
SIC – XE

ASSEMBLER

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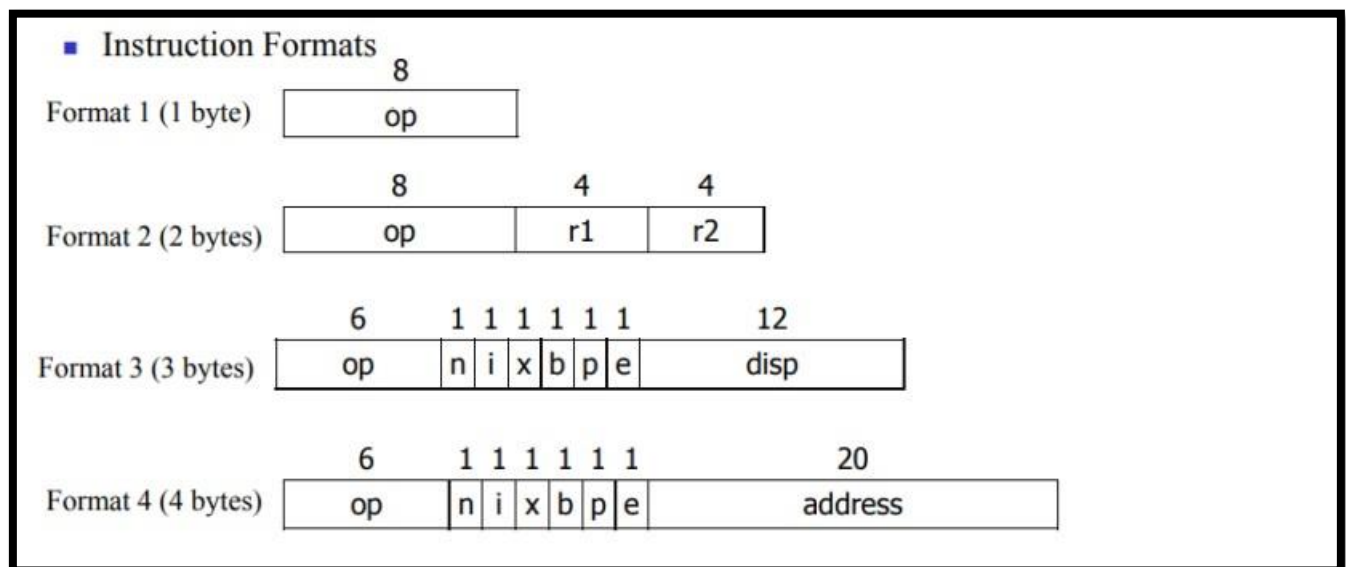
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- SIC/XE stands for Simplified Instructional Computer Extra Equipment or Extra Expensive . This computer is an advance version of SIC . Both SIC and SIC/XE are closely related to each other that's why are upward compatible .
- **Memory** : Memory consists of 8 bit-bytes and the memory size is 1 megabytes (2^{20} bytes). Standard SIC memory size is very small. This change in the memory size leads to change in the instruction formats as well as addressing modes. 3 consecutive bytes form a word (24 bits) in SIC/XE architecture. All address are byte addresses and words are addressed by the location of their lowest numbered byte.
- **Registers** : It contains 9 registers (5 SIC + 4 Additional Register) . Four additional registers are :
 1. B : base register
 2. S : General working register
 3. T : General working register
 4. F : Floating point Accumulator

- **Data Formats** : Integers are represented by binary numbers . Characters are represented using ASCII codes . Floating points are represented using 48 bits .
- **Instruction Formats** : In SIC/XE architecture there are 4 types of formats available. The Bit(e) is used to distinguish between Formats 3 and 4 . e = 0 means Format 3 and e = 1 means Format 4 .



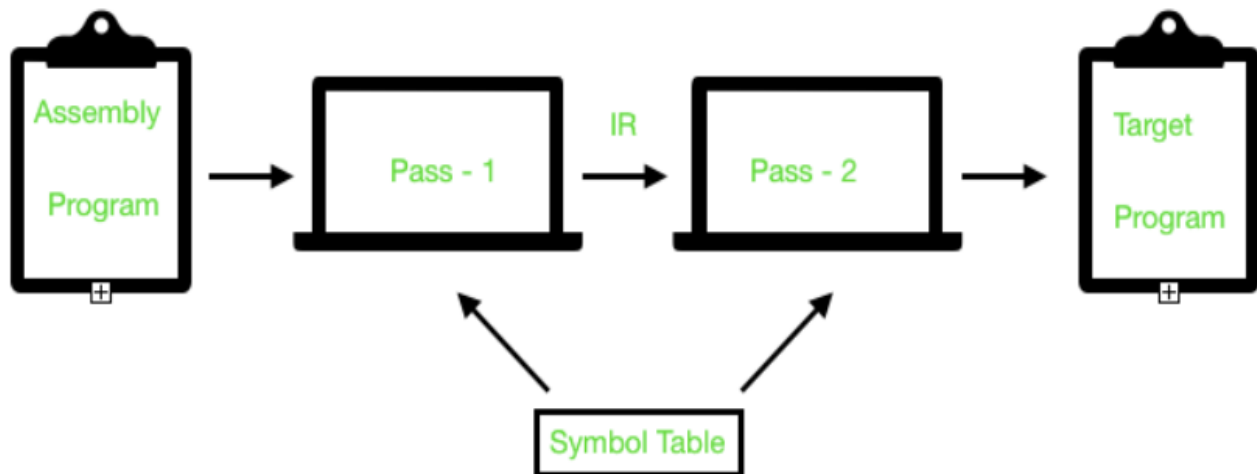
Addressing modes

- Base relative (n=1, i=1, b=1, p=0)
- Program-counter relative (n=1, i=1, b=0, p=1)
- Direct (n=1, i=1, b=0, p=0)
- Immediate (n=0, i=1, x=0)
- Indirect (n=1, i=0, x=0)
- Indexing (both n & i = 0 or 1, x=1)
- Extended (e=1 for format 4, e=0 for format 3)

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- This Assembler also includes Machine – Independent Assembler Features.
 1. Literals
 2. Symbol Defining Statements
 3. Expressions
 4. Program Blocks
 - The Assembler is implemented our assembler using C++ programming language.
 - The Assembler uses C++ library fstream to read input from a file and write output on another file.
 - The Assembler includes a shell script to compile the .cpp files.

Assembler

- Assembler is a program for converting instructions written in low-level assembly code into relocatable machine code and generating along information for the loader.
- It generates instructions by evaluating the mnemonics in operation field and find the value of symbol and literals to produce machine code .
- **Pass 1 :**
 1. Define symbols and literals and remember them in symbol table and literal table respectively.
 2. Keep track of location counter .
 3. Process pseudo – operations .
- **Pass 2 :**
 1. Generate object code by converting symbolic op code into respective numeric op-code.
 2. Generate data for literals and look for values of symbols .



Assembler : Design

- ***tables.cpp*** : It contains all the data structures required for our assembler to run . It contains the structs for labels , opcode , literal , blocks. Maps are defined for various tables with their indices as strings with the names of labels or opcodes as required .
- ***utility.cpp*** : It contains useful functions that will be required by other files .
 1. *convert_int_to_string_hexadecimal ()* : converts the input number into a string which is the hexadecimal representation of that number .
 2. *convert_string_hex_to_int()* : Converts the hexadecimal string to integer and returns the integer value of that hexadecimal number.
 3. *convert_string_to_hexadecimal_string()* : Takes in string as input and then converts the string into its hexadecimal equivalent and then returns the equivalent as string .
 4. *expandString()* : To transform the input string to the given size . It takes string to be expanded as parameter and length of output string and character to be inserted in order to expand the string.
 5. *If_all_num()* : Checks if the given input string has all the elements digits only !
 6. *REAL_OPCODE()* : for opcode of format 4 , it returns the opcode leaving the first flag bit.
 7. *FLAG_FORMAT()* : If there is a flag bit in the string then return true otherwise returns null string .

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8. *Check_comment_line()* : Checks the comment by looking at the first character of the input string , and then accordingly returns true if comment or else false
 9. *read_first_non_white_space()* : Iterates until it gets the first non-spaced character in the input string .
 10. *check_white_space()* : if blanks are present , return true else false ;
 11. *Class AkshatEvaluateString* contains the functions *peek()* , *get()* and *number()*;

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- **pass1.cpp** : We update the error file and the intermediate file using source file, If we are unable to find the source file or else if the intermediate file doesn't open , we write the corresponding error in the error file otherwise we print it to console. We declare many variables that will be required later . Then the assembler will take the first line as input and check if it is a comment line or not . Till the lines are comment , the assembler print them to the intermediate file and accordingly update the line number . Once the line is not comment we check if the opcode is START , if yes we update the line number , LOCCTR and start address if not found , we initialize start address and LOCCTR as 0 . Inside the inner loop, we check if line is a comment. If comment, we print it to our intermediate file, update line number and take in the next input line. If not a comment, we check if there is a label in the line, if present we check if it is present in the SYMTAB, if found we print error saying 'Duplicate symbol' in the error file or else assign name, address and other required values to the symbol and store it in the SYMTAB.

Then we verify if the opcodes are present in OPTAB or not , if present we find its other details and accordingly increment LOCCTR . If not found in OPTAB , we check it with other opcodes like WORD,BYTE,RESB etc . For opcodes like USE , we insert a new BLOCK entry in the BLOCK map as defined in utility.cpp file . For LORG , we call a function in pass1.cpp . For 'ORG', we point out LOCCTR to the operand value given, for EQU , we check if whether the operand is an expression then we check whether the expression is valid by using the manipulateExpression() function, if valid we enter the symbols in the SYMTAB. And if the opcode doesn't match with the above given opcodes, we print an error message in the error file.

Accordingly , we then update our data which is to be written in the intermediate file. After the loop ends , we store the program length and then go on for printing the SYMTAB , LTTAB and other tables if present .

to_handle_the_LTORG() : This function uses pass by reference . Assembler print the literal pool present till time by taking the arg from pass1 function . Assembler runs an iterator to print all the literals present in LITTAB and then update the line number . If for some reason / some literal we did not find the address , we store the present address in LITTAB and then increment the LOCCTR on basis of literal present .

Manipulate_EXPRESSION() : In this function , we use a while loop to get the symbols from the expression , If the symbol is not found in SYMTAB , we keep the error message in error file . We use a variable paircount which keeps the account of whether the expression is absolute or relative and if the paircount gives some unexpected value , we print error message .

- **pass2.cpp** : Assembler takes in the intermediate file as input and generate the intermediate file and the object program . Similar to pass1 , if the Assembler is unable to open the file, it will print an error message in error file. We then read the first line of the intermediate file. Until the lines are comments, we take them as input and print them to our intermediate file and update our line number. If we get opcode as 'START', we initialize our start address as the LOCCTR, and write the line into the listing file. Then we check that whether the number of sections in our intermediate file was greater than one, if so, then we update our program length as the length of the first control section or else we keep the program length unchanged. For writing the end record we have function . For instructions with immediate addressing , we will write the modification record.

function_for_reading_till_TAB() : takes in the string as input and reads the string until tab('\t') occurs.

function_for_reading_the_intermediate_file() : Takes in location counter, opcode , operand , label . If the line is comment returns true and takes in the next input line .

Assembler : Data Structures

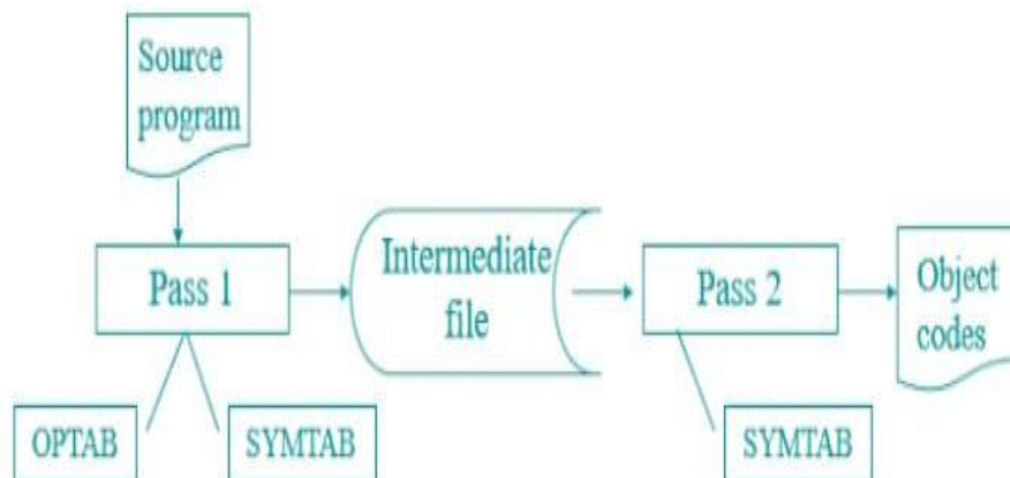
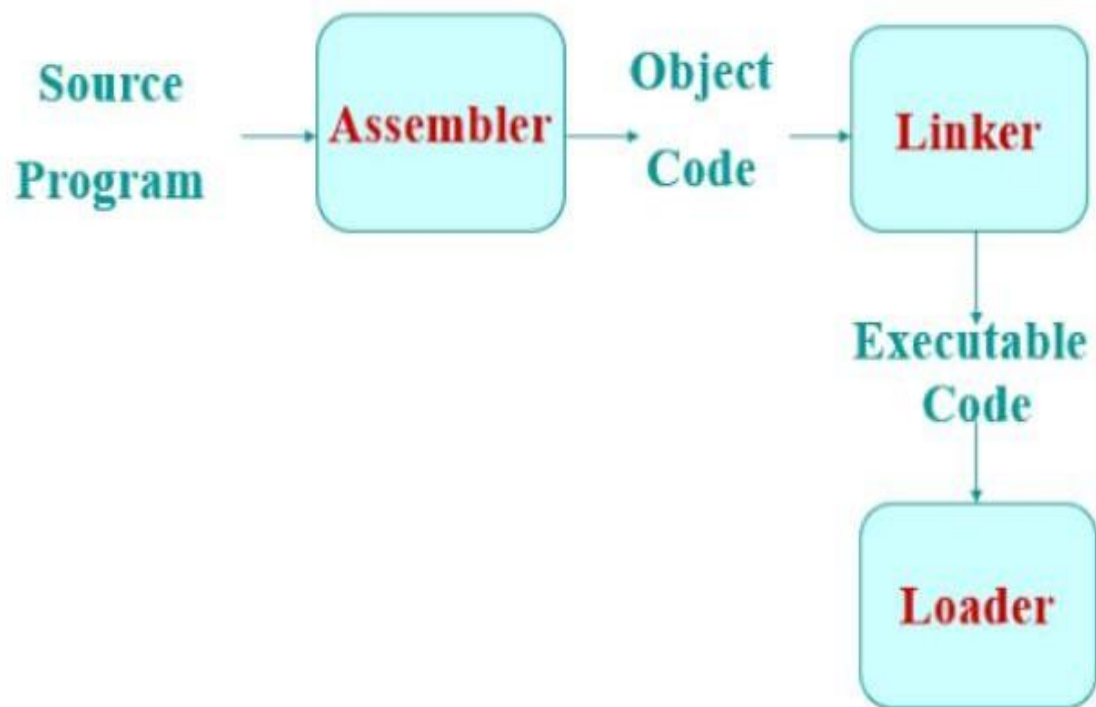
BLOCKS : Contains information of blocks(name , start address , block number , location counter , character representing whether the block exists or not) .

REGTAB : Contains information of the registers like its numeric equivalent , character representing , whether such register exists or not .

LITTAB : Contains information of literals like its value , address , block number , a character representing whether the literal exists in literal table or not .

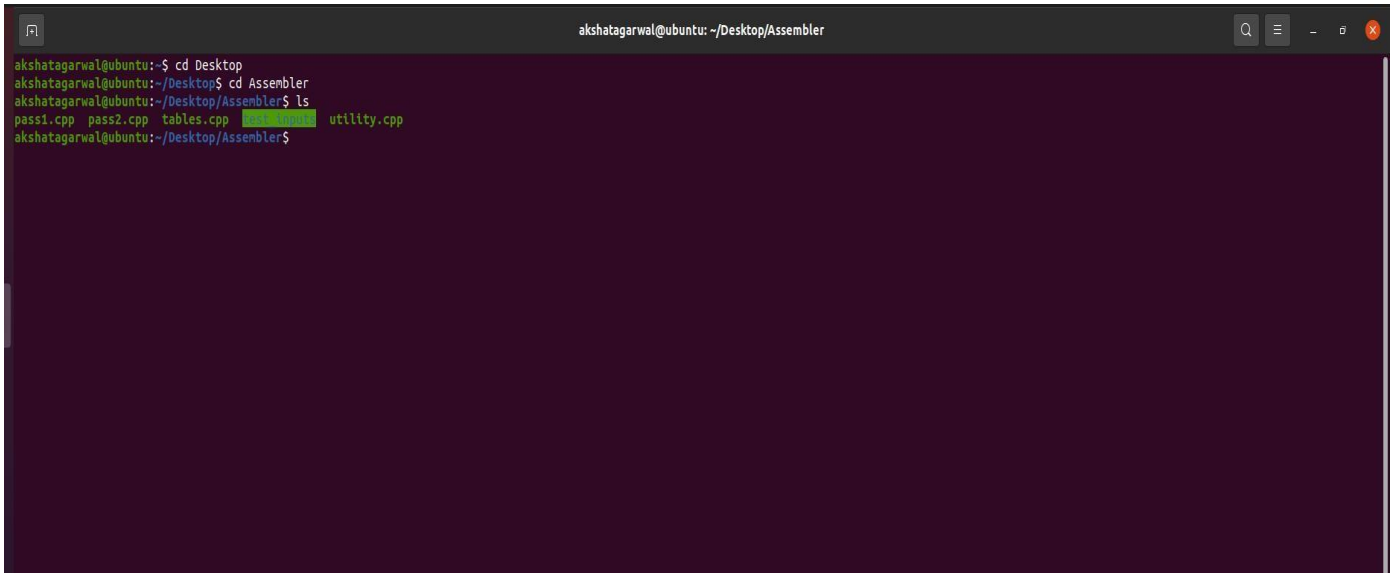
SYMTAB : Contains information of labels like , name , address , block number , character representing whether the label exists in the symbol table or not , an integer representing whether label is relative or not .

OPTAB : Contains information of opcode like name , format , a character representing whether the opcode is valid or not .



Steps to *COMPILE* and *EXECUTE* the *ASSEMBLER*

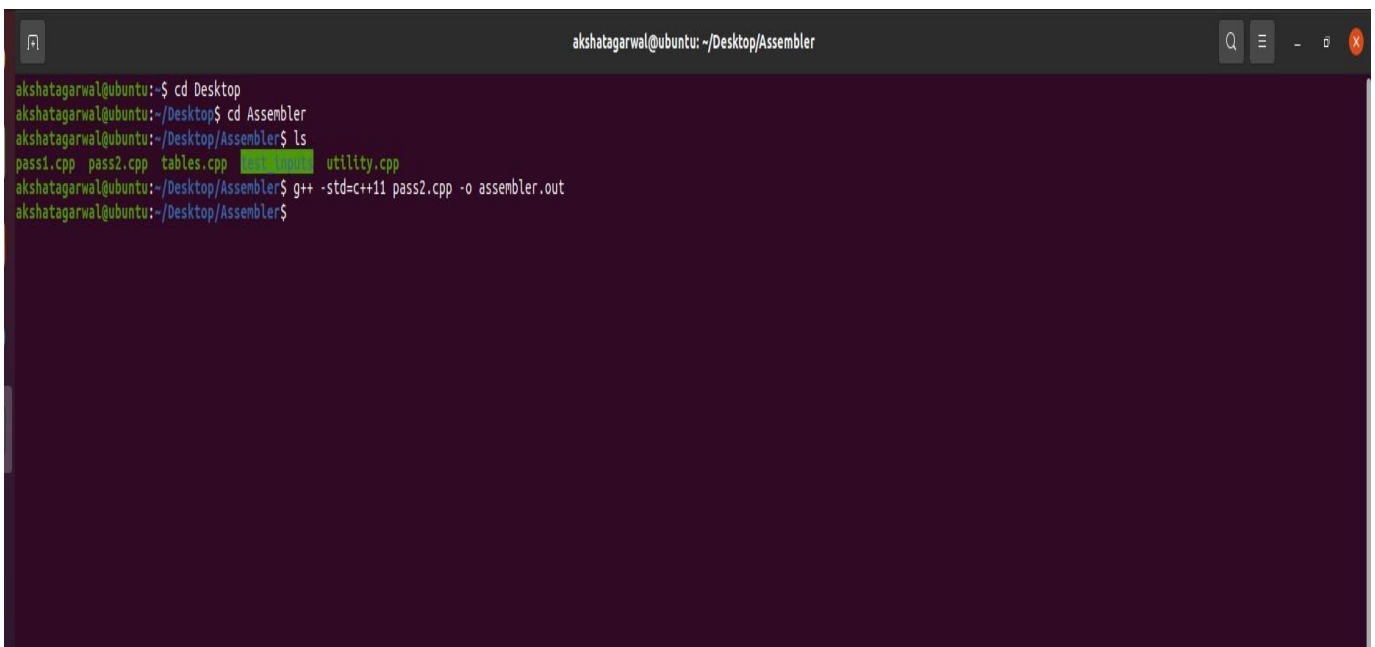
Step1 : Open the terminal and open the folder in which you have stored all the files of the assembler.

A terminal window titled 'akshatarawal@ubuntu: ~/Desktop/Assembler'. The user navigates from the Desktop to the Assembler directory and lists the files. The files listed are pass1.cpp, pass2.cpp, tables.cpp, test.cpp, and utility.cpp. The 'test.cpp' file is highlighted in green.

```
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~$ cd Desktop
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~/Desktop$ cd Assembler
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ ls
pass1.cpp  pass2.cpp  tables.cpp  test.cpp    utility.cpp
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$
```

Step2 : Run the command :

g++ -std=c++11 pass2.cpp -o assembler.out

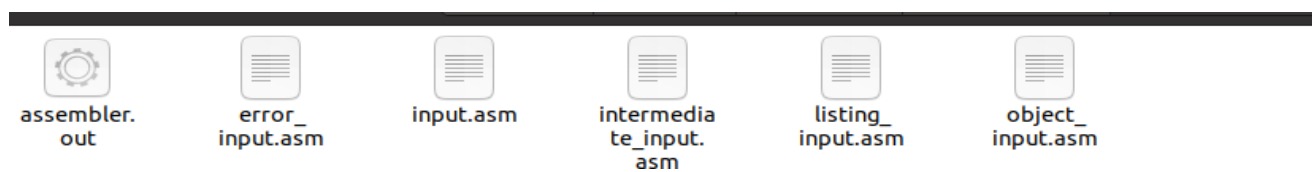
A terminal window titled 'akshatarawal@ubuntu: ~/Desktop/Assembler'. The user repeats the directory navigation steps and then runs the g++ compilation command. The command is highlighted in green.

```
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~$ cd Desktop
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~/Desktop$ cd Assembler
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ ls
pass1.cpp  pass2.cpp  tables.cpp  test.cpp    utility.cpp
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ g++ -std=c++11 pass2.cpp -o assembler.out
akshatarawal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$
```

Step3 : After the Step2 , a file named **assembler.out** will be created in the folder. Copy the file and paste it in the **test_inputs** folder .



Pasted the file in test_inputs.



Step4 : Now open the folder `test_inputs` in the terminal and run a command :

`./assembler.out`

```
akshatarwal@ubuntu: ~/Desktop/Assembler/test_inputs
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~$ cd Desktop
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop$ cd Assembler
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ ls
pass1.cpp pass2.cpp tables.cpp test_inputs utility.cpp
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ g++ -std=c++11 pass2.cpp -o assembler.out
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ cd test_inputs
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler/test_inputs$ ls
assembler.out error_input.asm input.asm intermediate_input.asm listing_input.asm object_input.asm
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler/test_inputs$ ./assembler.out
Input file and Executable(assembler.out) should be in same folder

Enter name of the input file:
```

Step5 : Now copy the program, you want to run on the assembler and paste in into the file `input.asm` in folder `test_inputs` .

```
Input.asm
1 COPY          START          0
2 FIRST         STL            RETADR
3 CLOOP         JSUB           RDREC
4              LDA             LENGTH
5              COMP            #0
6              JEQ             ENDFIL
7              JSUB           WRREC
8              J              CLOOP
9 ENDFIL        LDA            =C'EOF'
10             STA            BUFFER
11             LDA            #3
12             STA            LENGTH
13             JSUB           WRREC
14             J              @RETADR
15             USE CDATA
16 RETADR        RESW           1
17 LENGTH       RESW           1
18             USE CBLKS
19 BUFFER        RESB          4096
20 BUFFEND      EQU            *
21 MAXLEN        EQU            BUFFEND-BUFFER
22 .
23 .             SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INFO BUFFER
24 .
25             USE
26 RDREC         CLEAR          X
27             CLEAR           A
28             CLEAR           S
29             +LDT            #MAXLEN
30 RLOOP         TD             INPUT
31             JEQ             RLOOP
32             RD              INPUT
33             COMPR           A,S
34             JEQ             EXIT
35             STCH            BUFFER,X
36             TIXR            T
37             JLT             RLOOP
38 EXIT          STX            LENGTH
39             RSUB
40             USE CDATA
41 INPUT         BYTE           X'F1'
42 .
43 .             SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER
44 .
45             USE
```

Step6 : Now type **input.asm** in the terminal in front of : “Enter name of the input file” and press ENTER .

```
akshatarwal@ubuntu: ~/Desktop/Assembler/test_inputs
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~$ cd Desktop
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop$ cd Assembler
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ ls
pass1.cpp pass2.cpp tables.cpp input.asm utility.cpp
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ g++ -std=c++11 pass2.cpp -o assembler.out
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler$ cd test_inputs
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler/test_inputs$ ls
assembler.out error_input.asm input.asm intermediate_input.asm listing_input.asm object_input.asm
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler/test_inputs$ ./assembler.out
Input file and Executable(assembler.out) should be in same folder

Enter name of the input file:input.asm

Loading OPTAB

PASS1 is being performed :
Writing INTERMEDIATE FILE to 'intermediate_input.asm'
Writing ERROR FILE to 'error_input.asm'
4096-0

PASS2 is being performed
Writing OBJECT FILE to 'object_input.asm'
Writing LISTING FILE to 'listing_input.asm'
akshatarwal@ubuntu:~/Desktop/Assembler/test_inputs$
```

Step7 : Now all the data has been written in the designated files in the folder **test_inputs** .

object_input.asm

```
object_input.asm
1 H^COPY ^000000^001071
2 T^000000^1E^1720634B20210320602900003320064B203B3F2FEE0320550F2056010003
3 T^000001E^09^0F20484B20293E203F
4 T^000027^1D^B410B400B44075101000E32038332FFADB2032A00433200857A02FB850
5 T^000044^09^3B2FEA13201F4F0000
6 T^00006C^01^F1
7 T^00004D^19^B410772017E3201B332FFA53A016DF2012B8503B2FEF4F0000
8 T^00006D^04^454F4605
9 E^000000
```

listing_input.asm

listing_input.asm							X
1 Line	Address	Label	OPCODE	OPERAND	ObjectCode	Comment	
2 5	00000 0	COPY	START	0			
3 10	00000 0	FIRST	STL	RETADR 172063			
4 15	00003 0	CLOOP	JSUB	RDREC 4B2021			
5 20	00006 0		LDA	LENGTH 032060			
6 25	00009 0		COMP	#0 290000			
7 30	0000C 0		JEQ	ENDFIL 332006			
8 35	0000F 0		JSUB	WRREC 4B203B			
9 40	00012 0		J	CLOOP 3F2FEE			
10 45	00015 0	ENDFIL	LDA	=C'EOF'	032055		
11 50	00018 0		STA	BUFFER 0F2056			
12 55	0001B 0		LDA	#3 010003			
13 60	0001E 0		STA	LENGTH 0F2048			
14 65	00021 0		JSUB	WRREC 4B2029			
15 70	00024 0		J	@RETADR	3E203F		
16 75	00000 1		USE	CDATA			
17 80	00000 1	RETADR	RESW	1			
18 85	00003 1	LENGTH	RESW	1			
19 90	00000 2		USE	CBLKS			
20 95	00000 2	BUFFER	RESB	4096			
21 100	01000 2	BUFFEND	EQU	*			
22 105	01000	MAXLEN	EQU	BUFFEND-BUFFER			
23 110	.						
24 115	.	SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INFO BUFFER					
25 120	.						
26 125	00027 0		USE				
27 130	00027 0	RDREC	CLEAR	X B410			
28 135	00029 0		CLEAR	A B400			
29 140	0002B 0		CLEAR	S B440			
30 145	0002D 0		+LDT	#MAXLEN	75101000		
31 150	00031 0	RLOOP	TD	INPUT E32038			
32 155	00034 0		JEQ	RLOOP 332FFA			
33 160	00037 0		RD	INPUT DB2032			
34 165	0003A 0		COMPR	A,S A004			
35 170	0003C 0		JEQ	EXIT 332008			
36 175	0003F 0		STCH	BUFFER,X	57A02F		
37 180	00042 0		TIXR	T B850			
38 185	00044 0		JLT	RLOOP 3B2FEA			
39 190	00047 0	EXIT	STX	LENGTH 13201F			
40 195	0004A 0		RSUB	4F0000			
41 200	00006 1		USE	CDATA			
42 205	00006 1	INPUT	BYTE	X'F1' F1			
43 210	.						
44 215	.	SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER					
45 220	.						

Testing on sample INPUTS

Program 1 : Sample program from book L L Beck section (2.2)

```

COPY      START      0
FIRST     STL         RETADR
          LDB         #LENGTH
          BASE        LENGTH
CLOOP     +JSUB       RDREC
          LDA         LENGTH
          COMP        #0
          JEQ         ENDFIL
          +JSUB       WRREC
          J           CLOOP
ENDFIL    LDA         EOF
          STA         BUFFER
          LDA         #3
          STA         LENGTH
          +JSUB       WRREC
          J           @RETADR
EOF        BYTE       C'EOF'
RETADR    RESW        1
LENGTH    RESW        1
BUFFER    RESB        4096
:
:         SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INFO BUFFER
:
RDREC     CLEAR       X
          CLEAR       A
          CLEAR       S
          +LDT        #4096
RLOOP     TD          INPUT
          JEQ         RLOOP
          RD          INPUT
          COMPR       A,S
          JEQ         EXIT
          STCH        BUFFER,X
          TIXR        T
          JLT         RLOOP
EXIT      STX         LENGTH
INPUT     RSUB        BYTE
          BYTE       X'F1'
:
:         SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER
:
WRREC     CLEAR       X
          LDT         LENGTH
WLOOP     TD          OUTPUT
          JEQ         WLOOP
          LDCH        BUFFER,X
          WD          OUTPUT
          TIXR        T
          JLT         WLOOP
          RSUB        BYTE
          BYTE       X'05'
OUTPUT    END         FIRST

```

Object Code for Program 1 :

```

object_input.asm
1 H^COPY ^0000000^001077
2 T^0000000^1D^17202D69202D4B1010360320262900003320074B10105D3F2FEC032010
3 T^000001D^13^0F20160100030F200D4B10105D3E2003453046
4 T^001036^1D^B410B400B44075101000E32019332FFADB2013A00433200857C003B850
5 T^001053^1D^3B2FEA1340004F0000F1B410774000E32011332FFA53C003DF2008B850
6 T^001070^07^3B2FEF4F000005
7 M^000007^05
8 M^000014^05
9 M^000027^05
10 E^000000

```


Program 2 : L L Beck program from fig 2.9 including Literals and Expressions

```

COPY      START      0
FIRST     STL         RETADR
          LDB         #LENGTH
          BASE        LENGTH
CLOOP     +JSUB       RDREC
          LDA         LENGTH
          COMP        #0
          JEQ         ENDFIL
          +JSUB       WRREC
          J           CLOOP
ENDFIL    LDA         =C'EOF'
          STA         BUFFER
          LDA         #3
          STA         LENGTH
          +JSUB       WRREC
          J           @RETADR

RETADR    RESW        1
LENGTH    RESW        1
BUFFER    RESB        4096
BUFFEND   EQU         *
MAXLEN    EQU         BUFFEND-BUFFER
:
:          SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INFO BUFFER
:
RDREC     CLEAR       X
          CLEAR       A
          CLEAR       S
          +LDT        #MAXLEN
RLOOP     TD          INPUT
          JEQ         RLOOP
          RD          INPUT
          COMPR       A,S
          JEQ         EXIT
          STCH        BUFFER,X
          TIXR        T
          JLT         RLOOP
EXIT      STX         LENGTH
INPUT     RSUB        X'F1'
:
:          SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER
:
WRREC     CLEAR       X
          LDT         LENGTH
WLOOP     TD          =X'05'
          JEQ         WLOOP
          LDCH        BUFFER,X
          WD          =X'05'
          TIXR        T
          JLT         WLOOP
          RSUB        FIRST
          END

```

Object code for Program 2 :

object_input.asm	
1	H^COPY ^000000^001077
2	T^000000^1D^17202D69202D4B1010360320262900003320074B10105D3F2FEC032010
3	T^000001D^13^0F20160100030F200D4B10105D3E2003454F46
4	T^001036^1D^B410B400B44075101000E32019332FFADB2013A00433200857C003B850
5	T^001053^1D^3B2FEA1340004F0000F1B410774000E32011332FFA53C003DF2008B850
6	T^001070^07^3B2FEF4F000005
7	M^000007^05
8	M^000014^05
9	M^000027^05
10	E^000000

Program3 : L L Beck program from fig 2.11 involving program blocks

```

COPY          START          0
FIRST         STL           RETADR
CLOOP        JSUB          RDREC
              LDA           LENGTH
              COMP          #0
              JEQ           ENDFIL
              JSUB          WRREC
              J             CLOOP
ENDFIL        LDA           =C'EOF'
              STA           BUFFER
              LDA           #3
              STA           LENGTH
              JSUB          WRREC
              J             @RETADR
              USE CDATA
RETADR        RESW          1
LENGTH       RESW          1
              USE CBLKS
BUFFER        RESB          4096
BUFFEND      EQU           *
MAXLEN       EQU           BUFFEND-BUFFER
.
.             SUBROUTINE TO READ RECORD INFO BUFFER
.
RDREC         USE
              CLEAR        X
              CLEAR        A
              CLEAR        S
              +LDT          #MAXLEN
RLOOP        TD            INPUT
              JEQ           RLOOP
              RD            INPUT
              COMPR         A,S
              JEQ           EXIT
              STCH          BUFFER,X
              TIXR          T
              JLT           RLOOP
EXIT          STX           LENGTH
              RSUB
              USE CDATA
INPUT         BYTE          X'F1'
.
.             SUBROUTINE TO WRITE RECORD FROM BUFFER
.
WRREC         USE
              CLEAR        X
              LDT          LENGTH
WLOOP        TD            =X'05'
              JEQ           WLOOP
              LDCH          BUFFER,X
              WD            =X'05'
              TIXR          T
              JLT           WLOOP
              RSUB
              USE CDATA
              LTORG
              END           FIRST

```

Objectcode for Program3 :

```

object_input.asm
1 H^COPY ^000000^001071
2 T^000000^1E^1720634B20210320602900003320064B203B3F2FEE0320550F2056010003
3 T^00001E^09^0F20484B20293E203F
4 T^000027^1D^B410B400B44075101000E32038332FFADB2032A00433200857A02FB850
5 T^000044^09^3B2FEA13201F4F0000
6 T^00006C^01^F1
7 T^00004D^19^B410772017E3201B332FFA53A016DF2012B8503B2FEF4F0000
8 T^00006D^04^454F4605
9 E^000000

```

