



Assembly Language Lecture Series: **x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions**

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x86-64 Arithmetic Instructions

1. **CMP**

2. **JMP**

3. **Jcc**

4. **LOOP**

5. **JCXZ/JECXZ**

6. **PUSH**

7. **POP**

8. **CALL**

9. **RET**

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **CMP**

CMP (compare)

Syntax: **CMP src1, src2**

src1 – src2

result discarded

src1: reg/mem

src2: reg/mem/imm8_16_32

Flags affected:

*all status flags

Note:

1. Immediate value up to **32-bit** only
2. When an **immediate value** is used as an **operand**, it is **sign-extended** to the **length** of the **destination** operand format
3. **Negative** number in **hex** has to be sign-extended to **64-bit**

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Flags affected:

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Example:

```
section .text
MOV RAX, 0x0000_0000_0000_0006
MOV RBX, 0x0000_0000_0000_0006
CMP RAX, RBX
```

1. **What will RAX contain after execution?**
2. **What will be the value of the status flags after execution?**

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```
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CMP RAX, RBX
```

1. What will RAX contain after execution?
2. What will be the value of the status flags after execution?

RAX = 0000000000000006	OF = 0
CF = 0	PF = 1
SF = 0	AF = 0
ZF = 1	

For readability:
0000_0000_0000_0006

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **JMP**

JMP (Jump instruction)

Unconditional branch

JMP <label>

Flags affected: none

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Example:

```
section .text
MOV CL, -2
JMP L1
MOV CL, 1
L1: NOP
```

1. **What will CL contain after execution?**

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JMP (Jump instruction)

Unconditional branch

JMP <label>

Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
MOV CL, -2
JMP L1
MOV CL, 1
L1: NOP
```

1. What will CL contain after execution?

CL = FE

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: JCC

Jcc <label>

Conditional branch (Signed):

JL: jump if less than

JG: jump if greater than

JE: jump if equal

JNE: jump if not equal

JGE: jump if \geq

JLE: jump if \leq

Flags affected: none

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: JCC

Jcc <label>

Conditional branch (Signed):

JL: jump if less than

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JE: jump if equal

JNE: jump if not equal

JGE: jump if >=

JLE: jump if <=

Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
MOV AL, 0xFE
MOV BL, 0xFF
CMP AL, BL
JL L1
MOV CL, 0x00
JMP FINIS
L1: MOV CL, 0xFF
FINIS: NOP
```

If AL < BL
then goto L1
else next line

1. What will CL contain after execution?

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Jcc <label>

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Flags affected: none

Example:

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MOV AL, 0xFE
MOV BL, 0xFF
CMP AL, BL
JL L1
MOV CL, 0x00
JMP FINIS
L1: MOV CL, 0xFF
FINIS: NOP
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If AL < BL
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1. What will CL contain after execution?

CL = FF

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JE: jump if equal

JNE: jump if not equal

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JLE: jump if <=

Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
MOV AL, 56
MOV BL, 45
CMP AL, BL
JL L1
MOV CL, 0x00
JMP FINIS
L1: MOV CL, 0xFF
FINIS: NOP
```

If AL < BL
then goto L1
else next line

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If AL < BL
then goto L1
else next line

1. What will CL contain after execution?

CL = 00

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Jcc <label>

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Example:

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JG L1
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Jcc <label>

Conditional branch (Unsigned):

JB: jump if less than

JA: jump if greater than

JAE: jump if \geq

JBE: jump if \leq

Flags affected: none

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: JCC

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JMP FINIS
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FINIS: NOP
```

If AL < unsigned BL
then goto L1
else next line

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1. What will CL contain after execution?

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x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **JCC**

Jcc <label>

Conditional branch (Using Flag):

JC: jump if CF = 1

JNC: jump if CF = 0

JZ: jump if ZF = 1

JNZ: jump if ZF = 0

JS: jump if SF = 1

JNS: jump if SF = 0

JP: jump if PF = 1

JNP: jump if PF = 0

JO: jump if OF = 1

JNO: jump if OF = 0

Flags affected: none

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **JCC**

Jcc <label>

Conditional branch (Using Flag):

JC: jump if CF = 1

JNC: jump if CF = 0

JZ: jump if ZF = 1

JNZ: jump if ZF = 0

JS: jump if SF = 1

JNS: jump if SF = 0

JP: jump if PF = 1

JNP: jump if PF = 0

JO: jump if OF = 1

JNO: jump if OF = 0

Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
MOV AL, 0xFF
INC AL
JZ L1
MOV CL, 0x00
JMP FINIS
L1: MOV CL, 0xFF
FINIS: NOP
```

If AL == 0
then goto L1
else next line

1. What will CL contain after execution?

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: JCC

Jcc <label>

Conditional branch (Using Flag):

JC: jump if CF = 1

JNC: jump if CF = 0

JZ: jump if ZF = 1

JNZ: jump if ZF = 0

JS: jump if SF = 1

JNS: jump if SF = 0

JP: jump if PF = 1

JNP: jump if PF = 0

JO: jump if OF = 1

JNO: jump if OF = 0

Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
MOV AL, 0xFF
INC AL
JZ L1
MOV CL, 0x00
JMP FINIS
L1: MOV CL, 0xFF
FINIS: NOP
```

If AL == 0
then goto L1
else next line

1. What will CL contain after execution?

CL = FF

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

LOOP (Loop according to RCX counter)

DEC RCX

**if RCX \neq 0 then loop to label
else next instruction**

*can also be register ECX or CX

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DEC RCX

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Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
    L1: DEC AL
        LOOP L1
    FINIS: NOP
```

- 1. What will RCX contain after execution?**
- 2. What will AL contain after execution?**

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Flags affected: none

Example:

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    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
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        LOOP L1
    FINIS: NOP
```

1. What will RCX contain after execution?
2. What will AL contain after execution?

RCX = 0000000000000000
AL = 02

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
L1:  DEC AL
     LOOP L1
FINIS: NOP
```



RCX = 3

AL = 5



x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
    L1: DEC AL
        LOOP L1
    FINIS: NOP
```

RCX = 3

AL = 4



x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
L1: DEC AL
    LOOP L1
FINIS: NOP
```

RCX = 2

AL = 4



x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text                                RCX = 2
    MOV RCX, 03                             AL = 4
    MOV AL, 05
    L1: DEC AL
        LOOP L1 ← Is RCX equal to 0?
    FINIS: NOP
```


x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
    L1: DEC AL
        LOOP L1
    FINIS: NOP
```

RCX = 2
AL = 4

Is RCX equal to 0?
No, then proceed.



x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
    L1: DEC AL
        LOOP L1
    FINIS: NOP
```

RCX = 2

AL = 4

Continue until RCX is equal to 0

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
    L1: DEC AL
        LOOP L1
    FINIS: NOP
```

RCX = 1

AL = 3

Continue until RCX is equal to 0

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
    L1: DEC AL
        LOOP L1
    FINIS: NOP
```

RCX = 0

AL = 2

Continue until RCX is equal to 0

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **LOOP**

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 03
    MOV AL, 05
L1: DEC AL
    LOOP L1
FINIS: NOP
```

RCX = 0

AL = 2

Stop at NOP

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions:

JRCXZ, JECXZ, JCXZ

JRCXZ

Syntax: JRCXZ <label>
if RCX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

JECXZ

Syntax: JECXZ <label>
if ECX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

JCXZ

Syntax: CXZ <label>
if CX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

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Flags affected: none

JECXZ

Syntax: JECXZ <label>
if ECX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

JCXZ

Syntax: CXZ <label>
if CX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 0x0000000000000000
    MOV RBX, 0x0000000000000005
    JRCXZ FINIS
L1:    DEC RBX
    LOOP L1
FINIS: NOP
```

1. What will RBX contain after execution?

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions:

JRCXZ, JECXZ, JCXZ

JRCXZ

Syntax: JRCXZ <label>
if RCX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

JECXZ

Syntax: JECXZ <label>
if ECX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

JCXZ

Syntax: CXZ <label>
if CX == 0 then goto label
Flags affected: none

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RCX, 0x0000000000000000
    MOV RBX, 0x0000000000000005
    JRCXZ FINIS
L1:    DEC RBX
    LOOP L1
FINIS: NOP
```

1. What will RBX contain after execution?

RBX = 0000000000000005

Exercise

Write an x86-64 program to count the number of elements in the list found in memory location ALPHA. The list is terminated by 0. Store the count in memory location COUNT. Output the count as well.

```
section .data
ALPHA db 0x12, 0x34, 0x56, 0x99, 0x00
COUNT db 0x00
```

```
section .text
global CMAIN
CMAIN:
;write your code here
xor rax, rax
ret
```

address	Memory data (byte)
COUNT	00
	00
	99
	56
	34
ALPHA	12

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **PUSH**

PUSH(Push onto Stack)

PUSH src

src: r16_64

src: m16_64

src: imm8_16_32

8-bit immediate is sign-extended

```
{  
  RSP ← RSP – 8 |  
  RSP ← RSP – 2  
}
```

[RSP] ← source

***No flags affected**

Example:

```
section .text  
    MOV RAX, 0x123456789ABCDEF0  
    PUSH RAX
```

NOTE: Does not support 32-bit operands
immediate is treated as 64-bit sign-extended

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **PUSH**

PUSH(Push onto Stack)

Example:

```
section .text
    MOV RAX, 0x123456789ABCDEF0
    PUSH RAX
```



address	Stack Memory
0060FE39	
0060FE38	12
0060FE37	34
0060FE36	56
0060FE35	78
0060FE34	9A
0060FE33	BC
0060FE32	DE
0060FE31	F0

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **POP**

POP (pop a value
from the stack)

POP *dst*

dst: r16_64

dst: m16_64

dst ← [rsp]

```
{  
  RSP ← RSP + 8 |  
  RSP ← RSP + 2  
}
```

***No flags affected**

Example:

```
section .text  
    POP RAX
```

NOTE: Does not support 32-bit operands

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **POP**

POP (pop a value from the stack)

Example:

```
section .text
    POP RAX
```

address	Stack Memory
0060FE39	
0060FE38	12
0060FE37	34
0060FE36	56
0060FE35	78
0060FE34	9A
0060FE33	BC
0060FE32	DE
0060FE31	F0



RAX (register)
12
34
56
78
9A
BC
DE
F0

x86-64 Control Transfer Instructions: **CALL/RET**

CALL

The address of the next instruction (RIP) is push to the stack

RET

The 8-byte data is POP'd to RIP

Example:

```
call Test
xor eax, eax
ret
Test:
    PRINT_STRING "Stack"
    ret
```

STACK MEMORY

assume return address
of this 0x0000 0000 0040 14E5

Example:

```
call Test
xor rax, rax
ret
```

Test:

```
PRINT_STRING "Stack"
ret
```

RSP

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	
0061FF16	
0061FF15	
0061FF14	
0061FF13	
0061FF12	
0061FF11	
0061FF10	
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP

0x061FF18

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	00
0061FF16	00
0061FF15	00
0061FF14	00
0061FF13	00
0061FF12	40
0061FF11	14
0061FF10	E5
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

assume return address
of this 0x0000 0000 0040 14E5

Example:

call Test

xor rax, rax
ret

Test:

PRINT_STRING "Stack"
ret

call Test pushes the
return address

RSP

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
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stack memory

RSP

0x061FF10

STACK MEMORY

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of this 0x0000 0000 0040 14E5

Example:

```
call Test
xor rax, rax
ret
```

Test:

```
PRINT_STRING "Stack"
ret
```

Then jumps to
Test function

RSP

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
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0061FF17	00
0061FF16	00
0061FF15	00
0061FF14	00
0061FF13	00
0061FF12	40
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0061FF15	00
0061FF14	00
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Example:

```
call Test
xor rax, rax
ret
```

Test:

```
PRINT_STRING "Stack"
ret
```

Execute function
command

RSP

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP

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assume return address
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Example:

```
call Test
xor rax, rax
ret
```

Test:

```
PRINT_STRING "Stack"
```

```
ret
```

ret pops the return
address and give to
RIP

RSP

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	00
0061FF16	00
0061FF15	00
0061FF14	00
0061FF13	00
0061FF12	40
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RSP contains the
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STACK MEMORY

assume return address
of this 0x0000 0000 0040 14E5

Example:

```
call Test
```

```
xor rax, rax
```

```
ret
```

Test:

```
PRINT_STRING "Stack"
```

```
ret
```

Then jumps to return
address based on RIP

RSP

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0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
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0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	00
0061FF16	00
0061FF15	00
0061FF14	00
0061FF13	00
0061FF12	40
0061FF11	14
0061FF10	E5
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP

0x061FF18

STACK MEMORY

RSP

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	00
0061FF16	00
0061FF15	00
0061FF14	00
0061FF13	00
0061FF12	40
0061FF11	14
0061FF10	E5
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

assume return address
of this 0x0000 0000 0040 14E5

Example:

```
call Test
xor rax, rax
ret
```

Test:

```
PRINT_STRING "Stack"
ret
```

Lastly, return properly to
0x0000_0000_0040_13A5

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP

0x061FF20

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx

    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	
0061FF16	
0061FF15	
0061FF14	
0061FF13	
0061FF12	
0061FF11	
0061FF10	
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx

    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	
0061FF16	
0061FF15	
0061FF14	
0061FF13	
0061FF12	
0061FF11	
0061FF10	
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF18

RAX

RBX

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

section .text

```
mov rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
push rax
push rbx
call func1
xor rax, rax
ret
```

func1:

```
pop rcx
PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
pop rdx
PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
ret
```

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	
0061FF16	
0061FF15	
0061FF14	
0061FF13	
0061FF12	
0061FF11	
0061FF10	
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF18

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX

RCX

RDX

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	
0061FF16	
0061FF15	
0061FF14	
0061FF13	
0061FF12	
0061FF11	
0061FF10	
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF18

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	
0061FF09	
0061FF08	
0061FF07	
0061FF06	
0061FF05	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF10

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call    func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	
0061FF06	
0061FF05	
0061FF04	
0061FF03	
0061FF02	
0061FF01	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call     func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
```

```
    ret
```

```
func1:
```

```
    pop     rcx
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    pop     rdx
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF17 11

0061FF16 11

0061FF15 11

0061FF14 11

0061FF13 11

0061FF12 11

0061FF11 11

0061FF10 11

0061FF0F 22

0061FF0E 22

0061FF0D 22

0061FF0C 22

0061FF0B 22

0061FF0A 22

0061FF09 22

0061FF08 22

0061FF07

0061FF06

0061FF05

0061FF04

0061FF03

0061FF02

0061FF01

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP

0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX

1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX

2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDX

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call    func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Higher memory address

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	
0061FEFB	
0061FEFA	
0061FEF9	
0061FEF8	
0061FEF7	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the

Push the return address
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY



What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx

    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Higher memory address

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	
0061FEFB	
0061FEFA	
0061FEF9	
0061FEF8	
0061FEF7	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDX



What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Then jump to the
address of func1

Higher memory address

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	
0061FEFB	
0061FEFA	
0061FEF9	
0061FEF8	
0061FEF7	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx

    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Higher memory address

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY	
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	
0061FEFB	
0061FEFA	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 0000_0000_0040_13A1

RDX

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx

    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Higher memory address

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY	
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	
0061FEFB	
0061FEFA	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 0000_0000_0040_13A1

RDX

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

prints
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	
0061FEFB	
0061FEFA	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 0000_0000_0040_13A1

RDX

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call     func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
```

```
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

```
func1:
```

```
    pop     rcx
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    pop     rdx
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF10

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 0000_0000_0040_13A1

RDX 2222_2222_2222_2222

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx

    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

prints
0x2222_2222_2222_2222

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF10

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 0000_0000_0040_13A1

RDX 2222_2222_2222_2222

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    pop     rcx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    pop     rdx
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

return to the address
0x1111_1111_1111_1111

Higher memory address

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF18

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 0000_0000_0040_13A1

RDX 2222_2222_2222_2222

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

RSP

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

THE PROGRAM RETURNS
TO A **WRONG** ADDRESS!

return to the address
0x1111_1111_1111_1111

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00

0x0011_2233_4455_6677 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 0000_0000_0040_13A1

RDX 2222_2222_2222_2222

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call     func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
```

```
    ret
```

```
func1:
```

```
    pop     rcx
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    pop     rdx
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov     rbp, rsp
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	
0061FF16	
0061FF15	
0061FF14	
0061FF13	
0061FF12	
0061FF11	
0061FF10	
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

section .text

```
mov rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
push rax
```

```
push rbx
```

```
call func1
```

```
xor rax, rax ← assume the return address is 0x0000_0000_0040_13A1
ret
```

func1:

```
mov rbp, rsp
```

```
mov rcx, [rbp+8]
```

```
mov rdx, [rbp+16]
```

```
PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
NEWLINE
```

```
PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	
0061FF16	
0061FF15	
0061FF14	
0061FF13	
0061FF12	
0061FF11	
0061FF10	
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is the return address of SASM

RSP contains the address of the stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF18

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
    push    rbx
```

```
    call    func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

```
func1:
```

```
    mov     rbp, rsp
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	
0061FF0E	
0061FF0D	
0061FF0C	
0061FF0B	
0061FF0A	
0061FF09	
0061FF08	
0061FF07	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF10

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
    push    rbx
```

```
    call    func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

```
func1:
    mov     rbp, rsp
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	
0061FF06	
0061FF05	
0061FF04	
0061FF03	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call    func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
```

```
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

```
func1:
```

```
    mov     rbp, rsp
```

```
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
```

```
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    NEWLINE
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0001FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	
0061FF06	
0061FF05	
0061FF04	
0061FF03	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call     func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
```

```
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

```
func1:
```

```
    mov     rbp, rsp
```

```
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
```

```
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    NEWLINE
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF0C 22

0061FF0B 22

0061FF0A 22

0061FF09 22

0061FF08 22

0061FF07 00

0061FF06 00

0061FF05 00

0061FF04 00

0061FF03 00

0061FF02 40

0061FF01 13

0061FF00 A1

0061FEFF

0061FEFE

0061FEFD

0061FEFC

0061FEFB

0061FEFA

0061FEF9

0061FEF8

0061FEF7

0061FEE6

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call     func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
```

```
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

```
func1:
```

```
    mov     rbp, rsp
```

```
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
```

```
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    NEWLINE
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF0C 22

0061FF0B 22

0061FF0A 22

0061FF09 22

0061FF08 22

0061FF07 00

0061FF06 00

0061FF05 00

0061FF04 00

0061FF03 00

0061FF02 40

0061FF01 13

0061FF00 A1

0061FEFF

0061FEFE

0061FEFD

0061FEFC

0061FEFB

0061FEFA

0061FEF9

0061FEF8

0061FEF7

0061FEE6

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov  rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov  rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push rax
    push rbx
    call func1
    xor  rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov  rbp, rsp
    mov  rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov  rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Higher memory address

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	
0061FEFB	
0061FEFA	
0061FEF9	
0061FEF8	
0061FEF7	
0061FEF6	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

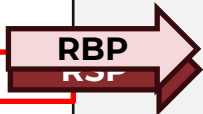
RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX

RDY

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00



What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call     func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax ← assume the return address is
```

0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

```
    ret
```

```
func1:
```

```
    mov     rbp, rsp
```

```
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
```

```
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    NEWLINE
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

RBP

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF14 11

0061FF13 11

0061FF12 11

0061FF11 11

0061FF10 11

0061FF0F 22

0061FF0E 22

0061FF0D 22

0061FF0C 22

0061FF0B 22

0061FF0A 22

0061FF09 22

0061FF08 22

0061FF07 00

0061FF06 00

0061FF05 00

0061FF04 00

0061FF03 00

0061FF02 40

0061FF01 13

0061FF00 A1

0061FEFF

0061FFFF

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDX

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call    func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A5

RBP

```
func1:
```

```
    mov     rbp, rsp
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov     rbp, rsp
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 ← **RBP**

Higher memory address ↑

Lower memory address ↓

STACK MEMORY

0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00

rcx = 2222_2222_2222_2222
rdx = 1111_1111_1111_1111

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

What's Wrong Here?

STACK MEMORY

0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

Higher memory address

RBP

RSP

Lower memory address

section .text

mov rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111

rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222

push rax

push rbx

call func1

xor rax, rax ← assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

ret

func1:

mov rbp, rsp

mov rcx, [rbp+8]

mov rdx, [rbp+16]

PRINT_HEX 8, rcx

NEWLINE

PRINT_HEX 8, rdx

ret

What's Wrong Here?

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov     rbp, rsp
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

return to the address
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

STACK MEMORY

0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00
0061FF03	00
0061FF02	40
0061FF01	13
0061FF00	A1
0061FEFF	
0061FEFE	
0061FEFD	
0061FEFC	

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
```

```
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
```

```
        rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
```

```
    push    rax
```

```
    push    rbx
```

```
    call     func1
```

```
    xor     rax, rax
```

```
    ret
```

```
func1:
```

```
    mov     rbp, rsp
```

```
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
```

```
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
```

```
    NEWLINE
```

```
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
```

```
    ret
```

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret
```

```
func1:
    mov     rbp, rbp
    mov     rcx, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

return to the address

0x1111_1111_1111_1111

RSP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF10

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDx 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

What's Wrong Here?

Higher memory address

STACK MEMORY

0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is the return address of SASM

RSP contains the address of the stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF10

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

THE PROGRAM RETURNS TO A **WRONG** ADDRESS!

RSP

return to the address
0x1111_1111_1111_1111

Lower memory address

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov     rbp, rax
    mov     rcx, rax
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret
```

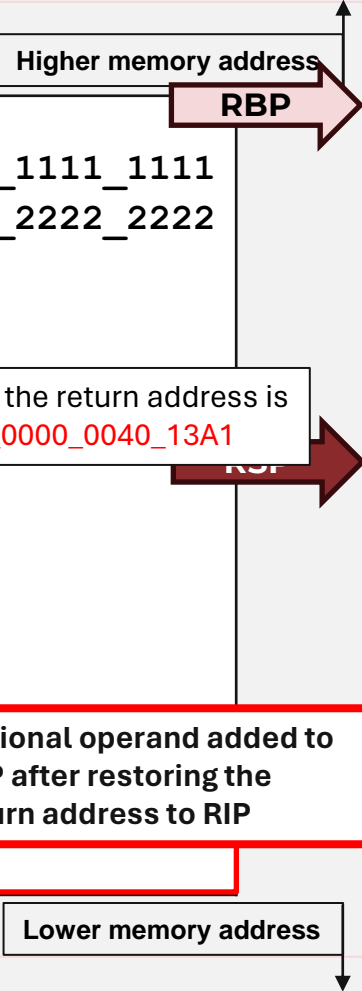
Proper Way

```
section .text
    mov rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push rax
    push rbx
    call func1
    xor rax, rax
    ret
```

```
func1:
    mov rbp, rsp
    mov rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8,
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8,
    ret 16
```

assume the return address is
0x0000_0000_0040_13A1

Optional operand added to
RSP after restoring the
return address to RIP



STACK MEMORY

0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22
0061FF09	22
0061FF08	22
0061FF07	00
0061FF06	00
0061FF05	00
0061FF04	00

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF08

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

Proper Way

```
section .text
    mov     rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov     rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push    rax
    push    rbx
    call     func1
    xor     rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov     rbp, rsp
    mov     rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov     rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret 16
```

Higher memory address

Lower memory address



STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is the return address of SASM

RSP contains the address of the stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF10

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RPB 0000_0000_0061_FF00

Proper Way

```
section .text
    mov  rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov  rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push rax
    push rbx
    call func1
    xor  rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov  rbp, rsp
    mov  rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov  rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret 16
```

Higher memory address

RSP

add +16 to bypass parameters

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is the return address of SASM

RSP contains the address of the stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF18

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

Proper Way

```
section .text
    mov  rax, 0x1111_1111_1111_1111
    mov  rbx, 0x2222_2222_2222_2222
    push rax
    push rbx
    call func1
    xor  rax, rax
    ret

func1:
    mov  rbp, rsp
    mov  rcx, [rbp+8]
    mov  rdx, [rbp+16]
    PRINT_HEX 8, rcx
    NEWLINE
    PRINT_HEX 8, rdx
    ret 16
```

return to the address
0x0000_0000_0040_13A5

Higher memory address
RSP

RBP

Lower memory address

STACK MEMORY

address	data
0061FF1F	00
0061FF1E	00
0061FF1D	00
0061FF1C	00
0061FF1B	00
0061FF1A	40
0061FF19	13
0061FF18	A5
0061FF17	11
0061FF16	11
0061FF15	11
0061FF14	11
0061FF13	11
0061FF12	11
0061FF11	11
0061FF10	11
0061FF0F	22
0061FF0E	22
0061FF0D	22
0061FF0C	22
0061FF0B	22
0061FF0A	22

0x0000_0000_0040_13A5 is
the return address of SASM

RSP contains the
address of the
stack memory

RSP 0000_0000_0061_FF20

RAX 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RCX 2222_2222_2222_2222

RDY 1111_1111_1111_1111

RBP 0000_0000_0061_FF00

Translating Standard Control Structures

IF STATEMENT

Pseudo-code:

if (condition) then_block;

Assembly code:

1. Code to set EFLAGS
2. Jcc endif ; select cc so that the condition is false
3. ; code for then_block
4. endif

Translating Standard Control Structures

IF STATEMENT (Example)

```
if (RSI==RDI)
    then EDX = 0x12345678;
```

Assembly code:

	CMP RSI, RDI
	JNE endif
	MOV EDX, 0x12345678
endif:	; next instruction

Translating Standard Control Structures

IF-ELSE STATEMENT

Pseudo-code:

```
if (condition) then_block;  
    else else_block;
```

Assembly code:

1. Code to set EFLAGS
2. Jcc else_block ; select cc so that the condition is false
3. ; code for then_block
4. JMP endif
5. else_block:
6. endif:

Translating Standard Control Structures

IF-ELSE STATEMENT (Example)

```
if (RSI==RDI) then EDX = 0x12345678;  
    else EDX = 0x87654321
```

Assembly code:

	CMP RSI, RDI
	JNE else
	MOV EDX, 0x12345678
	JMP endif
else:	MOV EDX, 0x87654321
endif:	; next instruction

Translating Standard Control Structures

WHILE LOOP STATEMENT

Pseudo-code (Condition Upon Entry):

```
while (condition) {  
    body of loop; }
```

Assembly code:

- | |
|--|
| 1. while: |
| 2. Code to set EFLAGS |
| 3. Jcc endwhile ; select cc so that the condition is false |
| 4. ; body of loop |
| 5. JMP while |
| 6. endwhile: |

Translating Standard Control Structures

WHILE LOOP STATEMENT (Example)

```
while (RCX<>0)
{EDX = EDX+1
  RCX = RCX-1};
```

Assembly code:

while:	CMP RCX,0000000000000000
	JE endwhile
	INC EDX
	DEC RCX
	JMP while
endwhile:	; next instruction

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DO-WHILE LOOP STATEMENT

Pseudo-code (Condition Upon Exit):

do { body of loop; } while (condition)

Assembly code:

- | |
|---|
| 1. do: |
| 2. ; body of loop |
| 3. ; Code to set EFLAGS |
| 4. Jcc do ; select cc so that the condition is true |

Translating Standard Control Structures

DO-WHILE LOOP STATEMENT (Example)

```
do
    {EDX = EDX+1;
      ECX = RCX-1;}
while RCX <>0
```

Assembly code:

do:	INC EDX
	DEC RCX
	CMP ECX,00000000
	JNE do
	; next instruction

Translating Standard Control Structures

SWITCH STATEMENT

Pseudo-code:

```
SWITCH case_var
    {{label_list}...:stmt; break};
DEFAULT
    statements; break;
END;
```

Assembly code:

	CMP case_var, case_list_1
	JNE label_list_2
	; instructions for case_list_1
	JMP end
label_list_2:	CMP case_var, case_list_2
	JNE label_list_n
	; instructions for case_list_2
	JMP end
label_list_n:	CMP case_var, case_list_other
	JNE default
	; instructions for case_list_n
	JMP end
default:	; instructions for case_list_default
end:	; next instructions
	CMP case_var, case_list_1

Translating Standard Control Structures

SWITCH STATEMENT (Example)

```
SWITCH (RSI) {  
    1: EBX = EBX +1; break;  
    2: EBX = EBX - 1; break;  
    3: EBX = EBX + EBX; break;  
    DEFAULT  
    EBX = EBX - EBX; break;  
}
```

Assembly code:

	CMP RSI, 0000000000000001
	JNE next_case_2
	INC EBX
	JMP end
next_case_2:	CMP ESI, 0000000000000002
	JNE next_case_3
	DEC EBX
	JMP end
next_case_3:	CMP ESI, 0000000000000003
	JNE default
	ADD EBX, EBX
	JMP end
default:	SUB EBX, EBX
end:	; next instructions

Translating Standard Control Structures

FOR-NEXT LOOP STATEMENT

Pseudo-code (Condition Upon Exit):

```
for var = initial_value to final_value do  
    {body of loop};
```

Assembly code:

- | |
|---------------------------|
| 1. Initialized CX/ECX/RCX |
| 2. for: |
| 3. ; body of loop |
| 4. LOOP for |

Translating Standard Control Structures

FOR-NEXT LOOP STATEMENT (Example)

For ECX = 1 to 5 do EDX = EDX +1

Assembly code:

	MOV RCX, 0000000000000005
for:	INC EDX
	LOOP for
	; next instruction