

Computer Organization and Assembly Language Programming

Lab Manual 1 – Setup and Running Your First Program

Activity 1: Setup

Option 1:

Follow this link to get started:

<https://github.com/ASD0x41/Assembly-Programming-Package>. If the above link doesn't

work for you, then follow this:

Suggested version of NASM (you will need to install this in the coming instructions):

<https://www.nasm.us/pub/nasm/releasebuilds/2.15.05/>

Option 2:

You may follow the links given below for the **Video Tutorial on Setup:**

Tutorial part

1: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1N3IWL8hsN0ZbhF3tINwCWWwj_eHQqk6/view?usp=sharing

Tutorial part

2: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/10p8qyaOVOWF5IDighrMKE-uNYQX-c3bL/view?usp=sharing>

AFD: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eXnD3JEwBelFiJT6ilk7gluudV2Fu_iX/view?usp=sharing

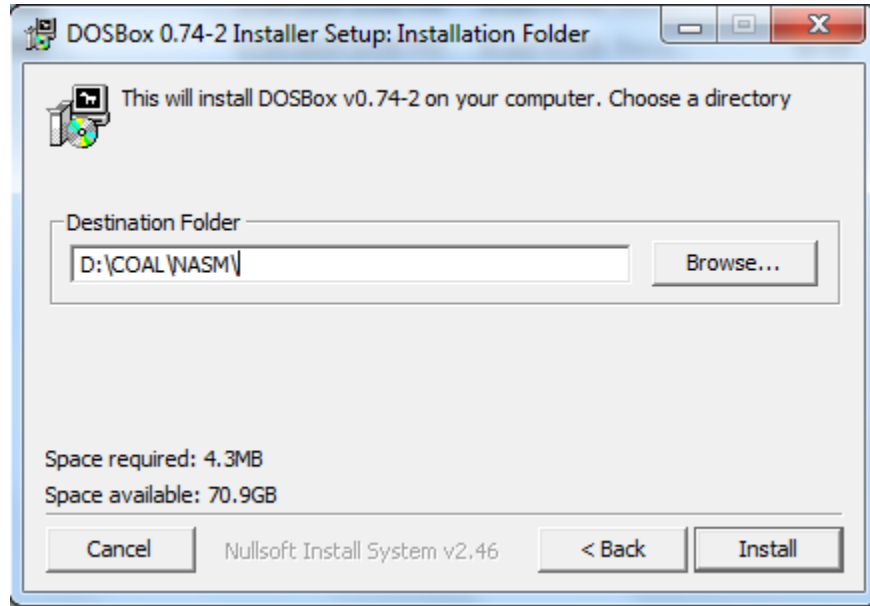
NASM: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZoeE2MxjNaK7DdJKCacYfAJyn006MI_F/view?usp=sharing

Dosbox: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DnaDIk4RoGBFDP1y4Dr3q89xwM3gx1d1/view?usp=sharing>

Option 3:

Create a separate folder named "COAL" and "NASM" on your machine, for example, "D:\COAL\NASM". Visit the link given below. Download and install NASM, AFD, and DOSBOX, according to the instructions, in your NASM folder.

<http://wetolearn.blogspot.com/2013/09/setting-up-afd-nasm-and-dosbox-for-8086.html>



After installation, double-click the “DOSBox 0.74-2 Options.bat” file and at the end of the file paste the following lines:

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MOUNT C D://COAL//NASM  
C:
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(We are mounting the C drive to our folder where we have saved AFD and we will save our .asm file in this directory)

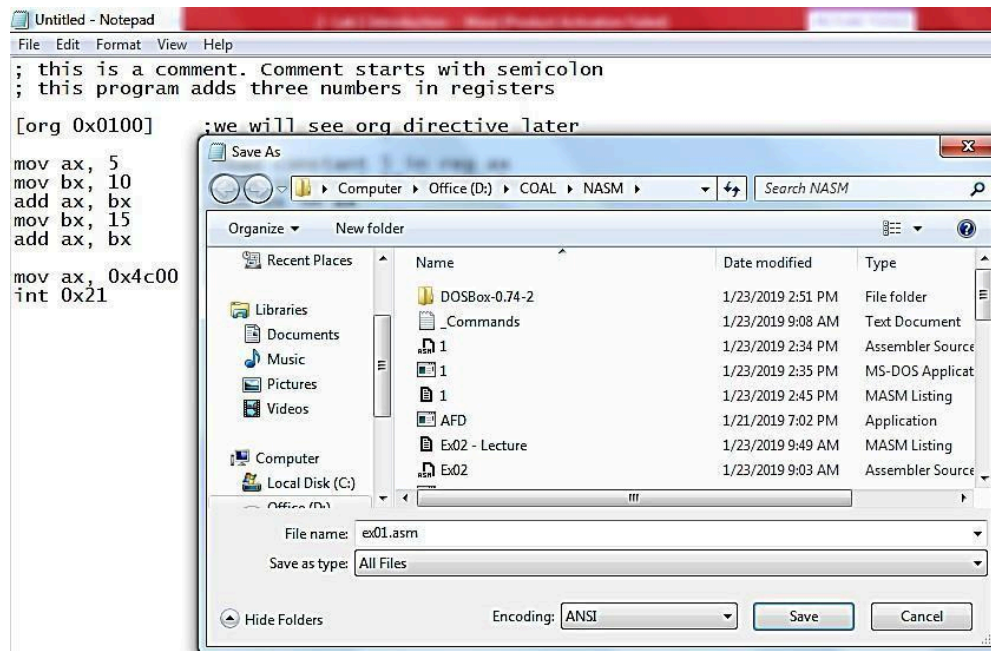
Activity 2: Running Your First Program

Follow these steps to run your first program:

1. Copy/paste the following code in Notepad

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; this is a comment. Comment starts with semicolon  
; this program adds three numbers in registers  
  
[org 0x0100] ;we will see org directive later  
  
mov ax, 5    ; AX = 5  
mov bx, 10   ; BX = 10  
add ax, bx   ; AX = AX + BX  
mov bx, 15   ; BX = 15  
add ax, bx   ; AX = AX + BX  
  
mov ax, 0x4c00 ;terminate the program  
int 0x21
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2. Save this file as “ex01.asm” in your NASM folder e.g., “D:\COAL\NASM”:



3. Write the following command in the DOSBox: (Your .asm file and nasm should be in one folder)

nasm ex01.asm -o ex01.com -l ex01.lst

4. The above command will assemble your code and create ex01.com and ex01.lst files. Open ex01.lst file in Notepad.

- What is the opcode of the instruction “mov ax, someConstant”
- Verify the above opcode in all instances where the instruction has been used.
- What does “B80500” mean?
- Verify the opcode of the instruction “mov bx, someConstant” throughout the machine code.
- What is the offset of first instruction?
- Why are offsets of second and third instructions 3 and 6?
- What should be the size of ex01.com file?
- Right click ex01.com and verify its size.

5. Open DOSBox (by double clicking dosbox.exe), following window will appear:

```

DOSBox 0.74-2, Cpu speed: 3000 cycles, Frameskip 0, Program: DOSBOX

Welcome to DOSBox v0.74-2

For a short introduction for new users type: INTRO
For supported shell commands type: HELP

To adjust the emulated CPU speed, use ctrl-F11 and ctrl-F12.
To activate the keymapper ctrl-F1.
For more information read the README file in the DOSBox directory.

HAVE FUN!
The DOSBox Team http://www.dosbox.com

Z:\>SET BLASTER=A220 I7 D1 H5 T6

Z:\>MOUNT C D://COAL//NASM
Drive C is mounted as local directory D://COAL//NASM\

Z:\>C:

C:\>

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6. Write following command and press enter.

Afd ex01.com

(Your AFD.exe should be in same directory where we have installed everything)

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DOSBox 0.74-2, Cpu speed: 3000 cycles, Frameskip 0, Program: AFD

AX 0000 SI 0000 CS 19F5 IP 0100 Stack +0 0000 Flags 7202
BX 0000 DI 0000 DS 19F5      +2 20CD
CX 0012 BP 0000 ES 19F5 HS 19F5  +4 9FFF OF DF IF SF ZF AF PF CF
DX 0000 SP FFFE SS 19F5 FS 19F5  +6 EA00 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0

CMD >

0100 B80500 MDU AX,0005
0103 B80A00 MDU BX,000A
0106 01D8 ADD AX,BX
0108 B80F00 MDU BX,000F
010B 01D8 ADD AX,BX
010D B8004C MDU AX,4C00
0110 CD21 INT 21
0112 0000 ADD [BX+SI],AL

1 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
DS:0000 CD 20 FF 9F 00 EA F0 FE
DS:0008 AD DE 1B 05 C5 06 00 00
DS:0010 18 01 10 01 18 01 92 01
DS:0018 01 01 01 00 02 FF FF FF
DS:0020 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF
DS:0028 FF FF FF FF EB 19 C0 11
DS:0030 A2 01 14 00 18 00 F5 19
DS:0038 FF FF FF FF 00 00 00 00
DS:0040 05 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
DS:0048 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

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DS:0020 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF EB 19 C0 11 δ.L.
DS:0030 A2 01 14 00 18 00 F5 19 FF FF FF FF 00 00 00 00 6.....J. ....
DS:0040 05 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....

1 Step 2ProcStep 3Retrieve 4Help ON 5BRK Menu 6 7 up 8 dn 9 le 10 ri

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7. Above command will open the debugger and load your ex01.com file in it.

a. What is the value of IP register? And what will be its effect?

- b. Note the initial values of the data registers
- c. Press F1 and watch the values of the data registers

Activity 3: Explore different functions available in the debugger (after completing activity 4).

Activity 4: Make a program to generate the sum of three numbers, and watch its execution in the debugger.

Activity 5: Write a program in assembly language that calculates the square of five by adding five to the AX register 5 times. Watch the execution of your code in the debugger to ensure that the result is correct or not.

Activity 6: Write a program in assembly language that adds the contents of the registers ax and bx, subtracts the contents of the cx register from it, and stores the final result in the dx register. Given initial value of ax=0x1234, bx = 0x3456, and cx = 0x1132. Watch the execution of your code in the debugger to ensure that the result is correct or not.