

# Easy Logarithms for COP400

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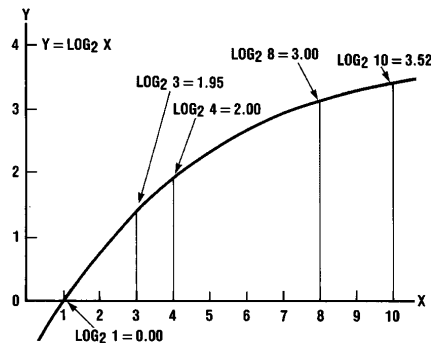
Logarithms have long been a convenient tool for the simplification of multiplication, division, and root extraction. Many assembly language programmers avoid the use of logarithms because of supposed complexity in their application to binary computers. Logarithms conjure up visions of time consuming iterations during the solution of a long series. The problem is far simpler than imagined and its solution yields, for the applications programmer, the classical benefits of logarithms:

- 1) Multiplication can be performed by a single addition.
- 2) Division can be performed by a single subtraction.
- 3) Raising a number to a power involves a single multiply.
- 4) Extracting a root involves a single divide.

When applied to binary computer operation logarithms yield two further important advantages. First, a broad range of values can be handled without resorting to floating point techniques (other than implied by the characteristic). Second, it is possible to establish the significance of an answer during the body of a calculation, again, without resorting to floating point techniques.

Implementation of base<sub>10</sub> logarithms in a binary system is cumbersome and unnecessary since logarithmic functions can be implemented in a number system of any base. The techniques presented here deal only with logarithms to the base<sub>2</sub>.

A logarithm consists of two parts: an integer characteristic and a fractional mantissa.



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	CHARACTERISTIC	MANTISSA
LOG <sub>2</sub> 3 =	1	0.95
LOG <sub>2</sub> 4 =	2	0.00
LOG <sub>2</sub> 8 =	3	0.00
LOG <sub>2</sub> 10 =	3	0.52

FIGURE 1. The Logarithmic Function and Some Example Values

In Figure 1 some points on the logarithmic curve are identified and evaluated to the base<sub>2</sub>. Notice that the characteristic in each case represents the highest even power of 2 contained in the value of X. This is readily seen when binary notation is used.

X <sub>10</sub>	X <sub>2</sub>	Log <sub>2</sub> X	Log <sub>2</sub> X Where X =
2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>		Characteristic	Even Power of 2
3 0 0 0 1	1	1	
4 0 0 1 0	2	2	010.0000
8 0 1 0 0	3	3	011.0000
10 0 1 0 1	3	3	

FIGURE 2. Identification of the Characteristic

In Figure 2 each point evaluated in Figure 1 has been repeated using binary notation. An arrow subscript indicates the highest even power of 2 appearing in each value of X. Notice that in X = 3 the highest even power of 2 is 2<sup>1</sup>. Thus the characteristic of the log<sub>2</sub> 3 is 1. Where X = 10 the characteristic of the log<sub>2</sub> 10 is 3.

To find the log<sub>2</sub> X is very easy where X is an even power of 2. We simply shift the value of X left until a carry bit emerges from the high order position of the register. This procedure is illustrated in Figure 3. This characteristic is found by counting the number of shifts required and subtracting the result from the number of bits in the register. In practice it is easier to be with the number of bits and count down once prior to each shift.

Counter for Characteristic	Value of X in Binary		
1 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	1 0 0 0	Initial
0 1 1 1	0 0 0 1	0 0 0 0	First Shift
0 1 1 0	0 0 1 0	0 0 0 0	Second Shift
0 1 0 1	0 1 0 0	0 0 0 0	Third Shift
0 1 0 0	1 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	Fourth Shift
0 0 1 1	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	Fifth Shift
Characteristic	Mantissa	Final	
0 1 1 . 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	Log <sub>2</sub> X = 3.00	

FIGURE 3. Conversion to Base<sub>2</sub> Logarithm by Base Shift

Examination of the final value obtained in Figure 3 reveals no bits in the mantissa. The value 3 in the characteristic, however, indicates that a bit did exist in the 2<sup>3</sup> position of the original number and would have to be restored in order to reconstruct the original value (antilog).

The log of any even power of 2 can be found in this way:

Decimal	Binary	Log <sub>2</sub>
128	1 0000000	0 111.00000000
64	0 1000000	0 110.00000000
32	0 0100000	0 101.00000000
4	0 0000100	0 010.00000000
2	0 0000010	0 001.00000000
1	0 0000001	0 000.00000000

A simple flow chart, and program, can be devised for generating the values found in the table and, as will be apparent, a straight line approximation for values that are not even powers of 2. The method, as already illustrated in *Figure 3*, involves only shifting a binary number left until the most significant bit moves into the carry position. The characteristic is formed by counting. Since a carry on each successive shift will yield a decreasing power of 2, we must start the characteristic count with the number of bits in the binary value (x) and count down one each shift.

FIGURE 4. Base<sub>2</sub> Logarithms of Even Powers of 2

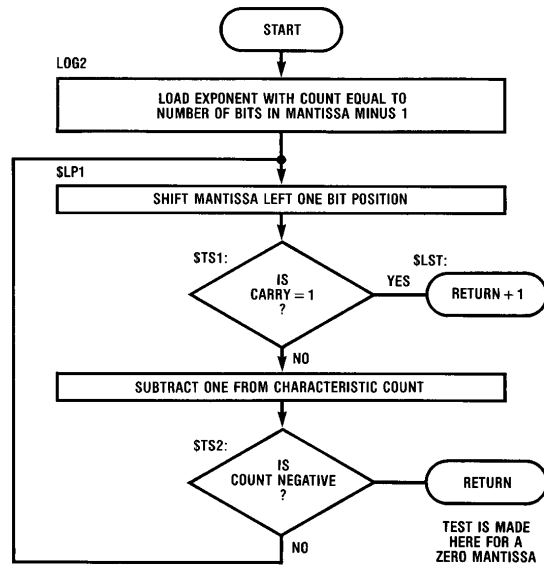


FIGURE 5. Log Flowchart

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1      ; TITLE LOGS          ; BINARY LOGARITHMS
2
3      01A4                  . CHIP 420
4
5      ; -----> CONVERT TO LOGARITHM ----->;
6
7      ;
8      ; RAM ASSIGNMENT
9      ;
10     DIGIT:                15 14 13 12 11 10 09 08 07 06 05 04 03 02 01 00
11     REG 0                  CH HM LM
12     REG 1                  CH HM LM
13     REG 2                  TEMP
14     REG 3                  TEMP CH HM LM
15
16     . LOCAL
17
18     ; CH, HM, LM REPRESENT ANY THREE SEQUENTIAL MEMORY DIGITS. THEY
19     ; MAY BE DEFINED IN ANY REGISTER. THE SYMBOLIC NOTATION CH, HM,
20     ; AND LM ARE USED FOR ADDRESSING TO ALLOW USER FLEXIBILITY.
21     ; UPON ENTRY TO THE ROUTINE HM AND LM CONTAIN THE HI AND LO
22     ; OF SOME VALUE X. THE MEMORY POINTER MUST CONTAIN THE ADDRESS
23     ; OF THE CHARACTERISTIC (CH). THE CONTENTS OF THIS LOCATION ARE
24     ; IGNORED AND ARE LOST DURING EXECUTION.
25
26     ; UPON EXIT CH, HM, LM CONTAIN A STRAIGHT LINE APPROXIMATION OF
27     ; THE LOG BASE 2 OF X. CH = CHARACTERISTIC HM = HI ORDER MANTISSA
28     ; LM = LO ORDER MANTISSA. AN 8 BIT MEMORY AREA (TEMP) IS USED IN
29     ; THE REGISTER OPPOSITE DURING THE CORRECTION OF A STRAIGHT
30     ; LINE APPROXIMATION OF A LOG OR AN ANTILOG.
31
32     ; A TEST IS MADE FOR X=0. IF THE VALUE OF X
33     ; IS NOT ZERO AN INSTRUCTION IS SKIPPED UPON RETURN
34     ; TO THE CALLING ROUTINE.
35
36     ;
37     ;
38     ;
39     ;
40     ;
41     ;
42     ;
43     ;
44     ;
45     ;
46     ;
47     ;
48     ;
49     ;
50     000 00 LOG2: CLRA          ; SET CHARACTERISTIC.
51     001 57      AISC          ; TO REG LENGTH - 1.
52     002 06      X              ; STORE IN MEMORY.
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53     003 A4 $LP1: JSRP SDB2      ; SET ADDRESS POINTER
54     004 A9      JSRP SHLR      ; BACK 2 DIGITS.
55     005 20 $TS1: SKC           ; RESET CARRY AND SHIFT
56     006 C8      JP            ; REG LEFT ONE BIT.
57     007 49 $LST: RETSK        ; IS CARRY = 1 YET?
58     008 05 $NO: LD            ; NO — KEEP GOING.
59     009 5F      AISC          ; YES — FINISHED!!
60     00A 48 $TS2: RET          ; NO — LOAD COUNT IN ACC.
61     00B 06      X              ; SUBTRACT ONE.
62     00C C3      JP            ; MANTISSA IS A 0! RETURN
63     00C C3      JP            ; STORE CHARACTERISTIC.
64     00C C3      JP            ; DO IT AGAIN!
65
66
67
68
69
70     ; 2 ROUTINES ARE CALLED FROM THE SUBROUTINE PAGE BY THIS
71     ; PROGRAM: SDB2, SHLR.
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FIGURE 6

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The program shown develops the  $\log_2$  of any even power of 2 by shifting and testing as previously described. Examine what happens to a value of X that is not an even power of 2. In Figure 7, the number 25 is converted to a base 2 log.

$25_{10} = 00011002_2$   
Shift left until carry = 1

Characteristic	Carry	Mantissa	$\log_2$
0100	1	100100000100	10010000

**Figure 7. Straight Line Approximation of Base<sub>2</sub> Log**

The resulting number when viewed as an integer characteristic and a fractional mantissa is 4.5625<sub>10</sub>. The fraction 0.5625 is a straight line approximation of the logarithmic curve between the correct values for the base<sub>2</sub> logs of 2<sup>4</sup> and 2<sup>5</sup>. The accuracy of this approximation is sufficient for many applications. The error can be corrected, as will be seen later in this discussion, but for now let's look at the problem of exponents or the conversion to an antilog.

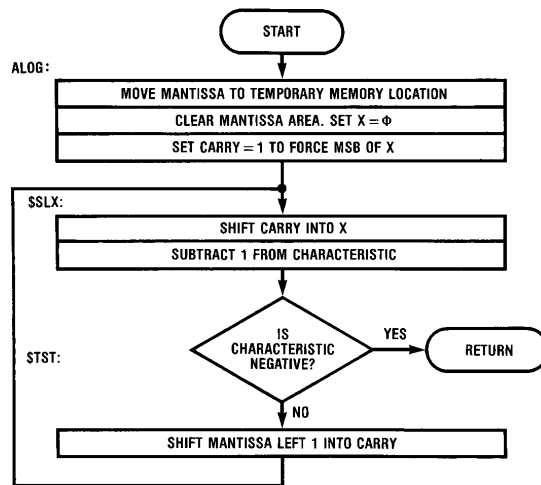
To reconstruct the original value of X, find the antilog, requires only restoration of the most significant bit and then its alignment with the power of 2 position indicated by the characteristic. In the example, approximation ( $\log_2 25 = 0100.1001$ ) restoration of MSB can be accomplished by shifting the mantissa (only) one position to the right. In the process a one is shifted into the MSB position.

Approximation of $\log_2 X$		Restoration of MSB	
Char.	Mantissa	Char.	Mantissa
0100	10010000	0100	11001000

The value of the characteristic is 4 so the mantissa must be shifted to the right until MSB is aligned with the 2<sup>4</sup> position.

2<sup>7</sup> 2<sup>6</sup> 2<sup>5</sup> 2<sup>4</sup> 2<sup>3</sup> 2<sup>2</sup> 2<sup>1</sup> 2<sup>0</sup>

The completion of this operation restores the value of X (X = 25) and is the procedure used to find an antilog. Figure 8 is a flow chart for finding an antilog using this procedure. This implementation in source code is shown in Figure 9.



**FIGURE 8. Flow Chart for Conversion to Antilog**

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73          . FORM          ; -----> CONVERT TO ANTILOG <----- ;
74
75
76          ; THE FOLLOWING SUBROUTINE CONVERTS THE STRAIGHT LINE
77          ; THE APPROXIMATION OF A BASE 2 LOGARITHM TO ITS CORRESPONDING
78          ; ANTILOG. UPON EXIT FROM THE ROUTINE THE CONTENTS OF CH
79          ; WILL BE EQUAL TO THE HEXADECIMAL VALUE OF 'ΦF'.
80
81          . LOCAL
82
83
84      00D  A4          ALOG:  JSRP      SDB2          ; SET ACC TO 0.
85      00E  00          CLRA          ; CLEAR MANTISSA AREA.
86      00F  36          X            03          ; AND MOVE MANTISSA TO
87      010  34          XIS          03          ; TEMPORARY STORAGE.
88      011  00          CLRA          ; LEAVE POINTER AT LO
89      012  36          X            03          ; ORDER OF MANTISSA.
90      013  37          XDS          03
91      014  22          SC          ; RESTORE MSB OF X.
92      015  D8          JP            $SLX
93      01  A9          $SLM:  JSRP      SHLR          ; SHIFT REMAINDER
94          ; LEFT INTO CARRY.
95      017  A3          JSRP      SDR2          ; MOVE BACK 2 DIGITS.
96      018  AA          $SLX:  JSRP      SHLC          ; SHIFT X LEFT 1.
97      019  05          LD          ; LOAD CHARACTERISTIC.
98      01A  5F          $TST:  AISC      -1          ; CHARACTERISTIC - 1.
99      01B  48          $LST:  RET          ; IF NO CARRY — FINIS.
100     01C  36          X            03          ; STORE REMAINDER AND MOVE
101          ; DOWN ONE REGISTER.
102     01D  A4          JSRP      SDB2          ; MOVE BACK 2 DIGITS.
103     01E  D6          JP            $SLM          ; DO IT AGAIN.
104
105
106          ; 4 ROUTINES ARE CALLED FROM THE SUBROUTINE PAGE BY THIS
107          ; PROGRAM: SDB2, SDR2, SHLR, SHLC.
108
109

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FIGURE 9

Using the linear approximation technique just described, some error will result when converting any value of X that is not an even power of 2.

Figure 10 contains a table of correct base 2 logarithms for values of X from 1 through 32 along with the error incurred for each when using linear approximation. Notice that no error results for values of X that are even powers of 2. Also notice that the error incurred for multiples of even powers of 2 of any given value of X is always the same.

Value of X	Error
5	0.12
$2 \times 5 = 10$	0.12
$4 \times 5 = 20$	0.12
3	0.15
$2 \times 3 = 6$	0.15
$4 \times 3 = 12$	0.15
$8 \times 3 = 24$	0.15

X	Hexadecimal Log Base	Linear Approximation of Log Base 2	Error Hexadecimal	$E_M - 1 + \frac{E_M - E_{M-1}}{2}$
1	0.00	0.00	0.00	
2	1.00	1.00	0.00	
3	1.95	1.80	0.15	
4	2.00	2.00	0.00	
5	2.52	2.40	0.12	
6	2.95	2.80	0.15	
7	2.CE	2.C0	0.0E	
8	3.00	3.00	0.00	
9	3.2B	3.20	0.0B	
10	3.52	3.40	0.12	
11	3.75	3.60	0.15	
12	3.95	3.80	0.15	
13	3.B3	3.A0	0.13	
14	3.CE	3.C0	0.0E	
15	3.E8	3.E0	0.08	
16	4.00	4.00	0.00	0.03
17	4.16	4.10	0.06	0.09
18	4.2B	4.20	0.0B	0.0D
19	4.3F	4.30	0.0F	0.11
20	4.52	4.40	0.12	0.15
21	4.67	4.50	0.17	0.16
22	4.75	4.60	0.15	0.16
23	4.87	4.70	0.17	0.16
24	4.95	4.80	0.15	0.15
25	4.A4	4.90	0.14	0.14
26	4.B3	4.1A0	0.13	0.12
27	4.C1	4.B0	0.11	0.10
28	4.CE;	4.C0	0.0E	0.0D
29	4.DB	4.D0	0.0B	0.0A
30	4.E8	4.E0	0.08	0.06
31	4.F4	4.F0	0.04	0.02
32	5.00	5.00	0.00	
33		5.1-		

**FIGURE 10. Error Incurred by Linear Approximation of Base 2 Logs**

An error that repeats in this way is easily corrected using a look-up table. The greatest absolute error will occur for the least value of X not an even power of 2, X = 3, is about 8%. A 4 point correction table will eliminate this error but will move the greatest uncompensated error to X = 9 where it

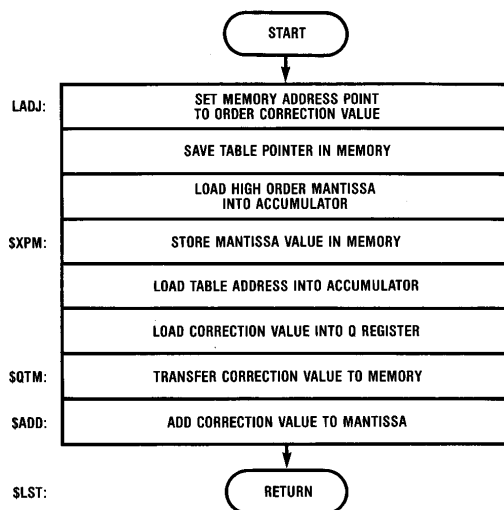
will be about 4%. This process continues until at 16 correction points the maximum error for the absolute value of the logarithm is less than 1 percent. This can be reduced to 0.3 percent by distributing the error. Interpolated error values are listed in *Figure 10* and are repeated in *Figure 11* as a binary table.

High Order 4 Mantissa Bits	Binary Correction Value	Hexadecimal Correction Value
0000	0000 0000	0 0
0001	0000 1001	0 9
0010	0000 1101	0 3
0011	0001 0001	1 1
0100	0001 0101	1 5
0101	0001 0110	1 6
0110	0001 0110	1 6
0111	0001 0110	1 6
1000	0001 0101	1 5
1001	0001 0100	1 4
1010	0001 0010	1 2
1011	0001 0000	1 0
1100	0000 1101	0 D
1101	0000 1010	0 A
1110	0000 0110	0 6
1111	0000 0010	0 2

**FIGURE 11. Correction Table for  
L<sub>2</sub> X Linear Approximations**

Notice in *Figure 10* that left justification of the mantissa causes its high order four bits to form a binary sequence that always corresponds to the proper correction value. This works to advantage when combined with the COP400 LQID instruction. LQID implements a table look-up function using the contents of a memory location as the address pointer. Thus we can perform the required table look-up without disturbing the mantissa.

*Figure 12* is the flow chart for correction of a logarithm found by linear approximation. *Figure 13* is its implementation in COP400 assembly language. Notice that there are two entry points into the program. One is for correction of logs (LADJ:), the other is for correction of a value prior to its conversion to an antilog (AADJ:).



**FIGURE 12. Flow Chart for Correction of a Value Found by Straight Line Approximation**

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110          . FORM          ; ----- ADJUST VALUE OF LOGARITHM ----- ;
111
112          . LOCAL
113
114
115          ; THE FOLLOWING TABLE IS USED DURING THE CORRECTION OF VALUES
116          ; FOUND BY STRAIGHT LINE APPROXIMATION. IT IS PLACED HERE IN
117          ; ORDER TO ALIGN ITS BEGINNING ELEMENT WITH A ZERO ADDRESS AS
118          ; REQUIRED BY THE LQID INSTRUCTION.
119
120 01F 44          NOP          ; REGISTER WITH ZERO ADDRESS.
121 020 03          TPLS:      . WORD      03,09,0D,011
122 021 09
123 022 0D
124 023 11          . WORD      015,016,016,016
125 024 15
126 025 16
127 026 16
128 027 16
129 028 15          . WORD      015,014,012,010
130 029 14
131 02A 12
132 02B 10
133 02C 0D          . WORD      0D,0A,06,02
134 02D 0A
135 02E 06
136 02F 02
137
138          ; THE FOLLOWING SUBROUTINE ADJUSTS THE VALUE OF A BASE 2
139          ; LOGARITHM FOUND BY STRAIGHT LINE APPROXIMATION. THE
140          ; CORRECTION TERMS ARE TAKEN FROM THE TABLE ABOVE. THE
141          ; SUBROUTINE HAS 2 ENTRY POINTS:
142          ;
143          ; LADJ: — ADJUSTS A VALUE DURING CONVERSION TO A LOG
144          ;
145          ; AADJ: — ADJUSTS A VALUE DURING CONVERSION TO ANTILOG
146          ;
147          ; THE CARRY FLAG IS SET UPON ENTRY TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN LOG
148          ; (C = 1) AND ANTILOG (C = 0) CONVERSIONS. DURING A LOGARITHM
149          ; CONVERSION THE VALUE FOUND IN THE ABOVE TABLE IS ADDED TO
150          ; THE MANTISSA. DURING AN ANTILOG CONVERSION THE VALUE FOUND
151          ; IN THE ABOVE TABLE IS SUBTRACTED FROM THE MANTISSA.
152
153 030 32          AADJ:      RC          ; C = 0 FOR ANTILOG
154 031 F3          JP          ; CONVERSION.
155 032 22          LADJ:      SC          ; C = 1 FOR LOG2 ADJ.
156 033 05          $LD        LD          ; MOVE ADDRESS POINTER BACK
157 034 07          XDS        ; ONE LOCATION.
158 035 05          LD          ; LOAD CONTENTS OF HI MANTISSA
159 036 37          XDS        03        ; AND STORE IT IN THE LO ORDER
160 037 06          X          ; OF THE TEMP MEMORY LOCATION.
161 038 00          CLRA        ; SET TABLE POINTER
162 039 52          AISC        TBL      ; (ACC) TO TABLE ADDRESS.

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152 03A BF          LQID          ; LOAD CORRECTION VALUE TO Q.
153 03B 332C        $GTM:      CQMA      ; TRANSFER Q REGISTER
154 03D 04          XIS          ; CONTENTS TO MEMORY.
155 03F 07          XDS
156 03F 20          SKC          ; ANTILOG?
157 040 80
158 041 98          $ADD:      JSRP      COMP      ; YES — COMPLIMENT.
159          JSRP      ADRO      ; ADD CORRECTION VALUE
160 042 35          LD          03        ; TO MANTISSA.
161 043 48          $LST:      RET      ; SET POINTER TO
162          ; CHARACTERISTIC AND
163          ; RETURN.
164
165          ; 2 ROUTINES ARE CALLED FROM THE SUBROUTINE PAGE BY THIS
166          ; PROGRAM: COMP, ADRO
167          0020          V1 = TPLS&OFF
168          0002          TBL = V1/16
169
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171

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FIGURE 13

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## Subroutines Used by the Log and Antilog Programs

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172                                     . FORM
173      0080      . PAGE 02              ; ----- SUBROUTINES ----- ;
174
175      ; THE FOLLOWING ROUTINES RESIDE ON THE SUBROUTINE PAGE. THEY
176      ; ARE CALLED BY THE LOGS PROGRAM BUT ARE GENERAL PURPOSE IN
177      ; NATURE AND FUNCTION AS UTILITY ROUTINES.
178
179
180
181      ; ----- COMPLEMENT 8 BITS ----- ;
182
183      . LOCAL
184
185      ; THIS ROUTINE FORMS IN MEMORY THE 2'S COMPLEMENT OF THE TWO
186      ; ADJACENT DIGITS IDENTIFIED BY THE ADDRESS POINTER. THE
187      ; CONTENTS OF THE ADDRESS POINTER ARE NOT ALTERED.
188
189      ; THERE ARE TWO ENTRY POINTS:
190      ;
191      ; COP: COMPLEMENT 8 BITS.
192      ;
193      ; CMPE: EXTEND THE COMPLEMENT TO AN ADDITIONAL 8 BITS
194      ;
195
196      080      22      COMP:      SC
197      081      00      CMPE:      CLRA              ; SET MINUEND = 0
198      082      06              X              ; AND STORE IN MEMORY.
199      083      10              CASC
200      084      44              NOP              ;
201      085      04              XIS              ;
202      086      00              CLRA              ; SET MINUEND = 0
203      087      06              X              ; AND STORE IN MEMORY.
204      083      10              CASC              ;
205      089      44              NOP              ;
206      08A      04              XIS              ;
207      08B      44              NOP              ; AVOID SKIP IF DIGIT 15.
208      08C      A4              JP      SDB2      ; RETURN THRU SDB2
209              ; TO RESTORE POINTER.
210
211
212
213      ; ----- ADD 8 BITS IN ADJACENT REGISTERS ----- ;
214
215      . LOCAL
216
217
218
219      ; THIS ROUTINE ADDS TWO BINARY DIGITS (8 BITS) FROM ANY REGISTER
220      ; TO THE CORRESPONDING TWO BINARY DIGITS IN EITHER REGISTER
221      ; IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT. THERE ARE THREE ENTRY POINTS:
222      ;
223      ; LADR: — RESET CARRY AND ADD 2 DIGIT PAIRS

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224          ;          LADD: — ADD 2 DIGIT PAIRS WITH UNMODIFIED CARRY
225          ;          ADD1: — ADD 2 SINGLE DIGITS WITH UNMODIFIED CARRY
226
227
228
229
230 08D 32      LADR:      RC          ; RESET CARRY PRIOR TO ADD.
231 08E 15      LADD:      :D          01      ; LD ADDEND AND MOVE TO ADJ REG
232 08F 30          ASC          ; ADD AUGEND.
233 090 44          NOP          ; AVOID CARRY!
234 091 14          XIS          01      ; STORE SUM AND MOVE TO ADDEND
235 092 15      ADD1:      LD          01      ; REPEAT PROCESS
236 093 30          ASC          ; FOR
237 094 44          NOP          ; HIGH ORDER
238 095 14          XIS          01      ; DIGIT.
239 096 44          NOP          ; AVOID SKIP IF DIGIT 15.
240 097 48      $LST:      RET          ; FINISHED — RETURN!!!!
241
242
243
244
245          ; ----- ADD 8 BITS IN OPPOSITE REGISTERS ----- ;
246
247          . LOCAL
248
249
250
251          ; THIS ROUTINE ADDS TWO BINARY DIGITS (8BITS) FROM ANY REGISTER
252          ; TO THE CORRESPONDING TWO BINARY DIGITS IN EITHER REGISTER
253          ; DIRECTLY OPPOSITE. THERE ARE THREE ENTRY POINTS:
254          ;
255          ;          ADR0: — RESET CARRY AND ADD 2 DIGIT PAIRS
256          ;          ADD0: — ADD 2 DIGIT PAIRS WITH UNMODIFIED CARRY
257          ;          AD01: — ADD 2 SINGLE DIGITS WITH UNMODIFIED CARRY
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261
262 098 32      ADR0:      RC          ; RESET CARRY PRIOR TO ADD.
263 099 35      ADD0:      LD          03      ; LD ADDEND AND MOVE TO OPP REG
264 09A 30          ASC          ; ADD AUGEND.
265 09B 44          NOP          ; AVOID CARRY!
266 09C 34          XIS          03      ; STORE SUM AND MOVE TO ADDEND.
267 09D 15      AD01:      LD          01      ; REPEAT PROCESS
268 09E 30          ASC          ; FOR
269 09F 44          NOP          ; HIGH ORDER
270 0A0 34          XIS          03      ; DIGIT.
271 0A1 44          NOP          ; AVOID SKIP IF DIGIT 15.
272 0A2 48      $LST:      RET          ; FINISHED — RETURN!!!!
273
274
275
276          ; ----- SET DIGIT ADDRESS BACK TWO ----- ;
277

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278 . LOCAL
279
280 ; THIS ROUTINE SUBTRACTS 2 FROM THE CONTENTS OF THE
281 ; DIGIT POINTER (B REGISTER). THE CONTENTS OF THE
282 ; ACCUMULATOR ARE LOST IN THE PROCESS. THE USE OF
283 ; SDB2 ALLOWS ADDRESSING WITHIN THE LOGS SUB
284 ; ROUTINE TO BE RELATIVE TO THE CONTENTS OF THE
285 ; ADDRESS POINTER (B REGISTER) UPON ENTRY.
286 ; SDB2 IS COMMONLY USED IN BYTE OPERATIONS TO RESTORE THE
287 ; DIGIT POINTER TO THE LOW ORDER POSITION.
288 ; THERE ARE TWO ENTRY POINTS:
289 ;
290 ; SDR2: SET DIGIT ADDRESS BACK 2 AND MOVE TO OPPOSITE REGISTER.
291 ;
292 ; SDB2: SET DIGIT ADDRESS BACK 2 RETAINING PRESENT REGISTER.
293
294
295
296 0A3 35 SDR2: LD 03 ; MOVE TO OPPOSITE REGISTER.
297 0A4 4E SDB2: CBA ; PLACE DIGIT COUNT IN ACC.
298 0A5 5E AISC -2 ; SUBTRACT 2.
299 0A6 44 NOP ; SHOULD ALWAYS SKIP.
300 0A7 50 CAB ; PUT DIGIT COUNT BACK.
301 0A8 48 RET ; FINISHED — RETURN!!
302
303
304 ; -----> SHIFT LEFT <----- ;
305
306 . LOCAL
307
308 ; THIS ROUTINE SHIFTS LEFT THE CONTENTS OF TWO MEMORY
309 ; LOCATIONS ONE BIT. THERE ARE THREE ENTRY POINTS:
310
311 ; SHLR: RESETS THE CARRY BEFORE SHIFTING
312 ; IN ORDER TO FILL THE LOW ORDER
313 ; BIT POSITION WITH A 0.
314 ;
315 ; SHLC: SHIFTS THE STATE OF THE CARRY INTO
316 ; THE LOW ORDER BIT POSITION.
317 ;
318 ; SHL1: SHIFTS LEFT THE CONTENTS OF ONLY
319 ; ONE MEMORY LOCATION. THE STATE
320 ; OF THE CARRY IS SHIFTED INTO THE
321 ; LOW ORDER POSITION OF MEMORY.
322
323
324
325 0A9 32 SHLR: RC ; CLEAR CARRY PRIOR TO SHIFT.
326 0AA 05 SHLC: LD ; LOAD FIRST MEM DIGIT.
327 0AB 30 ASC ; DOUBLE IT.
328 0AC 44 NOP ; AVOID SKIP.
329 0AD 04 XIS ; STORE SHIFTED DIGIT.
330 0AE 05 SHL1: LD ; LOAD NEXT MEM DIGIT.
331 0AF 30 ASC ; DOUBLE IT TOO.

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332 0B0 44 NOP ; AVOID SKIP, IF ANY
333 0B1 04 XIS ; STORE SHIFTED DIGIT.
334 0B2 48 $LST: RET ; FINISHED — RETURN!
335
336
337 . END

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