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1 Drawing shape using ASCII characters

1.1 Description:

7. Drawing shape using ASCII characters

Given a picture translated to ASCII characters as follows, this is the shapes of DCE with border * and colors are digits.

```
*****
                                       *3333333333333
*2222222222222*
                                       *33333*****
*22222******222222*
                                       *33333*
*22222*
                                       *33333*****
         *22222*
*22222*
            *22222*
                                       *33333333333333
                      **11111*****111* *33333***
*22222*
            *22222*
            *22222* **1111**
*22222*
                                   ** *33333*
                                       *33333*****
           *222222* *1111*
*22222*******222222* *11111*
                                       *3333333333333
*22222222222222
                    *11111*
                     *1111**
                      *1111****
   / 0 0 \
                       **111111***111*
   \ > /
                                       dce.hust.edu.vn
```

- Show this picture in the console window.
- Change the picture so that DCE has only a border without color inside.
- Change the order of DCE to ECD.
- Enter the new color number from the keyboard, update the picture with new colors.

Note: Except the memory used to store the picture in source code, do not use any extra memory space.

Figure 1: Description for exercise 7

This picture and all the changes for this picture will be displayed on terminal screen while executing RISC-V code

1.2 Algorithms

1.2.1 Display the Picture in the Console Window

In the first task, we only need to print the picture as it is, without making any changes. The picture can be represented as 16 continuous strings, each with a size of 60 characters. To achieve this, the algorithm uses a single loop. During each iteration, the program prints the string stored at the address in a0 by calling the system call li a7, 4. After printing, the program updates t0 = t0 + 1 and a0 = a0 + 60, since the base addresses of two consecutive lines are separated by 60 (the size of each line). The loop terminates when t0 = 16.

1.2.2 Modify the Picture to Display Only the Border of DCE

This task requires printing the DCE pattern with only the border visible, removing the inner colored sections. Unlike the first task, we cannot print each line as-is. Instead, we consider the picture as a 16x60 matrix, where each cell stores a character. The algorithm employs a nested loop: the outer loop traverses the rows, and the inner loop traverses the columns of each row. Two registers are used to store the characters '1' and '9', which help in checking whether a character represents a number (indicating color). For each character, if it is less than '1' or greater than '9', the program prints it normally. Otherwise, it replaces the character with a

space ' ' before printing it using system call syscall 11. This process ensures that only the border characters are printed.

1.2.3 Reorder the Picture from DCE to ECD

To solve this task, the focus is on the structure of the picture, specifically the starting and ending indices of each 'D', 'C', and 'E' block, as well as the spaces separating them. The algorithm temporarily replaces the space characters (used as delimiters) with zeros to ensure that when printing a string from the base address, the process stops at the zero character. The program then prints each line in the new order: 'E' (starting at index 43), 'C' (starting at index 23), and 'D' (starting at index 0). Between each block, it prints a space character ',' to separate the words.

1.2.4 Update the Picture with New Colors Based on User Input

This task involves updating the DCE pattern with new colors based on user input. The user is prompted to enter a new color (a number between 0 and 9) for D, C, and E. If the input is out of range, the user is prompted to re-enter the value. The algorithm employs a nested loop: the outer loop traverses the rows, and the inner loop traverses the columns. For each column, if the index is less than 23, it updates the D block; if less than 43, it updates the C block; otherwise, it updates the E block. The user input is converted to its character equivalent by adding '0' before replacing the current character in the range '0' to '9'.

1.3 Code and Explanation

1.3.1 Menu for User Selection

Figure 2: Menu Screen

This code allows the user to select a task by entering a number from 1 to 5. Each number corresponds to a specific task. If the input is invalid (outside the range), the program jumps to the catch_error branch, displays the error_message, and returns to the menu branch.

1.3.2 Display the Original Picture

```
printPicture:
    li t0, 0 # current row index
    li t1, 16 # number of row
    # max_num_in_col = 60
    la a0, line1
loop_for_print_picture:
    beq t0, t1, menu # when t0 = 16, jump back to menu
    li a7, 4
    ecall
    addi a0, a0, 60 #update to the base address of next row
    addi t0, t0, 1 # increment row index to 1 (t0 = t0 + 1)
    j loop_for_print_picture
```

Figure 3: Code for Displaying the Original Picture

This code uses a single loop to print the picture. It prints the string located at the base address a0 and then updates a0 = a0 + 60, as each row is 60 bytes long. The counter t0 is incremented by 1 during each iteration. The loop ends when t0 = 16, after which the program jumps back to the menu branch.

1.3.3 Display the Picture Without Colors

To perform this task, the program uses a nested loop. The outer loop traverses each row, while the inner loop processes each column in the current row. The register t0 stores the current row, and t5 stores the current column. For each character, if it is smaller than '0' or larger than '9', the program directly jumps to printChar, which uses syscall 11 to print the character. Otherwise, it assigns t6 = '' and prints a space instead. The inner loop ends when t5 = 60 (indicating the end of the row), and the outer loop terminates when t0 = 16. The program then jumps back to the menu to await the next user input. Below is the detailed code:

```
J 100P_101_P11110_P100010
printNotColor:
        li t0, 0 # current row index
        li t1, 16 # the last row
        li t2, '0' # the first value of color
        li t3, '9' # last value of color
        li t4, 60 # last column
        # max_num_in_col = 60
        la a1, line1 # the base address
loop for print not color: # the outer loop for row
        beq t0, t1, menu # t0 = 16, back to menu branch
        li t5, 0 # set the column index start by 0
inner_loop_not_color: # inner loop for column
        beq t5, t4, cont loop not color # traverse all column, go to next row
        1b t6, 0(a1) # load current character from address a1 to register t6
        blt t6, t2, printChar # t6 < '0' => not color, print
        bgt t6, t3, printChar # t6 > '9' => not color, print
        li t6, ' ' # change t6 = ' ' and print replaced for color
printChar:
        li a7, 11
        mv a0, t6
        ecall
        addi t5, t5, 1 # increment column index by 1
        addi a1, a1, 1 # increment address by 1
        j inner_loop_not_color
cont_loop_not_color:
        addi t0, t0, 1 # increment row index by 1
```

Figure 4: Code for Printing Only the Border

1.3.4 Reorder the Picture from DCE to ECD

This task involves rearranging the order of the letters D, C, and E in the picture so that they appear as ECD. To achieve this, we first analyze the structure of the picture:

The 'D' block spans columns 0 to 21. The 'C' block spans columns 23 to 41. The 'E' block spans columns 43 to the end. The solution divides each line of the picture into three parts corresponding to these blocks. To handle the reordering efficiently, the program temporarily replaces the space characters (located at columns 22, 42, and 58) with zeros. This ensures that system call syscall 4, which prints strings, stops at these positions (interpreted as null terminators).

The algorithm proceeds as follows:

For each line, the program prints the sections in the new order: The 'E' block, starting at a1 + 43. The 'C' block, starting at a1 + 22. The 'D' block, starting at a1. Between each block, a space character (' ') is printed for separation. After printing all three parts of a line, the program restores the original characters (spaces) at the positions temporarily replaced with zeros. The loop then updates the indices: t0 = t0 + 1 (to move to the next row). a1 = a1 + 60 (to move the base address to the next line). This process continues until all 16 rows of the picture are processed. The picture is then displayed in the desired ECD order. Below is the detailed code for this task.

```
changeOrder: # DCE to ECD
# E: 43
# C: 23
# D: 0
        li t0, 0
        li t1, 16
la a1, line1
loop_for_changeOrder:
        beq t0, t1, menu
        sb zero 22(a1) # replace space between D and C by \0
        sb zero 42(a1) # replace Space between C and E by \0
        sb zero 58(al) # replace '\n' by \0
        # print E
        li a7, 4
        addi a0, a1, 43 # E start from base address + 43
        ecall
        #print space
        li a7, 11
        li a0, ' '
        ecall
        # print C
        li a7, 4
        addi a0, a1, 23 # E start from base address + 23
        ecall
        #print space
        li a7, 11
        li a0, ' '
        ecall
        # print D
        li a7, 4
        addi a0, a1, 0 # D start from base address
        ecall
        li a7, 11
        li aO, '\n' # change to next line after print D
        ecall
        li t3, ' '
        sb t3, 22(a1) # change back to ' '
        sb t3, 42(a1) # change back to ' '
        li t3, '\n'
        sb t3, 58(a1)
        addi t0, t0, 1
        addi a1, a1, 60 # update to base address of next line
        j loop_for_changeOrder
```

Figure 5: Code for change from DCE to ECD

1.3.5 Enter the color number from keyboard and update this

As performing 3 first tasks, we know that The 'D' block spans columns 0 to 21. The 'C' block spans columns 23 to 41. The 'E' block spans columns 43 to the end. Then to solve it, we only need to perform a nested loop. The outer loop traverses row and inner loop traverses its columns. Then based on the current column position (specifying which words) and the character (is number or not) to performing replaced by the new number be entered by user for each word. After changed, it will jump to printPicture branch to print a new picture after updated. The updated one will completely replaced the original one by using this method. Code for input new color:

```
changeColor:
        li a5, 9 # upper bound for input
input d:
        li a7, 4
        la a0, input d color
        ecall
        li a7, 5 # syscall to input a number
        ecall
        bltz a0, input_d # input < 0, back to input again</pre>
        bgt a0, a5, input d # input > 9, back to input again
        addi t0, a0, '0' # get the char of value # char = num + '0' new color for d
input_c:
        li a7, 4
        la a0, input c color
        ecall
        li a7, 5
        ecall
        bltz a0, input c
        bgt a0, a5, input_c
        addi t1, a0, '0' # get the char of value, new color for c
input_e:
        li a7, 4
        la a0, input_e_color
        ecall
        li a7, 5
        ecal1
        bltz a0, input e
        bgt a0, a5, input_e
        addi t2, a0, '0' # get the char of value, new color for e
```

Figure 6: Code for input new color

This code allows user to input new color for each word. If user input out of range from 0 to 9, then it will back to the branch that you perform invalid input. Then, valid input will be converted to character by performing adding with '0'.

Code for performing change color

```
solve_change_color:
         li t3, 0 # index i
         li t4, 16
         la al, line1 # base address of the image
         li t6, 60
         li a2, 23 # start of C
         li a3, 43 # start of E
         li a4, '1'
li a5, '9'
loop_for_change_color: # outer loop for row traversal
         beq t3, t4, printPicture
         li t5, 0 # j index
inner_loop_to_change_color: # inner loop for column traversal
         beq t5, t6, cont_loop_change_color # if traverse all column, go to next row
         blt t5, a2, update D # from 0- 22, belong to 'D'
         blt t5, a3, update_C # from 23 - 42, belong to 'C'
        j update_E
update_D:
         lb s1, 0(a1) # load character at a1 to s1
         blt s1, a4, cont_inner_loop_change_color # s1 < '1', not color, traverse next column bgt s1, a5, cont_inner_loop_change_color # s1 > '9', not color, traverse next column
         sb t0, 0(a1) # else, update the color by new color
         j cont_inner_loop_change_color
update_C:
         lb s1, 0(a1)
         blt s1, a4, cont_inner_loop_change_color
         bgt s1, a5, cont_inner_loop_change_color
         sb t1, 0(a1)
         j cont_inner_loop_change_color
update E:
         lb s1, 0(a1)
         blt s1, a4, cont_inner_loop_change_color
         bgt s1, a5, cont_inner_loop_change_color
         sb t2, 0(a1)
cont_inner_loop_change_color:
         addi t5, t5, 1 #update col index by 1
         addi al, al, 1 # update address
         j inner loop to change color # inner loop
cont_loop_change_color:
         addi t3, t3, 1 # update row column
         j loop_for_change_color
```

Figure 7: Solve update color

This code will perform nested loop for each row. In each row, it checks each column. If column index that less than a2, then it belongs to 'D', it will jump to update_D. else if less than a3, then belongs to 'C', else, jump to update E.

In update function, it will check the character at this address. If it is not a number, then jump directly to cont_inner_loop_change_color, which will update column index and current address of picture, else, it will be replaced by the new character, which is stored at t0 ('D'), t1('C') and t2 ('E').

1.4 Demo

1.4.1 For menu

----MENU----

```
1. Show picture.
2. Show picture with only border.
3. Change the order.
4. Enter new color number and update.
5. Exit.
Enter your choice: 0
Input must be a integer from 1 to 5
----MENU----
1. Show picture.
2. Show picture with only border.
3. Change the order.
4. Enter new color number and update.
5. Exit.
Enter your choice: 7
[nput must be a integer from 1 to 5
----MENU----
1. Show picture.
2. Show picture with only border.
3. Change the order.
4. Enter new color number and update.
5. Exit.
Enter your choice:
```

Figure 8: Menu Demo

1.4.2 For display original picture

```
----MENU----
1. Show picture.
2. Show picture with only border.
3. Change the order.
4. Enter new color number and update.
5. Exit.
Enter your choice: 1
                                     ****
*****
                                    *3333333333333
*2222222222222
                                    *33333******
*22222******22222
                                    *33333*
                                    *33333*****
*22222* *22222*
          *22222* ******** *3333333333333
*22222*
*22222*
           *22222* **11111*****111* *33333******
           *22222* **1111** ** *33333*
*22222*
                                   *33333*****
          *222222* *1111*
*22222*******222222* *11111*
                                   *3333333333333
                                    *****
*2222222222222
                 *11111*
*****
                  *11111*
    ---
                   *1111**
                   *1111**** *****
   / 0 0 \
  \ > /
                    **111111***111*
                       ******* dce.hust.edu.vn
----MENU----
1. Show picture.
2. Show picture with only border.
3. Change the order.
4. Enter new color number and update.
5. Exit.
Enter your choice:
```

Figure 9: Display Original Demo

1.4.3 For display border picture

Figure 10: Display Border Picture Demo

1.4.4 For ECD picture

```
----MENU----
1. Show picture.
2. Show picture with only border.
3. Change the order.
4. Enter new color number and update.
5. Exit.
Enter your choice: 3
*****
*333333333333
                          *****
*33333******
                           *2222222222222*
*33333*
                          *22222******222222*
                           *22222* *22222*
*33333******
             ******* *22222*
*333333333333
                                     *22222*
*22222*
           *33333*
                                     *22222*
*33333****** *1111*
                          *22222*
                                    *222222*
*333333333333* *11111*
                          *22222*******222222*
********* *11111*
                          *22222222222222*
                          *****
           *111111*
            *1111**
             *1111**** *****
                             / 0 0 \
                             \ > /
              **111111***111*
              *****
dce.hust.edu.vn
```

Figure 11: Display Border Picture Demo

1.4.5 For Update New Color

```
---MENU----
1. Show picture.
2. Show picture with only border.
3. Change the order.
4. Enter new color number and update.
 5. Exit.
Enter your choice: 4
Enter color for D (integer from 0-9):10
Enter color for D (integer from 0-9):-1
Enter color for D (integer from 0-9):4
Enter color for C (integer from 0-9):10
Enter color for C (integer from 0-9):-1
Enter color for C (integer from 0-9):5
Enter color for E (integer from 0-9):10
Enter color for E (integer from 0-9):-1
Enter color for E (integer from 0-9):6
```

Figure 12: Update Input Demo

```
****
* * * * * * * * * * * * * *
                                  *666666666666*
                                  *66666*****
*4444444444444
*44444*****444444
                                  *66666*
                                  *66666*****
*44444*
        *44444*
                    *****
*44444*
           *44444*
                                  *666666666666*
           *44444* **55555*****555* *66666****
*44444*
*44444*
           *44444* **5555**
                           ** *66666*
*44444* *5555*
                                  *66666*****
*44444******444444* *55555*
                                 *666666666666
                                  *****
                *55555*
*4444444444444
****
                 *55555*
    ___
                  *5555**
                  *5555**** *****
   / 0 0 \
   \ > /
                   **555555***555*
                     ******* dce.hust.edu.vn
```

Figure 13: Update Result Demo

1.4.6 Exit

----MENU----

- 1. Show picture.
- 2. Show picture with only border.
- 3. Change the order.
- 4. Enter new color number and update.
- 5. Exit.

Enter your choice: 5

-- program is finished running (0) --

Figure 14: Exit

2 Digital Clock

2.1 Description

17. Digital clock

Show the current time on both 7-segment LEDS.

- + Press a key on the key matrix to change the display mode:
 - Key 1: Display the current hour
 - Key 2: Display the current minute
 - Key 3: Display the current second
 - Key 4: Display the current date
 - Key 5: Display the current month
 - Key 6: Display the last two digits of the current year
- + Use timer to update time and LEDS
- + Play a sound for each minute (when the second value is 0)
- + Guide: Research about the system call to get the current time and play sound.

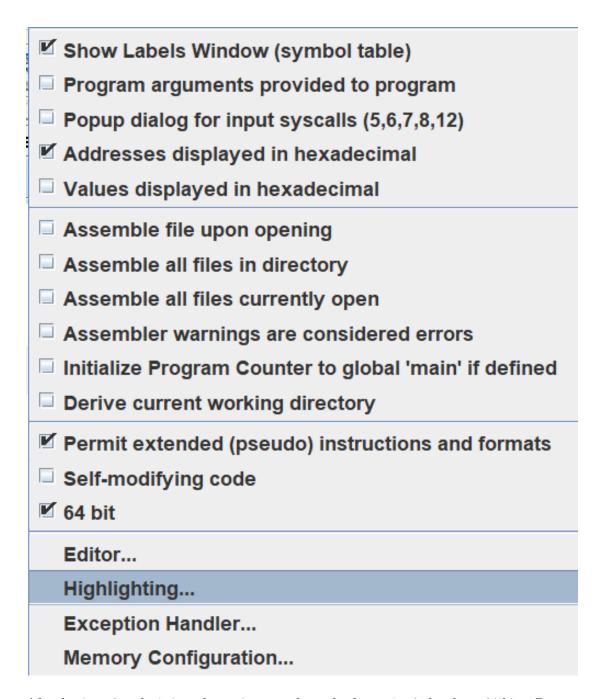
2.2 Algorithms

2.2.1 Display the current time using LEDs

In the first task, we need to display the current time with the LEDs. To start with, we need to get the current time by using syscall 30.

Time 30 Get the current time (milliseconds since 1 January 1970)	N/A	a0 = low order 32 bits a1=high order 32 bits	
--	-----	---	--

We have 32 first bits are stored in a0 and 32 higher bits are stored in a1. So we need 64 bits to solve this problem. So to make sure that the code can run correctly, please turn on the 64 bits in setting.



After having a0 and a1, i need a register can have the form a1, a0 that have 64 bits. But when we turn on 64 bits, in a1 32 first bits are the data we need but the 32 higher bits are randomized. So we need to clear that!. We clear the 32 higher bits in a0 also. Then we can combine by using operation "OR".

After getting the time in register t1 for example. t1 will store the miliseconds from 1/1/1970 till now. So our task starts, we need to calculate the current year first. And the easiest way to do that is using a loop from 1970 till now, make sure handling the leap year and normal year, and minus the miliseconds in one year after each loop. After getting the current year, we will get the milisecond in this year!. So the next step is calculating the month. In calculating the month we need to make sure some exceptions like 31 days, 30 days, 29 days, 28 days. After that is calculating the current date, hour and seconds. It is much easier a work! To get the current date, we just need to divide by the miliseconds in one day and we get the current date, the same

with hour and second.

One more thing need to be done in this section is GMT + 7. We all know that Vietname has GMT + 7 but the time in 1/1/1970 starts at GMT + 0, so we need to add 7 hours into register t1 at first

Our task nearly completed now. Next step is to display it in the LEDs, we just write a function named "displayLED" with the above requirement.

2.2.2 Update the time by using Timer Tool

One more step in this is getting the time of the Timer Tool for updating the time. We just need to get the time and add it into a register t1 before a new loop

2.2.3 Play a sound when the seconds reach 0

For playing a sound, we can use system call 31 to get the sound

2.3 Code and explanation

2.3.1 Get the current time

```
# Get the current time in milliseconds
 li a7, 30
                        # System call number for getting the time (milliseconds)
 ecall
                        # Make the system call
 mv t0, a0
                        # Lower 32 bits of the time
 mv t1, a1
                        # Higher 32 bits of the time
 # Combine lower and higher parts into a single 64-bit value
                  # Shift the higher 32 bits left by 32 positions
 slli t1, t1, 32
 slli t0, t0, 32
 srli t0, t0, 32
 or t1, t1, t0
                       # Combine with the lower 32 bits (bitwise OR)
 li a7, 36
 mv a0, t0
 ecall
```

To clear the higher 32 bits in a0, a1 we need to use "slli t1, t1, 32", that will make the lower 32 bits to become higher 32 bits, for a0 we need to become the lower 32 bits again so "srli a0, a0, 32" is needed then we combine 2 register by using "or t1, t1, a0" this will be the miliseconds from 1/1/1970 till now.

```
# tl will store the value of the miliseconds from 1970 till this current year
li s11, 31536000000  # number of miliseconds of 365 days
li s9, 3600000
                   # solve for GMT + 7
li s8, 7
                 # this have to store the current year
li t2, 1970
li t3, 0
                  # this store the number of seconds in this current year
                    # temp to get the leap year
mul s9, s8, s9
add t1, t1, s9
calculate year loop:
     rem s9, t2, t4
     bne s9, zero, next_year_loop # if this is not leap go to next_year_loop
     add t3, t3, s10
                             # else add one day
     next_year_loop:
          add t3, t3, s11
          bgt t3, t1, end year loop
          addi t2, t2, 1
          j calculate year loop
end year loop:
# After running the loop, t2 will get the current year
```

The next step is to calculate the current year. In the calculate year loop, we need to compare the current miliseconds with the miliseconds in a year. If the current miliseconds is less than miliseconds in a year, break the loop and we get the current year.

The next thing to calculate is current month. We need to handle exception.

```
# number of miliseconds in 31 days
li s9, 2678400000
li s8, 2592000000
                       # number of miliseconds in 30 days
                    # number of miliseconds in 30 days
# number of miliseconds in 29 days
# number of miliseconds in 28 days
# a2 = 0 means leap year, normal year
li s7, 2505600000
li s6, 2419200000
rem a2, t2, t4
                       # a2 = 0 means leap year, normal year otherwise
li a4, 1
                         # let's chosse t4 as the current month
calculate month loop:
      # month 1 31 days
      ble t1, s9, end month loop
      sub t1, t1, s9
      addi a4, a4, 1
      # month 2 28 - 29 days
      beq a4, zero, next calculate month
      ble t1, s7, end month loop
      sub t1, t1, s7
      addi a4, a4, 1
      j next month 1
      next calculate month:
            ble t1, s6, end_month_loop
            sub t1, t1, s6
            addi a4, a4, 1
      next_month_1:
      # month 3 - 31 days
      ble t1, s9, end month loop
      sub t1, t1, s9
      addi a4, a4, 1
      # month 4 - 30 days
      ble t1, s8, end month loop
```

We need to get miliseconds in months has 31 days, 30 days, 29 days, 28 days, and do pretty the same with the calculate year loop.

The next is getting the date, hour, seconds.

```
li s10, 3600000  # s10 now store the number of seconds in 1 hour div a5, t1, s10  # a5 stores the current hour

mul s11, a5, s10  sub t1, t1, s11  # update t1

li s10, 60000  div a6, t1, s10  # a6 stores the current minute

mul s11, a6, s10  sub t1, t1, s11

li s10, 1000  div a1, t1, s10
```

2.3.2 Display in the LED

First, we need to handle the key input from 1 to 6

```
li s7, 0x00000021
bne a0, s7, cont1
###### this will solve the key 1 (current hour) ########
li s0, 10
rem s1, a5, s0 # the first number of hour
div s2, a5, s0 # the second number of hour
# after this operations, the form we can get is s2 : s1 (s2 left LED and s1 RIGHT LED)
jal display LED
j loop
cont1:
###### this will solve the key 2 (current minute)######
li s7, 0x00000041
bne a0, s7, cont2
li s0, 10
rem s1, a6, s0
div s2, a6, s0
jal display_LED
j loop
cont2:
```

We just check each button and go to the display LED when each button from 1 to 6 is clicked.

In the display LED, we have 2 part: the left digit and right digit.

2.3.3 Updating time using Timer Tool

```
loop: # this loop will update the time using timer tool
li t1, 0
li t2, 0
li t0, TIMER_NOW
lw t3, 0(t0)
add s9, s8, t3
```

We just need to get the time in the timer tool and add to the s9 (current miliseconds) before going to the new loop. TIMER NOW is 0xFFFF0018 (Memory-mapped register for the current timer value)

2.3.4 Play a sound

```
loop: # this loop will update the time using timer tool
li t1, 0
li t2, 0
li t0, TIMER_NOW
lw t3, 0(t0)
add s9, s8, t3
```

To play a sound, we need to use syscall 31, we just compare the seconds, if the new seconds is smaller the the previous seconds, we display a sound!

2.4 Demo

2.4.1 For year displaying

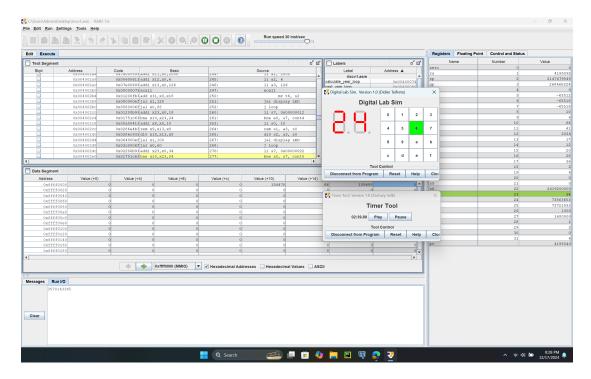


Figure 15: Displaying 2 last number of current year

2.4.2 For month displaying

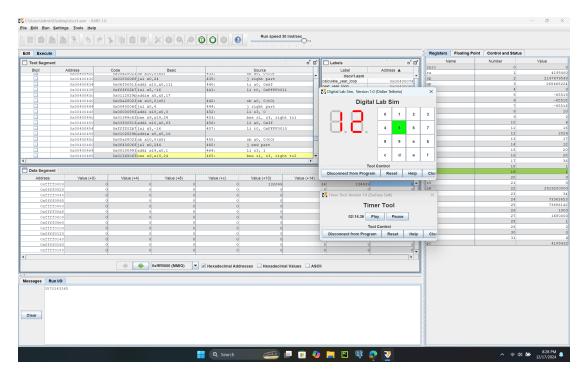


Figure 16: Displaying current month

2.4.3 For date displaying

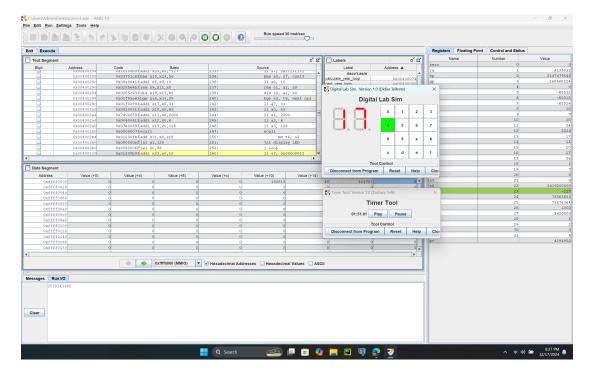


Figure 17: Displaying current date

2.4.4 For hour displaying

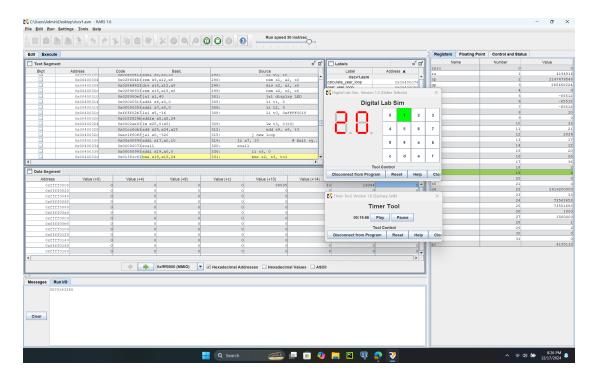


Figure 18: Displaying current hour

2.4.5 For minute displaying

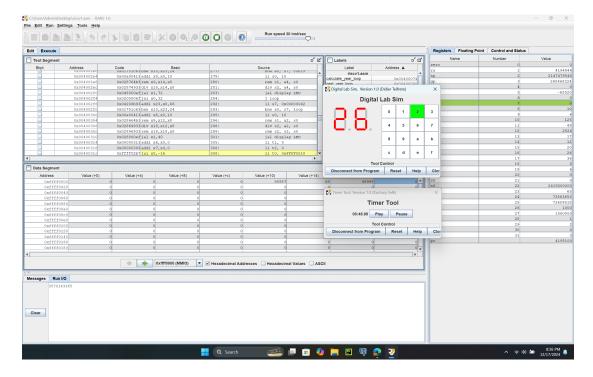


Figure 19: Displaying current minute

2.4.6 For second displaying

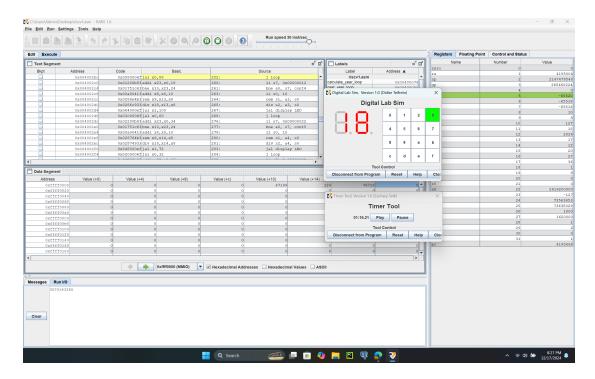


Figure 20: Displaying current second