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MODULE 2

Module 2

- (Assembly language programming and Assemblers)
- ► SIC/XE Programming.
- Basic Functions of Assembler.
- ► Assembler Output Format Header, Text and End Records.
- Assembler Data Structures.
- ► Two Pass Assembler Algorithm.
- ► Hand Assembly of SIC/XE Programs.

- Sample data movement operations
 - □ No memory-to-memory move instructions (Fig. 1.2)

		LDA	five	LDA #5
				•••
	five	word	5	
•	LDA STA LDCH STCH	FIVE ALPHA CHARZ C1		LOAD CONSTANT 5 INTO REGISTER A STORE IN ALPHA LOAD CHARACTER 'Z' INTO REGISTER A STORE IN CHARACTER VARIABLE C1
ALPHA FIVE CHARZ C1	RESW WORD BYTE RESB	1 5 C'Z' 1		ONE-WORD VARIABLE ONE-WORD CONSTANT ONE-BYTE CONSTANT ONE-BYTE VARIABLE

	LDA STA LDA	#5 ALPHA #90	LOAD VALUE 5 INTO REGISTER A STORE IN ALPHA LOAD ASCII CODE FOR 'Z' INTO REG A
	STCH	C1	STORE IN CHARACTER VARIABLE C1
	•		
	•		
ALPHA	RESW	1	ONE-WORD VARIABLE
C1	RESB	1	ONE-BYTE VARIABLE
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Figure 1.2 Sample data movement operations for (a) SIC and (b) SIC/XE.

- Sample arithmetic operations
 - □ (ALPHA+INCR-1) assign to BETA (Fig. 1.3)

□ (GAMMA+INCR-1) assign to DELTA

-	LDA	ALPĤA	LOAD ALPHA INTO REGISTER A
	ADD	INCR	ADD THE VALUE OF INCR
	SUB	ONE	SUBTRACT 1
	STA	BETA	STORE IN BETA
	LDA	GAMMA	LOAD GAMMA INTO REGISTER A
	ADD	INCR	ADD THE VALUE OF INCR
	SUB	ONE	SUBTRACT 1
	STA	DELTA	STORE IN DELTA
ONE	WORD	1	ONE-WORD CONSTANT
			ONE-WORD VARIABLES
ALPHA	RESW	1	
BETA	RESW	1	
GAMMA	RESW	1	
DELTA	RESW	1	
INCR	RESW	1	

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	LDS	INCR	LOAD VALUE OF INCR INTO REGISTER S
	LDA	ALPHA	LOAD ALPHA INTO REGISTER A
	ADDR	S,A	ADD THE VALUE OF INCR
	SUB	#1	SUBTRACT 1
	STA	BETA	STORE IN BETA
	LDA	GAMMA	LOAD GAMMA INTO REGISTER A
	ADDR	S,A	ADD THE VALUE OF INCR
	SUB	#1	SUBTRACT 1
	STA	DELTA	STORE IN DELTA
	•		
•			ONE WORD VARIABLES
ALPHA	RESW	1	
BETA	RESW	1	
AMMA	RESW	1	
DELTA	RESW	1	
INCR	RESW	1	
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String copy

	LDX	ZERO	INITIALIZE INDEX REGISTER TO 0	
MOVECH	LDCH	STR1,X	LOAD CHARACTER FROM STR1 INTO RE	EG A
	STCH	STR2,X	STORE CHARACTER INTO STR2	
	TIX	ELEVEN	ADD 1 TO INDEX, COMPARE RESULT T	ro 11
	JLT	MOVECH	LOOP IF INDEX IS LESS THAN 11	
	•			
STR1	BYTE	C'TEST STRIN	G' 11-BYTE STRING CONSTANT	
STR2	RESB	11	11-BYTE VARIABLE	
			ONE-WORD CONSTANTS	
ZERO	WORD	0		
ELEVEN	WORD	11		

	LDT	#11	INITIALIZE REGISTER T TO 11
	LDX	#0	INITIALIZE INDEX REGISTER TO 0
MOVECH	LDCH	STR1,X	LOAD CHARACTER FROM STR1 INTO REG A
	STCH	STR2,X	STORE CHARACTER INTO STR2
	TIXR	${f T}$	ADD 1 TO INDEX, COMPARE RESULT TO 11
	JLT	MOVECH	LOOP IF INDEX IS LESS THAN 11
STR1	BYTE	C'TEST STRIN	NG' 11-BYTE STRING CONSTANT
STR2	RESB	11	11-BYTE VARIABLE

	LDA	ZERO	INITIALIZE INDEX VALUE TO 0
	STA	INDEX	
ADDLP	LDX	INDEX	LOAD INDEX VALUE INTO REGISTER X
	LDA	ALPHA,X	LOAD WORD FROM ALPHA INTO REGISTER A
	ADD	BETA,X	ADD WORD FROM BETA
	STA	GAMMA, X	STORE THE RESULT IN A WORD IN GAMMA
	LDA	INDEX	ADD 3 TO INDEX VALUE
	ADD	THREE	
	STA	INDEX	
	COMP	K300	COMPARE NEW INDEX VALUE TO 300
	JLT	ADDLP	LOOP IF INDEX IS LESS THAN 300
INDEX	RESW	1	ONE-WORD VARIABLE FOR INDEX VALUE
			ARRAY VARIABLES100 WORDS EACH
ALPHA	RESW	100	
BETA	RESW	100	
GAMMA	RESW	100	
			ONE-WORD CONSTANTS
ZERO	WORD	0	•
K300	WORD	300	

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	LDS	#3	INITIALIZE REGISTER S TO 3
	LDT	#300	INITIALIZE REGISTER T TO 300
	LDX	#0	INITIALIZE INDEX REGISTER TO 0
ADDLP	LDA	ALPHA,X	LOAD WORD FROM ALPHA INTO REGISTER A
	ADD	BETA, X	ADD WORD FROM BETA
	STA	GAMMA, X	STORE THE RESULT IN A WORD IN GAMMA
	ADDR	S,X	ADD 3 TO INDEX VALUE
	COMPR	X,T	COMPARE NEW INDEX VALUE TO 300
	JLT	ADDLP	LOOP IF INDEX VALUE IS LESS THAN 300
			ARRAY VARIABLES100 WORDS EACH
ALPHA	RESW	100	
BETA	RESW	100	
GAMMA	RESW	100	
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(b)

Figure 1.5 Sample indexing and looping operations for (a) SIC and (b) SIC/XE.

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INLOOP	TD	INDEV	TEST INPUT DEVICE
	JEQ	INLOOP	LOOP UNTIL DEVICE IS READY
	RD	INDEV	READ ONE BYTE INTO REGISTER A
	STCH	DATA	STORE BYTE THAT WAS READ
OUTLP	TD	OUTDEV	TEST OUTPUT DEVICE
	JEQ	OUTLP	LOOP UNTIL DEVICE IS READY
	LDCH	DATA	LOAD DATA BYTE INTO REGISTER A
	WD	OUTDEV	WRITE ONE BYTE TO OUTPUT DEVICE
	•		
INDEV	BYTE	X'F1'	INPUT DEVICE NUMBER
OUTDEV	BYTE	X'05'	OUTPUT DEVICE NUMBER
DATA	RESB	1	ONE-BYTE VARIABLE

Figure 1.6 Sample input and output operations for SIC.

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	JSUB	READ	CALL READ SUBROUTINE
			SUBROUTINE TO READ 100-BYTE RECORD
READ	LDX	ZERO	INITIALIZE INDEX REGISTER TO 0
RLOOP	\mathtt{TD}	INDEV	TEST INPUT DEVICE
	JEQ	RLOOP	LOOP IF DEVICE IS BUSY
	RD	INDEV	READ ONE BYTE INTO REGISTER A
	STCH	RECORD, X	STORE DATA BYTE INTO RECORD
	TIX	K100	ADD 1 TO INDEX AND COMPARE TO 100
	JLT	RLOOP	LOOP IF INDEX IS LESS THAN 100
	RSUB		EXIT FROM SUBROUTINE
INDEV	BYTE	X'F1'	INPUT DEVICE NUMBER
RECORD	RESB	100	100-BYTE BUFFER FOR INPUT RECORD
			ONE-WORD CONSTANTS
ZERO	WORD	0	
K100	WORD	100	37

	JSUB	READ	CALL READ SUBROUTINE
	•		
•			SUBROUTINE TO READ 100-BYTE RECORD
READ	LDX	#0	INITIALIZE INDEX REGISTER TO 0
	LDT	#100	INITIALIZE REGISTER T TO 100
RLOOP	\mathtt{TD}	INDEV	TEST INPUT DEVICE
	JEQ	RLOOP	LOOP IF DEVICE IS BUSY
	RD	INDEV	READ ONE BYTE INTO REGISTER A
	STCH	RECORD, X	STORE DATA BYTE INTO RECORD
	TIXR	${f T}$	ADD 1 TO INDEX AND COMPARE TO 100
	JLT	RLOOP	LOOP IF INDEX IS LESS THAN 100
	RSUB		EXIT FROM SUBROUTINE
	•		
INDEV	BYTE	X'F1'	INPUT DEVICE NUMBER
RECORD	RESB	100	100-BYTE BUFFER FOR INPUT RECORD

BASIC ASSEMBLER FUNCTIONS

Fundamental functions of an assembler:

Translating mnemonic operation codes to their machine language equivalents.

Assigning machine addresses to symbolic labels used by the programmer.

Line	Sou	rce statem	ent	
5	COPY	START	1000	COPY FILE FROM INPUT TO OUTPUT
10	FIRST	STL	RETADR	SAVE RETURN ADDRESS
15	CLOOP	JSUB	RDREC	READ INPUT RECORD
20		LDA	LENGTH	TEST FOR EOF (LENGTH = 0)
25		COMP	ZERO	
30		JEQ	ENDFIL	EXIT IF EOF FOUND
35		JSUB	WRREC	WRITE OUTPUT RECORD
40		J	CLOOP	LOOP
45	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	INSERT END OF FILE MARKER
50		STA	BUFFER	
55		LDA	THREE	SET LENGTH = 3
60		STA	LENGTH	
65		JSUB	WRREC	WRITE EOF
70		LDL	RETADR	GET RETURN ADDRESS
75		RSUB		RETURN TO CALLER
80	EOF	BYTE	C'EOF'	
85	THREE	WORD	3	
90	ZERO	WORD	0	
95	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	LENGTH	RESW	1	LENGTH OF RECORD
105	BUFFER	RESB	4096	4096-BYTE BUFFER AREA
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115		SUBROUT	INE TO READ R	ECORD INTO BUFFER
120				
125	RDREC	LDX	ZERO	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
130		LDA	ZERO	CLEAR A TO ZERO
135	RLOOP	TD	INPUT	TEST INPUT DEVICE
140		JEQ	RLOOP	LOOP UNTIL READY
145		RD	INPUT	READ CHARACTER INTO REGISTER A
150		COMP	ZERO	TEST FOR END OF RECORD (X'00')
155		JEQ	EXIT	EXIT LOOP IF EOR
160		STCH	BUFFER, X	STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER
165		TIX	MAXLEN	LOOP UNLESS MAX LENGTH
170		JLT	RLOOP	HAS BEEN REACHED
175	EXIT	STX	LENGTH	SAVE RECORD LENGTH
180		RSUB		RETURN TO CALLER
185	INPUT	BYTE	X'F1'	CODE FOR INPUT DEVICE
190	MAXLEN	WORD	4096	
195				
200		SUBROUT	INE TO WRITE	RECORD FROM BUFFER
205				
210	WRREC	LDX	ZERO	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
215	WLOOP	TD	OUTPUT	TEST OUTPUT DEVICE
220		JEQ	WLOOP	LOOP UNTIL READY
225		LDCH	BUFFER, X	GET CHARACTER FROM BUFFER
230		WD	OUTPUT	WRITE CHARACTER
235		TIX	LENGTH	LOOP UNTIL ALL CHARACTERS
240		JLT	WLOOP	HAVE BEEN WRITTEN
245		RSUB		RETURN TO CALLER
250	OUTPUT	BYTE	X'05'	CODE FOR OUTPUT DEVICE
255 CST- 305 SS	Asha Baby	END	FIRST	1-12-2021

Figure 2.1 Example of a SIC assembler language program.

- Indexed addressing is indicated by adding the modifier "X" following the operand.
- Lines beginning with "." contain comments only.

- ► The following assembler directives are used:
- ▶ **START:** Specify name and starting address for the program.

END: Indicate the end of the source program and specify the first executable instruction in the program.

▶ **BYTE:** Generate character or hexadecimal constant, occupying as many bytes as needed to represent the constant.

▶ **WORD:** Generate one- word integer constant.

▶ **RESB:** Reserve the indicated number of bytes for a data area.

RESW: Reserve the indicated number of words for a data area.

The program contains a main routine that reads records from an input device (code F1) and copies them to an output device (code 05).

The main routine calls subroutines:

- ▶ RDREC To read a record into a buffer.
- ▶ WRREC To write the record from the buffer to the output device.
- The end of each record is marked with a null character (hexadecimal 00).

A Simple SIC Assembler

The translation of source program to object code requires the following functions:

- 1. Convert mnemonic operation codes to their machine language equivalents. Eg: Translate STL to 14 (line 10).
- 2. Convert symbolic operands to their equivalent machine addresses. Eg: Translate RETADR to 1033 (line 10).
- 3. Build the machine instructions in the proper format.
- 4. Convert the data constants specified in the source program into their internal machine representations. Eg: Translate EOF to 454F46(line 80).
- 5. Write the object program and the assembly listing.

Consider the statement

10 1000 FIRST STLRETADR 141033

- This instruction contains a forward reference (i.e.) a reference to a label (RETADR) that is defined later in the program.
- It is unable to process this line because the address that will be assigned to RETADR is not known.
- Hence most assemblers make two passes over the source program where the second pass does the actual translation.
- The assembler must also process statements called assembler directives or pseudo instructions which are not translated into machine instructions.

• Instead they provide instructions to the assembler itself. Examples: RESB and RESW instruct the assembler to reserve memory locations without generating data values.

• The assembler must write the generated object code onto some output device.

• This object program will later be loaded into memory for execution.

Object program format contains three types of records:

▶ **Header record:** Contains the program name, starting address and length.

► **Text record:** Contains the machine code and data of the program.

▶ End record: Marks the end of the object program and specifies the address in the program where execution is to begin.

Record format is as follows:

Header record:

Col. 1 H

Col.2-7 Program name

Col.8-13 Starting address of object program
Col.14-19 Length of object program in bytes

Text record:

Col.1 T

Col.2-7 Starting address for object code in this record
Col.8-9 Length of object code in this record in bytes

Col 10-69 Object code, represented in hexadecimal (2 columns per byte of object

code)

End record:

Col.1 E

Col.2-7 Address of first executable instruction in object program.

Figure 2.3 Object program corresponding to Fig. 2.2.

Line	Loc	Sou	irce staten	Object code	
5	1000	COPY	START	1000	
10	1000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	141033
15	1003	CLOOP	JSUB	RDREC	482039
20	1006		LDA	LENGTH	001036
25	1009		COMP	ZERO	281030
30	100C		JEQ	ENDFIL	301015
35	100F		JSUB	WRREC	482061
40	1012		J	CLOOP	3C1003
45	1015	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	00102A
50	1018		STA	BUFFER	0C1039
55	101B		LDA	THREE	00102D
60	101E		STA	LENGTH	0C1036
65	1021		JSUB	WRREC	482061
70	1024		LDL	RETADR	081033
75	1027		RSUB		4C0000
80	102A	EOF	BYTE	C'EOF'	454F46
85	102D	THREE	WORD	3	000003
90	1030	ZERO	WORD	0	000000
95	1033	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	1036	LENGTH	RESW	1	
105	1039	BUFFER	RESB	4096	

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115			SUBROU	TINE TO READ REA	CORD INTO BUFFER
120					
125	2039	RDREC	LDX	ZERO	041030
130	203C		LDA	ZERO	001030
135	203F	RLOOP	TD	INPUT	E0205D
140	2042		JΕΩ	RLOOP	30203F
145	2045		RD	INPUT	D8205D
150	2048		COMP	ZERO	281030
155	204B		JEQ	EXIT	302057
160	204E		STCH	BUFFER, X	549039
165	2051		TIX	MAXLEN	2C205E
170	2054		JLT	RLOOP	38203F
175	2057	EXIT	STX	LENGTH	101036
180	205 A		RSUB		4C0000
185	205D	INPUT	BYTE	X'F1'	F1
190	205E	MAXLEN	WORD	4096	001000
~~~	2032				
195	2032				
	2032		SUBROU	TINE TO WRITE R	ECORD FROM BUFFER
195	2032		SUBROU	TINE TO WRITE R	ECORD FROM BUFFER
195 200	2061		SUBROU	TINE TO WRITE R	ECORD FROM BUFFER 041030
195 200 205		:			
195 200 205 210	2061	WRREC	LDX	ZERO	041030
195 200 205 210 215	2061 2064	WRREC	LDX TD	ZERO OUTPUT	041030 E02079
195 200 205 210 215 220	2061 2064 2067	WRREC	LDX TD JEQ	ZERO OUTPUT WLOOP	041030 E02079 302064
195 200 205 210 215 220 225	2061 2064 2067 206A	WRREC	LDX TO JEQ LDCH	ZERO OUTPUT WLOOP BUFFER, X	041030 E02079 302064 509039
195 200 205 210 215 220 225 230	2061 2064 2067 206A 206D	WRREC	LDX TD JEQ LDCH WD	ZERO OUTPUT WLOOP BUFFER, X OUTPUT	041030 E02079 302064 509039 DC2079
195 200 205 210 215 220 225 230 235	2061 2064 2067 206A 206D 2070	WRREC	LDX TD JEQ LDCH WD TIX	ZERO OUTPUT WLOOP BUFFER, X OUTPUT LENGTH	041030 E02079 302064 509039 DC2079 2C1036
195 200 205 210 215 220 225 230 235 240	2061 2064 2067 206A 206D 2070 2073	WRREC	LDX TD JEQ LDCH WD TIX JLT	ZERO OUTPUT WLOOP BUFFER, X OUTPUT LENGTH	041030 E02079 302064 509039 DC2079 2C1036 382064
195 200 205 210 215 220 225 230 235 240 245	2061 2064 2067 206A 206D 2070 2073 2076	WRREC WLOOP	LDX TD JEQ LDCH WD TIX JLT RSUB	ZERO OUTPUT WLOOP BUFFER, X OUTPUT LENGTH WLOOP	041030 E02079 302064 509039 DC2079 2C1036 382064 4C0000

Asha Baby Program from Fig. 2.1 with object code.

# Functions of the two passes of assembler

### Pass 1 (Define symbols)

- 1. Assign addresses to all statements in the program.
- 2. Save the addresses assigned to all labels for use in Pass 2.
- 3. Perform some processing of assembler directives.

### Pass 2 (Assemble instructions and generate object programs)

- 1. Assemble instructions (translating operation codes and looking up addresses).
- 2. Generate data values defined by BYTE, WORD etc.
- 3. Perform processing of assembler directives not done in Pass 1.
- 4. Write the object program and the assembly listing.

# Assembler Algorithm and Data Structures

Assembler uses two major internal data structures:

### **Operation Code Table (OPTAB):**

▶ Used to lookup mnemonic operation codes and translate them into their machine language equivalents.

### **Symbol Table (SYMTAB):**

Used to store values(Addresses) assigned to labels

### **Location Counter (LOCCTR):**

- ▶ Variable used to help in the assignment of addresses.
- ► It is initialized to the beginning address specified in the START statement.
- After each source statement is processed, the length of the assembled instruction or data area is added to LOCCTR.
- Whenever a label is reached in the source program, the current value of LOCCTR gives the address to be associated with that label.

# Operation Code Table (OPTAB)

- Contains the mnemonic operation and its machine language equivalent.
- ► Also contains information about **instruction format and length.**
- In Pass 1, OPTAB is used to **lookup and validate operation codes** in the source program.
- In Pass 2, it is used to translate the operation codes to machine language program.
- ▶ During Pass 2, the information in OPTAB tells which instruction format to use in assembling the instruction and any peculiarities of the object code instruction.

- OPTAB is usually organized as a hash table with mnemonic operation code as the key.
- ► The information in the OPTAB is predefined when the assembler itself is written, rather than being loaded into the table at execution time.
- ► Hash table organization is appropriate, since it provides fast retrieval with a minimum search.
- ▶ OPTAB is a static table , entries are not normally added to or deleted from it.

# Symbol Table (SYMTAB)

Includes the name and value(address) for each label in the source program and flags to indicate error conditions.

**Error** means symbol defined in 2 different places.

This table also contains other information about the data area or instruction labeled(its type or length).

- **During Pass 1** of the assembler, labels are entered into SYMTAB as they are encountered in the source program along with their assigned addresses.
- **During Pass 2**, symbols used as operands are looked up in SYMTAB to obtain the addresses to be inserted in the assembled instructions.
- It is usually organized as a **hash table** for efficiency of insertion and retrieval.
- ▶ Since entries are rarely deleted from this table, efficiency of deletion is not an important consideration.

▶ Pass 1 usually writes an intermediate file that contains each source statement together with its assigned address, error indicators.

This file is used as the input to Pass 2.

This copy of the source program can also be used to retain the results of certain operations that may be performed during Pass 1 such as scanning the operand field for symbols and addressing flags, so these need not be performed again during Pass 2

#### Pass 1:

```
begin
  read first input line
  if OPCODE = 'START' then
     begin
         save #[OPERAND] as starting address
         initialize LOCCTR to starting address
         write line to intermediate file
         read next input line
     end {if START}
  else
     initialize LOCCTR to 0
  while OPCODE ≠ 'END' do
     begin
         if this is not a comment line then
            begin
                if there is a symbol in the LABEL field then
                   begin
                       search SYMTAB for LABEL
                       if found then
                          set error flag (duplicate symbol)
                       else
                          insert (LABEL, LOCCTR) into SYMTAB
                   end {if symbol}
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search OPTAB for OPCODE
             if found then
                 add 3 (instruction length) to LOCCTR
             else if OPCODE = 'WORD' then
                 add 3 to LOCCTR
             else if OPCODE = 'RESW' then
                 add 3 * #[OPERAND] to LOCCTR
             else if OPCODE = 'RESB' then
                 add #[OPERAND] to LOCCTR
             else if OPCODE = 'BYTE' then
                 begin
                    find length of constant in bytes
                    add length to LOCCTR
                 end {if BYTE}
             else
                 set error flag (invalid operation code)
          end {if not a comment}
      write line to intermediate file
      read next input line
   end {while not END}
write last line to intermediate file
save (LOCCTR - starting address) as program length
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Figure 2.4(a) Algorithm for Pass 1 of assembler.

end {Pass 1}

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## Pass 2:

```
begin
  read first input line (from intermediate file)
  if OPCODE = 'START' then
     begin
         write listing line
         read next input line
     end {if START}
  write Header record to object program
  initialize first Text record
  while OPCODE ≠ 'END' do
     begin
         if this is not a comment line then
            begin
                search OPTAB for OPCODE
                if found then
                   begin
                       if there is a symbol in OPERAND field then
                          begin
                              search SYMTAB for OPERAND
                              if found then
                                 store symbol value as operand address
                              else
                                 begin
                                     store 0 as operand address
                                     set error flag (undefined symbol)
                                 end
                          end {if symbol}
```

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else
                          store 0 as operand address
                       assemble the object code instruction
                   end {if opcode found}
                else if OPCODE = 'BYTE' or 'WORD' then
                   convert constant to object code
                if object code will not fit into the current Text record then
                   begin
                      write Text record to object program
                       initialize new Text record
                   end
                add object code to Text record
            end {if not comment}
         write listing line
         read next input line
     end {while not END}
  write last Text record to object program
  write End record to object program
  write last listing line
end {Pass 2}
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Figure 2.4(b) Algorithm for Pass 2 of assembler.

Line	Source statement				
5	COPY	START	0	COPY FILE FROM INPUT TO OUTPUT	
10	FIRST	STĽ	RETADR	SAVE RETURN ADDRESS	
12		LDB	#LENGTH	ESTABLISH BASE REGISTER	
13		BASE	LENGTH		
15	CLOOP	+JSUB	RDREC	READ INPUT RECORD	
20		LDA	LENGTH	TEST FOR EOF (LENGTH = 0)	
25		COMP	#0		
30		JEQ	ENDFIL	EXIT IF EOF FOUND	
35		+JSUB	WRREC	WRITE OUTPUT RECORD	
40		J	CLOOP	LOOP	
45	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	INSERT END OF FILE MARKER	
50		STA	BUFFER		
55		LDA	#3	SET LENGTH = 3	
60		STA	LENGTH		
65		+JSUB	WRREC	WRITE EOF	
70		J	@RETADR	RETURN TO CALLER	
80	EOF	BYTE	C'EOF'		
95	RETADR	RESW	1		
100	LENGTH	RESW	1	LENGTH OF RECORD	
105	BUFFER	RESB	4096	4096-BYTE BUFFER AREA	
110					

115		SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INTO BUFFER				
120						
125	RDREC	CLEAR	х	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER		
130		CLEAR	A	CLEAR A TO ZERO		
132		CLEAR	S	CLEAR S TO ZERO		
133		+LDT	#4096			
135	RLOOP	TD	INPUT	TEST INPUT DEVICE		
140		JEQ	RLOOP	LOOP UNTIL READY		
145		RD	INPUT	READ CHARACTER INTO REGISTER A		
150		COMPR	A,S	TEST FOR END OF RECORD (X'00')		
155		JEQ	EXIT	EXIT LOOP IF EOR		
160		STCH	BUFFER, X	STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER		
165		TIXR	T	LOOP UNLESS MAX LENGTH		
170		JLT	RLOOP	HAS BEEN REACHED		
175	EXIT	STX	LENGTH	SAVE RECORD LENGTH		
180		RSUB		RETURN TO CALLER		
185	INPUT	BYTE	X'F1'	CODE FOR INPUT DEVICE		
195						

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200		SUBROUTI	NE TO WRITE RECO	ORD FROM BUFFER
205				
210	WRREC	CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
212		LDT	LENGTH	
215	WLOOP	TD	OUTPUT	TEST OUTPUT DEVICE
220		JEQ	WLOOP	LOOP UNTIL READY
225		LDCH	BUFFER, X	GET CHARACTER FROM BUFFER
230		WD	OUTPUT	WRITE CHARACTER
235		TIXR	T	LOOP UNTIL ALL CHARACTERS
240		JLT	WLOOP	HAVE BEEN WRITTEN
245		RSUB		RETURN TO CALLER
250	OUTPUT	BYTE	X'05'	CODE FOR OUTPUT DEVICE
255		END	FIRST	

Figure 2.5 Example of a SIC/XE program.

Line	Loc	Source statement			Object code
5	0000	COPY	START	0	
10	0000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	17202D
12	0003		LDB	#LENGTH	69202D
13			BASE	LENGTH	
15	0006	CLOOP	+JSUB	RDREC	4B101036
20	000A		LDA	LENGTH	032026
25	000D		COMP	#0	290000
30	0010		JEQ	ENDFIL	332007
35	0013		+JSUB	WRREC	4B10105D
40	0017		J	CLOOP	3F2FEC
45	001A	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	032010
50	001D		─ <b>7</b> STA	BUFFER	0F2016
55	0020		LDA	#3	010003
60	0023		STA	LENGTH	0F200D
65	0026		+JSUB	WRREC	4B10105D
70	002A		J	@RETADR	3E2003
80	002D	EOF	BYTE	C'EOF'	454F46
95	0030	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	0033	LENGTH	RESW	1	
105	0036	BUFFER	RESB	4096	
110					

115			SUBROUT	TIME TO READ	RECORD INTO BUFFER
120					
125	1036	RDREC	CLEAR	X	B410
130	1038		CLEAR	A	B400
132	103A		CLEAR	S	B440
133	103C		+LDT	#4096	75101000
135	1049	RLOOP	TD	INPUT	E32019
140	1043		JEQ	RLOOP	332FFA
145	1046		RD	INPUT	DB2013
150	1049		COMPR	A,S	A004
155	104B		JEQ	EXIT	332008
160	104E		STCH	BUFFER, X	57C003
165	1051		TIXR	T	B850
170	1053		$\operatorname{JLT}$	RLOOP	3B2FEA
175	1056	EXIT	STX	LENGTH	134000
180	1059		RSUB		4F0000
185	105C	INPUT	BYTE	X'F1'	F1
195					

200			SUBROUT	NE TO WRITE	RECORD FROM BUFFER
205					
210	105D	WRREC	CLEAR	X	B410
212	105F		LDT	LENGTH	774000
215	1062	WLOOP	TD	OUTPUT	E32011
220	1065		JEQ	WLOOP	332FFA
225	1068		LDCH	BUFFER, X	53C003
230	106B		WD	OUTPUT	DF2008
235	106E		TIXR	T	B850
240	1070		JLT 1	WLOOP	3B2FEF
245	1073		RSUB		4F0000
250	1076	OUTPUT	BYTE	X'05'	05
255			END	FIRST	

Figure 2.6 Program from Fig. 2.5 with object code.

Figure 2.8 Object program corresponding to Fig. 2.6.

## University questions....

- 1. Explain the syntax of the records in the Object Program File.
- 2. Let NUMBERS be an array of 100 words. Write a sequence of instructions for SIC to set all I 00 elements of the array to I.
- 3. Describe the format of the object program generated by the two-pass SIC assembler algorithm.
- 4. Write a sequence of instructions for SIC/XE to divide BETA by GAMMA and to store the integer quotient in ALPHA and remainder in DELTA.

- 5. Let A,B & C are arrays of 10 words each. Write a SIC/XE program to add the corresponding elements of A & B and store the result in C
- 6. Write a subroutine for SIC/XE that will read a record into a buffer. The record may be any length from 1 to 100 bytes. The end of the record is marked with a "null" character (ASCII code 00). The subroutine should place the length of the record read into a variable named LENGTH. Use immediate addressing and register-to register instructions to make the process as efficient as possible.

- 7. Write a sequence of instructions for SIC to set ALPHA = BETA*9+GAMMA.
- 8. Explain the different data structures used in the implementation of Assemblers.
- 9. Explain the two passes of the assembler algorithm with a proper example.
- 10. List out the basic functions of Assemblers with proper examples
- 11. What is meant by forward reference? How is it resolved by two pass assemblers?

- 12. Write down the format of the Modification record. Describe each field with the help of an example.
- 13. With the aid of an algorithm explain the Second pass of a Two Pass Assembler.
- 14. Describe the data structures used in the two pass SIC assembler algorithm.
- 15. Give the algorithm for pass 1 of a two pass SIC assembler.
- 16. Describe the format of the object program generated by the two-pass SIC assembler algorithm.