

Z80 Routines:Math:Advance Math

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Introduction

These are routines designed for math of a slightly higher level. These don't necessarily contribute to everyday coding, but might be useful for an OS that handles such math (or programming language).

nCr Algorithm

This computes "n choose r" using an algorithm that makes use of both shadow registers and other calls. This can very likely be optimised, so feel free to edit with a new version.

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=====
nCrHL_DE:
=====
;Inputs:
;   hl is "n"
;   de is "r"
;Outputs:
;   interrupts off
;   a is 0
;   bc is an intermediate result
;   de is "n"
;   hl is the result
;   a' is not changed
;   bc' is "r"+1
;   de' is the same as bc
;   hl' is "r" or the compliment, whichever is smaller
=====
    or a                ;reset carry flag
    sbc hl,de
    ret c                ;r should not be bigger than n
    sbc hl,de \ add hl,de
    jr nc,$+3
    ex de,hl

    ;hl is R
    push de
    ld bc,1              ;A
    exx
    pop de               ;N
    ld bc,1              ;C
    ld h,b \ ld l,c      ;D
nCrLoop:
    push de
    push hl
    call DE_Times_BC      ;Returns BC unchanged, DEHL is the product
    push hl \ exx \ pop de
    push hl
    call DE_Div_BC        ;Returns HL is the quotient, BC is not changed
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pop de
push hl \ ex de,hl \ exx \ pop hl
ld b,h \ ld c,l
pop de \ add hl,de
pop de \ inc de
exx
inc bc
or a \ sbc hl,bc \ add hl,bc
exx
jr nc,nCrLoop
ret
```

GCDHL_BC

This finds the greatest common divisor (GCD) of HL and BC.

```
GCDHL_BC:
;Inputs:
;  HL is a number
;  BC is a number
;Outputs:
;  A is 0
;  BC is the GCD
;  DE is 0
;Destroys:
;  HL
;Size: 25 bytes
;Speed: 30 to 49708 cycles
;  -As slow as about 126 times per second at 6MHz
;  -As fast as about 209715 times per second at 6MHz
;Speed break down:
;  If HL=BC, 30 cycles
;  24+1552x
;  If BC>HL, add 20 cycles
;  *x is from 1 to at most 32 (because we use 2 16-bit numbers)
;
or a \ sbc hl,bc      ;B7ED42    19
ret z                ;C8        5|11
add hl,bc            ;09        11
jr nc,$+8            ;3006     11|31
ld a,h              ;7C        --
ld h,b              ;60        --
ld b,a              ;47        --
ld a,l              ;7D        --
ld l,c              ;69        --
ld c,a              ;4F        --
Loop:
call HL_Div_BC       ;CD****    1511    returns BC unchanged, DE is the remainder
ld a,d \ or e        ;7AB2      8
ret z                ;C8        5|11
ld h,b \ ld l,c      ;6069      8
ld b,d \ ld c,e      ;424B      8
jr $-10              ;18F8     12
```

LCM

This is as simple as multiplying the two numbers and dividing by the GCD.

Credits and Contributions

- **Zeda (Xeda) Elnara** for the nCr and GCD algorithm

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