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strcpy.s

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/**
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 * PARAMETERS: X0 (STRING TO BE COPIED)
 * OUTPUT      : X0 (POINTER TO COPIED STRING)
 * The purpose of this function is to copy a string dynamically using malloc.
 * It is up to the user to free the memory when done.
 * ALL REGISTERS PRESERVED EXCEPT X0
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.text
.global strcpy

strcpy:
    // storing X0-X19 registers, as malloc will not preserve most of these
    str X1, [sp, -16]!
    stp X2, X3, [sp, -16]!
    stp X4, X5, [sp, -16]!
    stp X6, X7, [sp, -16]!
    stp X8, X9, [sp, -16]!
    stp X10, X11, [sp, -16]!
    stp X12, X13, [sp, -16]!
    stp X14, X15, [sp, -16]!
    stp X16, X17, [sp, -16]!
    stp X18, X19, [sp, -16]!
    stp X20, X21, [sp, -16]!
    str lr, [sp, -16]!
    mov x1, #10000 // setting a theoretical max string value, can be adjusted accordingly
    mov x19, x0    // storing a copy of x0 into x19
    bl length      // calling length to fulfill malloc's parameter of requested bytes
    mov x21, x0     // move length into x21
    bl malloc       // call malloc
    mov x20, #0     // setting variable to 0 for loop count

strcpyLoop:
    ldrb w17, [x19, x20] // loading byte of given string into w17
    strb w17, [x0, x20]  // storing w17 into new string
    add x20, x20, #1     // incrementing
    cmp x20, x21         // comparing x19 to x20
    b.ge end             // if it's greater than the length, goto end
    b strcpyLoop

end:
    // popping registers back from stack
    ldr lr, [sp], 16
    ldp X20, X21, [sp], 16
    ldp X18, X19, [sp], 16
    ldp X16, X17, [sp], 16
    ldp X14, X15, [sp], 16
    ldp X12, X13, [sp], 16
    ldp X10, X11, [sp], 16
    ldp X8, X9, [sp], 16
    ldp X6, X7, [sp], 16
    ldp X4, X5, [sp], 16
    ldp X2, X3, [sp], 16
    ldr X1, [sp], 16
    ret lr

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