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**Assignment 4**

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## Question 1

### Recursive call calculations for exponent equation

How many stack frames are needed to calculate  $x^n$ , when  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11$ , and  $12$ ?

When  $n = 0$ , you would need one stack frame only

When  $n = 1$ , you would need two stack frames

When  $n = 2$ , you would need three stack frames

When  $n = 3$ , you would need four stack frames

When  $n = 4$ , you would need five stack frames

When  $n = 5$ , you would need six stack frames

When  $n = 6$ , you would need seven stack frames

When  $n = 7$ , you would need eight stack frames

When  $n = 8$ , you would need nine stack frames

When  $n = 9$ , you would need ten stack frames

When  $n = 10$ , you would need eleven stack frames

When  $n = 11$ , you would need twelve stack frames.

When  $n = 12$ , you would need thirteen stack frames

Each time for every value of  $n$ , the stack frames you would need would be  $n+1$ . The reason for this is because we are doing a recursive call, and so each time we call the function again we are adding on another stack. So essentially when  $n = 12$ , then 13 stack frames would be needed for the stack

## Stack Frame

Sketch the structure of the stack frame that you utilized in your program.

