

Machine-Level Programming II: Procedures

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Today

■ Procedures

- Mechanisms
- Stack Structure
- Calling Conventions
 - Passing control
 - Passing data
 - Managing local data
- Illustration of Recursion

■ Finish Up Control Flow

- Switch Statement

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- To beginning of procedure code
- Back to return point

■ Passing data

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■ Memory management

- Allocate during procedure execution
- Deallocate upon return

■ Mechanisms all implemented with machine instructions

■ x86-64 implementation of a procedure uses only those mechanisms required

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    print(y)  
    •  
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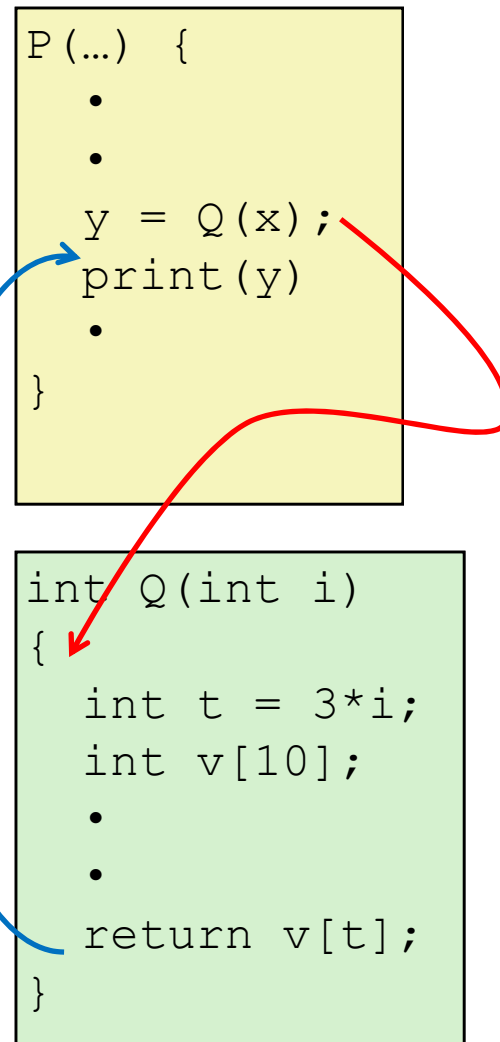
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Mechanisms in Procedures

```
P (...) {
```

Machine instructions implement the mechanisms, but the choices are determined by designers. These choices make up the **Application Binary Interface (ABI)**.

- Deallocate upon return
- **Mechanisms all implemented with machine instructions**
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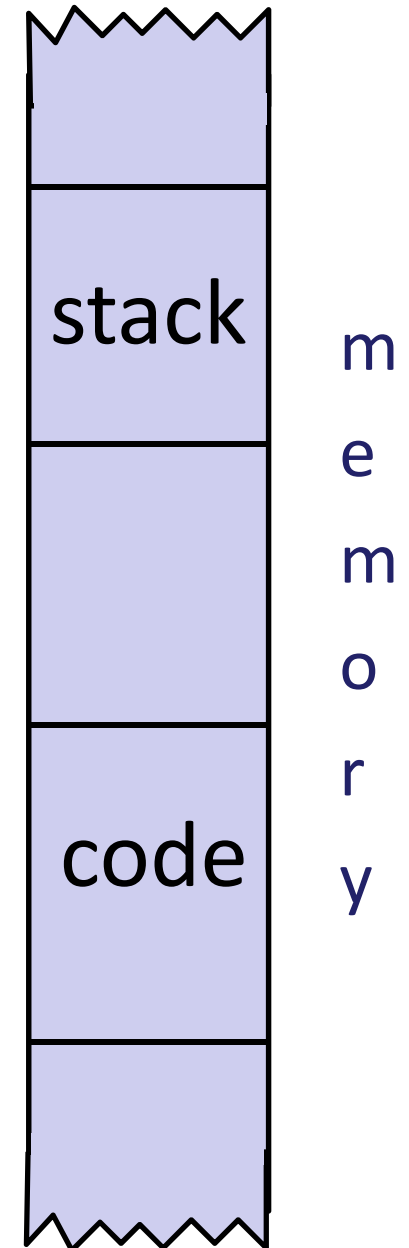
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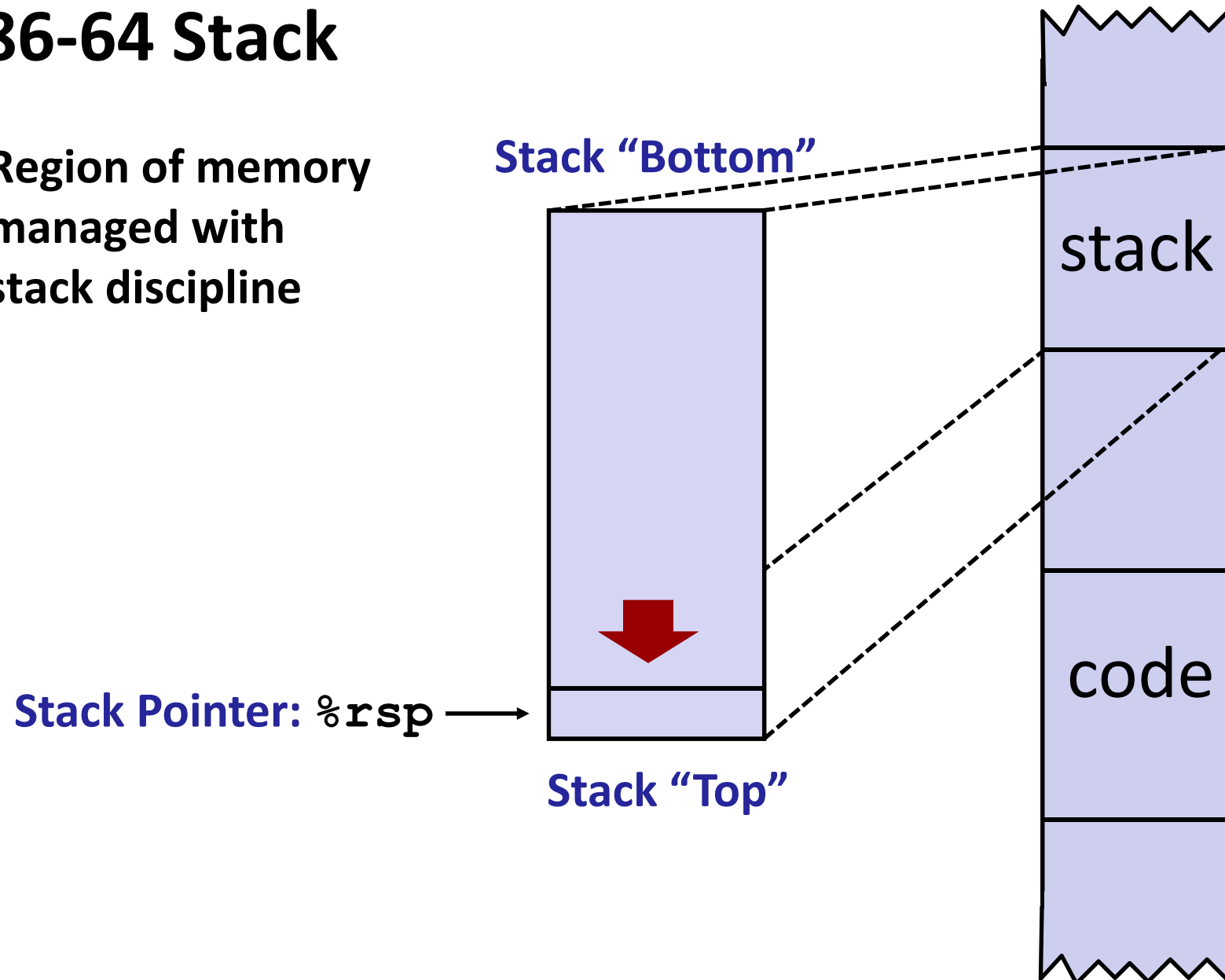
x86-64 Stack

- **Region of memory managed with stack discipline**
 - Memory viewed as array of bytes.
 - Different regions have different purposes.
 - (Like ABI, a policy decision)



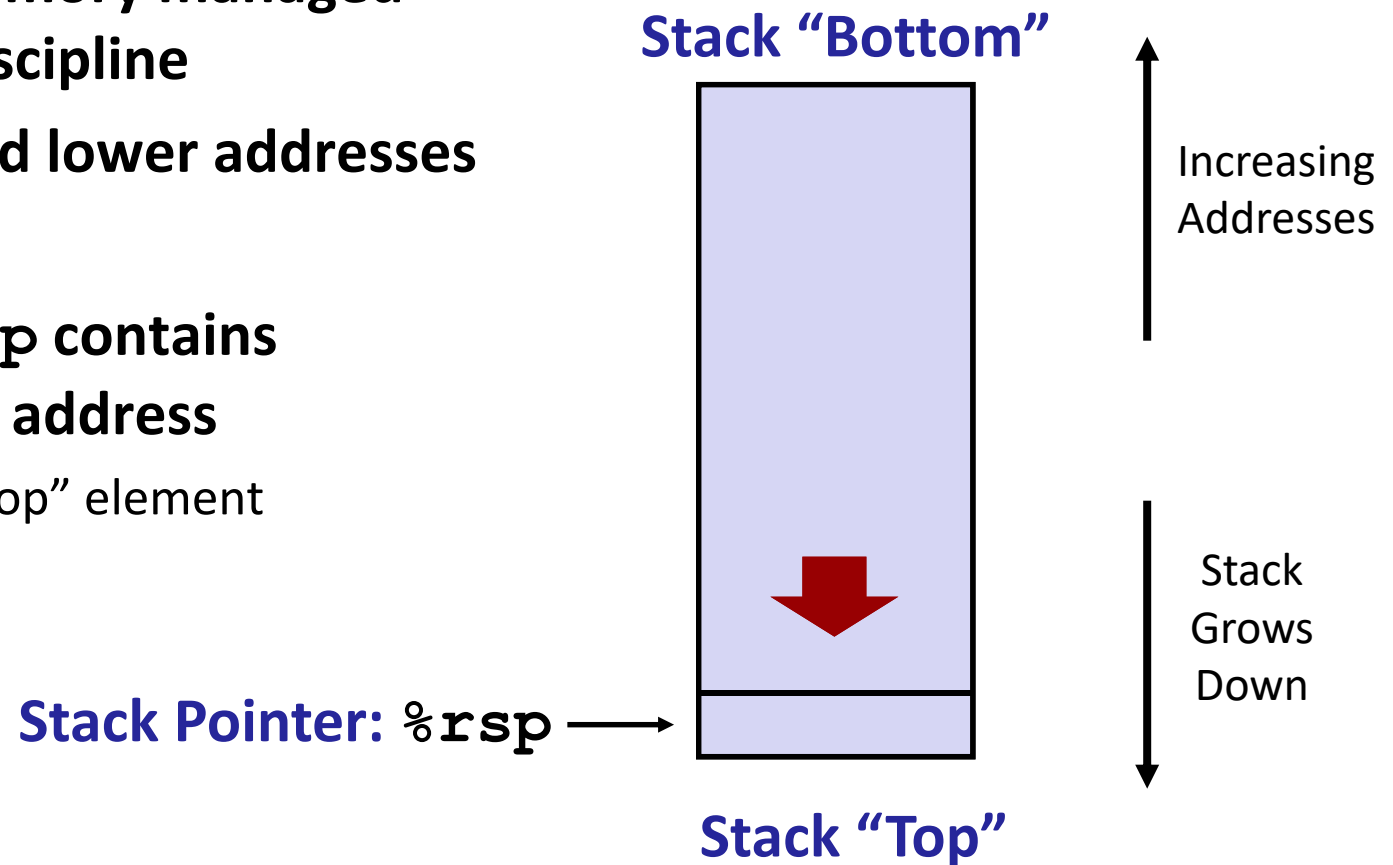
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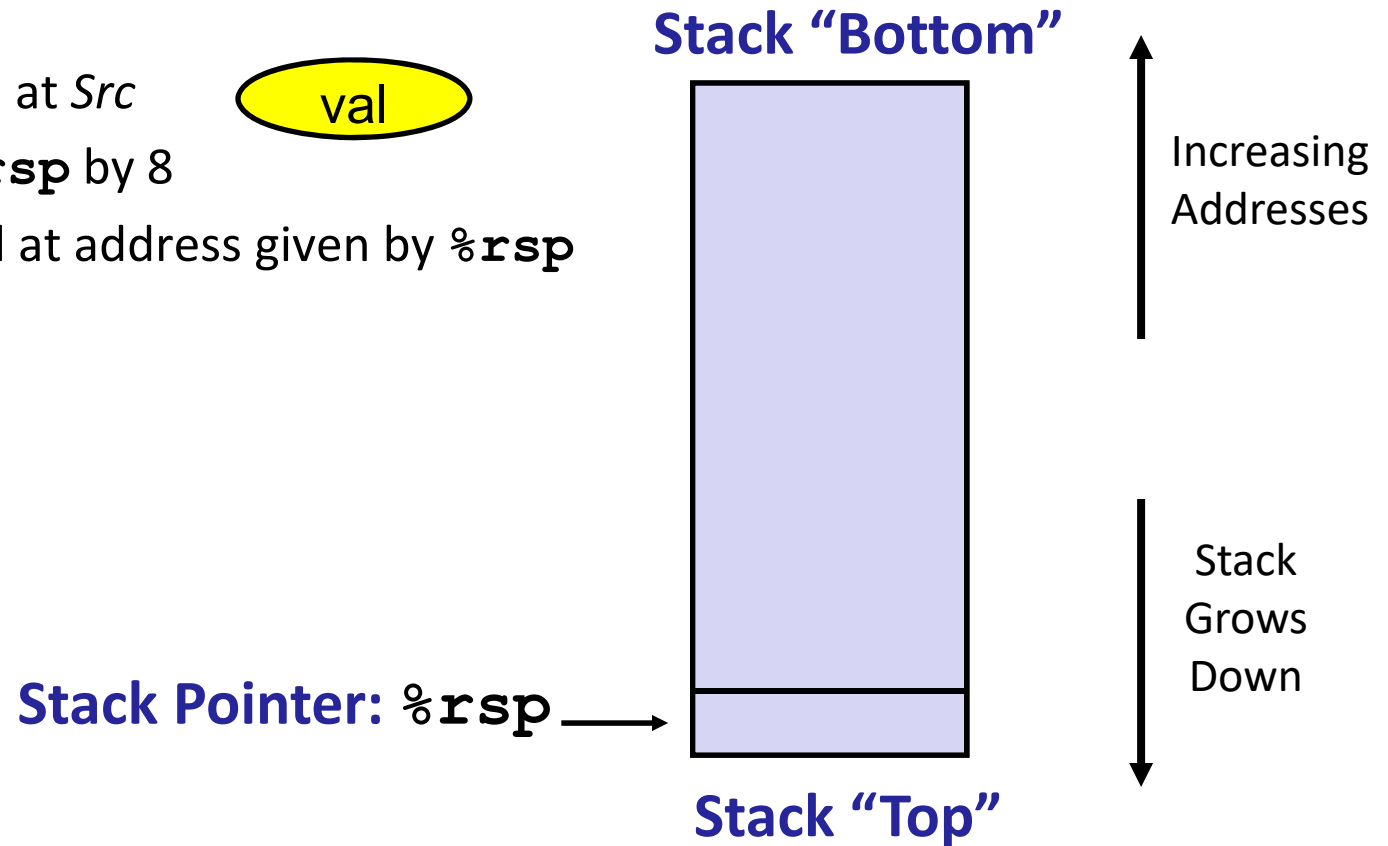
- Region of memory managed with stack discipline
- Grows toward lower addresses
- Register `%rsp` contains lowest stack address
 - address of “top” element



x86-64 Stack: Push

■ `pushq Src`

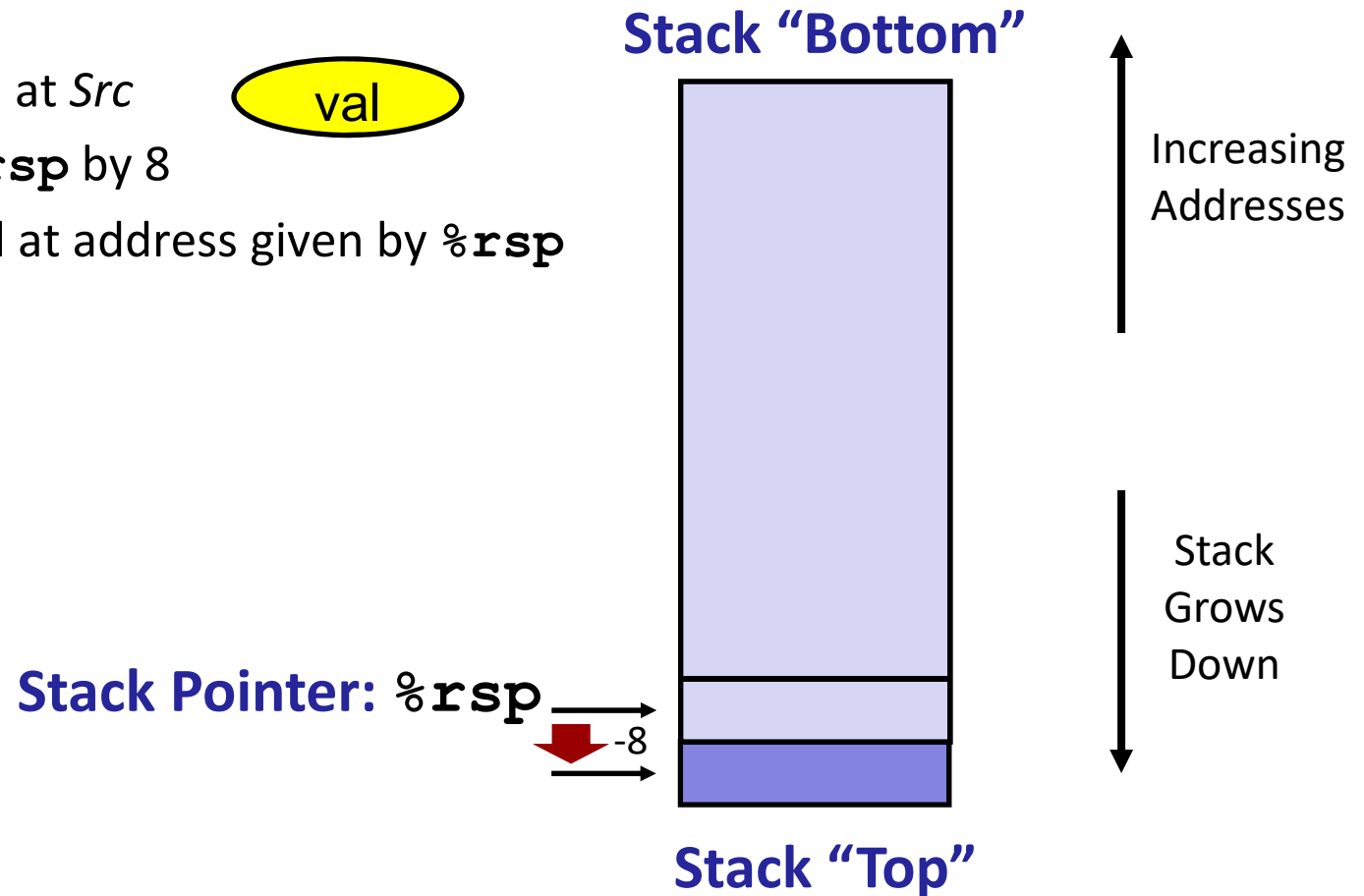
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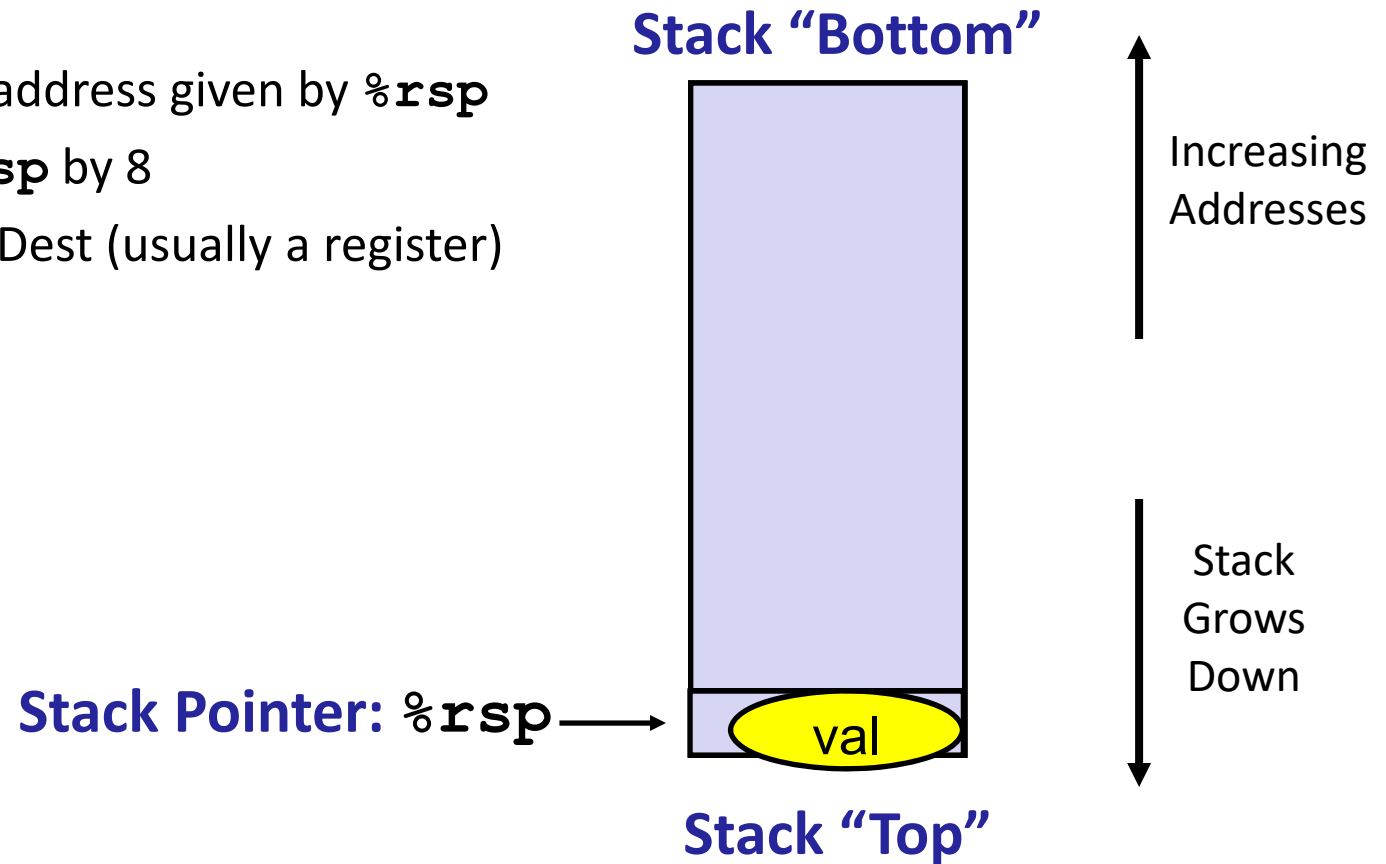
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val

Stack Pointer: `%rsp`  +8

Stack “Bottom”



Stack “Top”

Increasing
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(The memory doesn't change,
only the value of `%rsp`)

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Code Examples

```
void multstore(long x, long y, long *dest)
{
    long t = mult2(x, y);
    *dest = t;
}
```

```
00000000000400540 <multstore>:
400540: push    %rbx           # Save %rbx
400541: mov     %rdx,%rbx      # Save dest
400544: callq   400550 <mult2>  # mult2(x,y)
400549: mov     %rax, (%rbx)    # Save at dest
40054c: pop     %rbx           # Restore %rbx
40054d: retq                      # Return
```

```
long mult2(long a, long b)
{
    long s = a * b;
    return s;
}
```

```
00000000000400550 <mult2>:
400550: mov     %rdi,%rax      # a
400553: imul    %rsi,%rax      # a * b
400557: retq                      # Return
```

Procedure Control Flow

- Use stack to support procedure call and return
- **Procedure call:** `call label`
 - Push return address on stack
 - Jump to *label*
- **Return address:**
 - Address of the next instruction right after call
 - Example from disassembly
- **Procedure return:** `ret`
 - Pop address from stack
 - Jump to address

Control Flow Example #1

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.
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.  
400557: retq
```

0x130

0x128

0x120

%rsp

%rip

0x120

0x400544

Control Flow Example #2

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```

•
•
•

```
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```

```
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```

•
•

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```

•
•

```
400557: retq
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Control Flow Example #3

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•
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Control Flow Example #4

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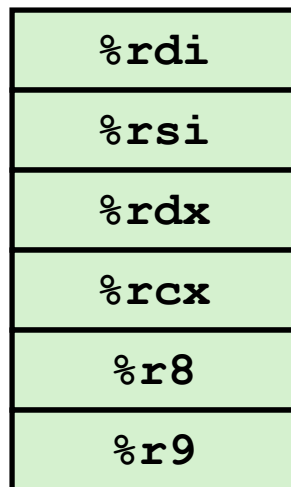
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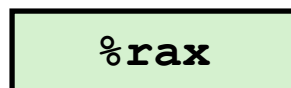
Procedure Data Flow

Registers

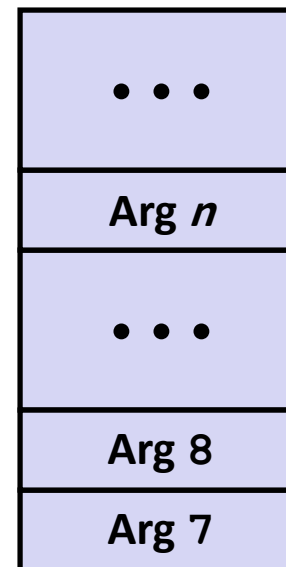
■ First 6 arguments



■ Return value



Stack



■ Only allocate stack space when needed

Data Flow Examples

```
void multstore
(long x, long y, long *dest)
{
    long t = mult2(x, y);
    *dest = t;
}
```

```
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    ...
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Stack-Based Languages

■ Languages that support recursion

- e.g., C, Pascal, Java
- Code must be “*Reentrant*”
 - Multiple simultaneous instantiations of single procedure
- Need some place to store state of each instantiation
 - Arguments
 - Local variables
 - Return pointer

■ Stack discipline

- State for given procedure needed for limited time
 - From when called to when return
- Callee returns before caller does

■ Stack allocated in *Frames*

- state for single procedure instantiation

Call Chain Example

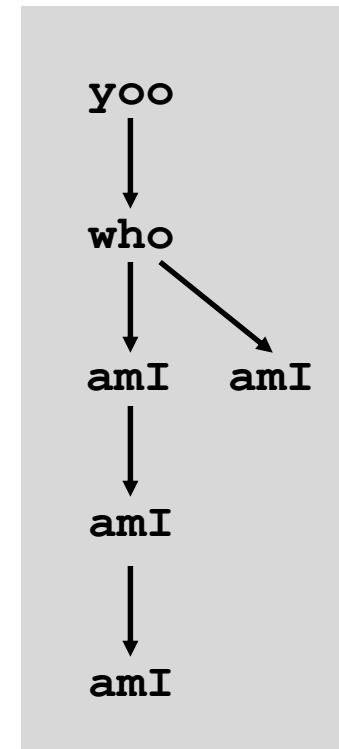
```
yoo (...)  
{  
  .  
  .  
  who ();  
}
```

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

```
amI (...)  
{  
  .  
  .  
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  .  
  .  
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```

Procedure `amI ()` is recursive

Example Call Chain



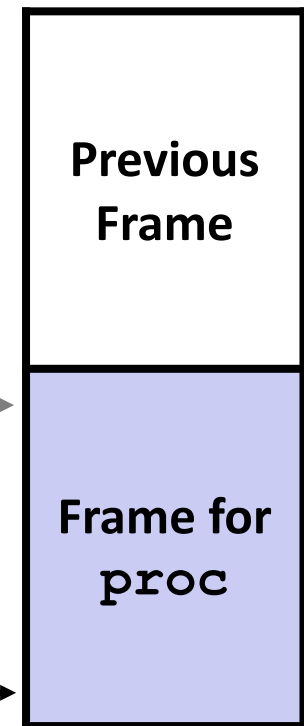
Stack Frames

■ Contents

- Return information
- Local storage (if needed)
- Temporary space (if needed)

Frame Pointer: `%rbp`
(Optional)

Stack Pointer: `%rsp`

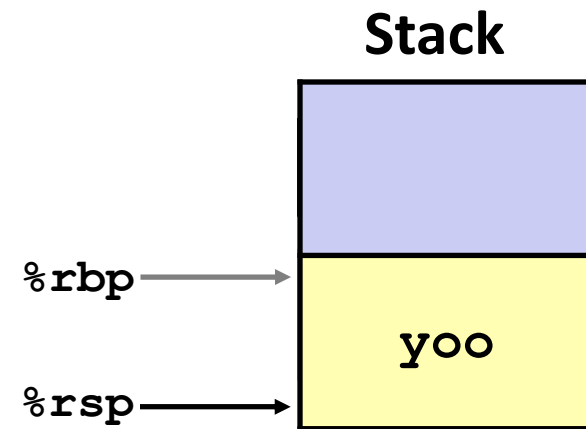
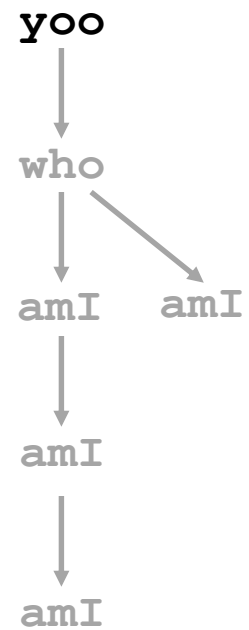
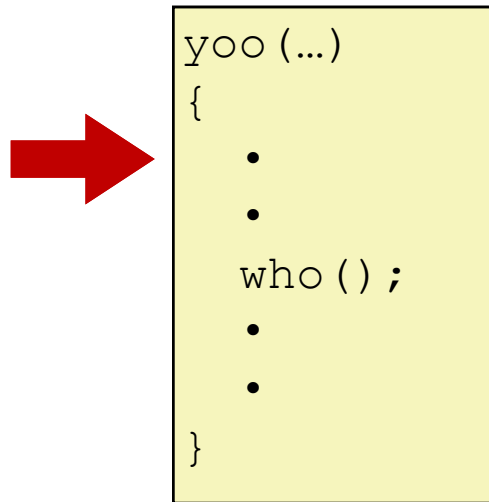


Stack "Top"

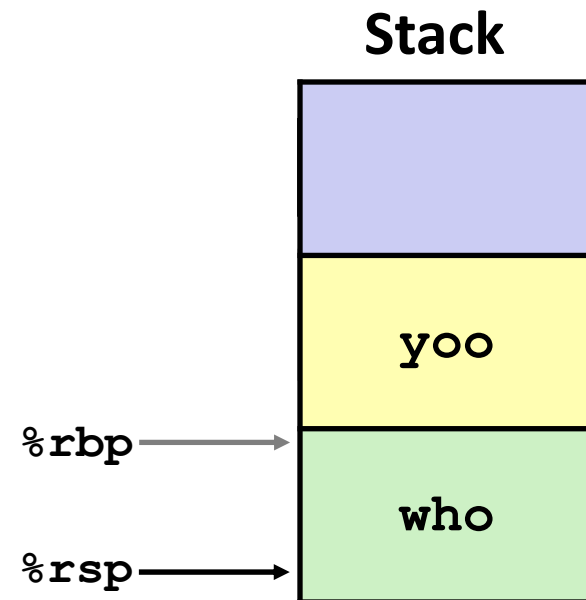
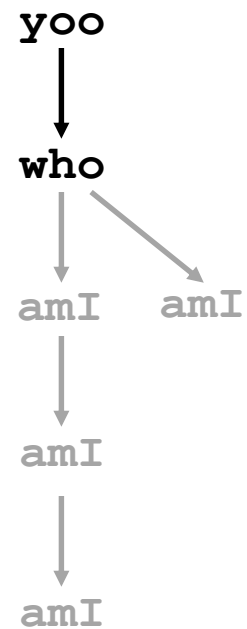
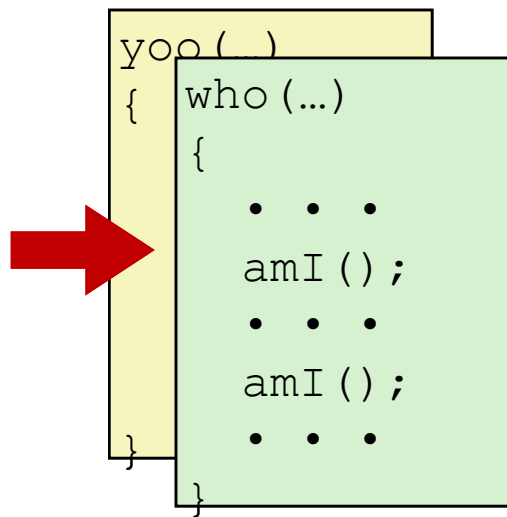
■ Management

- Space allocated when enter procedure
 - "Set-up" code
 - Includes push by `call` instruction
- Deallocated when return
 - "Finish" code
 - Includes pop by `ret` instruction

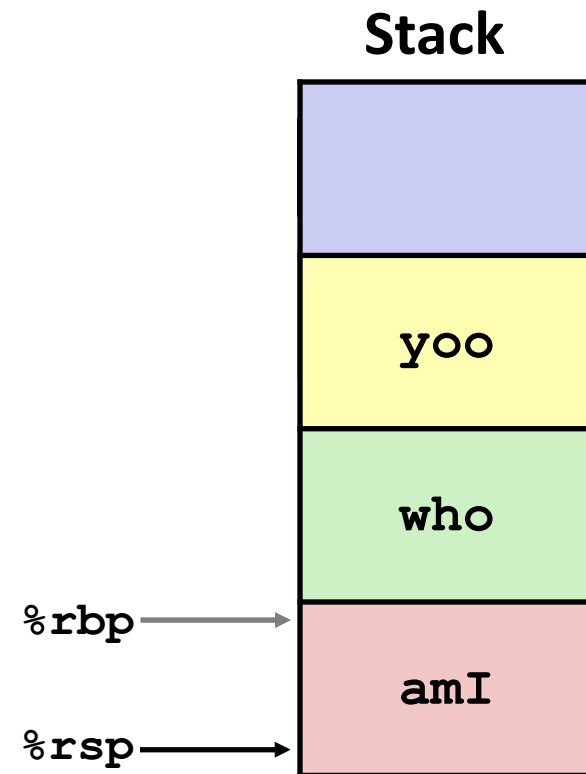
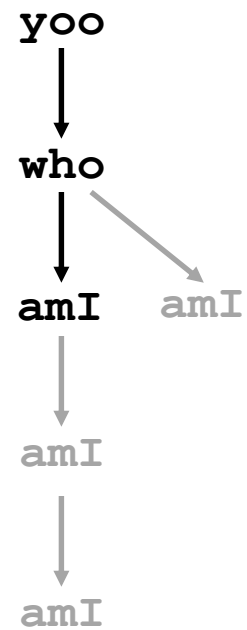
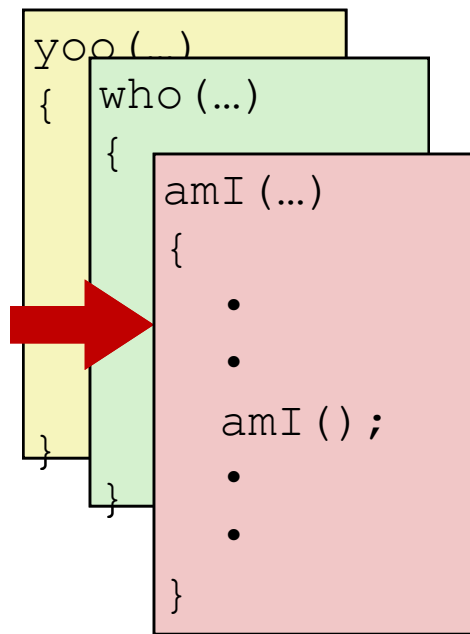
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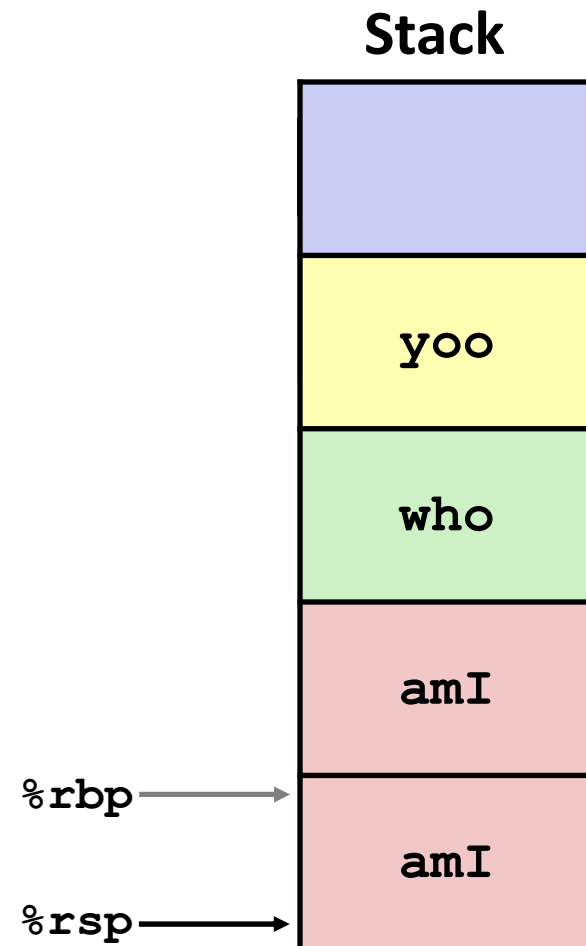
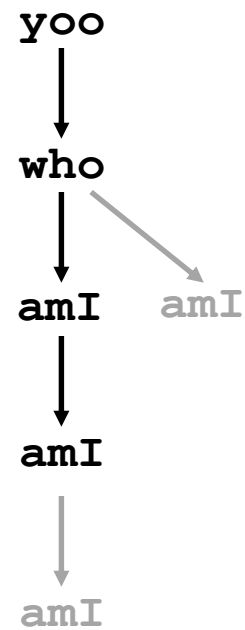
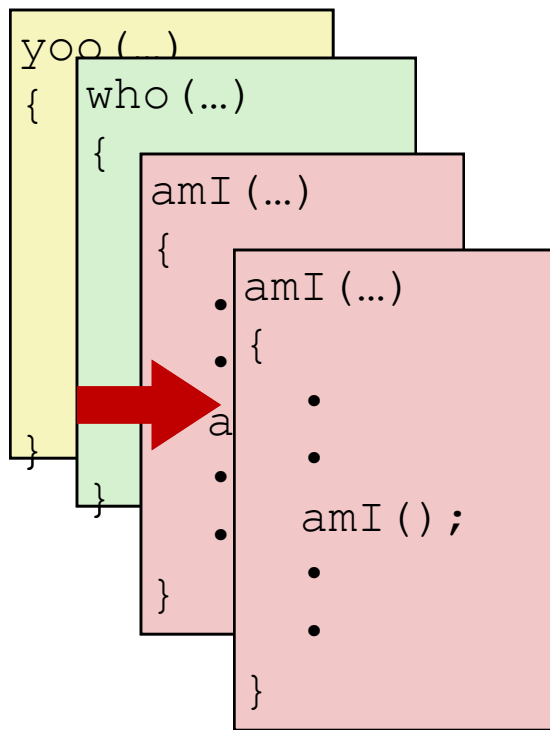
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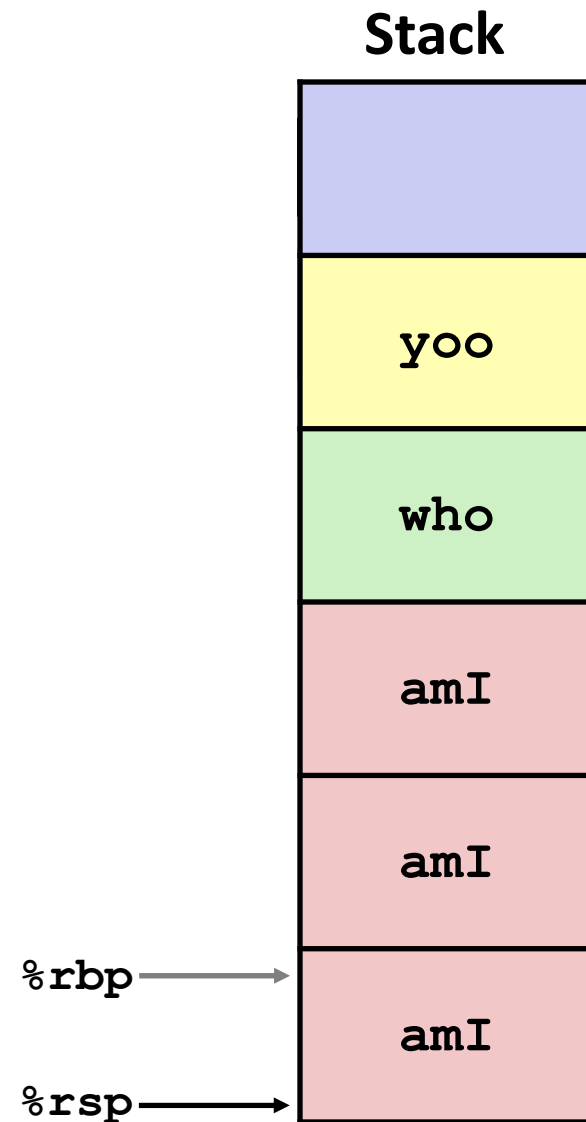
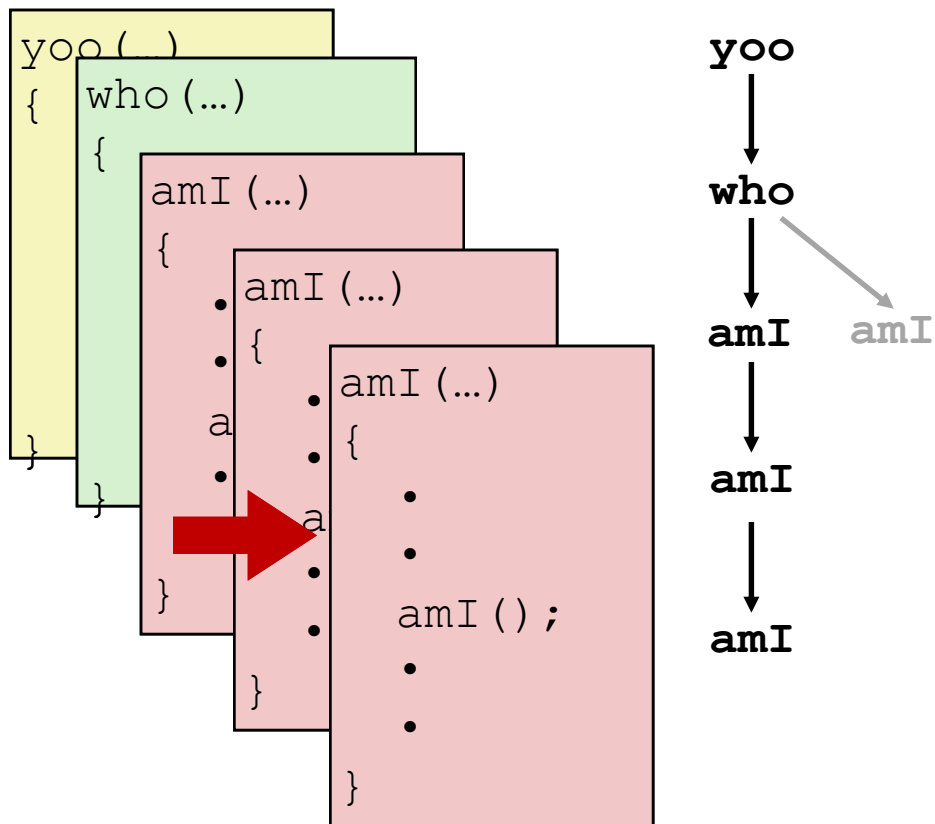
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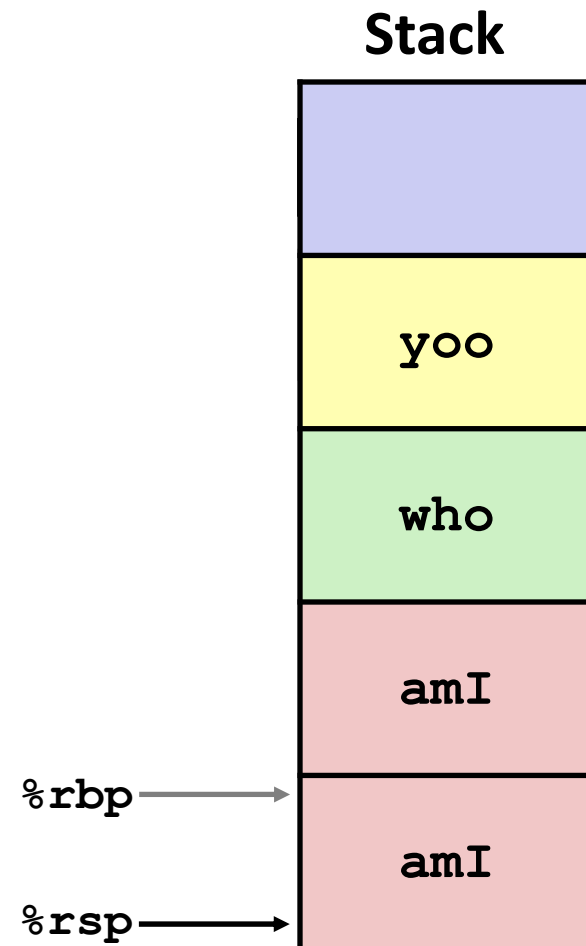
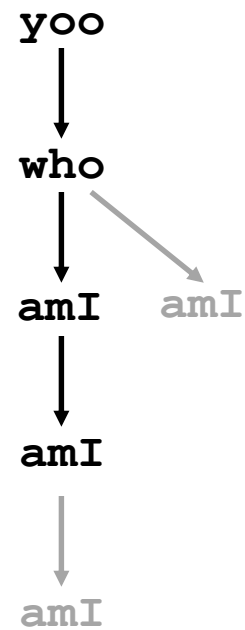
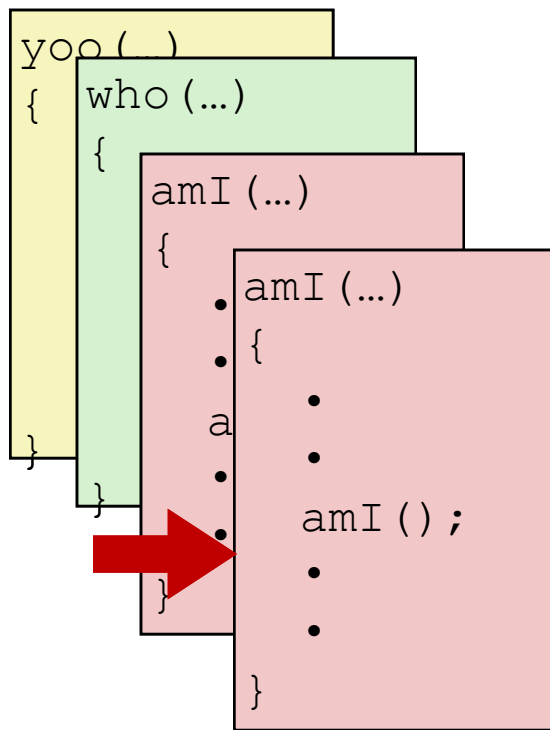
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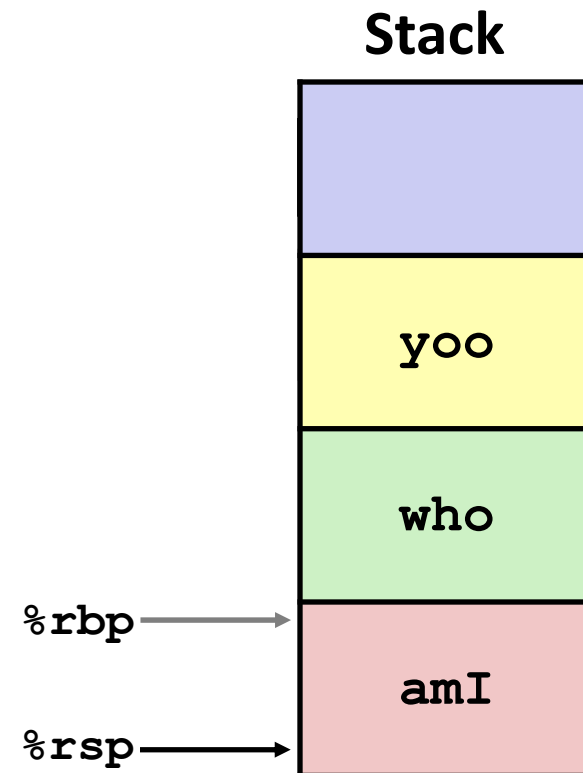
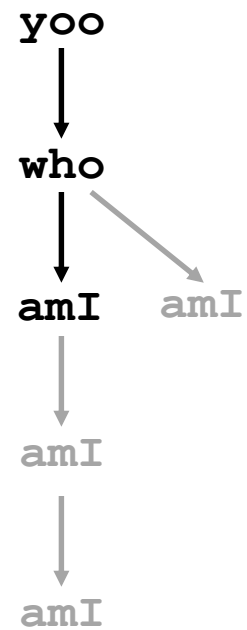
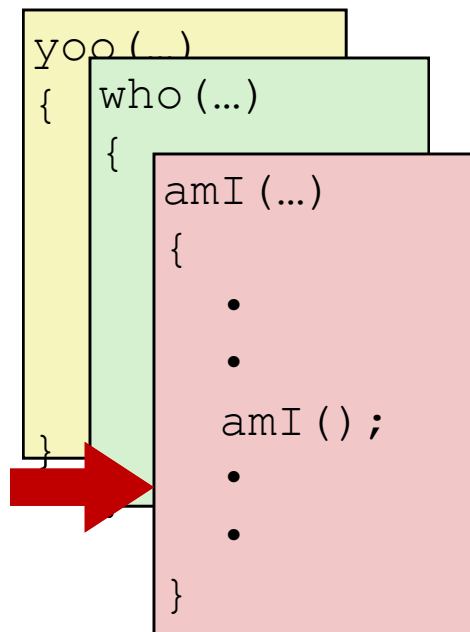
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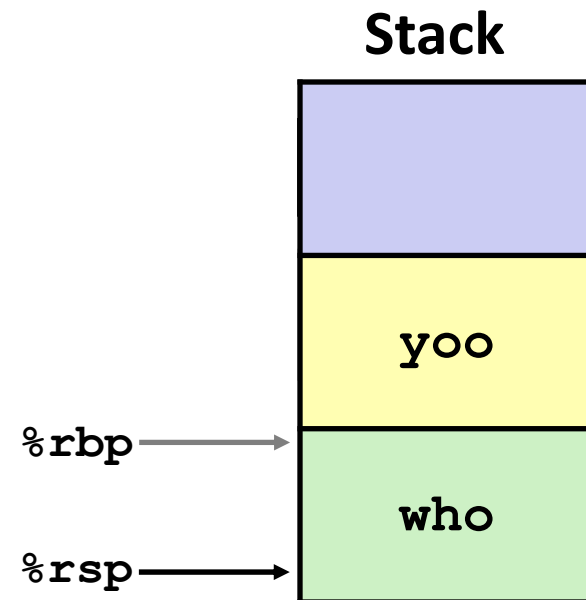
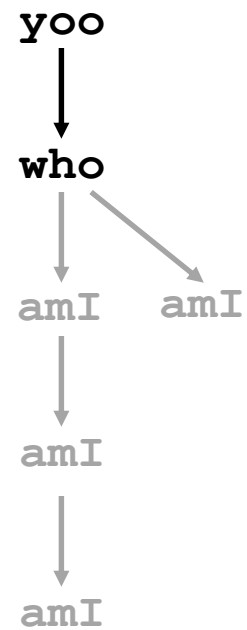
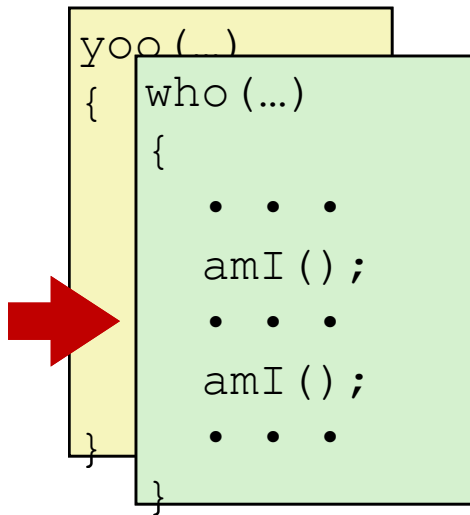
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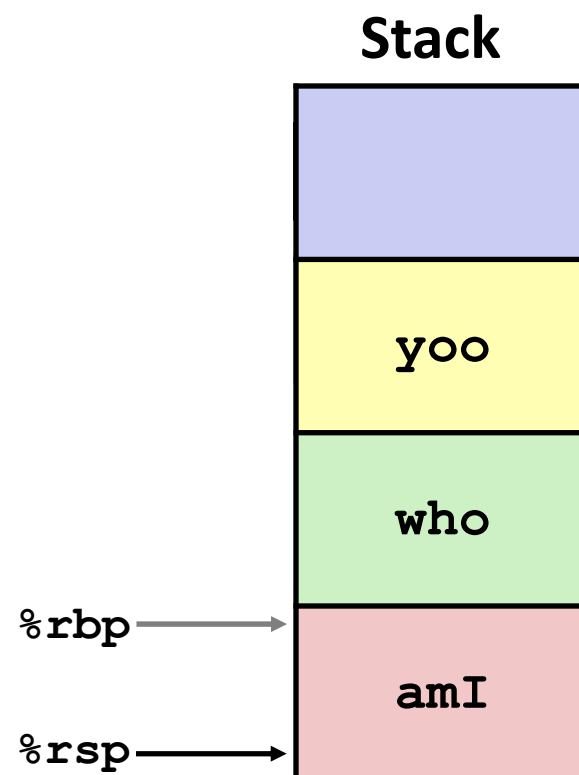
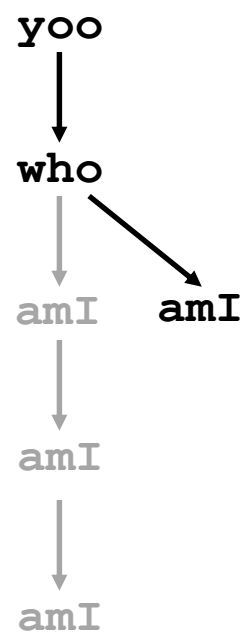
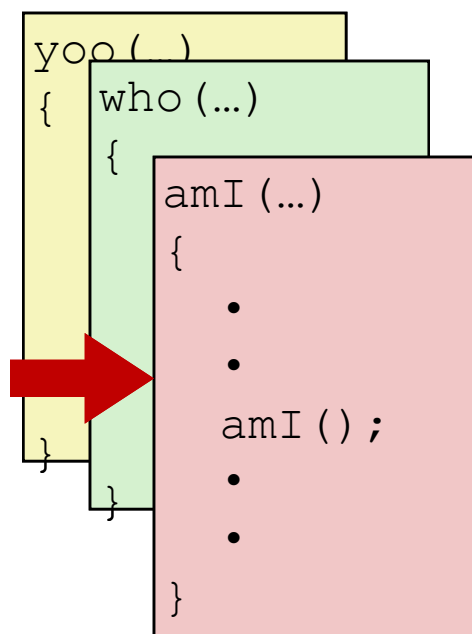
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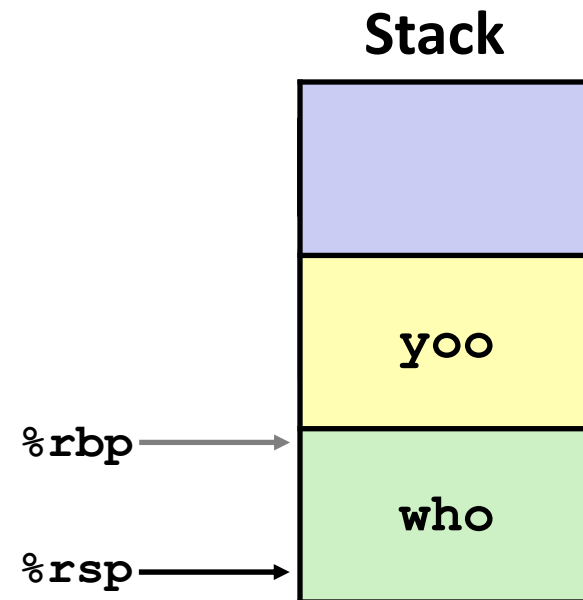
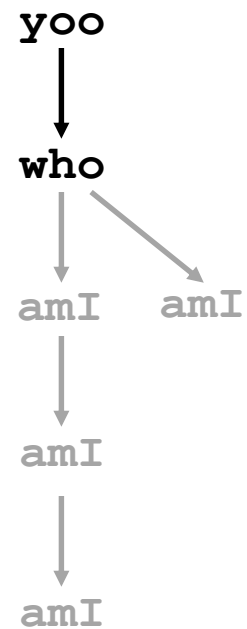
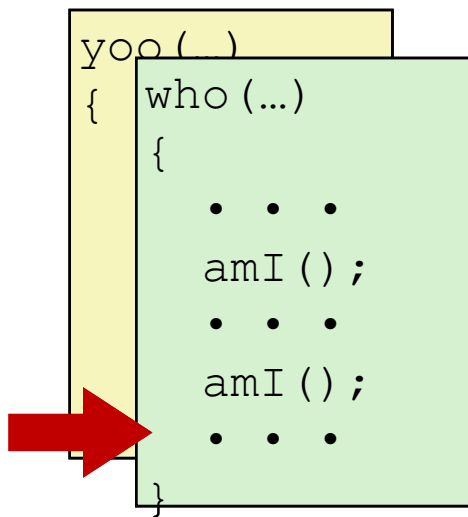
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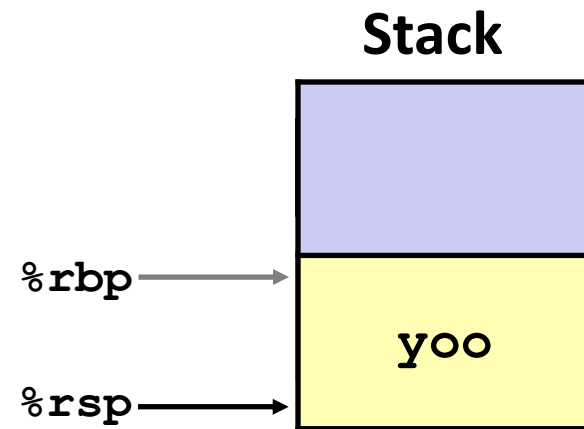
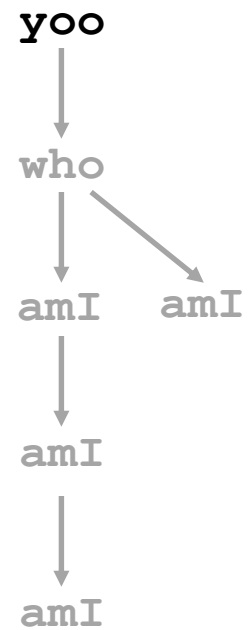
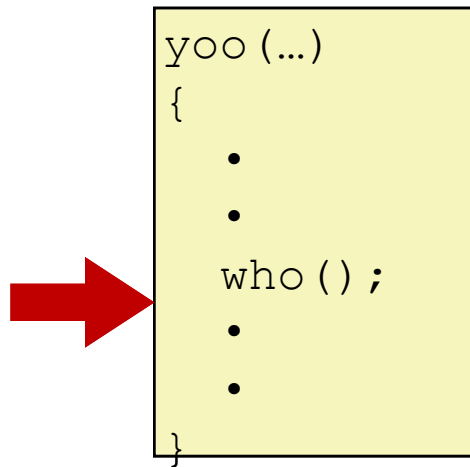
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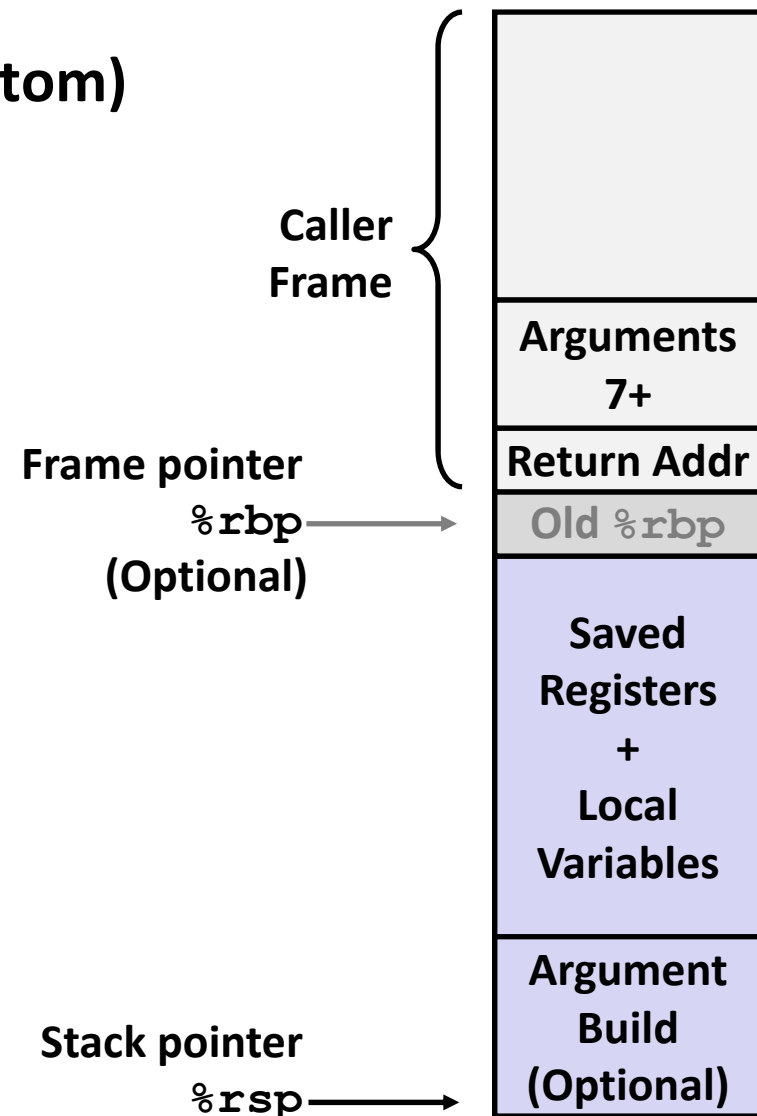
x86-64/Linux Stack Frame

■ Current Stack Frame (“Top” to Bottom)

- “Argument build:”
Parameters for function about to call
- Local variables
If can’t keep in registers
- Saved register context
- Old frame pointer (optional)

■ Caller Stack Frame

- Return address
 - Pushed by **call** instruction
- Arguments for this call



Example: `incr`

```
long incr(long *p, long val) {  
    long x = *p;  
    long y = x + val;  
    *p = y;  
    return x;  
}
```

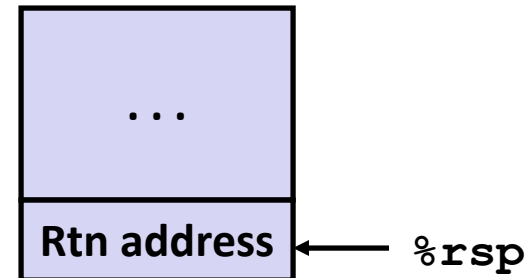
```
incr:  
    movq    (%rdi), %rax  
    addq    %rax, %rsi  
    movq    %rsi, (%rdi)  
    ret
```

| Register | Use(s) |
|----------|-------------------------------|
| %rdi | Argument <code>p</code> |
| %rsi | Argument <code>val, y</code> |
| %rax | <code>x</code> , Return value |

Example: Calling `incr` #1

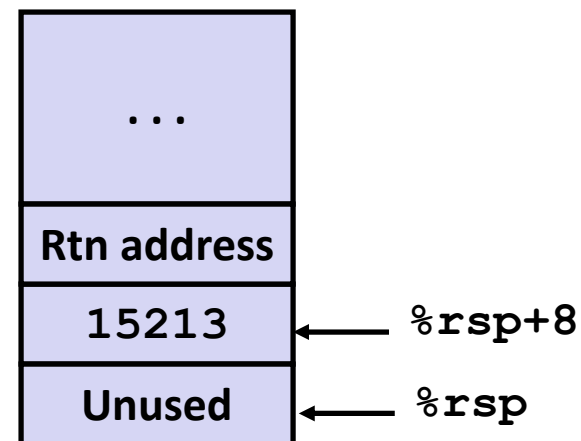
```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

Initial Stack Structure



```
call_incr:
    subq    $16, %rsp
    movq    $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

Resulting Stack Structure

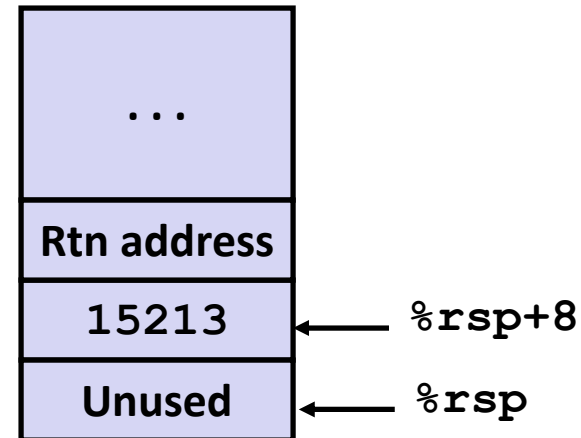


Example: Calling `incr` #2

```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr:
    subq    $16, %rsp
    movq    $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

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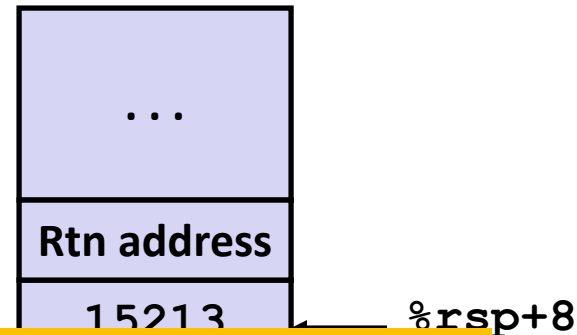


| Register | Use(s) |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| <code>%rdi</code> | <code>&v1</code> |
| <code>%rsi</code> | 3000 |

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Stack Structure



Aside 1: `movl $3000, %esi`

- Note: `movl` -> `%exx` zeros out high order 32 bits.
- Why use `movl` instead of `movq`? 1 byte shorter.

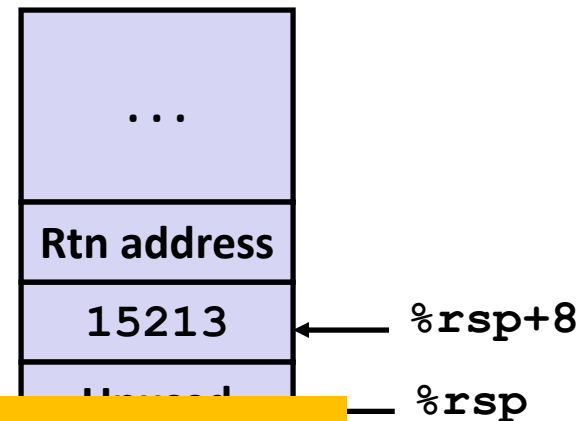
```
call_incr:
    subq    $8, %rsp
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

| | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| <code>%rdi</code> | <code>&v1</code> |
| <code>%rsi</code> | 3000 |

Example: Calling `incr` #2

```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

Stack Structure



Aside 2: `leaq 8(%rsp), %rdi`

- Computes `%rsp+8`
- Actually, used for what it is meant!

```
leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
call    incr
addq    8(%rsp), %rax
addq    $16, %rsp
ret
```

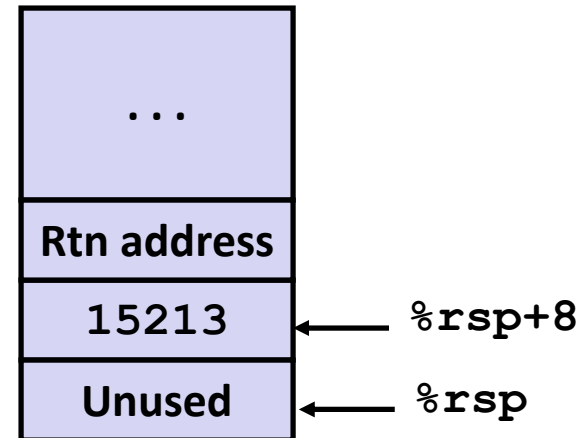
| Case(s) | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| <code>%rsi</code> | 3000 |
| <code>%rdi</code> | <code>&v1</code> |

Example: Calling `incr` #2

```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr:
    subq    $16, %rsp
    movq    $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

Stack Structure



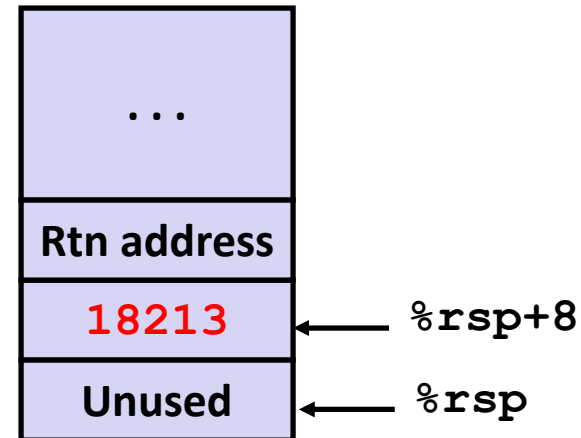
| Register | Use(s) |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| <code>%rdi</code> | <code>&v1</code> |
| <code>%rsi</code> | 3000 |

Example: Calling `incr` #3

```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr:
    subq    $16, %rsp
    movq    $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

Stack Structure



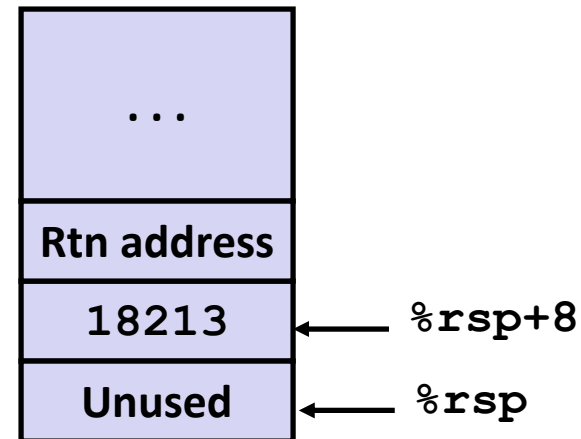
| Register | Use(s) |
|----------|--------|
| %rdi | &v1 |
| %rsi | 3000 |

Example: Calling `incr` #4

Stack Structure

```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr:
    subq    $16, %rsp
    movq    $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

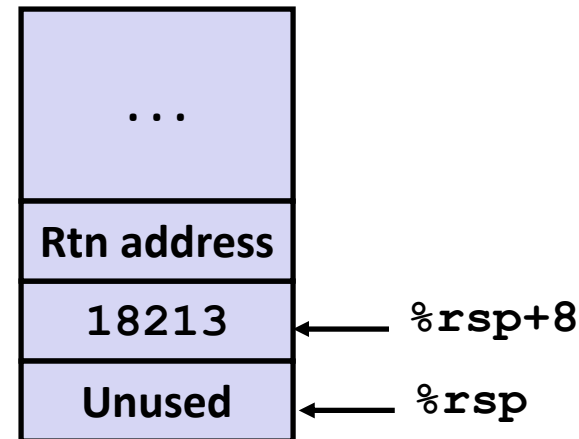


| Register | Use(s) |
|----------|--------------|
| %rax | Return value |

Example: Calling `incr` #5a

Stack Structure

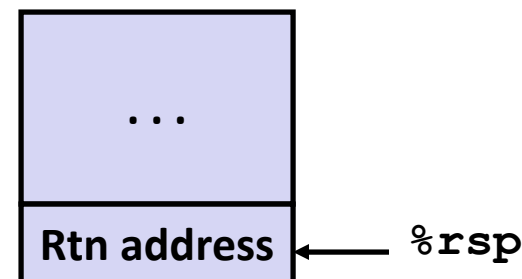
```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```



```
call_incr:
    subq    $16, %rsp
    movq    $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

| Register | Use(s) |
|-------------------|--------------|
| <code>%rax</code> | Return value |

Updated Stack Structure

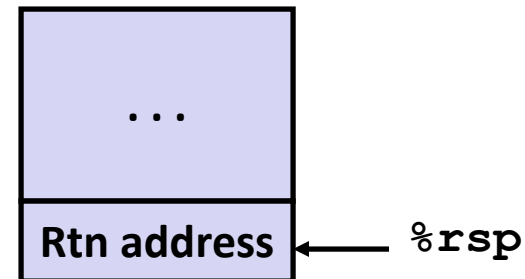


Example: Calling `incr` #5b

```
long call_incr() {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return v1+v2;
}
```

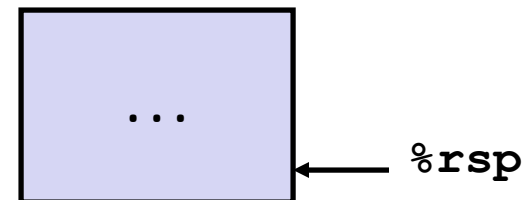
```
call_incr:
    subq    $16, %rsp
    movq    $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl    $3000, %esi
    leaq    8(%rsp), %rdi
    call    incr
    addq    8(%rsp), %rax
    addq    $16, %rsp
    ret
```

Updated Stack Structure



| Register | Use(s) |
|-------------------|--------------|
| <code>%rax</code> | Return value |

Final Stack Structure



Register Saving Conventions

■ When procedure `yoo` calls `who`:

- `yoo` is the *caller*
- `who` is the *callee*

■ Can register be used for temporary storage?

```
yoo:
    . . .
    movq $15213, %rdx
    call who
    addq %rdx, %rax
    . . .
    ret
```

```
who:
    . . .
    subq $18213, %rdx
    . . .
    ret
```

- Contents of register `%rdx` overwritten by `who`
- This could be trouble → something should be done!
 - Need some coordination

Register Saving Conventions

- When procedure *yoo* calls *who*:
 - *yoo* is the *caller*
 - *who* is the *callee*
- Can register be used for temporary storage?
- Conventions
 - *“Caller Saved”*
 - Caller saves temporary values in its frame before the call
 - *“Callee Saved”*
 - Callee saves temporary values in its frame before using
 - Callee restores them before returning to caller

x86-64 Linux Register Usage #1

■ **%rax**

- Return value
- Also caller-saved
- Can be modified by procedure

■ **%rdi, ..., %r9**

- Arguments
- Also caller-saved
- Can be modified by procedure

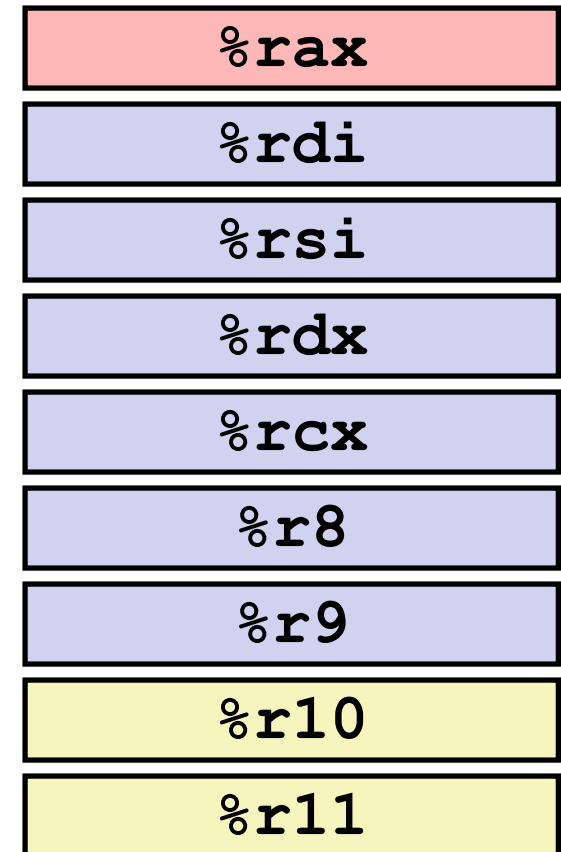
■ **%r10, %r11**

- Caller-saved
- Can be modified by procedure

Return value

Arguments

Caller-saved
temporaries



x86-64 Linux Register Usage #2

■ **%rbx, %r12, %r13, %r14**

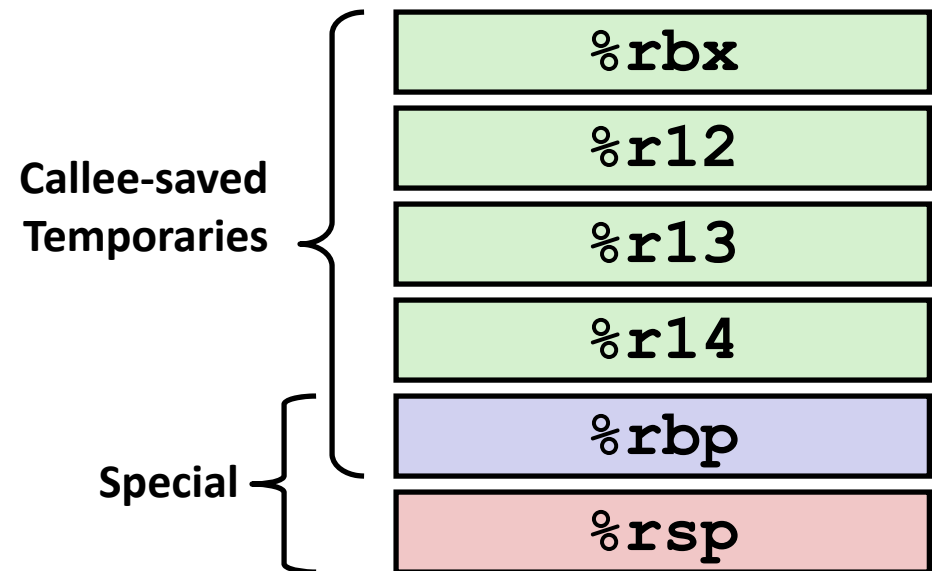
- Callee-saved
- Callee must save & restore

■ **%rbp**

- Callee-saved
- Callee must save & restore
- May be used as frame pointer
- Can mix & match

■ **%rsp**

- Special form of callee save
- Restored to original value upon exit from procedure



Quiz Time!

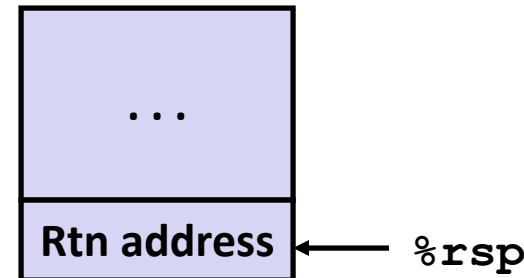
Check out:

<https://canvas.cmu.edu/courses/13182>

Callee-Saved Example #1

```
long call_incr2(long x) {  
    long v1 = 15213;  
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);  
    return x+v2;  
}
```

Initial Stack Structure



- X comes in register **%rdi**.
- We need **%rdi** for the call to incr.
- Where should be put x, so we can use it after the call to incr?

Callee-Saved Example #2

```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

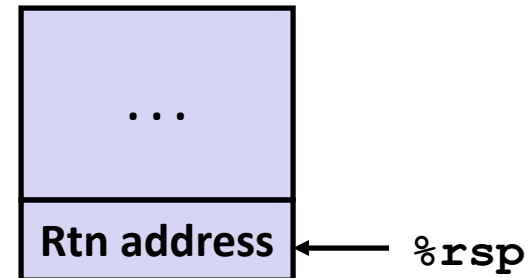
call_incr2: **Overwritten:**

```

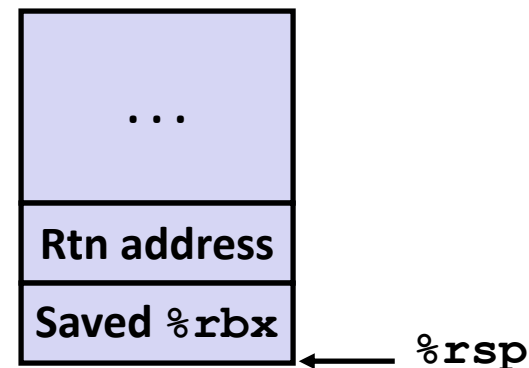
pushq    %rbx    ← Need to save
subq     $16, %rsp
movq     %rdi, %rbx
movq     $15213, 8(%rsp)
movl     $3000, %esi
leaq     8(%rsp), %rdi
call     incr
addq     %rbx, %rax
addq     $16, %rsp
popq     %rbx
ret

```

Initial Stack Structure



Resulting Stack Structure

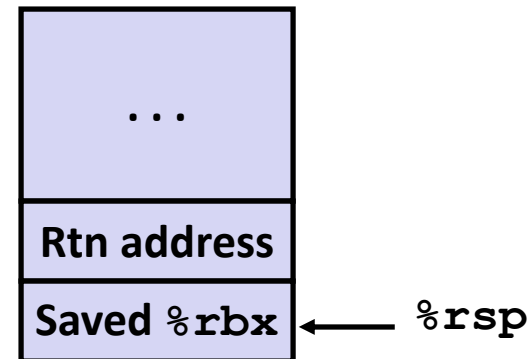


Callee-Saved Example #3

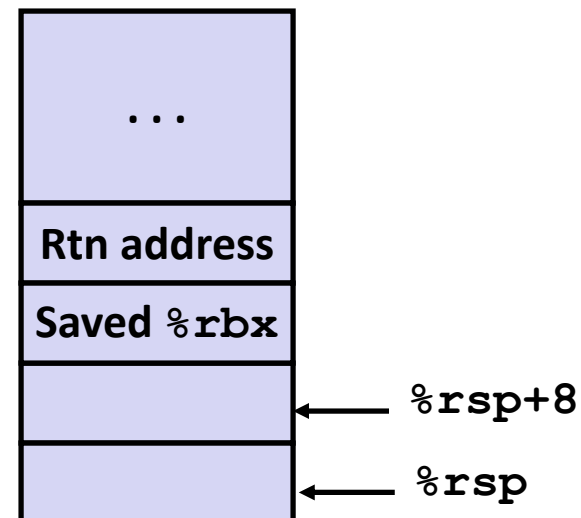
```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr2:
    pushq    %rbx
    subq     $16, %rsp
    movq     %rdi, %rbx
    movq     $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl     $3000, %esi
    leaq     8(%rsp), %rdi
    call     incr
    addq     %rbx, %rax
    addq     $16, %rsp
    popq     %rbx
    ret
```

Initial Stack Structure



Resulting Stack Structure

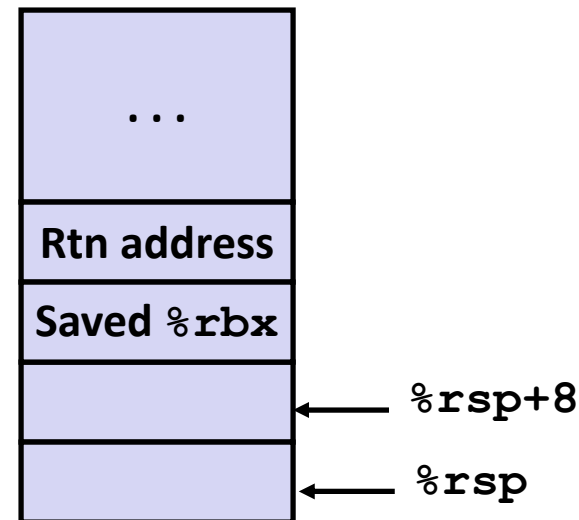


Callee-Saved Example #4

```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr2:
    pushq    %rbx
    subq     $16, %rsp
    movq     %rdi, %rbx
    movq     $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl     $3000, %esi
    leaq     8(%rsp), %rdi
    call     incr
    addq     %rbx, %rax
    addq     $16, %rsp
    popq     %rbx
    ret
```

Stack Structure



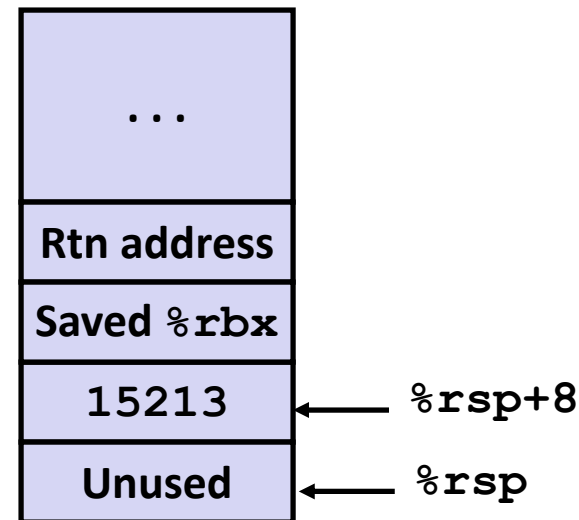
- **x** is saved in **%rbx**,
a callee saved register

Callee-Saved Example #5

```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr2:
    pushq    %rbx
    subq     $16, %rsp
    movq     %rdi, %rbx
    movq     $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl     $3000, %esi
    leaq     8(%rsp), %rdi
    call     incr
    addq     %rbx, %rax
    addq     $16, %rsp
    popq     %rbx
    ret
```

Stack Structure



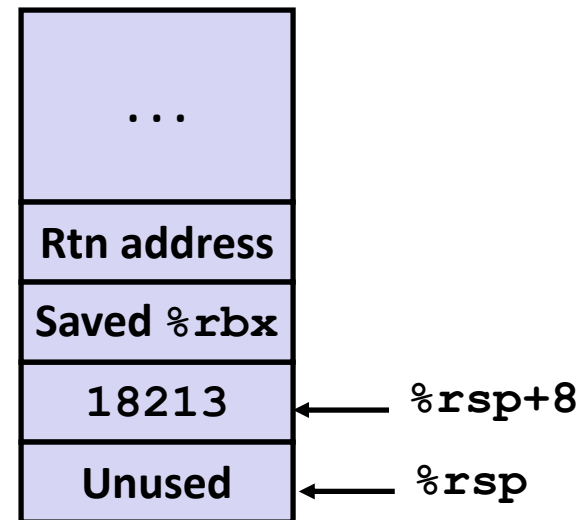
- **x** is saved in **%rbx**,
a callee saved register

Callee-Saved Example #6

```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr2:
    pushq    %rbx
    subq     $16, %rsp
    movq     %rdi, %rbx
    movq     $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl     $3000, %esi
    leaq     8(%rsp), %rdi
    call     incr
    addq     %rbx, %rax
    addq     $16, %rsp
    popq     %rbx
    ret
```

Stack Structure



Upon return from incr:

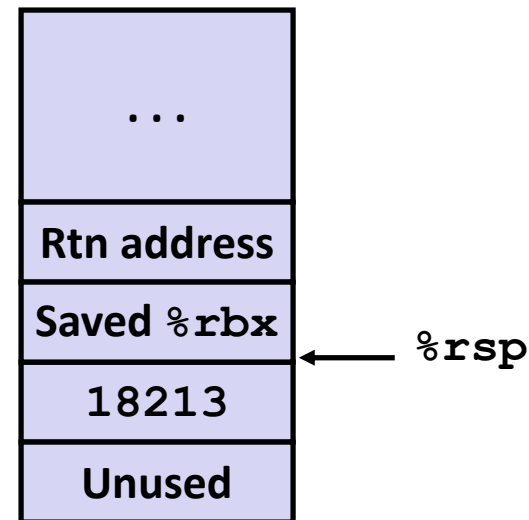
- **x** is safe in **%rbx**
- Return result **v2** is in **%rax**
- Compute **x+v2**

Callee-Saved Example #7

```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr2:
    pushq    %rbx
    subq     $16, %rsp
    movq     %rdi, %rbx
    movq     $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl     $3000, %esi
    leaq     8(%rsp), %rdi
    call     incr
    addq     %rbx, %rax
    addq     $16, %rsp
    popq     %rbx
    ret
```

Stack Structure



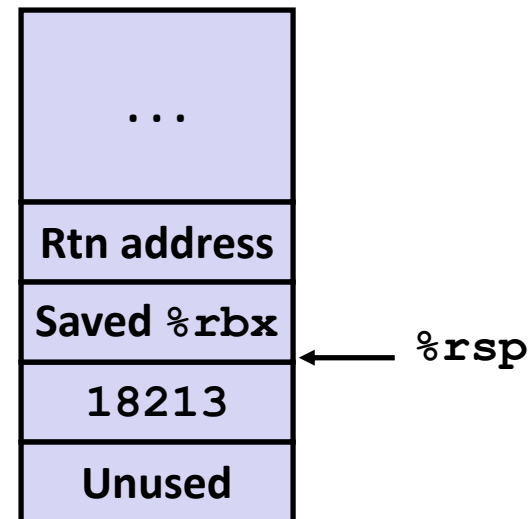
- Return result in **%rax**

Callee-Saved Example #8

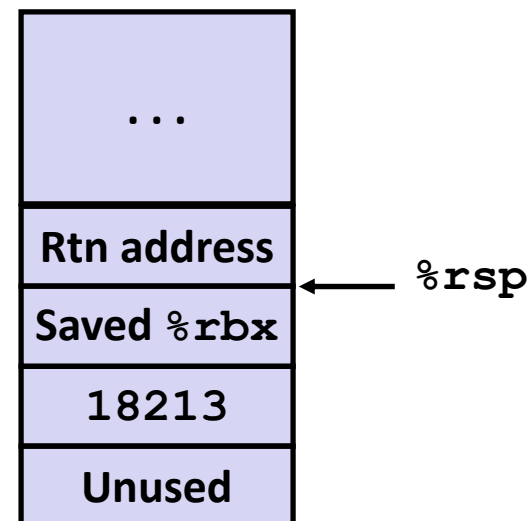
```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

```
call_incr2:
    pushq    %rbx
    subq     $16, %rsp
    movq     %rdi, %rbx
    movq     $15213, 8(%rsp)
    movl     $3000, %esi
    leaq     8(%rsp), %rdi
    call     incr
    addq     %rbx, %rax
    addq     $16, %rsp
    popq     %rbx
    ret
```

Initial Stack Structure



final Stack Structure



Today

■ Procedures

- Mechanisms
- Stack Structure
- Calling Conventions
 - Passing control
 - Passing data
 - Managing local data
- Illustration of Recursion

Recursive Function

```
/* Recursive popcount */
long pcount_r(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return (x & 1)
            + pcount_r(x >> 1);
}
```

```
pcount_r:
    movl    $0, %eax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    je      .L6
    pushq   %rbx
    movq    %rdi, %rbx
    andl    $1, %ebx
    shrq    %rdi
    call    pcount_r
    addq    %rbx, %rax
    popq    %rbx
.L6:
    rep; ret
```

Recursive Function Terminal Case

```
/* Recursive popcount */
long pcount_r(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return (x & 1)
            + pcount_r(x >> 1);
}
```

```
pcount_r:
    movl    $0, %eax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    je      .L6
    pushq   %rbx
    movq    %rdi, %rbx
    andl    $1, %ebx
    shrq    %rdi
    call    pcount_r
    addq    %rbx, %rax
    popq    %rbx
.L6:
    rep; ret
```

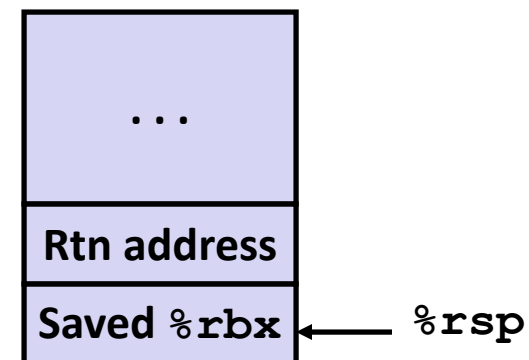
| Register | Use(s) | Type |
|----------|--------------|--------------|
| %rdi | x | Argument |
| %rax | Return value | Return value |

Recursive Function Register Save

```
/* Recursive popcount */
long pcount_r(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return (x & 1)
            + pcount_r(x >> 1);
}
```

```
pcount_r:
    movl    $0, %eax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    je      .L6
    pushq   %rbx
    movq    %rdi, %rbx
    andl    $1, %ebx
    shrq    %rdi
    call    pcount_r
    addq    %rbx, %rax
    popq    %rbx
.L6:
    rep; ret
```

| Register | Use(s) | Type |
|----------|--------|----------|
| %rdi | x | Argument |



Recursive Function Call Setup

```
/* Recursive popcount */
long pcount_r(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return (x & 1)
            + pcount_r(x >> 1);
}
```

```
pcount_r:
    movl    $0, %eax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    je      .L6
    pushq   %rbx
    movq    %rdi, %rbx
    andl    $1, %ebx
    shrq    %rdi
    call    pcount_r
    addq    %rbx, %rax
    popq    %rbx
.L6:
    rep; ret
```

| Register | Use(s) | Type |
|----------|--------|--------------------|
| %rdi | x >> 1 | Recursive argument |
| %rbx | x & 1 | Callee-saved |

Recursive Function Call

```

/* Recursive popcount */
long pcount_r(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return (x & 1)
            + pcount_r(x >> 1);
}

```

```

pcount_r:
    movl    $0, %eax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    je      .L6
    pushq   %rbx
    movq    %rdi, %rbx
    andl    $1, %ebx
    shrq    %rdi
    call    pcount_r
    addq    %rbx, %rax
    popq    %rbx
.L6:
    rep; ret

```

| Register | Use(s) | Type |
|----------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| %rbx | x & 1 | Callee-saved |
| %rax | Recursive call return value | |

Recursive Function Result

```

/* Recursive popcount */
long pcount_r(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return (x & 1)
            + pcount_r(x >> 1);
}

```

```

pcount_r:
    movl    $0, %eax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    je      .L6
    pushq   %rbx
    movq    %rdi, %rbx
    andl    $1, %ebx
    shrq    %rdi
    call    pcount_r
    addq    %rbx, %rax
    popq    %rbx
.L6:
    rep; ret

```

| Register | Use(s) | Type |
|----------|--------------|--------------|
| %rbx | x & 1 | Callee-saved |
| %rax | Return value | |

Recursive Function Completion

```

/* Recursive popcount */
long pcount_r(unsigned long x) {
    if (x == 0)
        return 0;
    else
        return (x & 1)
            + pcount_r(x >> 1);
}

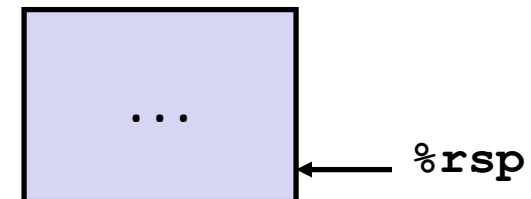
```

```

pcount_r:
    movl    $0, %eax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    je      .L6
    pushq   %rbx
    movq    %rdi, %rbx
    andl    $1, %ebx
    shrq    %rdi
    call    pcount_r
    addq    %rbx, %rax
    popq    %rbx
.L6:
    rep; ret

```

| Register | Use(s) | Type |
|----------|--------------|--------------|
| %rax | Return value | Return value |



Observations About Recursion

■ Handled Without Special Consideration

- Stack frames mean that each function call has private storage
 - Saved registers & local variables
 - Saved return pointer
- Register saving conventions prevent one function call from corrupting another's data
 - Unless the C code explicitly does so (e.g., buffer overflow in Lecture 9)
- Stack discipline follows call / return pattern
 - If P calls Q, then Q returns before P
 - Last-In, First-Out

■ Also works for mutual recursion

- P calls Q; Q calls P

x86-64 Procedure Summary

■ Important Points

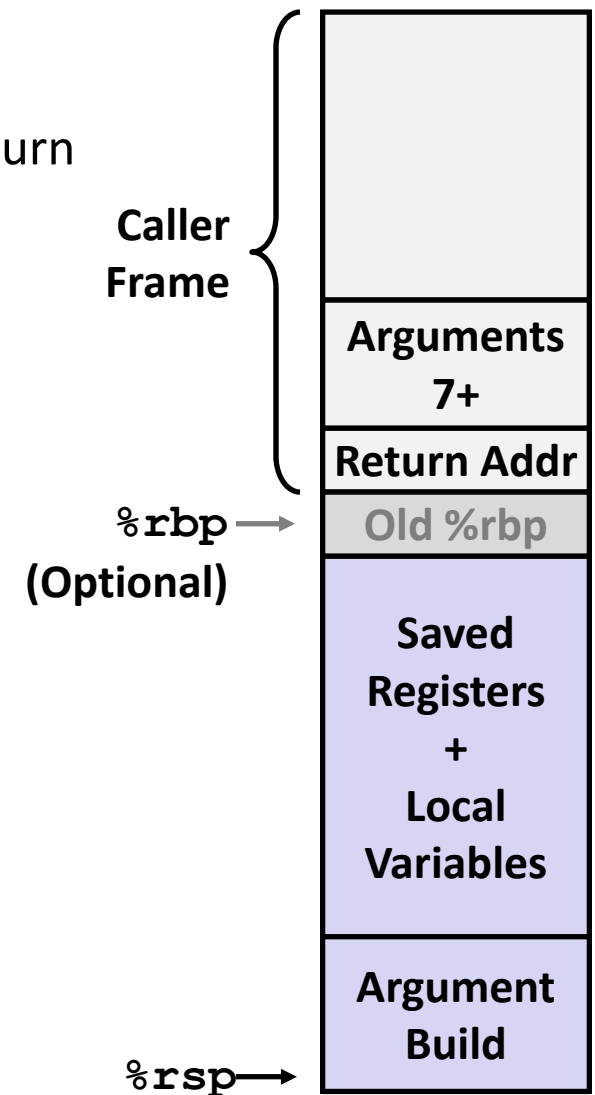
- Stack is the right data structure for procedure call/return
 - If P calls Q, then Q returns before P

■ Recursion (& mutual recursion) handled by normal calling conventions

- Can safely store values in local stack frame and in callee-saved registers
- Put function arguments at top of stack
- Result return in `%rax`

■ Pointers are addresses of values

- On stack or global



```
long my_switch
(long x, long y, long z)
{
    long w = 1;
    switch(x) {
        case 1:
            w = y*z;
            break;
        case 2:
            w = y/z;
            /* Fall Through */
        case 3:
            w += z;
            break;
        case 5:
        case 6:
            w -= z;
            break;
        default:
            w = 2;
    }
    return w;
}
```

Switch Statement Example

- Multiple case labels
 - Here: 5 & 6
- Fall through cases
 - Here: 2
- Missing cases
 - Here: 4

Jump Table Structure

Switch Form

```
switch(x) {
  case val_0:
    Block 0
  case val_1:
    Block 1
    . . .
  case val_n-1:
    Block n-1
}
```

Jump Table

| | |
|-------|---------|
| jtab: | Targ0 |
| | Targ1 |
| | Targ2 |
| | • |
| | • |
| | Targn-1 |

Jump Targets

Targ0:

Code Block
0

Targ1:

Code Block
1

Targ2:

Code Block
2

•
•
•

Targn-1:

Code Block
n-1

Translation (Extended C)

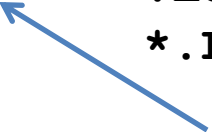
```
goto *JTab[x];
```

Switch Statement Example

```
long my_switch(long x, long y, long z)
{
    long w = 1;
    switch(x) {
        . . .
    }
    return w;
}
```

Setup

```
my_switch:
    movq    %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq    $6, %rdi    # x:6
    ja      .L8
    jmp     *.L4(, %rdi, 8)
```



**What range of values
takes default?**

| Register | Use(s) |
|----------|-------------------|
| %rdi | Argument x |
| %rsi | Argument y |
| %rdx | Argument z |
| %rax | Return value |

Note that **w not
initialized here**

Switch Statement Example

```
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    }
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}
```

Jump table

```
.section      .rodata
    .align 8
.L4:
    .quad     .L8    # x = 0
    .quad     .L3    # x = 1
    .quad     .L5    # x = 2
    .quad     .L9    # x = 3
    .quad     .L8    # x = 4
    .quad     .L7    # x = 5
    .quad     .L7    # x = 6
```

Setup

```
my_switch:
    movq      %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq      $6, %rdi    # x:6
    ja        .L8          # use default
    jmp       *.L4(, %rdi, 8) # goto *Jtab[x]
```



*Indirect
jump*

Assembly Setup Explanation

■ Table Structure

- Each target requires 8 bytes
- Base address at `.L4`

■ Jumping

- **Direct:** `jmp .L8`
- Jump target is denoted by label `.L8`
- **Indirect:** `jmp *.L4(, %rdi, 8)`
- Start of jump table: `.L4`
- Must scale by factor of 8 (addresses are 8 bytes)
- Fetch target from effective Address `.L4 + x*8`
 - Only for $0 \leq x \leq 6$

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```

```
switch(x) {
case 1:      // .L3
    w = y*z;
    break;
case 2:      // .L5
    w = y/z;
    /* Fall Through */
case 3:      // .L9
    w += z;
    break;
case 5:
case 6:      // .L7
    w -= z;
    break;
default:    // .L8
    w = 2;
}
```

Code Blocks (x == 1)

```
switch(x) {  
  case 1:      // .L3  
    w = y*z;  
    break;  
  . . .  
}
```

```
.L3:  
  movq    %rsi, %rax    # y  
  imulq   %rdx, %rax    # y*z  
  ret
```

| Register | Use(s) |
|----------|-------------------|
| %rdi | Argument x |
| %rsi | Argument y |
| %rdx | Argument z |
| %rax | Return value |

Handling Fall-Through

```
long w = 1;  
...  
switch(x) {  
    ...  
case 2:   
    w = y/z;  
    /* Fall Through */  
case 3:  
    w += z;  
    break;  
    ...  
}
```

case 2:
 w = y/z;
 goto merge;

| |
|-------------------|
| case 3: w = 1; |
| merge: w += z; |

Code Blocks (x == 2, x == 3)

```

long w = 1;
. . .
switch(x) {
. . .
case 2:
    w = y/z;
    /* Fall Through */
case 3:
    w += z;
    break;
. . .
}

```

```

.L5:                                # Case 2
    movq    %rsi, %rax
    cqto                                # sign extend
                                # rax to rdx:rax
    idivq    %rcx                      # y/z
    jmp     .L6                        # goto merge
.L9:                                # Case 3
    movl     $1, %eax                 # w = 1
.L6:                                # merge:
    addq     %rcx, %rax               # w += z
    ret

```

| Register | Use(s) |
|----------|-------------------|
| %rdi | Argument x |
| %rsi | Argument y |
| %rcx | z |
| %rax | Return value |

Code Blocks (x == 5, x == 6, default)

```

switch(x) {
    . . .
    case 5:  // .L7
    case 6:  // .L7
        w -= z;
        break;
    default: // .L8
        w = 2;
}

```

```

.L7:                                # Case 5,6
    movl    $1, %eax                # w = 1
    subq    %rdx, %rax              # w -= z
    ret
.L8:                                # Default:
    movl    $2, %eax                # 2
    ret

```

| Register | Use(s) |
|----------|-------------------|
| %rdi | Argument x |
| %rsi | Argument y |
| %rdx | Argument z |
| %rax | Return value |

Summarizing

■ C Control

- if-then-else
- do-while
- while, for
- switch

■ Assembler Control

- Conditional jump
- Conditional move
- Indirect jump (via jump tables)
- Compiler generates code sequence to implement more complex control

■ Standard Techniques

- Loops converted to do-while or jump-to-middle form
- Large switch statements use jump tables
- Sparse switch statements may use decision trees (if-elseif-elseif-else)

Finding Jump Table in Binary

```

00000000004005e0 <switch_eg>:
4005e0:    48 89 d1                mov     %rdx,%rcx
4005e3:    48 83 ff 06            cmp     $0x6,%rdi
4005e7:    77 2b                  ja      400614 <switch_eg+0x34>
4005e9:    ff 24 fd f0 07 40 00    jmpq    *0x4007f0(,%rdi,8)
4005f0:    48 89 f0                mov     %rsi,%rax
4005f3:    48 0f af c2            imul    %rdx,%rax
4005f7:    c3                     retq
4005f8:    48 89 f0                mov     %rsi,%rax
4005fb:    48 99                  cqto
4005fd:    48 f7 f9                idiv    %rcx
400600:    eb 05                  jmp     400607 <switch_eg+0x27>
400602:    b8 01 00 00 00        mov     $0x1,%eax
400607:    48 01 c8                add     %rcx,%rax
40060a:    c3                     retq
40060b:    b8 01 00 00 00        mov     $0x1,%eax
400610:    48 29 d0                sub     %rdx,%rax
400613:    c3                     retq
400614:    b8 02 00 00 00        mov     $0x2,%eax
400619:    c3                     retq

```

Finding Jump Table in Binary (cont.)

```
00000000004005e0 <switch_eg>:
. . .
4005e9:      ff 24 fd f0 07 40 00      jmpq    *0x4007f0(,%rdi,8)
. . .
```

```
% gdb switch
(gdb) x /8xg 0x4007f0
0x4007f0:      0x0000000000400614      0x00000000004005f0
0x400800:      0x00000000004005f8      0x0000000000400602
0x400810:      0x0000000000400614      0x000000000040060b
0x400820:      0x000000000040060b      0x2c646c25203d2078
(gdb)
```


Finding Jump Table in Binary (cont.)

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(gdb) x /8xg 0x4007f0
0x4007f0:      0x000000000000400614      0x0000000000004005f0
0x400800:      0x0000000000004005f8      0x000000000000400602
0x400810:      0x000000000000400614      0x00000000000040060b
0x400820:      0x00000000000040060b      0x2c646c25203d2078
```

```
. . .
4005f0:      48 89 f0      mov    %rsi,%rax
4005f3:      48 0f af c2    imul   %rdx,%rax
4005f7:      c3            retq
4005f8:      48 89 f0      mov    %rsi,%rax
4005fb:      48 99         cqto
4005fd:      48 f7 f9      idiv   %rcx
400600:      eb 05         jmp    400607 <switch_eg+0x27>
400602:      b8 01 00 00 00 mov    $0x1,%eax
400607:      48 01 c8      add    %rcx,%rax
40060a:      c3            retq
40060b:      b8 01 00 00 00 mov    $0x1,%eax
400610:      48 29 d0      sub    %rdx,%rax
400613:      c3            retq
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