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Aim : To install and configure TASM using DosBox.

Software required : TASM , DOSBOX

Assembly language programming consist of following steps.

Assembling the program :

The assembler is use to convert the assembly language instruction to machine code it is used immediatly after writing the assembly language program. The assemble start by checking the syntax or validity of the structure of each each instruction in the sources file if any error are found, the assembler display, a report on these error along with brief explanation of their nature. However if the program does contain any error, ~~the assemble~~ produces an object file that has the same name as the original file but with the ".obj" extension



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Linking the program :-

The linker is used to convert object file into an executable file. The executable file is the final set of machine code instructions that can be directly executed by the microprocessor. It is different than the object file in the sense that it is self-contained and re-located. An object file may represent one segment of a long program. This segment cannot operate by itself, and must be integrated with other object files representing the rest of the program, in order to produce that final self-contained executable file.

Executing the program

The executable contains the machine code... it can be loaded in the RAM and executed by the microprocessor simply by typing from the Dos prompt the name of the file followed by the carriage return key (Enter key). If the program produces an output on the screen or sequence of control signals to control a piece of hardware. However, if the program manipulates data in memory.



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nothing would seem to have happened as a result of executing program.

TASM is one of the software used for programming the microprocessor 8086. It is very popular for domestic and commercial use. TASM stands for Turbo assembler. The TASM software package come with `u.exe` file mentioned below.

- ① Edit ② TASM ③ LINK ④ TD

Editor : an editor is a program which allow you to create a file containing the assembly language statement for your program. As you type in your program, the editor store the ASCII codes for all letters and numbers in successive RAM location. when you have typed in all of your program, you have save the file on hard disk. This file is called source file. The next step is to process the source file with an assembler.

ASSEMBLER : an assembler program is use to translate assembly language mnemonics for instruction to the corresponding codes. When you run the assembler it read the source file on your program from com file created using edit command.

Syntax of assembler is `TASM FILENAME.ASM`. The output of assembler is object file contains the binary code for the instruction and information about the address of the instruction.

LINKER : a linker is a program used to link several object file into one long object file and convert to ex file.

DEBUGGER : The debugger allows you to look at the content of register and memory location after you program runs, and return the program. Syntax of debugger is : `TD filename`.



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Following are Directives which should be present in TASM program.

① Model.

possible MODELS are :

TINY : code and data must fit in same 64 k seg. but

SMALL : code and data have separate segment but must each less than 64 k format of our experiments.

MEDIUM : code may be large than 64 k but DATA be less than 64 k.

COMPACT : code is less than 64 k. but be greater than 64 k

LARGE : Both data and code can be greater than 64 k.

② Data : The data is used to separate variable declaration. each group of variable declaration should be preceded by a data directive.

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③ code : The code is used to separate assembly language instruction, each group of assembly language instruction should be preceded by code directive.

Conclusion : Basic command of TASM such as tasm edit, link etc and basic directive such as model, data, code were studied successfully.

Step to install and configure TASM on Ubuntu

ALP programming 8086 using TASM in ubuntu

Installing turbo Assembler

(TASM) in ubuntu : To do assembly language programming we need assembler one of them is Turbo Assembler (TASM). For performing Assembly language programming in Linux with TASM we need to do following.

Step 1 : update the Package and dependencies
open the terminal in Linux (Ctrl + Alt + T) and run the following command.

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(These command are not compulsory, if they not run, sometime that cause installation problem)

- sudo apt - get update
- sudo apt - get install - F

Step 2 : Install DosBox

Dosbox emulates ^{an} intel x86 PC complete with sound graphic, mouse joystick, modem etc necessary for running Assembly language program.

Step 3 : Download The TASM to linux
Download the package for TASM by linking on below link. that automatically ~~download~~ a zip file.

Step 4 : Extract the file and Place it after ~~downloading~~ the file. Create a directory for tasm in your home directory and extract files into the directory.



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Step 5 : Running a ALP program
Creat a ALP program and above and save with extension .asm the program must be save in tasm directory.

Eg. Sum.asm

Step 6 : open DoxBox and manding virtual C Drive :

To open Doxbox type dosbox in terminal and press enter . To mount the virtual C Drive type the following command in DoxBox.

- mount e / home / <username>
- mount e / home / cse
- ~~y : \> e :~~

Step 7 : Navigate To TASM directory using the cd command in Linux navigate to the TASM directory in Dox box

C : > cd TASM

C : / TASM



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Step 8 : Run the program

For running the programming we need to do following.

- tasm filename.asm
- tlink filename
- td filename.exe

C : /TASM 7 tasm add.asm

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Conclusion : So in this way you can install TASM on your system and execute ~~x86~~ code on your machine.

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