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CHEW - Convert Any BCD to Binary, Double Precision

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ABSTRACT

This subroutine converts a double precision (6 digit) unsigned-integral-binary coded decimal (BCD) number with bit values of 4, 2, 2, and 1 to its integral-positive-binary equivalent in two computer words. It is possible to change the bit values to any desired values and thereby convert any BCD number to binary.

REQUIREMENTS

- A. Standard PDP-8 or PDP-8/S
- B. Core storage - 0109_{10}
- C. Locations 3 and 4 on page zero must be temporarily available for use by this subroutine
- D. Location 164 must contain a -4. Location 166 must contain a -6.

SUBROUTINES USED

None

RESTRICTIONS

None

USAGE

Enter this subroutine with a JMS CHEW. The first location following the JMS must contain the address of the most significant part of the BCD number to be converted. Return to the main program will be at JMS+2 with the accumulator and link clear. The results are temporarily stored as follows:

C (Location 3) # most significant portion of answer

C (Location 4) # least significant portion of answer

COMMENTS

This subroutine assumes that the number to be converted to binary is a binary coded decimal (BCD) number occupying two 12-bit words. The subroutine then searches by continually rotating the words left starting with the most significant half of the BCD number. When a bit is found, its bit value is multiplied by 12 (octal) the proper number of times. The basis for the conversion routine is that

100,000 (decimal) equals 12 (octal) exponent 5
 10,000 (decimal) equals 12 (octal) exponent 4
 1,000 (decimal) equals 12 (octal) exponent 3
 100 (decimal) equals 12 (octal) exponent 2
 10 (decimal) equals 12 (octal) exponent 1
 1 (decimal) equals 1 (octal)

Therefore, if we have a BCD number with the bit values equal to 4, 2, 2, and 1, and the following bit construction in two words

1000 0000 0000 # most significant half
 0000 0000 0000 # least significant half

This subroutine multiplies 4 by 12 (octal) five times since the bit is in the hundred thousands place, and adds the resultant binary number by double precision addition to the binary values of any other bits that may be present in the two-word BCD number.

The bit values used by this subroutine can be changed by placing the desired bit values (in octal) in the four locations called store in the program listing, starting with the leftmost bit value in a 4-bit group and proceeding to the right to that the rightmost bit value is contained in store+3 in this manner, any form of BCD number can be converted to binary.

The program expects to find two words full of BCD coded bits as follows.

	HT TT TH	
Location A-	/,,,/,,,/,,,/	-most significant half
Location B-	/,,,/,,,/,,,/	-least significant half
	H T U	

Where HT, TT, TH, H, T, and U represent BCD digits in the hundred thousands, ten thousands, thousands, hundreds, tens, and units places respectively.

Locations A and B must be sequential. If only a 12-bit BCD number (i.e., one word) were to be converted to binary, location A would have to be filled with zeros with the data in the following location. In other words, BCD words ranging in length from 1 to 6 digits can be converted to binary if they are right justified in a double precision word upon entry to this subroutine.

The biggest double precision BCD number (i.e., 999,999) is equal to 3641077 (octal) which does not fill the sign bit in a double precision word. This means that any positive-double precision number in BCD can be translated to a positive-double precision number in binary.

The maximum execution time for this subroutine is approximately 5.31 milliseconds.

The program listing follows.

/CHEW-CONVERT ANY BCD TO BINARY-
/DOUBLE PRECISION PAL 00021 A

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4 CHEW, 0
5 CLA CLL
6 TAD NEG24
7 DCA CHK1 /SET COUNTER I#-30 OCTAL
8 TAD 164 /-4 IN ACC.
9 DCA CHK2 / SET J#-4
10 TAD 166 /-6 IN ACC.
11 DCA CHK3 / SET L#-6
12 DCA CHK4 / SET M#C
13 TAD I CHEW / GET CONTENTS OF LOC AFTER JMS CHEW INS
14 T
15 DCA ADRS / STORE LOC OF MOST SIG OF BCD#
16 TAD I ADRS / GET MOST SIG OF BCD# IN ACC
17 DCA HOLD /STORE MOST SIG. OF BCD NO.
18 ISZ ADRS /GET TO ADDR OF LEAST SIG.BCD NO.
19 TAD I ADRS
20 DCA HOLD+1 /STORE LEAST SIG.BCD NO.
21 DCA 3 / NOW CLEAR THESE TWO LOCATIONS FOR
22 DCA 4 /SUMMATION OF ANSWER
23 TAD HOLD /MOST SIG. OF BCD NO. IN ACC
24 MID, DCA TEMPY /VALUE IN ACC. TO COMMON STORAGE
25 DO, CLA CLL / STORE IT + GET IT BACK
26 TAD TEMPY
27 RAL
28 DCA TEMPY /STORE ROTATED #
29 SNL /IS THERE A BIT
30 JMP INCJ / NO INCREMENT COUNTERS
31 TAD I TABLE /YES ADD ONE OF THE BIT VALUES
32 DCA CUM+1 / PUT IT IN LEAST SIG OF MULTIPLICATIONS
33 AGN, ISZ CHK4 / M#M+1
34 TAD CHK4 / GET M
35 TAD CHK3 / M+(-L)
36 SZA / IS M#L
37 JMP MLTPY / NO GC MULTIPLY
38 CLL CLA
39 TAD CUM+1 / YES GET LEAST SIG RESULT OF MULTIPLY
40 TAD 4 /ADD IT TO LEAST SIG.OF BINARY NO.
41 DCA 4 /STORE RESULT IN BINARY NO.LOCATION
42 RAL / ADD
43 TAD CUM / MOST SIG
44 TAD 3 /HALVES
45 DCA 3 /STORE FOR POSSIBLE EXIT
46 DCA CUM /CLEAR FOR RESULT OF NEXT MULTIPLY
47 DCA CHK4 / SET M#0
48 JMP INCJ / GO INCREMENT COUNTERS
49 MLTPY, JMS MULT /GO TO MULTIPLY BY 12 SUBROUTINE

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      JMP AGN
INCJ,  ISZ TABLE      / STORE#STORE+1
      ISZ CHK2        / J#J+1#0
      JMP INCI       / NO INCREMENT I
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      TAD I64        /-4 IN ACC
      DCA CHK2      / RESET J TO -4
      TAD RESET
      DCA TABLE    / PUT STORE BACK TO INITIAL VALUE
      IAC           /+1 IN ACC
      TAD CHK3      / L+1
      DCA CHK3      / L#L+1
INCJ,  ISZ CHK1        / I#I+1#0
      JMP .+4       /NO.GO SEE IF I EQUALS -14 OCTAL.
      ISZ CHEW      / INCREMENT RETURN LOC TO MAIN PROG
      CLL          /CLEAR FOR EXIT
      JMP I CHEW    / JUMPS BACK TO MAIN PROG PAST %LOC
      TAD CHK1      / ADD I TO ACC
      TAD FRTN      /ADD +14 OCTAL TO ACC
      SZA CLA       / DOES I#-12
      JMP DC        / NO,GO BACK AND LOOK FOR ANOTHER BIT
      TAD HOLD+1    /YES.GET LEAST SIG.BCD NO. IN ACC
      JMP MID       / PUT LEAST SIG OF BCD#IN TEMPY
MULT,  0             /SUBROUTINE TO MULTIPLY THE VALUE
      CLA CLL       /IN CUM BY 12 OCTAL.
      TAD NEG11     /SET COUNTER TO---
      DCA COUNT     /NIMUS 11 OCTAL.
      TAD CUM+1     /RESTORE STARTING VALUE SO IT CAN---
      DCA NOW+1     /BE ADDED TO ITSELF 12 TIMES(OCTAL--
      TAD CUM       /AND STILL RETAIN THE RUNNING TOTAL--
      DCA NOW       /IN CUM AND CUM+1.
REPEAT, CLL
      TAD CUM+1     /ADD LEAST---
      TAD NOW+1     /SIG.PARTS.
      DCA CUM+1
      RAL          /ADD ANY OVERFLOW IN LINK---
      TAD CUM       /TO THE SUM OF THE MOST SIGS.
      TAD NOW
      DCA CUM
      ISZ COUNT     /IF ZERO,NO.HAS BEEN ADDED TO ITSELF---
      JMP REPEAT    /12 OCTAL TIMES.
      CLL
      JMP I MULT    /EXIT TO MAIN PROGRAM
NEG24, -30         /OCTAL NO.
CHK1,  0           / COUNTER I-SEE FLOWCHART
CHK2,  0           / COUNTER J
CHK3,  0           / COUNTER L
CHK4,  0           / COUNTER M

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TEMPY,	0	
ADRS,	0	/ LOCATION OF BCD#
CUM,	0	/ HOLDS RESULTS OF MULTIPLY(X.12Y)
	0	/ WHERE X#4,2,2,OR1 Y#1THRU5
TABLE,	STORE	/ MEANS TO GET STORE#STORE+1 + TC RESET IT
RESET,	STORE	/MEANS TO RESET START ADDRS OF BITS.
FRTN,	14	/OCTAL NO.
STORE,	4	/OCTAL BIT VALUES OF THE 4-BIT GROUPS---
	2	/MAKING UP AN INDIVIDUAL BCD DIGIT---
	2	/STARTING WITH THE LEFTMOST BIT---
	1	/VALUE AND PROCEEDING RIGHT.
HOLD,	0	
	0	
NOW,	0	
	0	
NEG11,	7767	
COUNT,	0	
	PAGEBRK	
	PAUSE	

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