

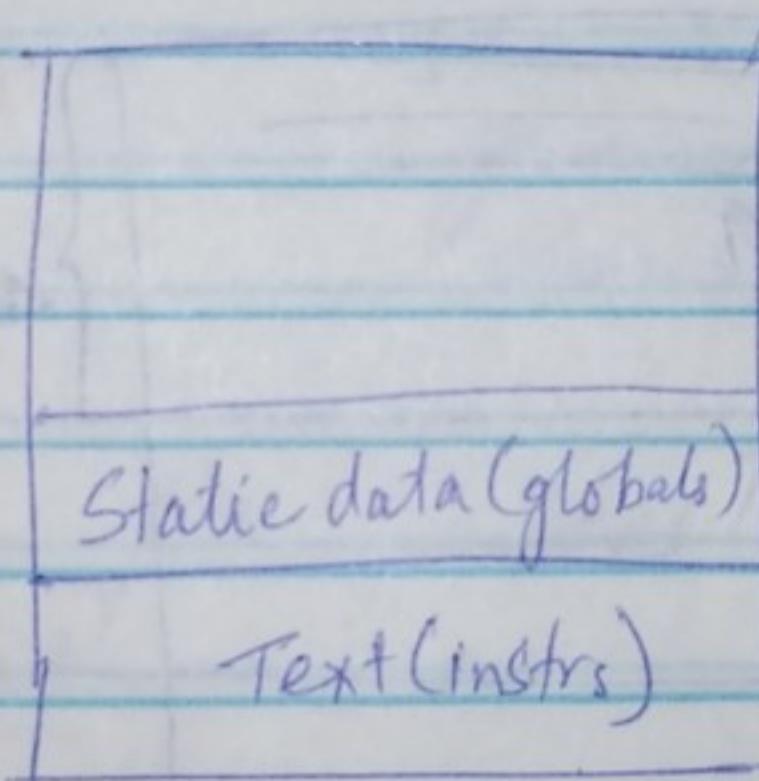
Memory Organisation

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Discussion - 02
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Last time,

Register file in processor, with 32 registers

The program has access to a larger memory.



⑥ In this example \$GP = 1600
⑦ Points to this region stored in a register called \$GP
④ the base point from where the variables start getting stored.
③ 1600 bytes reserved for prog. itself

① Let's say prog has 400 instrs.
② Each instr. takes 4 bytes

⑤ the first set of variables are the global variables. (the very first vars you declare b4 u execute anything)

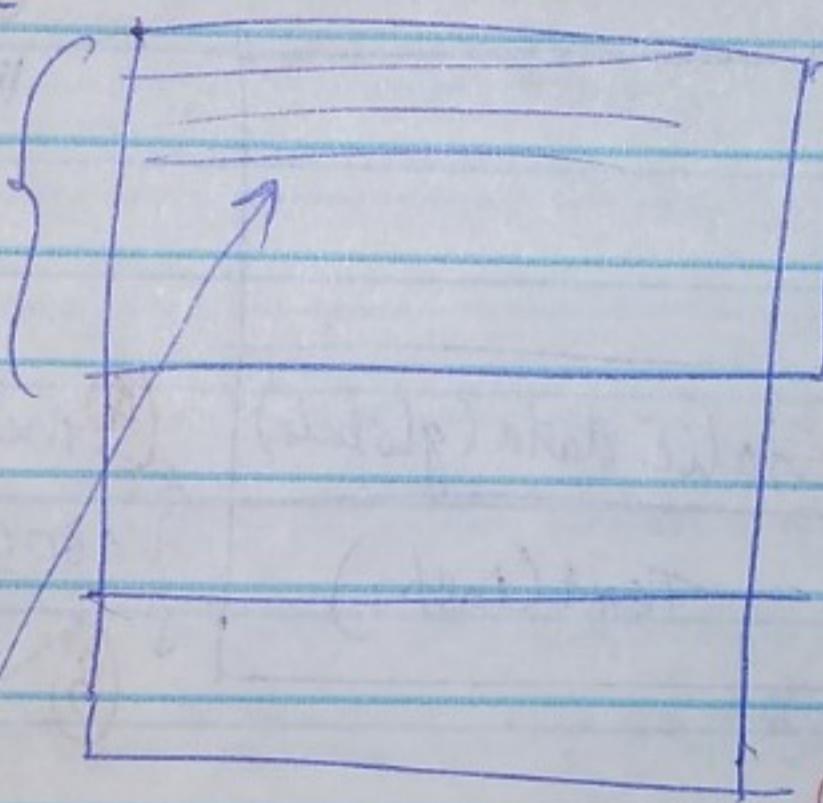
⑨ The compiler knows all these global vars (the variables that are declared at the start).

⑨ These variables get allocated beforehand, in the global region.
(before runtime, during execution)

⑩ From that point on, variables are allocated as per need.

STACK

⑪ This is the stack + heap region of memory



⑫ At compile time, compiler does NOT know what gets placed here.

⑬ These are determined at runtime.

a
Stores procedures
for variables

when u invoke the procedure.

⑭ When you invoke main(),
vars only accessible to the main() { add variables defined
in the func(). one declared here,

main() → find()

those its variables

get declared here.

(at top of the stack growing downwards)

Keeping track of stack is done by the help of 2 pointers.

\$SP, \$FP

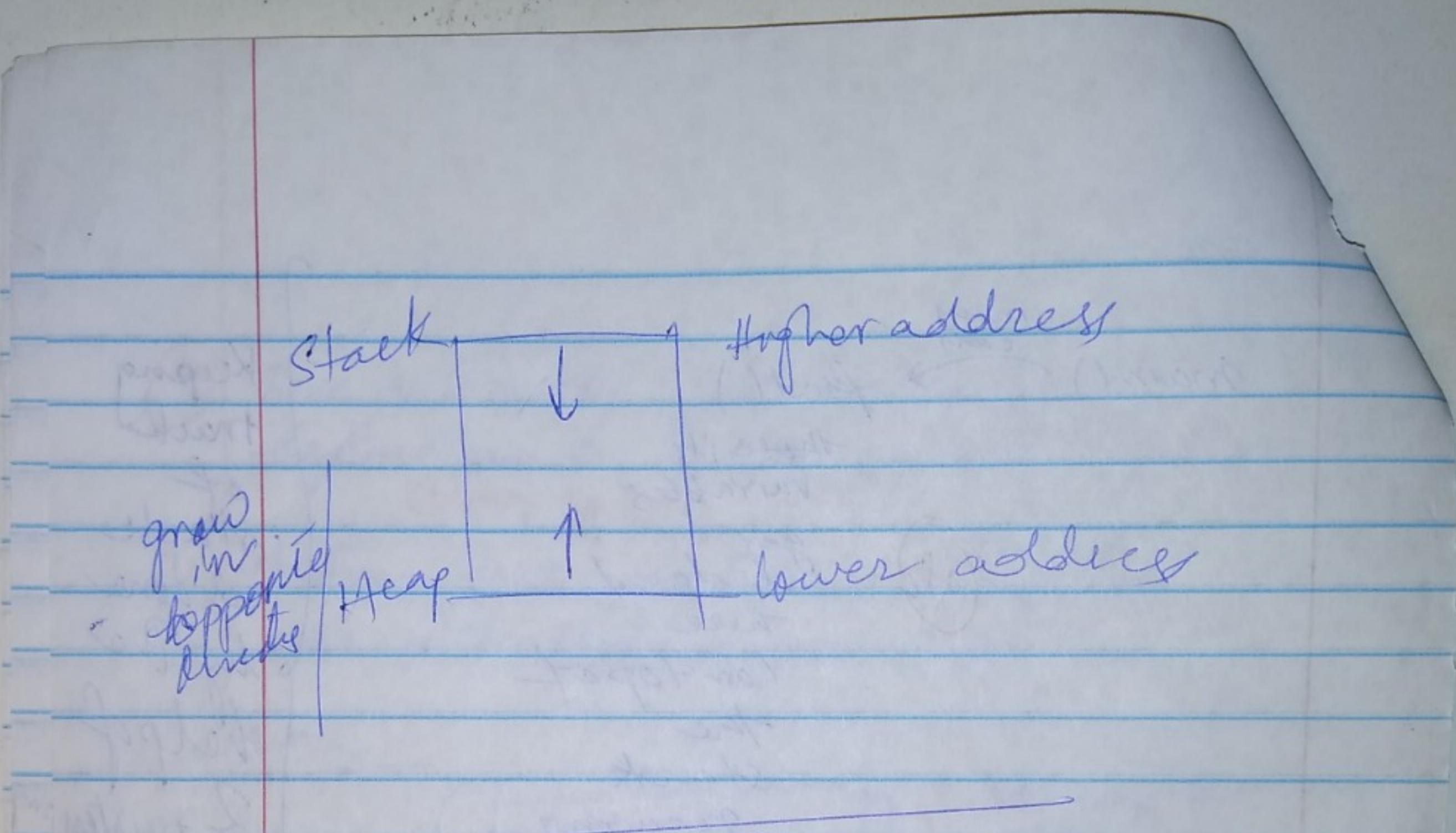
start of the procedure

use one for example end of the procedure space

DYNAMIC DATA

① Program can dynamically allocate memory — where it defines expressly — i.e. defining how much memory to allocate to allocate.
e.g. in C, we use malloc()

These vars are stored in heap, & the heap starts where the global variables storage end.



Base address & offsets

E.g. C. code,

$$a = b + c;$$

int a, b, c, d[10]
main()

↑

$$a = b + c$$

$$d[3] = d[2] + a;$$

Let's say prog. had 250 instructions
4 bytes each

code region
eats 1000 bytes
of space

So global variable starts at address 1000,

so, I do, add 1000 to global pointer

① addi \$gp, \$zero, 1000

need to load b & c,

generate instructions
for store new value

① lw \$s2, 4(\$gp) ✓
② lw \$s3, 8(\$gp) ✓ reg from gp
③ add \$s1, \$s2, \$s3 \$s1 a 0 fm \$gp
④ sw \$s1, \$gp \$s2 b 4 fm \$gp
⑤ addi \$s4, \$gp, 12 \$s3 c 8 fm \$gp
 \$s4 d 12

⑥ lw \$t0, 8(\$s4) # get d [2]

⑦ add \$t0, \$t0, \$s1

⑧ sw \$t0, 12(\$s4)

Instruction Formats (Have Instr. format & code)

2 Broad classes of instructions

~~R type~~

(last 6 bits denotes the narration

in adding (adding a byte, 2 bytes, or a word)

(the 5 bits shift is used for operation instructions like,

sll

srl

by which bits are shifted to the left or right.

These bits tell us how much this shift is.

~~I-type~~

e.g. immediate,
(w, sw)

Have 5 bits \rightarrow 1st reg. operand

5 bits \rightarrow next reg. operand

16 bits \rightarrow stores the offsets.

beg \$s1, \$s2, l1

l1: —————

bneq

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Task [Code]

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if (i == j)  
    f = g + h;  
else  
    f = g - h;
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[Assembly]

Say \$s1 & \$s2
have i & j

[explain
side]

while(save[i]
== k)

i += 1;

Say, l, k, save(base) are
mb \$s3, \$s5, \$s6

Ans:

A ~~label~~ can also be
an instruction (an empty
instruction) assembler/
computer will read it
as a ~~ja~~ location.

Loop:

P.T.O

Loop :
su \$t1, \$s3, 2
add \$t1, \$t1, \$s6
lw \$t0, 0(\$t1)
bne \$t0, \$s5, Exit
addi \$s3, \$s3, 1
 ① Jump to the top of the loop j Loop
 Exit :

② save[0] → 1st in \$s6 ③ get the
 save[1] → .. - \$s6 + 4 value in
 save[2] → .. - \$s6 + 8 save[i]

save[0] → .. - $\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \$s6 + 4 \times i \\ 2^2 \end{array}}$

④ shift i by 2 to the left