

Program Layout & Execution Project

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GitHub Repository

Project Repository:

https://github.com/priyanshu1044/part2_program_layout

This repository contains the full C code, memory diagrams, recursion demonstration, and project video.

How to Download, Compile, and Run the Program

1. Download the Code

Option A - Using Git:

```
git clone https://github.com/priyanshu1044/part2_program_layout.git
cd part2_program_layout
```

2. Compile the Program

If using the Makefile:

```
make clean && make
```

If compiling manually:

```
gcc main.c recursion.c -o program
```

3. Run the Program

```
./assembler programs/factorial.asm factorial.bin
```

```
./cpu factorial.bin
```

4. Expected Output

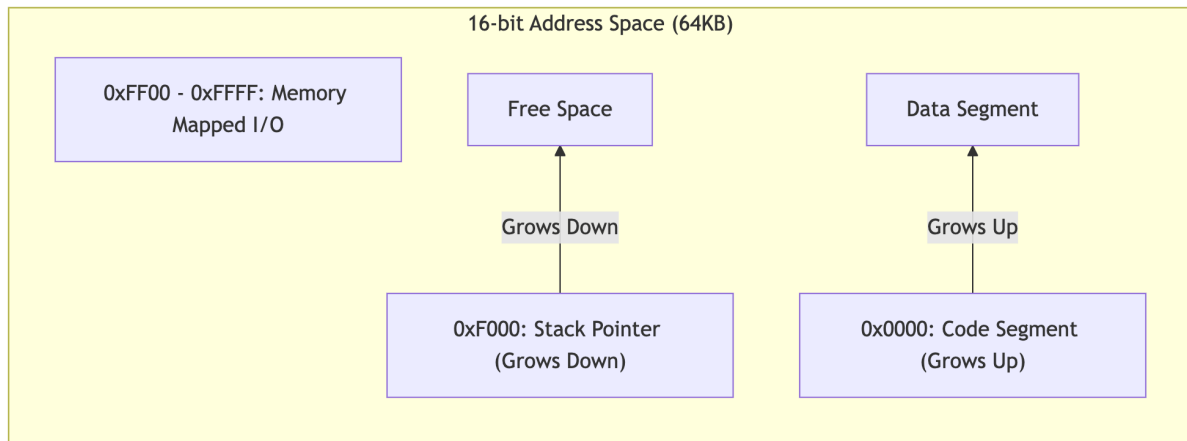
Factorial of 5 = 120

Explanation of Program Layout, Function Calls, Recursion

Program Memory Layout

The program uses a simplified 16-bit CPU model with the following segments:

- Code Segment – contains instructions (grows upward)
- Data Segment – global/static variables
- Free Space – unused memory
- Stack Segment – stores function call frames (grows downward)
- I/O Space – memory-mapped I/O region



Function Call Execution

When `main()` calls `factorial(n)`:

- A stack frame is pushed
- Parameters are stored
- Return address is saved
- CPU jumps to `factorial()`

How Recursion Works

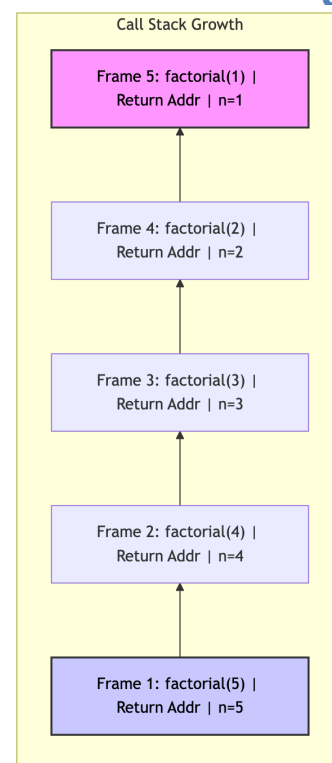
`factorial(5)`

→ `factorial(4)`
→ `factorial(3)`
→ `factorial(2)`
→ `factorial(1)`
→ `return 1`

Each call pushes a stack frame.

Each return pops a frame and multiplies the result.

Recursion Stack Diagram



Team Member Contributions

Priyanshu Patel:

- Implemented C recursion code
- Wrote factorial() function
- Created memory map diagram

Meet Hitesh Thakkar:

- Created video demonstration
- Explained stack frames and recursion
- Recorded narration

Yash Bharatbhai Savani:

- Organized GitHub repository
- Created Makefile and folder structure
- Completed the final write-up

Puneeth Regonda:

- Developed reference C version
- Verified assembly → C correctness
- Assisted with documentation

Demo Link:

https://github.com/priyanshu1044/part2_program_layout/tree/main/demo-video