

COMP 430
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Compiling in a Stack-Oriented Fashion

For this worksheet, we'll compile expressions and statements to a MIPS-like assembly language. This assembly language has the following registers:

- \$gp0, \$gp1, \$gp2: general purpose registers
- \$sp: stack pointer: holds memory address of the top of the stack

In addition, this assembly language has the following instructions:

- `li registerdest, value`: load immediate: puts the given value into the given register (e.g., `li $gp0, 5` puts 5 in \$gp0)
- `push registerinput`: puts the 4-byte value in the given input register on top of the stack. Also adds 4 to the value in \$sp
- `pop registerdest`: puts the 4-byte value on top of the stack into the given destination register. Also subtracts 4 from the value in \$sp.
- `add registerdest, registerinput1, registerinput2`: adds the values in the two input registers, putting the result in the destination register
- `mult registerdest, registerinput1, registerinput2`: multiplies the values in the two input registers, putting the result in the destination register
- `load registerdest, registerinput, offset`: loads a value from memory into register_{dest}. The address from which to load is specified in register_{input}. `offset` is an offset from this address. For example, `load $gp0, $sp, -4` will load the value on top of the stack into \$gp0, without changing the value in \$sp.
- `store registerinput1, registerinput2, offset`: stores the value in register_{input1} into memory. The address to store at is specified in register_{input2}. `offset` is an offset from this address. For example, `store $gp0, $sp, -4` will overwrite the value on top of the stack with the value in \$gp0, without changing the value in \$sp.

With the above instructions in mind, translate the following expressions into assembly. The result of any expression, **including subexpressions**, should end up on top of the stack. The first one has been done for you.

1.) $1 + 2$

```
li $gp0, 1    ; 1
push $gp0    ; 1
li $gp0, 2    ; 2
push $gp0    ; 2
pop $gp0     ; 1 + 2
pop $gp1     ; 1 + 2
add $gp2, $gp1, $gp0 ; 1 + 2
push $gp2    ; 1 + 2
```

2.) 123

3.) $(1 + 2) * 3$

Now translate each of the following statements to this language. Variables should get pushed on the stack, but never popped off. You can assume that int is 4 bytes large. The first one has been done for you.

4.)

```
int x = 5;  
x = 6;
```

```
li $gp0, 5    ; 5  
push $gp0    ; int x = 5;  
li $gp0, 6    ; 6
```

```
push $gp0    ; 6
pop $gp0     ; x = 6
store $gp0, $sp, -4 ; x = 6
```

5.)

```
int x = 0;
int y = x + 1;
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6.)

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int x = 2;
int y = 4;
int z = x + y;
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