

Computer Organization

Lab 1 - MIPS Assembly

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Objectives

In this lab, we are going to learn how to write assembly code of MIPS architecture, and understand the difference between it and high-level languages such as C/C++. We will give an example to you.

1. Learn how to write **assembly code** and understand how it works
2. Learn how to run your assembly code by using **the MIPS simulator - SPIM**

Example: Factorial

- This is an example about computing factorial $n!$, where n is a given positive integer.
- The attached files factorial.c and factorial.s are the given example code.
- Please check the above files before moving on to the other tasks, for you to get familiar with assembly code.

```
$ gcc factorial.c -o factorial.c
```

```
$ ./factorial  
Please input a number: 5  
120
```

Tasks

For each task, you need to complete the C code **only TODO section**, and then translate it into MIPS assembly:

1. GCD & LCM
2. Exponentiation
3. Find max, min in array
4. Compute sum of digits

each task account for **25%** of your score.

```
void findMaxMin(int arr[], int size, int* max, int* min) {  
    //TODO  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    // DO NOT modify this section  
    int numbers[5];
```

SPIM: A MIPS32 Simulator

- SPIM is a simulator for the MIPS, you can simply install SPIM with following command
 - macOS: ***brew install spim***
 - need to install homebrew first : <https://brew.sh/>
 - ubuntu: ***sudo apt-get install spim***
 - CentOS: ***sudo yum install spim***
- You can using SPIM by using command line interface.
 - e.g. `spim -file exp.s`

```
$ spim -file ./factorial.s
Loaded: /opt/homebrew/Cellar/spim/9.1.24/share/exceptions.s
Please input a number: 5
The result of factorial(n) is 120
```

Task 1. GCD & LCM (25%)

Compute greatest common divisor (GCD) and least common multiple (LCM) of given two positive integers $n1$ and $n2$.

Input: Two numbers $n1$ and $n2$.

Output: $\text{GCD}(n1, n2)$ $\text{LCM}(n1, n2)$

e.g.

```
$ ./gcd_lcm
Please enter the first number: 5
Please enter the second number: 10
5 10
```

Task 2. Exponentiation (recursive version) (25%)

Compute the exponentiation of given number n raised to the power of d **in the recursive way (Please refer to the given C code)**, where n and d are positive integers.

Input: Two numbers n and d .

Output: n^d

e.g.

```
$ ./exp
Enter base (positive integers): 5
Enter exponent (positive integers): 3
125
```

$$n^d = n * n^{d-1}$$

$$n^{d-1} = n * n^{d-2}$$

...

Task 3. Find max, min (25%)

Find the maximum value, minimum value of given five positive integers n1 to n5.

Input: Five numbers n1 to n5.

Output: max min

e.g.

**※Note that SPIM can only read one integer at a time.
Therefore, you need to enter each number in turn**

```
$ ./max_min
Enter five positive integers: 1
2
3
4
100
100 1
```


Task 4. Sum of digits (25%)

Enter a positive integer and calculate the sum of all digits.

Input: A positive integer.

Output: The sum of all digits of the input integer

e.g. $5 + 5 + 8 = 18$

```
$ ./sum_of_digits  
Enter an integer: 558  
18
```

Grading Policy

- Each task have **5 hidden cases**, and you will get 5 points for each correct testcase, totally 25 points for each task.
- **Any assignment work by fraud will get a zero point !**
- **No late submission !**

Submission

- **Please attach student IDs as comments at the top of each file.**
- The files you should hand in include:
 - **gcd_lcm.s**
 - **exp.s**
 - **max_min.s**
 - **sum_of_digits.s**
- Compress the above file into one zip file, and name your zip file as **HW1_{studentID}.zip** (e.g. **HW1_123456789.zip**)
 - Make sure not to add an extra folder layer.
- **Deadline: 2025/03/19 23:55**
- **Wrong format will have 20% penalty !**

Reference

- <https://s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/downloads-mips/documents/MD00565-2B-MIPS32-QRC-01.01.pdf>
- <https://www.doc.ic.ac.uk/lab/secondyear/spim/node8.html>