CS 271 Computer Architecture and Assembly Language

Self-Check for Lecture#17

Solutions are posted

1. Suppose that a program's data and executable code require 2048 bytes of memory. A new section of code must be added; it will be used with various values 30 times during the execution of a program. When implemented as a macro, the macro code requires 48 bytes of memory. When implemented as a procedure, the procedure code requires 128 bytes (including parameter-passing, etc.), and each procedure call requires 5 bytes.

How many bytes of memory will the entire program require if the new code is added as a macro?

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2. A) Write a MASM macro that calculates \( x^2 - 1 \) for its parameter \( x \), and stores the result in memory at the second parameter. The caller passes \( x \) by value, and the result variable by address.

B) Invoke the macro of part A) with 68 and memory location result.
3. The code below uses the Space macro which simply displays the number of blank spaces specified by its argument. What output is generated by this MASM "program"?

```masm
main PROC
    push 3
    push 7
    call rcrsn
    exit
main ENDP

rcrsn PROC
    push ebp
    mov ebp,esp
    mov eax,[ebp + 12]
    mov ebx,[ebp+8]
    cmp eax,ebx
    jl recurse
    jmp quit
recurse:
    inc eax
    push eax
    push ebx
    call rcrsn
    mov eax,[ebp + 12]
    call WriteDec
    Space 2
quit:
    pop ebp
    ret 8
rcrsn ENDP
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