

Topics for Chapter 2

● **Part 1**

- RISC-V Instruction Set (Chapter 2.1)
- Arithmetic instructions (Chapter 2.2)
- Introduction to RARS
- Memory access instructions (Chapters 2.3)
- Bitwise instructions (Chapter 2.6)
- Decision making instructions (Chapter 2.7)
- Arrays vs. pointers (Chapter 2.14)

● **Part 2:**

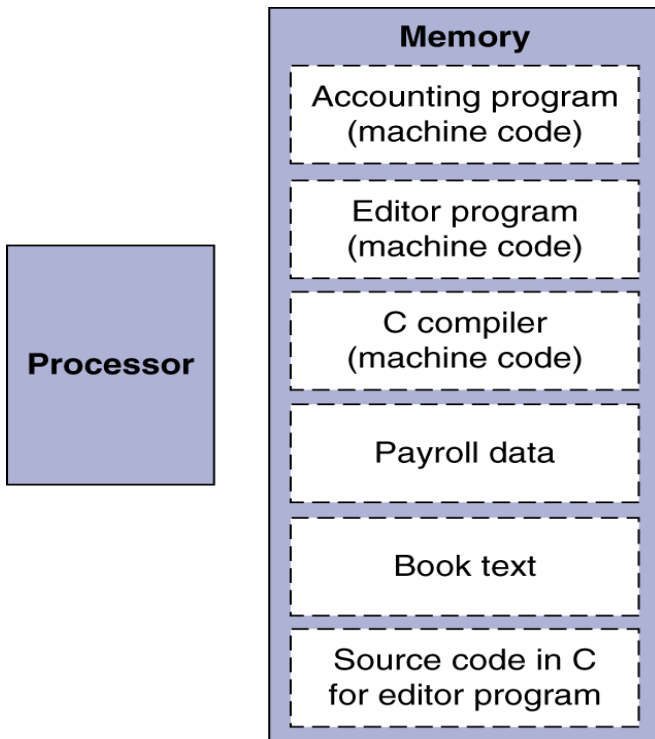
- ➔ Procedure Calls (Chapters 2.8)

● **Part 3:**

- RISC-V Instruction Format (Chapter 2.5)
- RISC-V Addressing Modes (Chapter 2.10)

Stored Program Concept

The BIG Picture



- Instructions and data are stored in memory.
- Each register stores how many bits? how many bytes? how many words?
- How much data can I access from memory at a time?
- Each instruction is how many bits?
- Memory addresses are how many bits?
- RISC-V memory capacity in bytes? in words?

RISC-V Memory Allocation

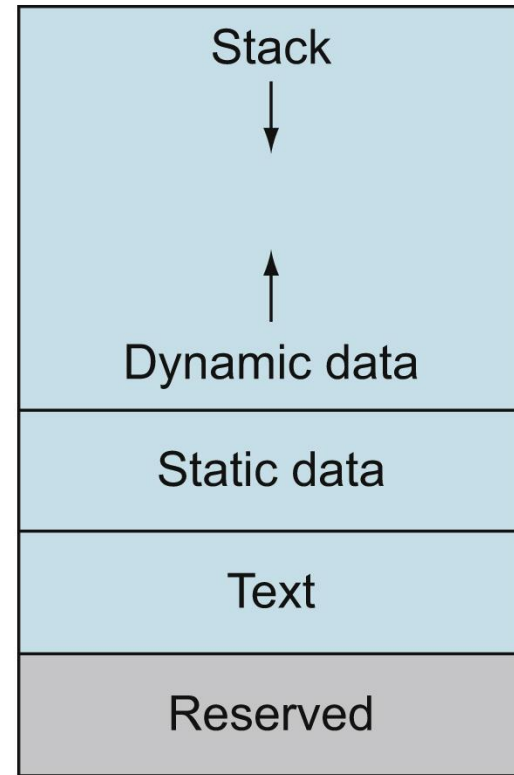
SP → 0000 003f ffff fff0_{hex}

In RARS, sp initial value=0x7ff effc

0000 0000 1000 0000_{hex}

PC → 0000 0000 0040 0000_{hex}

0



- **Static:** Variables declared once per program, cease to exist after execution completes. e.g., C globals, arrays
- **Heap:** Variables declared dynamically (malloc)
- **Stack:** Space to be used by procedure during execution; this is where we can save register values

RISC-V Memory Allocation

Text segment

- Program code
- Addresses 0x0040 0000 to 0x0FFF FFFF

Data segment

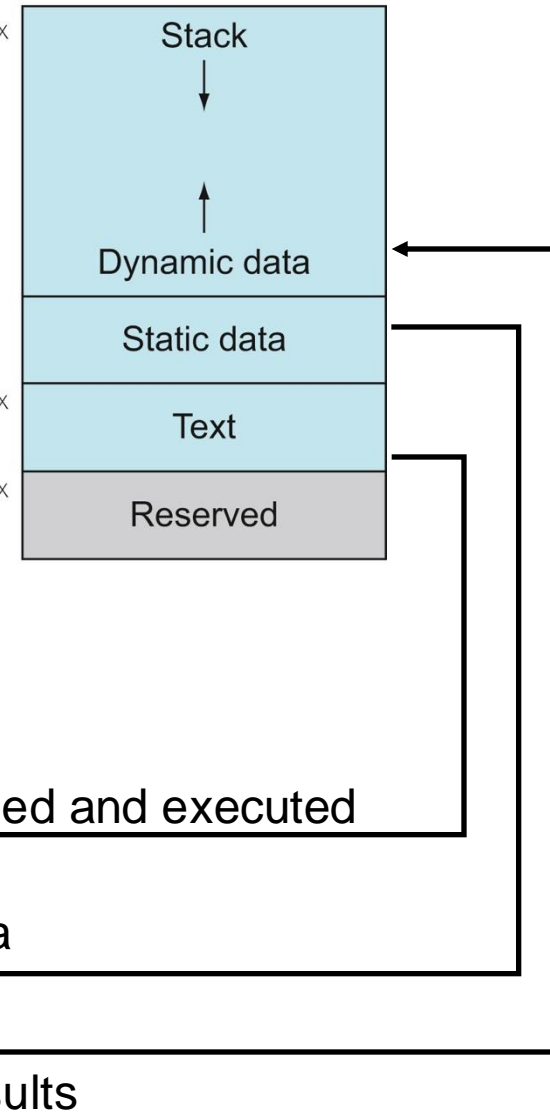
- Addresses 0x1000 0000 to 0xFFFF FFFF

SP → 0000 003f ffff fff0_{hex}

0000 0000 1000 0000_{hex}

PC → 0000 0000 0040 0000_{hex}

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The Program Counter (PC)

This is the machine representation of:
`addi s0, x0, 0`

- **Special purpose register**
- **Not available to programmer**
- **Holds address of?**
- **Assuming currently executing the first instruction**
 - $(5048)_{10} = 0x13B8$
 - $PC = 0x0000$ _____
 - $PC + 4 = 0x0000$ _____
 - Byte stored at $0x0000\ 13BA$?

Memory Location	Instruction
5048	0X00000413
5052	<code>addi s1, x0, 1</code>
5056	<code>beq s1, s0, continue</code>
5060	<code>jal x0, exit</code>
5064	
5068 (continue)	
...	
6000 (exit)	

Procedure Call in C Program

```
main() {
    int i,j,k,m;
    ...
    i = mult(j,k); ...
    m = mult(i,i); ...
}

/* really dumb mult function
 */

int mult (int mcand, int
mlier){
    int product;
    product = 0;
    while (mlier > 0) {
        product = product + mcand;
        mlier = mlier -1; }
    return product;
}
```

**What information must
a compiler/programmer
keep track of?**

**What instructions can
accomplish this?**

Procedure Call Bookkeeping

- **Use registers**

- **Register conventions:**

- Return address ra
- Arguments a0, a1, a2, ..., a7
- Return value a0, a1
- Local variables s0, s1, ... , s11
- Temporary variables t0, t1, ..., t6

- **More variables?**

- Spill registers: use the stack in memory

RISC-V Support for Function Calls

```
... sum(a,b); ... /* a,b:s0,s1 */
```

C

```
}
```

```
int sum(int x, int y) {
```

```
    return x+y;
```

```
}
```

address

RISC-V

```
1000 add    a0,s0,zero    # x = a
```

```
1004 add    a1,s1,zero    # y = b
```

```
1008 jal    ra, sum        # new instruction
```

```
1012 ...
```

```
2000 sum:  add a0,a0,a1
```

```
2004 jalr   zero, ra,0      # new instruction
```


RISC-V Instruction: jal

• Syntax for **jal** (jump and link)

- `jal ra, label`

• **jal** should really be called **laj** for “link and jump”:

- Step 1 (link): Save address of *next* instruction (i.e., PC+4) into `ra`
 - Why next instruction? Why not current one?
- Step 2 (jump): Jump to the given label

• Why **jal**?

- `ra` automatically saves PC+4
- No need to know where the code is loaded into memory
- Make the common case (function calls) fast

RISC-V Instruction: jalr

● **Syntax for jalr (jump register):**

jalr saved_addr, jump_addr, imm

- saved_addr: where curr instruction address+4 will be stored
- jump_addr: contains address to jump to
- imm: added to jump_addr (always 0 for our needs)

● **Why use jalr?**

- a function might be called many times, so we can't return to a fixed place.

Use of jalr

- **ret and jr pseudo-instructions**

jalr x0, ra, 0

- **Call function at any 32-bit absolute address**

lui x1, <hi20bits>

jalr ra, x1, <lo12bits>

- **Jump PC-relative with 32-bit offset**





auipc x1, <hi20bits>

jalr x0, x1, <lo12bits>

RISC-V Instructions for Function Calls

jal	Jump And Link	J	1101111			rd = PC+4; PC += imm
jalr	Jump And Link Reg	I	1100111	0x0		rd = PC+4; PC = rs1 + imm

Steps for Making a Procedure Call (V. 1)

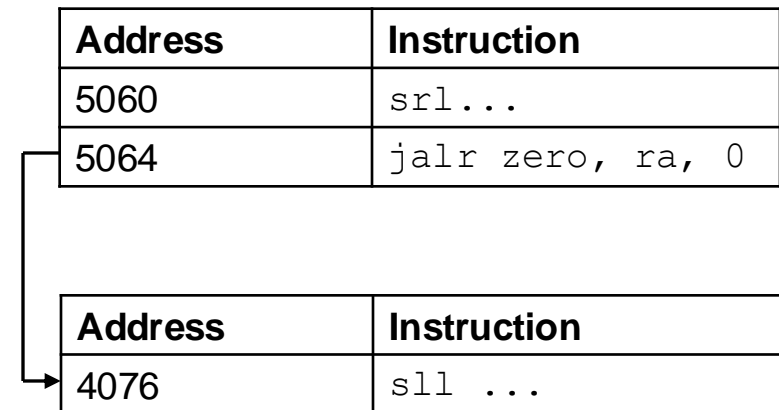
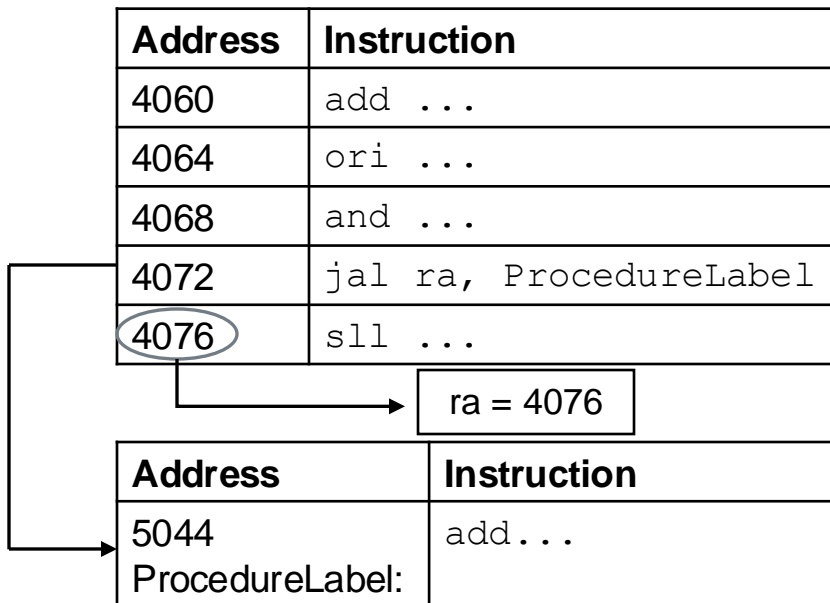
- 1) Place parameter in registers  a0-a7
- 2) Call procedure  jal ra, PROC
ra is x1
- 3) Perform procedure's operations
- 4) Place result in register for caller  a0, a1
- 5) return to caller  jalr x0, ra, 0

Caller

Callee

`jal ra, ProcedureLabel`

`jalr zero, ra, 0`



- `jal ra, LABEL` stores PC+4 in ra
 - Used by caller
- `jalr x0, ra, 0` uses ra to modify PC
 - Used by callee

Procedure Call Example: C Code

```
main() {  
    int i,j,k,m; /* i-m:s0-s3 */  
    ...  
    i = mult(j,k); ...  
    m = mult(i,i); ...  
}
```

What are the arguments?

```
int mult (int mcand, int mlier) {  
    int product;  
    product = 0;  
    while (mlier > 0) {  
        product += mcand;  
        mlier -= 1; }  
    return product;  
}
```

What are the results?

Procedure Call Example: main function

main:

```
addi a0,s1,0      # arg0 = j
addi a1,s2,0      # arg1 = k
jal ra, mult      # call mult
addi s0,a0,0      # i = mult()
...
```

arg0 = i, already in a0

```
addi a1,s0,0      # arg1 = i
jal ra, mult      # call mult
addi s3,a0,0      # m = mult()
...
```

```
addi a7, zero,10
ecall
```

```
main() {
  int i,j,k,m; /* i-m:s0-s3 */
  ...
  i = mult(j,k); ...
  m = mult(i,i); ... }
```


Procedure Call Example: sub function

mult:

addi t0,zero,0 *# prod=0*

Loop:

bge 0,a1,Fin *# if mlr <= 0, goto Fin*

add t0,t0,a0 *# prod+=mc*

addi a1,a1,-1 *# mlr--=1*

jal zero,Loop *# goto Loop*

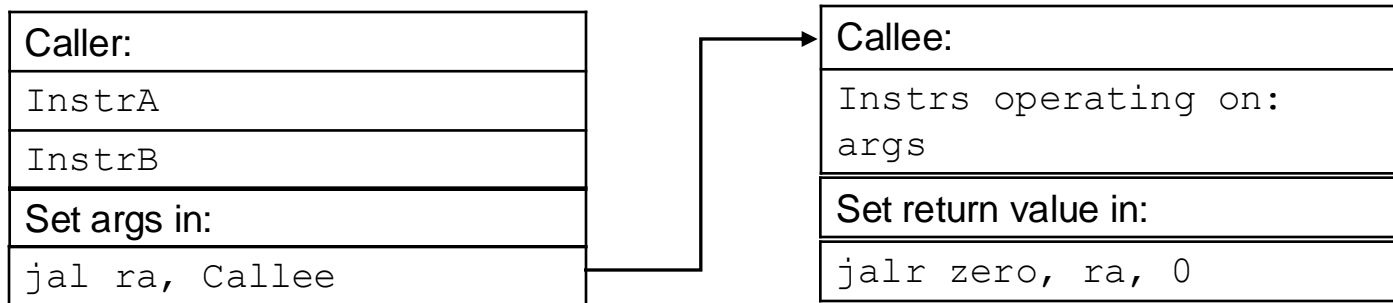
Fin:

addi a0,t0,0 *# a0=prod*

jalr zero, ra, 0 *# return*

```
int mult (int mcand, int mlier) {  
    int product = 0;  
    while (mlier > 0) {  
        product += mcand;  
        mlier -= 1; }  
    return product;  
}
```

What Do We Know So Far?



- › In RISC-V, "argument" registers for passing parameters are?
- › jal instruction does two actions, those are?
- › RISC-V procedure returns values in?
- › jalr zero, ra, 0 jumps to address in ra, which is?

Nested Procedures

```
int sumSquare(int x, int y) {  
    return mult(x,x) + y;  
}
```

- Something called `sumSquare`, now `sumSquare` is calling `mult`.

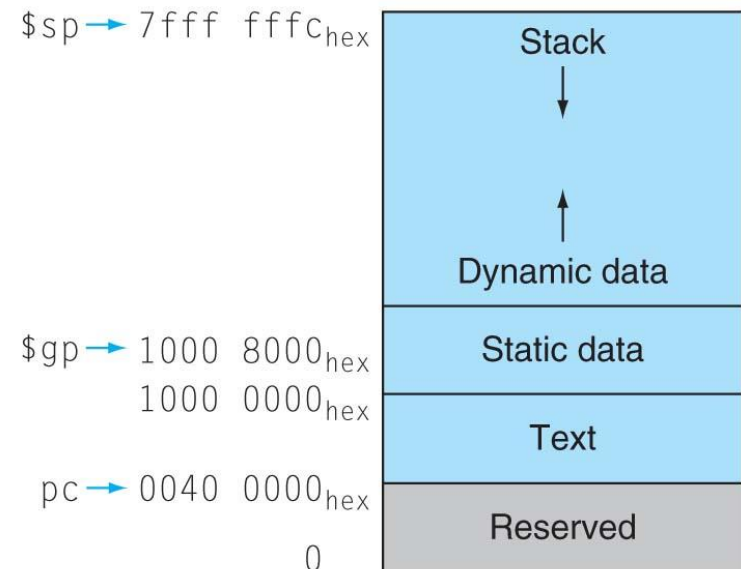
- `ra` may be overwritten

- Need to save `sumSquare` return address before call to `mult`.

- In general, may need to save some other info in addition to `ra`.

Using the Stack to Store Other Info

- register `sp` : the last used space in the stack.
- When `a0-a7` are not enough
 - Spill arguments to the stack
- If the caller uses `s0` before and after the procedure call and the callee also uses `s0`
 - Preserve registers in stack
- Stack grows downwards



Stack Pointer (*sp*)

- Available to programmer
- Allocate space on stack
 - Decrement *sp*
 - Grow from top down
- Use space on stack
 - Push: `sw reg, offset (sp)`
 - Pop: `lw reg, offset (sp)`
- Release space on stack
 - Increment *sp*
 - Shrink towards top

```
square_sum:
    addi sp, sp, -4
    sw ra, 0(sp)

    ...

    lw ra, 0(sp)
    addi sp, sp, 4
    jalr zero, ra, 0
```

Popping does not make the data disappear.
Neither does releasing the space!

Steps for Making a Procedure Call (V. 2)

- 1) Caller saves **necessary** values onto stack.
- 2) Assign argument(s) in a0-a7, if any.
- 3) `jal ra, proc` -- call procedure
- 4) Perform procedure's operations
- 5) Place result in a0, a1 if any, for caller
- 6) `jalr x0, ra, 0` – return to caller
- 7) Caller restore values from stack.

Using the Stack: Example

```
int sumSquare(int x, int y) {  
    return mult(x,x)+ y; }
```

sumSquare:

“push”

```
    addi sp,sp,-8    # space on stack  
    sw ra, 4(sp)     # save ret addr  
    sw a1, 0(sp)     # save y
```

```
    add a1,a0,zero    # mult(x,x)  
    jal ra, mult      # call mult
```

“pop”

```
    lw a1, 0(sp)      # restore y  
    add a0,a0,a1       # mult()+y  
    lw ra, 4(sp)       # get ret addr  
    addi sp,sp,8       # restore stack  
    jalr zero, ra, 0
```

mult: ...

Rules for Procedures

- Called with a `jal` instruction, returns with a `jalr zero,ra,0`
- Accepts up to 7 arguments in `a0, a1, a2, ..., a7`
- Return value is always in `a0` (and if necessary in `a1`)
- Must follow **register conventions** (even in functions that only you will call)!
 - A set of generally accepted rules as to which registers will be unchanged after a procedure call (`jal`) and which may be changed.

Register Conventions

- **CalleR**: the calling function
- **CalleE**: the function being called
- When callee returns from executing, the caller needs to know which registers may have changed and which are guaranteed to be unchanged.

Caller vs. Callee

- **Caller has to save if it wants to preserve the value around a function call**
 - a0-a1 (can't put back in a0/a1 if return values use it)
 - a2-a7
 - t0-t6
 - ra: only needs to save once no matter how many calls it makes
- **Callee has to save if it wants to modify the value in its body**
 - s0 – s11
 - sp: handles this one differently – release what you allocate
 - gp: we will not use this, so not saved
 - tp: we will not use this, so not saved

Where to Save These Registers

- **The stack**
- **The code is in complete control of the stack pointer**
 - Allocate by
 - Release by
- **How does it know how much space it needs?**

How to Save sp?

- Procedure “knows” how much it changed sp by at the start
- Assumes every procedure it calls respects this also
- Procedure “restores” sp by restoring the change
- **Don't store sp on the stack**
- If procedure changed sp and fails to restore sp, caller can't locate its own stack items
- Recommend: only change sp at procedure entry and exit

RISC-V Registers

REGISTER NAME, USE, CALLING CONVENTION

REGISTER	NAME	USE	SAVER
x0	zero	The constant value 0	N.A.
x1	ra	Return address	Caller
x2	sp	Stack pointer	Callee
x3	gp	Global pointer	--
x4	tp	Thread pointer	--
x5-x7	t0-t2	Temporaries	Caller
x8	s0/fp	Saved register/Frame pointer	Callee
x9	s1	Saved register	Callee
x10-x11	a0-a1	Function arguments/Return values	Caller
x12-x17	a2-a7	Function arguments	Caller
x18-x27	s2-s11	Saved registers	Callee
x28-x31	t3-t6	Temporaries	Caller
f0-f7	ft0-ft7	FP Temporaries	Caller
f8-f9	fs0-fs1	FP Saved registers	Callee
f10-f11	fa0-fa1	FP Function arguments/Return values	Caller
f12-f17	fa2-fa7	FP Function arguments	Caller
f18-f27	fs2-fs11	FP Saved registers	Callee
f28-f31	ft8-ft11	$R[rd] = R[rs1] + R[rs2]$	Caller

CSCI 341 Simplifications

• **Assume no one calls main**

- Main is only a caller, never a callee

• **gp, tp: don't worry about them**

- You can write perfectly good RISC-V code without them.

Registers- saved/preserved

- **s0-s11: Restore if callee changes.**
 - that's why they're called saved registers.
 - If the callee changes these in any way, it must restore the original values before returning.
- **sp: Restore if callee changes.**
 - Called must ensure it point to the same place before and after the jal call, so the caller can restore values from the stack.
- **HINT -- All saved registers start with **s**!**
- **Don't put sp on the stack**

Registers- volatile

• **ra**

- The jal call itself will change this register.
- Caller needs to save on stack if nested call.

• **a0-a1**

- contain the new returned values.

• **a2-a7**

- volatile argument registers.
- Caller needs to save if need old values after the call.

• **t0-t6**

- That's why they're called temporary
- any procedure may change them at any time
- Caller needs to save if they'll need same values after the call

Implications of Register Conventions

● If function R calls function E,

- R must save any **temporary** registers that it may be using onto the stack before making a `jal` call.
- E must save any S (**saved**) registers it intends to use before garbling up their values

● Remember: Caller/callee need to save only temporary/saved registers they are using, not all registers.

Steps for Making a Procedure Call (V.3, final version)

- 1) Caller saves **needed volatile regs** onto stack.
- 2) Assign argument(s) in a0-a7, if any.
- 3) `jal ra, proc` -- call procedure
- 4) **Callee allocates stack and preserves used s-regs**
- 5) Perform procedure's operations
- 6) Callee releases stack and restores used s-regs
- 7) Place result in a0, a1 if any, for caller
- 8) `jalr x0, ra, 0` – return to caller
- 9) Caller restore values from stack.

Procedure Call Conventions (Rules, to you)

- **Call with jal ra, proc; return with jalr x0, ra, 0**
 - Maintain the “fiction” of procedures with jal/jalr pairs
 - No other jumps between two procedure bodies, only within a procedure
- **Accept up to 8 arguments in a0-a7**
 - Always used in that order (can't skip or get clever to avoid stack use)
 - We will never a 9th argument (simplifying assumption)
- **Return value is always in a0 (and a1 if two return values)**
- **Follow register conventions**
 - Even in function that only you call!
 - These dictate which registers will be unchanged after a procedure call and which may be changed
 - Assume the worst: that they are changed, every time!

Nested Procedure Call Example (C Code)

```
main() {  
    int i,j,k; /* i-k:s0-s2 */  
    ...  
    k = sumSquare(i,j); ...  
}
```

```
int sumSquare(int x, int y) {  
    return mult(x,x)+ y;  
}
```

```
int mult (int mcand, int mlier){  
    int product;  
    product = 0;  
    while (mlier > 0) {  
        product += mcand;  
        mlier -= 1; }  
    return product;  
}
```

RISC-V Code for main

main:

```
addi a0,s0,0      # arg0 = i
addi a1,s1,0      # arg1 = j
jal ra, sumSquare # call sumSquare
addi s2,a0,0      # k = mult()
```

```
addi a7, x0, 10
```

```
ecall
```

```
main() {
    int i,j,k,m; /* i-m:s0-s3 */

    k = sumSquare(i,j);
}
```

Comments for main

- **main function ends with `ecall 10`, not `jalr x0,ra,0`, there is no need to save `ra` onto stack**
- **all variables used in main function are saved registers, so there's no need to save these onto stack**
- **main cannot rely on procedures not touching and changing any volatile registers – this includes `a0-a7`**

RISC-V Code for sumSquare

```
int sumSquare(int x, int y) {  
    return mult(x,x)+ y; }
```

sumSquare:

```
    addi sp,sp,-8    # space on stack  
    sw ra, 4(sp)     # save ret addr  
    sw a1, 0(sp)     # save y
```

```
    add a1,a0,zero   # mult(x,x)  
    jal ra, mult     # call mult
```

```
    lw a1, 0(sp)     # restore y  
    add a0,a0,a1     # mult()+y  
    lw ra, 4(sp)     # get ret addr  
    addi sp,sp,8     # restore stack  
    jalr zero, ra, 0
```

sumSquare: Caller and Callee

- **Has jal, so has to save/restore ra, and thus sp**
- **Only known values coming in are sp, ra, a0, a1**
- **No good choice for saved regs vs. temp regs. , can't know what caller used vs. what callee used – so stick with our original conventions**
 - s for local variables
 - t for intermediate results

RISC-V code for mult (leaf procedure)

mult:

addi t0,x0,0 *# prod=0*

Loop:

bge 0,a1,Fin *# if mlr <= 0, goto Fin*

add t0,t0,a0 *# prod+=mc*

addi a1,a1,-1 *# mlr-=1*

jal zero,Loop *# goto Loop*

Fin:

addi a0,t0,0 *# a0=prod*

jalr zero, ra, 0 *# return*

```
int mult (int mcand, int mlier) {
int product = 0;
while (mlier > 0) {
    product += mcand;
    mlier -= 1; }
return product;
}
```

Comments for leaf procedure

- **mult is a leaf procedure!**
 - No jal calls are made from mult
- **No need to save/restore ra since it won't change**
- **Only known values coming in are ra, a0, a1**
- **Use volatile registers (t0-t6, also include a0-a7) for local variables in leaf procedures!**
- **if it uses saved registers, it must save/restore them – so avoid that, to avoid having to use the stack**
- **Why use temp registers not s registers for intermediate calculations?**
 - Since you are the compiler, bend the rules (t registers not just for intermediate results in a leaf)

Review Procedures So Far

- 1) Consider a nested procedure P that calls procedure Q. P should always save ra. True or False?
- 2) If P needs t0, and will write a0 to pass a parameter to Q, P might first

a) need to save a0 to the stack.

b) need to return to the main program

c) need to save t0 to the stack.

- 3) When P calls Q, P should expect

a) Q might pop less from the stack than Q pushed to the stack

b) Q will push to stack above the stack pointer

c) Q will pop from stack as much as Q pushed to the stack

Recursion: Caller IS Callee

- **Each call creates a new stack frame**
- **special case of nested procedure call**

Classic Factorial Problem in RISC-V

```
int fact (int n)
{
    if (n <= 1) return 1;
    else return (n * fact(n - 1));
}
```

- Argument n in a0
- Result in a0

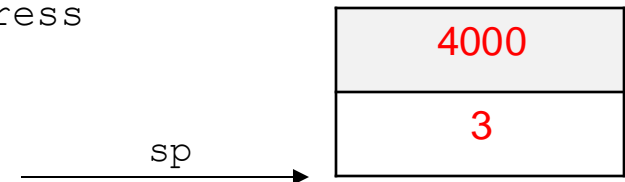
fact:	# Procedure Address 8000		
addi sp, sp, -8	# adjust stack for 2 items		Instructions 1 – 3
sw ra, 4(sp)	# save the return address		
sw a0, 0(sp)	# save the argument n		
addi t0, zero, 1	# t0 = 1		Instructions 4 – 5
blt t0, a0, L1	# if n > 1, go to L1		
addi a0, zero, 1	# return 1 (n<=1)		Instructions 6 – 8
addi sp, sp, 8	# restore stack pointer		
jalr zero, ra, 0	# return to caller		
L1: addi a0, a0, -1	# n >= 1: argument gets (n - 1)		Instructions 9 – 10
jal ra, fact	# call fact with (n - 1)		
lw t0, 0(sp)	# return from jal: restore n to t0		Instructions 11 – 13
lw ra, 4(sp)	# restore the return address		
addi sp, sp, 8	# adjust stack pointer: pop 2 items		
mul a0, t0, a0	# return n * fact (n - 1)		Instructions 14 – 15
jalr zero, ra, 0	# return to the caller		

Main () calls fact () : First Call (n = 3)

- Assume `jal ra, fact` is located at location 3996 in `main()`
- Argument `n = 3` in `a0`
- Return address for `main()` = _____ so `ra` = _____

- Instructions 1 – 3.
- Fill out the stack after the execution of the following instructions
- `sp` already adjusted in picture

```
addi sp, sp, -8      # adjust stack for 2 items
sw    ra, 4(sp)       # save return address
sw    a0, 0(sp)       # save argument
```



Instructions 4 – 5

- Test for $a0 > 1$
 - $a0 =$
- will blt jump or continue?**

```
addi t0, zero, 1           # test for n > 1
blt  t0, a0, L1
```


Instructions 9 – 10

- **Jump to L1**
- **After executing instructions 9 and 10**

```
L1: addi a0, a0, -1      # n > 1: argument gets (n - 1)
    jal  ra, fact        # call fact with (n -1)
```

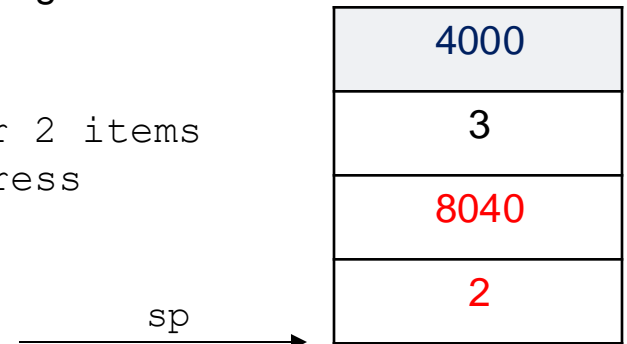
- a0 updated to 2
- address of fact = 8000
- ra = 8040

fact () calls fact () : Second Call (n = 2)

- **Argument n = 2 in a0**
- **Return address for fact () = _____ , so ra = _____**

- Instructions 1 – 3.
- Fill out the stack after the execution of the following instructions
- sp already adjusted

```
addi sp, sp, -8      # adjust stack for 2 items
sw   ra, 4(sp)       # save return address
sw   a0, 0(sp)       # save argument
```



Instructions 4 – 5

- Test for $a0 > 1$
- $a0 =$
will blt jump or continue?

```
addi t0, zero, 1  
blt  t0, a0, L1
```

```
# test for n > 1
```

Instructions 9 – 10

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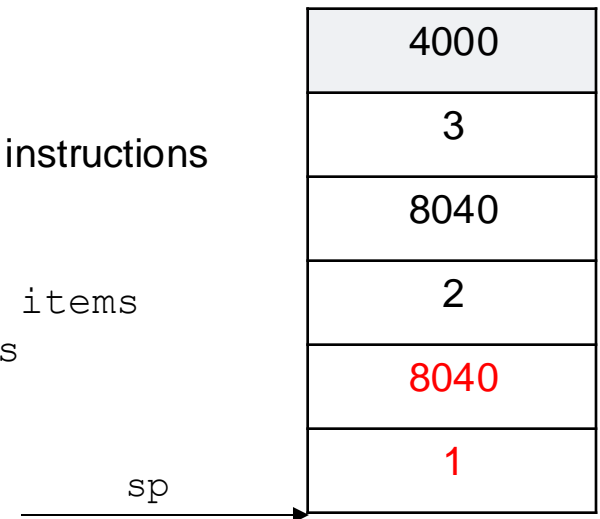
- a0 updated to 1
- address of fact = 8000
- ra = 8040

fact () calls fact () : Third Call (n = 1)

- **Argument n = 1 in a0**
- **Return address for fact () = _____ so (ra = _____)**

- Instructions 1 – 3.
- Fill out the stack after the execution of the following instructions
- `sp` already adjusted

```
addi sp, sp, -8      # adjust stack for 2 items
sw   ra, 4(sp)       # save return address
sw   a0, 0(sp)       # save argument
```



Instructions 4 – 5

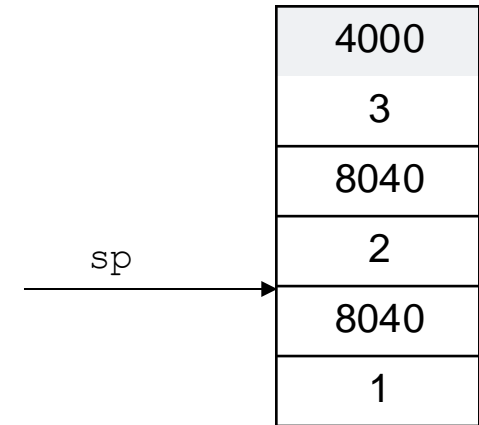
- **Test for** $a0 > 1$
- **$a0 =$**
will blt jump or continue?

```
addi t0, zero, 1  
blt  t0, a0, L1
```

```
# test for n > 1
```

Instructions 6 – 8

```
addi a0, zero, 1 # return 1
addi sp, sp, 8   # restore stack pointer
jalr zero, ra, 0 # return to caller
```

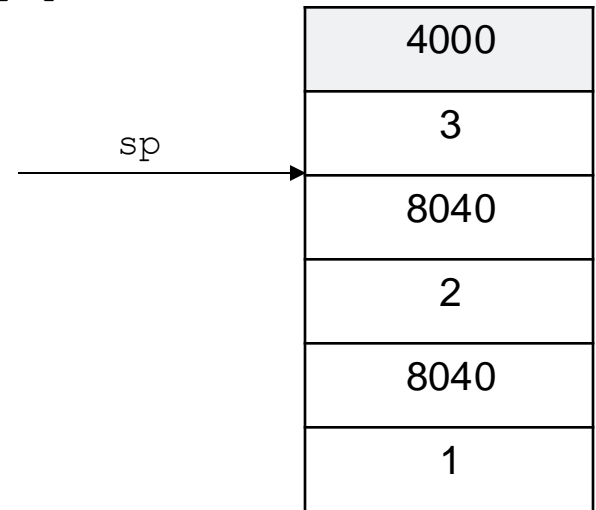


- Return to 8040 with a0 = 1
- New PC = 8040
- How many times are these 3 instructions executed over the duration of the program (until the completion of the calculation of the factorial)?
- We adjusted `sp` but never popped anything off. Why?

Instructions 11 – 13

```
lw t0, 0(sp)    # return from jal: recover argument n
lw ra, 4(sp)     # restore the return address
addi sp, sp, 8   # adjust stack pointer to pop 2 items
```

- **a0 = 1** (from returned call)
- **t0 = 2**
- **ra = 8040**
- **What is left in the stack after the execution of the instructions above?**



Instructions 14 - 15

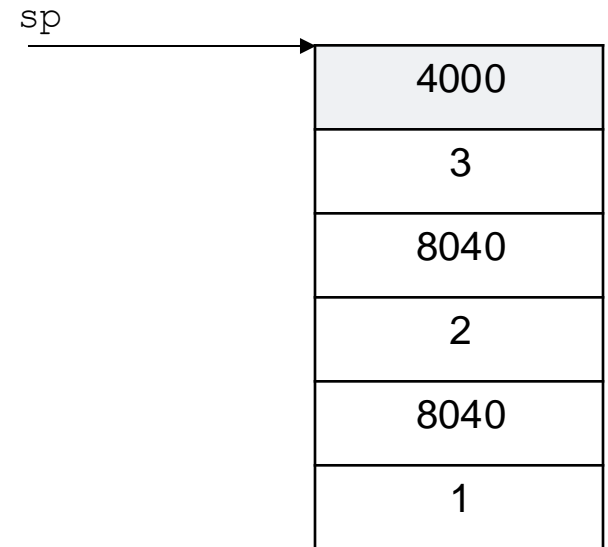
```
mul a0, t0, a0          # return n * fact (n - 1)
jalr zero, ra, 0
```

- Return to **__fact()** with a0 = **__2__**
- New PC = **__8040__**

Instructions 11 – 13

```
lw t0, 0(sp)      # return from jal: restore argument n
lw ra, 4(sp)       # restore the return address
addi sp, sp, 8     # adjust stack pointer to pop 2 items
```

- **a0 = 2** (from returned call)
- **t0 = 3**
- **ra = 4000**
- **What is left in the stack after the execution of the instructions above?**



Instructions 14 - 15

```
mul a0, t0, a0    # return n * fact (n - 1)
jalr zero, ra, 0  # return to caller
```

- Return to main() with a0 = 6
- New PC = 4000

Recursive Procedure Call Example: Fibonacci Numbers

- **The Fibonacci numbers are defined as follows:**

$$F(n) = F(n - 1) + F(n - 2),$$

$F(0)$ and $F(1)$ are defined to be 1

- **Rewriting this in C :**

```
int fib(int n) {  
    if(n == 0) { return 1; }  
    if(n == 1) { return 1; }  
    return (fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2));  
}
```

Approaching the RISC-V Code

- **Decide what goes on the stack, write the prologue**
 - Allocating stack
 - Saving initial values
- **Write the epilogue**
 - Restore values from the stack
 - Release the stack
 - Return to the caller
- **Write the body– carefully**
 - This matches the C function body

Fibonacci Numbers (Prologue)

• **Space for three words on the stack**

- return addr (ra)
- n (a0)
- temp sum (s0)

• **RISC-V code:**

fib:

```
addi sp, sp, -12 # space for 3 words
sw ra, 8(sp)      # save return address
sw s0, 4(sp)      # save s0, used within
```

Fibonacci Numbers (Epilogue)

```
fib_done:
    lw    s0, 4(sp)    # restore s0
    lw    ra, 8(sp)    # restore ra
    addi  sp, sp, 12    # pop the stack frame
    jalr  zero, ra, 0    # return to caller
```

Fibonacci Numbers: Body Part 1

• **Start with the base cases**

```
if (n == 0) return 1;  
if (n == 1) return 1;
```

• **RISC-V code:**

```
addi t1, a0, 0          # save a0 in t1  
addi a0, x0, 1          # a0 = 1 (setup return value)  
beq  t1, x0, fib_done   # if n==0 goto fib_done  
addi t0, x0, 1  
beq  t1, t0, fib_done   # if n==1 goto fib_done
```


Fibonacci Numbers (Body Part 2)

- **Next, the recursive case: careful, this is tricky**

```
return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)
```

- **RISC-V code:**

```
addi a0, t1, -1      # a0 = n-1
sw    a0, 0(sp)      # need a0 after jal
jal   ra, fib        # fib(n-1)
add   s0, a0, 0      # save result
lw    a0, 0(sp)      # restore a0
addi  a0, a0, -1     # a0 = n-2 (already n-1)
jal   ra, fib        # fib(n-2)
add   a0, a0, s0      # a0=fib(n-2)+fib(n-1)
                        # continues at fib_done...
```

fib.s

- Breakpoint on jal's and jalr
- Watch a0, s0, sp, ra
- Single step the first jal to see ra change (on first call)
 - Updated, but stays unchanged, on the recursive call
- Single step the jalr x0, ra, 0 to see PC change (on last return)
 - Updated, but stays unchanged, on the recursive returns

RISC-V Register Conventions

Name	Register number	Usage	Preserved on call?
x0	0	The constant value 0	n.a.
x1 (ra)	1	Return address (link register)	yes
x2 (sp)	2	Stack pointer	yes
x3 (gp)	3	Global pointer	yes
x4 (tp)	4	Thread pointer	yes
x5 - x7	5–7	Temporaries	no
x8 - x9	8–9	Saved	yes
x10 - x17	10–17	Arguments/results	no
x18 - x27	18–27	Saved	yes
x28 - x31	28–31	Temporaries	no

After-Class Activities

- **Draw out the stack showing the execution of fib.s with an input of 4 (the first 4 Fibonacci numbers will be printed)**
- **Compare with what RARS stack shows**