| Assembly and Machine <br> Language - Spring 1398 (2019) <br> Midterm Exam | Instructor: <br> B. Nasihatkon | Ordibehesht 1397-May 2018 |
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## Functions from the book

| call print_int | prints EAX as a signed <br> integer |
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| call print_nl | prints a newline character |

Use 32-bit Netwide assembler code on a Linux machine.

Programming: Write programs in the designated code area as follows:

| label | command | arguments |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| loop1: | call | prog2 |
|  | add | eax, ebx |
| prog2: |  |  |

Question 1 (20 points) Update the values of the required registered after running each of the assembly instructions below. Notice that each instruction depends on the previous one. Write down the complete solutions for the signed cases.

| command | AX <br> (hex) | AL <br> decimal (unsigned) | AL decimal (signed) | AH <br> decimal (signed) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| mov ax, 0x12C8 | 12C8 | 200 | $\begin{aligned} & -56 \\ \mathrm{c} 8 \mathrm{~h} & =11001000 \\ 2 \mathrm{C} & : 00111000=56 \end{aligned}$ | $18$ <br> $12 h$ is positive $1 * 16+2=18$ |
| shl ax, 3 | 9640 | 64 | $64$ <br> 40h is positive $4 * 16+0=64$ | $\begin{aligned} & -106 \\ & 96 h=10010110 \\ & 2 C=01101010=106 \end{aligned}$ |
| sar ah, 2 | E540 | 64 | 64 unchanged | $\begin{aligned} & -27 \\ \mathrm{E} 5 \mathrm{~h} & =11100101 \\ 2 \mathrm{C} & =00011011 \\ & =27 \end{aligned}$ |
| ror ax, 1 | 72A0 | 160 | $\begin{aligned} & -96 \\ \mathrm{AOh}= & 10100000 \\ 2 \mathrm{C}= & 01100000 \\ = & 96 \end{aligned}$ | $114$ <br> 72h is positive $7 * 16+2=114$ |
| add al, ah | 7212 | 18 | $18$ <br> 12h is positive $1 * 16+2=18$ | 114 unchanged |

## Question 2 (20 points)

What does the following code print? How the output relates to the input. What does each of the loops do? Explain each part of the code on the right-hand side. Assume that the input is positive.


Question 3 For each piece of assembly code in the left column, write a single equivalent assembly instruction. Disregard changes to the FLAGS registers. Explain your answer in the final column. (25 points)

|  | Single Instruction | Explanation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ```rol eax, 7 and eax, 0xFFFFFF80``` | shl eax, 7 | Rotates the bits of EAX 7 bits to the left, then zeros out the lowest 7 bits. |
| ```jnc nocarry inc eax nocarry: add eax, ebx``` | ADC eax, ebx | $\mathrm{EAX}=\mathrm{EAX}+\mathrm{EBX}+$ CarryFlag |
| ```push edx mov edx, 0x80000000 and edx, eax shr eax, 1 or eax, edx pop edx``` | SAR eax, 1 | Tests the sign bit of the EAX. Then shifts EAX to the right (fills with zero from left). If the sign bit of EAX was 1 in the first place, sets the last bit of the shifted EAX to 1 . |
| push edx <br> xor edx,edx <br> mov dl, al <br> shl edx, 24 <br> shr eax, 8 <br> or eax, edx <br> pop edx | ROR EAX, 8 | Saves the first 8 bits of EAX in DL. Shift EAX 8 bits to the right. Then sets the last 8 bits of EAX to what was saved in the DL. |
| ```push ebx push ecx push edx mov ecx, ebx mov edx, eax not ecx not edx and ebx, edx and eax, ecx or eax, ebx pop edx pop ecx pop ebx``` | XOR EAX, EBX | $\begin{aligned} A \text { XOR } B= & (\operatorname{not}(A) \text { and } B) \\ & O R \\ & (A \text { and } \operatorname{not}(B)) \end{aligned}$ |

Question 4 We want to implement a function with a variable number of arguments. int sum (int $\mathbf{n}, \ldots$. . . The first argument $\mathbf{n}$ is always equal to the number of the remaining arguments. The function computes and returns the sum of the remaining arguments. For example sum $(3,4,7,5)$ returns 16 , while sum $(3,4,7,5,8)$ is invalid (we never perform such a call). The assembly code below consists of two files: main.asm and sum.asm. On the left (main.asm) write an assembly code which computes the sum of the registers eax, ebx, ecx, edx, esi, and edi by calling the function sum, and then prints it using the print_int function. On the right (sum.asm) write the body of the function sum. Assume that the first argument $\mathbf{n}$ is positive. Observe all $\mathbf{C}$ declaration calling conventions. Define the appropriate derivatives global, extern if needed. (35 points)


