

# CS Basics - Exercises

## Procedures in Assembler

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### 1 Recursion

**Exercise 1** Write an assembler procedure, that takes as input `RAX` and `RCX` and changes the value of `RAX` into `RAXRCX`.

- Implement this procedure with a loop.
- Implement this procedure with a recursion

Take extra care to protect the registers, such that the calling piece of code is not influenced by the manipulation of the registers you do inside the procedure.

### 2 Write a program for computing logarithm, using procedures

**Exercise 2** Compile the `hexdump1` example.

Write a file containing the following procedures:

- `printstring` Prints on standard output a string, the address of the string is written in `RAX`, the length of the string is written in `RBX`. Use of the procedure:

```
mov RAX, String ; Copy the address in RAX
mov RBX, STRLEN ; Copy the length of the string in RBX
call printstring ; Make the call to the procedure you need to write
```

- `Read Buff` Reads a string from standard input into a buffer. It reads from the standard input and writes the data into the memory. `¡br¿` Inputs:
  - The address where to put the information (i.e. the buffer) is in `RAX`
  - The maximal number of characters to read is in `RBX`

Outputs

- The number of read characters (can be different from input) is in `RAX`.

- *readint* Transforms a string in memory (like "123") into a number in a register.  
*jbrj* Input:
  - Address of the string in RAX
  - Length of the string in RBXOutput:
  - The number in RAX
- *printint* Prints out on the standard output a number. Input is a number in RAX.
- *logarithm* Computes the logarithm of a number. The number is written as input in RAX, the output is written also in RAX.