

Problem ST-7 (5 parts)**Reverse Engineering**

Consider the following MIPS code.

label	instruction	comment
	addi \$1, \$0, 16	# x
	addi \$2, \$0, 3	# y
	addi \$3, \$0, 4	# z
	addi \$4, \$0, 0	# sum
Loop:	addi \$1, \$1, -1	# x--
A:	sll \$5, \$3, 7	# $z*128 = z*8*16$
B:	sll \$6, \$2, 4	# $y*16$
C:	add \$7, \$5, \$6	# $\$7: z*128 + y*16$
	add \$8, \$7, \$1	# $\$8: z*128 + y*16 + x$
	sll \$8, \$8, 2	# scale by 4
	lw \$7, Array(\$8)	# use as offset into Array
	add \$4, \$4, \$7	# $\$4: \text{running sum}$
	bne \$1, \$0, Loop	# continue loop if $x > 0$
	jr \$31	# return to caller

Part A (4 points) What type of loop is this (e.g., for, while, do while)?

do while

Part B (4 points) How many iterations does the loop perform?

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Part C (9 points) The loop is accessing a multi-dimensional array. How many columns (L_x) and rows (L_y) does it have? At has at least how many planes (L_z)?

$L_x = 16$

$L_y = 8$

$L_z \geq 5$

Part D (4 points) In terms of the multi-dimensional array, what is being summed up and placed in register \$4 by the program?

running sum of all elements of row 3 (4th row), on plane 4 (5th plane).

Part E (4 points) How can this program be optimized to reduce the total number of instructions executed by 45 instructions (from 149 to 104 instructions)?

Move the three instructions labeled A, B, and C above the loop, since the expression they compute does not change on each loop iteration.