

Use of the LPM (Load Program Memory)

- **Use of the LPM (Load Program Memory) Instruction with the AVR Assembler**
- **Load Constants from Program Memory**
- **Use of Lookup Tables**

The LPM instruction is included in the **AVR Instruction Set** to load a data byte from the FLASH Program memory into the Register File.

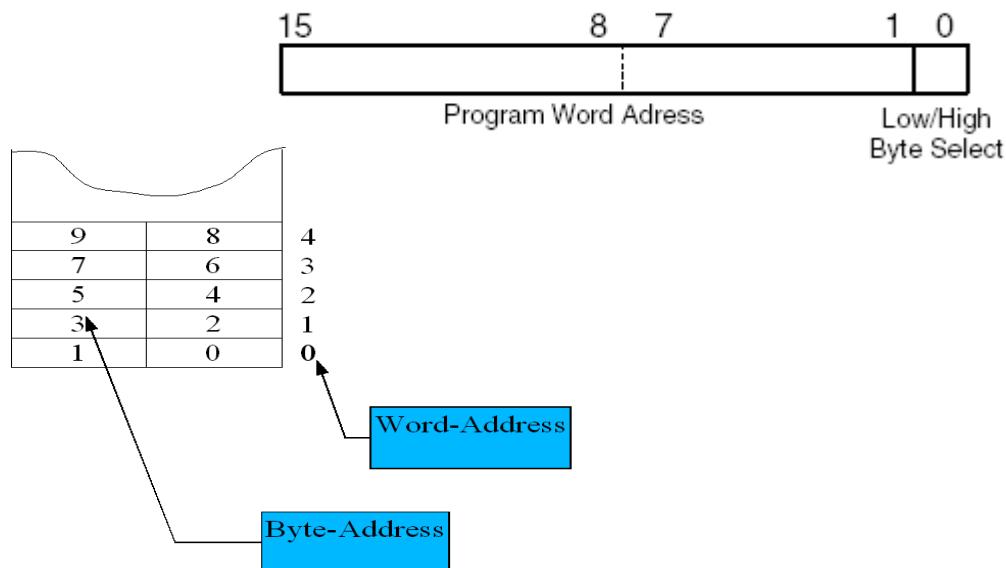
The **Flash** Program memory of the AVR microcontroller is organized as **16 bits** words.

The Register File and **SRAM** Data memory are organized as **eight bits** bytes.

Special consideration must therefore be taken when loading data from Program memory to Data memory.

The **Z-register** in the Register File is used to access the Program memory. This 16 bits register pair is used as a **16 bits pointer** to the Program memory.

Figure 1. Z Address Register



$$\text{Byte-Address} = \text{Word-Address} * 2$$

The 15 most significant bits selects the word address in Program memory. Because of this, the word address is multiplied by two before it is put in the Z-register (Z-register needs the Byte-Address of low Byte)

The least significant bit of the Z Address Register selects either Low byte (0) or High



byte(1) of the Program memory word.

To load data from random places in program memory, the Z-register must be set up with the proper address each time a new address is accessed.

In Program memory the data is organized with one byte in the low part of a program word and the next byte in the high part. Because of this, the message string will appear as if every pair of characters has been swapped, when viewed in the memory view in AVR Studio

\x0	d	1F
1	r	1E
o	W	1D
\x20	o	1C
1	l	1B
e	H	1A

message: Word-Address



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;***** Ex_LPM1 *****
;***** A P P L I C A T I O N N O T E A V R 1 0 8 *****
;* DESCRIPTION
;* This Application note shows how to use the Load Program Memory (LPM)
;* instruction. The App. note loads the string "Hello World" from
;* program memory byte by byte, and puts it onto port B.
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;*****
;.include "8515def.inc"      für PORTB, DDRB benötigt
.device AT90S8515 ; Specify device der Assembler kann dann Meldungen
liefern, ob ein bestimmter Befehl für dieses Device überhaupt vorhanden ist
.def temp=r16 ; Define temporary variable
start:
    ldi temp,low(RAMEND)  der Stack wird am Ende des RAMS eingerichtet; er
wächst nach unten; SPL = Stack pointer LOW Byte SPH = Stack pointer HIGHT Byte
    out SPL,temp           ; stack pointer to last int. RAM
location
    ldi temp,high(RAMEND)
    out SPH,temp
    ldi temp,$ff            der Befehl „out“ nimmt nur ein Register als
Argument! Daher zuerst den Wert in Register laden
    out DDRB,temp          ; Set port B as output
    out PORTB,temp          ; Set all pins at port B high

; Load the address of 'message' into the Z register. Multiplies
; word address with 2 to achieve the byte address, and uses the
; functions high() and low() to calculate high and low address byte.

Der Befehl lpm holt von der Adresse z (16bit pointer) ein Byte in
das Register r0

message ist ein label (Adresse); der Programmspeicher ist in Werten
(2Byte) organisiert d.h. Das Label hat z.B. den Wert 5 (Wortadresse
5), die Adresse im Speicher, also die Adresse wo der Pointer z
hinzeigt ist aber 10

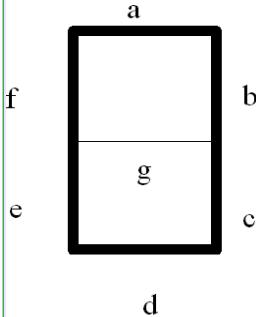
    ldi ZH,high(2*message) ; Load high part of byte address
    ldi ZL,low(2*message)  ; Load low part of byte address into ZL
loadbyte:
    lpm                  ; Load byte from program memory into r0
    tst r0                ; end of the message reached?
    breq quit   branch if equal ; If so, quit
    out PORTB,r0          ; Put the character onto Port B
    rcall one_sec_delay   ; A short delay
    adiw ZL,1              16 bit Pointer increment (add immediate word); Increase Z
    rjmp loadbyte
quit: rjmp quit

one_sec_delay:
    ldi r20, 20
    ldi r21, 255
    ldi r22, 255
delay:
    dec r22
    brne delay
    dec r21
    brne delay
    dec r20
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    brne delay
    ret
message:
    .db "Hello World"  db = define byte; legt die Zeichen hintereinander im
Programmspeicher ab!
    .db 0  abschließende Null (vgl. Strings in c)
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;***** Ex_LPM2 *****
;binär --> siebensegment Coder
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In diesem Beispiel wird für eine Ziffer r1 der

Siebensegmentcode ermittelt. Dazu wird in einer Lookuptable nachgeschlagen, die mit db-Direktiven als Konstante in den Programmspeicher gebracht wurden
Siebensegmentcode: die Elemente a...g werden in aufeinanderfolgender Reihe angegeben:

z.B: '0' 0111 1110 = 0x7E
 '1' 0011 0000 = 0x30
 das 8. Element ist der Punkt;

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.include "8515def.inc"

.CSEG

    ldi r31,HIGH(lookuptable*2)      ; Z high byte
    ldi r30,LOW(lookuptable*2)       ; Set Z low byte to
    lpm                                ; load from flash (0x33)

    adiw ZH:ZL,1          ; z++ 16bit increment of Pointer z
    add immediate word

    lpm                                ; load into r0 from z Pointer (0x77)

;     lpm r0,z+                      ; does not work at at90s8515
microprocessor
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    lpm                                ; load into r0 0xff (255)

    ldi r30, 1          ; ldi needs register r16-r31
    mov r1, r30
    rcall bin_to_7seg
    ldi r30, 0xFF        ; write back the result
    out DDRB, r30
    out PORTB, r0

end:rjmp end

bin_to_7seg:
    ; get the 7segment code
    ; parameter: r1 ... bin value
    ; return value: r0 .. 7seg code
    ; changed registers: z
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ldi r31,HIGH(code7seg<<1) shift left 1 position = Multiplizierte* 2 ; z high
byte
ldi r30,LOW(code7seg<<1) ; Set Z low byte to
z zeigt jetzt auf den Anfang der Lookuptable; er muß jetzt um r1
Stellen weitergestellt werden z.B: r1 =2 ==> z zeigt auf den
Siebensegmentcode von „2“
clr r2 ; set the pointer to z+r1
add r30, r1
adc r31, r2

lpm ;7seg Cod
ret

.ORG 0x122 ; organize the following code starting at location 0x122
lookuptable:
.DW 0x7733,255, 0b01010101, -128, 0xaa ,1,2,3,4,0
code7seg:
.DW 0xa0,0xa1,0xa2,0xa3,0xa4,0xa5,0xa6,0xa7,0xa8,0xa9 diese Werte dienen
in der Entwicklungsphase als Ersatzwerte für die eigentlichen 7-Segment-Codes
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