

**Course Title:** Microprocessors and Assembly Language Lab (CSE-4504)

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**Lab # 06**

*Understanding Macro using Assembly Language Program.*

**Objective:**

To understand 8086 instructions related to Macro using Assembly Language Program.

**Theory:**

• **Macro**

A macro is a symbolic name given to one or more assembly language statements. A macro may be used to generate instructions or data definitions.

**Syntax for Declaring MACRO**

```
macro_name    MACRO d1, d2, . . . , dn
                statement1
                statement2
                .
                .
                .
                statementk
ENDM
```

Where d1, d2, . . . ,dn is an optional list of dummy parameters. Dummy parameters are temporary variables; they are not declared by data definition directives (DB, DW). They can be used as input as well as output parameters.

A macro definition can appear anywhere in an assembly language program before the END directive. It is usual to place all macro definitions at the beginning of a program before the segment definitions.

The difference between *macro* and *procedure* is that *procedure* requires separate memory location to store, where as *macro* uses the same memory location of the code where the macro actually is being called. Furthermore, in *macro* parameter values can be passed.

### **Assembly Language Program Example for Macro and Procedure:**

```
MDSPLY_STRING MACRO STRING ; Declaration of MACRO
    MOV DX, OFFSET STRING
    CALL DSPLY_STRING ; Calling the Procedure
ENDM

ORG 0100H

.DATA

MESSAGE1 DB 'Microprocessors and', 0DH, 0AH, '$'
MESSAGE2 DB 'Assembly Language$'

.CODE

MAIN PROC

MOV AX, @DATA
MOV DS, AX

MDSPLY_STRING MESSAGE1 ; 1st Call of the MACRO
MDSPLY_STRING MESSAGE2 ; 2nd Call of the MACRO

MOV AH, 4CH      ; Return to DOS
INT 21H

MAIN ENDP

DSPLY_STRING PROC ; Declaration of PROCEDURE
    MOV AH, 09H
    INT 21H
    RET
DSPLY_STRING ENDP

END MAIN
```

### **Tasks to do:**

1. Write an Assembly Language code that declares an ARRAY using decimal digits (i.e., **array DB 2, 0, 4, 7, 1, 9**) and pass the array value and address to a MACRO (i.e., **macarray MACRO digit**). Using the array elements, address and one **procedure** search a digit inputted by the user.

#### **Sample Input / Output:**

**Input:** 2  
**Output:** Digit 2 Found

**Input:** 3  
**Output:** Digit 3 Not Found