

CS240
Laboratory 9 Assignment
X86 Stack

Inspect the following C program:

```
#include <stdio.h>

long getAndSumValues() {
    long x;
    printf("Enter an integer: ");
    scanf("%ld",&x);
    if(x == 0) {
        return 0;
    } else {
        return x + getAndSumValues();
    }
}

int main() {
    long result;
    result = getAndSumValues();
    printf("The result = %ld\n",result);
    return 0;
}
```

It produces the following x86 instructions when compiled:

Dump of assembler code for function main:

```
//setup
0x000000000040058a <+0>:    push  %rbp
0x000000000040058b <+1>:    mov   %rsp,%rbp
0x000000000040058e <+4>:    sub   $0x10,%rsp
0x0000000000400592 <+8>:    mov   $0x0,%eax

//call getAndSumValues
0x0000000000400597 <+13>:   callq 0x400534 <getAndSumValues>
0x000000000040059c <+18>:   mov   %rax,-0x8(%rbp) //store result

//print the result
0x00000000004005a0 <+22>:   mov   $0x4006cd,%eax
0x00000000004005a5 <+27>:   mov   -0x8(%rbp),%rdx
0x00000000004005a9 <+31>:   mov   %rdx,%rsi
0x00000000004005ac <+34>:   mov   %rax,%rdi
0x00000000004005af <+37>:   mov   $0x0,%eax
0x00000000004005b4 <+42>:   callq 0x400418 <printf@plt>
```

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//set return value to 0 and finish
0x00000000004005b9 <+47>:    mov    $0x0,%eax
0x00000000004005be <+52>:    leaveq
0x00000000004005bf <+53>:    retq
End of assembler dump.
```

Dump of assembler code for function getAndSumValues

```
//setup
0x0000000000400534 <+0>:    push   %rbp
0x0000000000400535 <+1>:    mov    %rsp,%rbp
0x0000000000400538 <+4>:    sub    $0x10,%rsp

//prompt user to enter a value
0x000000000040053c <+8>:    mov    $0x4006b8,%eax
0x0000000000400541 <+13>:   mov    %rax,%rdi
0x0000000000400544 <+16>:   mov    $0x0,%eax
0x0000000000400549 <+21>:   callq 0x400418 <printf@plt>

//accept the input from the user
0x000000000040054e <+26>:   mov    $0x4006c8,%eax
0x0000000000400553 <+31>:   lea    -0x8(%rbp),%rdx
0x0000000000400557 <+35>:   mov    %rdx,%rsi
0x000000000040055a <+38>:   mov    %rax,%rdi
0x000000000040055d <+41>:   mov    $0x0,%eax
0x0000000000400562 <+46>:   callq 0x400438 <scanf@plt>

//explain this section
0x0000000000400567 <+51>:   mov    -0x8(%rbp),%rax
0x000000000040056b <+55>:   test   %rax,%rax
0x000000000040056e <+58>:   jne    0x400577 <getAndSumValues+67>
0x0000000000400570 <+60>:   mov    $0x0,%eax
0x0000000000400575 <+65>:   jmp    0x400588 <getAndSumValues+84>
0x0000000000400577 <+67>:   mov    $0x0,%eax
0x000000000040057c <+72>:   callq 0x400534 <getAndSumValues>
0x0000000000400581 <+77>:   mov    -0x8(%rbp),%rdx
0x0000000000400585 <+81>:   add    %rdx,%rax

//finish
0x0000000000400588 <+84>:   leaveq
0x0000000000400589 <+85>:   retq
End of assembler dump.
```

1. What type of program is this (use the descriptive term you should be familiar with from other CS courses)?
2. Explain the highlighted section of code in some detail.
3. How is the stack used to accumulate the result?
4. What register is used to represent the variable *result*?
5. How is the *result* returned from *getAndSumValues* to the main program?