Exam 3

EBP = base pointer or frame pointer
It holds the base address of the base of the stack frame
EBP does not change value during the procedure
EBP must be restored to its original value when a procedure returns

Stack Parameters : more convenient than register parameters

pass argument by value on stack
push argument values on stack
use 32 bit values to keep the stack "aligned"
Call the procedure
return value in EAX if any
remove arguments from the stack

pass argument by reference
push the offsets (address) of arguments on the stack
call the procedure
return value in EAX if any
remove arguments from the stack

Cannot push 8 bit values on stack
Pushing 16 bit values may cause page fault
or ESP Alignment problem
use movzx or movsx to expand smaller
argument into 32 bit value

Push high order value on the stack first
results in little-endian ordering of data

```
push    EBP             ; preserve the base pointer
mov     EBP, ESP        ; create a stack frame

sub     esp, 8          ; create 2 dword variables

mov     dword [ebp-4], 5 ; x = 5
mov     dword [ebp-8], 10 ; y = 10

mov     eax, [ebp+8]    ; eax = arg 1
mov     ecx, [ebp+12]   ; ecx = arg 2

; arg 1 = ebp+8 and the last to push
; before calling the procedure
```

pass argument by value vs by reference
  arg = value
or
  arg = address

LEA instruction
store the address of local variable into a reg instead of its value

```
; [ebp - 4] = 5
mov edi, [ebp-4]    ; edi = 5
lea edi, [ebp-4]    ; edi = address of
                    ;   [ebp-4]
```

Enter instruction
create stack frame for a called procedure
push EBP on the stack
set EBP to the base of the stack frame
reserve space for local variables

```
enter 4,0  ⇒   push ebp
               mov ebp, esp
               sub esp, 4
```

LEAVE instruction
terminate the stack frame for a procedure

```
leave  ⇒   mov esp, ebp ; free local
           pop ebp      ; space
```

```
; must 4 * number of args pushed
; after the procedure returns
```

Recursion

A procedure calls itself

Procedure A calls Procedure B then B calls A

summation of 1 to 10

```
sum:
   push ebp
   mov ebs, esp

mov   ecx, [ebp + 8]   ; ecx = arg  = 10
mov   eax, 0           ; eax = 0

.if:
cmp   ecx, 0           ; check value in arg
je    .endif           ; end if arg = 0
dec   ecx              ; decrement value
push  ecx              ; push value as parameter
call  sum              ; recursive call
add   eax, [ebp+8]; add arg to eax
.endif:

leave
ret
```

MOVSB, MOVSW, MOVSD instructions
copy data from memory location pointed to by ESI to the memory location pointed by EDI
copy data from ESI to EDI
ESI and EDI are automatically incremented or decremented
movsb inc/dec by 1
movsw inc/dec by 2
movsd inc/dec by 4

The direction flag controls the inc or dec of ESI and EDI
DF = clear = 0 : inc ESI and EDI
DF = set = 1 : dec ESI and EDI

CLD : clear DF
STD : set DF

REPEAT Prefix
REP can be inserted before MOVSB, MOVSW, MOVSD
ECX controls the repetitions

CMPSB, CMPSW, CMPSD instruction
compare a memory operand pointed to by ESI to a memory operand pointed to by EDI
compare ESI to EDI

SCASB, SCASW, SCASD instructions

compare a value in AL/AX/EAX to a byte, word, dword, respectively, address by EDI

used for:

search for a specific element in a string or array

search for the first element that does not match a given value

eg. Str: "ABCDEF", NULL

Str_sz: equ $ - Str

```
mov     edi, str        ; EDI = str
mov     al, 'F'         ; AL = 'F'
mov     ecx, str_sz     ; ECX = str_sz
cld                     ; forward
repne   scasb           ; repeat while not equal

dec     edi             ; EDI points to 'F'
```

STOSB, STOSW, STOSD instructions

store the contents of AL | AX | EAX respectively, in memory at the offset pointed to by EDI

store the value in AL | AX | EAX into EDI

```
str_sz: equ 255
str:    resb str_sz     ; fill the string with NULL

mov     al, NULL        ; AL = NULL
mov     edi, str        ; EDI = str
mov     ecx, str_sz     ; ECX = str_sz
cld                     ; forward
rep     stosb           ; fill str with NULL
```

LODSB, LODSW, LODSD instructions

load a byte, word, dword from memory at ESI into AL, AX, EAX, respectively

eg.
```
array:      db   1,2,3,4,5
array_sz:   equ $ - array

            mov     esi, array      ; ESI = array
            mov     edi, array      ; EDI = array
            mov     ecx, array_sz   ; ECX = array_sz
            mov     dl, 5           ; DL = 5

            cld

            .while
            lodsb                   ; copy ESI into AL
            mul     dl              ; AL multiple by DL
            stosb                   ; store AL into EDI
            loop    .while          ; loop while ECX > 0
            .wend
```

Struct is a class
a design element
not an object

Struct
In NASM, struc is a preprocessor macro.
a collection of data types

String
is an array of char
NULL terminate string
the NULL marks the end of the string
can search for the NULL to find out the length of the string

Binary Multiplication

128 1000 0000 0000 0000

33 0000 0000 0001

0000 0000 0000 0000

0000 0000 1000 0000

0001 0000 0000 0000

0001 0000 1000 0000

4096 128

4096

+ 128

4224