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XDUMP/XSNAP

360 ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE

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EXTENDED SNAP AND DUMP MACROS

INTRODUCTION

XDUMP provides a very simple command for obtaining either a dump of the general purpose registers, or of a single area of main storage. The output is identified by printing the location at which the XDUMP was invoked. XDUMP is a special case of XSNAP, and calls it to create code.

XSNAP is a much more flexible macro. General purpose registers may be stored for later inspection if it is not desired to have them printed immediately. In addition to the printing of the GP registers, the floating point registers and any number of storage areas can be printed by one XSNAP, in any desired combination. Any storage areas may be displayed, and may be specified by labels, base-displacements, dummy section symbols. An optional label may be provided to further identify the output. XSNAPs may be cancelled at assembly time using the XSET macro, and may be made conditional at execute time by making tests on values in registers or storage. XSNAP modifies neither the condition code nor the registers, and can thus be used at any point in a program at which addressability exists.

TYPICAL USAGE

- a) Print GP registers (XDUMP with no operands).

XDUMP

- b) Print a single block of storage (up to 4095 bytes).

XDUMP AREA,LENGTH      LENGTH bytes starting at AREA

- c) Print GP registers, floating registers, and a storage area. (labeled as shown, with 100 bytes starting at X).

XSNAP T=FL,LABEL='REGS,AREA X',STORAGE=(X,X+100)

- d) Print 2 storage areas, no registers. Areas are specified by RX-type addresses in this case, including DSECT symbols X1 and X2.

XSNAP T=NO,STORAGE=( \*0(R1,R2),\*40(R1,R2),\*X1,\*X2)

- e) Print (GP registers in this case) only when specified test is met, in this case, only if value in register 2 is greater than 100 .

XSNAP LABEL='AFTER 100TH TIME IN LOOP',IF=((2),H,=F'100')

## XDUMP

USE

XDUMP can be used in one of two basically different ways:

## a) GENERAL PURPOSE REGISTER DUMP

XDUMP

Coding XDUMP with no operands prints the contents of the user's general purpose registers, in hexadecimal notation. The registers are preceded by a header line like the following:

```
BEGIN XSNAP - CALL      # AT CCAAAAAA USER REGISTERS
```

# is the number of calls made to XDUMP so far, for identification.

CCAAAAAA shows the last 32 bits of the user's PSW, in hexadecimal.

CC gives the ILC, CC, and Program Mask at the time of the XDUMP.

AAAAAA gives the approximate address of the XDUMP macro expansion, and thus can be used to distinguish between the output of different XDUMP statements. \*NOTE\* XDUMP , is the same as XDUMP with no operand.

## b) STORAGE DUMP

XDUMP area,length

area is any RX-type address (anything allowed in a LA instruction)

length is an absolute expression having value from 1 to 4095.

Coding XDUMP with an address and length produces a dump of a user storage area, beginning at the address given by area, and ending at address area+length.

The resulting output includes a header line like the above, followed by a hexadecimal and alphanumeric dump of the selected storage area. The storage is printed in lines showing two groups of four fullwords, preceded by the memory address of the first word in each line, and followed by the alphanumeric representation of the 32 bytes on the line, with letters, numbers, and blanks printed directly, and all other characters translated to periods. The storage printed is also preceded by a line giving the address limits specified in the XDUMP.

If the length is omitted, the value 4 is used as a default.

## EXAMPLES OF XDUMP USAGE

XDUMP AREA+10,80

XDUMP 8(1,4),100

XDUMP FULLWORD

use default value of 4

XDUMP TABL(3),12

## XSNAP

## USE

XSNAP may be coded with any of the operands shown, in any order, since all are keyword operands. It is called as follows:

```
label    XSNAP T=,LABEL=,STORAGE=,IF=
```

label is an optional statement label.

T= (Type of action to be performed for registers)

T=PRINT requests that the GP registers be printed, as given by XDUMP.. Storage areas may of course be printed in addition (STORAGE=).

T=NOREGS requests that GP registers NOT be printed. If no STORAGE= is specified, this produces exactly 1 line of output, which can be used for program tracing.

T=FLOAT requests both GP and floating point registers to be printed.

T=(FLOAT,NOREGS) requests floating point registers, but NOT GP regs.

T=STORE causes the GP registers to be saved into a well-labeled area, but does not create any printed output. The register area is originally generated filled with -1's (hexadecimal 'FF's), and is immediately preceded by the LABEL= string if it exists, or by the label generated on the register area (of form XX####B), if no LABEL= was used. The area is followed by 'XXXX' to make it easy to find. By examining such an area in a dump, the user can immediately determine:

a) whether control ever passed through a given point (register area has values other than X'FF').

b) the contents of the registers the LAST time control passed through the given XSNAP.

Note that the LABEL= option helps identify each XSNAP. If it is not used, the XX####B label placed before the area also appears in the assembly Cross-Reference listing, so it is still easy to locate. Note that this option is especially useful for placing inside heavily-used loops in a program in which intermittent/unpredictable errors occur.

Any of the types above may be abbreviated by the first two letters: PRINT = PR, NOREGS = NO, FLOAT = FL, STORE = ST .

**\*\*DEFAULT\*\*** T=PRINT is the default value used if not supplied.

LABEL='string' (identification LABEL printed as XSNAP heading)

The 'string' is any character string usable as a C-type constant in a DC statement, and is used as the XSNAP heading if it prints anything at all. The register area label (XX####B) is used if LABEL= is omitted.

STORAGE=(list)            (areas of main STORAGE to be dumped)

This option accepts a list of ADDRESS PAIRS, each pair specifying the limits of an area of memory to be printed, from the address given by the first operand to that given by the second, from the third to the fourth, etc. There may be any even number of addresses, separated by commas. Each of the address specifications in each pair may be written in either of the following forms (in any combination):

- a) any label or expression usable in an A-type address constant.
- b) \*expression , where expression is 40 or less characters long, and is acceptable as the second operand of a Load Address instruction. Thus, base-displacement forms, doubly-indexed expressions, and dummy section symbols can all be used if preceded by an \* . The following is a legal example of a STORAGE= operand:

STORAGE=(A,B+7000,\*4(2,R3),\*AREA+3(4),\*DSECT1,\*DSECT1A,A,\*A)

IF=(opa,relation,opb)        (perform XSNAP only IF condition exists)

Operands opa and opb are compared in some way. The XSNAP prints output only whenever the relation between the two operands is true. The relation is specified using the same codes as the Extended Mnemonics of the Branch on Condition: H,L,E,O,P,M,Z,NH,NL,NE,NO,NP,NM,NZ. Thus, an XSNAP WITH IF=(FLAG,NE,1) dumps only when value of FLAG is Not Equal to 1. The operands are compared in different ways depending on whether they are registers, storage, or immediate operands. The 3 cases are:

OPERAND FORMS	COMPARISON	GENERATED	MEANING
(opa) (opb)	CR	(opa),(opb)	opa, opb both designate registers
(opa) opb	C	(opa),opb	opa: register, opb: storage fullword
opa opb	CLI	opa,opb	opa: address, opb: Immediate operand

For flexibility, adding a fourth operand to the sublist allows it to be used as the opcode in the comparison: IF=(TAG,O,X'F0',TM) would generate TM TAG,X'F0' and print only if result is Ones condition.

The IF option can be a powerful debugging tool. Dumping can be allowed only when a specific condition exists. For example, if an error occurs only after a loop is executed several thousand times, IF can make an XSNAP print nothing the first (2000, for example) times, then print: IF=((register with loop counter),H,=F'2000') . For programs which process many input cards, it becomes possible to turn debug output on just before an input card known to be causing trouble, without printing output for the preceding cards. This is done by checking the input for a special debug flag value, then setting a flag byte in memory, which can be tested by many XSNAPs to determine whether printing is desired. In fact, if an 8-bit value can be obtained from an input card, 8 separate groups of XSNAPs can be individually controlled.

## SUPPRESSION OF XDUMP AND XSNAP CODE GENERATION

After a program is debugged, it is often useful to be able to suppress all debug code, without actually removing the cards from the deck. Coding XSET XSNAP=OFF suppresses all XDUMP and XSNAP code following the XSET. They can be restored by coding XSET XSNAP=ON, and this process repeated as desired. Also note that XSET can be used similarly for other X-MACROS, with multiple operands as desired: XSET XSNAP=OFF,XSAVE=OFF,XRETURN=OFF is quite common.

## RESTRICTIONS AND NOTES

XDUMP and XSNAP are usable ONLY where addressability exists. A common error is to write the following code at an exit point of a CSECT

```

      L      13,4(13)          RETORE SAVE AREA POINTER
      LM     14,12,12(13)      RESTORE REGISTERS
XSNAP . . .
      BR     14              RETURN

```

The above code sequence typically results in a branch SOMEWHERE, since the program has destroyed whatever base register the XSNAP was assembled under. Such errors are extremely difficult to locate.

In order to receive dumping output from XSNAP or XDUMP, the user should supply a DD card for the execution step of his program, using the DDNAME XSNAPOUT. Typical such cards are:

```

//DATA.XSNAPOUT DD SYSOUT=A      (at Penn State)
//GO.XSNAPOUT DD SYSOUT=A        (standard IBM cataloged procedures)

```

If XSNAPOUT is omitted, XSNAP will use one of the following DD names:  
XPRNT, SYSPRINT, FT06F001 (in that order)

XDUMP and XSNAP operate by calling a CSECT named XXXXSNAP, which performs the actual dumping. If it does not find the DDNAME XSNAPOUT it will issue a message to the system log and ABEND U0300. It should be noted that it is impossible for XXXXSNAP to cause an interrupt unless the user program has destroyed some of its code. Thus, any abnormal end with PSW inside XXXXSNAP is probably caused by user error.

If XSNAP and XPRNT are used in the same program, the output of each is usually separate. The following XSNAPOUT card may be used instead to obtain XPRNT and XSNAP output merged together:

```

//DATA.XSNAPOUT DD UNIT=AFF=FT06F001 (at PSU, may not work elsewhere)

```

## REFERENCES

The following documents of other X-macros may be of use:  
XMSYSGEN, XREAD/XPRNT/XPNCH.

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EXTENDED ASSEMBLER I/O COMMANDS

PURPOSE

Two macros XGET (eXtended GET) and XPUT (eXtended PUT), provide easy assembler I/O facilities for up to 20 files each simultaneously.

- a) Only 2 statements are needed for each operation.

```
LA      R1,=CL8'ddname'  
XGET or XPUT area address,length
```

Example:

```
LA      1,=CL8'CARDS'  
XGET AREA,80  
//DATA.CARDS DD *
```

The above example will read in a card file.

- b) Only register 1 is destroyed, but the user destroys it with the LA instruction.  
c) Condition code is set to indicate end-of-file, error conditions, and normal execution.

THESE MACROS ARE EXACTLY LIKE THE XREAD/XPRNT/XPNCH MACROS IN their form of calling sequence, except that the maximum length is 32767. I.e., the area address may be any RX-type address, or (0) or (R0), the latter two indicating that the address is already present in register 0. Likewise, the length is an absolute expression giving the length, a register enclosed in parentheses (such as (1) or (R2)), or a default value (80 for XGET, 133 for XPUT) if the operand is omitted.

CONDITION CODES

XGET and XPUT set the CC as follows:

```
CC=0 --- I/O occurred;  
CC=1 --- XGET only --- end-of-file encountered;  
CC=2 or 3 --- ERROR occurred. Either file not opened or error  
occurred while processing, file closed if possible or  
necessary.
```

CARRIAGE CONTROLS

If XPUTting to a printer file, the first character of the area must a valid carriage control character.

CLOSING OF FILE

Performing an XGET or XPUT with a length of zero causes the designated file to be closed, so that it may be reread, for example.

## JOB CONTROL LANGUAGE

There are no extra DD cards in the catalogued procedures, therefore, unless using a dd that is in the procedure, the user must specify everything.

```

Card Reader      //DATA.XXXXXX DD *                any DD name allowed
Printer          //DATA.XXXXXX DD SYSOUT=A,DCB=(RECFM=FA,BLKSIZE=133)
Card Punch       //DATA.XXXXXX DD SYSOUT=B,DCB=(RECFM=F,BLKSIZE=80)
Tape             //DATA.XXXXXX DD VOL=SER=YYYYY,DSN=ZZZ,UNIT=2400,
                //          DCB=(RECFM=FB,LRECL=dd,BLKSIZE=ddd)
Disk            //DATA.XXXXXX DD DSN=&&TEMP,UNIT=SYSDA,
                //  SPACE=(CYL,(5,1)),DCB=(RECFM=FB,BLKSIZE=ddd)

```

Note that these macros need the dcb to be specified, (or on the file), Thus, many DD cards in the procedure may require the DCB to be added.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Each macro has an associated CSECT which it calls to perform the actual I/O operations. The characteristics are as follows:

MACRO	MAX LENGTH	CSECT NAME	CSECT LENGTH
XGET	32767	XXXXXGET	964
XPUT	32767	XXXXXPUT	996

## STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Each call on any of the macros generates from 32-42 bytes of code, depending on initial alignment and options use. This is in addition to the storage required by any of the CSECTS used.

Each macro calls the inner macro XIONR, which is the same macro called by the XREAD, etc, macros.

\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\* User must load into register 1 the address of an eight byte character string, left justified and padded with blanks if necessary. This string represents the XXXXX of the //DATA.XXXXXX DD cards.

REFERENCES: see the XREAD/XPRNT/XPNCN writeup for the simpler and more specific I/O commands provided. Also see the XMSYSGEN writeup which describes the various properties and generation of the entire X-MACRO system.

## EXAMPLE OF XGET AND XPUT USAGE

The following program reads/writes several files in parallel.

```

TEST1      CSECT
           BALR 12,0
           USING *,12
           SR   0,0
*
*   THIS PROGRAM WILL PROCESS A FEW FILES IN PARRALLEL,
*
LOOP        LA    1,=CL8'CARD'           point to an input file
           XGET  AREA,80                 do the input
           BNE   DONE                   branch on endfile,
*                                           file automatically closed
           XREAD AREA2,80                 do normal input
           LA    1,=CL8'PAPER'           point to a printer file
           XPUT  AREA-1,81                 do output, note carriage control
           LA    1,=CL8'PAPER2'          point to other printer file
           XPUT  AREA2-1,81               do output on other file
           B     LOOP                     try again
DONE        BR   14 RETURN, IMPLICITLY CLOSE OTHER FILES
           DC    CL1' '
AREA        DS   CL80
           DC    CL1' '
AREA2       DS   CL80
           END

```

The extra JCL for the above is as follows:

```

//DATA.PAPER DD SYSOUT=A,DCB=(RECFM=FA,LRECL=133,BLKSIZE=133)
//DATA.PAPER2 DD SYSOUT=A,DCB=(RECFM=FA,LRECL=133,BLKSIZE=133)
//DATA.CARD DD *
THIS STUFF IS READ
  AT THE SAME TIME AS ANOTHER
  FILE IS READ
***** THE LAST CARD *****
//DATA.INPUT DD *
THIS IS THE NORMAL INPUT FILE
AND IS READ AT THE SAME TIME AS ANOTHER FILE
IS READ
***** THE LAST CARD *****

```



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Extended Hexadecimal Conversion Macros

INTRODUCTION

XHEXI and XHEXO provide easy conversion of hexadecimal numbers for input and output. The value of a hexadecimal number can be read from a card using XREAD, converted from character mode to a hexadecimal number, and the converted number is placed in the specified general purpose register with XHEXI. XHEXO provides an easy way to convert internal hexadecimal to an output form that can be printed using XPRNT.

XHEXI also places the address of the first non-hexadecimal number in register one, but if more than eight digits are scanned, the address of the ninth is placed in register 1.

TYPICAL USAGE

The following shows the most common usage of the macros XHEXI and XHEXO:

- A) Take a character number from an area called CARD and convert it to hex in Register 2.

```
XHEXI    2,CARD    convert number
```

- B) Take a series of numbers from a card and store them on a full-word-boundary.

```
                LA    3,AREA    address of storage
                LA    1,CARD    address of numbers
TOP            XHEXI 2,0(1)    convert number
                ST    2,0(3)    store it
                LA    3,4(3)    advance storage pointer
                BNO   TOP        keep on going
```

This bit of code takes character numbers from an area called CARD, converts them to internal hex, and then stores them in a location called AREA. The card was probably read in with the XREAD instruction.

- C) Take a number in a register and convert it and place it in an output area to be printed.

```
                XHEXO 2,AREA+1    convert number
                XPRNT AREA,8      print number
AREA           DC    CL9' '      storage for number
```

## XHEXI

USE:

XHEXI REGISTER,ADDRESS

XHEXI, in the general form shown above where REGISTER is any general purpose register and ADDRESS is anything legal in an RX instruction, is used to do the following:

1. Beginning at the location ADDRESS, memory is scanned until the first non-blank character is found.

2. If the first character found is anything but a legal hexadecimal character(0-9,A-F), the condition code is set to overflow and this address is placed in register 1. If the REGISTER is anything but register 1, its contents remain unchanged.

3. One to eight hexadecimal characters are scanned, the number converted to hexadecimal, and the result is placed in REGISTER. The value placed in the register is internal hexadecimal with leading zeros included and the number is right justified.

4. Register one is set to the address of the first non-hexadecimal character. With this in mind, the user should not code register one as REGISTER. This allows you to scan across the card for any number of character strings. The strings should be separated by blanks. The end of the string could be flagged with any non-hexadecimal character and a test could be made after a Branch Overflow (see sample program).

5. If more than eight hex digits are found, register one is set to the address of the ninth. This allows the user to scan across long strings of numbers.

## XHEXO

USE:

XHEXO REGISTER,ADDRESS

XHEXO in the general form shown above converts the value in REGISTER and places it in a right-justified 8-byte field beginning at ADDRESS. It can be easily printed using an XPRNT instruction.

## SAMPLE PROGRAM USING XHEXI AND XHEXO

This program reads a data card with an unknown number of hexadecimal numbers on it. The end of the data string is denoted by a '%' punched after the last number. The numbers are stored after being converted using XHEXI, and then converted for output using XHEXO.

	LA	3,STORAGE	WHERE NUMBERS STORED
	XREAD	CARD,80	READ IN CARD
	XPRNT	CARD,80	ECHO PRINT
	LA	1,CARD	ADDRESS OF CARD FOR SCANNING
LOOP	XHEXI	2,0(1)	CONVERT NUMBER PUT IN 2
	BO	ILLEGAL	CHECK FOR END
	XHEXO	2,AREA	PUT NUMBER IN OUTPUT AREA
	XPRNT	REP,28	PRINT CARD AND MESSAGE
	ST	2,0(3)	STORE NUMBER
	LA	3,4(3)	INCREASE INDEX
	B	LOOP	GET NEXT NUMBER
ILLEGAL	CLI	0(1),C'%'	SEE IF END OF STRING
	BE	DONE	YES DONE
	XPRNT	=CL50' ILLEGAL CHARACTER STOP',50	
DONE		....MORE INSTRUCTIONS.....	
CARD	DC	81C' '	STORAGE FOR CARD
STORAGE	DS	20F	STORAGE FOR NUMBERS
REP	DC	C' THE NUMBER IN R2 IS'	
AREA	DC	CL8' '	STORAGE FOR OUTPUT NUMBER

## REFERENCES

The following documents of the other X-macros may be of use:  
XREAD/XPRNT/XPNCH, XMSYSGEN.

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ASSEMBLER UNIT-RECORD INPUT-OUTPUT MACROS

PURPOSE

Three macros XREAD (card READER), XPRNT (line PRINter), and XPNCN (card PuNCH) provide easy assembler I/O facilities with the following features:

- a) Only 1 statement is needed for each operation. No OPEN's, CLOSE's, DCB's, etc are required.
- b) REGISTERS - no registers are destroyed by these macros.
- c) CONDITION CODE - XPRNT and XPNCN preserve the condition code. XREAD sets it to indicate end-of-file occurrence.
- d) JOB CONTROL LANGUAGE - under most circumstances, little or no extra JCL will be needed.
- e) number of characters - may be specified in several different ways, may be any length up to maximum for device, and can be varied at execution time for maximum flexibility.
- f) XSET macro may be used to temporarily cancel output messages, input statements to be omitted, etc, during assembly time.

USE

All three macros use the same form of calling sequence:

label     is an optional statement label

Xmacro    is one of XREAD, XPRNT, XPNCN

area       the address of the area to be read or written.

This may be specified in two different ways:

- a) Anything valid in a LA instruction, for example HERE, SYM+8(5), 2(4,6), =CL10'OMESSAGE' are all acceptable.
- b) Either (0) or (R0), indicating that register 0 contains the area address.

length     specifies the number of bytes to be transferred.

This length should be in the range 1 to maximum length for the device (80 for XREAD, XPNCN, 133 for XPRNT).

If the length is incorrect, it will be ignored, and the maximum length used. The length may be specified in three different ways:

- a) Directly, by providing an expression in the macro call.
- b) By default, by providing only an area address, which will cause the appropriate maximum length to be used.
- c) Indirectly, at execution time, by coding an expression enclosed in parentheses, indicating a general purpose register which contains the number of bytes to be read or written.

#### CONDITION CODE

XREAD sets the CC as follows:

CC = 0 - a card was read, and length characters transferred  
 CC = 1 - end-of-file was encountered-no more cards

#### CARRIAGE CONTROLS

XPRNT requires the first character of the area to be a valid carriage control character.

#### JOB CONTROL LANGUAGE

The macros will accept DD cards with various DDNAMES, but have been designed to use JCL already present in certain cataloged procedures, in order to minimize the amount of extra JCL. The DD cards required for each macro are listed below. Note that the PSU cataloged procedure ASGCLG already contains a FT06F001 DD card, so this need not usually be supplied by the user.

MACRO	DD CARD FORM	DDNAMES ALLOWED(for xxxxx)
XREAD	//DATA.xxxxx DD *	XREAD, INPUT, FT05F001
XPRNT	//DATA.xxxxx DD SYSOUT=A	XPRNT, FT06F001
XPNCN	//DATA.xxxxx DD SYSOUT=B	XPNCN, FT07F001

\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\* if you want to use the macros in combined FORTRAN-Assembler programs, you must supply the X-ddnames, rather than using the FORTRAN ones.

#### USAGE OF XSET

The macro XSET (described in writeup on XSNAP/XSTOP/XSET), may be used to selectively cancel and restore generation of any of these macros. It is used as follows:

XSET name=onoff

where name is XREAD, XPRINT, or XPNCN, and onoff is either ON or OFF, which either permits or deletes generation of the specified macro until it is changed again by another XSET.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Each macro has an associated CSECT which it calls to perform the actual I/O operations. The characteristics of these CSECTS are listed below, together with their DCB's. If the DCB's are unsatisfactory, they may be altered prior to the first macro call, since the DCB names are all entry point names also.

MACRO	MAX LENGTH	CSECT NAME	CSECT LENGTH	DCB NAME
XREAD	80	XXXXXREAD	576	XXREDCB
XPRNT	133	XXXXXPRNT	700	XXPRDCB
XPNCNCH	80	XXXXXPNCNCH	596	XXPNDCB
		XXXXXOPEN	532	

XXXXXOPEN is called by all the csects to do the opening of their dcb's for them.

The relevant parameters of the current DCB's used are as follows:

XXREDCB DCB DSORG=PS,MACRF=GM,RECFM=F,BUFNO=1,LRECL=80, BLKSIZE=80

XXPRDCB DCB DSORG=PS,MACRF=PM,RECFM=FA,BUFNO=1,LRECL=133, BLKSIZE=133

XXPNDCB DCB DSORG=PS,MACRF=PM,RECFM=F,BIFMP=1,LRECL=80, BLKSIZE=80

## STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Each call on any of the macros generates from 32-42 bytes of code depending on initial alignment and options used. This is in addition to the storage required by any of the three CSECT's used.

## GLOBAL SET VARIABLES

Each of the macros used a GBLB variable of the form &nameST, where name is the name of the given macro. These are used in conjunction with XSET to control macro generation.

## INNER MACROS CALLED

Each of the macros uses the inner macro XIONR.

## SAMPLE PROGRAM

The following program reads, prints, and punches cards, and shows some the various ways of specifying the macro operands.

```
// EXEC ASGCLG
//SOURCE.INPUT DD *
    TITLE   ' TEST PROGRAM FOR 1/0 MACROS '
TESTX10 CSECT
    XSAVE   TR=NO           set up linkage, base register
    XSET    XPRNT=OFF       cancel XPRNT for a while
    XPRNT   =CL50' THIS MESSAGE IS NOT GENERATED', 50
    XSET    XPRNT=ON       allow XPRNT's again
    LA      0,CARD         save address of card
    XPRNT   =CL40'1 TEST EXAMPLES', 40 skip to new page
    LA      2,50           set up length in register
    XPRNT   =CL50'0 WILL READ,PRINT,PUNCH',(2)
TLOOP    XREAD   CARD      use default length=80
        BNZ     TDONE      branch on end-of-file
        XPUNCH  (0)        use previously loaded address
        XPRNT   CARD-1,81  print card, with carriage cont
        B       TLOOP      go back for next card
TDONE    XPRNT MESSAGE,L'MESSAGE print ending message
        XRETURN SA=*,TR=NO
MESSAGE  DC      CL100'OSUCCESSFULL COMPLETION OF TEST'
CARD     DS      CL80
        end
//DATA.XPUNCH DD SYSOUT=B      required for card punch
//DATA.INPUT DD *
    THIS IS THE FIRST TEST CARD
    THIS IS THE SECOND TEST CARD
    THIS IS LAST TEST CARD-END-OF-FILE FOLLOWS
```

REFERENCES: see the XGET/XPUT writeup for more generalized macros allowing access to any sequential files. Also see XMSYSGEN for an overview of the X-MACRO system.

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EXTENDED SAVE AND RETURN MACROS

INTRODUCTION

XSAVE and XRETURN provide various services for assembler language program linkage using OS/360 conventions. While offering many more options than SAVE and RETURN, they use defaults, thus allowing that few operands need be coded. Some of the services provided are:

- a) Saving or restoring any range or ranges of registers on program entry or exit, in a more general way than SAVE or RETURN.
- b) Automatic initialization of 1 or more base registers for a program.
- c) Creating standard entrypoint identifier coding at a program entry.
- d) Generating reentrant code, using GETMAIN and FREEMAIN calls.
- e) Creating an AUTOMATIC PROGRAM TRACE or REGISTER DUMP whenever a module is entered or exited.
- f) Permitting easy usage in CSECT's with multiple entries/exits.

TYPICAL USAGE

The following shows the most common ways to use XSAVE and XRETURN:

- a) CSECT with a single entry point, at the CSECT name:

```
ACSECT  CSECT
        XSAVE
.....  the code for the csect.
        XRETURN SA=*      EXIT POINT: ALSO CREATE SAVE AREA
```

- b) CSECT with single entry and exit, using register 13 as both a base register and save area pointer, generating save area inside XSAVE:

```
BCSECT  CSECT
        XSAVE BR=13      CAUSE SAVE AREA TO BE HERE
.....  the code for the csect.
        XRETURN
```

- c) CSECT with multiple entry points:

```
CCSECT  CSECT
        ENTRY C1,C2      SEVERAL ENTRIES
C1      XSAVE
.....  the code for section C1 of CCSECT.
C1EXIT  XRETURN
C2      XSAVE
.....  the code for C2.
C2EXIT  XRETURN SA=*      SAVE AREA AFTER LAST XRETURN ONLY
```



The macros are described below, with arguments listed basically in order of importance. A programmer not yet familiar with S/360 linkage should concentrate on the options: RGS=,SA=, and BR= where they exist.

## XSAVE

## PURPOSE

XSAVE is used at any entry point (CSECT, START, or ENTRY label) in an assembler program to save registers according to the standard conventions, set up new base register(s), and possibly perform program tracing and various other optional services.

## USE

The macro allows 8 keyword operands, which can be used in almost any combination or omitted as desired. Reasonable default values are supplied so that few operands need normally be coded. It is called:

```
label    XSAVE RGS=,BR=,SA=,ID=,TR=,REEN=,OPT=,AD=
```

label is an optional statement label.

RGS= (ReGisterS)

This operand specifies the register(s) to be saved into the calling program's save area in the standard locations. It can specify that NO registers, a single range of registers, or multiple ranges of registers be saved, with the following operand types:

RGS=NO no registers are saved.

RGS=(list) list specifies the registers to be saved, where each item in the list is either:

- a) a single register designation (number or equate symbol) OR
- b) a pair of register designations, separated by a dash, showing the (inclusive) range of registers that should be stored.

For example, RGS=(14-15,2-12) causes registers 14,15, and all of 2 through 12 to be saved appropriately.

**\*\*DEFAULT VALUE\*\*** If omitted, RGS=(14-12) is assumed (normal linkage).

BR= (Base Register(s))

BR lists the base register(s) to be set up for the program just entered. It is either a single register, or a list of 2-4 of them, enclosed in parentheses, and separated by commas. If the latter format is used, a multiple USING statement and appropriate register-loading statements are generated. If the first (or only) register is 13, a save area is generated in the middle of the XSAVE, so that register 13 can be used both as a base register and as a save area pointer. **WARNING:** if register 13 is specified, do not code XRETURN SA=\* later in the csect.

**\*\*DEFAULT\*\*** BR=12 is assumed if this option is omitted.

SA= (Save Area)

This option specifies the name of a save area to be used, and also controls whether the program actually has a save area or not (if it is a lowest-level routine calling no others, it might not have one).

SA=NO no code is generated for linking save areas, and no save area is referenced by XSAVE code. Register 13 is unchanged, so this option should only be used by a routine which calls no others.

SA=\* this is normal linkage, with following actions:

a) register 13(calling program's save area) is loaded into another reg.  
 b) the address of the called program's save area is placed into R13.  
 c) the two registers are saved correctly to fill in the standard forward and backward linkage between calling and called programs' save areas.

Part b) creates the statement LA 13,saveareaname , as follows:  
 a) If this is the first XSAVE in a CSECT, a 'standard name' (unique to that CSECT) is created by the macro and referenced.  
 b) If this is not the first XSAVE, the current 'standard name' is used regardless of how it was originally created.

SA=name this specifies the same kind of linkage as SA=\*, except that the name becomes the 'standard name' .

Briefly, the 'standard name' allows XSAVE and XRETURN macros to use and generate appropriately-named save areas, allowing either complete control over naming, or the convenience of giving no names.

**\*\*DEFAULT\*\*** If omitted, SA=\* is assumed, giving standard linkage, with all XSAVE(s) in a CSECT referring to the SAME save area name.

ID= (IDentifier)

ID specifies an identifying character string to be created just after the entry point. It aids debugging by making the entry point easy to locate in the dump, and may be printed in dump save area traces.

ID=NO no identifier is created. This saves space and time.

ID=\* the identifier created is the first of the following found:  
 the statement label, if one is coded on the XSAVE; the name of the CSECT in which the XSAVE is used, or \$PRIVATE if the CSECT is unnamed.

ID=string the string (1-255 characters) is the identifier.

**\*\*DEFAULT\*\*** If omitted, ID=\* is assumed, thus creating some kind of ID.

TR= (TRace)

TR provides for automatic program tracing or register dumping whenever the entry point is given control, a useful debug feature.

TR=NO no trace code is provided .

TR=\* the message '\*\*\* name ENTERED \*\*\*' is printed on entry, where name is either the label on the XSAVE, or the name of its CSECT.

TR='message' 'message' is printed on entry to the program.

TR=SNAP the message (as in TR=\*) is printed, followed by a dump of the GP registers, before they get changed by called program.

TR=('message',SNAP) 'message' and registers are printed.

**\*\*DEFAULT\*\*** TR=\* is assumed, thus normally providing a dump (but see section at end called SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR TRACE CODE).

REEN=exp (REENtrant code)

REEN requires that reentrant code be generated, and give the number of bytes to be acquired via GETMAIN, IN ADDITION TO the 72 bytes needed for the standard savearea. The address of the acquired area is placed in register 13, so that first usable working storage begins at 72(13). If the called program uses the original values of register 15,0,1, they must be included in the registers saved by the RGS= option. The value exp may be any absolute expression. WARNING: this method is slow for heavily-used routines.

OPT= (OPTional declarations)

OPT provides for declaration of CSECT or ENTRY and/or TITLE.

OPT=CSECT the label (required) on the XSAVE is declared a CSECT.

OPT=ENTRY the label(required) on the XSAVE is declared to be an ENTRY.

OPT=TITLE a TITLE is generated before any other code, and displays the label on the XSAVE statement.

OPT=(TITLE,xxxxx) xxxxx is either CSECT or ENTRY, combining the above.

AD= (ADDress constant addressability)

In some cases it may be necessary to have several entry points in a CSECT which share common USING conditions; AD can be used to do this. An address constant of the name specified is loaded into the first (or only) base register (BR=), and addressiblity declared. Typically the address constant refers to the name of the CSECT.

## XRETURN

## PURPOSE

XRETURN is used to return from a module entered at an XSAVE, and is used to restore registers, set return code in R15, perform program trace and possibly generate a 72-byte save area referenced by XSAVE code.

## USE

The macro has 7 keyword operands, coded or omitted as desired:

label      XRETURN   RGS=,SA=,RC=,RP=,T=,TR=,REEN=

label      is an optional statement label

RGS=      (ReGisterS)

This specifies the registers to be restored from the original calling program's save area, and is coded just like XSAVE RGS= option.

**\*\*DEFAULT\*\***      RGS=(14-12) is assumed, restoring all registers.

SA=      (Save Area)

This option can be used to control the return linkage code, and if desired, creates an 18-fullword save area (filled with zeroes for debug purposes), immediately following XRETURN's executable code.

SA=NO      the macro assumes that the routine is a lowest-level routine which calls no others. It generates neither the save area itself, nor code to reload register 13 with the address of the caller's save area. R13 is assumed to still point at the caller's save area. WARNING: use only paired with XSAVE SA=NO, else errors will occur.

SA=\*      an 18-fullword save area is generated, labeled with the current 'standard name' described under XSAVE SA=\* above.

SA=name      the save area is generated, and labeled with the name given.

**\*\*DEFAULT\*\***      If SA is completely omitted, no save area is generated, but a save area is assumed to exist somewhere, and code generated to restore the previous save area pointer. The reason for this default is that any CSECT having several entry points still needs only 1 save area, which is typically generated only by the LAST XRETURN, so that it is addressable by ALL of the XSAVES. Typically, a maximum of 1 SA=\* should appear in the XSAVES and XRETURNS in one CSECT.

RC=      (Return Code)

Specifies a return code value to exist in register 15 on return to the calling program. The user need not worry about possible conflicts with RGS=, since RC overrides any inclusion of R15 in the RGS= option.

RC=exp      expression less than 4096 to be placed in register 15.

RC=(r)      specifies register currently containing the return code.

RP=exp (Return Past register 14)

RP provides a form of multiple (nonstandard) return to the calling program. The last instruction generated is not the usual BR 14, but B exp(14) instead. The value of exp is usually a multiple of 4, so that the calling program has 1 or more Branch statements following the call to the routine.

T=\* (Tag save area)

This requests that byte 12 of the calling program's save area be set to X'FF' just before control is returned. This is useful for debugging, and is sometimes used by FORTRAN error-handling routines.

TR= (TRace code)

This option is coded exactly as is XSAVE TR=, and does the same thing, except that the message printed is '\*\*\* name EXITED \*\*\*', where name is either the label on the XRETURN or the CSECT name.

REEN=exp (REENTRANT code)

REEN specifies reentrant code generation, and should be matched only with an XSAVE REEN=exp, where the two expressions are the same. The area addressed by register 13, of length exp+72, is freed using the FREEMAIN macro. WARNING: if this option is used, it is impossible for the XRETURN code to ever restore the values of registers 15, 0, 1 which existed in the calling program prior to entering the called module. Note that normal conventions require only that registers 2-12 be restored.

#### SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR TRACE CODE

Note that the TR= options call the macro XSNAP (for SNAP options), or XPRNT for the others, so that the relevant writeups should be studied if any problems arise. In particular, the SNAP options may require a card like the following to be inserted for the execution step of the program (before or after a SYSUDUMP card):

```
//DATA.XSNAPOUT DD SYSOUT=A (non-PSU users may replace DATA with GO).
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The trace code (and ONLY the trace code) created by XSAVE and XRETURN can be eliminated by coding XSET XSAVE=OFF,XRETURN=OFF, and can be allowed again by replacing OFF by ON, as many times as desired. This allows leaving trace code in a program until it is debugged, then eliminating it by adding 1 XSET card at the beginning of the program.

#### SYMBOLIC REGISTER EQUATES

Symbolic register equates may be used anywhere, and can be any symbols, except that any used for registers 13,14, or 15 must end in those characters, i.e., WORK13, R14, REG15 are acceptable.

## SAMPLE USAGE

The following sample program assumes that EQU's have been set up for R0 EQU 0, ... R15 EQU 15 .

```

*          TYPICAL USAGE FOLLOWS.
          XSAVE
          CALL PROG2
          XRETURN SA=*,RC=4      RETURN TO OS WITH RETURN CODE OF 4
*          FOLLOWING CALLS EXTREME AND UNTYPICAL.
PROG2      XSAVE RGS=(R14,R0-R1,5-12),BR=(11,10),OPT=(TITLE,CSECT)
          CALL  LOWEST          CALL LOWEST LEVEL ROUTINE
          LA     R3,5            SET UP LIMIT ON RECURSION DEPTH
          CALL  RECURSE        CALL RECURSIVE ROUTINE
          CALL  PROG3
          CALL  PROG4
          B      BAD            RETURN HERE× OR SKIP BRANCH VIA RP=
          SR     15,15          CLEAR FOR RETURN CODE = 0
BAD        XRETURN RGS=(14,0-1,5-12),SA=*,T=*,RC=(R15)
*          LOWEST LEVEL ROUTINE FOLLOWS: NOTE CODE GENERATED.
LOWEST     CSECT
          XSAVE SA=NO,BR=15,TR=NO,ID=NO  ZAP OPTIONS
          XRETURN SA=NO,TR=NO
*          FOLLOWING CSECT USES REEN FOR RECURSIVE CALLS.
PROGRAM    CSECT
RECURSE    XSAVE TR=('RECURSION',SNAP),REEN=0,OPT=ENTRY
          BCT   R3,CONTINU      LOOP, RECURSING
          B     RETB            GIVE UP NOW
CONTINU     CALL  RECURSE      CALL MYSELF AGAIN
RETB        XRETURN REEN=0      RETURN, FREE STORAGE
*          ENTIRES PROG3 AND PROG4 HAVE SAME ADDRESSIBILITY, WITH AD.
PROG3      XSAVE OPT=ENTRY,SA=P3SAVE,BR=(12,11,10),AD=PROG3
PROG3A     XRETURN RC=(R3),T=*
PROG4      XSAVE OPT=ENTRY,AD=PROG3,BR=(12,11,10),ID=PROG3ENTRYOFPROGRAM
          LTR   R0,R0           TEST TO DECIDE
          BZ    ZERO            SKIP TO RP=0
          XRETURN RP=4          BRANCH OVER BAD ABOVE
ZERO       XRETURN RP=0,T=*,SA=* SAVE AREA, RP
          END

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## REFERENCES

The following documents of other X-macros may be of use:  
XMSYSGEN, EQUREGS, XDUMP/XSNAP, XREAD/XPRNT/XPNC.

The reader is also referred to the following manuals:

C28-6827 IBM S/360 OS FORTRAN IV (G&H) Programmer's Guide - Appendix C.  
(a concise explanation on save areas and linkage).

C28-6646 IBM S/360 OS Supervisor and Data Management Services  
(pp. 10-18 approx: linkage, reentrancy).

C28-6647 IBM S/360 OS Supervisor and Data Management Macro Instructions  
(macros CALL, SAVE, RETURN)