



x86: Procedures and the Call Stack

The call stack discipline
x86 procedure call and return instructions
x86 calling conventions
x86 register-saving conventions

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Outline

1. Motivation
 - a. (video 1) What we have seen so far
 - b. (video 1) Why we can't implement procedure calls with jumps alone
2. (video 1) High-level call stack example
3. Procedure control flow instructions: call and ret
4. Procedure call example (in depth!) on whiteboard
5. Caller vs/callee example
6. (Covered in lab, video) Recursion example

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Why procedures?

Why functions? Why methods?

```
int contains_char(char* haystack, char needle) {
  while (*haystack != '\0') {
    if (*haystack == needle) return 1;
    haystack++;
  }
  return 0;
}
```

Answer: procedural abstraction

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Implementing procedures

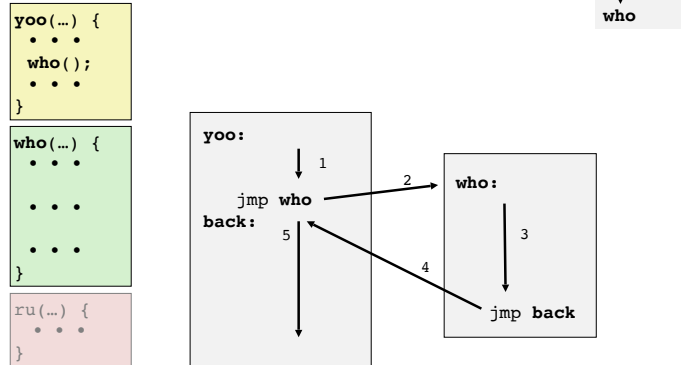
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1. How does a caller pass arguments to a procedure? ✓
2. How does a caller receive a return value from a procedure? ✓
3. How does a procedure know where to return (what code to execute next when done)? ??
4. Where does a procedure store local variables? ✓?
5. How do procedures share limited registers and memory? ??

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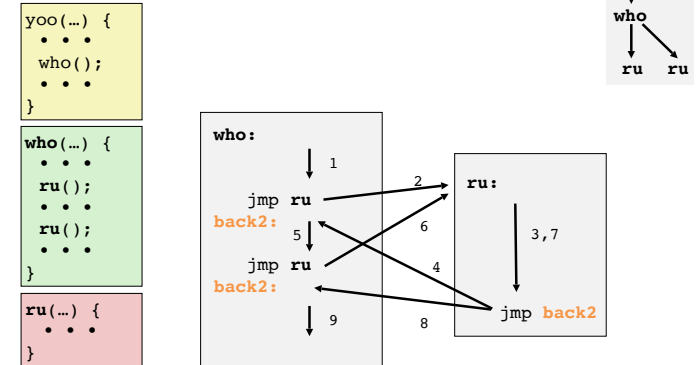
Procedure call/return: Jump?



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Procedure call/return: Jump? Broken!



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Broken: needs to track context.

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Implementing procedures

requires **separate storage per call!**
(not just per procedure)

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Memory Layout

reminder

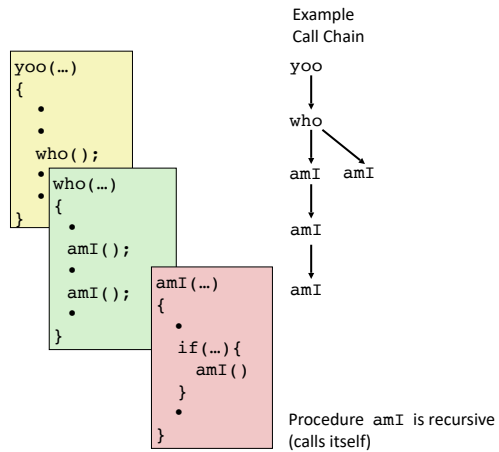
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Stack ↑

Heap ↓

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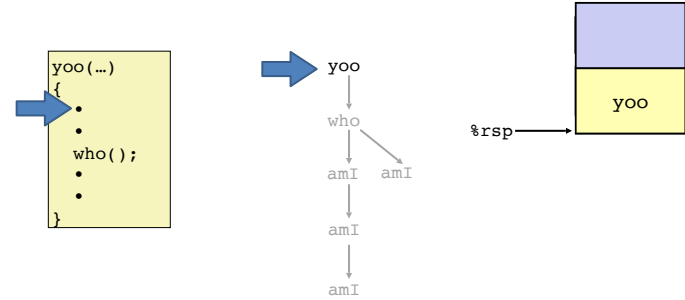
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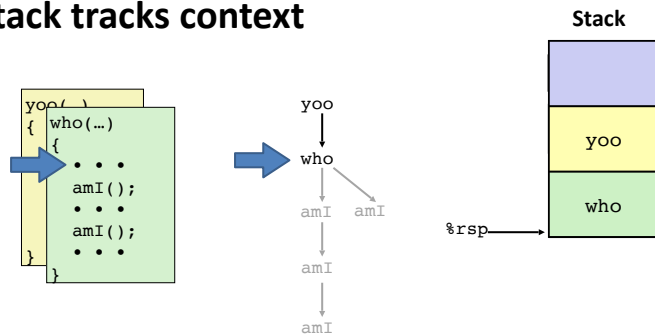
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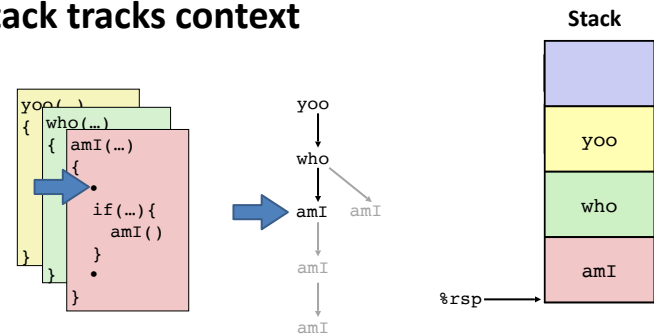
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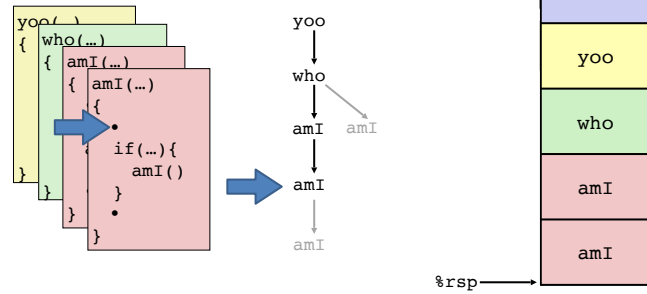
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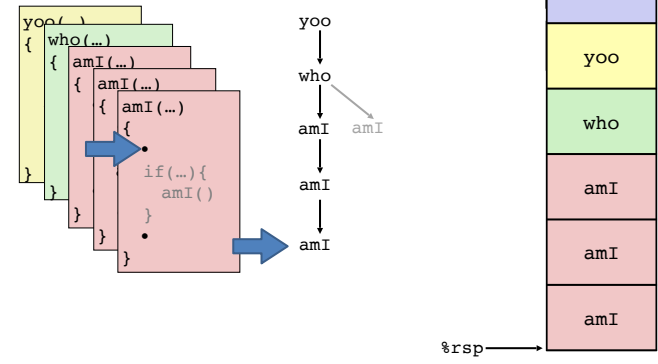
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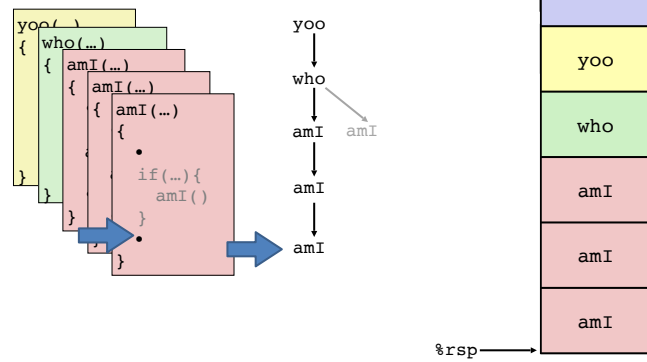
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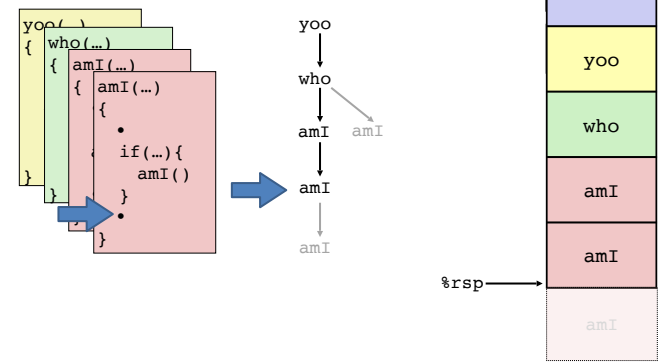
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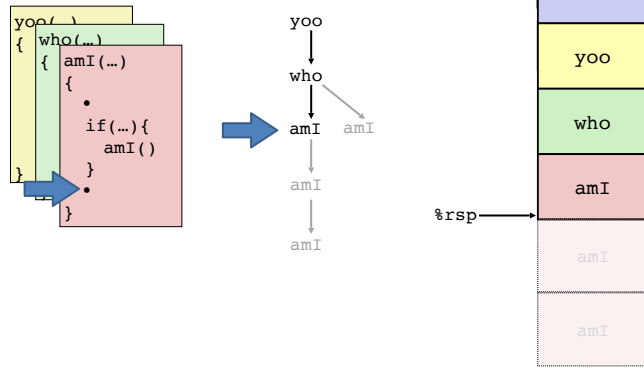
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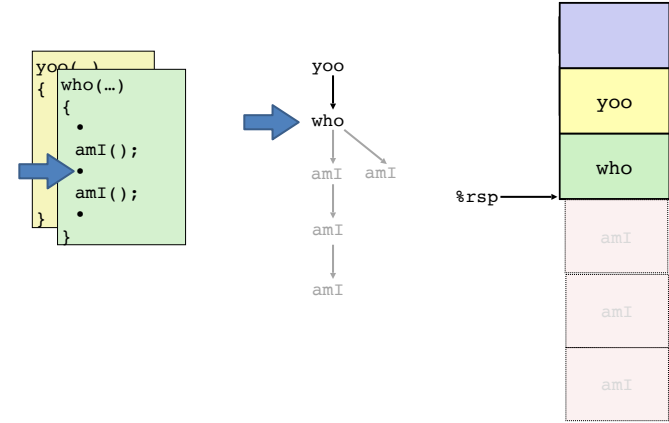


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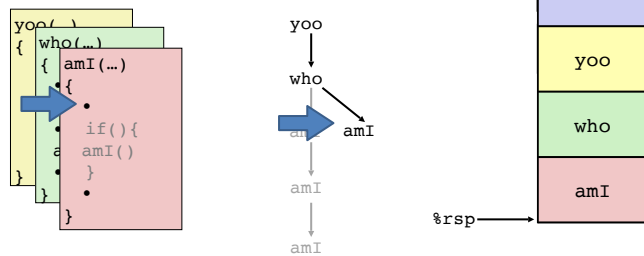
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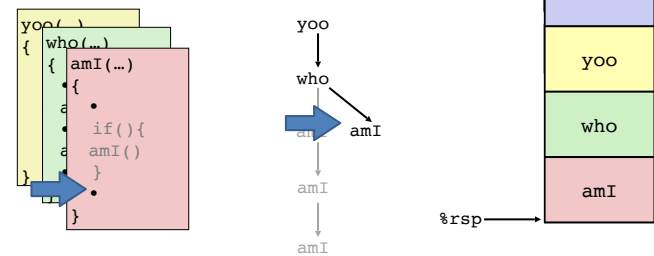
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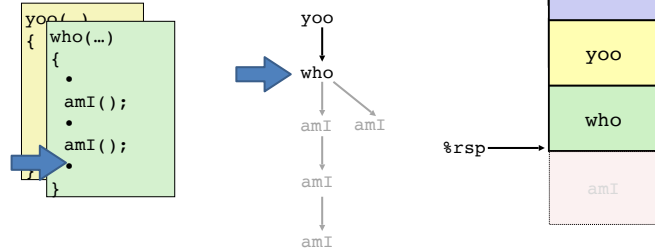
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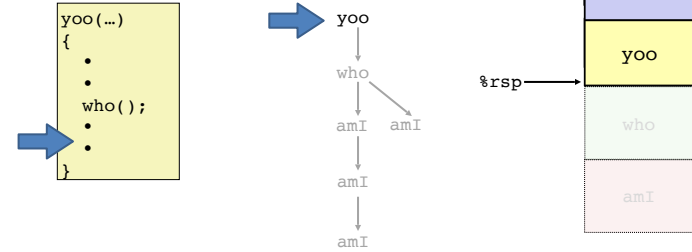
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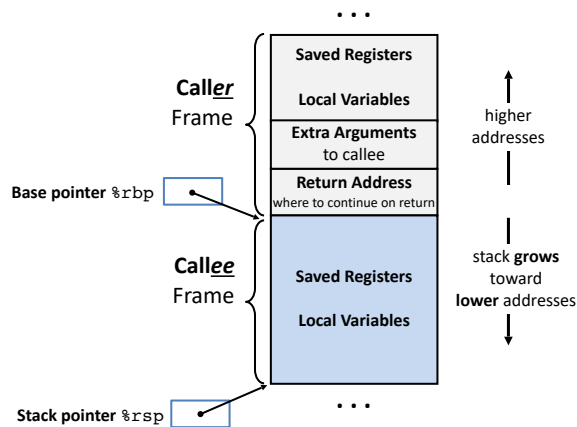
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The call stack supports procedures

Stack frame: section of stack used by one procedure *call* to store context while running.

Procedure code manages stack frames explicitly.

- **Setup:** allocate space at start of procedure.
- **Cleanup:** deallocate space before return.



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Procedure control flow instructions

Procedure call: **callq target**

1. Push return address on stack
2. Jump to *target*

Return address: Address of instruction after call.

```
400544: callq 400550 <mult2>
400549: movq %rax, (%rbx)
```

Procedure return: **retq**

1. Pop return address from stack
2. Jump to return address

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Call example

```
0000000000400540 <multstore>:
.
.
.
400544: callq 400550 <mult2>
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.
```

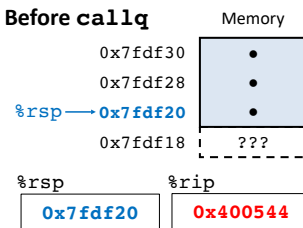


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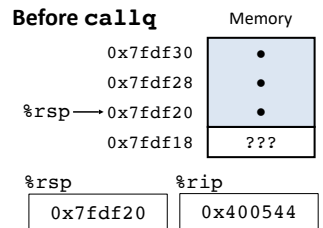


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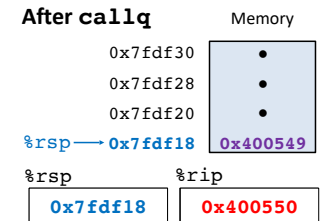
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Return example

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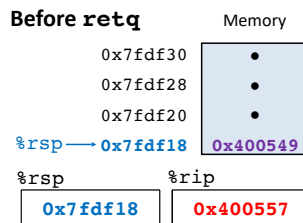


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retq

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Return example

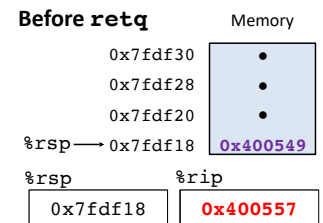
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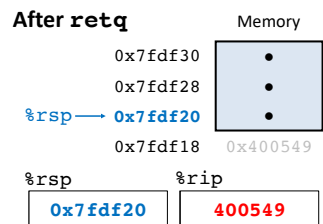
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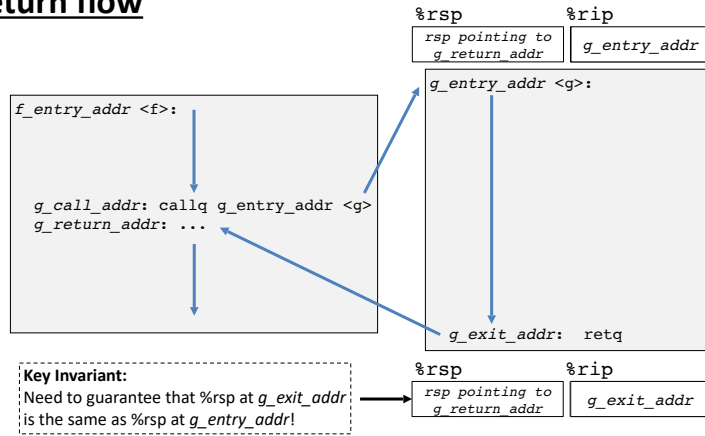
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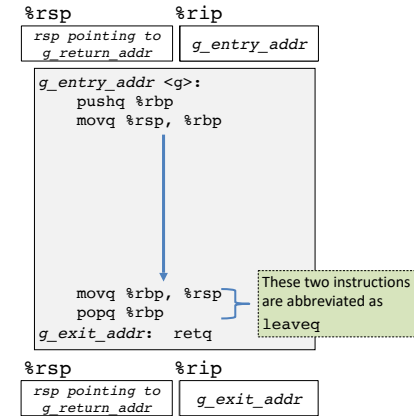
Call/Return flow



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`%rbp` prologue/epilog is easy way to guarantee `%rsp` invariant



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Procedure data flow conventions

Recall:

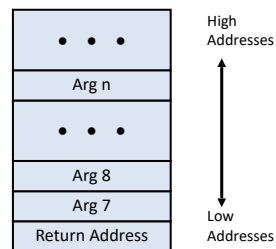
First 6 arguments: passed in registers

Arg 1	<code>%rdi</code>	<i>Diane's</i>
Arg 2	<code>%rsi</code>	<i>Silk</i>
Arg 3	<code>%rdx</code>	<i>Dress</i>
Arg 4	<code>%rcx</code>	<i>Costs</i>
Arg 5	<code>%r8</code>	<i>\$8</i>
Arg 6	<code>%r9</code>	<i>\$9</i>

Return value: passed in `%rax`

`%rax`

Remaining arguments:
passed on stack (in memory)



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Procedure call / stack frame example

```
step_up:
400509: subq $8, %rsp
40050d: movq $240, (%rsp)
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400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
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40052a: retq
```

```
long step_up() {
  long v1 = 240;
  long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
  return v1+v2;
}
```

Passes address of local variable (in stack).

Uses memory through pointer.

```
increment:
4004cd: movq (%rdi), %rax
4004d0: addq %rax, %rsi
4004d3: movq %rsi, (%rdi)
4004d6: retq
```

```
long increment(long* p, long val) {
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```

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Procedure call example (step 0)

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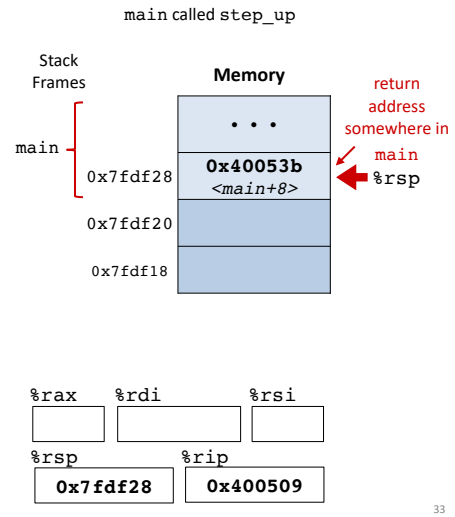
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red line shows %rip

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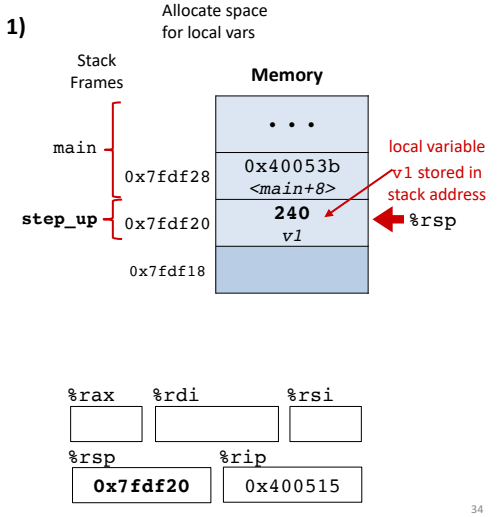
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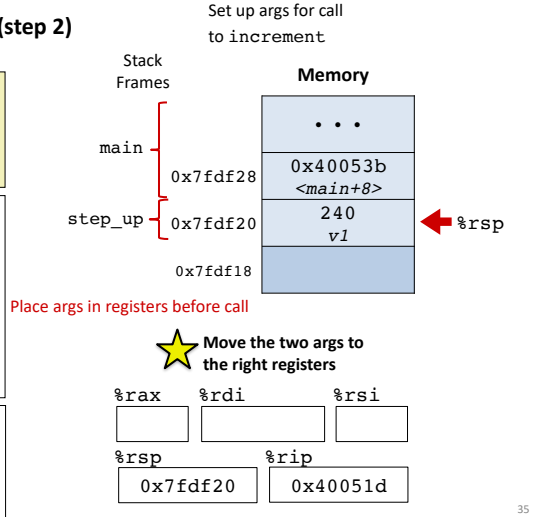
Procedure call example (step 2)

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    return v1+v2;
}

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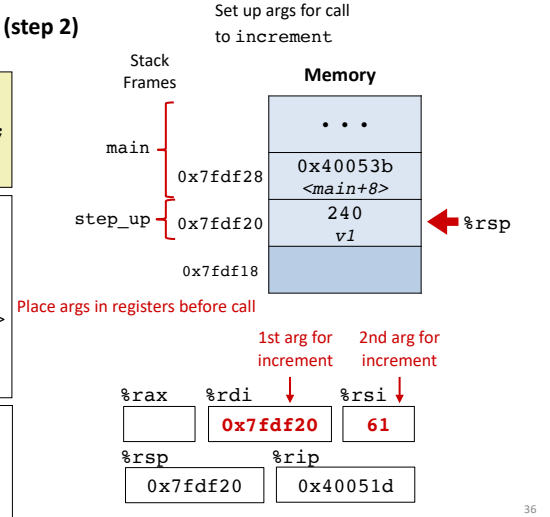
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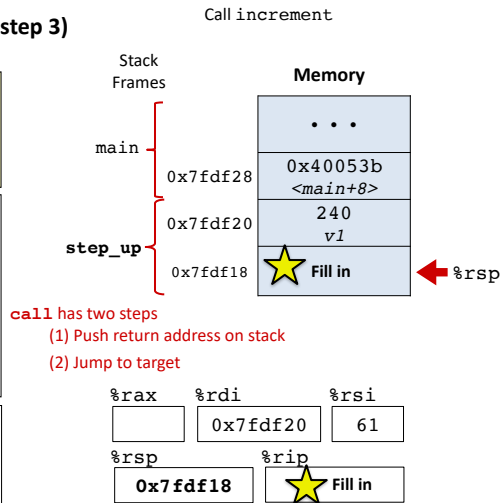


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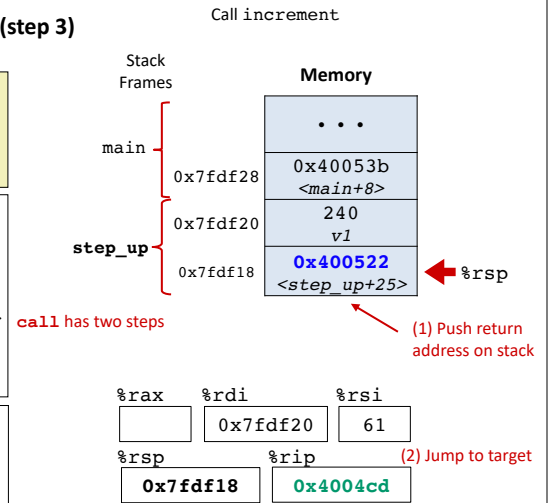
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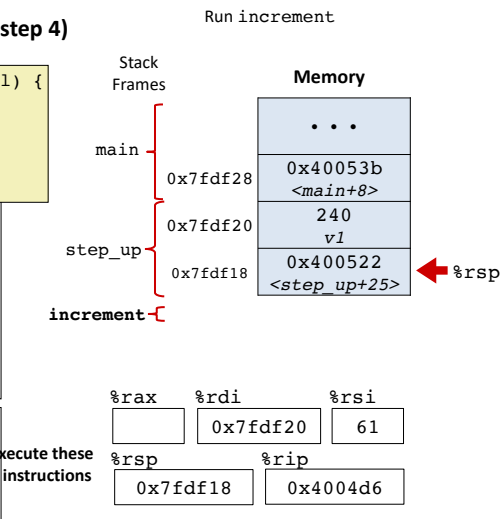
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Procedure call example (step 4)

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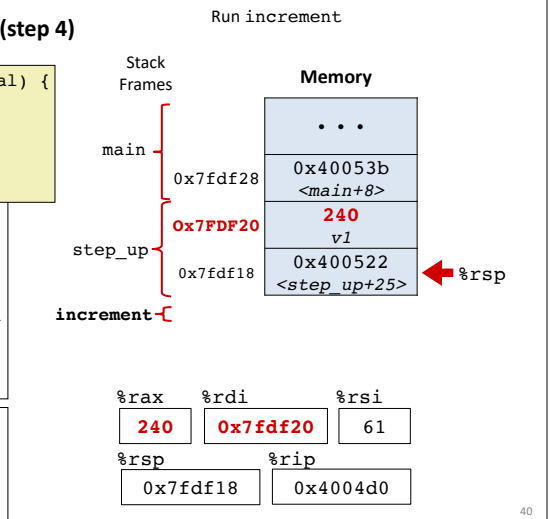
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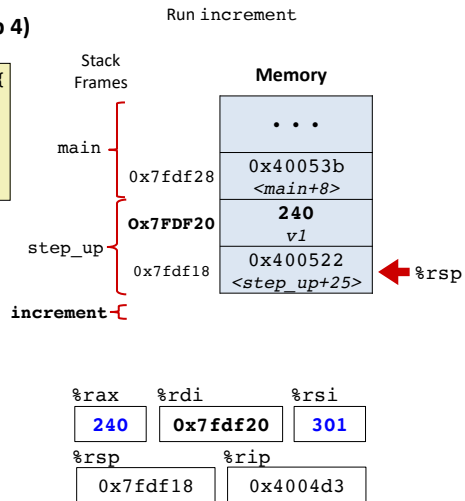
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Procedure call example (step 4)

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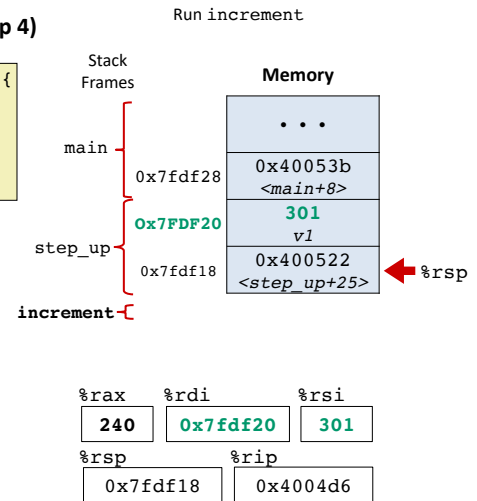
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Procedure call example (step 5a)

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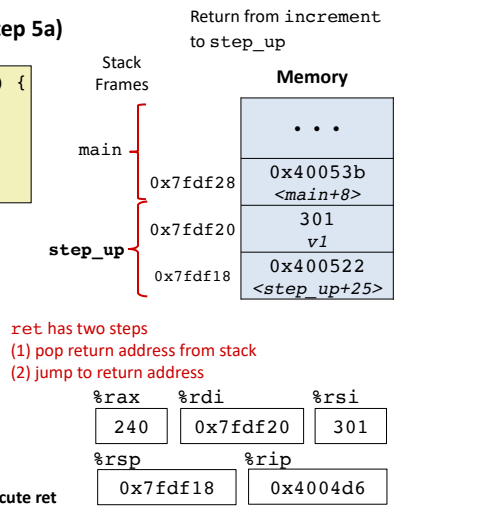
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Procedure call example (step 5b)

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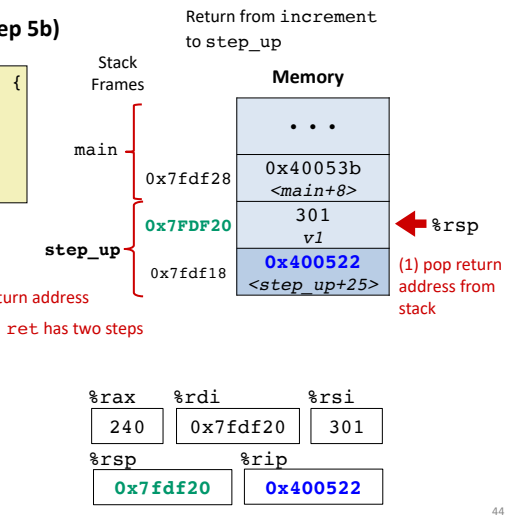
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```

step_up:
400509: subq $8, %rsp
40050d: movq $240, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq (%rsp), %rax
400526: addq $8, %rsp
40052a: retq
    
```

```

increment:
4004cd: movq (%rdi), %rax
4004d0: addq %rax, %rsi
4004d3: movq %rsi, (%rdi)
4004d6: retq
    
```

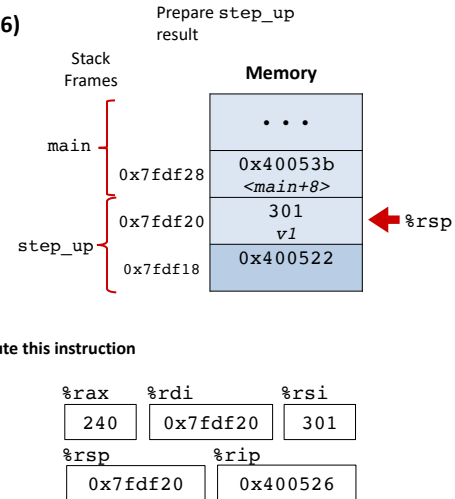


Procedure call example (step 6)

```
long step_up() {
    long v1 = 240;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
step_up:
400509: subq $8, %rsp
40050d: movq $240, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq (%rsp), %rax
400526: addq $8, %rsp
40052a: retq
```

```
increment:
4004cd: movq (%rdi), %rax
4004d0: addq %rax, %rsi
4004d3: movq %rsi, (%rdi)
4004d6: retq
```

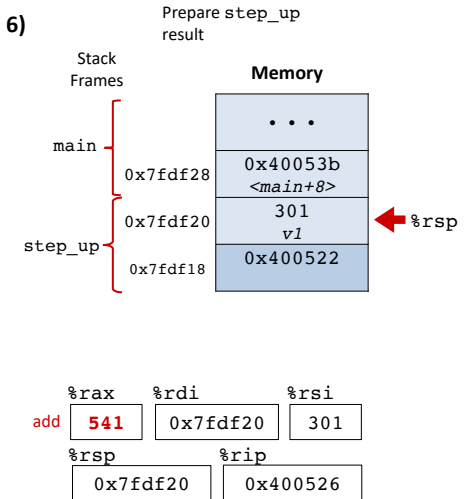


Procedure call example (step 6)

```
long step_up() {
    long v1 = 240;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
step_up:
400509: subq $8, %rsp
40050d: movq $240, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq (%rsp), %rax
400526: addq $8, %rsp
40052a: retq
```

```
increment:
4004cd: movq (%rdi), %rax
4004d0: addq %rax, %rsi
4004d3: movq %rsi, (%rdi)
4004d6: retq
```

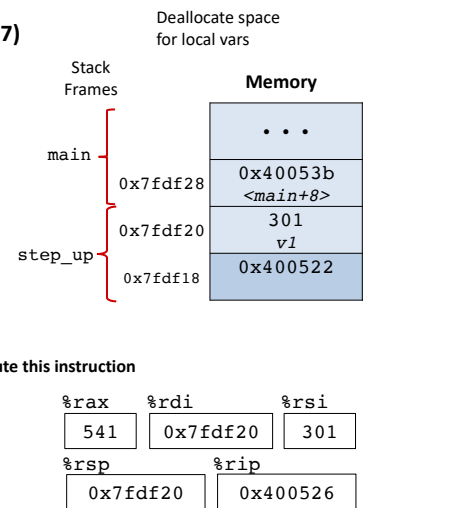


Procedure call example (step 7)

```
long step_up() {
    long v1 = 240;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
step_up:
400509: subq $8, %rsp
40050d: movq $240, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq (%rsp), %rax
400526: addq $8, %rsp
40052a: retq
```

```
increment:
4004cd: movq (%rdi), %rax
4004d0: addq %rax, %rsi
4004d3: movq %rsi, (%rdi)
4004d6: retq
```

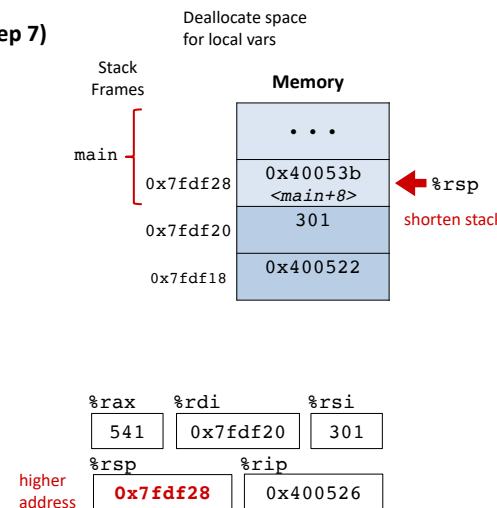


Procedure call example (step 7)

```
long step_up() {
    long v1 = 240;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
step_up:
400509: subq $8, %rsp
40050d: movq $240, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq (%rsp), %rax
400526: addq $8, %rsp
40052a: retq
```

```
increment:
4004cd: movq (%rdi), %rax
4004d0: addq %rax, %rsi
4004d3: movq %rsi, (%rdi)
4004d6: retq
```

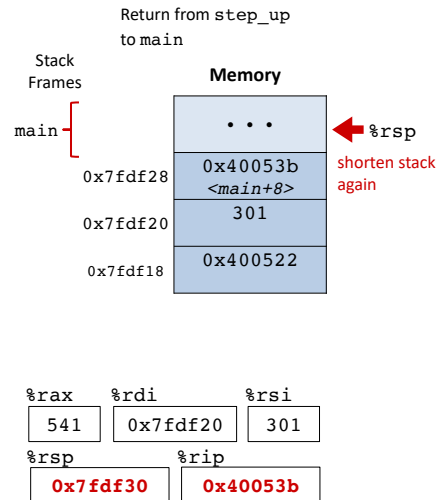


Procedure call example (step 8)

```
long step_up() {
    long v1 = 240;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
step_up:
400509: subq $8, %rsp
40050d: movq $240, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq (%rsp), %rax
400526: addq $8, %rsp
40052a: retq
```

```
increment:
4004cd: movq (%rdi), %rax
4004d0: addq %rax, %rsi
4004d3: movq %rsi, (%rdi)
4004d6: retq
```



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Implementing procedures

Have we now seen how this is done?

1. How does a caller pass arguments to a procedure? ✓
2. How does a caller receive a return value from a procedure? ✓
3. How does a procedure know where to return (what code to execute next when done)? ✓
4. Where does a procedure store local variables? ✓
5. How do procedures share limited registers and memory? ??

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Register saving conventions

you calls who:
Caller *Callee*

```
you(...) {
    . . .
    who();
    . . .
}
```

Will register contents still be there after a procedure call?

```
you:
    . . .
    movq $12345, %rbx
    call who
    addq %rbx, %rax
    . . .
    ret
```

```
who:
    . . .
    addq %rdi, %rbx
    . . .
    ret
```

Conventions:
Caller Save
Callee Save

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x86-64 register conventions

%rax	Return value – Caller saved	%r8	Argument #5 – Caller saved
%rbx	Callee saved	%r9	Argument #6 – Caller saved
%rcx	Argument #4 – Caller saved	%r10	Caller saved
%rdx	Argument #3 – Caller saved	%r11	Caller Saved
%rsi	Argument #2 – Caller saved	%r12	Callee saved
%rdi	Argument #1 – Caller saved	%r13	Callee saved
%rsp	Stack pointer	%r14	Callee saved
%rbp	Callee saved	%r15	Callee saved

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Callee-save example (step 0)

Similar function, but now takes an arg for the local variable

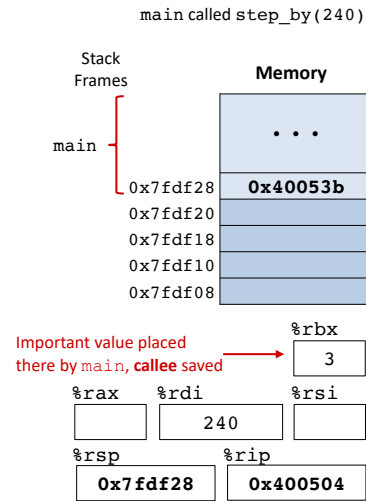
```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

step_by:

```
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
400509: subq $16, %rsp
40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi

callee saved: %rbx



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Callee-save example (step 1)

Save register %rbx

```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

step_by:

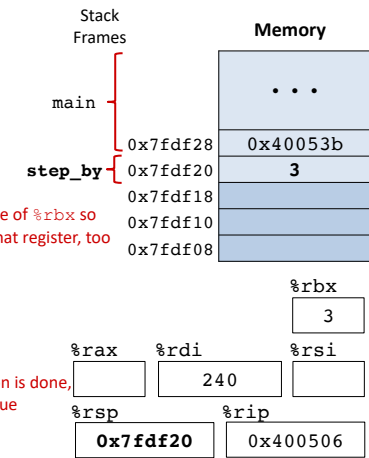
```
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
400509: subq $16, %rsp
40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi

callee saved: %rbx

Save the value of %rbx so we can use that register, too

Once this function is done, restore saved value



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Callee-save example (step 2)

Copy argument x to %rbx for continued use after calling increment.

```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

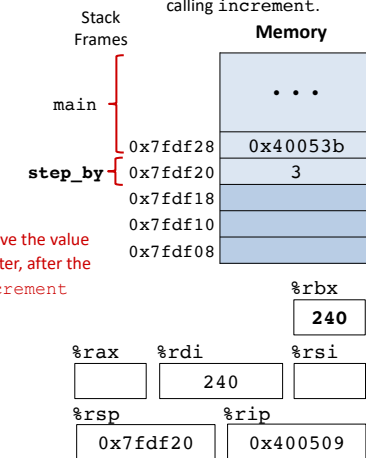
step_by:

```
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
400509: subq $16, %rsp
40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi

callee saved: %rbx

Need to save the value x to use later, after the call to increment



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Callee-save example (step 3)

Set up stack frame Initialize v1

```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

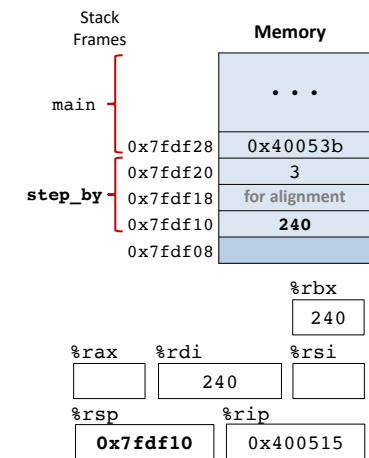
step_by:

```
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
400509: subq $16, %rsp
40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi

callee saved: %rbx

Convention: at call, %rsp must be a multiple of 16



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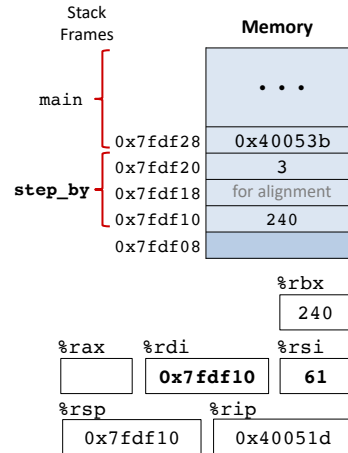
Callee-save example (step 4)

```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

```
step_by:
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
400509: subq $16, %rsp
40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi
 callee saved: %rbx

Set up arguments



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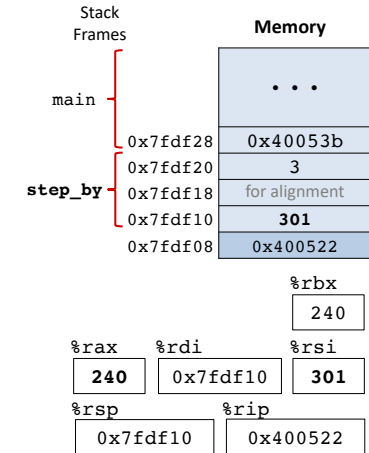
Callee-save example (step 5)

```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

```
step_by:
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
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40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
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40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi
 callee saved: %rbx

Call, execute, and return from increment



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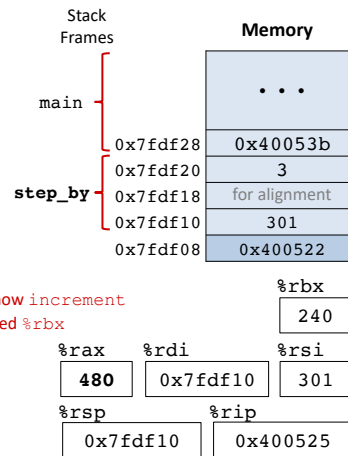
Callee-save example (step 6)

```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

```
step_by:
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
400509: subq $16, %rsp
40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi
 callee saved: %rbx

Prepare return value



We know increment restored %rbx

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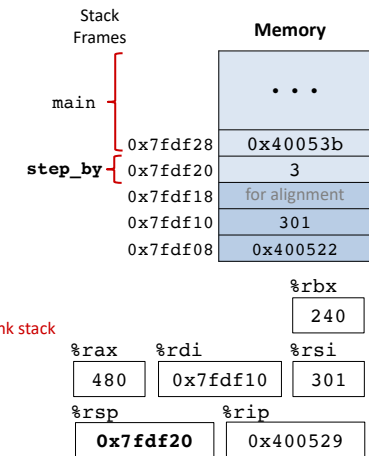
Callee-save example (step 7)

```
long step_by(long x) {
    long v1 = x;
    long v2 = increment(&v1, 61);
    return x + v2;
}
```

```
step_by:
400504: pushq %rbx
400506: movq %rdi, %rbx
400509: subq $16, %rsp
40050d: movq %rdi, (%rsp)
400515: movq %rsp, %rdi
400518: movl $61, %esi
40051d: callq 4004cd <increment>
400522: addq %rbx, %rax
400525: addq $16, %rsp
400529: popq %rbx
40052b: retq
```

caller saved: %rax, %rdi, %rsi
 callee saved: %rbx

Clean up stack frame



Shrink stack

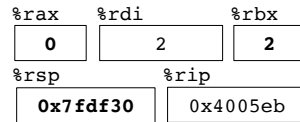
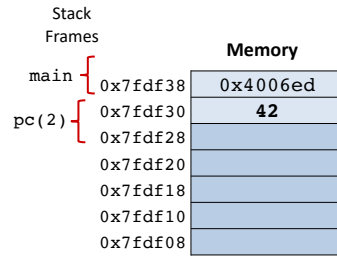
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Recursion Example: pcount(2)

```
long pcount(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0) {
        return 0;
    } else {
        return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
}
```

```
pcount:
4005dd: movl $0, %eax
4005e2: testq %rdi, %rdi
4005e5: je 4005fa <.L6>
4005e7: pushq %rbx
4005e8: movq %rdi, %rbx
4005eb: andl $1, %ebx
4005ee: shrq %rdi
4005f1: callq pcount
4005f6: addq %rbx, %rax
4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
4005fa: rep
4005fb: retq
```



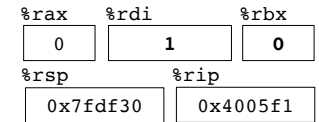
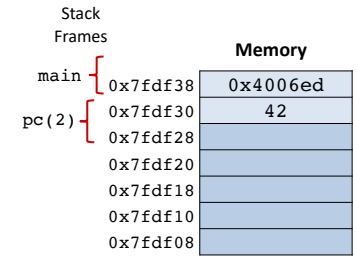
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Recursion Example: pcount(2)

```
long pcount(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0) {
        return 0;
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        return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
}
```

```
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4005ee: shrq %rdi
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4005f6: addq %rbx, %rax
4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
4005fa: rep
4005fb: retq
```



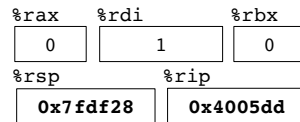
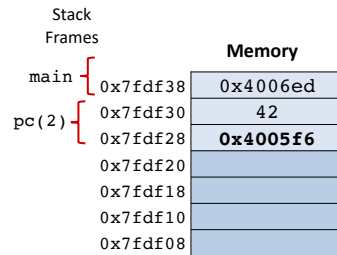
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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1)

```
long pcount(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0) {
        return 0;
    } else {
        return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
}
```

```
pcount:
4005dd: movl $0, %eax
4005e2: testq %rdi, %rdi
4005e5: je 4005fa <.L6>
4005e7: pushq %rbx
4005e8: movq %rdi, %rbx
4005eb: andl $1, %ebx
4005ee: shrq %rdi
4005f1: callq pcount
4005f6: addq %rbx, %rax
4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
4005fa: rep
4005fb: retq
```



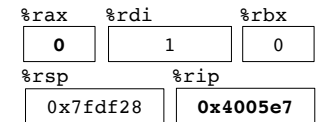
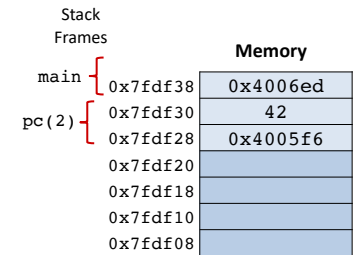
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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1)

```
long pcount(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0) {
        return 0;
    } else {
        return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
}
```

```
pcount:
4005dd: movl $0, %eax
4005e2: testq %rdi, %rdi
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4005e8: movq %rdi, %rbx
4005eb: andl $1, %ebx
4005ee: shrq %rdi
4005f1: callq pcount
4005f6: addq %rbx, %rax
4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
4005fa: rep
4005fb: retq
```



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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1)

```

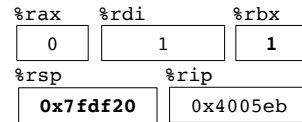
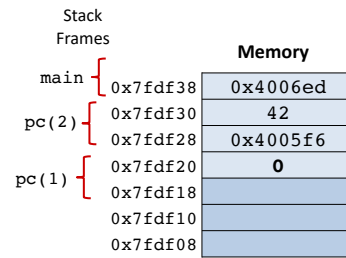
1 long pcount(unsigned long x) {
  if (x == 0) {
    return 0;
  } else {
    return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
  }
}

```

```

pcount:
4005dd: movl $0, %eax
4005e2: testq %rdi, %rdi
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4005e7: pushq %rbx
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4005fb: retq

```



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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1)

```

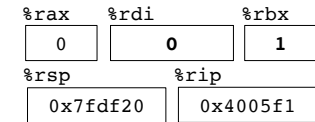
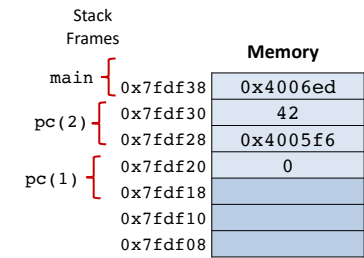
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  if (x == 0) {
    return 0;
  } else {
    return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
  }
}

```

```

pcount:
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4005ee: shrq %rdi
4005f1: callq pcount
4005f6: addq %rbx, %rax
4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
4005fa: rep
4005fb: retq

```



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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

```

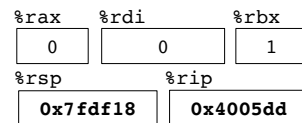
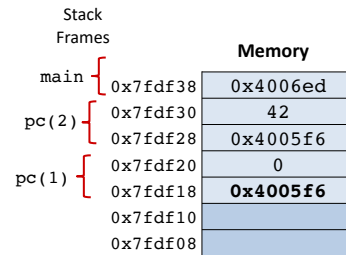
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  if (x == 0) {
    return 0;
  } else {
    return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
  }
}

```

```

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4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
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4005fb: retq

```



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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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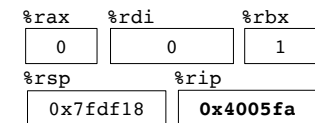
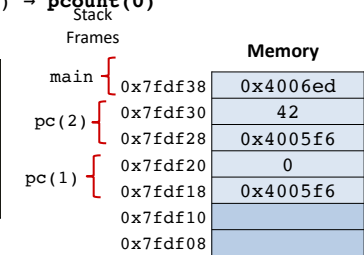
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}

```

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4005f1: callq pcount
4005f6: addq %rbx, %rax
4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
4005fa: rep
4005fb: retq

```



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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

```

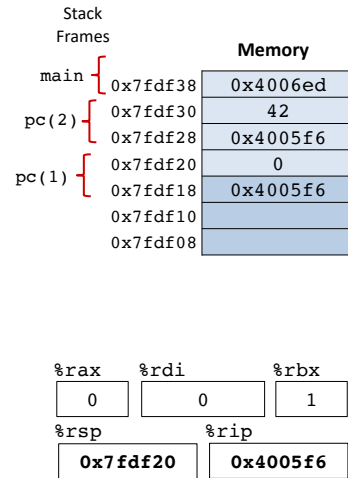
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  }
}

```

```

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```



Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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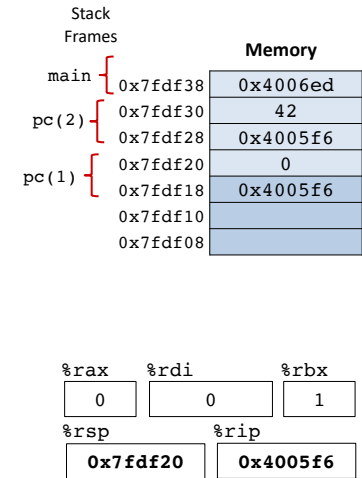
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      return 0;
    } else {
      return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
  }
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```

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4005fb: retq

```



Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

```

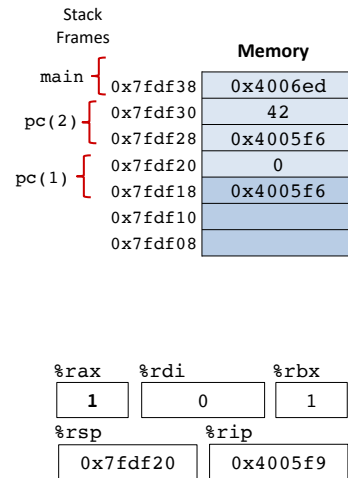
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  long pcount(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0) {
      return 0;
    } else {
      return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
  }
}

```

```

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```



Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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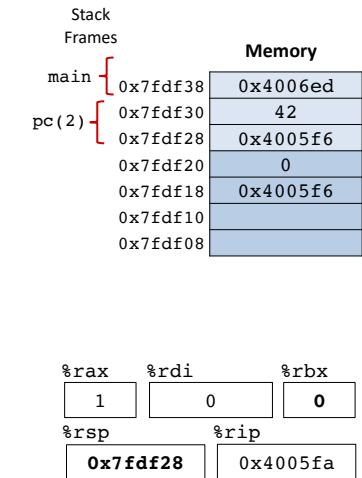
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    if (x == 0) {
      return 0;
    } else {
      return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
  }
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```

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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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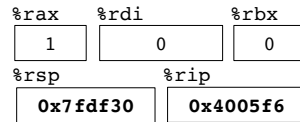
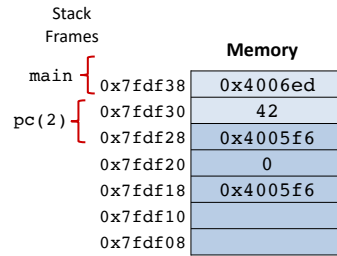
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    return 0;
  } else {
    return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
  }
}

```

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```



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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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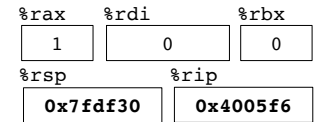
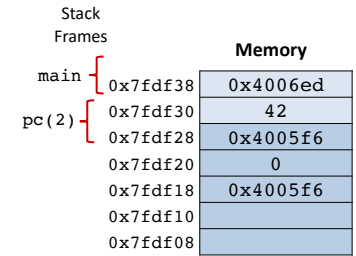
long pcount(unsigned long x) {
  if (x == 0) {
    return 0;
  } else {
    return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
  }
}

```

```

pcount:
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```



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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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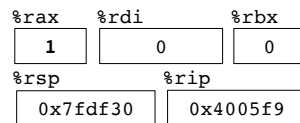
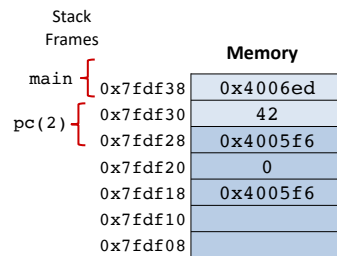
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    return 0;
  } else {
    return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
  }
}

```

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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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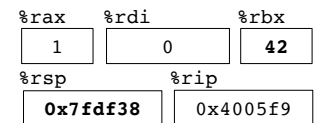
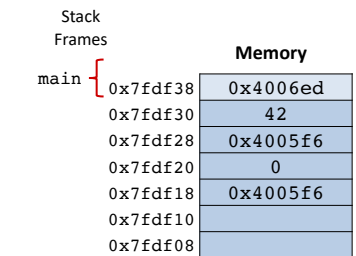
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    return 0;
  } else {
    return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
  }
}

```

```

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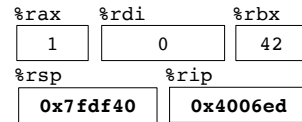
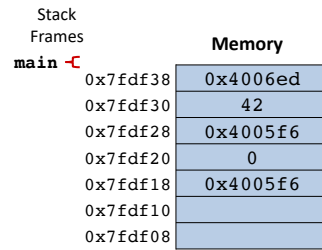
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Recursion Example: pcount(2) → pcount(1) → pcount(0)

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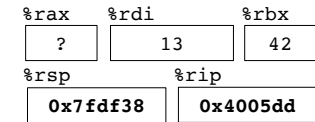
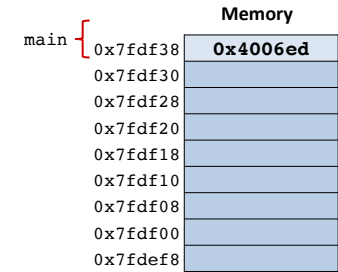
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Recursion Exercise: pcount(13) (1) What do the stack & registers look like at the base case? (2) What is the final value returned by pcount(13)?

ex

```
long pcount(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0) {
        return 0;
    } else {
        return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
}
```

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```



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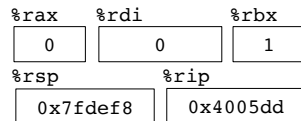
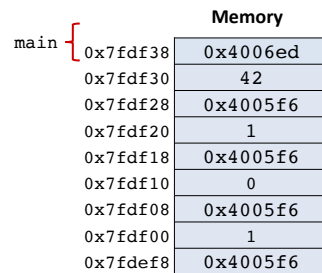
Recursion Exercise: pcount(13) Solutions

(1) Q: What do the stack & registers look like at the base case?
A: See below

ex

```
long pcount(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0) {
        return 0;
    } else {
        return (x & 1) + pcount(x >> 1);
    }
}
```

```
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4005f9: popq %rbx
.L6:
4005fa: rep
4005fb: retq
```



(2) Q: What is the final value returned by pcount(13)? A: 3

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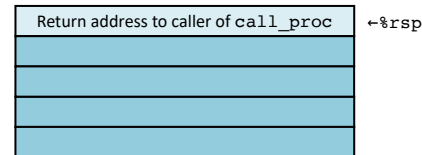
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Stack storage example (1)

optional

```
long int call_proc()
{
    long x1 = 1;
    int x2 = 2;
    short x3 = 3;
    char x4 = 4;
    proc(x1, &x1, x2, &x2,
        x3, &x3, x4, &x4);
    return (x1+x2)*(x3-x4);
}
```

```
call_proc:
    subq $32,%rsp
    movq $1,16(%rsp) # x1
    movl $2,24(%rsp) # x2
    movw $3,28(%rsp) # x3
    movb $4,31(%rsp) # x4
    . . .
```



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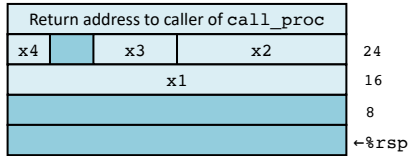
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Stack storage example
(2) Allocate local vars

optional

```
long int call_proc()
{
    long x1 = 1;
    int x2 = 2;
    short x3 = 3;
    char x4 = 4;
    proc(x1, &x1, x2, &x2,
        x3, &x3, x4, &x4);
    return (x1+x2)*(x3-x4);
}
```

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call_proc:
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    . . .
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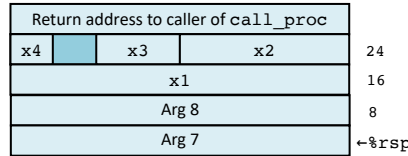


Stack storage example
(3) setup args to proc

optional

```
long int call_proc()
{
    long x1 = 1;
    int x2 = 2;
    short x3 = 3;
    char x4 = 4;
    proc(x1, &x1, x2, &x2,
        x3, &x3, x4, &x4);
    return (x1+x2)*(x3-x4);
}
```

```
call_proc:
    . . .
    leaq 24(%rsp),%rcx # &x2
    leaq 16(%rsp),%rsi # &x1
    leaq 31(%rsp),%rax # &x4
    movq %rax,8(%rsp) # ...
    movl $4,(%rsp) # 4
    leaq 28(%rsp),%r9 # &x3
    movl $3,%r8d # 3
    movl $2,%edx # 2
    movq $1,%rdi # 1
    call proc
    . . .
```



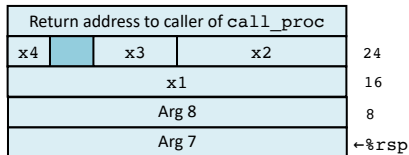
Arguments passed in (in order):
 %rdi, %rsi, %rdx, %rcx, %r8, %r9

Stack storage example
(4) after call to proc

optional

```
long int call_proc()
{
    long x1 = 1;
    int x2 = 2;
    short x3 = 3;
    char x4 = 4;
    proc(x1, &x1, x2, &x2,
        x3, &x3, x4, &x4);
    return (x1+x2)*(x3-x4);
}
```

```
call_proc:
    . . .
    movswl 28(%rsp),%eax # x3
    movsbl 31(%rsp),%edx # x4
    subl %edx,%eax # x3-x4
    cltq # sign-extend %eax->%rax
    movslq 24(%rsp),%rdx # x2
    addq 16(%rsp),%rdx # x1+x2
    imulq %rdx,%rax # *
    addq $32,%rsp
    ret
```

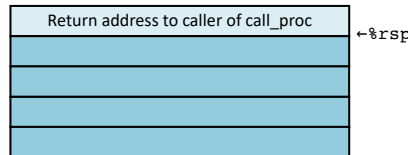


Stack storage example
(5) deallocate local vars

optional

```
long int call_proc()
{
    long x1 = 1;
    int x2 = 2;
    short x3 = 3;
    char x4 = 4;
    proc(x1, &x1, x2, &x2,
        x3, &x3, x4, &x4);
    return (x1+x2)*(x3-x4);
}
```

```
call_proc:
    . . .
    movswl 28(%rsp),%eax
    movsbl 31(%rsp),%edx
    subl %edx,%eax
    cltq
    movslq 24(%rsp),%rdx
    addq 16(%rsp),%rdx
    imulq %rdx,%rax
    addq $32,%rsp
    ret
```



Procedure Summary

call, ret, push, pop
 Stack discipline fits procedure call / return.*
 If P calls Q: Q (and calls by Q) returns before P
 Conventions support arbitrary function calls.
 Register-save conventions.
 Stack frame saves extra args or local variables. Result returned in %rax

%rax	Return value – Caller saved
%rbx	Callee saved
%rcx	Argument #4 – Caller saved
%rdx	Argument #3 – Caller saved
%rsi	Argument #2 – Caller saved
%rdi	Argument #1 – Caller saved
%rsp	Stack pointer
%rbp	Callee saved

%r8	Argument #5 – Caller saved
%r9	Argument #6 – Caller saved
%r10	Caller saved
%r11	Caller saved
%r12	Callee saved
%r13	Callee saved
%r14	Callee saved
%r15	Callee saved

