

# Assignment 1

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## 1 PROBLEM

Consider the following ANSI C function:

```
int SimpleFunction(int Y[], int n, int x)
{
    int total = Y[0], loopIndex;
    for (loopIndex=1; loopIndex<=n-1; loopIndex++)
    {
        total=x*total + Y[loopIndex];
    }
    return total;
}
```

Let  $Z$  be an array of 10 elements with  $Z[i]=1$ , for all  $i$  such that  $0 \leq i \leq 9$ . The value returned by  $\text{SimpleFunction}(Z, 10, 2)$  is ?

## 2 SOLUTION

**Solution: 1023**

Code to generate the solution:

```
#include <stdio.h>
int SimpleFunction(int Y[], int n, int x){
    int total = Y[0], loopIndex;
    for( loopIndex = 1; loopIndex<=n-1;
        loopIndex++){
        total = x*total + Y[loopIndex];
    }return total;
}
int main()
{
```

```
int Z[10] = {1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1};
printf("%d", SimpleFunction(Z, 10, 2));
return 0;
}
```

The function  $\text{SimpleFunction}$  of the C code in the question takes an integer type array ( $Y[]$ ), and two integer variables ( $n$  and  $x$ ) as the inputs and returns an integer as the output.

The inputs of the  $\text{SimpleFunction}$  are:

- 1) integer type array,  $Z[i] = 1$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq 9$   
i.e.,  $Z = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$
- 2) integer  $n = 10$
- 3) integer  $x = 2$

In the function  $\text{SimpleFunction}(Z, n, x)$  a "for loop" is run for  $n-1$  iterations.

In each iteration the integer variable "**total**", which is initiated with 1, is recursively multiplied with 2 with its previous value and added to 1.

$\text{total} = x * \text{total} + Z[\text{loopIndex}];$

Since,  $Z[i]$  is always 1 and  $x = 2$ .

$\text{total} = 2 * \text{total} + 1;$

The values of total for  $n-1$  iterations are,  
initially  $\text{total} = 1$

for  $\text{loopIndex} = 1$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(1) + 1 = 3$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 2$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(3) + 1 = 7$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 3$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(7) + 1 = 15$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 4$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(15) + 1 = 31$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 5$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(31) + 1 = 63$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 6$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(63) + 1 = 127$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 7$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(127) + 1 = 255$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 8$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(255) + 1 = 511$   
 for  $\text{loopIndex} = 9$ ,  $\text{total} = 2*(511) + 1 = 1023$

The for loop terminates at  $\text{loopIndex} = 9$ , and the  $\text{SimpleFunction}$  returns the final value of total, which is equal to **1023**.

Now, as we observe the values of "total" (3,7,15...,1023), we can observe that each value of "total" is one less than some integer exponential of 2. For example;

for loopIndex = 1, total = 3 =  $2^2 - 1$   
for loopIndex = 2, total = 7 =  $2^3 - 1$  and so on.

So, lets take a general equation of total,

$$T(m) = 2T(m-1) + 1$$

where  $m$  is the iterative loopIndex of the for loop

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} T(m) &= 2T(m-1) + 1 \\ T(m-1) &= 2T(m-2) + 1 \\ T(m-2) &= 2T(m-3) + 1 \\ &\vdots \\ T(2) &= 2T(1) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \text{loopIndex} \geq 1, m \geq 1$

Now, to get a general solution to the above equations we multiply each equation with suitable coefficients and add them,

$$\begin{aligned} T(m) &= 2T(m-1) + 1 \\ 2T(m-1) &= 2 * (2T(m-2) + 1) \\ 2^2 * T(m-2) &= 2^2 * (2T(m-3) + 1) \\ &\vdots \\ 2^{m-2} * T(2) &= 2^{m-2} * (2T(1) + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Now, on adding all the above equations we get rid of all the  $T(m-i)$  form values except  $T(m)$ ,  $T(1)$  and left with all the 1's from each equation,

$$\begin{aligned} T(m) &= 1 + 2 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^{m-2} + 2^{m-1}T(1) \\ T(m) &= 2^{m-1} - 1 + 2^{m-1} * 3 \\ [\because T(1) &= 2 * (1) + 1 = 3] \\ T(m) &= 4 * 2^{m-1} - 1 \\ T(m) &= 2^{m+1} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

We can find "total" value using the equation below, where  $m$  is the iterative index "loopIndex".

$$T(m) = 2^{m+1} - 1 \quad (2.0.1)$$

Since the SimpleFunction returns the total value, which corresponds for loopIndex =  $n-1$ .

So, for  $m = n-1$ , we have

$$T(n-1) = 2^n - 1 \quad (2.0.2)$$

Finally, we can find the final output of the SimpleFunction using the above equation for different values of  $n$ .

In the question, the value of  $n=10$ ,

$$\Rightarrow \text{total} = 2^{10} - 1 = \mathbf{1023}$$

**Note:** The above equation is only for  $x = 2$  and  $Z = [1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1]$