

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 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 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.

```
total=x*total + Z[loopIndex];
```

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

```
total=2*total + 1;
```

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

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

The for loop terminates at $\text{loopIndex} = 9$, and the 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 $Z = [1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1]$