

Computer Architecture: HW2

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1. Some comments of pieces of the code

#start from the place where we compute the factorial value

fac:

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addi $t0, $0, 1      #$t0 = 1
bgt $a0, $t0, recursive  #if n > 1, then do recursive part.
move $v0, $t0         #if n = 1 or n = 0, return 1.
jr $ra
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recursive:

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addi $sp, $sp, -8      #decrement stack pointer by 8
sw $ra, 0($sp)         #save n
sw $a0, 4($sp)         #save return address
addi $a0, $a0, -1      #compute (n - 1)
jal fac               #compute (n - 1)!
lw $t0, 4($sp)         #get n from memory stack
mult $t0, $v0          #compute n × (n - 1)! = n!
mflo $v0              #save the 32 least significant bits of the product.
lw $a0, 4($sp)         #restore n.
lw $ra, 0($sp)         #restore return address
addi $sp, $sp, 8       #restore stack pointer
jr $ra
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2. Result



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Console
Input an integer: 0
0! = 1
Input an integer: 1
1! = 1
Input an integer: 2
2! = 2
Input an integer: 3
3! = 6
Input an integer: 5
5! = 120
Input an integer: 7
7! = 5040
Input an integer: 9
9! = 362880
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Figure 1. The screenshot of the results produced by my factorial calculator