

Tutorial 4 – Week of Oct. 4th 2021

Question 1) 2.27

Translate the following loop into C. Assume that the C-level integer `i` is held in register `x6`, `x5` holds the C-level integer called `result`, and `x10` holds the base address of the integer

```
.data
MemArray:                // array of 100 words
                        .word    0
                        .word    1
// ...
                        .word    99

.text
    addi x6, x0, 0
    addi x5, x0, 0
    addi x29, x0, 100
LOOP:lw  x7, 0(x10)
    add  x5, x5, x7
    addi x10, x10, 4
    addi x6, x6, 1
    blt  x6, x29, LOOP
```

Solution:

```
int i;
int result = 0;
for (i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
    result += *MemArray;
    MemArray++;
}
return result;
```

// Many people would write the code this way

```
int i;
int result = 0;
for (i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
    result += MemArray[i];
}
return result;
```

Question 2) 2.31

Translate function `f` into RISC-V assembly language. Assume the function declaration for `g` is

```
int g(int a, int b).
```

The code for function `f` is as follows:

```
int f(int a, int b, int c, int d){  
    return g(g(a,b), c+d);  
}
```

Solution:

```
f:  
    addi x2, x2, -8      // Allocate stack space for 2 words  
    sw   x1, 0(x2)       // Save return address  
    add  x5, x12, x13    // x5 = c+d  
    sw   x5, 4(x2)       // Save c+d on the stack  
    jal  x1, g           // Call x10 = g(a,b)  
    lw   x11, 4(x2)      // Reload x11= c+d from the stack  
    jal  x1, g           // Call x10 = g(g(a,b), c+d)  
    lw   x1, 0(x2)       // Restore return address  
    addi x2, x2, 8       // Restore stack pointer  
    jalr x0, 0(x1)
```

Question 3) 2.37

Write the RISC-V assembly code to implement the following C code as an atomic “set max” operation using the `lr.d` and `sc.d` instructions. Here, the argument `shvar` contains the address of a shared variable which should be replaced by `y` if `y` is greater than the value it points to. Assume `x10` is address of integer pointed by `shvar` and value of `y` is in `x11`.

```
void setmax(int* shvar, int y) {  
    // Begin critical section  
    if (y > *shvar)  
        *shvar = y;  
    // End critical section}  
}
```

Solution:

```
setmax:  
    try:  
        lr.d x5, (x10)          # Load-reserve *shvar  
        bge x5, x11, release    # Skip update if *shvar > y  
        addi x5, x11, 0  
  
release:  
        sc.d x7, x5, (x10)  
        bne x7, x0, try         # If store-conditional failed, try again  
        jalr x0, 0(x1)
```