



Two Pass Assembler

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1. Usage

As long as you have the JRE (Java Runtime Environment) installed on your system, you can run the assembler from the following command ~

```
$ java Main filename
```

Make sure that you have all the class files available, namely, 'AssemblerToOpcode', 'Main', 'Opcode', 'Symbol' in the same directory. Since the assembler is coded in java, it is cross-platform.

To invoke the assembler from a single command, anywhere in the filesystem, you could add it to the PATH environment variable. This will vary across platforms.

To compile multiple files at once,

```
$ java Main file1 file2 file2 *
```

In case you would like to compile the assembler to bytecode from source,

```
$ javac Main.java
```

Then you will have the class files. Run as explained above.

Note: You will need to have the JDK (Java Development Kit) installed and java & javac added to the PATH.

An installation guide for the JDK & JRE can be found here,

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/12/install/overview-jdk-installation.html#GUID-8677A77F-231A-40F7-98B9-1FD0B48C346A>

2. Syntax & Assumptions

The assembler works like a typical two pass assembler. Building a symbol table in the first pass and generating the corresponding object code in the second pass.

The assembler ignores all whitespaces (spaces, tabs, etc). You are free to use any amount of spacing.

An instruction has the word size of 12 bits, 4 bits for the opcode and 8 bits for the operand. A typical instruction is of the format ~

```
Label(optional) : Opcode Operand(if any)
```

You can add comments using **double-slash (//)**. They are ignored by the assembler.

```
INP 11 //Assuming the number entered is positive
```

Variables can not be declared. However, input can be taken from the terminal using the 'INP' opcode and you can refer to memory addresses in your program. The assembler normalises their addresses and appends the variables at the end of the output file.

Registers R1 & R2 will be handled by the linker in the linking process. Referring to them directly or trying to access them is not allowed.

For information on particular opcodes, you may refer to the table provided at the end.

3. Errors Reported

1) File Not Found

The assembler throws this error when no file with the provided name exists. This may be due to a typo or the file having being moved.

If multiple files were supplied to the assembler and it cannot find a particular file, it prints the above error message and moves on to the next file.

2) No File Supplied

When the assembler is run without providing any files i.e. the command is called as is, it raises the above error. To replicate the error, run

```
$ java Main
```

3) Invalid Token

An invalid token error is raised when any of the unpermitted characters are used anywhere. Unpermitted characters include **all special characters except underscore(_)** which can be used in label names **and double-slash(//)** which is reserved for comments.

4) More Arguments Supplied

When an opcode is supplied with more arguments than it requires. For eg, if a unary operator is provided with more than one argument.

```
INP 42
```

```
ADD 42
```

```
Line 2, 'ADD 42', More arguments supplied
```

Or if an opcode which does not take any argument is supplied one,

```
CLA 67
```

```
Line 1, 'CLA 67', More arguments supplied
```

5) Less Arguments Supplied

Similar to the above, when an opcode is supplied with an insufficient number of arguments.

```
LAC 125
```

```
SUB
```

```
Line 2, 'SUB', Less arguments supplied
```

6) Invalid label

The following error is raised when an assembly opcode is used as a label. For example ~

```
CLA : BRN
```

```
Line 1, 'CLA : BRN', Invalid label
```

7) Invalid Opcode

An invalid opcode error is displayed for unrecognised opcodes.

```
CLA
```

```
JMP 99
```

```
Line 2, 'JMP 99', invalid opcode
```

8) Label Not Declared

The error is raised, if your code uses an undeclared label. For instance ~

```
CLA
```

```
INP 170
```

```
INP 171
```

```
L1: DSP 170
```

```
LAC 171
```

```
BRN L1
```

```
STP
```

```
Line 6, 'BRN L1', Label not declared
```

4. Instruction Set

Opcode	Meaning	Assembly Opcode	Operand
0000	Clear accumulator	CLA	None
0001	Load into accumulator from address	LAC	Unary
0010	Store accumulator contents into address	SAC	Unary
0011	Add address contents to accumulator contents	ADD	Unary
0100	Subtract address contents from accumulator contents	SUB	Unary
0101	Branch to address if accumulator contains zero	BRZ	Unary
0110	Branch to address if accumulator contains negative value	BRN	Unary
0111	Branch to address if accumulator contains positive value	BRP	Unary
1000	Read from terminal and put in address	INP	Unary
1001	Display value in address on terminal	DSP	Unary
1010	Multiply accumulator and address contents	MUL	Unary
1011	Divide accumulator contents by address content. Quotient in R1 and remainder in R2	DIV	Unary
1100	Stop execution	STP	None