

3/31/25 L1: UNSIGNED BINARY, BINARY, C BASICS

SCHEDULE:

M: lecture
T: rec, due @ night
W: LAB (DON'T BE LATE)
S: online ex, lab/post lab checkoffs due
FINAL: may 7, 7:30-9:30

WHAT IS INFO?

- anything providing answer to question of some kind
- BIT: one 1/N amount of info (represented as 1/0)
 - more info = more bits
 - 8 bits? $2^n = m \rightarrow 2^8 = 256$
- BYTE: grouping of 8 bits. 00000000 through 11111111
Ex: 2341 options? $\log_2(2341) = 11.19$ bits

ANALOG VS. DIGITAL:

ANALOG: many voltage value

- Ex: 0 to 10V, 0.01 step - single V can be $\log_2(1000) \approx 9.96$ bits of info
- susceptible to noise (ex: 2.03 could be 1.98 + 0.03V)

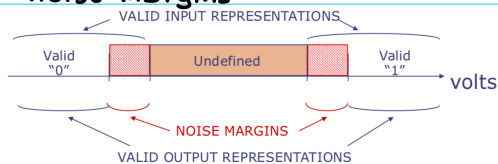
Ex: paul reverse

- 0 full - by land
- 0 half - by sea
- 0 off - not come

DIGITAL: limited voltage values

- Ex: 0V or 10V - $\log_2(2) = 1$ bit of info
- can deal w/ noise (above certain amt = 10V, below = 0V)
- tighter constraints
- noise margins

- 0 land
- 0 sea ← easier to know
- 0 not come w/ fog!



SCALING: encoding + ints

- each bit assigned a weight

$$v = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} 2^i b_i$$

- smallest: 0
- largest: $2^N - 1$

Base 2
111 ← carry
1110

+ 111
10101

BINARY: ADD & SUBTRACT

- just like base 10

-1-1-1
1110
- 111
0111

-1-1
1110
- 111
1111

MOD:

OVERFLOW:

- computers have fixed # bits, but may want to do more rigorous calculations

111
1110
+ 0111
10101

Overflow,
actual result is
21 mod $2^4 = 5$

↳ only returns this - can calculate from here

EX: encode 21 using 6 bits

START: 21

→ does 2^5 (32) fit 21? $x \rightarrow 0$

2^4 (16) $\rightarrow \checkmark \rightarrow 21 - 16 = 5$

2^3 (8) fit 5? $x \rightarrow 0$

2^2 (4) fit 5? $\rightarrow \checkmark \rightarrow 5 - 4 = 1$

2^1 fit 1? x

2^0 ? $\checkmark$

ANSWER: 0b010101
binary
0 1 1 1 1 1
16 0 4 0 1

C: THE LANGUAGE

- more unsafe
- older & more low-level
- K&R C book

PYTHON

- | PYTHON | C ← "closer to the metal" |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • interpreted (slower) | • compiler |
| • no type declaration | • faster execution (typically) |
| • no pointers | • type declaration |
| • auto memory manage | • pointers |
| | • manual mem. manage. |
| | - have to tell explicitly |

CODE:

```
//comments are with "//"
//This is our "entry point" function called app_main...start here
void app_main(){//gotta use curly braces (and ; at end of most lines!)
    int x; //declare a variable of type int without defining it
    x = 11; //assign 11 to
    int y = 15; //declare and define a variable of type int
    int z = x+y;
    printf("the value of x is %d\n", x); //print using C-string format
    printf("the value of y is %d\n", y);
    printf("the value of z is %d\n", z);
    // what did this "make" in memory?
}
```

At the end of our code, our computer memory looked like this:

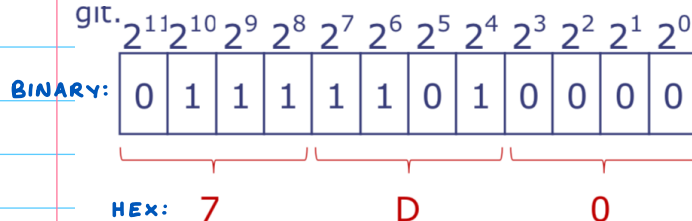
Address:	Value:
0x3fc93f48:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f4c:	0x420000e4
0x3fc93f50:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f54:	0x0000001a ← $z \rightarrow 1a = 16 + 10 = 26$
0x3fc93f58:	0x0000000f ← $y (f=15)$
0x3fc93f5c:	0x0000000b ← var x in memory (11)
0x3fc93f60:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f64:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f68:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f6c:	0x4201652c

SYNTAX:

- ; @ end of all lines
- spacing doesn't matter
- { delineates code chunks

MEMORY: large chunk of electrical storage

- stored digitally (0 & 1s)
- low to high
- Ob @ start to indicate binary (base 2)
- HEXADECIMAL: 0x, 4 binary $\rightarrow$ 1 hex, base 16



0b011111010000 = 0x7D0

Preface hexadecimal numbers with 0x

- underlying bits are still the same!

Hexadecimal - base 16

0000 - 0	1000 - 8
0001 - 1	1001 - 9
0010 - 2	1010 - A
0011 - 3	1011 - B
0100 - 4	1100 - C
0101 - 5	1101 - D
0110 - 6	1110 - E
0111 - 7	1111 - F

address:

Value:

"0"

"4"

"8"

"12"

"16"

"..."

Byte 3	Byte 2	Byte 1	Byte 0
Byte 7	Byte 6	Byte 5	Byte 4
Byte 11	Byte 10	Byte 9	Byte 8
Byte 15	Byte 14	Byte 13	Byte 12
Byte 19	Byte 18	Byte 17	Byte 16

ad nauseum...

ORGANIZATION:

- smallest accessible unit of mem = byte (8 bits)
- our system: 32-bit system = 4 byte words
- 4 byte words w/ addresses
 - each word → 32 bits data
 - each addy
- chars only require 1 byte in memory
- float: 4 bytes
- int: 4 bytes

TYPES

PRINT:

- specify width: `printf("%03d, %06d\n", a, b);` ← 3 cols & 6 cols of space
- `%f` prints float, `%d` = decimal, `%c` = char

```
int app_main () {
    printf ("%5d\n", 123); /* Prints " 123" */
    printf ("%*d\n", 5, 123); /* Prints " 123" */
    printf ("%05d\n", 123); /* Prints "+0123" */
    printf ("%x\n", 123); /* Prints "7b" */
    printf ("%#x\n", 123); /* Prints "0x7b" */
    printf ("%#X\n", 123); /* Prints "0X7B" */
    printf ("%10.2f\n", 12.3); /* Prints "12.30" */
    printf ("%10.2f\n", 12.3); /* Prints "12.30" */
    printf ("%lu\n", 123); /* Prints "123" */
    printf ("%s\n", "Testing"); /* Prints "Testing" */
    printf ("%c\n", 'A'); /* Prints "A" */
}
```

- careful not to represent float as int!

IMPORTS:

#include <stdint.h> ← more defs

#include <stdio.h> ← printf

C

• loops

• conditionals

• logical ops

→ &&, ||, !

→ any nonzero value is considered T (1)

→ ^ = XOR

→ ~ = NOT

• bitwise ops

- shift right by i = divide by 2ⁱ- shift left by i = multiply by 2ⁱ

Ex: x = 0b000101 shift by 3 (x<<3) left

```
000101 5
001010 10
010100 20
101000 40
```

x bitwise AND y
x & yx bitwise OR y
x | yx bitwise XOR y
x ^ ybitwise NOT x
~x

Ex:

00101

00101

00101

00101

00110

00110

00110

00110

00100

00111

00011

11010

`x << y;` //shift x left by y bits
`x >> y;` //shift x right by y bits
`x & y;` //bitwise and x with y
`x | y;` //bitwise or x with y
`~x;` //bitwise invert x
`x ^ y;` //bitwise xor x with y

```

int summ(int a, int b) {
    return a + b;
}

int x, y, z;
x = 1;
y = 2;
z = summ(x, y);

```

• Functions

- **pointer** → data type that "points" to other data
 - stores reference mem. addy
 - can recall if needed (dereference)
 - dangerous but freeing

EX:

```

void app_main(){
    int x = 5; //make int called x
    int * ptr_to_x; //make int pointer called ptr_to_x
    ptr_to_x = &x; //give ptr_to_x the address of x
    printf("x is %d\n", x);
    printf("ptr_to_x's value is %d\n", ptr_to_x);
    printf("The value ptr_to_x points at is %d\n", *ptr_to_x);
}

```

▪ This Prints:

x is 5
 ptr_to_x's value is 1070153564
 The value ptr_to_x points at is 5

The value of "x"

The value of "ptr_to_x"
Which is the address of x

The value contained in the
memory spot that ptr_to_x points to
(which should be x)

Address:	Value:
0x3fc93f58:	0x42016554
0x3fc93f5c:	0x00000005 ← x
0x3fc93f60:	0x3fc93f5c ← ptr_to_x
0x3fc93f64:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f68:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f6c:	0x42016554

* in C:

- multiply `int q = a * b;`
- declare pointer type `int * z;` ← declare int pointer named z
- dereferencing `*z = a;` ← set val of z pts to int a
`b = *z;` ← set int b to val z pts to

& in C:

- and (log'c) `int q = a & b;`
- reference to / addy `int * z = &a;` ← set pointer z's val to a's addy

★ IMPORTANT: * and & are opposites - can cancel out

```

int x = 5; //create x and set to 5
x = 6; //set x to 6
*(&x) = 6; //same thing as line above

```

&x == "the address of x"

*(...) == "the value at address ..."

PURPOSE OF POINTERS:

1) point to a variable.

- can alter outside world

- Can allow you to modify variables in place. For example, this function has no return type, but does have an "output" in the form of the pointer z

```
void add_and_assign(int x, int y, int *z){
    //the value of z is a reference (address)
    //the value at that address (*z) is now to be x+y;
    *z = x+y;
}
```

```
void app_main(){
    int a = 1;
    int b = 2;
    int c = 0; //starts at 0
    add_and_assign(a,b,&c); //give int a, b, and ref to c
    //this function call will change variable c!
    printf("Value of c: %d\n",c); //will print 3
}
```

2) refer to memory regions that aren't associated w/ variables

- memory-mapped input-output

- set/get vals from software → hardware, vv.

MMIO Example...

```
void app_main(){
    int *temp_sensor = 0x30000004; //set pointer to a known address value
    int *heater = 0x30000008; //set pointer to a known address value
    //The two addresses above come from datasheet of processor!
    while(1){ //run forever
        //check temperature...
        if (*temp_sensor < 60){ //get value...less than 60?
            *heater = 1; //set value to 1 (let it warm)
        } else {
            *heater = 0; //set value to 0 (let it cool)
        }
    }
}
```

Address:	Value:
0x30000004:	0x00000023
0x30000008:	0x00000001
...	...
...	...
0x3fc93f58:	0x42016564
0x3fc93f5c:	0x30000004 0x3fc93f60:
0x30000008 0x3fc93f64:	0x00000000

*temp_sensor
Gets access to
this value

*heater
Gets access to
this value

temp_sensor

heater

3) point to a group/region of data/variables

- can use pointer for data group & make faster

// in C:

```
int a[6] = {3, 9, 6, 1, 7, 2};
```

```
int x;
```

```
x = a[1];
```

pointer to
start of
array

```
int sum(int *a, int len) {
```

```
    int s = 0;
```

```
    for (int i=0; i<len; i++){
```

```
        s += a[i];
```

```
    }
```

```
    return s;
```

```
}
```

```
sum(a, 6);
```

ARRAYS:

- Size of array must be known @ creation
- type of elements must all be same

gth of
len .
array
(need to tell)

Ex:

```
void app_main(){
    int x[] = {1,2,3,4,5};
    //10 long array of ints accessible through ptr y
    //only four vals specified (rest are unknown)
    int y[10] = {10,11,12,13};
    printf("%d\n", x[1]); //prints 2
    printf("%d\n", *x); //prints 1 same as x[0] or *(x+0)
    printf("%d\n", x); //prints 1070153528 (0x3fc93f38 in hex)
    printf("%d\n", x+1); //prints 1070153532 (0x3fc93f3c in hex) ← 2's memory
    printf("%d\n", *(x+2)); //prints 3...same as x[2]
    printf("%d\n", *(x+5)); //prints undefined...same as x[5]...no idea what's in that memory
    printf("%d\n", *(y+10)); //prints 1...because you bled into where x is and x[0] is 1
    //wait does that mean I could do this???
    y[12]=15; //oh god please throw an error
    printf("%d\n", x[2]); //prints 15...oh no } changes 3rd element of x!
}
```

memory after code:

Address:	Value:
0x3fc93f0c:	0x420001ec
0x3fc93f10:	0x0000000a
0x3fc93f14:	0x0000000b
0x3fc93f18:	0x0000000c
0x3fc93f1c:	0x0000000d
0x3fc93f20:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f24:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f28:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f2c:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f30:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f34:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f38:	0x00000001
0x3fc93f3c:	0x00000002
0x3fc93f40:	0x00000003
0x3fc93f44:	0x00000004
0x3fc93f48:	0x00000005

int y[10]

int x[]

EXERCISES:

Ex:
$$\begin{array}{r} 0b0110 \\ + 0b0010 \\ \hline 0b1000 \end{array}$$

Ex:
$$\begin{array}{r} 0b01100 \\ - 0b00011 \\ \hline 0b01001 \end{array}$$
 borrowing 2 (ALWAYS borrow the base! ex: 2 in binary, 6 in hex)

Ex:
$$0b100^4 * 0b011^3 = 0b1100^{12}$$

Ex: largest # bits to represent the result of multiplying two 5 bit #'s together → 10 But why?

Ex:
$$\begin{array}{r} 0b11111 \\ \times 0b100 \\ \hline 0b00111000 \\ 0b11111000 \\ \hline 0b110011000 \end{array}$$
 $31^2 \rightarrow 961 \rightarrow 2^{10}$

Ex:
$$\begin{array}{r} 0b00110000 \\ \wedge 0b10101010 \\ \hline 10011010 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0b11100 \\ \times 0b100 \\ \hline 11100 \end{array}$$

Ex: $0b001010 \ll 2 = 0b101000$ does NOT wrap around.

Ex: $0b110010 \gg 2 = 0b01100$ ends become 0 when bit-shifting

SIGNED → + & - #'s

UNSIGNED → + & 0 #'s

Ex: $0b00100 \&\& 0b00011 = 1$ b/c # = 1 always? 0=0?

Ex: $!0b101010 = 1$

Ex: $(0b0010 - 0b0001 - 0b0001) \&\& 0b0101 = 0!$ this is 0!

& evaluates each digit,
&& evaluates numbers (nonzero)

[4/1/25] - recitation 1

BIT:

- Fundamental unit
- 0 or 1

BYTE:

- 8 bits
- $2^8 = 256$ configurations

WORD:

- 2^{32}
- 8 bytes

UNSIGNED (non-neg) BINARY

uint8_t = unsigned int - 8 bits + type

each can represent up to $2^N - 1$ numbers $[0, 2^N - 1]$

in binary $\rightarrow$ prefix 0b

REMAINDER:

div remain
Ex: $13 // 2 = 6$ $1 \leftarrow$ least significant
 $6 // 2 = 3$ 0
 $3 // 2 = 1$ 1
 $1 // 2 = 0$ $1 \leftarrow$ most significant (left)

$\rightarrow 13 = 0b1101$

POWER OF 2:

Ex: $13 = 8 + 4 + 1$
 $2^3 \quad 2^2 \quad 2^1 \rightarrow 1101$

BINARY TO DECIMAL:

Ex: $0b1001 = 2^3 + 0 \cdot 2^2 + 0 \cdot 2^1 + 2^0 = 9$

OPERATIONS:

Ex: $0b111 + 0b001 = 1000$ for 3 bits, result would be 000

Ex: $0b1010 + 0b1100 = 10110$

Ex: $0b1010 + 0b1111 = 10101$

Ex: $0b1010 + 0b1100 = 10110$

Ex: $0b1010 + 0b1100 = 10110$

Ex: $0b1010 + 0b1100 = 10110$

Ex: $((0b1001 \mid 0b1100) \& 0b0011) \ll 3$

$0b1101 \& 0b0011 = 0b0001 \ll 3 = 1000$

Ex: $((\sim 0b0000 \mid 1111) \wedge 0b1100 \mid 1100) \gg 4$

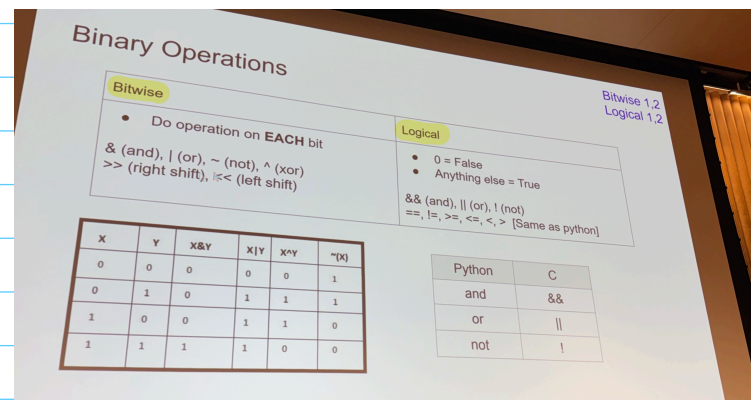
$0b1111 \mid 0b0000 \wedge 0b1100 \mid 1100 = 0b0011 \mid 1100 \gg 4 = 0000 \mid 0b11$

Ex: $(0b100 \& (0b000 \leq 0b111)) == 0b001$

1 (T)
 $1 \text{ (T)} - \text{both \#s}$
 $1 == 1 \vee \text{TRUE} \rightarrow 1$

Ex: $!0b101 \mid ((0b100 - 0b011 - 0b001) \& \& 0b001)$

$0b000 \& \& 0b001 = 0$



methods



BITWISE

HEXADECIMAL:

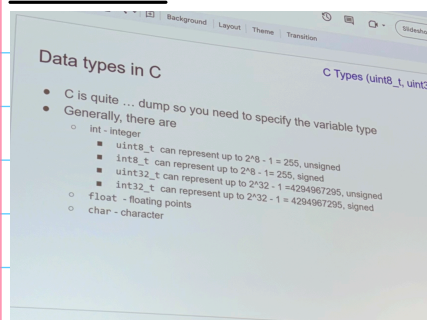
- base 16
- prefix 0x
- 1 digit of hex = 4 digits bin.

review
hex

⊗ Ex: hex of 0b0b01100
 1 C

Ex: $0 \times 20 \rightarrow 2 \times 16 = 32$

DATA TYPES:



DIVISION:

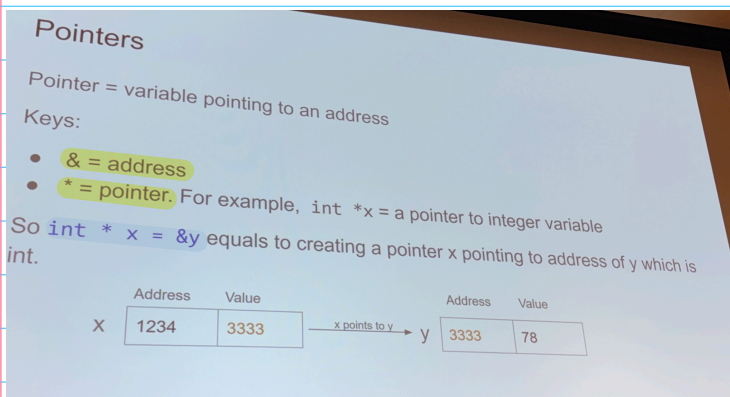
- integer division: int/int
- floating point division: if one or both its operands is float

Ex: float $x = \frac{9}{2} \rightarrow x = 4.0$
 4

POINTERS:

& = addy

* = pointer



MEMORY:

Memory

Variables in Memory 1.2

- Store information containing
 - Address: sequential numbers, generally represented as four-byte word (32 bits)
 - Values: int, float, char, etc. **not 0** automatically
 - For example, when declare `int x`, the initial value of `x` is not 0.

Address:	Value:
0x3fc93f48:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f4c:	0x420000e4
0x3fc93f50:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f54:	0x0000001a
0x3fc93f58:	0x0000000f
0x3fc93f5c:	0x0000000b
0x3fc93f60:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f64:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f68:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f6c:	0x4201652c

Cheat sheet:
• **&variable** = the address of the variable
• ***address** = the value at the address
E.g. from the left address/value
• **&a** = address of `a` = 0x3fc93f58
• ***(0x3fc93f5c)** = value at the address 0x3fc93f5c = 0xb

HELP ⚡ Ex:

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main(void){
    int v = 16;
    int *x = &v; val of x = addy of v
    x = &v;
    *x = *x**x; val of x = v
    printf("value at %u is %d\n", (int)x, *x);
}
```

ENUM & ARRAYS:

Enums and Arrays

Enumerate : giving names to integer constants

- enum State {Working = 1, Failed = 0};
- enum week {Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri, Sat, Sun};
- enum week today = Tue;

Arrays: a list of things, starting from index 0, fixed size

- int abc[] = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4}; ← can't change size
- char def[3] = {'d', 'e', 'f'}; // 3 inside [] is optional
- def[1] = 'i'; // now def is {'d', 'i', 'f'}

EXERCISES - HEX

Ex: $0b0110 - 0100$
 6 4

Ex:
$$\begin{array}{r} 0x2A \\ + 0x49 \\ \hline 0x73 \end{array}$$
 *review
ops (add $\rightarrow$ 2 carries)
sub $\rightarrow$ base #

Ex: 8 bit result of $0x2A \ll 2$
 8 bits $32' + 10 = 42$
binary: $0b00101010$
 $\ll 2 \rightarrow 0b0101000$
hex: A8

Ex: 12-bit result $0x26 \ll 4$
 $32' + 11 = 43$
 $0b000000101011$
 $\ll 4 \rightarrow 0b01010110000$
 2 8 0

4/7/25 POINTERS, ARRAYS, CHARS, INTS, FLOATS... DATA REPRESENTATION

DIGITAL SYSTEMS:

- represent using binary, on/off, 1/0
- each 0 or 1 value = bit
- n bits - encode 2^n unique things
 - 1 bit = 2 (0 or 1)
 - 2 bits = $2^2 = 4$
 - 8 bits = $2^8 = 256$

HOW MANY BITS NEEDED?

- t possibilities = $\text{ceil}(\log_2(t))$ bits
- light on/off → 1 bit → $\log_2 2 = 1$
- days of week → $\text{ceil}(\log_2 7) \rightarrow 3$
- states in US → $\text{ceil}(\log_2 50) \rightarrow 6$

CONTEXT MATTERS: 8-bit value, 2^8 unique things, ex: 0b10100011 can mean...

- 163 unsigned
- -93 signed
- memory location
- etc.

COMPUTER ORG:

- byte = 8 bits
- 32-bit system = four-byte word

COMPUTER MEMORY:

- 4 byte words w/ addresses
- each word contains 32 bits of data
- express addresses as data in hexadecimal
- consecutive words have addresses that are 4 bytes apart
- 32-bit system can have 2^{32} bytes of data, or 2^{30} words
- variable store & pointers

POINTERS:

- pointers must have size (32 bits in size)
- data types have diff. amounts of bytes
- pointers must have type

POINTER SYNTAX:

```
int x;  
int *ptr_x = &x;    & gets addy of x  
int r = *ptr_x + *ptr_y  * creates pointer of type int
```

*dereference when used w/ op.

EX:

- What will this output?

```
int main(void){  
    int x = -16; //make signed int -16  
    int* ptr_x = &x; //point pointer ptr_x to address of x  
    int y = -32; //make a int of -32  
    int * ptr_y = &y; //point pointer ptr_y to address of y  
    int result = *ptr_x + *ptr_y; //add thing ptr_x points  
                                //to thing ptr_y points  
    printf("%d + %d is %d\n", x, *ptr_y, result);  
}
```

-16 -32 ↑ pointer to y points to y

Output: -16 + -32 is -48

▪ What will this output?

Ex:

```
int main(void){
    int x = -16; //make signed int -16
    int* ptr_x = &x; //point pointer ptr_x to address of x
    float y = -32; //make a float of -32
    int* ptr_y = &y; //point pointer ptr_y to address of y
    int result = *ptr_x + *ptr_y; //add thing ptr_x points
                                //to thing ptr_y points
    printf("%d + %f is %d\n", x,y,result);
}
```

Output: -16 + -32.000000 is -1040187408

Interpreting the contents at &y as an int is a problem. y is a float, but ptr_y is an int pointer. When we dereference, we're interpreting the bits as if they encode an integer

→ made a float but an int pointer to it

→ interpreted float as an int → CANT!

→ diff. from casting - int & floats are incompatible.

▪ What will this output?

Ex:

```
int main(void){
    char c = 'J';
    char* ptr_c = &c; //point ptr_c to c's address
    [ int* ptr_d = &c; //point ptr_d to c's address
    printf("ptr_c points to %c. ptr_d points to %d\n", *ptr_c, *ptr_d);
}
```

Output: ptr_c points to J. ptr_d points to 525944906

Interpreting the contents at &c as an int was a problem. A char is not an int...their encodings and sizes are different! See that in a little bit!

→ interpreting char as int

→ interpreting right byte but wrong neighb.

▪ What will this output?

Ex:

```
int main(void){
    int8_t e = 22; //8 bit signed int e
    int8_t* ptr_e = &e; //point to it with correct pointer type
    int* ptr_f; //make a 32 bit signed pointer
    ptr_f = &e; //point a (32 bit) signed int to e
    printf("ptr_e points to %d. ptr_f points to %d\n", *ptr_e, *ptr_f);
}
```

Output: ptr_e points to 22. ptr_f points to 923355158

Interpreting the contents at &e as a 32-bit int was a problem. Both pointers are of integer type but different sizes of integers! (more on that in a little bit!!!)

→ both of type int but diff. int sizes

▪ What will this output?

Ex:

```
int main(void){
    int8_t e = 22; //8 bit signed int e
    int8_t* ptr_e = &e; //point to it with correct pointer type
    int* ptr_f; //make a 32 bit signed pointer
    ptr_f = &e; //point a (32 bit) signed int to e
    printf("ptr_e points to %d. ptr_f points to %d\n", *ptr_e, *ptr_f);
}
```

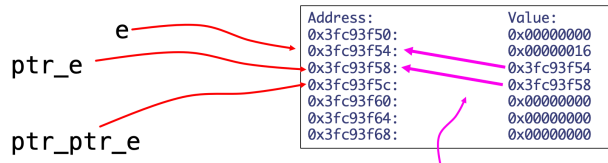
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Interpreting the contents at &e as a 32-bit int was a problem. Both pointers are of integer type but different sizes of integers! (more on that in a little bit!!!)

→ printing the address, not val.

- pointers live in memory & can be pointed to (pointer pointer)

```
int main(void){
    int e = 22; //32 bit signed int e
    int* ptr_e = &e; //point to it with correct pointer type
    int** ptr_ptr_e = &ptr_e; //make a pointer to a pointer
}
```



- Consider this:

```
int main(void){
    int e = 22; //32 bit signed int e
    int* ptr_e = &e; //point to it with correct pointer type
    int** ptr_ptr_e = &ptr_e; //make a pointer to a pointer
    **ptr_ptr_e = 15;
    printf("The value of e is %d \n", e);
}
```

Output: The value of e is 15

ptr_ptr_e points to ptr_e, so we need to first dereference to get to ptr_e's value, which is itself a reference (address) to e, so we need to then dereference a second time!

- can manipulate data in place

```
int f1(int x, int y){
    return x+y;
}
void app_main(){
    int a = 5;
    int b = 9;
    int c;
    c = f1(a,b);
}
```

"Take in x and y, give me back their sum. I will then copy it into c."

```
void f2(int x, int y, int *z){
    *z = x+y;
}
void app_main(){
    int a = 5;
    int b = 9;
    int c;
    f2(a,b, &c);
}
```

"Take in x and y, store their sum where z points. Just take care of it. I trust you."

These effectively do the same thing, one modifies "in place" and one modifies externally

- pointers are valuable (refer to large memory structures)

ARRAYS:

- in C, arrays = continuous chunks of memory
- fixed size & memory (define length @ start)

1) allocates memory for array

2) creates pointer by which you access that spot in memory

- Consider this code...

```
int y[10] = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};
*(y+3) = 123;
printf("%d\n", y[3]); //what does this print?
```

- Dereferencing with an offset is identical to indexing! In fact:

▪ **y[3] == *(y+3) //SAME THING**

- They are equivalent...and goes both ways:

```
int* d;
int y[10] = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};
*(y+3) = 123;
d = y+3;
printf("%d\n", *(y+3));
printf("%d\n", d[1]); //what does this print?
```

123
change 3rd el
123
5 d pointing to 1th el → 1 more
**(d-1)=3*

INDEXING:

- no boundary checks!
- watch limits!
- can print into unknown parts of mem.

ARRAY = **FIXED** pointer (cant reassign)

```
int a = 11;
int* x = &a;
int y[10] = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};
//x and y are the same type! int pointers! (sort of)
y = &a; //not allowed will throw compile error
printf("%d\n", *y);
```

ARRAYS INTO FUNCTIONS:

- all C function sees it's array's pointer.
- Hand length/metadata about array in along with array

```
void double_every_entry_better(int* ptr, int length){
    for (int i = 0; i < length; i++){
        *(ptr+i) = *(ptr+i)*2;
    }
}

void app_main_better(){
    int LEN = 10;
    int y[LEN] = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};
    double_every_entry_better(y, LEN);
}
```

metadata

→ no way to know len of array in a func.

special char mark end (null)

→ string / char array: `char x[] = {'c', 'a', 't', 's', '\0'}` longer
= "cats" ← easier

ASCII: 8 bits, 256 possibilities (only 128 used)

• `0b01000001` = 'A'

• `0b01100001` = 'a'

• `0b0` — = `NULL`

UNICODE: more modern

- up to 4 bytes (32 bits) vs. 1 byte / 8 bits ASCII
- represent $n!$ mill possible chars - we've used $n!55000$ so far

8 bits = 1 byte

- based in ASCII
- computers expand in 8... (16, 32, 64)

BOOLEANS:

- 0 = false
- everything else = true] unsigned int
- one bit

UNSIGNED INTS (uint):

- `uint8_t` → 1 byte, 8 bits = 2^8 vals
- `uint16_t` → 2 bytes, 16 bits = 2^{16} vals

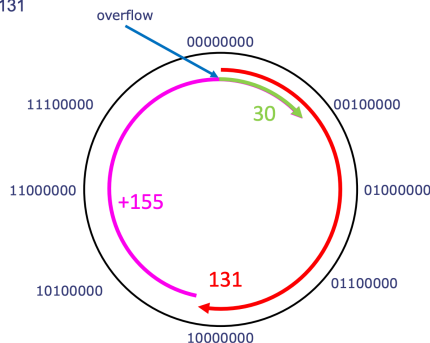
INHERENT MODULARITY:

- using fixed # bits may result in overflow (results out of range)
- common approach: ignore extra bit.
- wrap around
- potential cause of bugs, can be good for cryptography

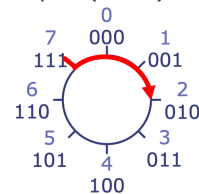
- What happens if you add 131 to 155 with 8 bit `uint8_t`?

$$\begin{array}{r} 10000011 \quad (131) \\ + 10011011 \quad (155) \\ \hline 100011110 \quad (286) \\ 00011110 \quad (30) \end{array}$$

overflow



Example: $(7 + 3) \bmod 2^3$?



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NEGATIVES: solutions...

SIGN BIT:

- if msb is 1, interpret as neg. sign

$0b00010001 = +(16+1) == 17$

$0b10010001 = -(16+1) == -17$

→ however, signed 0 (+0 & -0) = BIG PROBLEM
-double 0

'ONE'S COMPLEMENT':

- if msb is 0, interpret as unsigned val
- if msb is 1, neg.

$-A = \sim A$

$0b00010001 == +(16+1)$

$0b11101110 == \text{bitflip of } 17 == -17$

PROBLEMS:

- signed 0
- add/sub has carry/wrap around

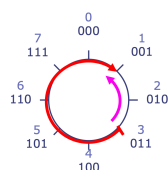
INHERENT MOD:

- add 1 & move CW

- If I start at "3" aka `0b011`, what could I add to get to 1?

- To go back 2, I can add:

- $2^3 - 2 = 6$
- $(3+6) \% 8 = 1$.
- Or: "-010" = 110
- $-2 = 8 - 2$



- The negative of a number A can be expressed as:

$$-A = 2^3 - A \quad -A = 8 - A$$

- Or written a different way:

$$-A = 0b001 + 0b111 - A$$

- `0b111` minus any 3 bit value will be the same as the bitflip aka bitwise inversion of that value ($\sim A$)

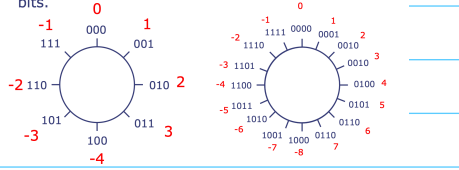
$$-A = 0b001 + (0b111 - A)$$

- So the negative of any value must be:

$$-A = 1 + \sim A$$

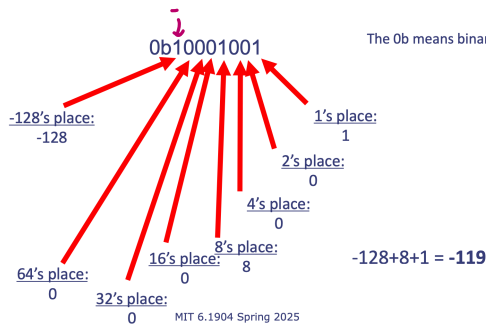
2'S COMPLEMENT: $-A = 1 + \sim A$

- If we make 0b100 into -4, the system of numbers becomes consistent and easily extensible to more bits.



- pos $\rightarrow$ neg range, not inherently -
- negative weighted bits
- msb $\rightarrow -2^{N-1}$
- most pos # $= +2^{N-1} - 1$
- if all bits = 1 $\rightarrow$ 0b111...11 $\rightarrow -1$
- no double zero

- If you want to interpret it as a 2's complement

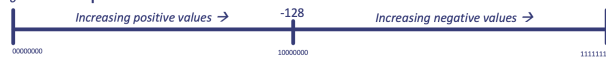


Ex: 0b01001001 = +89!

SIGNED INT (ints):

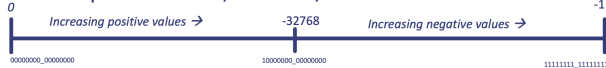
- int8_t: 1 byte (8 bits): 2^8 values: 256 numbers to rep

- Express from -128 to 127



- int16_t: 2 bytes (16 bits): 2^{16} values: 65,536 numbers

- Express from -32,768 to 32,767



- int32_t: 4 bytes (32 bits): 2^{32} values: 4,294,967,296 numbers

- Express from -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647



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int32_t == "int"

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EXTENDING DIGITS:

- need to sign extend

Ex: 8 bit -64 = 0b11000000

16 bit -64 = 0b1111111111000000

SHIFT LEFT: FILL W/ 1s

Ex: +64 = 0b01000000

-64 = 0b11000000

SHIFT RIGHT:

- more sticky
- type dependent
- signed: fill w/ 1s
- unsigned: fill w/ 0s

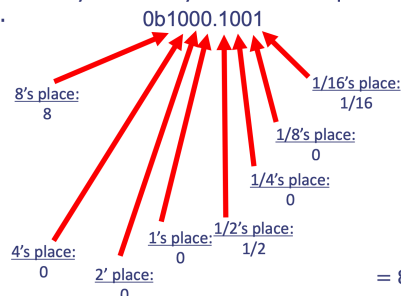
* LOGICAL = unsigned

* ARITHMETIC = signed!

NON-INT #s: fixed pt representation

- radix marker "." @ fixed pt in binary
- precision & range limited
- more bits on right of . = fewer on left
- many things do not exist in linear space

- Pretend there's a radix marker (".") at a fixed location in your binary...then reinterpret meaning of bits.



$$= 8 \frac{9}{16}$$

+16 = 0b00010000

-16 = 0b11110000

New digits that show up are different

EXPONENTIAL FORMAT:

- If you needed to encode something that is best represented by orders of magnitude?
- Have an 8-bit type called **exp8_t** where the 8 bits represent a unsigned 8 bit number **exp** which is used in the following encoding formula:

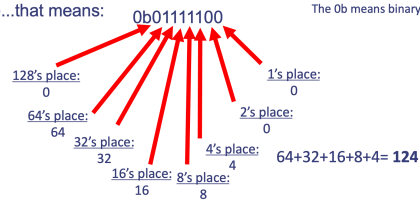
$$\text{Value} = 2^{\text{exp}-127}$$

Base-two exponentials are easy to calculate in binary!

- Represent from:
 - Up to: $2^{255-127} = 2^{128} \approx 3.403 \times 10^{38}$
 - Down to: $2^{0-127} = 2^{-127} \approx 5.877 \times 10^{-39}$

*made this up but I'm going somewhere with this so bear with me...

- So if you had an exp8_t with 0b01111100 as its value...that means:



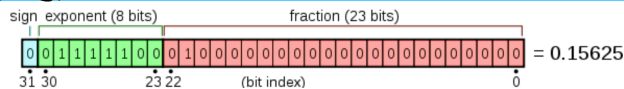
• So actual = $2^{124-127} = 2^{-3} = 0.125$

- large range of #s, but limited precision

IEEE 754

- float: 4 bytes (32 bits), 2^{32} vals
- wide range & good precision
- decimal pt is floating not fixed

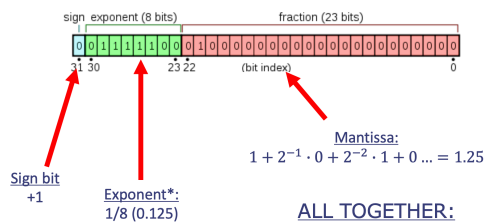
format:



$$\text{Value} = (-1)^{\text{sign}} \cdot 2^{\text{exp}-127} \cdot (1 + \sum_{i=1}^{23} b_{23-i} 2^{-i})$$

- exp up to $2^{255-127} = 2^{128}$
- down to $2^{0-127} = 2^{-127}$

$$\text{Value} = (-1)^{\text{sign}} \cdot 2^{\text{exp}-127} \cdot (1 + \sum_{i=1}^{23} b_{23-i} 2^{-i})$$



ALL TOGETHER:

$$= +1 \cdot \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{5}{4} = \frac{5}{32} = 0.15625$$

*already did earlier

in class: just care ab REPRESENTATION

- 32 bit float does NOT let us represent more #s. 2^{32} unique vals only

- compromise → sacrifice precision for range

- can have massive 'gaps'

- approximation based

- 32 Bit floats represent 2^{32} (4.3×10^9) values between -3.4×10^{38} to $+3.4 \times 10^{38}$
- There is NO WAY to represent every single number between these to limits with only 32 bits.
- There is NO WAY to represent even every integer between those limits

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main(void){
    float x = 123456789;
    float y = 123456788;
    printf("The value of x is %f\n",x);
    printf("The value of y is %f\n",y);
}
```

Output: The value of x is 123456792.000000
The value of y is 123456784.000000

rounded to nearest representable float

- Exponential representation means:

- Merging (+/-, etc...) two numbers of vastly different scales can result in the smaller one getting consumed by the larger one and lost

```
int main(void){
    float x = 1.35e9; //create float that is "1.35 billion"
    float y = 23.0; //create float that is "23.0"
    float sum = x+y; //sum them
    float sum_wo_x = sum - x; //remove x again
    printf("x is %f\n y is %f\n x+y is %f\n x-y is %f\n",x,y,sum,sum_wo_x);
}
```

Output: x is 1350000000.000000
y is 23.000000
x+y is 1350000000.000000
x+y-x is 0.000000

FLOATS (cont.)

- has a double zero
→ not necess. issue (beneficial for limits)

EXERCISES:

Ex: -5 in 8-bit 2's complement: $0b11110111$

Ex: negate 4-bit 2's comp. $0b1110$ to make it +2's comp. #

$$-A = 1 + \neg A = 1 + 0001 = 0b0010$$

Ex: negate 5-bits 2's comp $0b01000$ to make neg 2's comp #

$$-A = 1 + 0b10111 = 11000$$

$0b0111$

Ex: $0b0011$

$0b1010$

$0b11110$

Ex: $-0b0011$

10111

Ex: $0b100001 > 0b011101 \rightarrow 0$ (2's comp. not.)

Ex: decimal equivalent of 2's comp. hex $0xab$

to binary: $1010-1011$

invert: $0101-0100 + 1 = 0101-0101 \rightarrow -85$ (apply neg. sign)

Ex: $0x3c < 2$ in 8 bits?

$$0011-1100 < 2 = \overbrace{1111}^F - \overbrace{0000}^0$$

Ex: $0x8e > 3$

$$1000-1110 > 3 = \overbrace{1111}^F - \overbrace{0001}^1$$

Ex: 2's comp. hex of decimal # -1

1 in binary: $0b0001$

$$\neg A + 1 = 0b1111 = F$$

Ex: 2's comp. 8 bit result of $0x8e > 3$

binary: $1000-1110$

arithm. Shift: $1111-0001 = F1$

Ex: $0xC1080000 < 0xC3980000 \rightarrow 0$

binary, invert bits & add 1

Ex: What is the decimal equivalent of 32-bit floating point number

$0b1011_1111_0100_0000_0000_0000_0000$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{exp} &= 2^{126-127} = 2^{-1} \\ \text{frac} &= (1 + 2^{-1}) = (1 + \frac{1}{2}) \\ &= 2^{-1} \times (1 + 2^{-1}) = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2^2} = -0.5 - 0.25 = \boxed{-0.75} \end{aligned}$$

Ex: $0x43A80000$

$$\begin{aligned} &0100-0011-1010-1000-0000-0000-0000-0000 \\ &+ 2^{135-127} = 2^8 \cdot (1 + 2^{-2} + 2^{-4}) \end{aligned}$$

$$256 \cdot (1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16}) = 336$$

EX: -25.0 in floating 32-bit hex

sign = 1 (-)

25 = 16 + 8 + 1 = 0b11001 → >>4

0 = 0

0b1.1001 × 2⁴

exp - 127 = 4 → exp = 131

131 = 128 + 2 + 1 = 0b10000011

1 - 10000011 - 1001 - 000...

C 1 C 8 0000 → C1C80000

EX: 0.21875 in 32-bit f.p. hex

sign = 0

0 = 2⁰ = 0b0 → << -3

exp - 127 = -3 → exp = 124 → 0b01111100 × 2⁻³

0.21875 = 0.125 + 0.0625 + 0.03125
= 2⁻⁴ + 2⁻³ + 2⁻⁵
= .001110... × 2⁻³
110...

0 - 01111100 - 11000000 - 000...
sign exp mantis.
3 E 6 0 0000

Write the number 0.21875 in 32-bit floating point representation. Write your answer in hexadecimal.

3E600000

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EX:

0b1010 ← invert = 0b0101 + 1 = 0b0110 = 6
signed 0b00011 = 3 -6 + 3 = -3 → 0b11101



EX:

```
a = 0b1100;
b = 0b100;
signed result = a == b;
result = ?
```

☐ 0

☒ 1

EX: a = 0b11011 = 0b00101 = -5

a - b = 2 → 0b00010

b = 0b1001 = 0b0111 = -7

EX: a = 0b01011 = 11

a + b = 17

0b010001

b = 0b0110 = 6

EX: 2 + 3 << 4 / 2 == 7^5 * 2 / 14 mult/div

2 + 3 << 2 == 7^10 / 4 add

0101 ..
5 << 2 == 7^10 / 4 bit shift

0100 == 0111 ^ 1010 | 0100 ==

0000 ^ 1010 | 0100 ^

1010 | 0100 = 1110 = 14

EX:

```
int* x = (int*) 0;
x = x + 3;
```

each int takes 4 bytes in memory

chars take 1

What is the value of x? 12

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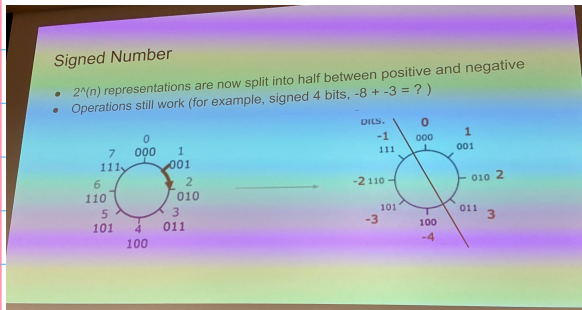
so x = x + 3 = x + 3(4) = 15

EX: int arr[7] vals = {0, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30}

*(&vals[7] - 2) = move 2 elements back from vals[7] = 15

4/8/25- RECITATION 2: signed #s, floats, pointers

SIGNED #:



INT → BINARY $-A = 1 + \sim A$

BINARY → INT $v = -2^{N-1}b_{N-1} + \sum_{i=0}^{N-2} 2^i b_i$

Ex: 1111-1010

Two's Complement (Signed Number)

Integer → Binary

$-A = 1 + \sim A$

Binary → Integer

Alternative way: do the integer → binary again (negative of negative = positive!!!)

Two's Complement 1.1, 1.2

Example:
 -6 in binary
 6 = 0b0000_0110
 0b1111_1001 (invert)
 0b0000_0001 (Add 1)
 -6 = 0b1111_1010

0b1111_1010 in decimal
 $= -(2^7) + 1*2^6 + 1*2^5 + 1*2^4 + 1*2^3 + 0*2^2 + 1*2^1 + 0$
 $= -128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 2$
 $= -6$

invert: 0000-0101

+1: 0000-0110

= 6

Ex: -8 + -3

4 bits signed

-8: 0b1000 3: 0b0011

-3: $\sim 3 + 1$: 0b1101

add

0b1000	
0b1101	

10101	
5	

Ex: Smallest/largest # represented using 2's complement?

6	5	4	3	2	1	0
---	---	---	---	---	---	---

smallest = largest ⊖ value = 0b1000000 = $-2^6 = -64$

largest = largest ⊕ value = 0b0111111 = $2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 = 63$

LOGICAL & ARITHMETIC SHIFT:

<< always fill with 0s

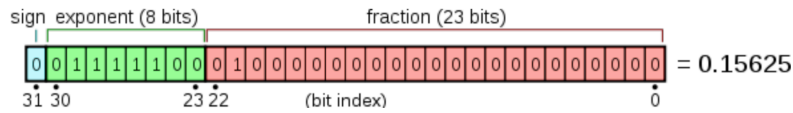
>>

unsigned = patch with 0s (logical)

signed = patch with 1s if MSB=1, 0s other (arithmetic)

FLOATS:

2) Floating point representation (Wikipedia)



$$\text{Value} = (-1)^{\text{sign}} \cdot 2^{\text{exp}-127} \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^{23} b_{23-i} 2^{-i}\right)$$

Floating point numbers are represented using 32 bits of binary. The most significant bit represents the sign (1 is negative, 0 is positive), the next 8 bits represent the exponent +127, and the last 23 bits represent the mantissa. The mantissa encodes the fractional part of the number. The actual value of the number is $\text{sign} * 2^{\text{exponent}-127} * 1.\text{fraction}$.

2.1) Floating point to decimal

To convert from floating point to decimal:

- Convert hex representation to sign_normalizedExponent_mantissa representation.
- If sign is 1, then sign is negative otherwise sign is positive.
- Find the actual exponent by subtracting 127 from the normalized exponent.
- Express numeric portion as 1.mantissa.
- If the actual exponent is positive, shift this number to the left by exponent bits. If the exponent is negative, shift this number to the right by exponent bits.
- Convert the resulting value to decimal treating each position to the left of the decimal as a positive power of 2 starting at 0, and each position to right of the decimal point as a negative power of 2.

Ex: decimal equivalent of 32-bit floating point number 0x40840000?

convert to binary: 0100-0000-1000-0100-0000-0000-0000-0000

sign / exponent / mantissa

$2^7+1=129$ $2^1 2^2 \dots$

$$= (-1)^0 \times 2^{129-127} \times (1 + [0.2^{-1}] + [0.2^{-2}] \dots + [2^{-5}])$$

$$= 1 \times 2^2 \times (1 + \frac{1}{25})$$

$$= 4 + \frac{1}{25} = 4.125$$

2.2) Decimal to Floating point

To convert from decimal floating point:

- Convert original number to base 2
- Shift number to the right or left so that the shifted number is of the form 1.mantissa. In other words, the decimal is just to the right of the leftmost 1. A shift to the left represents a negative exponent whose magnitude is the number of bits shifted, while a shift to the right represents a positive exponent. For example, $0b100.0 = 1.0 * 2^2$, whereas $0.01 = 1.0 * 2^{-2}$.
- Find the normalized exponent by adding 127 to the actual exponent.
- Your floating point number is sign_normalizedExponent_mantissa
- Convert the 32-bit binary representation to hexadecimal.

Ex: -5.75 in 32-bit floating point representation

sign = 1 (negative)

$$5 = 4 + 1 = 2^2 + 1 = 0b101$$

$$0.75 = 0.5 + 0.25 = 2^{-1} + 2^{-2}$$

0b101.11000 → 2 (Sci. notation)

0b1.011100 × 2² (shift left 2)

mantissa ↑

exp-127 = 2 → exp = 129

Ex: 0.111 → 1.11 × 2⁻¹

$$129 = 128 + 1 = 1000001$$

$$1-10000001-011100...$$

C 0 B 8 0000

23 bits

POINTERS:

- 32 bit memory addy
- diff. data types = diff. # of bytes
- need to specify type of pointer so it knows how many bytes to read & interpret
- $8x = \text{addy of } x$
- $*y = \text{value of memory addy of } y = \text{dereference } y$

Pointer Errors

```
int a = 1;
int *x; //x not pointing to particular address
*x = a; //
```

- Segmentation fault **X**, address stored in x is invalid

Or

- Lucky *****, address stored in x is somehow valid

```
int *x = 0; // x holds memory address 0
*x = 5;
```

- Segmentation fault **X**
- Address 0 is reserved for null pointer and CANNOT be modified

- values passed in function as COPIES not original

Pointers in functions

In C, the values passed in the function are **COPIED** and used rather than being the original.

```
void foo(int x){
    x = 10;
}
int y = 1;
foo(y);
printf("%d\n", y); //print 1, y unchanged
```

```
void foo(int *x){
    *x = 10;
}
int y = 1;
foo(&y);
printf("%d\n", y); //print 10
```

changes the value

Why using pointers? To **modify values** (because the memory address allows us to directly access the variables), and work with **arrays**

(A)

SWAP

```
void swap(int* x, int* y) {
    int temp = *x;
    *x = *y;
    *y = temp;
}

int A = 5;
int B = 10;
swap(&A, &B);
```

initial setting

	A	B	x	y	
Name	A	B	x	y	
Value	5	10	&A	&B	

	A	B	x	y	temp
Name	A	B	x	y	temp
Value	5	10	&A	&B	5

	A	B	x	y	temp
Name	A	B	x	y	temp
Value	10	10	&A	&B	5

	A	B	x	y	temp
Name	A	B	x	y	temp
Value	10	5	&A	&B	5

ARRAYS:

- continuous chunks of memory
- must declare type/size
- stores first addy in section of memory

EX: `int y[10] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}`

```
printf("%d\n", y[3]);  
    *(y+3)  
    (y+3)[0]  
    (y+3)[2] → prints 6
```

all print 4!

STRING

- array of chars (constant pointer)
- use ascii encoding to represent chars
- use `'\0'` null char to indicate end of string

EX: `printf("%c\n", 65) → 'A'`
`%d\n 'C' → 67`

String = `"` double quotes
char = `'` single quotes

deref: `s[2]='a'`
`*(s+2)='?'`
`printf("%s", s+2) ← prints until end when it sees \0 null`
output: `"ll0 world"`

3) Square

EX: Write a function that takes a pointer to an int as an input and returns the square of the value it points to.

```
1 int square(int* x) {  
2     //your code  
3     return *x*x; value @ x * value @ x  
4 }
```

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1) String index

EX: Write a function that receives a string and a character as inputs and it returns the first index at which that character is four in the string or -1 if its not found. Again, write this using array indices and then rewrite it by updating the pointers and dereferencing them to access the string's characters.

```
1 int string_index(char *s, char c) {  
2     // don't have the len -- know to stop when reach \0 (value = 0)  
3     for (int i = 0; s[i] != '\0'; i++) {  
4         if (s[i] == c) return i; // if at index i, char == char  
5     }  
6     return -1; // if failed  
7  
8     // pointer version  
9     int i = 0;  
10    while (*s != 0) { // loop until s hits end of the string  
11        if(*s == c) return i; // dereference s, check equal to c  
12        s++; // move s to next element  
13        i++;  
14    }  
15    return -1;  
16 }
```

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5) Pointers to pointers

EX:

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```
1 int x = 60004, y = 314;
2 int *ptr, *ptr2;
3 ptr = &x; // ptr points to x, so *ptr == 60004
4 int **ptr_to_ptr;
5 ptr_to_ptr = &ptr; // ptr_to_ptr points to ptr, so *ptr_to_ptr == ptr and **ptr_to_ptr == 60004
6 x = 0; // we still have **ptr_to_ptr == *ptr == x, just now they're all 0
7 *ptr = 1; // we still have **ptr_to_ptr == *ptr == x, just now they're all 1
8 ptr2 = &y;
9 *ptr_to_ptr = ptr2; // This is tricky! Draw a diagram with what everything points to and what
// value everything has.
10 // Answer: We still have *ptr_to_ptr == ptr1. Since we assigned the new value to ptr2, now ptr1
// == ptr2. In particular this means **ptr_to_ptr == *ptr == *ptr2 == y == 314
11 y = 77; // Changing the value of y changes all of the above equalities!
12 // But what is x? Nothing points to x anymore, so we still have x == 1
13 x = 2; // This changes x, but none of our pointers are related to x anymore so nothing else
// changes
```

[4/14/25] - C STRINGS

will inherit
what's in
memory
beforehand

```
int x[] = {1,2,3,4}; //make four long int array call it x
int y[10]; //create ten long int array, call it y (But don't declare values)
int z[5] = {1}; //create array 5 long called z, 0th element is 1, rest are 0
```

ARRAYS:

• continuous portions of memory accessible via pointer

• char array syntax more flexible

• char arrays always null-terminated

```
char a[10] = {'t','h','e',' ',' ','c','a','t',' ','.'}; //10 char array with two nulls
//at end
char b[] = "the cat."; //9 long array with "the cat." followed by null
```

```
void app_main(){
    int x[] = {1,2,3,4,5}; //compiler figures out array length large enough for items listed
    //10 long array of ints accessible through ptr y
    //only five vals specified (rest are unknown)
    int y[10] = {10,11,12,13};
    printf("%d\n", x[1]); //prints 2
    printf("%d\n", *x); //prints 1 same as x[0] or *(x+0)
    printf("%d\n", x); //prints 1070153528 (3fc93f38 in hex)
    printf("%d\n", x+1); //prints 1070153532 (3fc93f3c in hex)
    printf("%d\n", *(x+2)); //prints 3...same as x[2]
    printf("%d\n", *(x+5)); //prints undefined...same as x[5]..no idea what's in that memory
    printf("%d\n", *(y+10)); //prints 1...because you bled into where x is and x[0] is 1
}
```

■ What does the following print?

hexadecimal

```
printf("%x\n", *(y+2)); 0xDC
12 in hex
```

```
void app_main(){
    int x[] = {1,2,3,4,5}; //compiler figures out array length large enough for items listed
    //10 long array of ints accessible through ptr y
    //only five vals specified (rest are unknown)
    int y[10] = {10,11,12,13};
    printf("%d\n", x[1]); //prints 2
    printf("%d\n", *x); //prints 1 same as x[0] or *(x+0)
    printf("%d\n", x); //prints 1070153528 (0x3fc93f38 in hex)
    printf("%d\n", x+1); //prints 1070153532 (0x3fc93f3c in hex)
    printf("%d\n", *(x+2)); //prints 3...same as x[2]
    printf("%d\n", *(x+5)); //prints undefined...same as x[5]..no idea what's in that memory
    printf("%d\n", *(y+10)); //prints 1...because you bled into where x is and x[0] is 1
}
```

each int
occupies 32 bits

Address:	Value:
0x3fc93f0c:	0x420001ec
0x3fc93f10:	0x0000000a
0x3fc93f14:	0x0000000b
0x3fc93f18:	0x0000000c
0x3fc93f1c:	0x0000000d
0x3fc93f20:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f24:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f28:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f2c:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f30:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f34:	0x00000000
0x3fc93f38:	0x00000001
0x3fc93f3c:	0x00000002
0x3fc93f40:	0x00000003
0x3fc93f44:	0x00000004
0x3fc93f48:	0x00000005

"int y[10]"

Stack into
memory

"int x[]"

• but, computer doesn't see whole memory - just glimpses

sizeof: provides size of data object (in BYTES)

```
char a[10] = {'t','h','e',' ',' ','c','a','t',' ','.'}; //10 char array with two nulls
char b[] = "the cat"; //8 long array with "the cat" followed by null
int x;
char y;
int z[15];
printf("%d\n", sizeof(a)); //prints 10
printf("%d\n", sizeof(b)); //prints 8
printf("%d\n", sizeof(x)); //prints 4
printf("%d\n", sizeof(y)); //prints 1
printf("%d\n", sizeof(z)); //prints 60 ← 4 * 15 (each int = 4 bytes)
printf("%d\n", sizeof(z)/sizeof(int)); //prints 15 ← will get you array
```

• works for char b/c each char is only 1 byte

in C, all function args are passed by value!

• when array is handed in as arg to function in C,
can only see pointer, NOT the array

```

int sum_array(int* ai){
    int sum = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < sizeof(ai); i++){
        sum += ai[i];
    }
    return sum;
}

int main(void){
    int aa[10] = {2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20};
    int c = sum_array(aa);
    //value of c? = 2
}

```

- **sizeof** provides the number of bytes that a *thing* is.
- On previous slide, the "thing" is a pointer inside a function and that is:
 - only four bytes (on 32-bit system)
 - or eight bytes (on a 64-bit system)
- There is NO WAY to inherently know the size of an array that is passed in as an argument in C.
- You MUST:
 - Pass along variable informing of size of array
 - (general solution)
 - Establish some sort of rule-set for the size of the object
 - (C-strings)

```

int aa[10] = {2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20};

int sum_array(int* ai){
    int sum = 0;
    printf("size of ai: %d\n", sizeof(ai)); 4
    printf("size of aa: %d\n", sizeof(aa)); 40
    for (int i = 0; i < sizeof(ai); i++){
        sum += ai[i];
    }
    return sum;
}

int main(void){
    int c = sum_array(aa);
    printf("%d\n", c);
}

```

What is printed here?

more acceptable:

```

int sum_array(int* ai, int arr_len){
    int sum = 0;
    printf("size of ai: %d\n", sizeof(ai));
    for (int i = 0; i < arr_len; i++){
        sum += ai[i];
    }
    return sum;
}

int main(void){
    int aa[10] = {2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20};
    int bb[5] = {19,20,21,4,1};
    int c = sum_array(aa, sizeof(aa)/sizeof(int));
    int d = sum_array(bb, sizeof(bb)/sizeof(int));
    printf("%d\n", c);
    printf("%d\n", d);
}

```

- **sizeof** is NOT a function, it's an operator
- interpreted @ compile time not run time
- before code runs, evals where used & replaced w/ #

there's no way to inherently know size of array

SOLUTIONS:

- pass along var informing size of array (general soln)
- Establish some sort of rule-set for size of obj (C-str)

C-STRING

- null-terminated char array
- all elements are ASCII
- C-string array points to where 1st null occurs

String.h

- library
- determine attributes, manipulate, compare
- **strlen**: determine len of C-string
 - takes in pointer to C-string `const char *`
 - returns length (# of non-null chars up until null)

```

int strlen(const char *str) {
    char *searcher = str;
    while (*searcher != '\0') {
        searcher++;
    }
    return searcher - str;
}

```

strcpy: copy a C-string

- copy to destination pointed by src (transfer data)
- can be dangerous (overwrite)
- pre-exists after buffer in memory
- So when we call `strcpy`, copies over it
- **strcat**: concat. a C-string
- adds onto destination pted to by src

```

char * strcpy (char *destination, const char *source) {
    uint_32 spot = 0;
    while (* (source + spot) != NULL) {
        destination[spot] = * (source + spot);
        spot += 1;
    }
    destination[spot] = 0;
    return destination;
}

```

```

char * strcat (char *destination, const char * source) {
    int null_loc = strlen(destination);
    return strcpy(destination + null_loc, source);
}

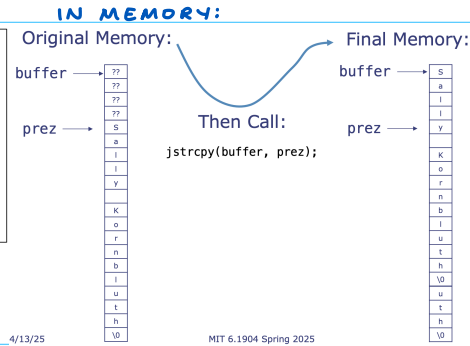
```

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A

```
int main(void){
    char prez[] = "Sally Kornbluth";
    char buffer[4];
    int len = strlen(prez);
    printf("length of string: %d\n", len);
    strcpy(buffer, prez);
    printf("Original String: \"%s\"\n", prez);
    printf("Copied String: \"%s\"\n", buffer);
}
```

length of string: 15
Original String: "y Kornbluth"
Copied String: "Sally Kornbluth"



• all bytes have addresses & accessible

- **strcpy**: copy a c-string
- **strncpy**: copy n characters from a c-string
- **strlcpy**: copy n-1 characters from a c-string and makes sure to NULL terminate

restrictions: →

- **strcat**: concatenate a c-string
- **strncat**: concatenate n characters from a c-string
- **strlcat**: concatenate n-1 characters from a c-string and makes sure to NULL terminate

STRING.H COMPARISONS:

strcmp compares first n chars

strncmp compares entire c-string

OUTPUTS:

<0 first unmatched char is lower in str1 than str2
0 equal
>0

string.h Search Functions

- **strchr**: Find first instance of character in c-string
- **strrchr**: Find last instance of character in c-string
- **strstr**: Find location of sub c-string inside c-string
- **strtok**: Tokenize c-string into sub c-strings. (exercise this week!)

char * strchr (const char * haystack, char needle);

- Looks for first instance of **needle** in c-string **haystack** and returns a pointer to it
- If it isn't found, it returns a **NULL Pointer!**
- Example:
 - Determine if there is an 'l' in "Sally Kornbluth"
 - How could we determine where this first occurrence is?

char * strrchr (const char * haystack, char needle);

- Looks for last instance of **needle** in c-string **haystack** and returns a pointer to it
- How must this function's search *differ* from regular strchr?

```
char *jstrchr(const char *haystack, char needle) {
    uint_32 ind=0;
    while ( haystack[ind] != NULL ) {
        if ( *(haystack+ind) == needle ) {
            return haystack + ind;
        }
        ind++;
    }
}
```

sprintf:

- not part of string.h lib
- similar to printf but writes to a string you provide, not the terminal
- function returns # chars written

```
int i = some_function(19,86); //return 2012
char temp[10];
sprintf(temp,"%d",i);
//temp now holds the c-string: "2012\0"
//(NULL is auto-added in sprintf)
```


Generate C-string that has every number in it from 0 to 1000!

- ```

//version one using strcat:
char totes[100000]; //big enough
void build_num_string_1(){
 totes[0] = 0; //null first value
 for (int i = 0; i<1000; i++){
 char temp[10];
 sprintf(temp, "%d", i);
 strcat(totes, temp);
 }
 printf("%s\n", totes);
}

//version 2 using sprintf and
//pointer arithmetic:
char totes[100000]; //big enough
void build_num_string_2(){
 totes[0] = 0; //null first value
 int tally = 0;
 for (int i = 0; i<1000; i++){
 tally += sprintf(totes+tally, "%d", i);
 }
 printf("%s\n", totes);
}

```

- ## Structs:

- ```
struct Subject{
    int dept;
    int units;
    char name[100];
    int num_students;
};
```

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
struct Subject{
    int dept;
    int units;
    char name[100];
    int num_students;
};

int main(void){
    struct Subject our_course;
    our_course.dept = 6;
    our_course.units = 6;
    strcpy(our_course.name, "6.1904: Intro to C and Assembly");
    our_course.num_students = 255;
    printf("%s has %d students and is in Course %d and is %d credits.\n",
           our_course.name, our_course.num_students,
           our_course.dept, our_course.units);
}
```

```
//function takes in struct Subject, returns a struct Subject
struct Subject make_subject2(struct Subject s){
    s.dept = 8;
    s.units = 12;
    strcpy(s.name, "8.02: Physics 2");
    s.num_students = 500;
    return s;
}
```

- ```
our_course = make_subject2(our_course); //call function on our_course return/overwrite
printf("%s has %d students and is in Course %d and is %d credits.\n",
 our_course.name, our_course.num_students,
 our_course.dept, our_course.units);
```

- ### STRUCT POINTER:

- ```
void make_subject3(struct Subject* s);
```

```
make_subject3(&our_course); //call function on pointer to our_course
printf("%s has %d students and is in Course %d and is %d credits.\n",
        our_course.name, our_course.num_students,
        our_course.dept, our_course.units);
```

- ACCESS MEMBERS: $(*s).units = 12;$ ← $()$ b/c $*$ is lower priority than $.$
 $s \rightarrow units = 12;$ ← same
 combo of $*$, $.$ (deref. & member)

C OPERATOR HIERARCHY:

Appendix 3: C Operator Precedence

Precedence	Operator	Description	Associativity
1	++ --	Suffix/postfix increment and decrement	Left-to-right
	()	Function call	
	[]	Array subscripting	
	.	Structure and union member access	
	->	Structure and union member access through pointer	
2	++ --	Prefix increment and decrement	Right-to-left
	+ -	Unary plus and minus	
	! ~	Logical NOT and bitwise NOT	
	(type)	Cast	
	*	Indirection (dereference)	
	&	Address-of	
3	* / %	Multiplication, division, and remainder	Left-to-right
4	+ -	Addition and subtraction	
5	<< >>	Bitwise left shift and right shift	
6	< <=	For relational operators < and ≤ respectively	
	> >=	For relational operators > and ≥ respectively	
7	== !=	For relational = and ≠ respectively	
8	&	Bitwise AND	
9	^	Bitwise XOR (exclusive or)	
10		Bitwise OR (inclusive or)	
11	&&	Logical AND	
12		Logical OR	
13	?:	Ternary conditional	Right-to-left
14	=	Simple assignment	
	+= -=	Assignment by sum and difference	
	*= /= %=	Assignment by product, quotient, and remainder	
	<<= >>=	Assignment by bitwise left shift and right shift	
	&= ^= =	Assignment by bitwise AND, XOR, and OR	



- So putting it all together:

```
void make_subject3(struct Subject* s){
    s->dept = 8; //or (*s).dept
    s->units = 12; //or (*s).units
    strcpy((*s).name, "8.02: Physics 2"); //or s->name
    (*s).num_students = 500; //or s->num_students
}
```

```
make_subject3(&our_course); //call function on pointer to our_course
printf("%s has %d students and is in Course %d and is %d credits.\n",
       our_course.name, our_course.num_students,
       our_course.dept, our_course.units);
```

How BIG IS STRUCT:

- at least as big as sum of component parts
- EX:

```
struct Subject{
    int dept;
    int units;
    char name[100];
    int num_students;
};
```

4+4+100+4 = 112 bytes

Struct notes:

- no concept of public/private
- cannot have struct with member struct
- many ways to initialize:

```
//declare but don't initialize:
struct Subject our_course;
//declare and initialize:
struct Subject other_course = {9, 12, "9.01: Intro Brain Stuff", 100};
//declare and initialize (named fields):
struct Subject other_other_course = {.dept=1, .units=12,
                                     .name="1.01: Intro Prob/Inference",
                                     .num_students=100};
```

NULL:

- C says 'NULL' is none

EXERCISES - WK 3:

- `char digit = '7';` ← 55 in dec
- `int result = digit + 0;` = 55 + 0 = 55
- `hello!` = 104 + 101 + 108 + 108 + 111 + 33 = 565

[4/15/25] - RECITATION

STRUCT:

- Similar to class in Python but no function, only vars
- use `.` to access members

```
struct Subject {  
    ;  
};
```

returns size (in bytes) of variables

STRUCT POINTERS:

- avoid copying struct (large; directly modify value if needed)
- dereference pointer with `*` before access with `.`

`(*struct_ptr).member` or `struct_ptr->member`

sizeof: finds how big something is

```
sizeof  
Return size (in bytes) of the variables (int, array, struct, etc.)  
  
char c;  
char str[100] = "abc";  
uint8_t i = 10;  
uint8_t *int_ptr = &i;  
int arr[10];  
printf("%d\n", sizeof(c)); // print "1"  
printf("%d\n", sizeof(str)); // print "100"  
printf("%d\n", sizeof(i)); // print "1"  
printf("%d\n", sizeof(int_ptr)); // print "4"  
printf("%d\n", sizeof(arr)); // print "40"
```

`int` = 4 bytes

`char` = 1 byte

string.h Functions:

- `strlen` returns length of string (NOT same as `sizeof`)
- `strcpy` puts src string into a destination until `'\0'`
 - can overflow if `sizeof(dest) < sizeof(src)` → might touch other memory

`strncpy` copy up to n chars (more control)

`strncpy` copy up to n-1 character + `'\0'`

`strcat` concatenates & overwrites first `'\0'` of dest with 1st char of src

- can still overflow if `len(dest) + len(src) > sizeof(dest)`

`strncat` up to nth char

`strncat` up to n-1 char + `'\0'`

Strcmp compares str1 & str2

= 0 → same

> 0 → first diff char: str1's char ascii > str2 char ascii

< 0 → 1st str's first diff. char ascii < 2nd

do: `strcmp(s1, s2) == 0` don't: `s1 == s2`

Strncmp compares up to n chars

Strchr finds 1st occurrence of character in string

• returns pointer to 1st occurrence of char (null if not found)

• **strrchr** finds last instance of char

• **Strstr** finds sub C-strings inside

Strtok splits str into tokens by delimiters

• split chars by something

• in subsequent call → str replaced by null.

REVIEW



CODE:

```
char str[20] = "Hello world";
char* ptr = strtok(str, "eo");
while(ptr != NULL){
    printf("%s\n", ptr);
    ptr = strtok(NULL, "eo");
}
```

OUTPUT:

```
H
l
l
o
w
o
r
l
d
```

ptr = NULL

CHAR ARRAY CREATION:

char message[22] = "This is a string!";

ASCII values (approx)

T h i s i s a s t r i n g !

FIRST CALL:

char* ptr = strtok (message, "");

1.) Pointer to start of char array (which is the char array itself)

2.) Scan until first delimiter or NULL

3.) Replace with NULL

4.) Return

T h i s i s a s t r i n g !

ptr now refers to this NULL terminated char array!

SECOND CALL:

char* ptr = strtok (NULL, "");

1.) entering NULL means start where left off

2.) Scan until first delimiter or NULL

3.) Replace with NULL

4.) Return

T h i s i s a s t r i n g !

ptr now refers to this NULL terminated char array!

THIRD CALL:

char* ptr = strtok (NULL, "");

1.) entering NULL means start where left off

2.) Scan until first delimiter or NULL

3.) Replace with NULL

4.) Return

T h i s i s a s t r i n g !

ptr now refers to this NULL terminated char array!

FOURTH CALL:

char* ptr = strtok (NULL, "");

1.) entering NULL means start where left off

2.) Scan until first delimiter or NULL

3.) NULL Found! Remember that!

4.) Return

T h i s i s a s t r i n g !

ptr now refers to this NULL terminated char array!

FIFTH, ETC... CALL:

char* ptr = strtok (NULL, "");

1.) entering NULL means start where left off

2.) Previously ended in NULL so...

3.) Return

T h i s i s a s t r i n g !

ptr now refers to this NULL terminated char array!

OTHER STRING FUNCS:

sprintf

- Similar to printf, but prints into a string not terminal

```
sprintf(str_var, "format %d %c %f %s\n", a, b, c, d);
```

atoi

- converts string to int
 - expects char array
- ```
Ex: int x = atoi("61904");
```

### const char\*

- constant char array

## TYPECASTING

```
Ex: uint8_t hi = (uint8_t) message[i];
```

## LECTURE 4: RISC-V ASSEMBLY

### GENERAL PURPOSE PROCESSOR:

- list of instructions that can execute using its hardware (assembly language)
- assembly lang gets translated into binary (machine code)
  - tells us exact steps that processor carries out

## Let's Sum an Array

Assume we have an array `arr` with 10 integers starting at memory address `0x700`.

### Assembly Language

```
addi x5, x0, 0
addi x6, x0, 0
addi x7, x0, 40
loop:
 bge x5, x7, end
 lw x8, 0x700(x5)
 add x6, x6, x8
 addi x5, x5, 4
 jal x0, loop
end:
```

### Machine Language (Code)

```
0x00000293
0x00000313
0x02800393
0x0072da63
0x7002a403
0x00830333
0x00428293
0xff1ff06f
```

Direct translation  
(same level of detail)!



thx, that's better 😊

*Assembly is for the programmer, machine code is for the processor.*

## High Level vs Assembly Language

### High Level Language

1. Complex arithmetic and logical operations
2. Complex data types and data structures
3. Complex control structures - conditional statements, loops and functions
4. Not suitable for direct implementation in hardware

### Assembly Language

1. Primitive arithmetic and logical operations
2. Primitive data structures - bits/bytes
3. Control flow instructions
4. Designed to be directly implementable in hardware

*tedious programming!*

**ASSEMBLY LANG:** sequence of instructions which execute in sequential order unless control flow instruction is executed

- math/logic ops, comparisons, jumps, memory access

**INSTRUCTION SET ARCHITECTURE (ISA):** contract b/t software & hardware

- functional def. of ops & storage locations
- precise def. of how software can invoke/access them

**CISC:** (complex instruction set computer) larger instruction set w/ more options/ operation variants

- can have many instructions; more complex; fewer instructions

**RISC:** (reduced) smaller w/ only bare minimum ops

- basic, smaller set, may need more instructions (but simpler)

Ex:

- We'd like to add two numbers from memory locations 0x7E8 and 0x7EC and store the resulting sum back in 0x7EC.
- In a hypothetical **CISC** architecture you might be able to do this in one instruction:

ADDMM 0x7EC, 0x7E8

"add contents stored at memory address 0x7E8 to contents stored at 0x7EC and put the resulting sum into 0x7EC"

- With a **RISC** architecture, this might look like:

```
addi x10, x0, 0x7E8 # x10 <- 0x7E8 + 0 = 0x7E8
lw x11, 0(x10) # x11 <- Mem[x10]
lw x12, 4(x10) # x12 <- Mem[x10 + 4]
add x11, x11, x12 # x11 <- x11 + x12
sw x11, 4(x10) # Mem[x10 + 4] <- x11
```

RISC-V ISA:

· 'I' base int, 'M'  $\times 8 \div$ , 'C' compressed instruct, 'F' & 'D' single/doub-precision FP

· ours: base int 32-bit variant

## Registers vs. Memory

- Both store information

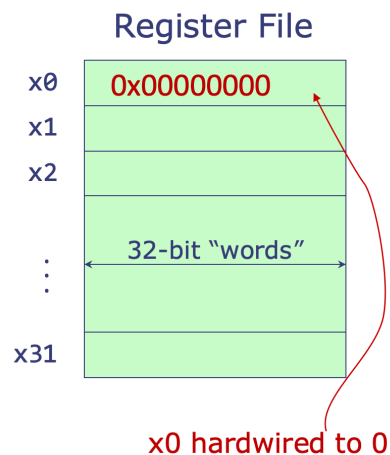
| Registers                                                                                                                                                  | Memory                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Expensive</li><li>• Physically large</li><li>• Quick to access</li><li>• Actually in the computer itself</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cheap</li><li>• Very dense/small</li><li>• Slower to access</li><li>• Further away/separate from the computer.</li></ul> |

- Conclusion for most computers – *compromise*:
  - Have a small set of registers (maybe twenty or thirty) that you use as much as possible as temporary variables
  - Use memory as rarely as possible!

REGISTERS:

· 32 general purpose  $x0-x31$  ( $x0 = 0$ )

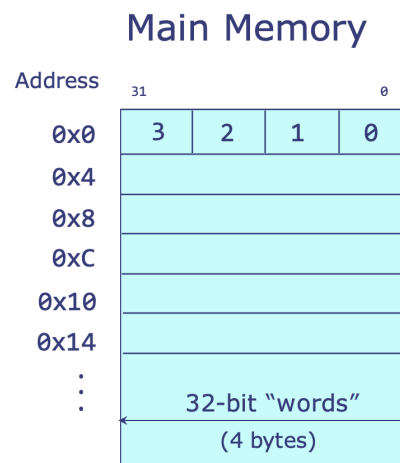
· each register = 32 bits wide



MEMORY:

· 32 bits wide (1 word)

· addresses = 32 bits



## RISC-V INSTRUCTIONS:

| Instruction | Syntax                  | Description                      | Execution                                                    |
|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| LUI         | lui rd, luiConstant     | Load Upper Immediate             | reg[rd] <= luiConstant < 12                                  |
| JAL         | jal rd, label           | Jump and Link                    | reg[rd] <= pc + 4<br>pc <= label                             |
| JALR        | jalr rd, offset(rs1)    | Jump and Link Register           | reg[rd] <= pc + 4<br>pc <= ((reg[rs1] + offset)[31:1], 1'b0) |
| BEQ         | beq rs1, rs2, label     | Branch if =                      | pc <= (reg[rs1] == reg[rs2]) ? label: pc + 4                 |
| BNE         | bne rs1, rs2, label     | Branch if ≠                      | pc <= (reg[rs1] != reg[rs2]) ? label: pc + 4                 |
| BLT         | blt rs1, rs2, label     | Branch if < (Signed)             | pc <= (reg[rs1] <_s reg[rs2]) ? label: pc + 4                |
| BGE         | bge rs1, rs2, label     | Branch if ≥ (Signed)             | pc <= (reg[rs1] ≥_s reg[rs2]) ? label: pc + 4                |
| BLTU        | bltu rs1, rs2, label    | Branch if < (Unsigned)           | pc <= (reg[rs1] <_u reg[rs2]) ? label: pc + 4                |
| BGEU        | bgeu rs1, rs2, label    | Branch if ≥ (Unsigned)           | pc <= (reg[rs1] ≥_u reg[rs2]) ? label: pc + 4                |
| LW          | lw rd, offset(rs1)      | Load Word                        | reg[rd] <= mem[reg[rs1] + offset]                            |
| SW          | sw rs2, offset(rs1)     | Store Word                       | mem[reg[rs1] + offset] <= reg[rs2]                           |
| ADDI        | addi rd, rs1, constant  | Add Immediate                    | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] + constant                               |
| SLTI        | slti rd, rs1, constant  | Compare < Immediate (Signed)     | reg[rd] <= (reg[rs1] <_s constant) ? 1 : 0                   |
| SLTIU       | sltiu rd, rs1, constant | Compare < Immediate (Unsigned)   | reg[rd] <= (reg[rs1] <_u constant) ? 1 : 0                   |
| XORI        | xori rd, rs1, constant  | Xor Immediate                    | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] ^ constant                               |
| ORI         | ori rd, rs1, constant   | Or Immediate                     | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1]   constant                               |
| ANDI        | andi rd, rs1, constant  | And Immediate                    | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] & constant                               |
| SLLI        | slli rd, rs1, shamt     | Shift Left Logical Immediate     | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] << shamt                                 |
| SRLI        | srli rd, rs1, shamt     | Shift Right Logical Immediate    | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] >> shamt                                 |
| SRAI        | srai rd, rs1, shamt     | Shift Right Arithmetic Immediate | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] >> shamt                                 |
| ADD         | add rd, rs1, rs2        | Add                              | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] + reg[rs2]                               |
| SUB         | sub rd, rs1, rs2        | Subtract                         | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] - reg[rs2]                               |
| SLL         | sll rd, rs1, rs2        | Shift Left Logical               | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] << reg[rs2][4:0]                         |
| SLT         | slt rd, rs1, rs2        | Compare < (Signed)               | reg[rd] <= (reg[rs1] <_s reg[rs2]) ? 1 : 0                   |
| SLTU        | sltu rd, rs1, rs2       | Compare < (Unsigned)             | reg[rd] <= (reg[rs1] <_u reg[rs2]) ? 1 : 0                   |
| XOR         | xor rd, rs1, rs2        | Xor                              | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] ^ reg[rs2]                               |
| SRL         | srl rd, rs1, rs2        | Shift Right Logical              | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] >> reg[rs2][4:0]                         |
| SRA         | sra rd, rs1, rs2        | Shift Right Arithmetic           | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] >> reg[rs2][4:0]                         |
| OR          | or rd, rs1, rs2         | Or                               | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1]   reg[rs2]                               |
| AND         | and rd, rs1, rs2        | And                              | reg[rd] <= reg[rs1] & reg[rs2]                               |

computational

control flow

loads/stores

• computational: arithmetic / logical ops on registers

• loads & stores: move data b/t registers & main mem.

• control flow: change execution order of instructions (conditionals, function calls)

|                    | Format | Arithmetic | Comparisons | Logical         | Shifts           |
|--------------------|--------|------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Register-Register  |        | add, sub   | sll, sltu   | and, or, xor    | sll, srl, sra    |
| Register-Immediate |        | addi       | slli, sltiu | andi, ori, xori | slli, srli, srai |

COMPUTATIONAL:

**REGISTER-REGISTER:** oper rd, rs1, rs2

- 2 source operand registers (rs1, rs2) ← can be same
- 1 destination register for result (rd)

Operations (oper):

| Arithmetic | Comparisons | Logical      | Shifts        |
|------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| add, sub   | sll, sltu   | and, or, xor | sll, srl, sra |

- add x3, x1, x2      # x3 ← x1 + x2
- slt x3, x1, x2      # If x1 < x2 then x3 = 1 else x3 = 0
- and x3, x1, x2      # x3 ← x1 & x2
- sll x3, x1, x2      # x3 ← x1 << x2

indicated w/ i

**REGISTER-IMMEDIATE:** open rd, rs1, constant

- 1 source operand comes from register (rs1)
- 1 source operand comes from constant (constant) ← 12 bits (5 for shift)
- 1 destination register (rd)

| Arithmetic | Comparisons | Logical         | Shifts           |
|------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|
| addi       | slli, sltiu | andi, ori, xori | slli, srli, srai |

- addi x3, x1, 4      # x3 ← x1 + 4
- slti x3, x1, 4      # If x1 < 4 then x3 = 1 else x3 = 0
- andi x3, x1, 4      # x3 ← x1 & 4
- slli x3, x1, 4      # x3 ← x1 << 4
- No subi, instead use addi with negative constant.
  - addi x3, x1, -4      # x3 ← x1 - 4

\* all values are binary!

**NOTE:** logical vs. arithmetic right shifts

▪ Suppose: x1 = 00101  
x2 = 00010

▪ Suppose: x1 = 10101  
x2 = 00010

srl x3, x1, x2  
00101  
00010  
00001

srl x3, x1, x2  
10101  
01010  
00101

sra x3, x1, x2  
00101  
00010  
00001

sra x3, x1, x2  
10101  
11010  
11101

Logical right shift: Shift in 0s.  
Arithmetic right shift: Shift in value of most significant bit.



- EX:
- What if we wanted to put 0x12345678 into x2?
  - No problem!

```
addi x2, x0, 0x12345678 # x2 = 0x12345678 + 0
 # x2 = 0x12345678
```

- Actually, there is a problem:
  - addi can only encode a 12 bit constant
  - 0x12345678 is more than 12 bits
  - The above code would not compile.

**LOAD UPPER IMMEDIATE (LUI):** `lui rd, luiConstant`

- puts 20-bit constant value (luiConstant) in upper 20 bits of a register (rd)
- appends 12 zeros to low end of register
- Supports putting in constants larger than 12 bits into register

```
lui x2, 0x12345 # put 0x12345 into upper 20 bits of x2
 # x2 = 0x12345000
addi x2, x2, 0x678 # x2 = 0x12345000 + 0x678
 # x2 = 0x12345678
```

- Let's do  $a = ((b+3) \gg c) - 1$

- Break up complex expression into basic computations.
  - Our instructions can only specify two source operands and one destination operand
- Computational instructions can only access registers, not memory.
  - Assume a, b, c are in registers x1, x2, and x3 respectively. Use x4 for temp0, and x5 for temp1.

```
temp0 = b + 3; addi x4, x2, 3
temp1 = temp0 >> c; sra x5, x4, x3
a = temp1 - 1; addi x1, x5, -1
```

## Let's Sum an Array

Assume we have an array arr with 10 integers starting at memory address 0x700.

### C Program

```
int i = 0;
int arr_sum = 0;
int arr_len = 10;
while (i < arr_len) {
 int val = *(arr + i);
 arr_sum += val;
 i++;
}
```

### Assembly

```
addi x5, x0, 0
addi x6, x0, 0
addi x7, x0, 10

add x6, x6, x8
addi x5, x5, 1
```

**LOADS & STORES:** only instructions that interact w/ memory

**LOAD:** `lw rd, offset(rs1)`

- read 32-bit value stored @ memory addy
  - `lw x1, 0x4(x0)`       $\# x1 \leftarrow \text{Mem}[x0 + 0x4]$
  - `lw x2, 0x8(x0)`       $\# x2 \leftarrow \text{Mem}[x0 + 0x8]$
- base addy: rs1 stored in register
- offset: offset 12-bit constant
- base + offset must be multiple of 4!
- put 32-bit value in register rd

**STORE:** `sw rs2, offset(rs1)` taking from register & putting into mem

- take 32-bit value in register rs2 and store @ mem addy rs1 + offset
  - `sw x3, 0x10(x0)`       $\# \text{Mem}[x0 + 0x10] \leftarrow x3$
- base addy rs1 always stored in register
- offset offset 12-bit constant
- base + offset must be multiple of 4

$a = b + c$

Assume:

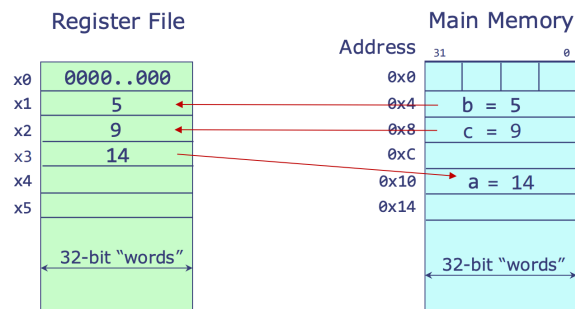
- a is at address 0x10
- b is at address 0x4
- c is at address 0x8

lw x1, 0x4(x0)

lw x2, 0x8(x0)

add x3, x1, x2

sw x3, 0x10(x0)



## C Program

```
int i = 0;
int arr_sum = 0;
int arr_len = 10;
while (i < arr_len) {
 int val = *(arr + i);
 arr_sum += val;
 i++;
}
```

## Assembly

```
addi x5, x0, 0
addi x6, x0, 0
addi x7, x0, 10

lw x8, 0x700(x5)
add x6, x6, x8
addi x5, x5, 1
```

## CONTROL FLOW:

- assembly lang translated into machine lang & stored in mem. for processor to read & execute
- RISC-V processor has special register called program counter (pc).

- holds mem. addy of current instruction

- processor uses this addy to fetch instruction from mem. then decodes & executes it

| Address |            |
|---------|------------|
| 0x0     | 0x00000293 |
| 0x4     | 0x00000313 |
| 0x8     | 0x02800393 |
| 0xC     | 0x0072da63 |
| 0x10    | 0x7002a403 |
| :       |            |
| :       |            |

- Processor fetches 32 bits stored at address 0x8
- Processor interprets those 32 bits as an instruction.
- Processor executes instruction.
  - pc is updated

- assembly always continues to next instruction ( $pc = pc + 4$ ) unless otherwise told by control flow instruction ( $pc = pc + \text{offset}$ )

**CONDITIONAL BRANCH:** branch jump only if condition is met

**UNCONDITIONAL JUMP:** always jump

allows us to create conditional (if/else statements) & loops (while, for)

**LABELS:** give convenient names to lines of instructions

- takes no space in memory (no size)

```
some_code: addi x5, x0, 521
addi x6, x0, 177
some_other_code:
 lui x2, 0x12345
 addi x2, x2, 0x678
```

- some\_code refers to  
addi x5, x0, 521
- some\_other\_code refers  
to the instruction  
immediately below it:  
lui x2, 0x12345

**CONDITIONAL BRANCH:** `Comp rs1, rs2, label`

- first performs comparison to determine if branch taken or not
- if True, branch is taken (jump to label) & updates pc accordingly

| Instruction | beq | bne | blt | bge | bltu | bgeu |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|
| comp        | ==  | !=  | <   | ≥   | <    | ≥    |

- beq x1, x2, label
  - # If x1 == x2, jump to
  - # label. Otherwise, go to
  - # next instruction.

## Conditional Branch Example

C Code:

```
if (a < b) {
 c = a + 1;
} else {
 c = b + 2;
}
```

Assembly Code:

```
bge x1, x2, else
addi x3, x1, 1
beq x0, x0, end
else: addi x3, x2, 2
end:
```

Assume:

```
x1 = a
x2 = b
x3 = c
```

**UNCONDITIONAL BRANCH:** jal rd, label

• jump to instruction following label

• pc updates to be addy of instruction

• link stored in register rd  
unconditional jump via register+link

ANOTHER: jalr rd, offset(rs1)

• jump to instruction specified by rs1 + offset

• rs1 is register, offset is constant

• can jump to any 32 bit addy

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C Program

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int arr_sum = 0;
int arr_len = 10;
while (i < arr_len) {
 int val = *(arr + i);
 arr_sum += val;
 i++;
}
```

Assembly

```
addi x5, x0, 0
addi x6, x0, 0
addi x7, x0, 40
loop:
 bge x5, x7, end
 lw x8, 0x700(x5)
 add x6, x6, x8
 addi x5, x5, 4
 jal x0, loop
end:
```

## INSTRUCTION ENCODING:

### 6 main types:

MIT 6.191 (6.004) ISA Reference Card: Instruction Encodings

| 31           | 25 | 24 | 20                  | 19 | 15  | 14 | 12     | 11 | 7            | 6 | 0      |  |        |
|--------------|----|----|---------------------|----|-----|----|--------|----|--------------|---|--------|--|--------|
| funct7       |    |    | rs2                 |    | rs1 |    | funct3 |    | rd           |   | opcode |  | R-type |
| imm[11:0]    |    |    |                     |    | rs1 |    | funct3 |    | rd           |   | opcode |  | I-type |
| imm[11:5]    |    |    | rs2                 |    | rs1 |    | funct3 |    | imm[4:0]     |   | opcode |  | S-type |
| imm[12:10:5] |    |    |                     |    | rs2 |    | funct3 |    | imm[4:1][11] |   | opcode |  | B-type |
|              |    |    | imm[31:12]          |    |     |    |        |    | rd           |   | opcode |  | U-type |
|              |    |    | imm[20:10:1][19:12] |    |     |    |        |    | rd           |   | opcode |  | J-type |

## R-type: Register-Register Instruction Format



Some parts are found in the ISA:

- funct7, funct3: encodes the function (add, and, etc.)
- opcode: encodes the instruction type (register-register)

Some parts come from the instruction:

- rs2: source register 2 (5 bits)
  - rs1: source register 1 (5 bits)
  - rd: destination register (5 bits)
- use ISA to determine which register is which!*

## I-type: Register-Immediate Instruction Format



Some parts are found in the ISA:

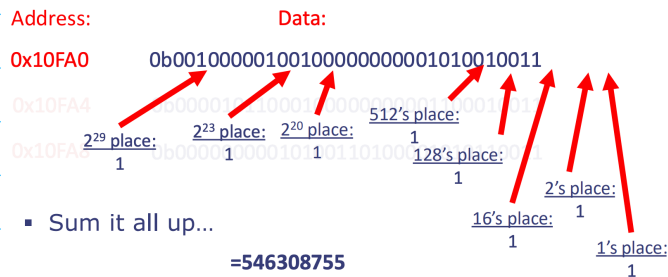
- funct3: encodes the function (addi, andi, etc.)
- opcode: encodes the instruction type (register-immediate)

Some parts come from the instruction:

- imm[11:0]: immediate (12 bits)
- rs1: source register 1 (5 bits)
- rd: destination register (5 bits)

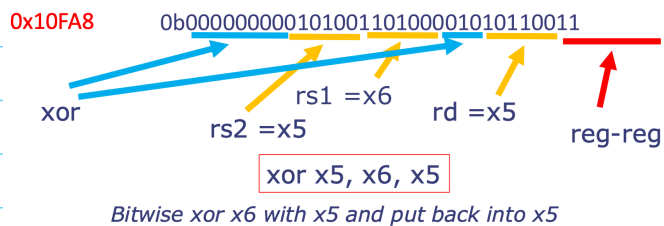
## If we're in a Data Region of Memory

- Maybe the value at 0x10FA0 is an unsigned int:

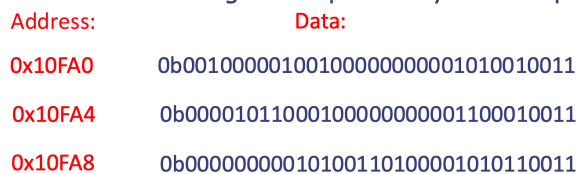


- Sum it all up...

## INSTRUCTIONS VS. DATA:



- So this would get interpreted by the computer as:



```

addi x5, x0, 521
addi x6, x0, 177
xor x5, x6, x5

```

## EXERCISES:

Ex:  $0b101 \text{ xor } 0b011 \rightarrow 0b110 \rightarrow 0x06$

Ex:  $0b101 \text{ slli } 2 \rightarrow 0b101 \gg 2 \rightarrow 0b001 = 1$

★ Ex:  $\text{lui } x4, 7 = 0x00007000 \leftarrow \text{adds 12 binary 0's (3 hex 0s)}$

Ex:  $\begin{array}{l} \text{addi } x1, x0, 7 \\ \text{addi } x2, x0, 2 \\ \text{blt } x1, x2, L1 \\ \text{addi } x2, x2, 4 \\ L1: \text{addi } x2, x2, 5 \end{array}$

$x1 \rightarrow 7$   
 $x2 \rightarrow 2$   
 if  $1 < 2$  go to  $L1$  X  
 $x2 = 2 + 4 = 6$   
 $x2 = 6 + 5 = 11 \rightarrow 0xB$



Ex:  $\text{addi } x1, x1, -1$

$\text{imm} = -1 \rightarrow \text{find binary} = \text{complement (invert)}$

$1111 \dots 1111 + 1 \rightarrow 1111 \dots 1111$

$x1 \rightarrow 0b000001$   $1111 \dots 1111 - 00001 - 000 - 00001 - 0010011$  ??

Ex:  $0x12341234: 0b0000-0000-0111-0001-0101-1000-0110-0011$

$\text{imm}[12] = 0$

$\text{imm}[10:5] = 000000$

$\text{imm}[4:1] = 1000$

$\text{imm}[11] = 0$

$\text{imm} = 00-000000-10000$

$\text{curr} + \text{imm} = 0x12341244$

Ex: binary  $\rightarrow$  instruction

$0b00000000\_10111001\_10001011\_00110011$

$0 \quad rs2=11 \quad rs1=19 \quad 000 \quad rd=6+16=22$

Ex:  $\text{bge } x2, x3, \text{label}$

$00010 \ 00011$

4 inst after  $\rightarrow 4 \text{ bits} \cdot 4 = 16$

$00000000 \ 10000$   
 $12 \quad 4:1 \quad 0th$

$0-000000-00011-00010-101-1000-0-1100011$   
 $7$

Ex:  $\text{sw } x6, 8(x2)$

$rs2 \quad rs1 \quad \text{imm}: 12 \rightarrow 00000010 \ 0000$   
 $00010 \ 00110 \quad 8 \quad 12 \quad 11:5 \quad 4:0$

$0000001-00110-00010-010-00000-0100011$

Ex:  $0b01000000\_10001000\_10000010\_00110011 \rightarrow \text{sub } x4, x17, x8$

$\text{sub} \quad rs2 \quad rs1 \quad rd \quad \text{sub}$   
 $x8 \quad x17 \quad x4$

Ex:  $0b00000101\_01101001\_10110011\_10010011 \rightarrow \text{slliu } x7, x19, 86$

$\text{imm}[11:0] \quad rs1 \ 011 \ x7$   
 $6+16+64 \quad x19 \ \text{slliu} \ rd$

Ex:  $0b10110011\_10100101\_10101101\_10010011 \rightarrow \text{slli } x27, x11, 0xb3a$

$\text{imm}[11:0] \quad rs1 \ 010 \ \text{slli}$   
 $8 \quad 3 \quad A \quad x11 \quad x27$

$\text{signed: } 10110011010$   
 $\sim: 010011000101 + 1$   
 $010011000110$   
 $2^4 + 64 + 128 + 1024$   
 $2^{10} + 2^7 + 2^6 + 6$

## [4/22/25] - recitation

### ASSEMBLY:

- even lower level than C

### REGISTERS VS. MEMORY

- in C, all vars are in memory
- registers = temp vars that are faster, smaller
- $x_0 \rightarrow x_{31}$  ( $0 \rightarrow 31$ )
- $x_0$  is always 0 (hardwired)

### INSTRUCTION TYPES:

- computational
- loads & stores (move registers  $\leftrightarrow$  memory)
- control flow (causes PC to jump around)

### COMPUTATIONAL:

- Computational Instructions
- Two subtypes
    - register-register
    - register-immediate (ending with I)
  - Format: operation destination\_register(rd), register1, register2 or constant
    - `addi a2, a1, 5` #  $a2 = a1 + 5$
    - `add a2, a1, a3` #  $a2 = a1 + a3$
  - Constant is **signed 12 bits** that is **signed extended** to 32 bits
    - E.g. `imm = 0xC00`  $\rightarrow$  `0xFFFFC00` when extend to 32 bits
  - Shift value is unsigned 5 bits, `lui` constant is 20 bits
  - There is no `subi`, but you can add with negative constant

- `lui` = load upper immediate: set upper 20 bits b/c immediate only allows 12 bits

### LOAD & STORE:

Load and store instructions

- Loads and stores: interact with memory
- Format: operation destination\_register or register1, offset(register)
  - `lw a2, 4(a1)` # read the value at memory address  $a1 + 4$  and save to register  $a2$
  - `sw a4, -12(a3)` # write the value of  $a4$  to the memory address  $a3 - 12$
- Offset is 12 bit signed constant
- Offset + value in register **must be a multiple of 4**

\*\*\*THERE ARE ONLY TWO INSTRUCTIONS

`lw` : Load Word  
`sw` : Store Word

Register File

| Register | Value     |
|----------|-----------|
| x0       | 0000,0000 |
| x1       | 5         |
| x2       | 9         |
| x3       | 14        |
| x4       |           |
| x5       |           |

Main Memory

| Address | Value  |
|---------|--------|
| 0x0     |        |
| 0x4     | b = 5  |
| 0x8     | c = 9  |
| 0x10    | a = 14 |
| 0x14    |        |

32-bit "words"

### LABELS:

- takes up no space in memory
- label lines of instructions
- used with control flow instructions

## CONTROL FLOW:

**Control Flow Instructions**

- Control flow: make the **program counter (PC)** to jump around the instructions
- Conditional branch instructions
  - Format: comparison, operation register1, register2, label
    - Will jump to label if the comparison is met, else continue the flow
      - beq a1, a2, endr: jump to the label end if a1 == a2, else continue

| Instruction | beq | bne | blt | bge | bltu | bgeu |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|
| Comparison  | ==  | !=  | <   | >=  | <    | >=   |

**Unconditional branch instructions**

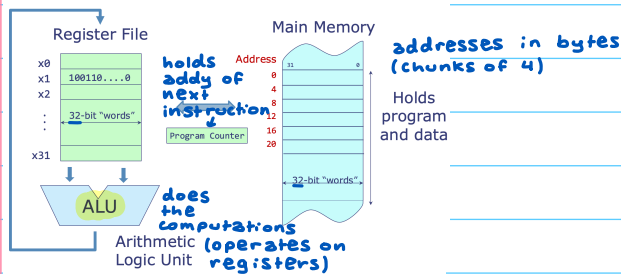
- Format: operation dest\_register, label or offset(register1)
  - Will jump to label unconditionally
  - jal a1, endr: jump to the label and store the checkpoint (where to come back to i.e. pc + 4) in a1

## DEBUG:

- `csbreak 2` lines of interest
- can see registers, memory, etc.

## [4/28/25] - COMPILING CODE & IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES

### Components of a RISC-V Processor



### RISC-V Instruction Types

- Computational Instructions executed by ALU
  - Register-Register: `oper rd, rs1, rs2`
  - Register-Immediate: `oper rd, rs1, constant (12-bit)`
  - `lui rd, luiConstant (20-bit)`
    - only have total of 32-bits, have 12 bits left gets sign extended
    - can get 32-bit value with these
- Loads and Stores
  - `lw rd, offset(rs1)` (reading val)
  - `sw rs2, offset(rs1)` (writing val)
  - Memory address = `Reg[rs1] + sign_extend(offset)`
- Control flow instructions
  - Conditional: `comp rs1, rs2, label`
  - Unconditional: `jal rd, label` and `jalr rd, offset(rs1)` (sign extended offset)
- Pseudoinstructions
  - Shorthand for other instructions

## PSEUDOINSTRUCTIONS:

### Pseudoinstructions

- Not "real", but they make our lives easier. Can use freely!
- They are converted into actual RISC-V instructions when being assembled into machine code.

MIT 6.191 (6.004) ISA Reference Card: Pseudoinstructions

| Pseudoinstruction                  | Description                      | Execution                                                                                |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>li rd, liConstant</code>     | Load Immediate                   | $reg[rd] \leftarrow liConstant$                                                          |
| <code>mv rd, rs1</code>            | Move                             | $reg[rd] \leftarrow reg[rs1]$                                                            |
| <code>lui rd, rs1, (12-bit)</code> | Logical Not                      | $reg[rd] \leftarrow reg[rs1] \sim 1$                                                     |
| <code>neg rd, rs1</code>           | Arithmetic Negation              | $reg[rd] \leftarrow 0 - reg[rs1]$                                                        |
| <code>j label</code>               | Jump                             | $pc \leftarrow label$                                                                    |
| <code>jal label</code>             | Jump and Link (with ra)          | $reg[ra] \leftarrow pc + 4$<br>$pc \leftarrow label$                                     |
| <code>call label</code>            | Jump Register                    | $pc \leftarrow reg[ra] \sim 1$                                                           |
| <code>jalr ra</code>               | Jump and Link Register (with ra) | $reg[ra] \leftarrow pc + 4$<br>$pc \leftarrow reg[ra] \sim 1$<br>$pc \leftarrow reg[ra]$ |
| <code>ret</code>                   | Return from Subroutine           | $pc \leftarrow reg[ra]$                                                                  |
| <code>bgt rs1, rs2, label</code>   | Branch > (Signed)                | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] > reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                   |
| <code>bge rs1, rs2, label</code>   | Branch >= (Signed)               | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] <= reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                  |
| <code>bgtu rs1, rs2, label</code>  | Branch > (Unsigned)              | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] > reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                   |
| <code>bgeu rs1, rs2, label</code>  | Branch >= (Unsigned)             | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] <= reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                  |
| <code>beq rs1, rs2, label</code>   | Branch =                         | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] == reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                  |
| <code>bne rs1, rs2, label</code>   | Branch !=                        | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] != reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                  |
| <code>blt rs1, rs2, label</code>   | Branch <                         | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] < reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                   |
| <code>bltu rs1, rs2, label</code>  | Branch < (Unsigned)              | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] < reg[rs2]) ? label : pc + 4$                                   |
| <code>bgtz rs1, label</code>       | Branch > 0 (Signed)              | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] > 0) ? label : pc + 4$                                          |
| <code>bgez rs1, label</code>       | Branch >= 0 (Signed)             | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] <= 0) ? label : pc + 4$                                         |
| <code>bgtz rs1, label</code>       | Branch > 0 (Unsigned)            | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] > 0) ? label : pc + 4$                                          |
| <code>bgez rs1, label</code>       | Branch >= 0 (Unsigned)           | $pc \leftarrow (reg[rs1] <= 0) ? label : pc + 4$                                         |

- Shorthand
- converted to actual RISC-V instructions that's equivalent

pseudo:

assem:

Ex: `mv x2, x1`      `addi x2, x1, 0`  
`ble x1, x2, label`      `bge x2, x1, label`  
`j label`      `jal x0, label`

load immediate:

(32 bits)  
smaller #: `li x2, 3` → `addi x2, x0, 3`  
larger #: `li x3, 0x4321` → `lui x3, 0x4`  
`addi x3, x3, 0x321`  
(64 bits) → takes up 2 words in mem.

### DATA VS. INSTRUCTION MEM

- different sections of memory
- if program counter pointing to something, we assume it's pointing to instructions
- don't overwrite!
- pc keeps track of next instruction
  - The program counter (pc) register keeps track of the address of your next instruction
    - Default (non control-flow instructions):  $pc = pc + 4$  ← consecutive locations in mem. are 4 bytes apart
    - Control flow instructions might update pc by a different amount.

• = bit is stored  
• add 0x0

• = 0x0  
• bit x1, x2, label  
• addi x1, x1, 1  
• label:  
• lw x3, 0x100(x0)  
• = 0x100  
• .word 0x12345678

# if x1 < x2: pc = 0x8  
# else: pc = pc + 4

# x3 = 0x12345678  
going to 0x100,  
getting data  
val, putting  
into x3

| Address | 31   | 0          |
|---------|------|------------|
| 0x0     | bit  |            |
| 0x4     | addi |            |
| 0x8     | lw   |            |
| 0xC     |      |            |
| 0x10    |      |            |
| ...     |      |            |
| 0x100   |      | 0x12345678 |

Ex: Sum array

Assume we have an array `arr` with 10 integers starting at memory address 0x700.

C Program

```
int i = 0;
int arr_sum = 0;
int arr_len = 10;
while (i < arr_len) {
 int val = *(arr + i);
 arr_sum += val;
 i++;
}
```

Assembly

```
addi x5, x0, 0
addi x6, x0, 0
addi x7, x0, 40
loop:
 bge x5, x7, end
 lw x8, 0x700(x5)
 add x6, x6, x8
 addi x5, x5, 4
 jal x0, loop
end:
```

→ array len is  $10 \cdot 4 = 40$  bytes apart in mem.

→ memory addy + bytes offset (i)

→ incr. by 4 bytes

Ex: conditional Statement

C code

```
if (expr) {
 if-code;
} else {
 else-code;
}
```

1. Compile `expr` into `xN`
2. Conditional branch instruction that will jump to `else` when `expr` is 0.
3. Compile `if-code` into assembly.
4. Add unconditional jump past `else` branch.
5. Compile `else-code` into assembly.

Ex:

```
if (x > y) {
 x = x - y;
} else {
 y = y - x;
}
```

We'll use `x10` for `x` and `x11` for `y`

```
slt x12, x11, x10
beq x12, x0, else
sub x10, x10, x11
j endif ← unconditionally jump to skip else portion
else:
 sub x11, x11, x10
endif:
```



ex: d:ff. way:

C code

```
if (expr) {
 if-code;
} else {
 else-code;
}
```

1. Conditional branch instruction that will jump when the *opposite* of *expr* is true.
2. Compile *if-code* into assembly.
3. Add unconditional jump past else branch.
4. Compile *else-code* into assembly.

Ex:

```
if (x > y) {
 x = x - y;
} else {
 y = y - x;
}
```

```
ble x10, x11, else
sub x10, x10, x11
j endif
else:
sub x11, x11, x10
endif:
```

Ex: while loop

C code

```
while (expr) {
 loop-code
}
```

1. Conditional branch instruction that will jump past loop body when *opposite* of *expr* is true.
2. Compile *loop-code* into assembly.
3. Add unconditional jump to top of loop at end of *loop-code*.

```
while (x != y) {
 if (x > y) {
 x = x - y;
 } else {
 y = y - x;
 }
}
```

```
loop:
beq x10, x11, endloop
ble x10, x11, else
sub x10, x10, x11
j endif
else:
sub x11, x11, x10
endif:
j loop
endloop:
```

← Control flow instructions can be costly... instead of having 2...

d:ff. way:

C code

```
while (expr) {
 loop-code
}
```

1. Compile *loop-code* into assembly.
2. Put a conditional branch instruction after *loop-code* that jumps to top of loop when *expr* is true.
3. Before starting loop, jump to that conditional branch instruction.

```
while (x != y) {
 if (x > y) {
 x = x - y;
 } else {
 y = y - x;
 }
}
```

```
j compare
loop:
ble x10, x11, else
sub x10, x10, x11
j endif
else:
sub x11, x11, x10
endif:
compare:
bne x10, x11, loop
```

← only one control flow!

PROCEDURES: gcd

- Procedure (a.k.a. function or subroutine): Reusable code fragment that performs a specific task
  - Single named entry point
  - Zero or more formal arguments
  - Local storage
  - Returns to the caller when finished

```
int gcd(int a, int b) {
 int x = a;
 int y = b;
 while (x != y) {
 if (x > y) {
 x = x - y;
 } else {
 y = y - x;
 }
 }
 return x;
}
```

- Using procedures enables abstraction and reuse
  - Compose large programs from collections of simple procedures

```
bool coprimes(int a, int b) {
 return gcd(a, b) == 1;
}

coprimes(5, 10); # false
coprimes(9, 10); # true
```

**CALLER:** procedure that called other procedure

**CALLEE:** procedure that was called by caller

\* a procedure can be both caller & callee!

## How to transfer control to callee & back to caller?

- register `x1 (ra)` used to hold a procedure's RETURN ADDRESS

- once finished, callee will use `ra` to jump back to correct instruction within caller procedure

## Jump and Link

`jal`: Unconditional jump and link

**Format:** `jal rd, label`

- Jump to instruction at `label`
  - program counter (pc) updates to be address of that instruction
- **Link:** stored in register `rd` ← **NEW THIS WEEK**
  - The **link** is the address of the instruction **after** the `jal` instruction (`rd = pc + 4`)
  - This is how we remember where we came from!

```
jal x1, label 1. Jump to instruction following
addi x7, x7, 1 label
 2. x1 holds address of addi
 instruction
```

- `jal ra, sum`
  - When calling a procedure, we store the link in `ra`

```
proc:
...
[0x100] jal ra, sum # ra = 0x104
...
[0x678] jal ra, sum # ra = 0x67C
...
```

```
sum:
...
j ??
```

Equivalent pseudoinstructions:

- `jal sum`    ▪ `call sum`

*How can the callee use `ra` to return back to the caller?*

## Jump and Link Register

`jalr`: Unconditional jump via register and link

**Format:** `jalr rd, offset(rs1)`

- Jump to instruction stored at address `Reg[rs1] + offset`
  - program counter (pc) updates to be address of that instruction
- **Link:** stored in register `rd` ← **NEW THIS WEEK**
  - The **link** is the address of the instruction **after** the `jalr` instruction (`rd = pc + 4`)
  - This is how we remember where we came from!

```
jalr x3, 0(x1) 1. Jump to instruction at memory
addi x7, x7, 1 address in x1
 2. x3 holds address of addi
 instruction
```

## How to transfer control back to caller?

- `jalr x0, 0(ra)`
  - `ra` indicates where the program should return to
    - As long as `sum` was called using `jal ra, sum` or equivalent, and `ra` hasn't been overwritten since.
  - Store link in `x0`
    - Effectively discarding it... we have no need to remember that we came from the end of a procedure.

*\* `ra` remembers return addy from procedure call*

```
proc:
...
[0x100] jal ra, sum # ra = 0x104 ← putting
[0x678] jal ra, sum # ra = 0x67C into ra
...
```

```
sum:
...
jalr x0, 0(ra)
```

Equivalent pseudoinstructions:

- `jr ra`    ▪ `ret`

summary:

## Summary: Transferring control between caller and callee

- To call a procedure: `jal ra, label`
  - or `jal label`
  - or `call label`
- To return from a procedure: `jalr x0, 0(ra)`
  - or `jr ra`
  - or `ret`

#Switching control back & forth b/t caller/callee

```
proc:
...
[0x100] jal ra, sum # ra = 0x104
...
[0x678] jal ra, sum # ra = 0x67C
...
```

```
sum:
...
jalr x0, 0(ra)
```

How to communicate arguments & return values?

• we need rules (calling convention)

**CALLING CONVENTION:** rules for register usage across procedures

function args / return vals:

| Symbolic name | Registers   | Description            |
|---------------|-------------|------------------------|
| a0 to a7      | x10 to x17  | Function arguments     |
| a0 and a1     | x10 and x11 | Function return values |

- 1st arg in a0, 2nd a1, ...

- callee can find them!

- The **caller** is responsible for putting function arguments in the necessary registers before calling a procedure.

```
int coprimes(int a, int b) {
 return gcd(a, b) == 1;
}
```

**coprimes** responsible for making sure a0 = a, a1 = b before calling gcd...

```
int gcd(int x, int y){
 ...
}
```

... so that **gcd** can assume a0 = x and a1 = y

• First return val in a0, second a1, ...

• callee responsible for putting return vals in necessary registers

- The **callee** is responsible for putting return values in the necessary registers before returning.

```
int gcd(int x, int y){
 ...
 return val;
}
```

**gcd** responsible for putting val in a0 before returning...

```
int coprimes(int a, int b) {
 return gcd(a, b) == 1;
}
```

...so **coprimes** can assume gcd(a,b) will be in a0, ready to use

How to let procedures use more storage than can fit in registers?

• allocate special section of memory (stack) that isn't for registers

**RISC-V STACK:**

• grows down from high → low addys (LIFO)

• **sp** points to top of stack

• push & pull operations

• must make room before pushing, must move ptr after pulling

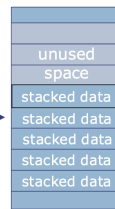
- Two operations: push and pop

```

Push: put something on top of stack
 addi sp, sp, -4 # allocate space
 sw a1, 0(sp) # put element on

Pop: take something off top of stack
 lw a1, 0(sp) # take element off
 addi sp, sp, 4 # deallocate space
stack ptr no longer pts to val we just removed

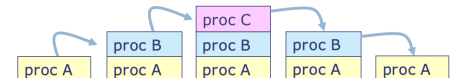
```



- any procedure can use stack, but before returning, must put stack back how it was
- sp must be reset to value that it was @ beginning of procedure

### ACTIVATION RECORD:

- holds all storage needs of procedure that do not fit in registers
- activation records go on stack (LIFO)
- stack frame:** current procedure's activation record always @ top of stack



What if caller & callee need to use same register?

- RISC-V calling conventions specify rules for sharing
  - If a register will (potentially) be overwritten across a function call, its value must be saved on the stack.
    - The **caller** procedure is responsible for saving some registers...
    - ...and the **callee** procedure is responsible for saving others.
  - RISC-V ISA tells us which ones are which!

one or the other  
(wasteful if both)

| Registers | Symbolic names | Description                          | Saver  |
|-----------|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------|
| x0        | zero           | Hardwired zero                       | —      |
| x1        | ra             | Return address                       | Caller |
| x2        | sp             | Stack pointer                        | Callee |
| x3        | gp             | Global pointer                       | —      |
| x4        | tp             | Thread pointer                       | —      |
| x5-x7     | t0-t2          | Temporary registers                  | Caller |
| x8-x9     | s0-s1          | Saved registers                      | Callee |
| x10-x11   | a0-a1          | Function arguments and return values | Caller |
| x12-x17   | a2-a7          | Function arguments                   | Caller |
| x18-x27   | s2-s11         | Saved registers                      | Callee |
| x28-x31   | t3-t6          | Temporary registers                  | Caller |

## Caller-saved Registers (aN, tN, ra) → assumed to not be preserved across procedure calls!

Registers not preserved across a procedure call.

- The **callee** can use them freely
- The **caller** doesn't know what registers the **callee** will use
  - must assume it'll use them all.

If the **caller** needs a caller-saved register's value after the procedure call, it must:

- Before calling the procedure: save the register's value on the stack.
- After returning from the procedure: restore the old value from the stack before next using the register.

Any **callee** can use these registers freely because it can safely assume the **caller** will save any register values it will need.

## Callee-saved Registers (sN, sp\*) → IS PRESERVED guaranteed across calls

Preserved across a procedure call!

- The **caller** can assume that the register's value will be the same before and after the procedure call.

If the **callee** wants to use a callee-saved register, it must:

- Before using: save the register's value on the stack.
- After using: restore the old value from the stack before returning to the **caller**.

\*The stack pointer (sp) doesn't go on the stack, just needs to be reset to its original value.

Any **caller** can safely assume that these register values will be "untouched" because the **callee** will make sure to restore them to their original state before returning.

calling convention:

• t-registers (temporary - not guaranteed to be preserved)

• s-registers (saved - guaranteed preservation)

| Symbolic name | Registers    | Description            | Saver  |
|---------------|--------------|------------------------|--------|
| a0 to a7      | x10 to x17   | Function arguments     | Caller |
| a0 and a1     | x10 and x11  | Function return values | Caller |
| ra            | x1           | Return address         | Caller |
| t0 to t6      | x5-7, x28-31 | Temporaries            | Caller |
| s0 to s11     | x8-9, x18-27 | Saved registers        | Callee |
| sp            | x2           | Stack pointer          | Callee |
| gp            | x3           | Global pointer         | ---    |
| tp            | x4           | Thread pointer         | ---    |
| zero          | x0           | Hardwired zero         | ---    |

Let's put this all together

Caller: (use freely)

- Saves any aN, tN, or ra registers **whose values need to be maintained past the procedure call** on the stack prior to the procedure call
- Restores them **before using them again** after returning from the callee.

Callee: (preserved)

- Saves original values of sN registers on the stack **before using them** in a procedure.
- Must **restore sN** registers and stack pointer when done using them, **before exiting procedure**.

Ex: callee-saved

- Implement f using s0 and s1 to store intermediate values

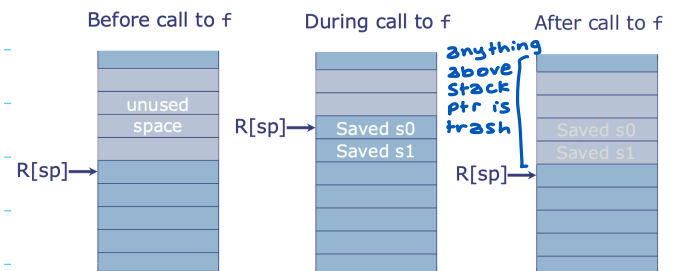
```

f:
 addi sp, sp, -8 # allocate 2 words (8 bytes) on stack
 sw s0, 0(sp) # save s0
 sw s1, 4(sp) # save s1
 addi s0, a0, 3 # (1st ret)
 li s1, 0x123456
 add s1, a1, s1
 or a0, s0, s1
 lw s0, 0(sp) # restore s0
 lw s1, 4(sp) # restore s1
 addi sp, sp, 8 # deallocate 2 words from stack
 # (restore sp)
 ret # return stack how it was before

```

reverses

Stack contents:



Ex: caller-saved

Caller

```

int x = 1;
int y = 2;
int z = sum(x, y);
int w = sum(z, y);

```

Callee

```

int sum(int a, int b) {
 return a + b;
}

```

```

li a0, 1
li a1, 2
addi sp, sp, -4
sw a1, 4(sp) # save y
jal ra, sum
a0 = sum(x, y) = z
lw a1, 4(sp) # restore y
jal ra, sum
a0 = sum(z, y) = w
addi sp, sp, 4

```

sum:  
add a0, a0, a1  
ret

Why did we save a1?  
Callee may have modified a1 (caller doesn't see implementation of sum!)

Why didn't we save a0?  
We don't need the original value after either procedure call. (no need to save)

\* cannot assume what callee did. caller must save 1 onto stack & restore 1 after the procedure call



## Ex: nested procedures

- If a procedure calls another procedure, it needs to save its own return address

- Remember that `ra` is **caller-saved**

- Example:
 

```
int coprimes(int a, int b) {
 return gcd(a, b) == 1;
}
```

```
coprimes:
 addi sp, sp, -4
 sw ra, 0(sp)
 call gcd ← overwrites ra # overwrites ra
 addi a0, a0, -1
 sltiu a0, a0, 1] restores ra
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 4
 ret ← jumping to ra # where will the program
 return to?
```

## Computing with large data structures:

- Suppose we want to write a procedure that finds the maximum value in an array `a[]`.
  - The array is too large to be stored in registers
- How do we pass the array `a[]` as an argument?
  - Pass the **base address (pointer to array)** and the **size of the array** as arguments **(len)**

*Just like we've been doing in C!*

Ex:

```
Finds maximum element in an
array with size elements
int maximum(int *a, int size) {
 int max = 0;
 for (int i = 0; i < size;
 i++) {
 if (a[i] > max) {
 max = a[i];
 }
 }
 return max;
}

int main() {
 int ages[5] =
 {23, 4, 6, 81, 16};
 int max = maximum(ages, 5);
}
```

```
main: li a0, ages
 li a1, 5
 call maximum
 # max returned in a0
```

```
ages: 23
 4
 6
 81
 16
```

```
int main() {
 int ages[5] =
 {23, 4, 6, 81, 16};
 int max = maximum(ages, 5);
}
```

```
Finds maximum element in an
array with size elements
int maximum(int *a, int size) {
 int max = 0;
 for (int i = 0; i < size;
 i++) {
 if (a[i] > max) {
 max = a[i];
 }
 }
 return max;
}
```

```
int main() {
 int ages[5] =
 {23, 4, 6, 81, 16};
 int max = maximum(ages, 5);
}
```

```
maximum:
 mv t0, zero # t0: i
 mv t1, zero # t1: max
 j compare
loop:
 slli t2, t0, 2 # t2: i*4
 add t3, a0, t2
 # t3: addr of a[i]=base+i*4
 lw t4, 0(t3) # t4: a[i]
 ble t4, t1, endif
 mv t1, t4 # max = a[i]
endif:
 addi t0, t0, 1 # i++
compare:
 blt t0, a1, loop
 mv a0, t1 # a0 = max
 ret
```

### EXERCISES:

pseudo  $\rightarrow$  non-p

ex: `call function-name → jal ra, function-name`

non  $\rightarrow$  PSE

ex: `sub a4, zero, a2` → `neg a4, a2`

ex: `add a4, zero, a3` → `mv a4, a3`

ex: `addi x2, zero, 0xF2`

0000 1111 0010    12 bits  $\rightarrow$  +!

```
addi x3, zero, 0xFF4
```

||||| 0010 ← NEG: interp. as FFFF... F4 (12 bits)

The `s0-s11` registers are callee-saved registers. This means that: (select all correct answers)

- ☐ Prior to making a procedure call, all `%s` registers must be saved on the stack.
- ☐ At the beginning of each procedure, all `%s` registers must be saved to the stack.
- ☒ All `%s` registers that are overwritten within a procedure must first be saved to the stack.
- ☐ At the end of each procedure, all `%s` registers must be restored from the stack.
- ☒ At the end of each procedure, all modified `%s` registers must be restored from the stack.

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Which of the following statements are True in code that follows the RISC-V calling convention?

- ☐ Since `a` registers are caller-saved, you never need to save them onto the stack in your procedure implementation.
- ☐ All `a` registers must be saved to the stack prior to making a procedure call.
- ☒ Only the `a` registers whose value you will need after returning from a procedure must be saved onto the stack.
- ☐ The `ra` register must be saved to the stack at the beginning of every procedure.
- ☒ The `ra` register must be saved to the stack prior to making a procedure call.
- ☐ The `s` registers must be saved to the stack prior to making a procedure call.
- ☐ The `t` registers never need to be saved on the stack.
- ☒ The `s` registers are guaranteed to be returned from a procedure call with their values unchanged.
- ☐ A procedure may modify the stack without restoring it to its original state.

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```
f: a0 a1
 4, 6
 // (1)
 mv a2, a1 a2 = 6
 mv s0, a1 s0 = 6
 li a1, 2 a1 = 2
 // (2)
 call mul
 // (3)
 add a0, a0, a2
 add a0, a0, s0
 // (4)
 ret
 // (5)
```

mul (4, 2)

$$a^2 = 2$$

SO = 2

 $a_1 = 2$ 

Given that `mul` follows the calling convention, which of the following register(s) are guaranteed to hold the same value at both points (2) and (3) in the code execution? Select all correct answers.

- ☒ zero
- ☐ ra
- ☐ a0
- ☐ a1
- ☐ a2
- ☐ t0
- ☐ t1
- ☒ s0
- ☒ s1

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Ex: jal ra, label

$$\begin{array}{r} \phantom{0-}\phantom{000}1010000\phantom{-}\phantom{00000}\phantom{-}\phantom{11}0111 \\ \underline{\phantom{0-}19-12} \\ \phantom{0-}\phantom{000}0 \end{array}$$

20 bit imm: 0...1010000

EX: `lw s8, 4(sp)`      `sp = x2 = 0b010`

rd      rsl      S8 = x24 = 06011000  
imm = 4 = 060100

0 - 0010100000 - 0 - 0

---

$256 = 2^8$

---

$64 = 2^6$

```
000000000100_00010_010_11000_0000011
```

Ex: beq  $r_{s1}, r_{s2}, \#28$  imm: 11100  
 $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $x_{15}$   $x_{30}$   
 01111 11110

Ex: sw  $t3, 4(a0)$  im: 0100  
 $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $x_{28}$   $x_{10}$   $r_{s1}$   
 11100 01010

Ex: 0b00000000\_00101\_10000\_101\_10110\_0110011  
 SRL  $r_{s2}$   $x_{16}$   $x_{22}$   
 $x_5$   $r_{s1}$   $s_6$   
 $t_0$   $26$

```
int quad_sum(int w, int x, int y, int z) {
 int a = sum(w, x);
 int b = sum(y, z);
 return sum(a, b);
}
```

```
quad_sum:
 ?????????
 sw ra, 0(sp)
 sw s0, 4(sp)
 sw s1, 8(sp)
```

```
 mv s0, a2
 mv s1, a3
 call sum

 mv t0, a0
 mv a0, s0
 mv a1, s1
 mv s0, t0
 call sum
```

```
 mv a1, s0
 call sum
```

```
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 lw s0, 4(sp)
 lw s1, 8(sp)
 ?????????
 ←
 ret
```

lower address

SP →

higher address  
bottom of stack

|      |
|------|
| ...  |
| 0x33 |
| 0x4C |
| 0xE8 |
| 0x05 |
| 0x3A |
| 0x12 |
| 0xB7 |
| 0x00 |
| 0x62 |
| 0x11 |
| 0x23 |
| ...  |
|      |
|      |

$r_2$  jal  $r_2+4 \rightarrow r_2 = 48$

previous  
func. call's  $r_2$

$$64 + 16 + 3 = 83$$

```
int fn(int x) {
 int lowbit = x & 1;
 int rest = x >> 1;
 if (x == 0) return 0;
 else return ???;
}
```

```
fn:
 addi sp, sp, -12
 sw s0, 0(sp)
 sw s1, 4(sp)
 sw ra, 8(sp)
 andi s0, a0, 1 s0 = lowbit
 srai s1, a0, 1 s1 = rest
 ← stop
```

```
yy:
 beqz a0, rtn
 mv a0, s1 ← 20 = rest
 jal ra, fn
 add a0, a0, s0 ← return val + lowbit
 rtn:
 lw s0, 0(sp)
 lw s1, 4(sp)
 lw ra, 8(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 12
 jr ra
```

lower address

SP →

higher address  
bottom of stack

|      |
|------|
|      |
|      |
|      |
| ...  |
| 0x1  |
| ???  |
| 0xA8 |
| 0x1  |
| 0x23 |
| 0xA8 |
| 0x3  |
| 0x1C |
| 0x6C |
|      |
|      |

from previous

← most recent

$$x = \neg s1 \ll 1 + s0$$

$$= 010.00110 \quad 0001 = \frac{0100 - 0111}{4 \quad 7}$$

$$jal = ra - 4 = A4$$

jal points to next line

1st call (diff ra)  $ra = jal - 4 = 6C - 4 = 68$

$$20 = 0 \times 53 = 0b \overset{64}{0} \overset{16}{01} \overset{3}{01} = 0b01010011$$

$$lowbit = 0000.0001$$

$$rest = 0010.1001$$

$$return fn(\quad) + 1$$

01001001.11111111  
 $\rightarrow 8$

01001001

01001001.00000000

01001001.10110110  
 11111111  
 00001111  
 $\rightarrow 8$   $\rightarrow 8$

8



```

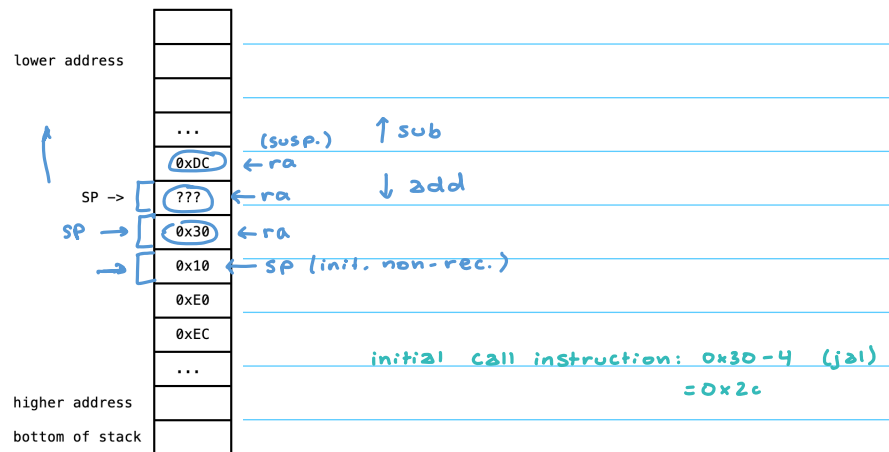
int get_remainder(int x, int y) {
 int difference = x - y;
 if (difference < 0) return x;
 else return ???;
}

```

```

get_remainder:
 sub t0, a0, a1 a0=x, a1=y, t0=d:ff
 bltz t0, rtn
 addi sp, sp, -4
 sw ra, 0(sp)
 mv a0, t0 20=x-y, 20=0x7
 jal get_remainder get-rem(d:ff, y)
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 4
 rtn: ← suspend.
 jr ra

```



getrem(0x67, 0x20)

0110-0111 0010-0000  
64+32+7 32  
103

rem=7

0111  
7 → 20

y=32

00100000  
2 0

The following C program computes the sum of all elements in an array.

```

int arraySum(int* a, int b){
 // int *a: pointer to array
 // int b: length of array
 if (b == 1) return a[0];
 else {
 return a[0] + arraySum(a+1, b-1);
 }
}

```

The corresponding assembly program is shown below:

```

arraySum:
 lw a2, 0(a0) ← a2 = *a
 li a3, 1 a3 = 1
 beq a1, a3, end
 addi sp, sp, -8
 sw ra, 0(sp) store ra
 sw a2, 4(sp) store [0]addy
 addi a0, a0, 4 a0+4
 #REPLACE <--- b-1: addi a1, a1, -1
 jal arraySum
 lw a2, 4(sp)
 add a2, a2, a0
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 8
end:
 mv a0, a2
 ret

```

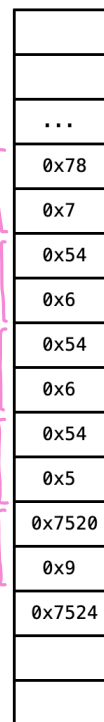
lower address

stopped jumping maybe END

SP →

higher address

bottom of stack



b=len = how many times recursion happens = 5

[4129125]-rec 5

## Pseudoinstructions unlocked!

| MIT 6.191 (6.004) ISA Reference Card: Pseudoinstructions |                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Execution |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Pseudoinstruction                                        | Description                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| li rd, l1constant                                        | Load Immediate                   | reg[rd] ← l1constant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |           |
| mv rd, rs1                                               | Move                             | reg[rd] ← reg[rs1] + 0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |           |
| not rd, rs1                                              | Logical Not                      | reg[rd] ← reg[rs1] - 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |           |
| neg rd, rs1                                              | Arithmetic Negation              | reg[rd] ← 0 - reg[rs1]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |           |
| jump rd, rs1                                             | Jump                             | pc ← lbase[rs1]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| jr rs1                                                   | Jump and Link (with ra)          | reg[ra] ← pc + 4<br>pc ← lbase[rs1]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |           |
| jal rs1                                                  | Jump Register                    | reg[ra] ← pc + 4<br>reg[rs1] ← pc + 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |           |
| jalr rs1                                                 | Jump and Link Register (with ra) | reg[ra] ← pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |           |
| ra                                                       | Return from Subroutine           | pc ← reg[rs1] > reg[rs2] ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1] <= reg[rs2] ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1] >= reg[rs2] ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1] < reg[rs2] ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1] >= 0 ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1] < 0 ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1] > 0 ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4<br>pc ← reg[rs1] <= 0 ? lbase[rs1] : pc + 4 |           |
| bgt rs1, rs2, label                                      | Branch > (Signed)                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| bge rs1, rs2, label                                      | Branch >= (Signed)               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| ble rs1, rs2, label                                      | Branch <= (Unsigned)             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| blt rs1, rs2, label                                      | Branch < (Unsigned)              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| bgez rs1, label                                          | Branch >= 0                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| bgezr rs1, label                                         | Branch >= 0                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| bltz rs1, label                                          | Branch < 0 (Signed)              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| bltzr rs1, label                                         | Branch < 0 (Signed)              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| bgtz rs1, label                                          | Branch > 0 (Signed)              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| bgtzr rs1, label                                         | Branch > 0 (Signed)              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| blez rs1, label                                          | Branch <= 0 (Signed)             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |
| blezr rs1, label                                         | Branch <= 0 (Signed)             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |

Note: *liConstant* is a 32-bit value.

For examples,

 $x=5$ 

Before: `addi a0, x0, 5`

After li a0, 5

a1=a2

Before: `addi a1, a2, 0`

After mv a1, a2

Return "jump to ra"

Before: jal x0, 0(ra)

After: ret

## Calling Convention

Why? We have limited shared registers so we don't want to mess up other processes if there are multiple going on.

```
main:
#assume a0 is the address of arr
a5 is index i
loop:
 (sth)
 slli a2, a5, 2 #a2 =4*i
 add a2, a2, a0 #a2 = address arr[i]
 lw a1, 0(a2)
 call mod
 add a1, a0, a1
 j loop
 (sth)
 CALLER
```

```
mod: CALLEE
(do sth)
mv a0, a2 #put return value in a0
ret
```

they are  
all same 20  
(not like in C where we  
have scope)

pc: program counter

ra: return addy

pc, ra, jalr

pc = program counter = where we are

**ra** = return address = where should we go back if we "return"

```

caller: pc → callee:
 addi sp, sp, -N
 sw a0, 0(sp)
 sw t0, 4(sp)
 sw ra, 8(sp)
 call callee # i.e. jal ra, callee
 lw a0, 0(sp) ← ra: come back
 lw t0, 4(sp) ← after func.
 lw ra, 8(sp) call
 addi sp, sp, N
 ret # jal

```

pc → callee:

PC → ret # j21 x0, 0(ra)

goes back to ra

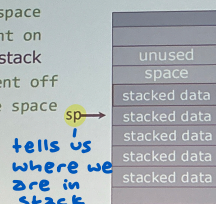
Stack and sp 'backup memory'

**Stack** = part of memory address where we use to store some values, going from higher to lower address.

Stack pointer (sp) = point to the top of stack

Two operations: push and pop

- Push: put something on top of stack  
`addi sp, sp, -4 # allocate space`  
`sw a1, 0(sp) # put element on`
- Pop: take something off top of stack  
`lw a1, 0(sp) # take element off`  
`addi sp, sp, 4 # deallocate space`



Sw a0, 0(sp)  
write a0 to mem.

```
lw a0, 0(sp)
move stack ptr
back
```

## Sample,

This function used s (callee saved) -> need to restore it back at the end

```
f:
addi sp, sp, -8 # allocate 2 words (8 bytes) on stack
sw s0, 0(sp) # save s0
sw s1, 4(sp) # save s1
addi s0, a0, 3
li s1, 0x123456
add s1, a1, s1
or a0, s0, s1
lw s0, 0(sp) # restore s0
lw s1, 4(sp) # restore s1
addi sp, sp, 8 # deallocate 2 words from stack
 # (restore sp)
ret
```

Stack contents:

- Before call to f: R[sp] points to unused space.
- During call to f: R[sp] points to Saved s0, Saved s1.
- After call to f: R[sp] points to Saved s0, Saved s1.

## Who save what?

```
caller:
...
addi sp, sp, -N
sw a0, 0(sp)
sw t0, 4(sp)
sw ra, 8(sp)
call callee
lw a0, 0(sp)
lw t0, 4(sp)
lw ra, 8(sp)
addi sp, sp, N
...
```

CALL

callee:

```
...
addi sp, sp, -N
sw s0, 0(sp)
...
something
...
lw s0, 0(sp)
addi sp, sp, N
ret
```

RETURN

caller save = a's, t's, ra  
• save in mem. & load back for safety

callee save = s's, sp  
restore vals to og vals

Why does caller need to store ra?

## Ex: caller & callee

One can be both caller and callee

```
caller_and_callee:
 addi sp, sp, -N
 sw a0, 0(sp)
 sw t0, 4(sp)
 sw ra, 8(sp)
 sw s0, 12(sp)
 call callee
 ...

 lw a0, 0(sp)
 lw t0, 4(sp)
 lw ra, 8(sp)
 lw s0, 12(sp)
 addi sp, sp, N
 ret
```

Blue = callee part  
Red = caller part

You don't need to save everything, only things that you modify (for s in callee) and use (for a and t in caller)

```
int function_A(int a, int b) {
 some_other_function();
 return a + b;
}
```

```
function_A:
 addi sp, sp, -8 -12
 sw a0, 8(sp)
 sw a1, 4(sp)
 sw ra, 0(sp)
 jal some_other_function
 lw a0, 8(sp)
 lw a1, 4(sp)
 add a0, a0, a1
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 8
 ret
```

Does the above assembly obey the calling conventions?

☐ Yes

☒ No

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if no store:

Ex:

```
caller:
...
call caller2
ret

caller2:
...
call caller
ret

callee:
...
ret
```

(jump back to ra)

if store:

```
caller:
...
add ...
sw ...
call caller2
ret

caller2:
...
call caller
ret

callee:
...
ret
```

ra → (jump back to ra)

```
int function_B(int a, int b) {
 int i = foo((a + b) ^ (a - b));
 return (i + 1) ^ i;
}
```

```
function_B:
 addi sp, sp, -4
 sw ra, 0(sp)
 add t0, a0, a1
 sub a0, a0, a1
 xor a0, t0, a0
 jal foo
 addi t0, a0, 1
 xor a0, t0, a0
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 4
 ret
```

Does the above assembly obey the calling convention?

☒ Yes

☐ No

```
int function_C(int x) {
 foo(1, x);
 bar(2, x);
 baz(3, x);
 return 0;
}
```

```
function_C:
 addi sp, sp, -4
 sw ra, 0(sp)
 mv a1, a0
 li a0, 1
 jal foo
 li a0, 2
 jal bar
 li a0, 3
 jal baz
 li a0, 0
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 4
 ret
```

*Sw & lw*

Does the above assembly obey the calling convention?

☐ Yes

☒ No

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```
int function_D(int x, int y) {
 int i = foo(1, 2);
 return i + x + y;
}
```

```
function_D:
 addi sp, sp, -4
 sw ra, 0(sp)
 mv s0, a0
 mv s1, a1
 li a0, 1
 li a1, 2
 jal foo
 add a0, a0, s0
 add a0, a0, s1
 lw ra, 0(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 4
 ret
```

*-12 SW S0, SW S1, LW S0, LW S1*  
*need to store S0 & S1 to stack then restore back*

Does the above assembly obey the calling convention?

☐ Yes

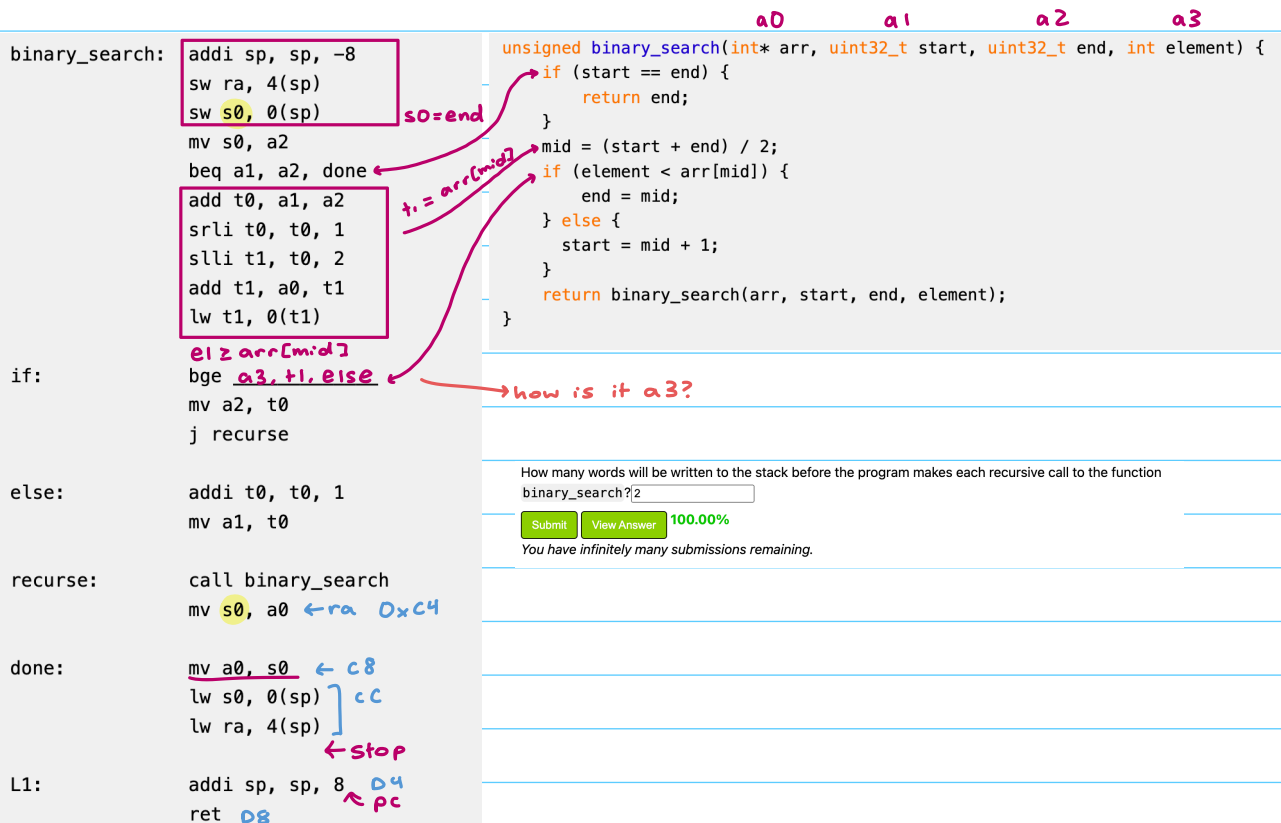
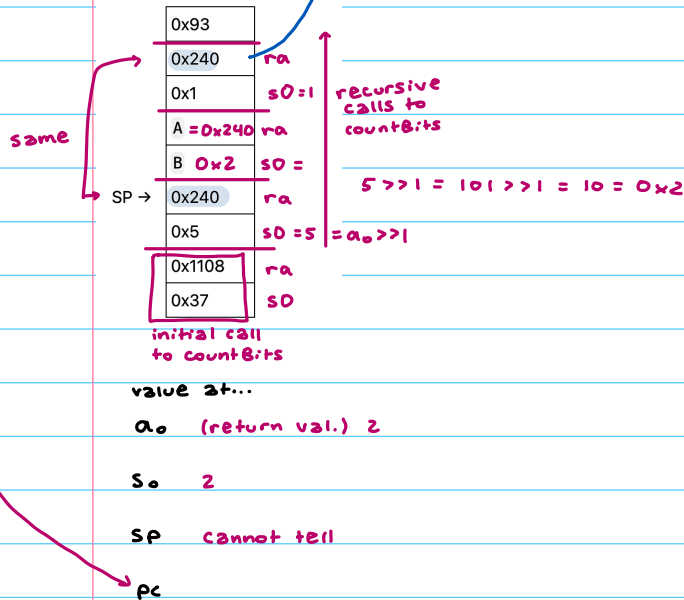
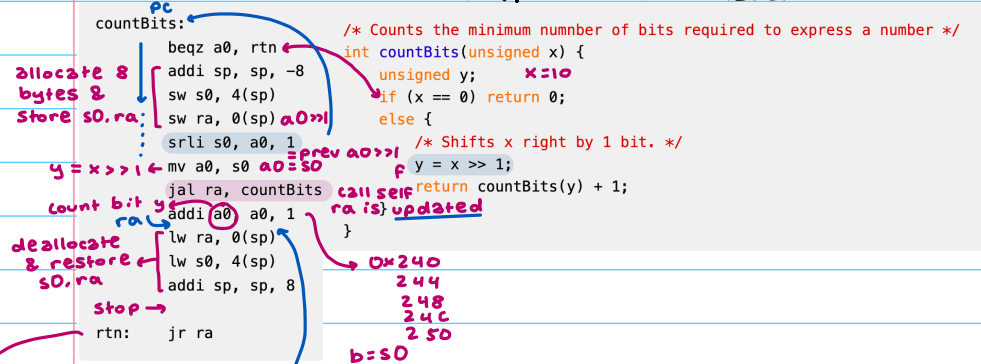
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Ex: trace shows countBits(10); stopped before rtn label



How many words will be written to the stack before the program makes each recursive call to the function

binary\_search? 2

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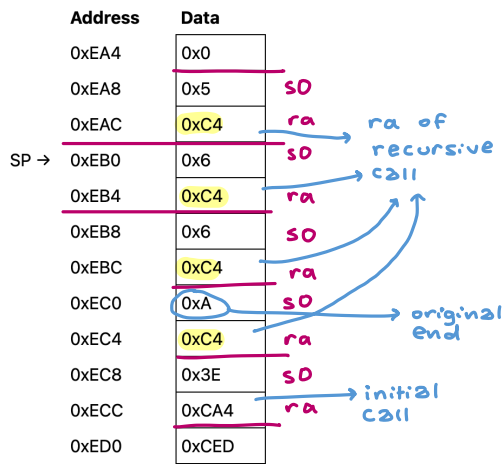
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The program's initial call to function `binary_search` occurs outside of the function definition via the instruction `call binary_search`. The program is interrupted *during a recursive call to `binary_search`, just prior to the execution of `addi sp, sp, 8` at label `L1`*. The diagram below shows the contents of a region of memory. All addresses and data values are shown in hex. **The current value in the `sp` register is `0xEB0` and points to the location shown in the diagram.**



arr = cannot tell  
 end (init) = A  
 current s0 = 6  
 current ra = c4

#### 5.4) Problem 5.4

What is the value in register `s0` right when the execution of `binary_search` is interrupted? Write CAN'T TELL if you cannot tell.

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What is the value in register `ra` right when the execution of `binary_search` is interrupted? Write CAN'T TELL if you cannot tell.

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#### 5.5) Problem 5.5

What is the hex address of the `call binary_search` instruction that made the *initial call* to `binary_search`?

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#### 5.6) Problem 5.6

What is the hex address of the `ret` instruction?

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## [5/6/25] - REC

### STACK DETECTIVE:

Find the assembly code corresponding w/ assembly

```
uint32_t foo(uint32_t x) {
 if (x == 0) {
 return 0;
 } else {
 if (x & 1 == 1) {
 return bar(x >> 1); // diff
 } else {
 return foo(x >> 1); // diff
 }
 }
}
```

```
uint32_t bar(uint32_t x) {
 if (x == 0) {
 return 0;
 } else {
 if (x & 1 == 1) {
 return 1; // diff
 } else {
 return bar(x >> 1); // diff
 }
 }
}
```

```
foo:
 addi sp, sp, -8
 sw s0, 0(sp)
 sw ra, 4(sp)
 beqz a0, foo_end
 andi a1, a0, 1
 L1:
 srli s0, a0, 1
 beqz a1, foo_else
 mv a0, s0 # diff
 call bar # diff
 j foo_end
foo_else:
 mv a0, s0 # diff
 call foo # diff
 j foo_end
foo_end:
 lw s0, 0(sp)
 lw ra, 4(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 8
 ret
```

31 stores  
last bit  
and we  
know  
func. goes  
to foo\_else  
∴ 31 last  
bit must  
be 0!

$s0 = a0 \gg 1$   
 $a0 = s0 \ll 1$

← call 0xC00  
0xC04 - 4

call foo 0xC0C  
0xC10 - 4

```
bar:
 addi sp, sp, -8
 sw s0, 0(sp)
 sw ra, 4(sp)
 beqz a0, bar_end
 andi a1, a0, 1
 L2:
 srli s0, a0, 1
 beqz a1, bar_else
 li a0, 1 # diff
 j bar_end
bar_else:
 mv a0, s0 # diff
 call bar # diff
 j bar_end
bar_end:
 lw s0, 0(sp)
 lw ra, 4(sp)
 addi sp, sp, 8
 ret
```

← stop here PC  
ra - 6(4)

we call this  
& don't modify  
it!  
← ra

### Pointers Address Data

|    |       |       |       |
|----|-------|-------|-------|
|    |       | 0xEA8 | ???   |
|    |       | 0xEAC | ???   |
| so | sp -> | 0xEB0 | 0x1   |
| ra |       | 0xEB4 | 0xC4C |
| so |       | 0xEB8 | 0x2   |
| ra |       | 0xEBC | 0xC4C |
| so |       | 0xEC0 | 0x4   |
| ra |       | 0xEC4 | 0xC04 |
| so |       | 0xEC8 | 0x9   |
| ra |       | 0xECC | 0xC10 |
| so |       | 0xED0 | 0x13  |
| ra |       | 0xED4 | 0xB08 |

current  
values

same addy!  
so must be  
bar (bar call  
bar, not foo  
call bar)

← diff ra

← stored: 20??1

← diff ra!

← init call

0xB08 - 4

= 0xB04

PC = addy of instruction

$s0 = 0x9 = 0b1001 \ll 1$

Find starting point (jumps)

=  $0b10010 = 0x12$

The following line of code is run. At various points throughout the program (denoted TIME POINT X), the values in certain memory locations and registers are saved. Some of these values are shown in the table on the next page. Using the code below and those values, fill in the missing cells in the table.

```
jal ra, log_a_x # <----- TIME POINT 0 (after this line is executed)
```

```

1 ilog2: # produce ilog2 of a0
2 addi sp, sp, -4
3 sw ra, 0(sp)
4 addi t1, zero, 1
5 blt t1, a0, ilog_else
6 addi a0, zero, 0
7 beq zero, zero, ilog_ret
8 ilog_else:
9 srli a0, a0, 1
10 jal ra, ilog2 ← calls itself (same ra)
11 addi a0, a0, 1
12 ilog_ret:
13 lw ra, 0(sp)
14 addi sp, sp, 4
15 jalr zero, 0(ra)
16
17 idiv: #produce idiv of a0/a1
18 addi sp, sp, -4
19 sw ra, 0(sp)
20 addi t1, zero, 0
21 bge a0, a1, idiv_else
22 addi a0, zero, 0
23 beq zero, zero, idiv_ret
24 idiv_else:
25 sub a0, a0, a1
26 jal ra, idiv
27 addi a0, a0, 1
28 idiv_ret:
29 lw ra, 0(sp)
30 addi sp, sp, 4
31 jalr zero, 0(ra)
32
33 log_a_x: #compute the log of a0 in base a1
34 addi sp, sp, -12
35 sw ra, 0(sp)
36 sw s0, 4(sp)
37 sw s1, 8(sp)
38 add s0, a0, zero ← # <----- TIME POINT 1 (after line 38 executed)
39 addi a0, a1, 0 30=21
40 jal ra, ilog2]
41 addi s1, a0, 0 sp remain same
42 addi a0, s0, 0 # <----- TIME POINT 2 (after line 42 executed)
43 jal ra, ilog2]
44 addi a1, s1, 0
45 jal ra, idiv]
46 lw s1, 8(sp) # <----- TIME POINT 3 (after line 46 executed)
47 lw s0, 4(sp)
48 lw ra, 0(sp)
49 addi sp, sp, 12
50 jalr zero, 0(ra) # <----- TIME POINT 4 (after line 50 executed)

```



Complete this table for Problem 5, using the code on the previous page.

| Address    | TIME POINT 0 | TIME POINT 1 | TIME POINT 2 | TIME POINT 3   | TIME POINT 4 |
|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| 0x3fc93f00 | 0xffffffff   | 0xffffffff   | 0xffffffff   | 0xffffffff     | 0xffffffff   |
| 0x3fc93f04 | 0xa5a5a5a5   | 0xa5a5a5a5   | 0xa5a5a5a5   | 0x42001620     | 0x42001620   |
| 0x3fc93f08 | 0xa5a5a5a5   | 0xa5a5a5a5   | 0xa5a5a5a5   | 0x42001620     | 0x42001620   |
| 0x3fc93f0c | 0x00000004   | 0x00000004   | 0x00000004   | 0x42001620     | 0x42001620   |
| 0x3fc93f10 | 0x000007c2   | 0x000007c2   | 0x000007c2   | 0x42001620     | 0x42001620   |
| 0x3fc93f14 | 0x00000123   | 0x00000123   | 0x00000123   | 0x42001650     | 0x42001650   |
| 0x3fc93f18 | 0xffffffff   | 0xffffffff   | 0x42001620   | 0x42001650     | 0x42001650   |
| 0x3fc93f1c | 0x00000123   | 0x00000123   | 0x42001620   | 0x42001650     | 0x42001650   |
| 0x3fc93f20 | 0x420165b0   | 0x420165b0   | 0x4200167c   | 0x42001690     | 0x42001690   |
| 0x3fc93f24 | 0x3fc91000   | 0x4201540a   | 0x4201540a   | 0x4201540a     | 0x4201540a   |
| 0x3fc93f28 | 0x3fc91000   | 0x0000000f   | 0x0000000f   | 0x0000000f     | 0x0000000f   |
| 0x3fc93f2c | 0x00000011   | 0x00000001   | 0x00000001   | 0x00000001     | 0x00000001   |
| 0x3fc93f30 | 0x00000000   | 0x00000000   | 0x00000000   | 0x00000000     | 0x00000000   |
| 0x3fc93f34 | 0x00000111   | 0x00000111   | 0x00000111   | 0x00000111     | 0x00000111   |
| Register   | TIME POINT 0 | TIME POINT 1 | TIME POINT 2 | TIME POINT 3   | TIME POINT 4 |
| a0         | 0x0000008a   | 0x0000008a   | 0x0000008a   | 3              | 3            |
| a1         | 0x00000005   | 0x00000005   | 0x00000005   | 2              | 2            |
| s0         | 0x0000000f   | 0x0000008a   | 0x0000008a   | 8a             | 0xf          |
| s1         | 0x00000001   | 0x00000001   | 2            | 1              | 1            |
| ra         | 0x4201540a   | 0x4201540a   | 0x4200167c   | 0x42001690     | 0x4201540a   |
| t1         | 0x0000000a   | 0x0000000a   | 0x00000001   | no change<br>0 | 0            |
| sp         | 0x3fc93f30   | 0x3fc93f24   | 0x3fc93f24   | 0x3fc93f24     | 0x3fc93f30   |

og sp

loaded back

20 = 8  
31 = 2  
SO

### TIPS TO MYSELF:

- pace yourself!
- understand full question before diving in
- pay attention to types
  - signed vs. unsigned
  - hex, decimal, binary
  - pointer?
  - char vs. int
  - 0 vs. \0 null ptr
  - size (8 bits? 32?)
- <sup>sw, lw</sup>memory? #4 ... array? i, no multiplier