## Arrays, strings and parameter-less functions in Assembly

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## **Notes:**

- Each exercise should be solved in a modular fashion. It should be organised in two or more modules and compiled using the rules described in a Makefile.
- Unless clearly stated otherwise, the needed data structures for each exercise must be declared as global variables in the main C module
- The code should be commented and indented
- Implement the following functions in Assembly and test them using a program in C
- 1. Implement a function int zero\_count(void) that returns the number of zero chars ('0') in a string pointed by ptr1.
- 2. Implement a function void str\_copy\_porto(void) that copies the string pointed by ptr1 to the string pointed by ptr2, exchanging each occurrence of the character 'v' by 'b', considering lower case characters only.
- 3. Implement a function void str\_copy\_porto2(void) that copies the string pointed by ptr1 to the string pointed by ptr2, exchanging each occurrence of the character 'v' by the character 'b', considering lower and upper case characters.
- 4. Implement a function void vec\_add\_one(void) that adds one (1) to all the elements of an array of integers, with num elements and pointed by ptrvec.

- 5. Implement a function int vec\_sum(void) that returns the sum of all the elements of an array of integers, pointed by ptrvec, with num elements. Then, implement another function int vec\_avg(void) (in Assembly) that uses the value returned by int vec\_sum(void) to compute the average.
- 6. Implement a function int encrypt(void) that adds two (2) to all the characters, that are not 'a' or space, of the string pointed by ptr1. The function should return the number of changed characters.
- 7. Implement a function int decrypt(void) that decrypts the string pointed by ptr1 and encrypted by int encrypt(void). The function should return the number of changed characters.
- 8. Implement the function int test\_even(void) that tests if the number in the variable even is even. The function should return one (1) if it is even or zero (0) if it is odd. Use the previous function to implement a function int vec\_sum\_even(void) that returns the sum of all the even elements of an array of integers pointed by ptrvec, with num elements.
- 9. Implement a function short\* vec\_search(void) that searches the short int x in an array of short ints, pointed by ptrvec, with num elements, and returns the memory address of it's first occurrence or zero if not found.
- 10. Implement a function void str\_cat(void) that concatenates, in a string pointed by ptr3, the strings pointed by ptr1 and ptr2, which have a maximum length of 40 bytes each.
- 11. Implement a function int vec\_greater20(void) that returns the number of elements of an array of long long ints, pointed by ptrvec, with num elements, that are greater than 20.
- 12. Implement a function int vec\_zero(void) that zeroes the elements of an array of short ints, pointed by ptrvec, with num elements, that are greater or equal to 100. The function should return the number of changed elements.
- 13. Implement a function void keep\_positives(void) that changes an array of integers, with num elements and pointed by ptrvec, by replacing all the negative numbers by their respective indexes on the array, keeping the positive elements unchanged.
- 14. Implement the function int exists(void), that tests if the short int x exists more than once in the array of short int elements pointed by ptrvec with num elements. The function should return 1 if short int x has duplicates or 0 if not. Use the previous function to implement a function int vec\_diff(void) that computes the number of elements in the array of short int elements pointed by ptrvec that do not have duplicates.
- 15. Implement a function int sum\_first\_byte() that returns the sum of the first byte of all the elements of the array of ints pointed by ptrvec, with num elements.

- 16. Implement a function void swap() that swaps the content of the arrays of chars pointed by ptr1 and ptr2, both with num elements (i.e contents of the first array will be copied to second array and vice versa). The new content of each array must be printed in the main function.
- 17. Implement a function void array\_sort(void) that, given the address of an array of integers pointed by ptrvec, with num elements, sorts the array in descending order.
- 18. Implement a function int sort\_without\_reps(void) that, given the address of an array of integers pointed by ptrsrc), with num elements, and the address of an empty array of the same size pointed by ptrdest, fills the ptrdest array with the elements of the ptrsrc array in ascending order, eliminating all repeated values. The function must return the number of items placed in the second array. Note that there are a limited number of registers. As such, a modular approach must be employed. That is, this exercise must be implemented using several functions.
- 19. Implement a function void frequencies(void) that, given the address of an array of chars pointed by ptrgrades with the students' exam grades at ARQCP (a value between 0 and 20), with num elements, and the address of a second array pointed by ptrfreq, it should fill ptrfreq with the absolute frequency of the grades stored in ptrgrades.
- 20. Implement a function int count\_seq(void) that, given the address of an array of integers pointed by ptrvec), with num elements, counts how many sets of three consecutive elements exist in ptrvec that satisfy the condition  $v_i < v_{i+1} < v_{i+2}$ . Note that there are a limited number of registers. As such, a modular approach must be employed. That is, this exercise must be implemented using several functions.