CS 218 – Assignment #2

Purpose: Become familiar with the tool chain → the assembler, linker, and debugger. Refresh concepts regarding data representation including binary, decimal, and hex. Display values in memory for integers, reals, and characters.
Points: 25

Assignment:

Part A:
Write a simple assembly language program to compute the following formulas:

```
bAns1  =  bVar1 + bVar2
bAns2  =  bVar1 - bVar2
wAns1  =  wVar1 + wVar2
wAns2  =  wVar1 - wVar2
dAns1  =  dVar1 + dVar2
dAns2  =  dVar1 - dVar2
```

Declare the following variables in the data segment (after the ".data").

```
bVar1          db    59
bVar2          db    21
bAns1          db    0
bAns2          db    0
wVar1          dw    2681
wVar2          dw    1432
wAns1          dw    0
wAns2          dw    0
dVar1          dd    164641512
dVar2          dd    112356789
dVar3          dd    -46524
dAns1          dd    0
dAns2          dd    0
qVar1          dq    142455214619
flt1           dd    -19.125
flt2           dd    11.25
eVal           dd    2.71828
myClass        db    "CS-218", NULL
saying         db    "Its not a bug, its a feature", NULL
myName         db    "your name goes here", NULL
```

Be sure to replace the `"your name goes here"` with your actual name (in quotes). Fail to replace your name will result in a 10% penalty.

Part B:
Complete the **Assignment #2 - Data Representation Worksheet** on the class web page. Note, the data representation worksheet will not be accepted late.

Submission:

- All source files must assemble and execute on Ubuntu with **`yasm`**.
- Submit source files
  - Submit a copy of the program source file via the on-line submission
- Once you submit, the system will score the project and provide feedback.
  - If you do not get full score, you can (and should) correct and resubmit.
  - You can re-submit an unlimited number of times before the due date/time.
- Late submissions will be accepted for a period of 24 hours after the due date/time for any given assignment. Late submissions will be subject to a ~2% reduction in points per an hour late. If you submit 1 minute - 1 hour late -2%, 1-2 hours late -4%, … , 23-24 hours late -50%. This means after 24 hours late submissions will receive an automatic 0.

Program Header Block

All source files must include your name, section number, assignment, NSHE number, and program description. The required format is as follows:

```
;  Name: <your name>
;  NSHE ID: <your id>
;  Section: <section>
;  Assignment: <assignment number>
;  Description: <short description of program goes here>
```

Failure to include your name in this format will result in a loss of up to 20%.

Scoring Rubric

Scoring will include functionality, code quality, and documentation. Below is a summary of the scoring rubric for this assignment.

Criteria	Weight	Summary
Assemble	-	Failure to assemble will result in a score of 0.
Program Header	20%	Must include header block in the required format (see above).
General Comments	20%	Must include an appropriate level of program documentation.
Program Functionality (and on-time)	60%	Program must meet the functional requirements as outlined in the assignment. Must be submitted on time for full score.

Debugger Commands:

Execute the program in the debugger (in the same manner as assignment #1). You should review the DDD/GDB debugger information handout to understand the debugger commands examine memory variables.

You may use the provided "**`a2in.txt`**" to display the variables with the debugger.

- Each byte, word, double-word sized, and quadword variable is displayed twice (once in decimal and again in hex).
- The floating point values are display twice (once as a real value and again in hex).
- The strings are displayed twice, once showing both the decimal and ASCII values and then just the hex values for the first six characters

A brief summary of the command to examine memory is as follows:

x/<n><f><u> &<variable>	Examine memory location <variable>		
	<n>	number of locations to display, 1 is defualt.	
	<f>	format:	d – decimal
			x – hex
			u – unsigned
			c – character
			s – string
			f – floating point
	<u>	unit size:	b – byte (8-bits)
			h – halfword (16-bits)
			w – word (32-bits)
			g – giant (64-bits)

For example, to display the 16-bit variable **wVar2** and the 32-bit variable **dVar1**, the commands would be as follows:

```
x/dh &wVar2
x/dw &dVar1
x/dg &qVar1
```

For future assignments you will need to select the correct command to display the data based on the defined size and any guidance from the assignment.