

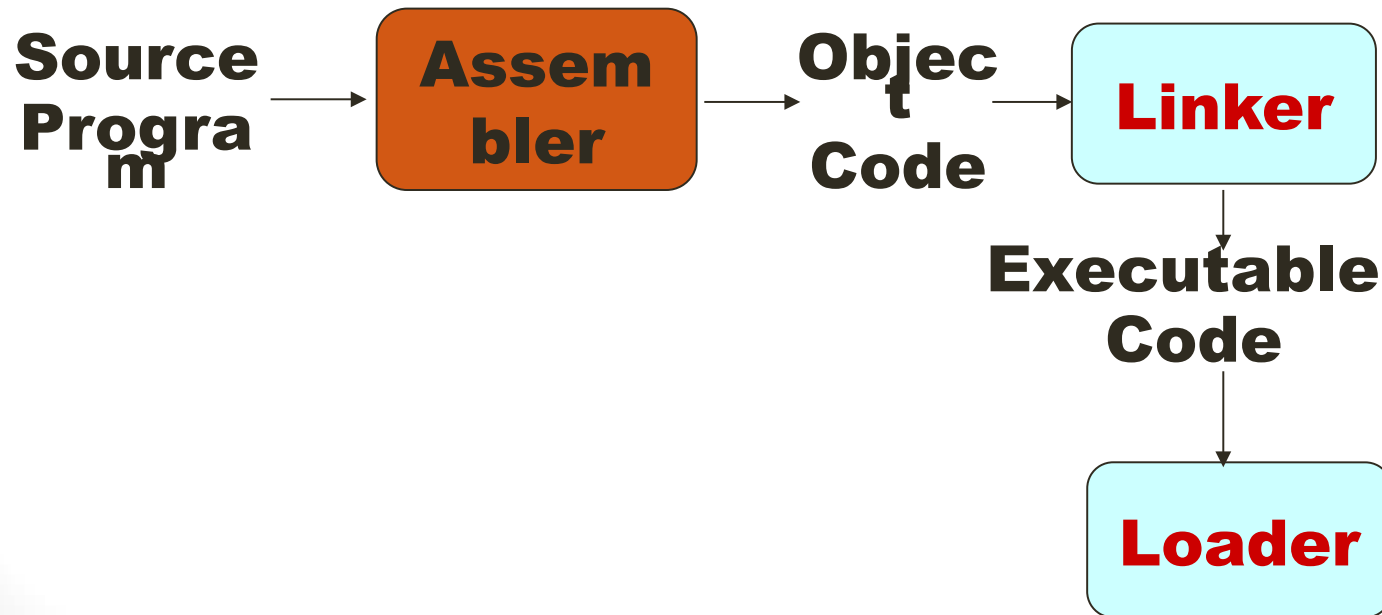


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# Chapter 2

## Assemblers



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# Why an Assembly Language is needed?

- Programming in machine code, by supplying the computer with the numbers of the operations it must perform, can be quite a burden, because for every operation the corresponding number must be looked up or remembered.
- Looking up all numbers takes a lot of time, and mis-remembering a number may introduce computer bugs.
- So Assembly Languages are evolved which contains mnemonic instructions corresponding to the Machine codes using which the program can be written easily.
- Therefore a set of mnemonics was devised. Each number was represented by an alphabetic code. So instead of entering the number corresponding to addition to add two numbers one can enter "add".
- Although mnemonics differ between different CPU designs some are common, for instance: "sub" (subtract), "div" (divide), "add" (add) and "mul" (multiply).

# What is an Assembler?

- An assembler is system software which is used to convert an assembly language program to its equivalent object code. The input to an assembler is a source code written in assembly language (using mnemonics) and the output is the object code.

# Format of Assembly language program

## 1.Label field.

The label is a symbolic name that represents the memory address of an executable statement or a variable.

## 2 Opcode/directive fields.

The opcode (e.g. operation code) specifies the symbolic name for a machine instruction.

The directive specifies commands to the assembler about the way to assemble the program.

## 3.Operand field.

The operand specifies the data that is needed by a statement.

## 4.Comment field.

The comment provides clear explanation for a statement.

# Basic Assembler Functions

The basic assembler functions are

- ❑ Translating mnemonic language code to its equivalent object code.
- ❑ Assigning machine addresses to symbolic labels.



- Convert *mnemonic operation codes* to their *machine language equivalents*  
E.g. STL -> 14 (line 10)
- Convert *symbolic operands* to their equivalent *machine addresses*  
E.g. RETADR -> 1033 (line 10)
- Build the machine instructions in the proper format
- Convert the *data constants* to *internal machine representations*  
E.g. EOF -> 454F46 (line 80)
- Write the *object program* and the *assembly listing*

# Assembler Directives

Assembler directives are Pseudo-instructions that are not translated into machine instructions and they provide instructions to the assembler itself.

## ➤ The SIC assembler directives.

- START
  - Specification of the name and start address of the program.
- END
  - Indication of the end of the program and optionally the address of the first executable instruction.
- BYTE
  - Generate character or hexadecimal constant occupying as many as needed to represent the constant.
- WORD
  - Generate one word constant.
- RESB
  - Reserve the indicated number of bytes for a data area.
- RESW
  - Reserve the indicated number of words for a data area.

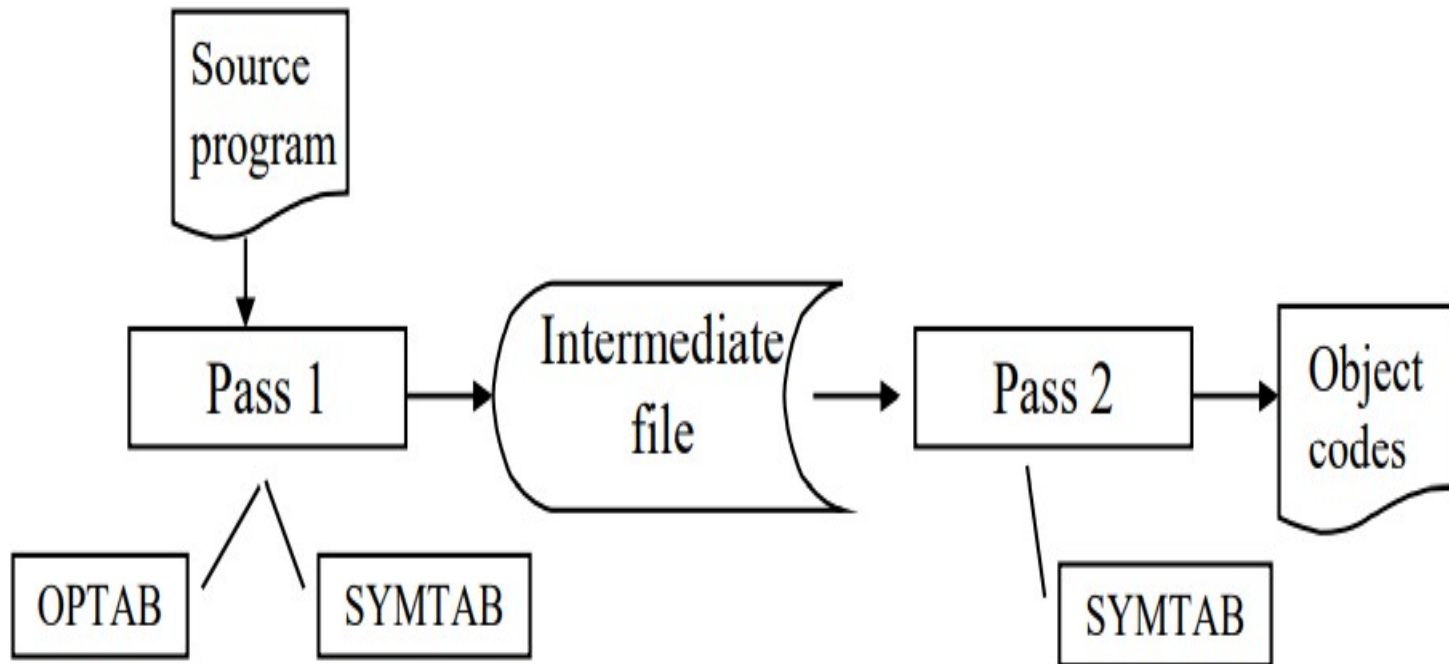


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- **Pass 1 - Define symbols (assign addresses)**
  - Assign addresses to all statements in the program
  - Save the values assigned to all labels for use in Pass 2
  - Process some assembler directives
- **Pass 2 - Assemble instructions and generate object program**
  - Assemble instructions
  - Generate data values defined by BYTE, WORD, etc.
  - Process the assembler directives not done in Pass 1
  - Write the object program and the assembly listing

# Functions of Two Pass Assembler



# Object Code Generation for SIC Assembler Language Program

# Note:

- Add 3 to LOCCTR (Instruction 3 Format)
- Add 4 to LOCCTR (Instruction 4 Format) (Instructions prefixed with + sign)
- **OPCODE =WORD** → Add **3** to LOCCTR
- **OPCODE =RESW** → Add **3 \* Value of Operand** to LOCCTR
- **OPCODE =BYTE** → Add **length of constant in bytes** to LOCCTR
- **OPCODE =RESB** → Add **Value of operand** to LOCCTR

# Example 1: SIC program

## Given Opcode values and Hex Codes

Mnemonic	Opcode
STL	14
JSUB	48
COMP	28
JEQ	30
J	3C
LDA	00
STA	0C

ASCII CODE	HEX Code
E	45
O	4F
F	46

LOCCTR	Labels	Opcode	operand	Object Code
	COPY	START	1000	
1000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	141024
1003	CLOOP	JSUB	RDREC	482039
1006		LDA	LENGTH	001021
1009		COMP	ZERO	28101E
100C		JEQ	ENDFIL	301015
100F		JSUB	WRREC	482061
1012		J	CLOOP	3C1003
1015	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	00101B
1018		STA	LENGTH	0C1021
101B	EOF	BYTE	C'EOF'	454F46
101E	ZERO	WORD	0	000000
1021	LENGTH	RESW	1	
1024	RETADR	RESW	1	
1027	.	.	.	.
	.	.	.	.
2039	RDREC	LDX	ZERO	
	....			
2061	WRREC	LDX	ZERO	

# Example 2: SIC Program

## Given Opcode values and Hex Codes

Mnemonic	Opcode
LDX	04
LDA	00
TD	E0
JEQ	30
RD	D8
COMP	28
STCH	54
TIX	2C
JLT	38
STX	10
RSUB	4C

ASCII CODE	HEX Code
T	54
E	45
S	53

LOCCTR	Labels	Opcode	operand	Object Code
	COPY	START	2039	
2039	RDREC	LDX	CLOOP	04204E
203C		LDA	CLOOP	00204E
203F	RLOOP	TD	INPUT	E0205D
2042		JEQ	RLOOP	30203F
2045		RD	INPUT	D8205D
2048		COMP	EXIT	282057
204B		JEQ	RDREC	302039
204E	CLOOP	STCH	EXIT	542057
2051		TIX	MAXLEN	2C205E
2054		JLT	RLOOP	38203F
2057	EXIT	STX	EOF	103061
205A		RSUB		4C0000
205D	INPUT	BYTE	X 'F1'	F1
205E	MAXLEN	WORD	0	000000
2061	BUFFER	RESB	4096	[ 16 ]
3061	EOF	BYTE	C 'TEST'	
3065		END	COPY	



# Object Program

- **Three types of records**
  - Header: program name, starting address, length.
  - Text: starting address, length, object code.
  - End: address of first executable instruction

Header record:

Col. 1	H
Col. 2–7	Program name
Col. 8–13	Starting address of object program (hexadecimal)
Col. 14–19	Length of object program in bytes (hexadecimal)

# Object Program

## Text record:

Col. 1	T
Col. 2-7	Starting address for object code in this record(hexadecimal)
Col. 8-9	Length of object code in this record in bytes (hexadecimal)
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 (hexadecimal)

# Assembler Data Structures

- Our simple assembler uses two internal tables: The **OPTAB** and **SYMTAB**.
  - OPTAB is used to look up mnemonic operation codes and translate them to their machine language equivalents.
    - LDA→00, STL→14, ...
  - SYMTAB is used to store values (addresses) assigned to labels.
    - FIRST→1000, COPY→1000, ...
- Location Counter **LOCCTR**
  - LOCCTR is a variable for assignment addresses.
  - LOCCTR is initialized to address specified in START.
  - When reach a label, the current value of LOCCTR gives the address to be associated with that label.

# The Operation Code Table (OPTAB)

- Contain the mnemonic operation & its machine language equivalents (**at least**).
- Contain **instruction format & length**.
- Pass 1, OPTAB is used to look up and validate operation codes.
- Pass 2, OPTAB is used to translate the operation codes to machine language.
- In **SIC/XE**, assembler search OPTAB in Pass 1 to find the **instruction length** for incrementing LOCCTR.
- Organize as a hash table (static table).

mnemonic	Opcode	format
STL	14	3
LDB	68	3
JSUB	48	4
LDA	00	3

# The Symbol Table (SYMTAB)

- Include the **name** and **value (address)** for each label.
- Include **flags** to indicate error conditions
- Contain **type**, **length**.
- Pass 1, labels are entered into SYMTAB, along with assigned addresses (from LOCCTR).
- Pass 2, symbols used as operands are look up in SYMTAB to obtain the addresses.
- Organize as a hash table (static table).
- The entries are rarely deleted from table.

<b>COPY</b>	<b>1000</b>
<b>FIRST</b>	<b>1000</b>
<b>CLOOP</b>	<b>1003</b>
<b>ENDFIL</b>	<b>1015</b>
<b>EOF</b>	<b>1024</b>
<b>THREE</b>	<b>102D</b>
<b>ZERO</b>	<b>1030</b>
<b>RETADR</b>	<b>1033</b>
<b>LENGTH</b>	<b>1036</b>
<b>BUFFER</b>	<b>1039</b>
<b>RDREC</b>	<b>2039</b>

# PASS 1 of Two Pass Assembler

## 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

# PASS 1 of Two Pass Assembler

```
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}
        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}
```

# PASS 2 of Two Pass Assembler

**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



# PASS 2 of Two Pass Assembler

```
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}
              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}
```

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

## Note:

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- OPCODE =RESW→Add **3 \* Value of Operand** to LOCCTR
- OPCODE =BYTE-→Add **length of constant in bytes** to LOCCTR
- OPCODE =RESB-→Add **Value of operand** to LOCCTR
- Set n= 1 for opcode @m (indirect)
- Set i=1 for opcode #c (immediate)
- Set n=i=1 for simple addressing mode
- Set x=1 for opcode m,x (indexed)
- Set e=1 for instruction format 4

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

LOCCTR	Label	Opcode	Operand	Object Code
	COPY	START	0	
	FIRST	STL	RETADR	
		LDB	#LENGTH	
	CLOOP	+JSUB	RDREC	
		LDA	LENGTH	
		COMP	#0	
		JEQ	ENDFIL	
		J	CLOOP	
	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	
	RDREC	+LDT	#4096	
	EOF	BYTE	C 'EOF'	
	RETADR	RESW	1	
	LENGTH	RESW	1	
		END	COPY	

# Example 1:

## Given Opcode values and Hex Codes

Mnemonic	Opcode
STL	14
LDB	68
JSUB	48
LDA	00
COMP	28
JEQ	30
J	3C
LDT	74

ASCII CODE	HEX Code
E	45
O	4F
F	46


# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

LOCCTR	Label	Opcode	Operand	Object Code
	COPY	START	0	
0000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	
0003		LDB	#LENGTH	
0006	CLOOP	+JSUB	RDREC	
000A		LDA	LENGTH	
000D		COMP	#0	
0010		JEQ	ENDFIL	
0013		J	CLOOP	
0016	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	
0019	RDREC	+LDT	#4096	
001D	EOF	BYTE	C 'EOF'	
0020	RETADR	RESW	1	
0023	LENGTH	RESW	1	
0026		END	COPY	

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- **FIRST STL RETADR**

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	disp(12)
000000	1	1	0	0	1	0	017



- STL→opcode→14  
Add (STL value )+ (op,n,i)→14+3→17
- x,b,p,e→ 0010→2
- Disp=TA-(PC)
  - =(RETADR Address)-(PC)
  - =0020-003
  - =017

**Object code is 172017**

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- **LDB**                      **#LENGTH**

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	disp(12)
000000	0	1	0	0	1	0	01D

The diagram shows the LDB instruction format with arrows indicating the displacement field. The displacement field is 12 bits long, starting from the bit after the 'e' bit and ending at the end of the instruction. The displacement value is 01D.

- LDB → opcode → 68

Add LDB Value+ (op,n,i)= 68+ 1 →69

- x,b,p,e → 0010 → 2

- Disp= TA-(PC)

= (LENGTH Address) - (0006)

= (0023) - (0006)

= 001D

**Object Code == 69201D**

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- CLOOP                      +JSUB                      RDREC

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	Address(20 bits)
000000	1	1	0	0	0	1	00019

- JSUB → opcode → 48

Add (JSUB value) + (op,n,i) → 48 + 3 → 4B

Instruction 4 format -> Set e=1

- x,b,p,e → 0001 → 1

- Address = 0019


Object code is 4B100019



# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- **LDA LENGTH**

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	Disp(12bits)
000000	1	1	0	0	1	0	016




- LDA  $\rightarrow$  opcode  $\rightarrow$  00  
Add (LDA value) + (op,n,i)  $\rightarrow$  00+3  $\rightarrow$  03
- x,b,p,e  $\rightarrow$  0010  $\rightarrow$  2
- Disp=(TA)-(PC)
  - =(LENGTH address)-(000D)
  - =0023-000D
  - =0016

**Object code is 032016**

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- **COMP #0**

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	Disp(12bits)
000000	0	1	0	0	0	0	000



- **COMP**→opcode→28  
Add (COMP value)+ (op,n,i)→28+1→29
- **x,b,p,e**→ 0000→0
- **Disp**=000

**Object code is 290000**

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- JEQ ENDFIL

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	Disp(12bits)
000000	1	1	0	0	1	0	003

- JEQ  $\rightarrow$  opcode  $\rightarrow$  30

Add (JEQ value) + (op,n,i)  $\rightarrow$  30+3  $\rightarrow$  33

- x,b,p,e  $\rightarrow$  0010  $\rightarrow$  2

- Disp=(TA)-(PC)

- =(ENDFIL address)-(0013)
- =0016-0013
- =0003

Object code is 332003

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- **J CLOOP**

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	Disp(12bits)
000000	1	1	0	0	1	0	FF0



- $J \rightarrow \text{opcode} \rightarrow 3C$

Add (J value) + (op,n,i)  $\rightarrow 3C+3 \rightarrow 3F$

- $x,b,p,e \rightarrow 0010 \rightarrow 2$

- $\text{Disp} = (\text{TA}) - (\text{PC})$

- $= (\text{CLOOP address}) - (0016)$

- $= (=0006 - 0016)$

- $= -10$

**Convert the 2s complement of -10**

**10 into binary → 0001 0000**

**Convert 0's to 1's and 1's to 0's → 1110 1111**

**Add 1 → 0000 0001**

-----  
1111 0000  
←-----→ ←-----→  
F 0

**Value is F0 . To fit into 12 bit displacement field**

**Value is FF0**

**Therefore Object code is 3F2FF0**

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- ENDFIL LDA EOF

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	Disp(12bits)
000000	1	1	0	0	1	0	004



- LDA → opcode → 00  
Add (LDA value) + (op,n,i) → 00 + 3 → 03
- x,b,p,e → 0010 → 2
- Disp = (TA) - (PC)  
= (EOF address) - (0019)  
= (=001D - 0019)  
= 004

Object Code = 032004

# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

- RDREC +LDT #4096

Op(6)	n(1)	i(1)	x(1)	b(1)	p(1)	e(1)	Addr(20bits)
000000	0	1	0	0	0	1	01000

- LDT  $\rightarrow$  opcode  $\rightarrow$  74  
 Add (LDT value) + (op,n,i)  $\rightarrow$  74 + 1  $\rightarrow$  75
- x,b,p,e  $\rightarrow$  0001  $\rightarrow$  1

Address= Immediate value = 4096

Convert 4096 to hex equivalent = 1000h

Object Code = 75101000

## Problem 2: Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

LOCCTR	Label	Opcode	Operand	Object Code
	SUM	START	0	
	FIRST	CLEAR	X	
		LDA	#0	
		+LDB	#TOTAL	
		BASE	TOTAL	
	LOOP	ADD	TABLE,X	
		TIX	COUNT	
		JLT	LOOP	
		+STA	TOTAL	
	COUNT	RESW	1	
	TABLE	RESW	2000	
	TOTAL	RESW	1	
		END	FIRST	



# Object Code Generation-SIC/XE

LOCCTR	Label	Opcode	Operand	Object Code
	SUM	START	0	
0000	FIRST	CLEAR	X	B410
0002		LDA	#0	010000
0005		+LDB	#TOTAL	69101789
		BASE	TOTAL	
0009	LOOP	ADD	TABLE,X	1BA00D
000C		TIX	COUNT	2F2007
000F		JLT	LOOP	382FF7
0012		+STA	TOTAL	0F101789
0016	COUNT	RESW	1	
0019	TABLE	RESW	2000	
1789	TOTAL	RESW	1	
178C		END	FIRST	

# Machine dependent features of a SIC/XE Assembler

1. Instruction formats
2. Addressing modes
3. Program relocation

# Instruction Formats

- The instruction formats depend on **the memory organization and the size of the memory**.
- In **SIC machine** the memory is byte addressable. Word size is 3 bytes. The size of the memory is  $32768(2^{15})$  bytes
- Accordingly it supports only one instruction format. It has only two registers: register A and Index register. Therefore the addressing modes supported by this architecture are direct, indirect, and indexed.
- Whereas the memory of a **SIC/XE** machine is 1MegaByte( $2^{20}$ ) bytes.
- This supports four different types of instruction types, they are
  - a. 1 byte instruction
  - b. 2 bytes instruction
  - c. 3 bytes instruction
  - d. 4 bytes instruction

# Instruction formats

<b>Format 1 (1 byte)</b>		
op(8)		
<b>Format 2 (2 bytes)</b>		
op(8)	r1(4)	r2(4)

## Format 3(3 bytes)

op(6)	n	i	x	b	p	e	disp(12)
	1	1	1	1	1	1	

## Format 4(4 bytes)

op(6)	n	i	x	b	p	e	address (20)
	1	1	1	1	1	1	

# Addressing Modes

## **Addressing Modes are:**

- Index Addressing(SIC): Opcode m, x
- Indirect Addressing: Opcode @m
- PC-relative: Opcode m
- Base relative: Opcode m
- Immediate addressing: Opcode #c

# Program Relocation

- **Principles.**
  - o The load address of an object program is unknown at assembly time if the system implements the multiprogramming feature.
  - o The assembler generates addresses relative to zero in the object program.
  - o At load time, relocation is performed by adding the load address to the relative addresses.
  - o Operands of instructions that use direct addressing must be relocated, and the assembler provides the relocation information in the object program.
  - o Operands of instructions that use relative addressing do not need to be relocated.
  - o Relocation can be processed by the loader or by the CPU using relocation registers

# Program Relocation

- Absolute Program

In this the address is mentioned during assembling itself. This is called Absolute Assembly.

- Consider the instruction:

**55 101B LDA THREE 00102D**

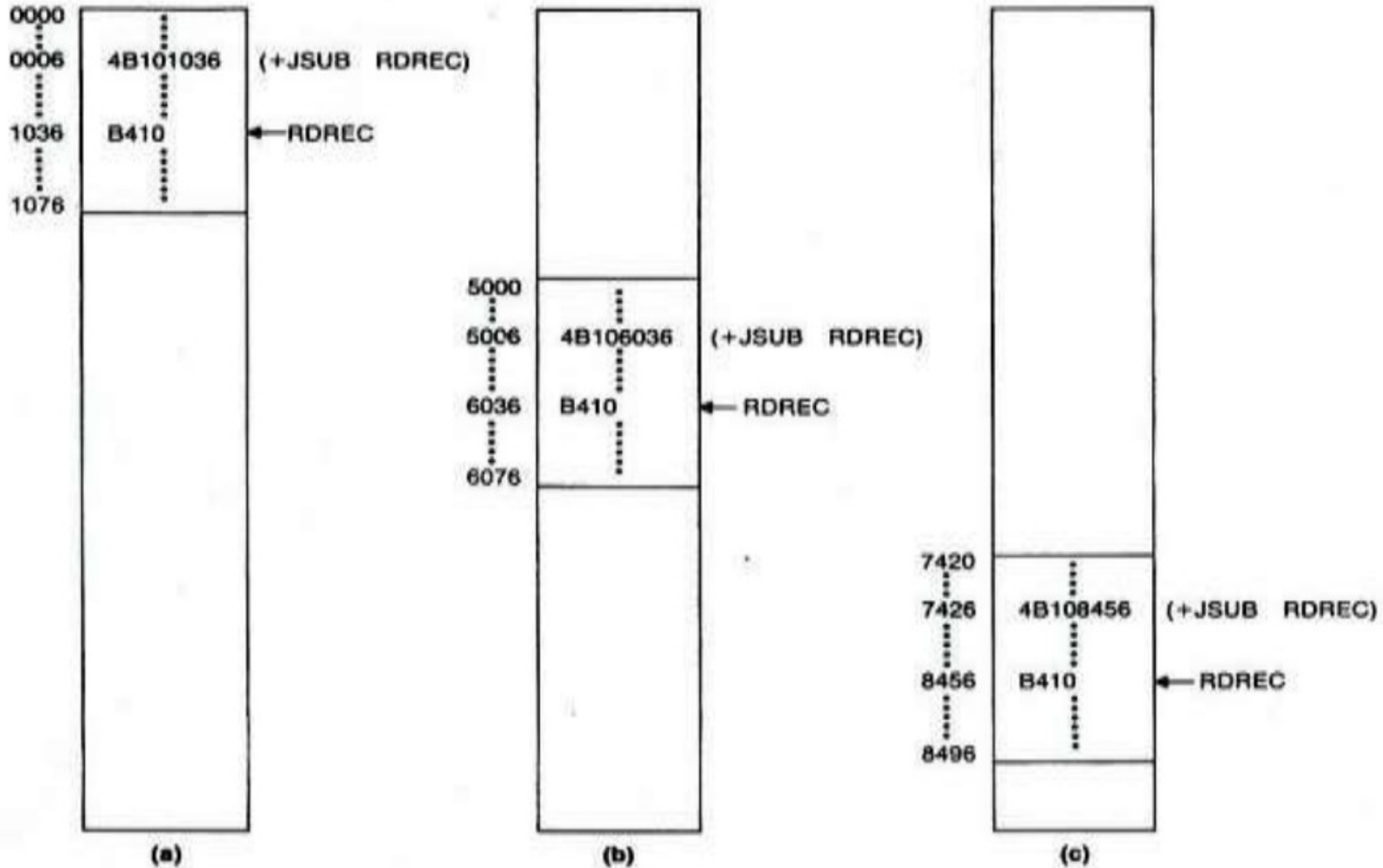
- This statement says that the register A is loaded with the value stored at location 102D. Suppose it is decided to load and execute the program at location 2000 instead of location 1000. Then at address 102D the required value which needs to be loaded in the register A is no more available. The address also gets changed relative to the displacement of the program. Hence we need to make some changes in the address portion of the instruction so that we can load and execute the program at location 2000.

# Program Relocation

- Apart from the instruction which will undergo a change in their operand address value as the program load address changes.
- There exist some parts in the program which will remain same regardless of where the program is being loaded.
- Since assembler will not know actual location where the program will get loaded, it cannot make the necessary changes in the addresses used in the program.
- However, the assembler identifies for the loader those parts of the program which need modification. An object program that has the information necessary to perform this kind of modification is called the **relocatable program**.



# Program Relocation



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- The above diagram shows the concept of relocation. Initially the program is loaded at location 0000. The instruction JSUB is loaded at location 0006.
- The address field of this instruction contains 01036, which is the address of the instruction labeled RDREC
- . The second figure shows that if the program is to be loaded at new location 5000. The address of the instruction JSUB gets modified to new location 6036.
- Likewise the third figure shows that if the program is relocated at location 7420, the JSUB instruction would need to be changed to 4B108456 that correspond to the new address of RDREC.
- When assembler generates the object code for the JSUB instruction we are considering, it will insert the address of RDREC relative to the start of the program.
- The assembler will produce a command for the loader instructing it to add the beginning address of the program to the address field in the JSUB instruction at load time.
- **From the object program, it is not possible to distinguish the address and constant The assembler must keep some information to tell the loader. The object program that contains the modification record is called a relocatable program.**

# Advantages of Program Relocation

1.The larger main memory of SIC/XE

- Several programs can be loaded and run at the same time.
- This kind of sharing of the machine between programs is called multiprogramming

2. To take full advantage

- Load programs into memory wherever there is space.
- Not specifying a fixed address at assembly time.

# Modification Record

- Col 1: M
- Col 2-7 Starting location of the address field to be modified relative to the beginning of the program(hexadecimal)
- Col 8-9 length of the address field to be modified, in half bytes(hexadecimal).

# Machine Independent Assembler Features

**1.Literals**

**2.Symbol Defining Statements**

**3.Expressions**

**4.Program Blocks**

**5. Control Sections and program linking**

# Literals

- Let programmers to be able to write the value of a **constant operand** as a part of the instruction that uses it.
- This avoids having to define the constant elsewhere in the program and make up a label for it.
- Such an operand is called a literal because the value is literally stated in the instruction. Note that a literal is identified with the prefix = which followed by a specification of the literal value.
- The literal is a special type of relocatable term. It behaves like a symbol in that it represents data. However, it is a special kind of term because it also is used to define the constant specified by the literal.

# Literals

- This is convenient because:
  - a. The data you enter as numbers for computation, addresses, or messages to be printed is visible in the instruction in which the literal appears.
  - b. You avoid the added effort of defining constants elsewhere in your source module and then using their symbolic names in machine instruction operands.

Examples:

Ex 1:

```
45      001A  ENDFIL      BYTE  =C "EOF"      454F46
```

Specifies a 3 byte operand with value "EOF"

Ex 2:

```
69101A  CLOOP      STA      = X '05'      E32011
```

Specifies a 1 byte literal with hexadecimal value 05

# Literals vs Immediate Operands

## ➤ *Immediate Operands*

The operand value is assembled as part of the machine instruction

e.g. 55 0020 LDA #3 010003

## ➤ *Literals*

The assembler generates the specified value as a constant at some other memory location

e.g. 45 001A ENDFIL LDA = C'EOF' 032010



# Literal pools

- All of the literal operands used in a program are gathered together into one or more literal pools.
- Normally literals are placed into a pool at the end of the program .
- In some cases, it is desirable to place literals into a pool at some other location in the object program .
- For this purpose assembler directive **LTORG** is used.

Reason: Keep the literal operand close to the instruction.

1. When the assembler encounters a LTORG statement , it creates a literal pool that contains all of the literal operands used since the previous LTORG.
2. This literal pool is placed in the object program at the location where the LTORG directive was encountered.
3. Literal placed in a pool by LTORG will not be repeated in the pool at the end of the program

# Duplicate literals:

e.g. 215

1062

WLOOP

TD =X''05''

e.g. 230

106B

WD =X"05"

- The assemblers should recognize duplicate literals and store only one copy of the specified data value .
- Only one data area with this value is generated. Both the instruction refer to the same address in the literal pool for their operand.
- The easiest method to recognize duplicate literals is by:

1. Comparison of the defining expression

Same literal name with different value, e.g. LOCCTR=\*

2. Comparison of the generated data value

The benefits of using generate data value are usually not great enough to justify the additional complexity in the assembler .

# LITTAB:

- The basic data structure that assembler handles literal operands is literal table. For each literal used, this table contains **the literal name, the operand value, the length and the address assigned to the operand** when its placed in the literal pool.

## Pass 1

- a. Build LITTAB with literal name, operand value and length, leaving the address unassigned .
- b. When LORG statement is encountered, assign an address to each literal not yet assigned an address

## Pass 2

- a. Search LITTAB for each literal operand encountered .
- b. Generate the data values using BYTE or WORD statement.
- c. Generate modification record for literals that represent an address in the program

# Literals

Line	Source statement			
5	COPY	START	0	COPY FILE FROM INPUT TO OUTPUT
10	FIRST	STL	RETADR	SAVE RETURN ADDRESS
13		LDB	#LENGTH	ESTABLISH BASE REGISTER
14		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	=C'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
93		LTORG		
95	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	LENGTH	RESW	1	LENGTH OF RECORD
105	BUFFER	RESB	4096	4096-BYTE BUFFER AREA
106	BUFEND	EQU	*	
107	MAXLEN	EQU	BUFEND-BUFFER	MAXIMUM RECORD LENGTH

# Literals

Line	Loc	Source statement			Object code
5	0000	COPY	START	0	
10	0000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	17202D
13	0003		LDB	#LENGTH	69202D
14			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	=C' EOF'	032010
50	001D		STA	BUFFER	0F2016
55	0020		LDA	#3	010003
60	0023		STA	LENGTH	0F200D
65	0026		+JSUB	WRREC	4B10105D
70	002A		J	@RETADR	3E2003
93			LTORG		
	002D	*	=C' EOF'		454F46
95	0030	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	0033	LENGTH	RESW	1	
105	0036	BUFFER	RESB	4096	
106	1036	BUFEND	EQU	*	
107	1000	MAXLEN	EQU	BUFEND-BUFFER	

# Literals

	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
195		.			
200		.	SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER		
205		.			
210	105D	WRREC	CLEAR	X	B410
212	105F		LDT	LENGTH	774000
215	1062	WLOOP	TD	=X'05'	E32011
220	1065		JEQ	WLOOP	332FFA
225	1068		LDCH	BUFFER,X	53C003
230	106B		WD	=X'05'	DF2008
235	106E		TIXR	T	B850
240	1070		JLT	WLOOP	3B2FEF
245	1073		RSUB		4F0000
255			END	FIRST	
	1076	*	=X'05'		05

**Figure 2.10** Program from Fig. 2.9 with object code.

# LITTAB

Literal Name	Operand Value	Length	Address
C='EOF'	454F46	3	002D
X='05'	05	1	1076

# Symbol defining statements

## 1. EQU Directive

## 2.ORG Directive

**1.EQU:** The user defined symbols in the assembler language program appears as labels on instructions or data areas. The value of such a label is the address assigned to the statement on which it appears. Most assemblers provide an assembler directive that allows the user to define the symbol and specify their values. **EQU is the assembler directive used.**

The general form of such a statement is

**Symbol      EQU      Value**

It defines the given symbol and assigns the specified value.

The value may be a

- a. Constant
- b. Any expression involving constant.
- c. Previously defined symbol



# EQU Directive

- EQU is used to establish symbolic names that can be used for improved readability in place of numeric values.

1. In the last program, the statement used as

**+LDT    #4096    // to load the value 4096 into register T.**

2. If we include the statement

**MAXLEN        EQU    4096**

In the program then we can write it as

**+LDT    #MAXLEN**

3. When the assembler encounters the EQU statement, it enters MAXLEN into SYMTAB with the value 4096.

# EQU Directive

4. Another common use of the EQU is defining mnemonic names for registers.

For ex

- A EQU 0
- X EQU 1
- L EQU 2

These statement cause the symbols A,X,L... to be entered into SYMBOL with their corresponding values 0,1,2...

# ORG DIRECTIVE:

1. Indirectly assigns values to symbols. This is called Origin directive.
2. Resets the location counter value to the specified value.
3. Since the values of the symbols are taken from the LOCCTR, the ORG statement will affect the values of all the labels defined until the next ORG.

EX:

- To define a symbol table with the following structure:
  - a. SYMBOL field: 6 bytes
  - b. VALUE field: one word.
  - c. FLAGS field : 2 byte

# ORG Directive

	SYMBOL	VALUE	FLAGS
STAB (100 entries)			

Symbol field contains user defined symbol: Value field represents the value assigned to the symbol and the Flags field specifies symbol type and other information.

To reserve the space we write

```
STAB RESB 1100
```

We also define the labels as SYMBOL, VALUE, FLAGSS using with EQU statements:

```
SYMBOL    EQU    STAB
VALUE     EQU    STAB+6
FLAGS     EQU    STAB+9
```

# ORG Directive

- To fetch the value field  
LDA VALUE,X
- We can accomplish the same symbol definition using ORG in the following way

STAB	RESB	1100
ORG	STAB	
SYMBOL	RESB	6
VALUE	RESW	1
FLAGS	RESB	2
	ORG	STAB+1100

- a. The first ORG resets the LOCCTR to the value of STAB.
- b. RESB statement defines the SYMBOL to have the current value in LOCCTR.
- c. LOCCTR is then advanced so that the label on the RESW statement assigns to VALUE the address(STAB+6) and so on..
- d. So that each entry in STAB consists of 6 byte SYMBOL, followed by one word VALUE, followed by a 2 byte FLAGS.
- e. The last ORG statement set LOCCTR back to its previous value.

# ORG Directive

Notice that the two pass assembler design requires that all symbols be defined during Pass 1.

For ex:

The sequence

```
ALPHA    RESW    1
BETA     EQU     ALPHA
```

would be allowed, whereas the sequence

```
BETA     EQU     ALPHA
ALPHA    RESW    1
```

would not be allowed.

Reason for this is symbol definition process.

# ORG Directive

ORG has the same type of restriction.

Consider the following example

```
ORG      ALPHA
BYTE1    RESB 1
BYTE2    RESB 1
BYTE3    RESB 1

          ORG
ALPHA     RESB 1
```

The above sequence cannot be processed because assembler directive would not know the value assigned to the location counter in response to the first ORG statement.

The symbols BYTE1, BYTE2, BYTE3 cant be assigned addresses during PASS1.

# Expressions

- Most assemblers allow the use of the expressions whenever a single operand is permitted.
- Each such expression has to be evaluated by the assembler to produce a single operand address or value.

- Expressions can be classified as

1.ABSOLUTE EXPRESSIONS

2. RELATIVE EXPRESSIONS



# Expressions

- **RELATIVE EXPRESSIONS:**
- Relative means relative to the beginning of the program. labels on the instructions and data areas and references to the location counter values are relative terms. No relative term into multiplication or division operation.
- **ABSOLUTE EXPRESSIONS:**
- Absolute means independent of program location. A constant is an absolute term. Absolute expressions may also contain relative terms provided they occur in pair and the terms in each pair have opposite sign.
- A relative term or expression represents some value that may be written as  $(S+r)$  where
- $S$ = Starting address of the program
- $R$ = value of the term or expression relative to the starting address

# Expressions

Example: 107 MAXLEN EQU BUFFEND-BUFFER

Both BUFFEND and BUFFER are relative terms, each representing an address within the program. However the expression BUFFEND-BUFFER represents the absolute term.

To determine the type of an expression we must keep track of the type of the symbols defined in the program.

Following table shows the symbol table entries.

Symbol	Type	Value
RETADR	R	0000
BUFFER	R	0036
BUFFEND	R	1036
MAXLEN	A	1000

# SIC program

LOCCTR	Labels	Opcode	operand	Object Code
	COPY	START	1000	
1000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	141021
1003	CLOOP	JSUB	RDREC	482039
1006		LDA	LENGTH	00101E
1009		COMP	RETADR	281021
100C		JEQ	ENDFIL	301015
100F		JSUB	WRREC	482061
1012		J	CLOOP	3C1003
1015	ENDFIL	LDA	EOF	00101B
1018		STA	LENGTH	OC101E
101B	EOF	BYTE	C'EOF'	454F46
101E	LENGTH	RESW	1	
1021	RETADR	RESW	1	
1024		END	COPY	.
				.
2039	RDREC			
2061	WRREC			

# Object Program

Header record:

Col. 1	H
Col. 2–7	Program name
Col. 8–13	Starting address of object program (hexadecimal)
Col. 14–19	Length of object program in bytes (hexadecimal)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
H	C	O	P	Y			0	0	1

11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4

# Object Program

Text record:

- Col. 1            T
- Col. 2-7        Starting address for object code in this record(hexadecimal)
- Col. 8-9        Length of object code in this record in bytes (hexadecimal)
- Col. 10-69     Object code, represented in hexadecimal (2 columns per byte of object code)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
T	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	E	1

11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
4	1	0	2	1	4	8	2	0	3

21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9	0	0	1	0	1	E	2	8	1

# Text Record

31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
0	2	1	3	0	1	0	1	5	4

41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
8	2	0	6	1	3	C	1	0	0

51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
3	0	0	1	0	1	B	0	C	1

61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69
0	1	E	4	5	4	F	4	6

# End Record

End record:

Col. 1          E

Col. 2–7      Address of first executable instruction in object program  
(hexadecimal)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
E	0	0	1	0	0	0

# Program Blocks and Control Sections

- Although the source program logically contains subroutines, data area, etc, they were assembled into a **single block** of object code in which the machine instructions and data appeared in the **same order** as they were in the source program.
- To provide flexibility:
  - Program blocks
    - Segments of code that are **rearranged** within a single object program unit
  - Control sections
    - Segments of code that are translated into **independent object program units**



# Program Blocks

- As an *example*, three blocks are used:
  - default: executable instructions
  - CDATA: all data areas that are less in length
  - CBLKS: all data areas that consists of larger blocks of memory
- The assembler directive **USE** indicates which portions of the source program belong to the various blocks.

# Program with Multiple Program Blocks

At the beginning, the default block is assumed.

5	COPY	START	0	COPY FILE FROM INPUT TO OUTPUT
10	FIRST	STL	RETADR	SAVE RETURN ADDRESS
15	CLOOP	<u>JSUB</u>	<u>RDREC</u>	READ INPUT RECORD
20		LDA	LENGTH	TEST FOR EOF (LENGTH = 0)
25		COMP	#0	
30		JEQ	ENDFIL	EXIT IF EOF FOUND
35		<u>JSUB</u>	<u>WRREC</u>	WRITE OUTPUT RECORD
40		J	CLOOP	LOOP
45	ENDFIL	LDA	=C'EOF'	INSERT END OF FILE MARKER
50		STA	BUFFER	
55		LDA	#3	SET LENGTH = 3
60		STA	LENGTH	
65		<u>JSUB</u>	<u>WRREC</u>	WRITE EOF
70		J	@RETADR	RETURN TO CALLER
92		<u>USE</u>	<u>CDATA</u>	
95	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	LENGTH	RESW	1	LENGTH OF RECORD
103		<u>USE</u>	<u>CBLKS</u>	
105	BUFFER	RESB	4096	4096-BYTE BUFFER AREA
106	BUFEND	EQU	*	FIRST LOCATION AFTER BUFFER
107	MAXLEN	EQU	BUFEND-BUFFER	MAXIMUM RECORD LENGTH
110				

# Program with Multiple Program Blocks

```
110 .  
115 .      SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INTO BUFFER  
120 .  
123      USE  
125      RDREC      CLEAR      X      CLEAR LOOP COUNTER  
130                CLEAR      A      CLEAR A TO ZERO  
132                CLEAR      S      CLEAR S TO ZERO  
133      +LDT      #MAXLEN  
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  
183      USE      CDATA  
185      INPUT      BYTE      X'F1'      CODE FOR INPUT DEVICE  
195
```

Resume the default block

Resume the CDATA block

# Program with Multiple Program Blocks

```
195 .  
200 . SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER  
205 .  
208 USE  
210 WRREC CLEAR X CLEAR LOOP COUNTER  
212 LDT LENGTH  
215 WLOOP TD =X'05' TEST OUTPUT DEVICE  
220 JEQ WLOOP LOOP UNTIL READY  
225 LDCH BUFFER,X GET CHARACTER FROM BUFFER  
230 WD =X'05' WRITE CHARACTER  
235 TIXR T LOOP UNTIL ALL CHARACTERS  
240 JLT WLOOP HAVE BEEN WRITTEN  
245 RSUB RETURN TO CALLER  
252 USE CDATA  
253 LTORG  
255 END FIRST
```

Resume the default block

Resume the CDATA block

# Program Blocks

- Each program block may actually contain several separate segments of the source program.
- The assembler will logically rearrange these segments to gather together the pieces of each block.
- The result is the same as if the programmer had physically rearranged the source statements to group together all the source lines belonging to each block.

# Why Program Blocks

- To satisfy the contradictory goals:
  - Separate the program into blocks in a particular order
    - Large buffer area is moved to the end of the object program
    - Using the extended format instructions or base relative mode may be reduced. (lines 15, 35, and 65)
    - Placement of literal pool is easier: simply put them before the large data area, CDATA block. (line 253)
  - Data areas are scattered
    - Program readability is better if data areas are placed in the source program close to the statements that reference them.

# How to Rearrange Codes into Program Blocks

- Pass 1
  - Maintain a **separate LOCCTR** for each program block
    - initialized to 0 when the block is first begun
    - saved when switching to another block
    - restored when resuming a previous block
  - Assign to each label an address relative to the **start of the block** that contains it
  - Store the **block name or number** in the SYMTAB along with the assigned relative address of the label
  - Indicate the **block length** as the latest value of LOCCTR for each block at the end of Pass1
  - Assign to each block a **starting address** in the object program by concatenating the program blocks in a particular order

# How to Rearrange Codes into Program Blocks

- Pass 2
  - Calculate the address for each symbol relative to the start of the object program by adding
    - the location of the symbol relative to the start of its block
    - the assigned starting address of this block



# Object Program with Multiple Program Blocks

Loc/Block

5	0000	0	COPY	START	0	
10	0000	0	FIRST	STL	RETADR	172063
15	0003	0	CLOOP	JSUB	RDREC	4B2021
20	0006	0		LDA	LENGTH	032060
25	0009	0		COMP	#0	290000
30	000C	0		JEQ	ENDFIL	332006
35	000F	0		JSUB	WRREC	4B203B
40	0012	0		J	CLOOP	3F2FEE
45	0015	0	ENDFIL	LDA	=C' EOF'	032055
50	0018	0		STA	BUFFER	0F2056
55	001B	0		LDA	#3	010003
60	001E	0		STA	LENGTH	0F2048
65	0021	0		JSUB	WRREC	4B2029
70	0024	0		J	@RETADR	3E203F
92	0000	1		USE	CDATA	
95	0000	1	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	0003	1	LENGTH	RESW	1	
103	0000	2		USE	CBLKS	
105	0000	2	BUFFER	RESB	4096	
106	1000	2	BUFEND	EQU	*	
107	1000		MAXLEN	EQU	BUFEND-BUFFER	
110						

0: default  
1: CDATA  
2: CBLKS

No block number because MAXLEN is an absolute symbol

# Object Program with Multiple Program Blocks

```

...
115      .      SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INTO BUFFER
120      .
123      0027  0      USE
125      0027  0      RDREC      CLEAR      X      B410
130      0029  0      CLEAR      A      B400
132      002B  0      CLEAR      S      B440
133      002D  0      +LDT      #MAXLEN      75101000
135      0031  0      RLOOP      TD      INPUT      E32038
140      0034  0      JEQ      RLOOP      332FFA
145      0037  0      RD      INPUT      DB2032
150      003A  0      COMPR      A, S      A004
155      003C  0      JEQ      EXIT      332008
160      003F  0      STCH      BUFFER, X      57A02F
165      0042  0      TIXR      T      B850
170      0044  0      JLT      RLOOP      3B2FEA
175      0047  0      EXIT      STX      LENGTH      13201F
180      004A  0      RSUB      4F0000
-----
183      0006  1      USE      CDATA
185      0006  1      INPUT      BYTE      X'F1'      F1
...

```

# Object Program with Multiple Program Blocks

```

195      *
200      *          SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER
205      *
208      004D  0          USE
210      004D  0      WRREC  CLEAR      X          B410
212      004F  0          LDT      LENGTH      772017
215      0052  0      WLOOP  TD      =X' 05 '      E3201B
220      0055  0          JEQ      WLOOP      332FFA
225      0058  0          LDCH      BUFFER,X      53A016
230      005B  0          WD      =X' 05 '      DF2012
235      005E  0          TIXR      T          B850
240      0060  0          JLT      WLOOP      3B2FEF
245      0063  0          RSUB      4F0000
-----
252      0007  1          USE      CDATA
253      LTORG
      0007  1      *      =C' EOF      454F46
      000A  1      *      =X' 05 '      05
255      END      FIRST

```

# Table for Program Blocks

- At the end of Pass 1:

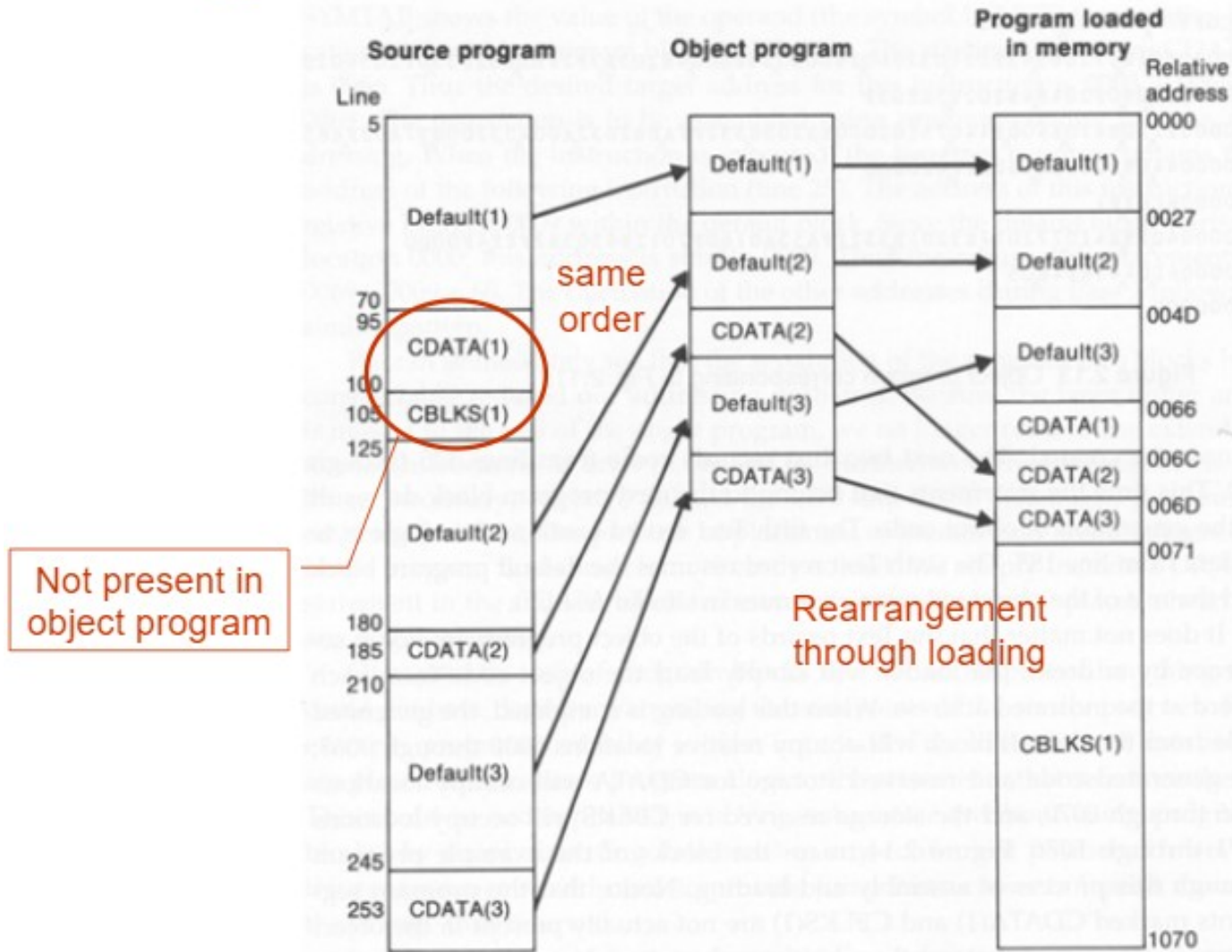
Block name	Block number	Address	Length
(default)	0	0000	0066
CDATA	1	0066	000B
CBLKS	2	0071	1000

# Object Program

- It is not necessary to physically rearrange the generated code in the object program to place the pieces of each program block together.
- The assembler just simply insert the proper load address in each Text record.

```
HCOPY 000000001071
T0000001E1720634B20210320602900003320064B203B3F2FEE0320550F2056010003
T00001E090F20484B20293E203F
T0000271DB410B400B44075101000E32038332FFADB2032A00433200857A02FB850
T000044093B2FEA13201F4F0000
T00006C01F1
T00004D19B410772017E3201B332FFA53A016DF2012B8503B2FEF4F0000
T00006D04454F4605
E000000
```

# Program Blocks Loaded in Memory



# Control Sections

- A control section
  - is a part of the program that maintains its identity after assembly
  - is often used for subroutine or other logical subdivision of a program
  - can be assembled, loaded, and relocated independently
  - is more flexible

# Program Linking

- Program linking is used to link together logically related control sections
- Problem:
  - The assembler does not know where any other control section will be located at execution time.
  - When an instruction needs to refer to instructions or data located in another control section, the assembler is unable to process this reference.
  - The assembler has to generate information for such kind of references, called **external references**, that will allow the loader to perform the required linking.



# Program with Multiple Control Sections

5	<u>COPY</u>	<u>START</u>	0	COPY FILE FROM INPUT TO OUTPUT
6		<u>EXTDEF</u>	<u>BUFFER, BUFEND, LENGTH</u>	Define external symbols
7		<u>EXTREF</u>	<u>RDREC, WRREC</u>	
10	FIRST	STL	RETADR	SAVE RETURN ADDRESS
15	CLOOP	+JSUB	RDREC	READ INPUT RECORD
20		LDA	LENGTH	TEST FOR EOF (LENGTH = 0)
25	External reference	COMP	#0	
30		JEQ	ENDFIL	EXIT IF EOF FOUND
35		+JSUB	WRREC	WRITE OUTPUT RECORD
40		J	CLOOP	LOOP
45	ENDFIL	LDA	=C'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
95	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	LENGTH	RESW	1	LENGTH OF RECORD
103		LTORG		
105	BUFFER	RESB	4096	4096-BYTE BUFFER AREA
106	BUFEND	EQU	*	
107	MAXLEN	EQU	BUFEND-BUFFER	

Implicitly defined as an external symbol

First control section: COPY

Define external symbols

External reference

# Program with Multiple Control Sections

Implicitly defined as an external symbol

Second control section: RDREC

External reference

109	<u>RDREC</u>	<u>CSECT</u>		
110	.			
115	.		SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INTO BUFFER	
120	.			
122		<u>EXTREF</u>	<u>BUFFER, LENGTH, BUFEND</u>	
125		CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
130		CLEAR	A	CLEAR A TO ZERO
132		CLEAR	S	CLEAR S TO ZERO
133		LDT	MAXLEN	
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
190	MAXLEN	WORD	BUFEND-BUFFER	

# Program with Multiple Control Sections

Implicitly defined as an external symbol

Third control section: WRREC

```
193  WRREC      CSECT
195  .
200  .          SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER
205  .
207  EXTREF    LENGTH, BUFFER
210      CLEAR      X          CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
212      +LDT        LENGTH
215  WLOOP      TD      =X'05'   TEST OUTPUT DEVICE
220              JEQ      WLOOP  LOOP UNTIL READY
225      +LDCH      BUFFER, X   GET CHARACTER FROM BUFFER
230      WD          =X'05'   WRITE CHARACTER
235      TIXR       T          LOOP UNTIL ALL CHARACTERS
240      JLT        WLOOP      HAVE BEEN WRITTEN
245      RSUB
255      END          FIRST
```

External reference

# Assembler Directives for Control Section

- **START:**
  - start the first control section
  - set program name as the control section name
  - define the control section name as an external symbol
- **CSECT:**
  - start a new control section
  - specify the control section name
  - define the control section name as an external symbol
- **EXTDEF:**
  - define external symbols
- **EXTREF:**
  - name symbols defined in other control sections

## How to Handle External References

15 0003 CLOOP +JSUB RDREC 4B100000

- The operand RDREC is an external reference.
- The assembler
  - has no idea where RDREC is
  - inserts an address of **zero**
  - can only use **extended format** to provide enough room (that is, relative addressing for external reference is invalid)
  - passes information to the loader



# How to Handle External References

```
190 0028 MAXLEN WORD BUFEND-BUFFER 000000
```

- There are two external references in the expression, BUFEND and BUFFER.
- The assembler
  - inserts a value of **zero**
  - passes information to the loader
    - **Add to** this data area the address of **BUFEND**
    - **Subtract from** this data area the address of **BUFFER**
- On line 107, BUFEND and BUFFER are defined in the same control section and the expression can be calculated immediately.

```
107 1000 MAXLEN EQU BUFEND-BUFFER
```

## Object Code with Multiple Control Sections

5	<u>0000</u>	COPY	START	0	
6			EXTDEF	BUFFER, BUFEND, LENGTH	
7			EXTREF	RDREC, WRREC	
10	0000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	172027
15	0003	CLOOP	<u>+JSUB</u>	<u>RDREC</u>	<u>4B100000</u>
20	0007		LDA	LENGTH	032023
25	000A		COMP	#0	290000
30	000D		JEQ	ENDFIL	332007
35	0010		<u>+JSUB</u>	<u>WRREC</u>	<u>4B100000</u>
40	0014		J	CLOOP	3F2FEC
45	0017	ENDFIL	LDA	=C' EOF'	032016
50	001A		STA	BUFFER	0F2016
55	001D		LDA	#3	010003
60	0020		STA	LENGTH	0F200A
65	0023		<u>+JSUB</u>	<u>WRREC</u>	<u>4B100000</u>
70	0027		J	@RETADR	3E2000
95	002A	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	002D	LENGTH	RESW	1	
103			LTORG		
	0030	*	=C' EOF'		454F46
105	0033	BUFFER	RESB	4096	
106	1033	BUFEND	EQU	*	
107	1000	<u>MAXLEN</u>	<u>EQU</u>	<u>BUFEND-BUFFER</u>	

## Object Code with Multiple Control Sections

109	<u>0000</u>	RDREC	CSECT	
110		.		
115		.	SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INTO BUFFER	
120		.		
122			EXTREF	BUFFER, LENGTH, BUFEND
125	0000		CLEAR	X B410
130	0002		CLEAR	A B400
132	0004		CLEAR	S B440
133	0006		LDT	MAXLEN 77201F
135	0009	RLOOP	TD	INPUT E3201B
140	000C		JEQ	RLOOP 332FFA
145	000F		RD	INPUT DB2015
150	0012		COMPR	A, S A004
155	0014		JEQ	EXIT 332009
160	0017		<u>+STCH</u>	<u>BUFFER, X 57900000</u>
165	001B		TIXR	T B850
170	001D		JLT	RLOOP 3B2FE9
175	0020	EXIT	<u>+STX</u>	<u>LENGTH 13100000</u>
180	0024		RSUB	4F0000
185	0027	INPUT	BYTE	X'F1' F1
190	0028	MAXLEN	<u>WORD</u>	<u>BUFEND-BUFFER 000000</u>



## Object Code with Multiple Control Sections

193	<u>0000</u>	WRREC	CSECT	
195		.		
200		.	SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER	
205		.		
207			EXTREF	LENGTH, BUFFER
210	0000		CLEAR	X B410
212	0002		+LDT	LENGTH 77100000
215	0006	WLOOP	TD	=X'05' E32012
220	0009		JEQ	WLOOP 332FFA
225	000C		+LDCH	BUFFER, X 53900000
230	0010		WD	=X'05' DF2008
235	0013		TIXR	T B850
240	0015		JLT	WLOOP 3B2FEE
245	0018		RSUB	4F0000
255			END	FIRST
	001B	*	=X'05'	05

# How to Handle Control Sections

- The assembler
  - processes each control section independently
  - establishes a separate LOCCTR (initialized to 0) for each control section
  - stores in SYMTAB the control section in which a symbol is defined
  - allow the same symbol to be used in different control sections
  - reports an error when attempting to refer to a symbol in another control section, unless the symbol is defined as an external reference
  - generates information in the object program for external references

# New Records for External References

Define record: gives information about external symbols named by EXTDEF

Col. 1	D
Col. 2-7	Name of external symbol defined in this control section
Col. 8-13	Relative address of symbol within this control section (hexadecimal)
Col. 14-73	Repeat information in Col. 2-13 for other external symbols

Refer record: lists symbols used as external references, i.e., symbols named by EXTREF

Col. 1	R
Col. 2-7	Name of external symbol referred to in this control section
Col. 8-73	Names of other external reference symbols

# Revised Modification Record

Modification record (revised):

Col. 1	M
Col. 2-7	Starting address of the field to be modified, relative to the beginning of the control section (hexadecimal)
Col. 8-9	Length of the field to be modified, in half-bytes (hexadecimal)
Col. 10	<u>Modification flag (+ or -)</u>
Col. 11-16	<u>External symbol</u> whose value is to be added to or subtracted from the indicated field

# Object Program

COPY

```
HCOPY 000000001033
  ^   ^   ^
DBUFFER000033BUFEND001033LENGTH00002D
  ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^
RRDREC WRREC
  ^   ^
T0000001D1720274B1000000320232900003320074B1000003F2FEC0320160F2016
  ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^
T00001D0D0100030F200A4B1000003E2000
  ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^   ^
T00003003454F46
  ^   ^   ^
M00000405+RDREC
  ^   ^   ^
M00001105+WRREC
  ^   ^   ^
M00002405+WRREC
  ^   ^   ^
E000000
  ^
```

RDREC

HRDREC 00000000002B

RBUFFERLENGTHBUFEND

T0000001DB410B400B44077201FE3201B332FFADB2015A00433200957900000B850

T00001D0E3B2FE9131000004F0000F1000000

M00001805+BUFFER

M00002105+LENGTH

M00002806+BUFEND

M00002806-BUFFER

E

WRREC

HWRREC 00000000001C

RLENGTHBUFFER

T0000001CB41077100000E32012332FFA53900000DF2008B8503B2FEE4F000005

M00000305+LENGTH

M00000D05+BUFFER

E