

# CS1520 Practical 4 - solutions

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Listing 1: decimals.asm

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.global main
main:
ldr r1, =num @ load the address of the
               @ string of digits into r1
mov r0, #0 @ initialize the result
mov r10, #10 @ we will need to multiply
               @ by 10

@ check if the number is negative
ldrb r2, [r1] @ store the first character
               @ of the string in r2
cmp r2, #45 @ check if the first character
               @ is '-' (ASCII code 45)
moveq r11, #1 @ if it is, store 1 in r11
addeq r1, #1 @ and advance r1 to the next
               @ character
movne r11, #0 @ ... otherwise, store 0 in r11

loop:
ldrb r2, [r1], #1 @ load the current character
                  @ and advance r1
cmp r2, #0 @ if we reached the end of the
beq finish @ string (ASCII code 0), stop
mul r0, r10 @ r0 = r0*10
sub r2, #48 @ r2 = number corresponding to
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                                @ the digit ('0' is 48 in ASCII)
add r0, r2                    @ after this, r0 = r0*10 + r2
b loop                        @ repeat the loop

finish:
cmp r11, #1                  @ if the '-' character was found,
rsbeq r0, #0                 @ reverse the sign: r0 = -r0

mov r7, #1
svc #0

.data
num:    .asciz "-107"        @ digit string to be
                                @ converted to number

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