

CSE 2312: Computer Organization &  
Assembly Language Programming  
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Program #3

In this assignment, you will implement a recursive solution for computing the number of integer partitions of a positive integer  $n$  with parts up to  $m$ . In number theory, an integer partition is a way of writing  $n$  as a sum of positive integers (in this case, positive integers up to  $m$ ). For example, the partitions for  $n = 5$  and  $m = 3$  are:

$$\begin{aligned}5 &= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\5 &= 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\5 &= 2 + 2 + 1 \\5 &= 3 + 1 + 1 \\5 &= 3 + 2\end{aligned}$$

Thus, there are 5 integer partitions for  $n = 5$  and  $m = 3$ . This problem can be solved recursively using the following function:

```
int count_partitions(int n, int m)
{
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    else if (n < 0)
        return 0;
    else if (m == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return count_partitions(n - m, m) + count_partitions(n, m - 1);
}
```

Your main function will contain a loop that continuously checks for keyboard input in the following pattern:

<OPERAND\_N><ENTER>  
<OPERAND\_M><ENTER>

Once the 2 lines of input are acquired, the operands should be loaded into the proper registers and the count\_partitions procedure should be called. The procedure should return the result in register R0, and the main function should print “there are  $x$  partitions of  $n$  using integers up to  $m$ ” and skip to a new line.

All input test cases will consist of positive numbers only, and OPERAND\_M will always be less than or equal to OPERAND\_N. Below is how the input/output should look for the example above:

5

3

There are 5 partitions of 5 using integers up to 3

Points will be assigned as follows:

1. Main function correctly retrieves 2 input parameters, prints result in a continuous loop  
(20 points)
2. `count_partitions` procedure implemented, registers R0, R1, R2 used as specified  
(30 points)
3. `count_partitions` procedure returns correct value in all cases  
(50 points)

Submit your solution as a single “.s” file to Blackboard. Name the file “abc1234\_p2.s”, where abc1234 is your UTA NetID.

\*\*\* Be sure to check <http://github.com/cmcmurrough/cse2312> for useful code snippets \*\*\*