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1 How to Use my Program

My program is under the format ".asm". To turn it into an object, you have to click the asm button in LC3edit.

Then, we open LC3 simulate. We load "directory.obj" first, and then "linked-list.obj". We click the "Run Program" button. We can see that what appears in the console window is exactly what the experiment requires us to do.

Note that after we search for a room number and we wanna search for another room number, we have to RELOAD PROGRAM and run program again.

2 How my Program Works

Figure 1 is my program. I will introduce in detail how I implement it.

2.1 Prompt

We save the address of prompt "Type a room and press Enter" in **R0**, so that with **Trap x22**, we can output this sentence.

2.2 Keyboard Input

NUMBER where we store the keyboard inputs. We save the address of NUMBER in **R1**. And we notice that "Enter" in ASCII is x0A, we find the negative "Enter", which is NEGENTER in this program and save it in **R3**. In **AGAIN** of the program, we keep tracking the inputs of the user using **Trap x20**, and **Trap x21** displays the inputs. We keep subtracting the NEGENTER from the input so we can know when exactly the user presses Enter and we can then branch to next session "LIST". If enter is not pressed, we keep increment R1 and so that the new character can be saved in the next location.

2.3 LINKLIST

We store the address of the pointer in **R1**. So that we can use LDR to get the content of the pointer(which is the address of next pointer), we can get the room number and name as well using LDR,#1 and LDR,#2, and load them in **R2** and **R3**.

2.4 COMPARE

We compare the input and room numbers by subtracting each character of the string. We load them in **R4** and **R2** and get the values using LDR. We increment **R4** and **R2** in a loop to get the next characters. If we come to the last character of the string and so the next character NULL, which is 0, we branch to "MOVE", which is moving to the next room.

2.5 OUTPUT

If we cannot find a room which matches the room number, we load the address ERROR, which is "No Entry" in **R0**. If not so, we load the value stored in R3, which is the name of the room, in **R0**. And by using **Trap x22**, we can output the name of the room

	.ORIG x3000 LEA R0,PROMPT Trap x22
AGAIN	LEA R1,NUMBER LD R3,NEGENTER Trap x20 Trap x21 ADD R2,R0,R3 BRz LIST STR R0,R1,#0 ADD R1,R1,#1 BR AGAIN
LIST	LD R1,POINTER
LINKLIST	LDR R1,R1,#0 BRz LINKERROR LDR R2,R1,#1 LDR R3,R1,#2
COMPARE	LEA R4,NUMBER LDR R6,R4,#0 LDR R5,R2,#0 BRnp MOVE NOT R6,R6 ADD R6,R6,#1 ADD R6,R5,R6 BRz CONT BRnp LINKLIST
MOVE	NOT R6,R6 ADD R6,R6,#1 ADD R6,R5,R6 BRnp LINKLIST ADD R2,R2,#1 ADD R4,R4,#1 BRnzp COMPARE
LINKERROR	LEA R0,ERROR Trap x22 BRnzp STOP
CONT	ADD R0,R3,#0 Trap x22
STOP	HALT
PROMPT	.STRINGZ "Type a room number and press Enter"
ERROR	.stringz "No Entry"
NEGENTER	.FILL xFFF6
POINTER	.FILL x3300
NUMBER	.BLKW 11
	.END

Figure 1: My Program