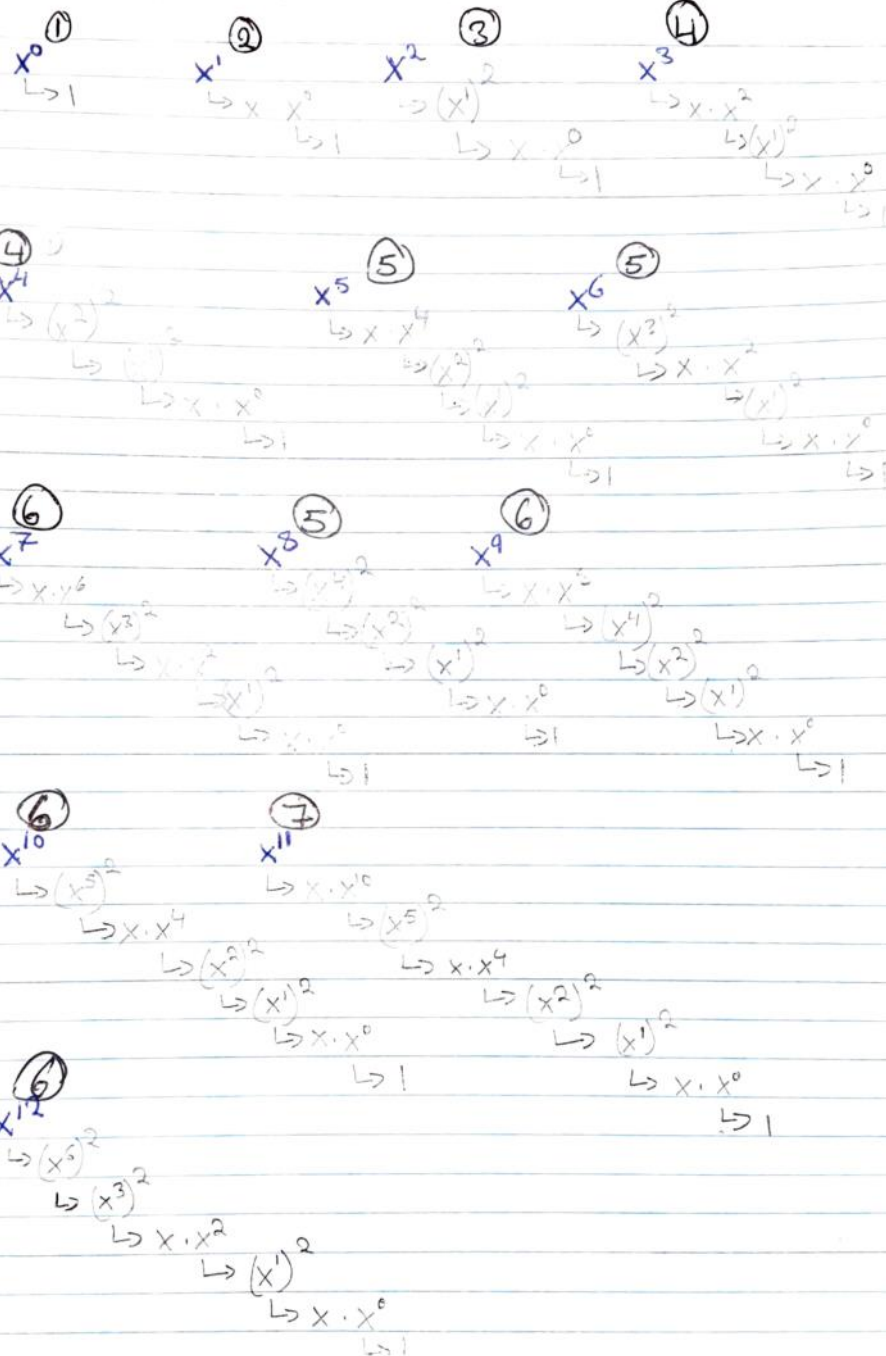


How many stack frames are needed to calculate  $x^n$ ,  
when  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots, 11$ , and 12?



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AREA power, CODE, READONLY
x      EQU 2
n      EQU 3
ENTRY
main   ADR sp, stack
        MOV R0, #x
        MOV r1, #n
        ;declare the initial x value
        ;declare the initial n value
        ;define the stack
        ;prepare parameter x
        ;prepare parameter n
    
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STMFD sp!, {r0-r1}          ; push the parameters x and n on the stack
SUB sp,sp,#4                ; save a position in stack for returned value

BL P                        ; call power subroutine
LDR r1,[sp],#4              ; pop result from stack and save it in R1
ADD sp,sp,#8                ; make sp point to base of stack

ADR r2,result               ; get address of result
STR r1,[r2]                 ; store result in its register
loop B loop                  ; infinite loop

P STMFD sp!,{r0-r3,fp,lr}   ; push needed registers, fp, and lr for new workspace
MOV fp,sp                   ; set the fp for this call
LDR r1,[fp,#0x1C]           ; get n from the stack
LDR r0,[fp,#0x20]           ; get x from the stack

                                ; "First Condition"
CMP r1,#0                   ; comparing if (n == 0)
MOVEQ r1,#1                 ; prepare returning value
STREQ r1,[fp,#0x18]          ; store the returned value in the stack, beyond workspace
BEQ return                   ; then return to calling function

                                ; "Else Condition"
TST r1,#1                   ; else if (!n & 1) [n is even]
BEQ EVE                      ; skip going through the second condition to the block that handles even exponents

                                ; "Second Condition"
                                ; else [n is odd]
SUB r2,r1,#1                ;{ prepare the new parameter value `n-1`
STR r2,[sp,#-4]!            ; push the parameter `n-1` on the stack in place of n
STR r0,[sp,#-4]!            ; push the parameter `x` on the stack as is
SUB sp,sp,#4                ; reserve a place in the stack for the return value
BL P                        ; call the power subroutine
LDR r2,[sp],#4              ; load the result in r2 and pop it from the stack
ADD sp,sp,#8                ; remove also the parameters from the stack
MUL r3,r0,r2                ; prepare the value to be returned
STR r3,[fp,#0x18]           ; store the returned value in the stack
B return

                                ;}
EVE LSR r2,r1,#1             ;{ prepare the new parameter value `n >> 1`
STR r2,[sp,#-4]!            ; push the parameter `n >> 1` on the stack in place of n
STR r0,[sp,#-4]!            ; push the parameter `x` on the stack
SUB sp,sp,#4                ; reserve a place in the stack for the return value
BL P                        ; call the power subroutine
LDR r2,[sp],#4              ; load the result in r2 and pop it from the stack
ADD sp,sp,#8                ; remove also the parameters from the stack
MUL r3,r2,r2                ; prepare the value to be returned
STR r3,[fp,#0x18]           ; store the returned value in the stack
                                ;}

return MOV sp,fp             ; collapse all working spaces for this function call
LDMFD sp!,{r0,r1,r2,r3,fp,pc} ; load all registers and return to the caller

AREA power, DATA, READWRITE
result DCD 0x00              ; result
SPACE 0xE0                  ; space for stack (max will be 7), I'll make it 8 just in case
stack DCD 0x00               ; base of Stack (configuration is Full Descend)
END

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Sketch the structure of the stack frame that you utilized in your program.		
Stack position	content	
28		
24		
20	lr	<-- fp

1C	fp	
18	r3	
14	r2	
10	r1	
C	r0	
8	reserved for return value	
4	n	
0	x	