

# Pre-Lecture 5

**Due** Sep 4 at 9am  
**Time Limit** None

**Points** 12  
**Allowed Attempts** 2

**Questions** 8

**Available** until Sep 4 at 9am

## Instructions

Take this quiz *after you have watched the required videos and/or read the associated sections of the textbook*. See [Lecture 5: Representing procedures](#).

You may attempt this quiz twice. Incorrect responses are marked after each attempt. Correct answers are revealed at the start of class for this lecture.

Carefully note the deadline for responses. Submissions are not accepted after the deadline, and there is no grace period.

This quiz was locked Sep 4 at 9am.

## Attempt History

	Attempt	Time	Score
LATEST	<a href="#">Attempt 1</a>	4,779 minutes	12 out of 12

Score for this attempt: **12** out of 12

Submitted Sep 3 at 10:19pm

This attempt took 4,779 minutes.

### Question 1

2 / 2 pts

When we draw pictures of the program stack, we draw the bottom of the stack **above** the top of the stack. Push operations cause the stack to grow toward lower / smaller memory addresses, while pop operations cause the stack to shrink toward higher / larger memory addresses.

**Answer 1:**

bottom

**Answer 2:**

Correct!

**Correct!**

top

**Answer 3:****Correct!**

lower / smaller

**Answer 4:****Correct!**

higher / larger

**Question 2****1 / 1 pts**

Consider the following C program:

```
01 int f(int n) {  
02     if(n == 1)  
03         return 1; // this line  
04     return n + f(n-1);  
05 }  
06  
07 int main() {  
08     int result = f(5);  
09     printf("The factorial of 5 is %d\n", result);  
10 }
```

Suppose that the size of each stack frame for procedure `f` is 32 bytes. Also suppose that immediately before the call to `f` in `main`, `%rsp` contains `0x7fffffffdf70`. Provide the contents of `%rsp` immediately before the commented line in `f` is executed.

`%rsp` contains 0x .

(Assume a direct translation to x86 with no optimizations.)

**Answer 1:****Correct!**

7fffffffded0

**Correct Answer**

7FFFFFFFDED0

**Question 3****2 / 2 pts**

Suppose that we have disassembled a program and see these two lines at the site of a procedure call:

```
...  
0x4004f6: callq 0x40050c  
0x4004fb: mov $0x0, %eax  
...
```

Execution of the callq instruction causes address 0x  to  
be pushed onto the stack, and address 0x  to be placed  
in %rip.

**Answer 1:****Correct!****Answer 2:****Correct!****Question 4****1 / 1 pts**

The value of which argument is placed into register %rax to prepare for a procedure call?

☐ 1st argument☐ 2nd argument☐ 3rd argument☐ 4th argument☐ 5th argument

**Correct!**

- ☐ 6th argument
- ☒ none of the above

**Question 5****1 / 1 pts**

Where is the value of a potential 7th argument placed to prepare for a procedure call?

**Correct!**

- ☐ in register %rsi
- ☐ in register %r9
- ☒ in memory at the address (%rsp)
- ☐ in memory at the address 8(%rsp)
- ☐ in memory at the address -8(%rsp)
- ☐ none of the above

**Question 6****2 / 2 pts**

Consider the following C program:

```
int p(int a, int b) {  
    return q(b, a) + 3a - 2b;  
}  
  
int q(int x, int y) {  
    return x + y;  
}  
  
int main() {  
    int result = p(1, 2);  
    printf("The answer is %d\n", result);  
}
```

Notice that both p and q use the first two argument registers.

Who is responsible for saving the values of p's two arguments, to ensure that they are available for use after the call to q? p as the caller of q

Which x86 operation is used to save the contents of a register? push

Which x86 operation is used to restore the contents of a register? pop

**Answer 1:**

**Correct!**

p as the caller of q

**Answer 2:**

**Correct!**

push

**Answer 3:**

**Correct!**

pop

## Question 7

1 / 1 pts

What is the exact compiler flag one can use with gcc so that helpful information (e.g., function names, line numbers) can be seen when debugging with gdb?

**Correct!**

-g

**Correct Answers**

-g

g

## Question 8

2 / 2 pts

Match the x86 instruction to where it belongs in a procedure's prolog or epilog.

**Correct!****1st prolog instruction**

pushq %rbp

**Correct!****2nd prolog instruction**

movq %rsp, %rbp

**Correct!****1st epilog instruction**

popq %rbp

**Correct!****2nd epilog instruction**

retq



Other Incorrect Match Options:

- movq %rbp, %rsp
- pushq %rsp
- popq %rsp

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