.

## → 7.3.4 Network Operating System

A network operating system is a collection of software and associated protocols that allow a set of autonomous computers which are interconnected by a computer network to be used together in a convenient and cost effective manner. In a network operating system, the users are aware of existence of multiple computers and can log in to remote machines and copy files from one machine to another machine.

Some typical network operating systems have following features :

1. Each computer has its own private operating system.
2. Each user normally works on his own system but he can access other systems on the network.
3. It allows users to access the various resources of the network hosts.
4. It allows controlling of access so that only users with proper authorisation are allowed to access particular resources.
5. It makes remote resources appear to be identical to local resources.
6. It provides up-to-the minute network documentation on-line.

### Syllabus Topic : Distributed O.S.

## → 7.3.5 Distributed Operating System

A distributed operating system is one that looks to its users like an ordinary centralized operating system but runs on multiple independent CPUs.



- User sees the environment as a virtual uniprocessor environment and not as a collection of distinct machines.
- / In distributed systems, users are not aware of where their programs are being run or where their files are residing.
- / Distributed operating system allows programs to run on several processors at the same time without the users being aware of this distribution.
- / Distributed systems are more reliable than uniprocessor based systems. They continue to work even if some portion of the system is malfunctioning.
- / The distributed systems have a price/performance advantages over traditional centralized systems.
- The distributed systems support incremental growth. New computer systems can be added to the network as per the processing needs.
- / Distributed environment provides high reliability and availability.

## 7.4 Operating System Components

Some of the important operating system concepts include :

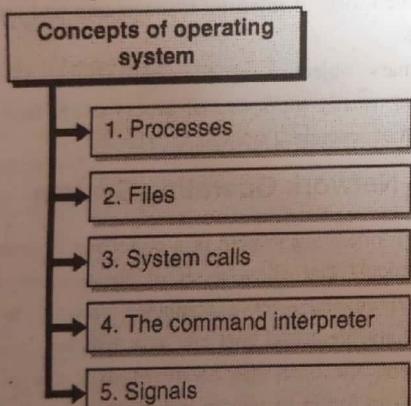


Fig. C7.5 : Concepts of operating system

### → 7.4.1 Processes

A process is program in execution. It consists of the followings :

1. Executable program
  2. Program's data
  3. Stack and stack pointer
  4. Program counter and other CPU registers
  5. Details of opened files
- A process can be suspended temporarily and the execution of another process can be taken up. A suspended process can be re-started at a later time.
  - Before suspending a process, its details are saved in a table called the process table.
  - An operating system supports two system calls to manage processes :
    1. Create to create a new process.
    2. Kill to delete an existing process.
  - A process can create a number of child processes.

- Process can communicate among themselves either using shared memory or by message passing techniques. Two processes running on two different computers can communicate by sending messages over a network.

### → 7.4.2 Files

Files are used for long term storage. Files are used both for input and output. Every operating system provides file management service.

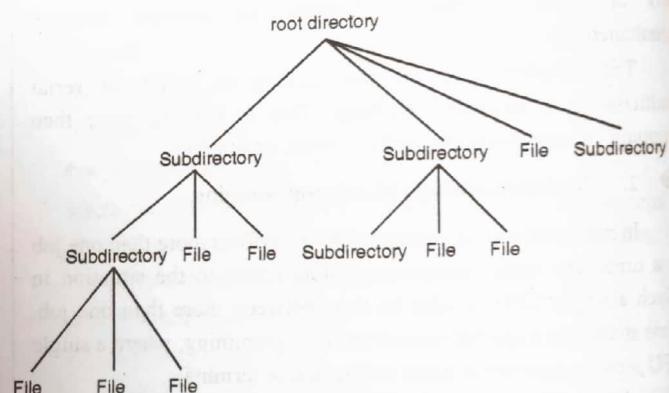
These files hide the peculiarities of the disks and other input/output devices from users. Thus it can also be treated as an abstraction. Every operating system provides system calls for file management. These calls include system calls for :

1. File creation
2. File deletion
3. Read and write operations

Files are stored in directory. System calls are provided :

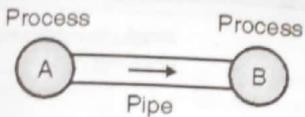
1. To put a file in a directory
2. To remove a file from a directory

The directory entry may be a file or a directory itself. Directory structure is a hierarchical structure (Shown in Fig. 7.4.1)



(S7.7)Fig. 7.4.1 : Tree-structured directory

- Every file can be specified by giving its path from the root.
- At every instant, each process has a current working directory.
- Normally, files in a system are protected so that the privacy of each person's files can be maintained.
- Many operating systems represent each input/output device as a special file. This makes input/output devices look like a file. There are two kinds of special files :
  1. Block special files.
  2. Character special files.
- Block special files can model a device containing a set of randomly accessible blocks. Character special files can model a device consisting of character streams like monitor, keyboard etc.
- Many operating systems support a special file known as pipe. Pipe is a Pseudo file that can be used to connector two processes. Output of one process can be sent as input to another process through a pipe. It is shown in Fig. 7.4.2.



(S7.8) Fig. 7.4.2 : Two processes connected by a pipe

**Syllabus Topic : System Calls**

### 7.4.3 System Calls

→ (Dec. 2013, Dec. 2014, May 2015, Dec. 2015, May 2016)

**Q.** What is purpose of system calls in an operating system ? List types of system calls and explain any one of them. **SPPU - Dec. 2013, 8 Marks**

**Q.** List the categories of system calls and explain process system call with an example.

**SPPU - Dec. 2014, May 2015, 6 Marks**

**Q.** Write short notes on : System Call.

**SPPU - Dec. 2015, 3 Marks**

**Q.** List the different categories of system calls and explain in brief any two of them. **SPPU - May 2016, 6 Marks**

System calls provide an interface to the services made available by an operating system. User program interact with operating system through system calls.

These calls are normally available as library functions in a high level language such as C.

In an assembly language, necessary parameters are stored in specified CPU-registers and then it issues a software interrupt instruction. System calls in DOS are availed by using "INT 2IH".

Execution of the following instruction to read n bytes from a file :

Count = read (filepointer, buffer, n);

will internally make a system call to read n bytes from the specified file and the data will be stored in the array buffer.

The number and type of system calls varies from operating system to operating system.

In general, system calls are available for the following operations :

1. Process management      2. Memory management
3. File operations      4. Input/Output operations

#### Advantages of system calls

- Most of the programming languages have a built-in library. These library functions work as the link to system calls made available by the operating system.
- It provides a level of abstraction. The caller need know nothing about how the system call is implemented or what it does during execution. Details of the operating-system interface are hidden from the programmer.
- Different hardware services can be availed through system calls.

### → 7.4.4 Command Interpreter

There are several ways for users to interface with the operating system. One of the approaches of user interaction with operating system is through commands.

Command interpreter provides command-line interface. It allows user to enter a command on command line prompt. The command interpreter accepts and executes a command entered by an user.

- For example, shell is a command interpreter under UNIX. A \$ at the beginning of the command line tells the user that the shell is waiting to accept a command. User can display the contents of the file file1.txt using the following command :

\$ cat file1.txt

- The commands to be executed are implemented in two ways :
  1. Command interpreter itself contains the necessary code to be executed.
  2. Command is implemented through a system file. To execute a command the necessary system file is loaded into memory and executed.

### → 7.4.5 Signals

Signals are used in operating system to notify a process that a particular event has occurred. A signal follows the following pattern :

1. A signal is generated by the occurrence of a particular event. The event can be clicking of mouse, divide by zero operation in a program etc.
2. A generated signal is delivered to a process.
3. Once delivered, the signal must be handled.
- A signal can be both synchronous and asynchronous.
- Every type of signal can be handled by the operating system. Operating system has a default signal handler. A user can also define his own signal handler.
- The signal causes the process to temporarily suspend whatever it was doing, save its registers on the stack, and start running a special signal handling procedure.
- Signals are the software analog of hardware interrupts. Many illegal conditions detected by hardware during program execution are also converted into signals to the guilty process. Signals are also used for inter-process communication.

#### Example 7.4.1

What is the difference between a process and a program ?

**Solution :** A program is a passive entity. A process is basically a program in execution. A program by itself is not a process. A program is a passive entity, like the contents of a file stored on disk. A process is an active entity. A process consists of the followings :

1. Executable program
2. Program's data
3. Stack and stack pointer
4. Program counter and other CPU registers.
5. Details of opened files.

A process can be suspended temporarily and the execution of another process can be taken up. A suspended process can be re-started at a later time.

#### Example 7.4.2

State whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE :

- UNIX is the multiprogramming O.S.
- Short term scheduler is responsible for ready to running state transition.
- Process is the passive entity.
- Process concept is used by Batch O.S

#### Solution :

- True
- True
- False
- False

#### Example 7.4.3

Define the following terms :

- Job
- Step
- Process
- Privileged instruction
- Multiprogramming
- Real time operating system.

#### Solution :

- Job** : A job may consist of a program or a set of programs. These programs are required to be executed in a pre-defined sequence for any application.
- Steps** : Execution of a program requires several steps like :
  - Compilation
  - Linking
  - Loading and execution.
- Process** : Refer Section 7.4.1.
- Privileged instructions** : Privileged instructions are meant for operating system. These instructions are executed in kernel mode.
- Multiprogramming** : Refer Section 7.2.3.
- Real time operating system** : Refer Section 7.3.3.

#### Example 7.4.4 :

State True or False

- Time sharing operating system allows number of users to execute their programs on the same machine by sharing time among the users.
- MS-DOS is single user operating system.
- Multiprogramming increases the CPU utilization.
- Multiprocessing is a feature of operating system where many processors are used and controlled by one operating system.

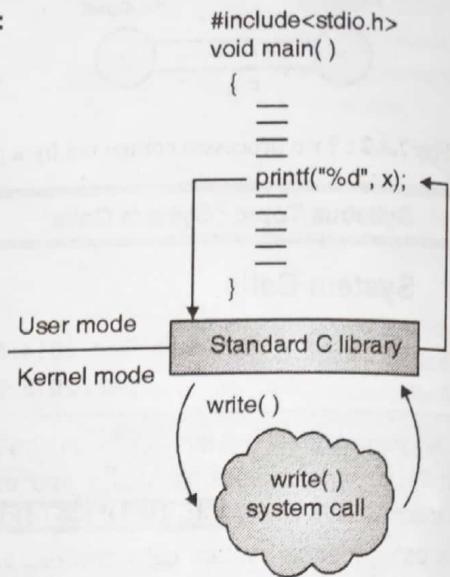
#### Solution :

- True
- True
- True
- False

#### Example 7.4.5

Using simple system call as an example describe the steps generally involved in providing the result for the point of calling the function in C library to the where that function returns.

#### Solution :



(S6.5) Fig. Ex. 7.4.5 : Handling by C library

Many system calls are provided by the C-library.

- As shown in Fig. Ex. 7.4.5, the C-program invokes the printf() statement.
- In return, the C-library invokes the necessary system call in the operating system – the write() system call in this case.
- The C-library takes the value returned by write() and passes it back to the user program.

#### Syllabus Topic : Structure of O.S.

## 7.5 Operating System Structure

Operating system is a very large and complex software supporting a large number of functions. It is developed as a collection of smaller modules. There are different operating system structures :

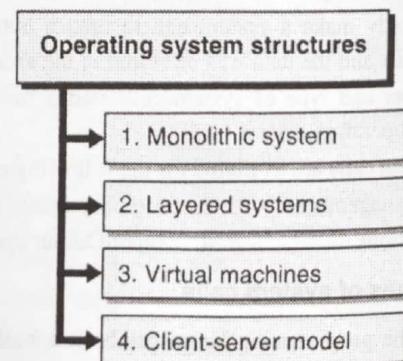
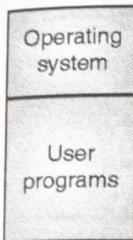


Fig. C7.6 : Operating system structures

### → 7.5.1 Monolithic System

A monolithic operating system is written as a collection of procedures. Each of these procedures can call any other procedure. The operating system is written as a simple program and resides in one portion of the memory (Fig. 7.5.1).



Operating system runs in kernel mode  
User programs run in user mode

(S7.9)Fig. 7.5.1 : A monolithic system

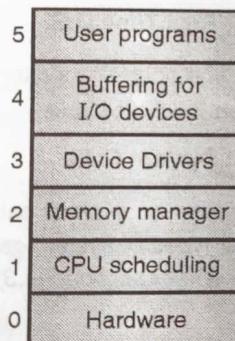
In a monolithic system, services are provided through system calls. A system call switches the machine from user mode to kernel mode. Kernel mode is also known as supervisory mode. Privileged instructions can be executed in supervisory mode.

Each system call has a corresponding service procedure.

Monolithic system cannot be used for a complicated operating system. Such an operating system is best suited for single user environment without multi-programming.

## → 7.5.2 Layered Systems

The operating system architecture based on layered approach consists of number of layers, each built on top of lower layer. A typical layered architecture is shown in Fig. 7.5.2.



(S7.10)Fig. 7.5.2 : A typical layered operating system

- Layer 0 deals with hardware.
- Layer 1 deals with allocation of CPU to processes.
- Layer 2 implements memory management such as Paging, segmentation etc.
- Layer 3 deals with device drivers. Device drivers provide device independent interaction with devices.
- Layer 4 deals with input/output buffering.
- The highest layer 5 deals with user interfaces.

### ☞ Advantages of layered approach

1. Layered approach provides modularity. It helps in debugging and verification of the system.
2. Higher layer utilizes services provided by lower layers. A higher layer need not know how these operations are implemented only what these operations do.
3. Any layer can be written and debugged without any concern about the rest of the layers.

### ☞ Disadvantages of layered approach

1. The major difficulty with the layered approach is how to differentiate one layer from another.

2. Since a layer can use services of a layer below it, it should be designed carefully. For example, the device driver for secondary memory must be at a lower level than memory management routine.

## → 7.5.3 Virtual Machine

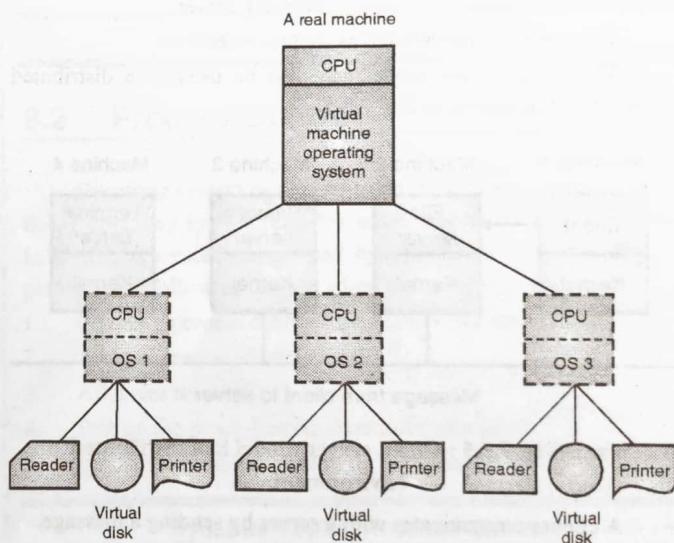
It is a concept which creates an illusion of a real machine. It is created by a virtual machine operating system that makes a single real machine appear to be several real machines.

An important aspect of this technique is that each user can run operating system of his choice. This concept is shown in Fig. 7.5.3.

In a virtual machine environment, a single real machine gives an illusion of several virtual machines, each having its own :

1. Virtual processor
2. Virtual storage and input/output devices

Process scheduling can be used to share the CPU and make it appear that each user has his own processor.



(S7.11)Fig. 7.5.3 : Creation of several virtual machines by a single physical machine

### ☞ Advantages of virtual machine

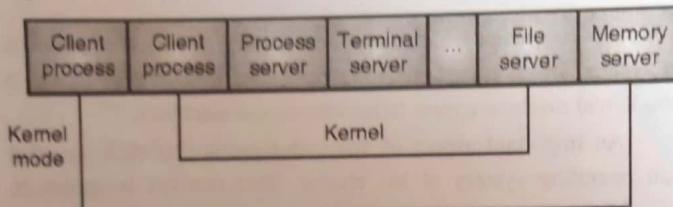
1. Concurrent running of dissimilar operating system by different users.
2. No need for conversion of a program written to run under a specific operating system.
3. Programs can be developed and debugged for machines different from the host machine.
4. The high degree of separation between independent virtual machines helps in ensuring privacy and security.

The heart of such systems is virtual machine monitor which runs on the bare hardware. The virtual machine monitor provides virtual environment.

## → 7.5.4 Client-Server Model

Client-Server computing has become very popular. It has been replacing both main-frame systems and other computing environments based on centralized approach. In a client-server

operating system the kernel part (core of the operating system) is very small. Most of the operating system functions are implemented using user processes. In this model, to request a service, such as reading a file, a user process sends a request to a server process (shown in Fig. 7.5.4), the server process does the required work and sends back the answer.



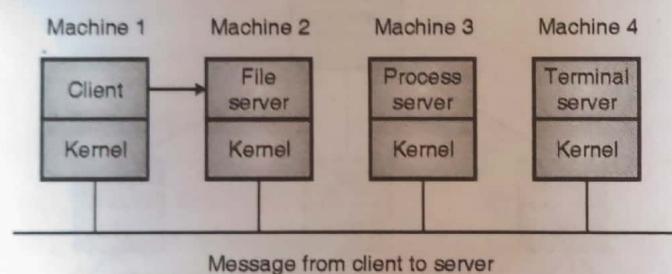
(S7.12)Fig. 7.5.4 : The client-server model

In this model, the kernel handles the communication between clients and servers. Independent server processes handle different aspects of operating systems. These processes are :

1. File server.
2. Process server.
3. Terminal server.
4. Memory server.

These servers run as user-mode processes.

The client server model can also be used in a distributed environment as shown in Fig. 7.5.5



(S7.13)Fig. 7.5.5 : Client server model in a distributed environment

- A client communicates with a server by sending a message.
- A client server model provides :
  1. High scalability.
  2. Reliability
  3. Fault tolerance.
  4. Security.
  5. Reduces load on network.

## 7.6 Exam Pack (University Questions)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Architecture, Goals

- Q. What is an operating system ?  
(Refer section 7.1) (4 Marks) (May 2014)

- Q. Explain the term : Operating System.  
(Refer section 7.1) (2 Marks) (Dec. 2014)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Basic Functions, Interaction of O.S. and Hardware Architecture

- Q. Explain functions of an Operating System.  
(Refer section 7.1.1) (8 Marks) (May 2013, Dec. 2013, Dec. 2016)

- Q. List different types of operating systems with examples. (Refer section 7.2) (3 Marks) (Dec. 2016)

- Q. List the various types of the O.S. with their basic functions. (Refer section 7.3) (4 Marks) (May 2014)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Real Time O.S.

- Q. What is real time operating system?  
(Refer section 7.3.3) (3 Marks) (Dec. 2015)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : System Calls

- Q. What is purpose of system calls in an operating system ? List types of system calls and explain any one of them. (Refer section 7.4.3) (8 Marks) (Dec. 2013)

- Q. List the categories of system calls and explain process system call with an example.  
(Refer section 7.4.3) (6 Marks) (Dec. 2014, May 2015)

- Q. Write short notes on : System Call.  
(Refer section 7.4.3) (3 Marks) (Dec. 2015)

- Q. List the different categories of system calls and explain in brief any two of them.  
(Refer section 7.4.3) (6 Marks) (May 2016)

## CHAPTER

8

UNIT III

# Process Management

### Syllabus Topics

Process Concept, Process states, Process control, Threads, Scheduling : Types of scheduling : Preemptive, Non preemptive, Scheduling algorithms : FCFS, SJF, RR.

### Syllabus Topic : Process Concept

#### 8.1 Process

→ (Dec. 2015)

Q. Explain process in detail. **SPPU - Dec. 2015, 3 Marks**

A process is basically a program while it is being executed. A process is more than program code. It also includes the followings :

1. Value of program counter.
2. Contents of CPU register.
3. Process stacks containing temporary data (such as function parameters, return address, and local variables).
4. Data section containing global variables.
5. Program code
6. Dynamically allocated memory during runtime.

A program in itself is not a process. A program is a passive entity, whereas a process is an active entity. A program becomes a process when an executable program is loaded into memory.

In a time shared system, several user programs reside in computer's memory. Each user is allocated only a fraction of CPU time (time slab) at a time for his program. When CPU executes a program or command, a process is created. When one process stops running because it has taken its share of CPU time, another process starts.

When a process is temporarily suspended, information about it, is stored in memory so that its execution could start from the same location where it was suspended.

In many operating systems, all the information about each process is stored in a process table. Operating system also provides several system calls to manage processes. These system calls are mainly to create and kill processes.

### Syllabus Topic : Process Control

#### 8.2 Process Control

Operating system creates a process to execute a user program. Every operating system provides some way of creating a process. In UNIX, processes are created by the FORK system call. O.S. performs the following actions when a new process is created :

1. Creates a process control block (PCB) for the process.
2. Assigns process id and priority.
3. Allocates memory.
4. Sets up the process environment for execution.
5. Initializes resource accounting information for the process.

### Syllabus Topic : Process States

#### 8.2.1 Process States

→ (May 2013, Dec. 2014, May 2015, May 2016, Dec. 2016, May 2017)

Q. Draw and explain process state transitions.

**SPPU - May 2013, 6 Marks**

Q. Explain various states of a process with diagram.

**SPPU - Dec. 2014, May 2015, May 2016, Dec. 2016, 6 Marks**

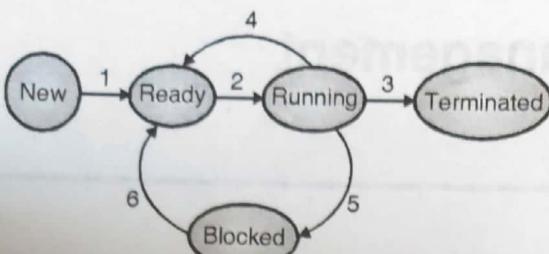
Q. What are the various states of processes and how it is managed by operating system ?

**SPPU - May 2017, 6 Marks**

The lifetime of a process can be divided into several stages as states, each with certain characteristics that describe the process. It means that as a process starts executing, it goes through one state to another state. Each process may be in one of the following states:

1. New
2. Ready
3. Running
4. Blocked
5. Terminated.

A general form of process state diagram is shown in Fig. 8.2.1.



- |                            |                               |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (1) Admit                  | (4) Time slab over preemptive |
| (2) Dispatch for execution | (5) Blocked for I/O           |
| (3) Release                | (6) I/O activity is over      |

(S8.1)Fig. 8.2.1 : Process state transition diagram

### ✓ 1. New

The process has been created.

### ✓ 2. Ready

The process is waiting to be allocated to a processor. Process comes to this state immediately after it is created. All ready processes are kept in a queue. A program called scheduler, which is a part of the operating system, picks up one ready process for execution by passing control to it.

### ✓ 3. Running

A CPU is currently allocated to the process and the process is getting executed.

- A running process is blocked if there is an I/O request during execution.
- A running process is sent to the ready queue after the time slab is over. After the time slab, the scheduler may schedule another process from the ready queue for execution.

### ✓ 4. Blocked

The process is waiting for completion of some I/O activity. Such processes are normally not considered for execution until the related blocking condition is fulfilled. The running process becomes blocked by invoking I/O routines, whose result is needed during execution.

### ✓ 5. Terminated : The process has finished its execution.

## 8.2.2 Process Implementation

→ (May 2013, Dec. 2016)

**Q. Write short notes on : Process Control Block.**

**SPPU - May 2013, 3 Marks**

**Q. Draw and explain process control block.**

**SPPU - Dec. 2016, 6 Marks**

A data structure called the process control block (PCB) is used by the operating system to keep track of all information concerning a process. The operating system maintains a table of

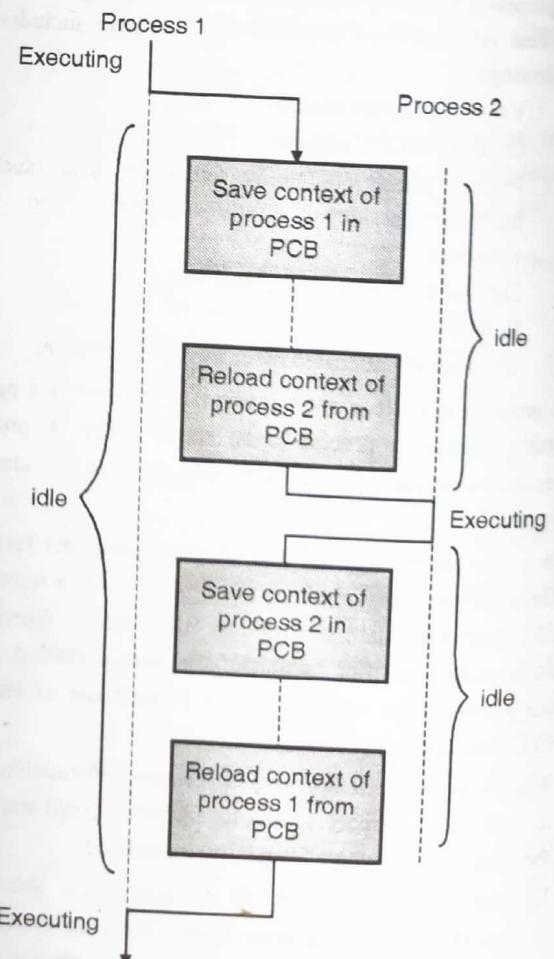
process control blocks with one entry per process. The process control block contains many pieces of information associated with a specific process, including :

1. **Process number** : Each process is identified by its process number, called process ID.
2. Priority.
3. **Process state** : Each process may be in any of these states :
  - (a) New
  - (b) Ready
  - (c) Running
  - (d) Blocked
  - (e) Terminated.
4. **Program counter** : It gives the address of the next instruction to be executed for this process.
5. **Registers** : They include accumulator, general purpose registers, index registers, segment registers etc. Whenever a processor switches over from one process to another process, information about current status of the old process is saved in PCB so that the process may be restarted later on.

The process scheduling consists of the following sub-functions :

1. **Scheduling** : Select the process to be executed next on the CPU.
2. **Dispatching** : Set up execution of the selected process on the CPU.
3. **Context save** : Save the status of a running process when its execution is to be suspended.

Passing of CPU control from process1 to process2 and then back to process1 is shown in Fig. 8.2.2.



(S8.2)Fig. 8.2.2 : Context switching

**Syllabus Topic : Threads****8.3 Threads**

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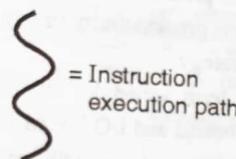
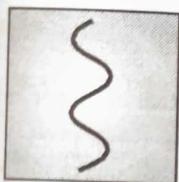
**Q.** Explain different models of threads.

**SPPU - Dec. 2014, May 2015, 6 Marks**

**Q.** Explain threads in detail. **SPPU - Dec. 2015, 3 Marks**

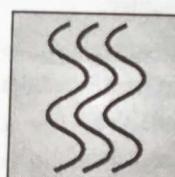
Threads are low cost alternative to processes for certain kind of concurrent applications. Each process has an address space and a single thread of control. In many cases, it is desirable to have multiple threads of control that share a single address space, but run in quasi-parallel, as if they were in fact separate processes (except for shared address space).

- Traditionally, there is single thread of execution per process (Fig. 8.3.1).



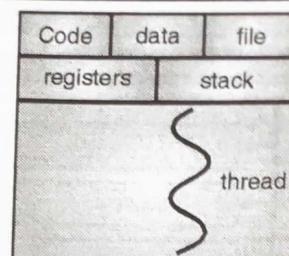
(S8.3) Fig. 8.3.1 : One process one thread

- In multithreading environment, O.S. supports multiple threads of execution within a single process (Fig. 8.3.2).

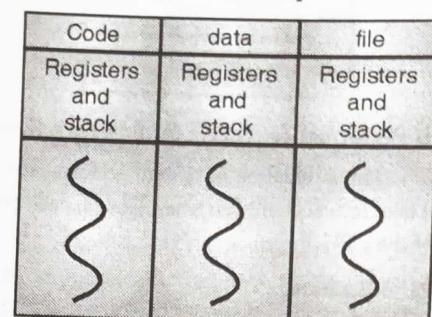


(S8.4) Fig. 8.3.2 : One process multiple threads

- A process is defined as the unit of resource allocation and a unit of protection. The followings are associated with a process :
  1. A virtual address space holding the process image.
  2. Protected access to processors, files and I/O resources.
- Within a process, there may be one or more threads, each with the following :
  1. A thread execution state (Running, ready, suspended, etc.)
  2. A process control block (PCB) for each thread for saving the thread context.
- Let us consider a web server application. A web server may have several clients accessing it. One solution is to have the server run as a single process that accepts requests. When the server receives a request it creates a separate process to service the request. This approach is quite slow as each process has its own code, data and files. It is more efficient to create a thread to service the request. Multiple threads created by a process share code, data and files. It is shown in Fig. 8.3.3.



(a) Single threaded process



(b) Multithreaded process

(S8.5) Fig. 8.3.3 : Single threaded and multithreaded process

**8.3.1 Benefits of Threads**

1. It takes less time to create a thread in an existing process than to create a new process. It improves responsiveness.
2. It takes less time to terminate thread than a process.
3. It takes less time to switch between two threads within the same process.
4. Threads share the memory and the resources of the process to which they belong. It allows an application to have several different threads of activity within the same address space.
5. Threads enhance efficiency in communication. They can interact with each other without the intervention of operating system.

**Syllabus Topic : Scheduling****8.4 Process Scheduling**

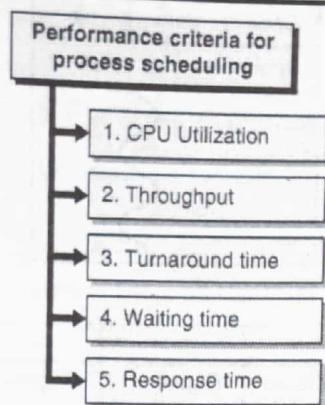
→ (May 2016)

**Q.** Explain process scheduling with neat diagram.

**SPPU - May 2016, 6 Marks**

Process scheduling is a fundamental operating system function. Scheduling is a set of policies and mechanisms supported by operating system that controls the order in which the work to be done is completed.

A scheduler is an operating system program that selects the next job to be admitted for execution. There are performance criteria that are frequently used by schedulers to maximize system performance. These are :

**Fig. C8.1: Performance criteria for process scheduling**

In addition to maximization of system performance, operating system should take into account **fairness**. That is, each process gets its fair share of the CPU.

#### → 1. CPU utilization

The idea is to keep the CPU busy 100 percent of the time.

#### → 2. Throughput

It refers to the number of processes executed per unit time.

#### → 3. Turnaround time

It is defined as interval from the time of submission of a process to the time of its completion.

#### → 4. Waiting time

The waiting time may be expressed as turnaround time, less the actual processing time

$$\text{waiting time} = \text{turnaround time} - \text{processing time.}$$

In multiprogramming operating system several jobs reside at a time in memory. CPU executes only one job at a time. The rest of jobs wait for the CPU.

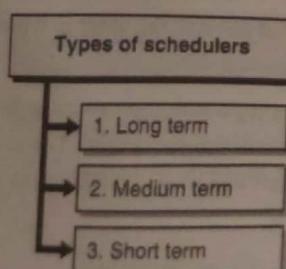
#### → 5. Response time

Response time is an important parameter in time sharing system. It is defined as interval from the time the last character of a command line of a program is entered to the last result appears on the terminal.

Throughput and CPU utilisation may be increased by executing a large number of processes, but then response time may suffer. Therefore, the scheduler must keep balance of all the different requirements and constraints.

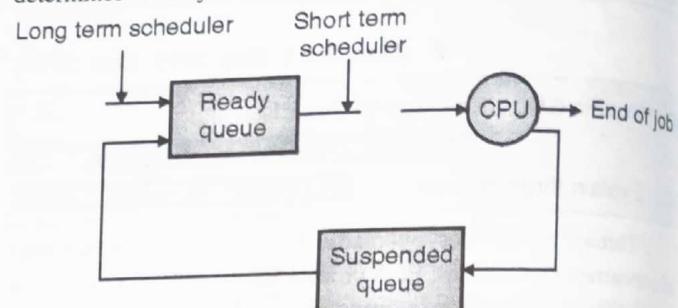
### 8.4.1 Types of Schedulers

There are three types of schedulers :

**Fig. C8.2: Types of schedulers**

#### → 1. Long term scheduler

Long term scheduler is also called job scheduler. This determines which job shall be admitted for processing.

(S8.10) **Fig. 8.4.1 : Long term and short term scheduler**

There are always more processes than it can be accommodated by CPU in memory. These processes are kept waiting in large storage devices like disk for later processing. Whenever a process finishes, a long term scheduler is called. It selects a new process from among the waiting processes using SJF or FCFS strategy.

- Long term scheduler should maintain a proper mixture of CPU bound and I/O bound jobs in the ready queue.
- If all processes are I/O bound, the ready queue will always be empty.
- If all processes are CPU bound then system response will become poor.

#### → 2. Short term scheduler

It allocates processes belonging to ready queue to CPU for immediate processing. Short term scheduler is called very often :

1. Called at the end of time slab.
2. Called in case of I/O request.

#### → 3. Medium term scheduler

Most of the processes require I/O operation. In that case, it may become suspended for I/O operation after running a while. It is beneficial to remove these processes (suspended) from main memory to hard disk to create more memory for other processes. At some later time these processes can be reloaded into memory. The suspended processes are swapped out and swapped in by medium term scheduler.

**Syllabus Topic : Types of Scheduling : Preemptive, Non Preemptive**

### 8.5 Scheduling Methods

→ (May 2014, Dec. 2015)

**Q. Explain scheduling criteria ? Explain different types of scheduling algorithms in brief.**

**Q. What is CPU scheduling? Explain 2 different scheduling algorithms with examples. SPPU - Dec. 2015, 6 Marks**





```

}Q;

void init(Q *p)
{
    p->R=p->F=-1;
}

void print(Q *q)
{
    int i; node *p;
    printf("\n sno Arrival CPU Time Waiting Finish
Turn-around");
    printf("\n      Time           Time   Time   Time");
    printf("\n-----n");
    for(i=q->F;i<=q->R;i++)
    {
        p=q->data + i;
        printf("\n%d%2d%2d%2d%2d%2d",p->sno,p->
at,p->st,p->wt,p->ft,p->tat);
    }
}

node front(Q *p)
{
    return(p->data[p->F]);
}

int empty(Q *p)
{
    if(p->F == -1)
        return(1);
    return(0);
}

node Delete(Q *p)
{
    node q;
    q=p->data[p->F];
    if(p->F == p->R)
        init(p);
    else
        p->F += 1;
    return(q);
}

void insert(Q *p,node newnode)
{
    if(empty(p))
        p->R=p->F=0;
    else
        p->R += 1;
    p->data[p->R]=newnode;
}

void main()
{
    Q wait,ready,finish;
    node p,readynode,p1;
    int n,i,elapsed;
    clrscr();
}

```

```

init(&wait);
printf("\n enter no of processes: ");
scanf("%d",&n);
printf("\nEnter Arrival time, CPU time : \n");

for(i=0;i<n;i++)
{
    scanf("%d%d",&(p.at),&(p.st));
    p.ft=p.wt=0;
    p.sno=i+1;
    insert(&wait,p);
}

elapsed=0;
init(&finish);
init(&ready);
while(!empty(&wait) || !empty(&ready))
{
    while(!empty(&wait))
    {
        p=front(&wait);
        if(p.at <= elapsed)
        {
            p=Delete(&wait);
            insert(&ready,p);
        }
        else
            break;
    }
    if(empty(&ready))
        elapsed++;
    else
    {
        p=Delete(&ready);
        p.ft=elapsed+p.st;
        elapsed=p.ft;
        p.tat=p.ft - p.at;
        p.wt=p.tat - p.st;
        insert(&finish,p);
    }
}
print(&finish);
}

```

### Syllabus Topic : Scheduling Algorithms - SJF

#### → 8.5.2 Shortest-Job-First (SJF) Scheduling

→ (May 2017)

**Q.** Explain following CPU scheduling techniques with example : SJF. **SPPU - May 2017, 3 Marks**

In Shortest-Job-First (SJF) scheduling, a job with shortest execution time is selected for execution. If two processes have the same CPU time, FCFS is used.



8. goto step 3
9. Generate report
10. Stop.

### Program 8.5.2 : C-Program for SJF :

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
#include <graphics.h>
typedef struct node
{
    int at,st,ft,wt,tat,sno;
}node;
typedef struct Q
{
    node data[30];
    int R,F;
}Q;
void init(Q *p)
{ p->R=p->F=-1;
}
void print(Q *q)
{ int i; node *p;
printf("\n sno Arrival CPU Time Waiting Finish\n");
printf("Turn-around");
printf("\n      Time           Time   Time   Time");
printf("\n-----\n");
for(i=q->F;i<=q->R;i++)
{
    p=q->data + i;
    printf("\n%2d%2d%2d%2d%2d%2d",p->sno,p->
at,p->st,p->wt,p->ft,p->tat);
}
}
node front(Q *p)
{
    return(p->data[p->F]);
}
int empty(Q *p)
{
    if(p->F===-1)
        return(1);
    return(0);
}
node Delete(Q *p)
{
    node q;
    q=p->data[p->F];
    if(p->F==p->R)
        init(p);
}
```

```
else
    p->F += 1;
return(q);
}

void insert(Q *p,node newnode)
{
    if(empty(p))
        p->R=p->F=0;
    else
        p->R += 1;
    p->data[p->R]=newnode;
}

void sort(Q *p)
{
    node *a,temp;
    int i,j,n;
    a=p->data;
    n=p->R - p->F + 1;
    for(i=1;i<n;i++)
        for(j=0;j<n-i;j++)
            if(a[j+p->F].st > a[j+p->F+1].st)
            {
                temp=a[j+p->F];
                a[j+p->F]=a[j+p->F+1];
                a[j+p->F+1]=temp;
            }
}

void main()
{
    Q wait,ready,finish;
    node p,readynode,p1;
    int n,i,elapsed;
    clrscr();
    init(&wait);
    printf("\nEnter no of processes: ");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    printf("\nEnter Arrival time, CPU time : \n");
    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
    {
        scanf("%d%d",&(p.at),&(p.st));
        p.ft=p.wt=0;
        p.sno=i+1;
        insert(&wait,p);
    }
    elapsed=0;
    init(&finish);
    init(&ready);
}
```



```

while(!empty(&wait) || !empty(&ready))
{
    while(!empty(&wait))
    {
        p=front(&wait);
        if(p.at<=elapsed)
        {
            p=Delete(&wait);
            insert(&ready,p);
        }
        else
            break;
    }
    sort(&ready);
    if(empty(&ready))
        elapsed++;
    else
    {
        p=Delete(&ready);
        p.ft=elapsed+p.st;
        elapsed=p.ft;
        p.tat=p.ft - p.at;
        p.wt=p.tat - p.st;
        insert(&finish,p);
    }
}
print(&finish);
}

```

### Syllabus Topic : Scheduling Algorithms - RR

#### → 8.5.3 Round Robin (RR) Scheduling

→ (May 2013)

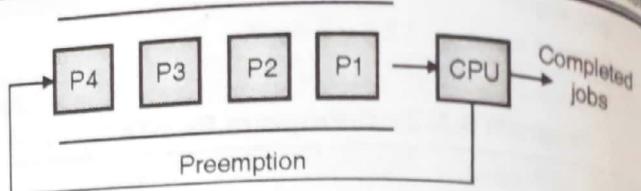
**Q.** Write short notes on : Round Robin Scheduling.

**SPPU - May 2013, 3 Marks**

The round robin scheduling algorithm is primarily used in a time-sharing and a multi-user system. The basic requirement is such systems is to provide reasonably good response time and in general to share the system fairly among all system users.

In round robin scheduling, the CPU time is divided in slices (quantum). Each process is allocated one time-slice, while it is running.

- A process is given one time slice at a time for execution.
- After the end of time slice, the process goes to the end of ready queue and a process from the front of ready queue is selected for execution (as shown in Fig. 8.5.3).



(S8.17) Fig. 8.5.3 : Round robin scheduling

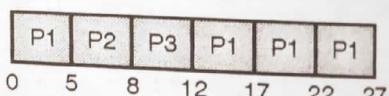
- A time slice is usually of 10 to 100 milliseconds.
- Setting the quantum too short causes too many process switches and lowers the CPU efficiency. Setting the quantum too long may cause poor response to short interactive requests.
- Round robin scheduling utilises the system resources in an equitable manner. Small process may be executed in a single time-slice giving good response time whereas long processes may require several time slices and thus be forced to pass through ready queue a few times before completion.

Consider the following example of three processes :

Process	Execution time
P1	20
P2	3
P3	4

Time slice (quantum) = 5 units of time

Using round robin scheduling, we would schedule these processes according to the following Gantt chart.



- P1 gets first 5 units of time, it is pre-empted and the CPU is given to next job.
- P2 gets 3 units of time as it does not need 5 units of time. P2 finishes at time = 8.
- P3 gets 4 units of time as it does not need 5 units of time. P3 finishes at time = 12.
- The CPU is returned to P1 for additional three time slices.

Finish time of various processes are :

Process	CPU time	Finish time
P1	20	27
P2	3	8
P3	4	12

A new table with turnaround time and waiting time is shown in Table 8.5.4.

S. No.	Process No.	CPU time	Finish time	Turnaround time	Waiting time
1	P1	20	27	27	7
2	P2	3	8	8	5
3	P2	4	12	12	8
Average →		47/3	203		
= 15.66			= 6.66		





- b. goto step 2  
 5. A process P is selected from the ready queue for execution.  
 a. if  $P.\text{et} + \text{slab} \geq P.\text{st}$  then

```
{
    elapsed = elapsed + P.st - P.et
    P.et = P.st
}
```

```
b. If  $P.\text{et} + \text{slab} < P.\text{st}$  then
{
    1. P.et = P.et + slab
    2. elapsed = elapsed + slab
}
```

6. For every job P1 in wait (arrival) queue  
 if  $P1.\text{at} \leq \text{elapsed}$   
 then  
 P1 is deleted from wait queue and inserted in  
 ready queue  
 7. If the process P has run to its completion (i.e.  $P.\text{et} = P.\text{st}$ ) then  
 a.  $P.\text{ft} = \text{elapsed}$   
 b.  $P.\text{tat} = P.\text{ft} - P.\text{at}$   
 c.  $P.\text{wt} = P.\text{tat} - P.\text{st}$   
 d. insert P in finish queue  
 e. goto step 4.

8. Generate report  
 9. Stop.

#### ➤ Program 8.5.3 : C-program for Round Robin Scheduling

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
#include <graphics.h>
typedef struct node
{
    int at,st,ft,wt,et,tat,sno;
    int priority;
}node;

typedef struct Q
{
    node data[30];
    int R,F;
}Q;

void init(Q *p)
{
    p->R=p->F=-1;
}

void print(Q *q)
{
    int i; node *p;
    printf("\n\nsno arrival service waiting finish turn-
around\n");
    for(i=q->F;i<=q->R;i++)
}
```

```
{
    p=q->data + i;
    printf("\n%d %d %d %d %d %d",p->sno,p->at, p->st,p->wt,p->ft,p->tat);
}
}

node front(Q *p)
{
    return(p->data[p->F]);
}

int empty(Q *p)
{
    if(p->F == -1)
        return(1);
    return(0);
}

node Delete(Q *p)
{
    node q;
    q=p->data[p->F];
    if(p->F == p->R)
        init(p);
    else
        p->F += 1;
    return(q);
}

void insert(Q *p,node newnode)
{
    node *q;
    if(empty(p))
        p->R=p->F=0;
    else
        p->R += 1;
    p->data[p->R]=newnode;
}

void main()
{
    Q wait,ready,finish;
    node p,readynode,p1;
    int n,i,elapsed,slab;
    int start,end;
    clrscr();
    printf("\nEnter no of processes: ");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    printf("\nEnter arrival time, service time: \n");
    init(&wait);
    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
    {
        scanf("%d%d",&(p.at),&(p.st));
        p.et=p.ft=p.wt=0;
    }
}
```

```

    p.sno=i+1;
    insert(&wait,p);
}

printf("\nEnter Time Slab : ");
scanf("%d",&slab);
elapsed=0;
init(&finish);
init(&ready);

while(!empty(&wait)) //processes coming at time=0 are
ved to ready queue
{
    p=front(&wait);
    if(p.at<=elapsed)
    {
        p=Delete(&wait);
        insert(&ready,p);
    }
    else
        break;
}

printf("\nGantt Chart :\n");
while(!empty(&wait) || !empty(&ready)) //main loop
cheduling
{
    if(empty(&ready))
    {
        elapsed++;
        while(!empty(&wait)) //processes coming at
sed time are moved to ready queue
    {
        p=front(&wait);
        if(p.at<=elapsed)
        {
            p=Delete(&wait);
            insert(&ready,p);
        }
        else
            break;
    }
}
else
{
    start=elapsed;//for Gantt chart
    p=Delete(&ready);
    if(slab > p.st - p.et)
    {
        elapsed=elapsed+p.st - p.et;
        p.et=p.st;
    }
}

```

```

    }

    else
    {
        p.et=p.et+slab;
        elapsed=elapsed+slab;
    }

    while(!empty(&wait))
        //add new jobs to ready queue
    {
        p1=front(&wait);
        if(p1.at<=elapsed)
        {
            p1=Delete(&wait);
            insert(&ready,p1);
        }
        else
            break;
    }

    if(p.et==p.st)
    {
        p.ft=elapsed;
        p.tat=p.ft - p.at;
        p.wt=p.tat - p.st;
        insert(&finish,p);
    }
    else
    {
        insert(&ready,p);
    }
    end=elapsed;
    printf("(%d-P%d-%d)",start,p.sno,end);
}
}
print(&finish);
getch();
}
}

```

#### → 8.5.4 SJF with Preemption Scheduling

It is a preemptive version of SJF. In this scheduling, the scheduler always selects a process for execution with the shortest expected remaining processing time.

- A process is preempted after the time slab (quantum).
- The next process to be scheduled for execution is based on shortest expected remaining processing time.

Consider the following example of three processes :

Process	Execution
P1	10
P2	8
P3	7











## Exam Pack (University Questions)

### Syllabus Topic : Process Concept

Explain process in detail.

(Refer section 8.1) (3 Marks)

(Dec. 2015)

### Syllabus Topic : Process States

Draw and explain process state transitions.

(Refer section 8.2.1) (6 Marks)

(May 2013)

Explain various states of a process with diagram.

(Refer section 8.2.1) (6 Marks)

(Dec. 2014, May 2015, May 2016, Dec. 2016)

What are the various states of processes and how it is managed by operating system ?

(Refer section 8.2.1) (6 Marks)

(May 2017)

Write short notes on : Process Control Block.

(Refer section 8.2.2) (3 Marks)

(May 2013)

Draw and explain process control block.

(Refer section 8.2.2) (6 Marks)

(Dec. 2016)

### Syllabus Topic : Threads

Explain different models of threads.

(Refer section 8.3) (6 Marks) (Dec. 2014, May 2015)

Explain threads in detail.

(Refer section 8.3) (3 Marks)

(Dec. 2015)

### Syllabus Topic : Scheduling

Explain process scheduling with neat diagram.

(Refer section 8.4) (6 Marks)

(May 2016)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Types of Scheduling : Preemptive, Non Preemptive

Q. Explain scheduling criteria ? Explain different types of scheduling algorithms in brief.  
(Refer section 8.5) (8 Marks) (May 2014)

Q. What is CPU scheduling? Explain 2 different scheduling algorithms with examples.  
(Refer section 8.5) (6 Marks) (Dec. 2015)

Q. Explain preemptive concept with example.  
(Refer section 8.5(1)) (2 Marks) (May 2013)

Q. Explain non preemptive concept with example.  
(Refer section 8.5(2)) (2 Marks) (May 2013)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Scheduling Algorithms - FCFS

Q. Explain following CPU scheduling techniques with example : FCFS. (Refer section 8.5.1) (3 Marks) (May 2017)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Scheduling Algorithms - SJF

Q. Explain following CPU scheduling techniques with example : SJF. (Refer section 8.5.2) (3 Marks)  
(May 2017)

### ☞ Syllabus Topic : Scheduling Algorithms - RR

Q. Write short notes on : Round Robin Scheduling.  
(Refer section 8.5.3) (3 Marks) (May 2013)

Example 8.5.11 (6 Marks) (May 2015)

Example 8.5.12 (6 Marks) (May 2015)

Example 8.5.13 (6 Marks) (Dec. 2016)

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