

Assignment 03 - Stack machines

Task 1-

1: To add two integers together, we first should add them to the stack (push), ~~push the operands~~ pop twice to get the operands, and push the result back into the stack. This gives us a total of 5 references,

2: The reason is that, while stack machines specify operands on the top of the stack, and only ~~specify~~ uses the values of this operands, register machines also need to specify the source and destination registers. We can say that instructions need more than 6 bits, but the length will be determined by factors like architecture, even going to infinity in some models

3: Register machines save the state of the processor and current registers in a set of registers, while stack machine just save the stack and program pointers to the stack, which ~~allows~~ avoids having to save the state of registers. This usually give them an advantage.

Representation	Meaning	Stack	Overflow flag
001010	10	[001010] PUSH	F
010001	DUP	[] POP → [001010] PUSH [] POP → [001010] PUSH	F
010001	DUP	[001010] POP → [001010] PUSH [001010] POP → [001010] PUSH	F
010110	MUL	[001010] POP [] POP → [001111] PUSH [001010] POP → [001010] PUSH	T (Result is)
011111	XOR	[] POP [] POP → [000101] PUSH	F
000100	4	[000100] PUSH [000101] PUSH	F
011011	SHR	[] POP [] POP → [001010] PUSH	F
000100	4	[000100] PUSH [001010] PUSH	F
011001	MOD	[] POP → [000010] PUSH	F
000110	6	[000110] PUSH [000010] PUSH	F
011000	EXP	[] POP [] POP → [001111] PUSH	T
100010	SPACE	[100010] PUSH [001111] PUSH	F
110110	S	[110110] PUSH [100010] PUSH [001111] PUSH	F
101000	E	[101000] PUSH [110110] PUSH [100010] PUSH [001111] PUSH	F
110101	R	[110101] PUSH [101000] PUSH [110110] PUSH [100010] PUSH [001111] PUSH	F
010000	STP	unchanged	F