

Introduction to Intel x86 Assembly- Architecture and Common Instructions

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About the Class

- The intent of this class is to expose you to the most commonly generated X86 assembly instructions.
- Ideally, by the end of this training, we'll have the required background to delve deeper into areas which may have seemed daunting previously.
- Even more ideally, we will get a JV CTF team out of this!
- Topics we'll cover
 - 32 bit instructions/hardware
 - Implementation of a Stack
 - Common tools for analyzing and debugging binaries
 - How to write your own assembly programs

Agenda

- Week 1 - Part 1 - Architecture
Introduction and Common Instructions
- Week 2 - Part 2 – Writing, Compiling
and Analyzing x86
- Week 3 - Part 3 - More Instructions

Miss Alaineous

- Questions: Ask 'em if you got 'em
 - If you fall behind and get lost and try to tough it out until you understand, it's more likely that you will stay lost, so ask questions ASAP.
 - My favorite thing is getting interrupted with questions (HONESTLY)
- Browsing the web and/or checking email during class is a good way to get lost ;)
- It's called x86 because of the progression of Intel chips from 8086, 80186, 80286, etc. I just had to get that out of the way. :)

What you're going to learn

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main(){
```

```
    printf("Hello World!\n");
```

```
    return 0x1234;
```

```
}
```

Is the same as...

```
.text:00401730  main
.text:00401730          push    ebp
.text:00401731          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00401733          push    offset aHelloWorld ; "Hello world\n"
.text:00401738          call    ds:__imp__printf
.text:0040173E          add     esp, 4
.text:00401741          mov     eax, 1234h
.text:00401746          pop     ebp
.text:00401747          retn
```

Windows Visual C++ 2005, /GS (buffer overflow protection) option turned off
Disassembled with IDA Pro 4.9 Free Version

Is the same as...

```
00000000000001149 <main>:
1149:      f3 0f 1e fa                endbr64
114d:      55                        push    %rbp
114e:      48 89 e5                  mov     %rsp,%rbp
1151:      48 8d 3d ac 0e 00 00      lea     0xeac(%rip),%rdi
1158:      e8 f3 fe ff ff          callq   1050 <puts@plt>
115d:      b8 34 12 00 00          mov     $0x1234,%eax
1162:      5d                        pop     %rbp
1163:      c3                        retq
1164:      66 2e 0f 1f 84 00 00      nopw    %cs:0x0(%rax,%rax,1)
116b:      00 00 00
116e:      66 90                      xchg    %ax,%ax
```

Ubuntu 20.04, gcc version 9.3.0
Disassembled with “objdump -d”

Is the same as...

```
_main:
00000000100003f50    pushq    %rbp
00000000100003f51    movq     %rsp, %rbp
00000000100003f54    subq     $0x10, %rsp
00000000100003f58    movl     $0x0, -0x4(%rbp)
00000000100003f5f    leaq     0x38(%rip), %rdi                ## literal
pool for: "Hello World\n"
00000000100003f66    movb     $0x0, %al
00000000100003f68    callq    0x100003f7e                    ## symbol
stub for: _printf
00000000100003f6d    movl     $0x1234, %ecx                  ## imm =
    0x1234
00000000100003f72    movl     %eax, -0x8(%rbp)
00000000100003f75    movl     %ecx, %eax
00000000100003f77    addq     $0x10, %rsp
00000000100003f7b    popq     %rbp
00000000100003f7c    retq
```

But it all boils down to...

```
.text:00401000 main
.text:00401000      push      offset aHelloWorld ; "Hello world\n"
.text:00401005      call     ds:__imp__printf
.text:0040100B      pop       ecx
.text:0040100C      mov      eax, 1234h
.text:00401011      retn
```

Windows Visual C++ 2005, /GS (buffer overflow protection) option turned off

Optimize for minimum size (/O1) turned on

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Disassembled with IDA Pro 4.9 Free Version

Take Inventory!

- By one measure, only 14 assembly instructions account for 90% of code!
 - <http://www.blackhat.com/presentations/bh-usa-06/BH-US-06-Bilar.pdf>
- I think that knowing about 20-30 (not counting variations) is good enough that you will have to check the manual very infrequently
- You've already seen 11 instructions, just in the hello world variations!

Refresher - Data Types

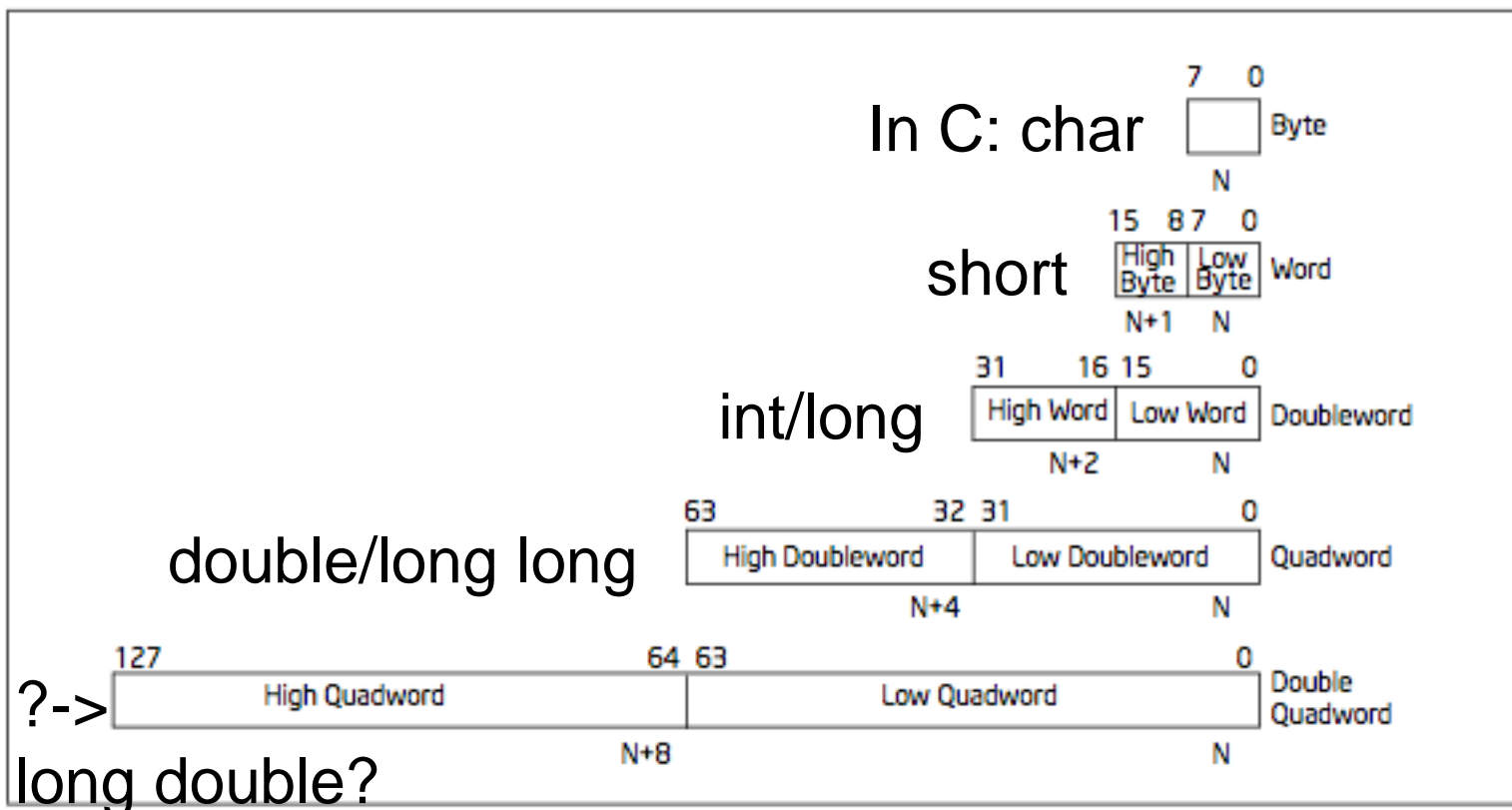


Figure 4-1. Fundamental Data Types

Refresher - Alt. Radices

Decimal, Binary, Hexidecimal

If you don't know this, you must memorize tonight

| Decimal (base 10) | Binary (base 2) | Hex (base 16) |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 00 | 0000b | 0x00 |
| 01 | 0001b | 0x01 |
| 02 | 0010b | 0x02 |
| 03 | 0011b | 0x03 |
| 04 | 0100b | 0x04 |
| 05 | 0101b | 0x05 |
| 06 | 0110b | 0x06 |
| 07 | 0111b | 0x07 |
| 08 | 1000b | 0x08 |
| 09 | 1001b | 0x09 |
| 10 | 1010b | 0x0A |
| 11 | 1011b | 0x0B |
| 12 | 1100b | 0x0C |
| 13 | 1101b | 0x0D |
| 14 | 1110b | 0x0E |
| 15 | 1111b | 0x0F |

Refresher - Negative Numbers

- “one's complement” = flip all bits. 0->1, 1->0
- “two's complement” = one's complement + 1
- Negative numbers are defined as the “two's complement” of the positive number

| Number | One's Comp. | Two's Comp. (negative) |
|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 00000001b : 0x01 | 11111110b : 0xFE | 11111111b : 0xFF : -1 |
| 00000100b : 0x04 | 11111011b : 0xFB | 11111100b : 0xFC : -4 |
| 00011010b : 0x1A | 11100101b : 0xE5 | 11100110b : 0xE6 : -26 |
| ? | ? | 10110000b : 0xB0 : -? |

- 0x01 to 0x7F positive byte, 0x80 to 0xFF negative byte
- 0x00000001 to 0x7FFFFFFF positive dword
- 0x80000000 to 0xFFFFFFFF negative dword

Architecture - CISC vs. RISC

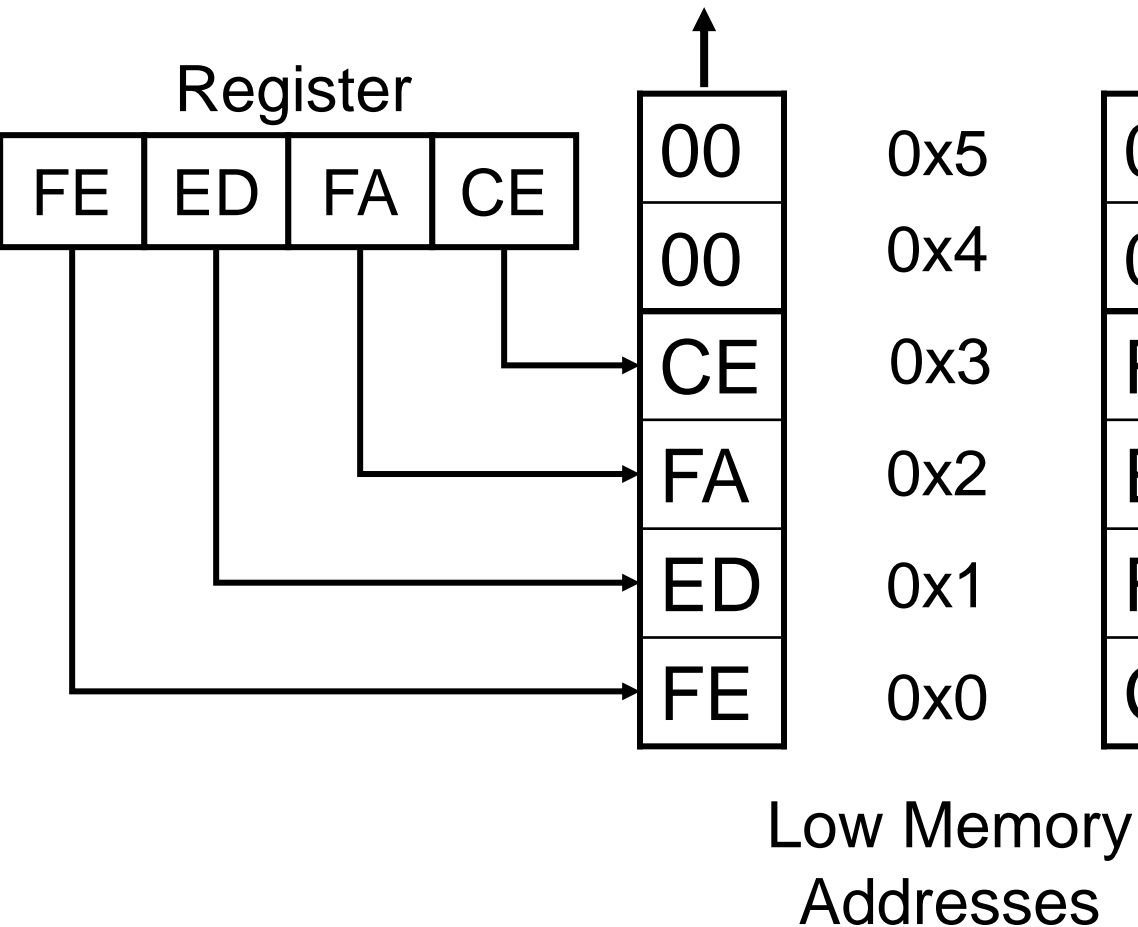
- Intel is CISC - Complex Instruction Set Computer
 - Many very special purpose instructions that you will never see, and a given compiler may never use - just need to know how to use the manual
 - Variable-length instructions, between 1 and 16(?) bytes long.
 - 16 is max len in theory, I don't know if it can happen in practice
- Other major architectures are typically RISC - Reduced Instruction Set Computer
 - Typically more registers, less and fixed-size instructions
 - Examples: PowerPC, ARM, SPARC, MIPS

Architecture - Endian

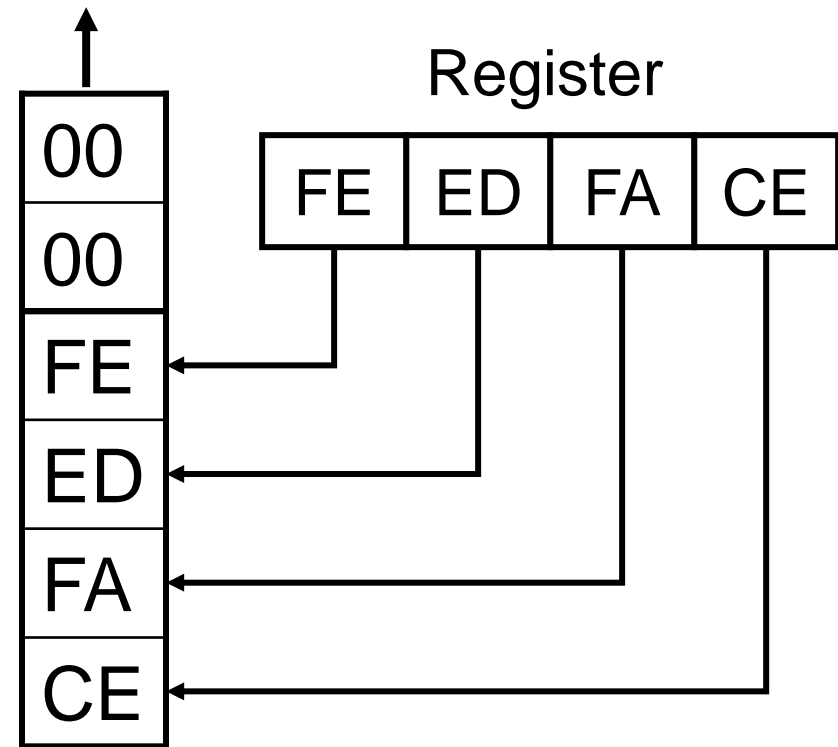
- Endianness comes from Jonathan Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*. It doesn't matter which way you eat your eggs :)
- Little Endian - 0x12345678 stored in RAM “little end” first. The least significant byte of a word or larger is stored in the lowest address. E.g. 0x78563412
 - Intel is Little Endian
- Big Endian - 0x12345678 stored as is.
 - Network traffic is Big Endian
 - Most everyone else you've heard of (PowerPC, ARM, SPARC, MIPS) is either Big Endian by default or can be configured as either (Bi-Endian)

Endianness pictures

Big Endian (Others)



Little Endian (Intel)



Architecture - Registers

- Registers are small memory storage areas built into the processor (still volatile memory)
- 8 “general purpose” registers + the instruction pointer which points at the next instruction to execute
 - But two of the 8 are not that general
- On x86-32, registers are 32 bits long
- On x86-64, they're 64 bits

Architecture - Register Conventions 1

- These are Intel's suggestions to compiler developers (and assembly handcoders). Registers don't have to be used these ways, but if you see them being used like this, you'll know why. But I simplified some descriptions. I also color coded as **GREEN** for the ones which we will actually see in *this* class (as opposed to future ones), and **RED** for not.
- **EAX** - Stores function return values
- **EBX** - Base pointer to the data section
- **ECX** - Counter for string and loop operations
- **EDX** - I/O pointer

Architecture - Registers Conventions 2

- **ESI** - Source pointer for string operations
- **EDI** - Destination pointer for string operations
- **ESP** - Stack pointer
- **EBP** - Stack frame base pointer
- **EIP** - Pointer to next instruction to execute (“instruction pointer”)

Architecture - Registers

Conventions 3

- Caller-save registers - eax, edx, ecx
 - If the caller has anything in the registers that it cares about, the caller is in charge of saving the value before a call to a subroutine, and restoring the value after the call returns
 - Put another way - the callee can (and is highly likely to) modify values in caller-save registers
- Callee-save registers - ebp, ebx, esi, edi
 - If the callee needs to use more registers than are saved by the caller, the callee is responsible for making sure the values are stored/restored
 - Put another way - the callee must be a good citizen and not modify registers which the caller didn't save, unless the callee itself saves and restores the existing values

Architecture - Registers

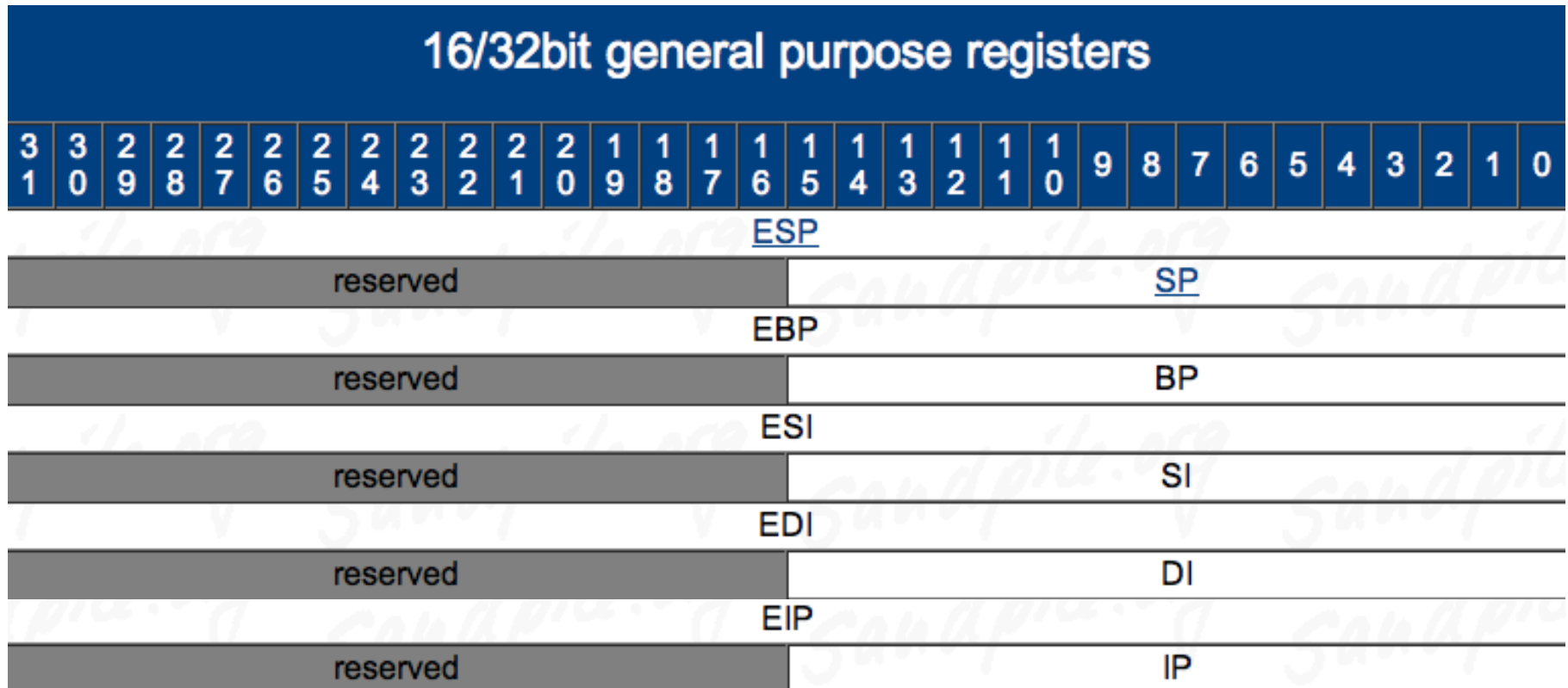
Conventions 4

- There are some major differences between X86 and X86-(X64).
 - Registers are referred to as rax, rdx, rsp, rsi, rip, rbp and so on
 - Basically, replace the “e” with an “r”
 - Registers store 64 bit values instead of 32 bit values

Architecture - Registers - 8/16/32 bit addressing 1

| 8/16/32bit general purpose registers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | |
| 1 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| EAX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| reserved | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | AX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | AH | | | | | | | | AL | | | | | | | |
| ECX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| reserved | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | CX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | CH | | | | | | | | CL | | | | | | | |
| EDX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| reserved | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | DX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | DH | | | | | | | | DL | | | | | | | |
| EBX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| reserved | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | BX | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | BH | | | | | | | | BL | | | | | | | |

Architecture - Registers - 8/16/32 bit addressing 2



Architecture - EFLAGS

- EFLAGS register holds many single bit flags. Will only ask you to remember the following for now.
 - Zero Flag (ZF) - Set if the result of some instruction is zero; cleared otherwise.
 - Sign Flag (SF) - Set equal to the most-significant bit of the result, which is the sign bit of a signed integer. (0 indicates a positive value and 1 indicates a negative value.)



Your first x86 instruction: NOP

- NOP - No Operation! No registers, no values, no nothin'!
- Just there to pad/align bytes, or to delay time
- Bad guys use it to make simple exploits more reliable. But that's another portion of the training ;)

The Stack

- The stack is a conceptual area of main memory (RAM) which is designated by the OS when a program is started.
 - Different OS start it at different addresses by convention
- A stack is a Last-In-First-Out (LIFO/FILO) data structure where data is "pushed" on to the top of the stack and "popped" off the top.
- By convention the stack grows toward lower memory addresses. Adding something to the stack means the top of the stack is now at a lower memory address.

The Stack 2

- As already mentioned, esp points to the top of the stack, the lowest address which is being used
 - While data will exist at addresses beyond the top of the stack, it is considered undefined
- The stack keeps track of which functions were called before the current one, it holds local variables and is frequently used to pass arguments to the next function to be called.
- A firm understanding of what is happening on the stack is ***essential*** to understanding a program's operation.



PUSH - Push Word, Doubleword or Quadword onto the Stack

- For our purposes, it will always be a DWORD (4 bytes).
 - Can either be an immediate (a numeric constant), or the value in a register
- The push instruction automatically decrements the stack pointer, esp, by 4.

Registers Before

| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0x00000003 |
| esp | 0x0012FF8C |

push eax

Registers After

| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0x00000003 |
| esp | 0x0012FF88 |

Stack Before

Stack After

↑ Stack growth

0x0012FF80

undef

0x0012FF84

undef

0x0012FF88

undef

esp →

0x0012FF8C

0x00000002

0x0012FF90

0x00000001

esp →

0x00000003

0x00000002

0x00000001

↓ Higher Addresses



POP- Pop a Value from the Stack

- Take a DWORD off the stack, put it in a register, and increment esp by 4

Registers Before

| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0xFFFFFFFF |
| esp | 0x0012FF88 |

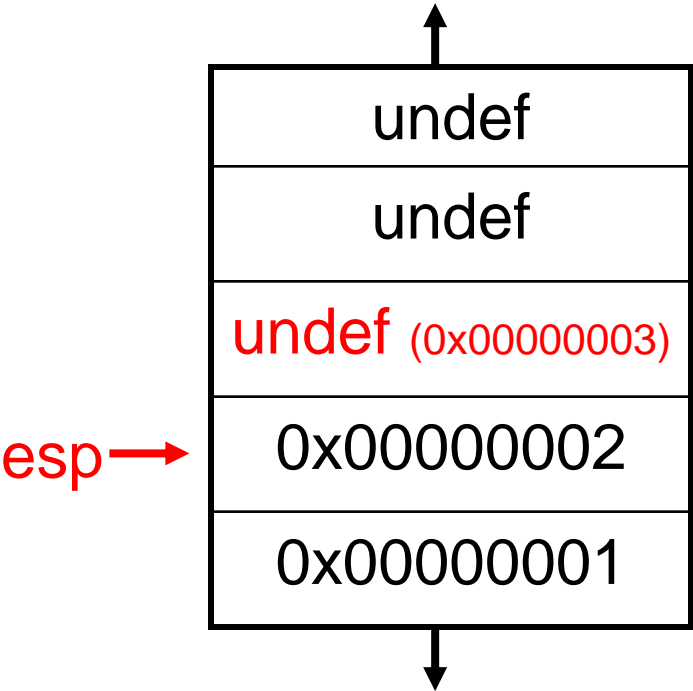
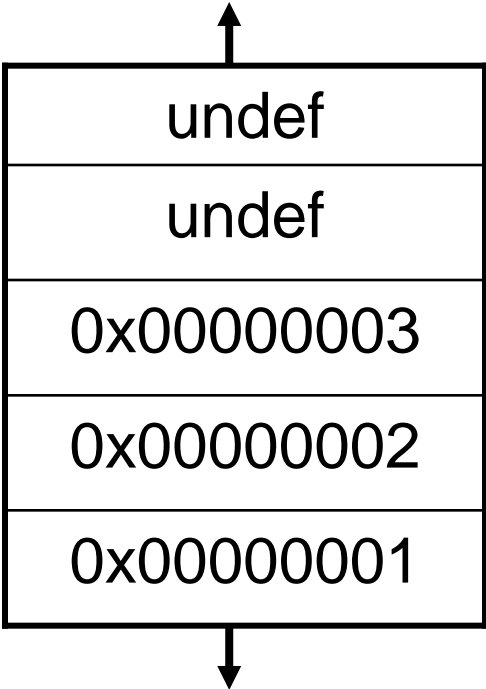
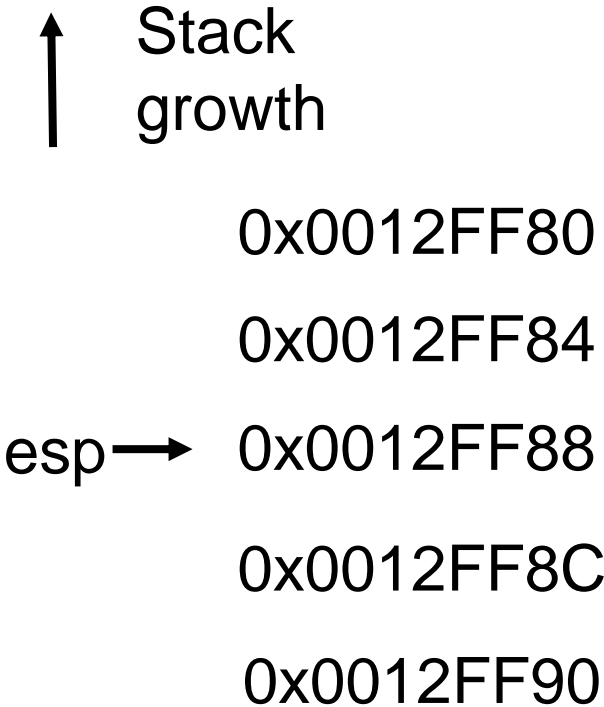
pop eax

Registers After

| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0x00000003 |
| esp | 0x0012FF8C |

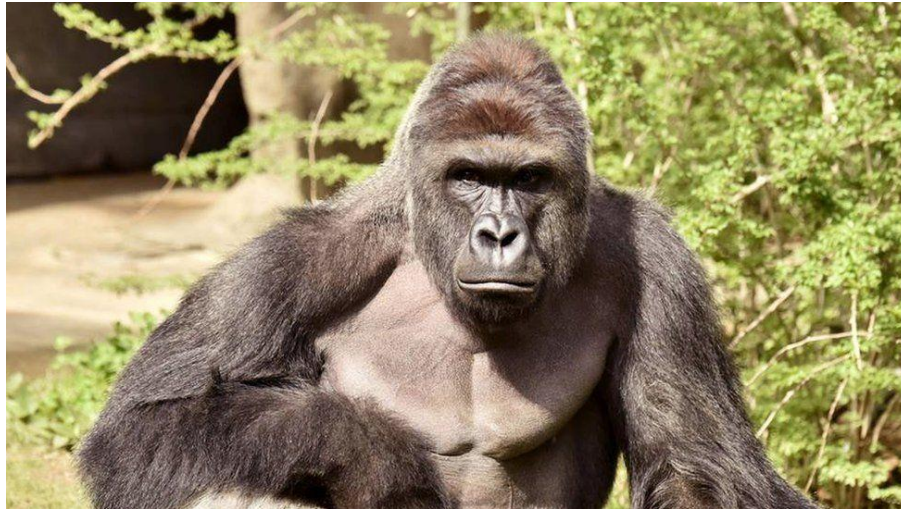
Stack Before

Stack After



↓ Higher Addresses

Are you still with me?



- RIP Harambe

Calling Conventions

- How code calls a subroutine is compiler-dependent and configurable. But there are a few conventions.
- We will only deal with the “cdecl” and “stdcall” conventions.
- More info at
 - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X86_calling_conventions
 - <http://www.programmersheaven.com/2/Calling-conventions>

Calling Conventions - cdecl

- “C declaration” - most common calling convention
- Function parameters pushed onto stack right to left
- Saves the old stack frame pointer and sets up a new stack frame
- eax or edx:eax returns the result for primitive data types
- Caller is responsible for cleaning up the stack

Calling Conventions - stdcall

- I typically only see this convention used by Microsoft C++ code - e.g. Win32 API
- Function parameters pushed onto stack right to left
- Saves the old stack frame pointer and sets up a new stack frame
- eax or edx:eax returns the result for primitive data types
- **Callee responsible for cleaning up any stack parameters it takes**
- Aside: typical MS, “If I call my new way of doing stuff 'standard' it must be true!”

Calling Conventions

- NOTE: The calling convention changes between x86 and x64
 - One example: Instead of passing arguments via the stack they are passed in registers.
 - Arguments 1-4 are passed via registers rcx, rdx, r8 and r9, the remainder are passed on the stack
 - If you are interested in learning more about the differences between x86 and x64, check out these resources! We will need to know these differences for later.
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X86_calling_conventions
 - <https://geidav.wordpress.com/tag/x86-and-x64-calling-conventions/>



CALL - Call Procedure

- CALL's job is to transfer control to a different function, in a way that control can later be resumed where it left off
- First it pushes the address of the next instruction onto the stack
 - For use by RET for when the procedure is done
- Then it changes eip to the address given in the instruction
- Destination address can be specified in multiple ways
 - Absolute address
 - Relative address (relative to the end of the instruction)



RET - Return from Procedure

- Two forms
 - Pop the top of the stack into eip (remember pop increments stack pointer)
 - In this form, the instruction is just written as “ret”
 - Typically used by cdecl functions
 - Pop the top of the stack into eip and add a constant number of bytes to esp
 - In this form, the instruction is written as “ret 0x8”, or “ret 0x20”, etc
 - Typically used by stdcall functions

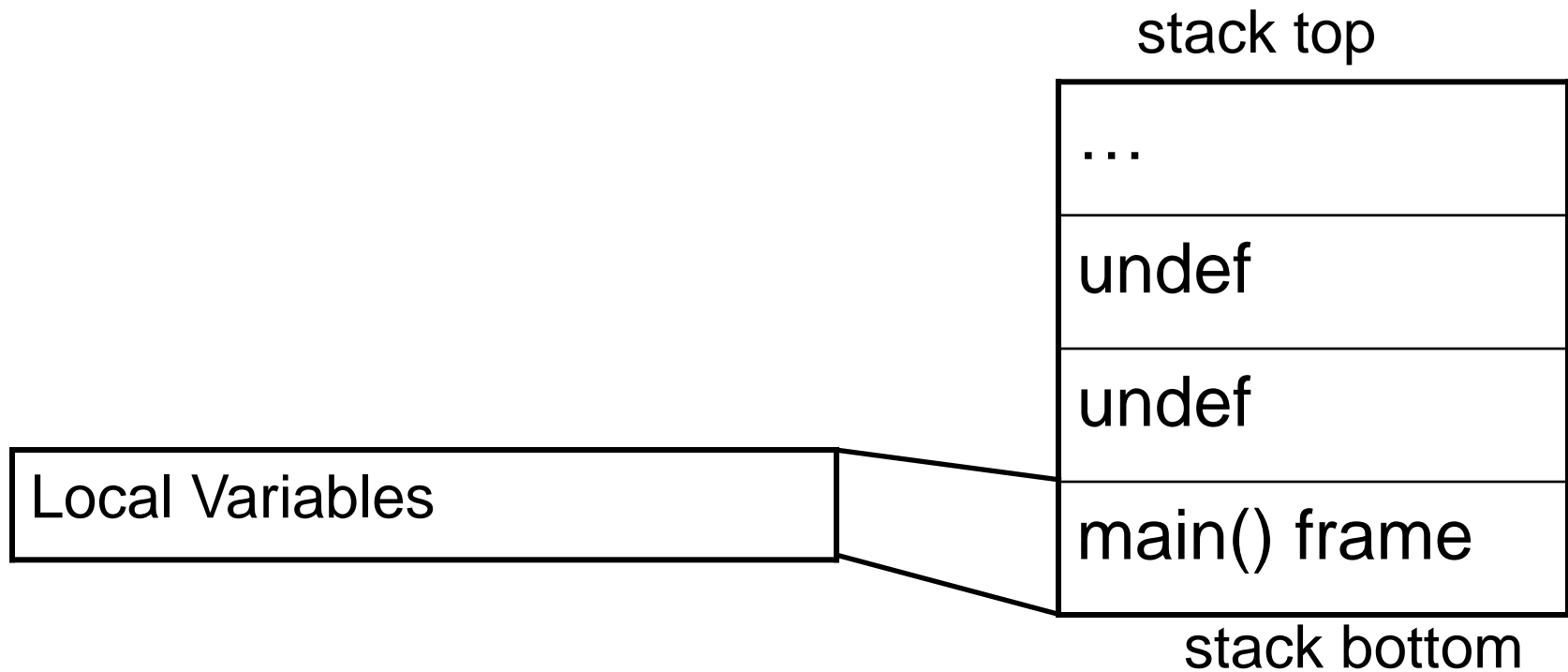


MOV - Move

- Can move:
 - register to register
 - memory to register, register to memory
 - immediate to register, immediate to memory
- Never memory to memory!
- Memory addresses are given in r/m32 form talked about later
- [rdx] means contents of address in rdx
 - I think of brackets as “whats in the container?”

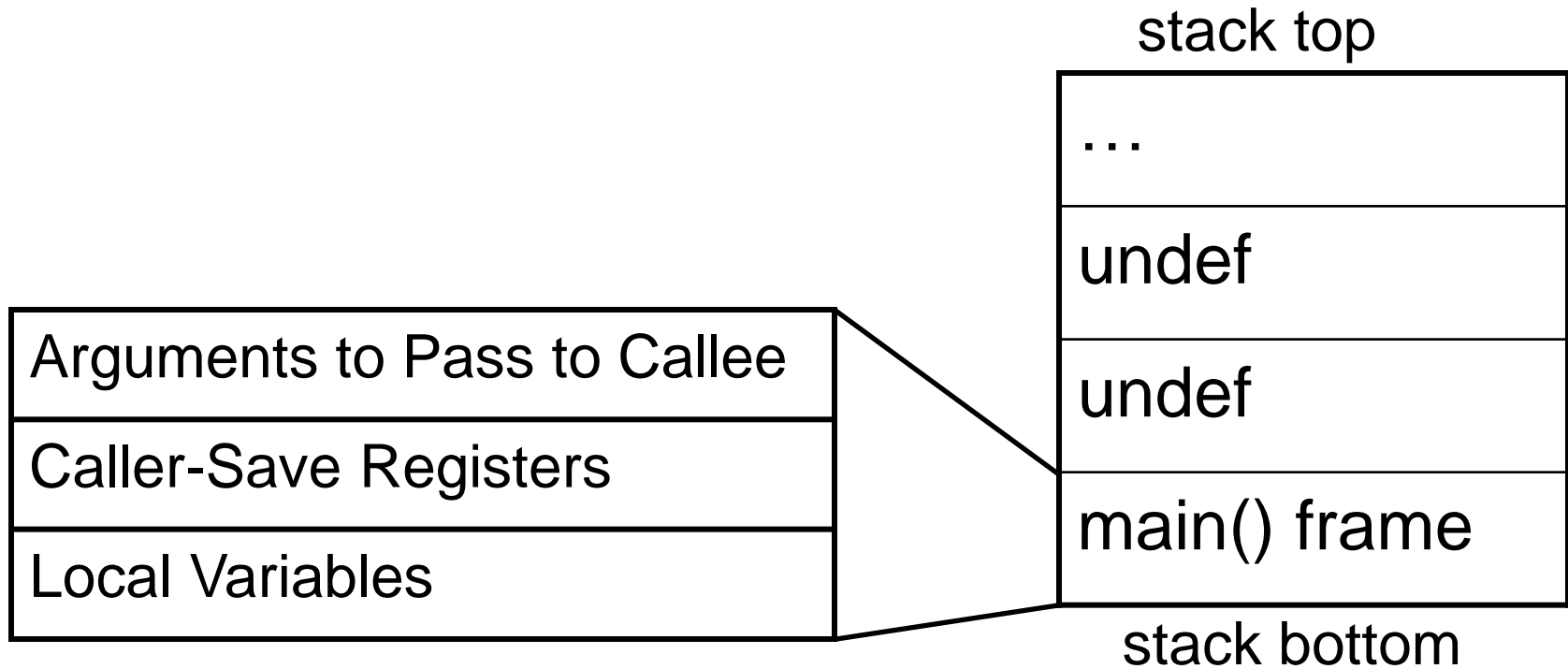
General Stack Frame Operation

We are going to pretend that main() is the very first function being executed in a program. This is what its stack looks like to start with (assuming it has any local variables).



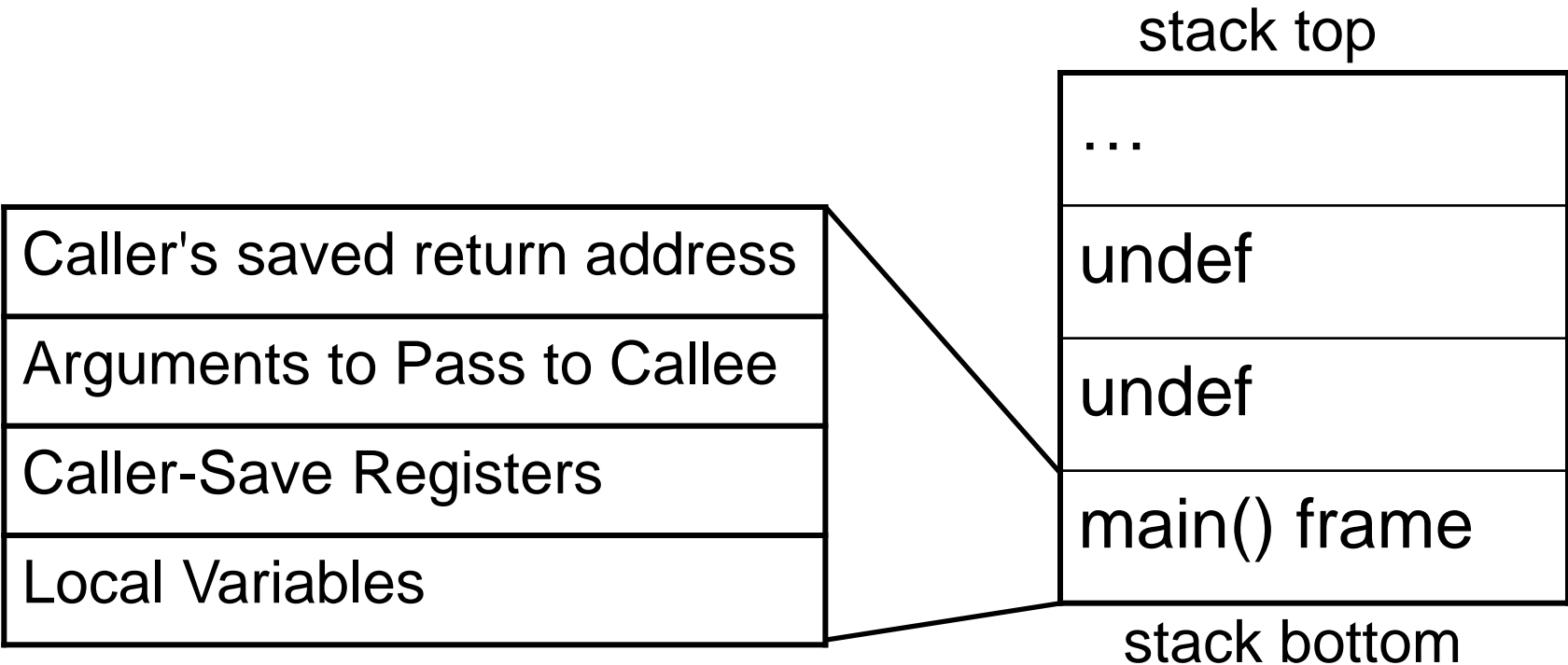
General Stack Frame Operation 2

When `main()` decides to call a subroutine, `main()` becomes “the caller”. We will assume `main()` has some registers it would like to remain the same, so it will save them. We will also assume that the callee function takes some input arguments.



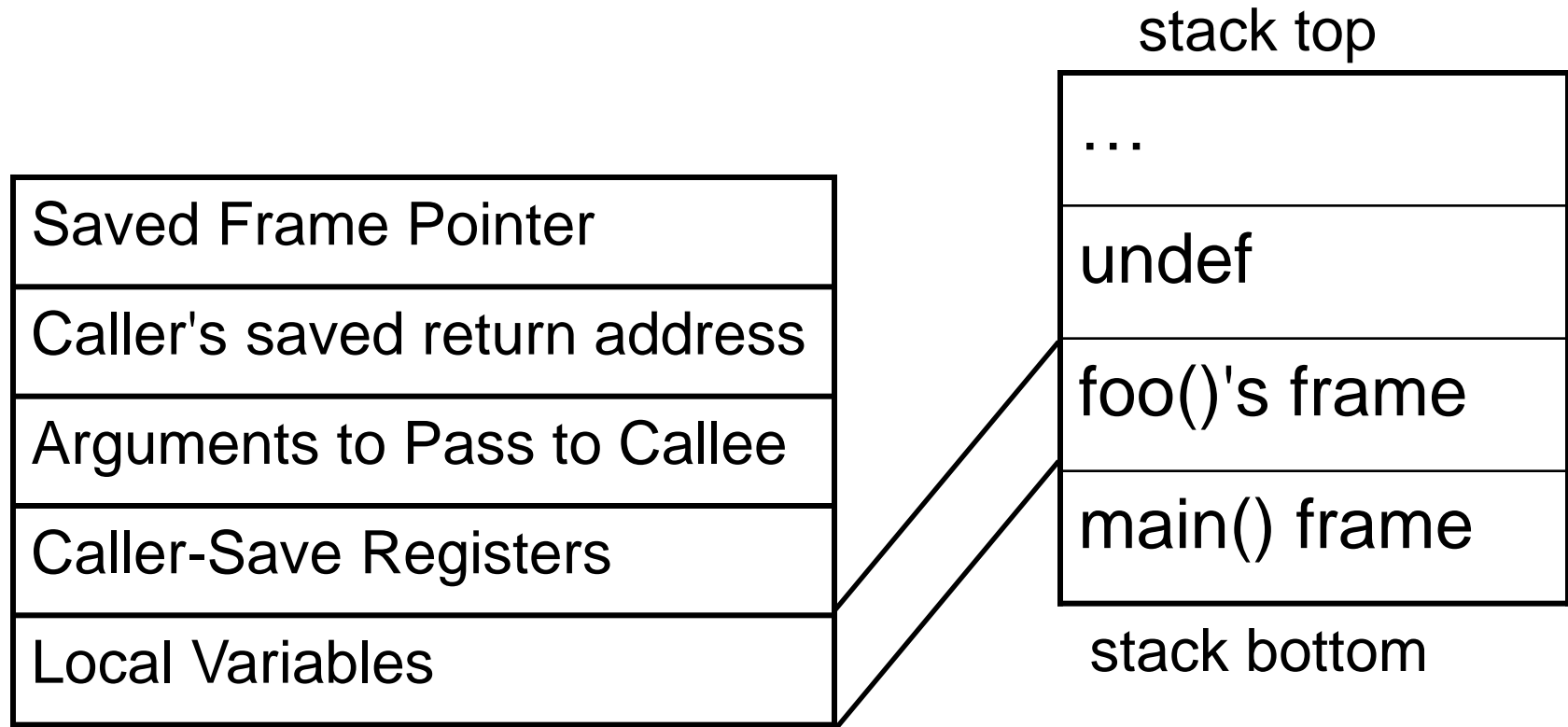
General Stack Frame Operation 3

When `main()` actually issues the `CALL` instruction, the return address gets saved onto the stack, and because the next instruction after the call will be the beginning of the called function, we consider the frame to have changed to the callee.



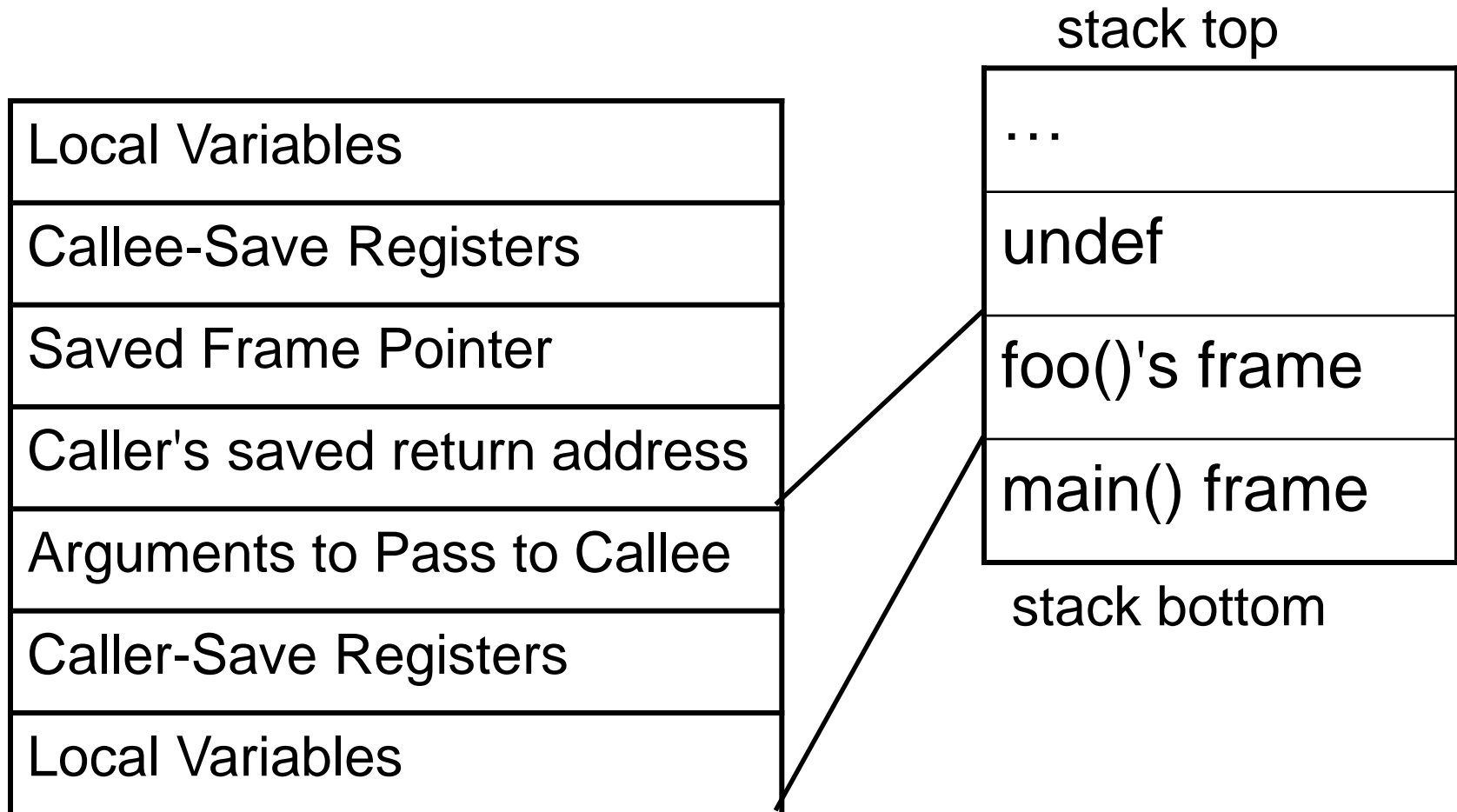
General Stack Frame Operation 4

When `foo()` starts, the frame pointer (`ebp`) still points to `main()`'s frame. So the first thing it does is to save the old frame pointer on the stack and set the new value to point to its own frame.



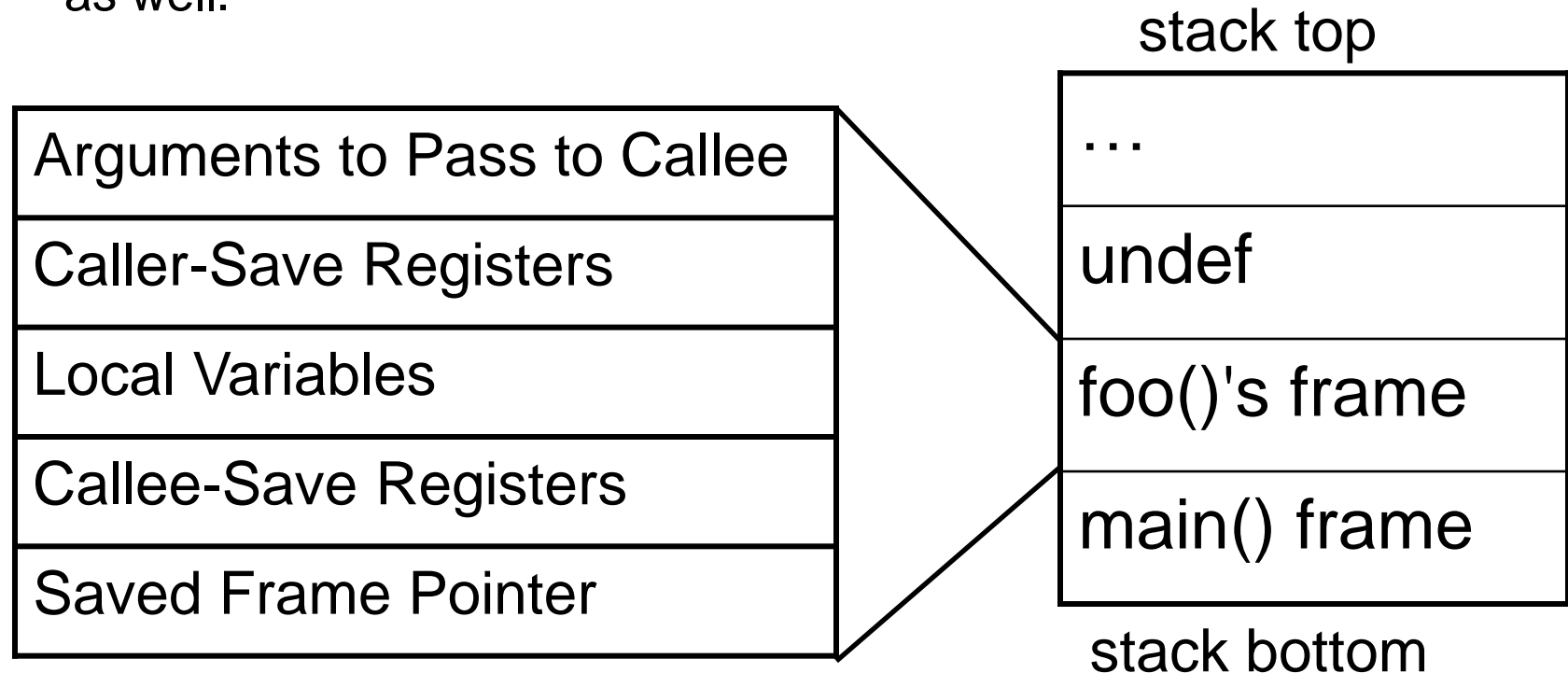
General Stack Frame Operation 5

Next, we'll assume the the callee `foo()` would like to use all the registers, and must therefore save the callee-save registers. Then it will allocate space for its local variables.



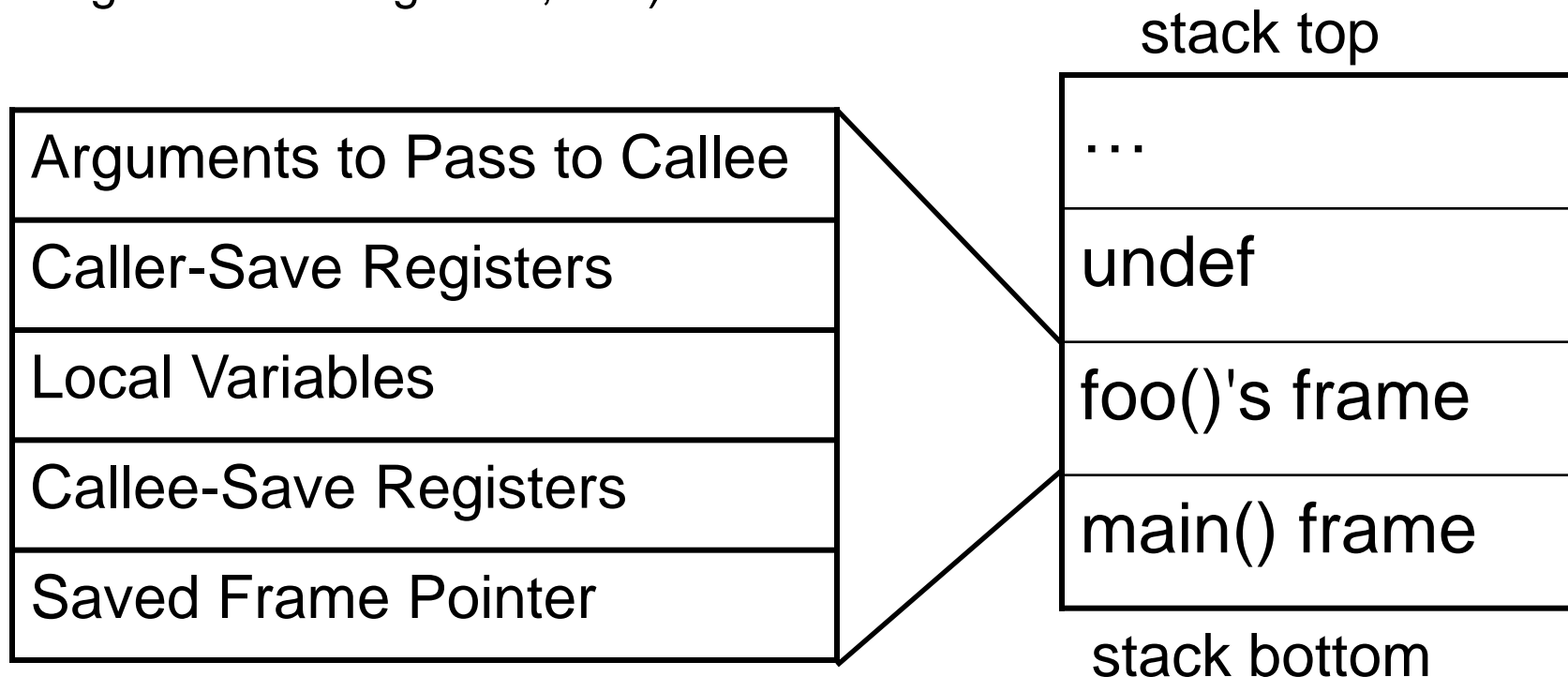
General Stack Frame Operation 6

At this point, `foo()` decides it wants to call `bar()`. It is still the callee-of-`main()`, but it will now be the caller-of-`bar`. So it saves any caller-save registers that it needs to. It then puts the function arguments on the stack as well.



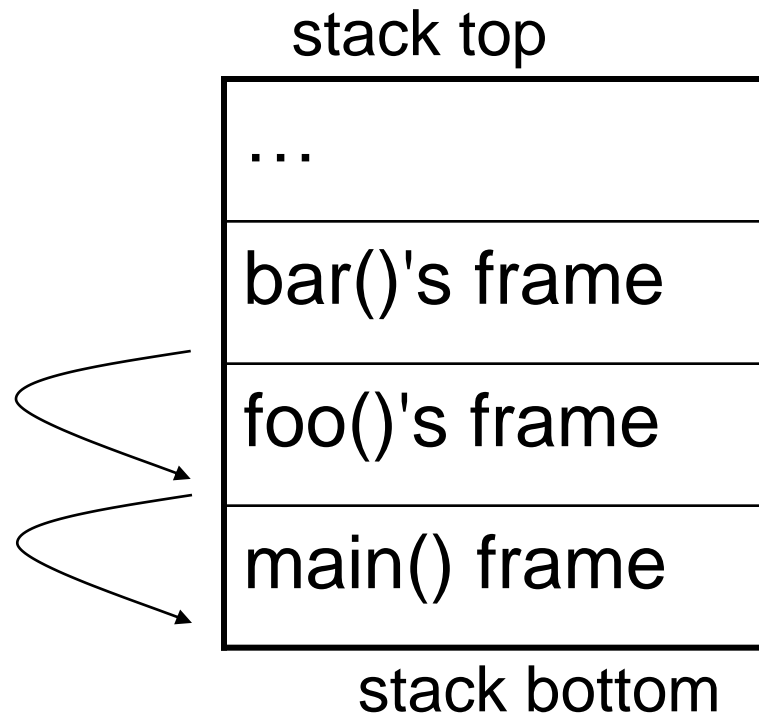
General Stack Frame Layout

Every part of the stack frame is technically optional (that is, you can hand code asm without following the conventions.) But compilers generate code which uses portions if they are needed. Which pieces are used can sometimes be manipulated with compiler options. (E.g. omit frame pointers, changing calling convention to pass arguments in registers, etc.)



Stack Frames are a Linked List!

The `ebp` in the current frame points at the saved `ebp` of the previous frame.



Example1.c

The stack frames in this example will be very simple.
Only saved frame pointer (ebp) and saved return addresses (eip).

```
//Example1 - using the stack
```

```
//to call subroutines
```

```
//New instructions:
```

```
//push, pop, call, ret, mov
```

```
int sub(){
```

```
    return 0xbeef;
```

```
}
```

```
int main(){
```

```
    sub();
```

```
    return 0xf00d;
```

```
}
```

```
sub:
```

```
00401000 push    ebp
```

```
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
```

```
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
```

```
00401008 pop     ebp
```

```
00401009 ret
```

```
main:
```

```
00401010 push    ebp
```

```
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
```

```
00401013 call    sub (401000h)
```

```
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
```

```
0040101D pop     ebp
```

```
0040101E ret
```

Example1.c 1:

EIP = 00401010, but no instruction yet

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x003435C0 ⌘ |
| ebp | 0x0012FFB8 ⌘ |
| esp | 0x0012FF6C ⌘ |

executed

Key:

☒ executed instruction,

⌘ modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call    sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

undef

undef

undef

undef

undef

0x004012E8 ⌘

Belongs to the
frame *before*
main() is called

Example1.c 2

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x003435C0 ⌘ |
| ebp | 0x0012FFB8 ⌘ |
| esp | 0x0012FF68 ⌘ |

Key:

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⌘ modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp ☒
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call    sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

undef

undef

undef

undef

0x0012FFB8 ⌘

0x004012E8 ⌘

Example1.c 3

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x003435C0 ⌘ |
| ebp | 0x0012FF68 ⌘ |
| esp | 0x0012FF68 |

Key:

⌘ executed instruction,

⌘ modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp ⌘
00401013 call    sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

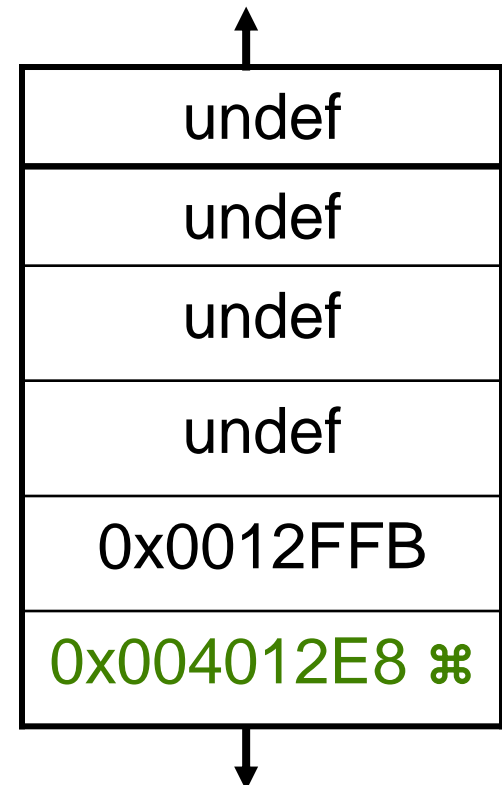
0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C



Example1.c 4

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x003435C0 ⌘ |
| ebp | 0x0012FF68 |
| esp | 0x0012FF64 ⌘ |

Key:

☒ executed instruction,

⌘ modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call    sub(401000h) ☒
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

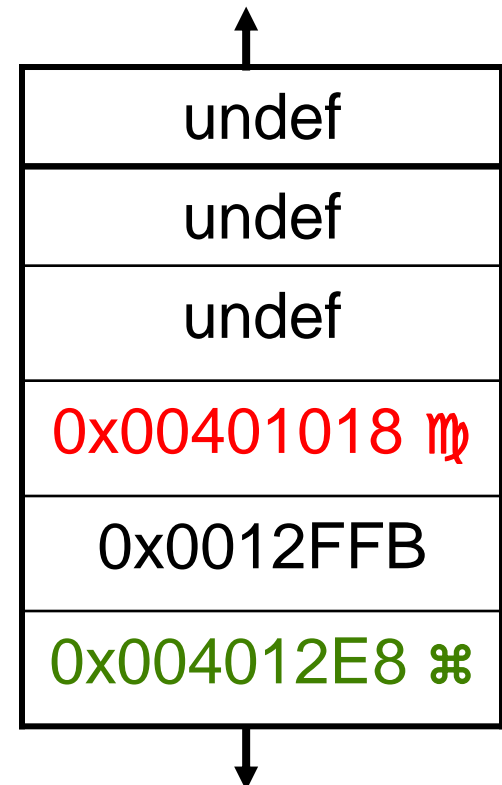
0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C



Example1.c 5

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x003435C0 ⌘ |
| ebp | 0x0012FF68 |
| esp | 0x0012FF60 𐀀 |

Key:

⌘ executed instruction,

𐀀 modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

00401000 push ebp ⌘

00401001 mov ebp,esp

00401003 mov eax,0BEEFh

00401008 pop ebp

00401009 ret

main:

00401010 push ebp

00401011 mov ebp,esp

00401013 call sub (401000h)

00401018 mov eax,0F00Dh

0040101D pop ebp

0040101E ret

0x0012FF58

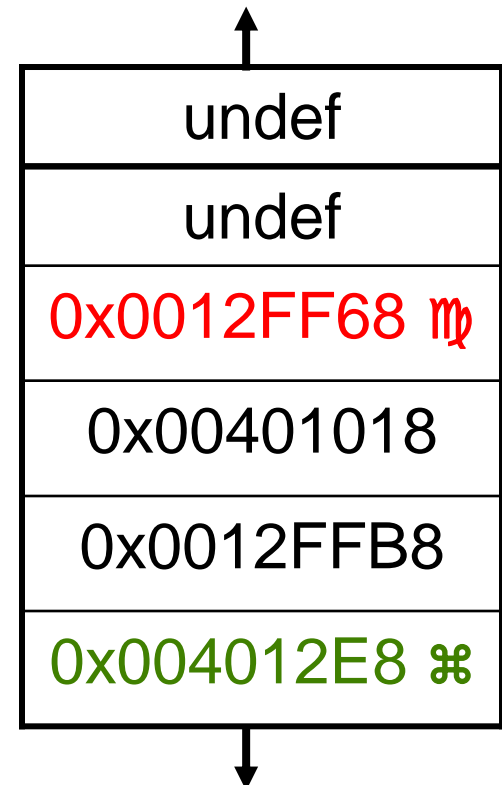
0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C



Example1.c 6

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x003435C0 ⌘ |
| ebp | 0x0012FF60 𐀀 |
| esp | 0x0012FF60 |

Key:

⌘ executed instruction,

𐀀 modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

00401000 push ebp

00401001 mov ebp,esp ⌘

00401003 mov eax,0BEEFh

00401008 pop ebp

00401009 ret

main:

00401010 push ebp

00401011 mov ebp,esp

00401013 call sub (401000h)

00401018 mov eax,0F00Dh

0040101D pop ebp

0040101E ret

0x0012FF58

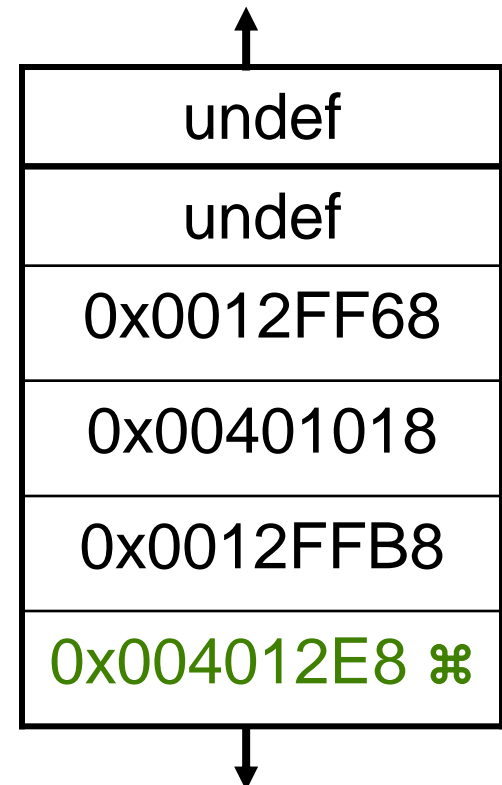
0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C



Example1.c 6

TIME OUT

Let's examine the stack frame!

```
sub
push ebp
mov ebp, esp
mov eax, 0BEEFh
pop ebp
retn
main
push ebp
mov ebp, esp
call _sub
mov eax, 0F00Dh
pop ebp
retn
```

sub's frame
(only saved frame pointer,
because it doesn't call
anything else, and doesn't
have local variables)

main's frame
(saved frame pointer
and saved return address)

*“Function-before-
main”'s frame*

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

↑
undef

undef

0x0012FF68

0x00401018

0x0012FFB8

0x004012E8 ⌘

↓

Example1.c 7

| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0x0000BEEF |
| ebp | 0x0012FF60 |
| esp | 0x0012FF60 |

Key:

☒ executed instruction,

⌘ modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

00401000 push ebp

00401001 mov ebp,esp

00401003 mov eax,0BEEFh ☒

00401008 pop ebp

00401009 ret

main:

00401010 push ebp

00401011 mov ebp,esp

00401013 call sub (401000h)

00401018 mov eax,0F00Dh

0040101D pop ebp

0040101E ret

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

↑
undef

undef

0x0012FF68

0x00401018

0x0012FFB8

0x004012E8 ⌘

↓

Example1.c 8

| | |
|-----|---------------------------|
| eax | 0x0000BEEF |
| ebp | 0x0012FF68 \mathfrak{M} |
| esp | 0x0012FF64 \mathfrak{M} |

Key:

\boxtimes executed instruction,

\mathfrak{M} modified value

\mathfrak{S} start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp  $\boxtimes$ 
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call   sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

undef

undef

undef \mathfrak{M}

0x00401018

0x0012FFB8

0x004012E8 \mathfrak{S}

Example1.c 9

| | |
|-----|---------------------------|
| eax | 0x0000BEEF |
| ebp | 0x0012FF68 |
| esp | 0x0012FF68 \mathfrak{M} |

Key:

\boxtimes executed instruction,

\mathfrak{M} modified value

\mathfrak{K} start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret      $\boxtimes$ 
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call   sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

undef

undef

undef

undef \mathfrak{M}

0x0012FFB8

0x004012E8 \mathfrak{K}

Example1.c 9

| | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| eax | 0x0000F00D m |
| ebp | 0x0012FF68 |
| esp | 0x0012FF68 |

Key:

$\boxed{\times}$ executed instruction,

m modified value

\& start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call   sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh  $\boxed{\times}$ 
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

undef

undef

undef

undef

0x0012FFB8

0x004012E8 \&

Example1.c 10

| | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| eax | 0x0000F00D |
| ebp | 0x0012FFB8 m |
| esp | 0x0012FF6C m |

Key:

$\boxed{\times}$ executed instruction,

m modified value

⌘ start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call    sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp  $\boxed{\times}$ 
0040101E ret
```

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

undef

undef

undef

undef

undef

0x004012E8 ⌘

Example1.c 11

| | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| eax | 0x0000F00D |
| ebp | 0x0012FFB8 |
| esp | 0x0012FF70 m |

Key:

\boxtimes executed instruction,

m modified value

S start value

sub:

```
00401000 push    ebp
00401001 mov     ebp,esp
00401003 mov     eax,0BEEFh
00401008 pop     ebp
00401009 ret
```

main:

```
00401010 push    ebp
00401011 mov     ebp,esp
00401013 call    sub (401000h)
00401018 mov     eax,0F00Dh
0040101D pop     ebp
0040101E ret  $\boxtimes$ 
```

0x0012FF58

0x0012FF5C

0x0012FF60

0x0012FF64

0x0012FF68

0x0012FF6C

undef

undef

undef

undef

undef

undef m

Execution would continue at the value ret
removed from the stack: 0x004012E8

Example1 Notes

- `sub()` is deadcode - its return value is not used for anything, and `main` always returns `0xF00D`. If optimizations are turned on in the compiler, it would remove `sub()`
- Because there are no input parameters to `sub()`, there is no difference whether we compile as `cdecl` vs `stdcall` calling conventions

Example2.c with Input parameters and Local Variables

| | |
|--|--|
| <pre>#include <stdlib.h> int sub(int x, int y){ return 2*x+y; } int main(int argc, char ** argv){ int a; a = atoi(argv[1]); return sub(argc,a); }</pre> | <pre>.text:00000000 _sub: push ebp .text:00000001 mov ebp, esp .text:00000003 mov eax, [ebp+8] .text:00000006 mov ecx, [ebp+0Ch] .text:00000009 lea eax, [ecx+eax*2] .text:0000000C pop ebp .text:0000000D retn .text:00000010 _main: push ebp .text:00000011 mov ebp, esp .text:00000013 push ecx .text:00000014 mov eax, [ebp+0Ch] .text:00000017 mov ecx, [eax+4] .text:0000001A push ecx .text:0000001B call dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi .text:00000021 add esp, 4 .text:00000024 mov [ebp-4], eax .text:00000027 mov edx, [ebp-4] .text:0000002A push edx .text:0000002B mov eax, [ebp+8] .text:0000002E push eax .text:0000002F call _sub .text:00000034 add esp, 8 .text:00000037 mov esp, ebp .text:00000039 pop ebp .text:0000003A retn</pre> |
|--|--|

"r/m32" Addressing Forms

- Anywhere you see an r/m32 it means it could be taking a value either from a register, or a memory address.
- I'm just calling these “r/m32 forms” because anywhere you see “r/m32” in the manual, the instruction can be a variation of the below forms.
- In Intel syntax, most of the time square brackets [] means to treat the value within as a memory address, and fetch the value at that address (like dereferencing a pointer)
 - `mov eax, ebx`
 - `mov eax, [ebx]`
 - `mov eax, [ebx+ecx*X]` (X=1, 2, 4, 8)
 - `mov eax, [ebx+ecx*X+Y]` (Y= one byte, 0-255 or 4 bytes, 0-2³²-1)
- Most complicated form is: `[base + index*scale + disp]`



LEA - Load Effective Address

- Frequently used with pointer arithmetic, sometimes for just arithmetic in general
- Uses the r/m32 form but **is the exception to the rule** that the square brackets [] syntax means dereference (“value at”)
- Example: `ebx = 0x2, edx = 0x1000`
 - `lea eax, [edx+ebx*2]`
 - `eax = 0x1004`, not the value at 0x1004



ADD and SUB

- Adds or Subtracts, just as expected
- Destination operand can be r/m32 or register
- Source operand can be r/m32 or register or immediate
- No source ***and*** destination as r/m32s, because that could allow for memory to memory transfer, which isn't allowed on x86
- Evaluates the operation as if it were on signed AND unsigned data, and sets flags as appropriate.
Instructions modify OF, SF, ZF, AF, PF, and CF flags
- add esp, 8
- sub eax, [ebx*2]

Example2.c - 1

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0xcafe ☿ |
| ecx | 0xbabe ☿ |
| edx | 0xfedd ☿ |
| ebp | 0x0012FF50 ☿ |
| esp | 0x0012FF24 𐀀 |

```

.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp ☒
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F          call   _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn


```

| | |
|------------|---------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef |
| 0x0012FF20 | undef |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50(saved ebp) 𐀀 |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” ☿ |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) ☿ |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv)☿ |

Key: executed instruction ☒, modified value 𐀀, arbitrary example start value ☿

Example2.c - 2

```
.text:00000000 _sub:      push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:    push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F          call   _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```

| | |
|-----|--|
| eax | 0xcafe |
| ecx | 0xbabe |
| edx | 0xfeed |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24  |
| esp | 0x0012FF24 |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef |
| 0x0012FF20 | undef |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2.c - 3

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push    ecx
                mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
                mov     ecx, [eax+4]
                push    ecx
                call    dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
                add     esp, 4
                mov     [ebp-4], eax
                mov     edx, [ebp-4]
                push    edx
                mov     eax, [ebp+8]
                push    eax
                call    _sub
                add     esp, 8
                mov     esp, ebp
                pop     ebp
                retn
```

Caller-save, or space for local var? This time it turns out to be space for local var since there is no corresponding pop, and the address is used later to refer to the value we know is stored in a.

| | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| eax | 0xcafe |
| ecx | 0xbabe |
| edx | 0xfeed |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF20 \uparrow |

| | |
|------------|---------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0xbabe (int a) \uparrow |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after "call _main" |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2.c - 4

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
                    mov     ecx, [eax+4]
                    push   ecx
                    call    dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
                    add     esp, 4
                    mov     [ebp-4], eax
                    mov     edx, [ebp-4]
                    push   edx
                    mov     eax, [ebp+8]
                    push   eax
.text:0000002F          call    _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```

Getting the base of the argv char * array (aka argv[0])

| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0x12FFB0 |
| ecx | 0xbabe |
| edx | 0xfeed |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF20 |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0xbabe (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after "call _main" |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 5

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
          push   ecx
          call   dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
          add    esp, 4
          mov     [ebp-4], eax
          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
          push   edx
          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
          push   eax
          call   _sub
          add    esp, 8
          mov     esp, ebp
          pop     ebp
          retn
```

Getting the char * at argv[1] (I chose 0x12FFD4 arbitrarily since it's out of the stack scope we're currently looking at)

| | |
|-----|----------------------|
| eax | 0x12FFB0 |
| ecx | 0x12FFD4 (arbitrary) |
| edx | 0xfeed |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF20 |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0xbabe (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after "call _main" |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 6

```
.text:00000000 _sub:      push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
          pop     ebp
          retn
          push    ebp
          mov     ebp, esp
          push    ecx
          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
          push    ecx ☒
          call    dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi ☒
          add     esp, 4 ☒
          mov     [ebp-4], eax
          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
          push    edx
          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
          push    eax
          call    _sub
          add     esp, 8
          mov     esp, ebp
          pop     ebp
          retn
```

Saving some slides... This will push the address of the string at argv[1] (0x12FFD4). atoi() will read the string and turn in into an int, put that int in eax, and return. Then the adding 4 to esp will negate the having pushed the input parameter and make 0x12FF1C undefined again (this is indicative of cdecl)

| | |
|-----|--------------------|
| eax | 0x100M (arbitrary) |
| ecx | 0x12FFD4 |
| edx | 0xfeed |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF20 |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef M |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef M |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0xbabe (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after "call _main" |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 7

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push    ecx
                    mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
                    mov     ecx, [eax+4]
                    push    ecx
                    call    dword ptr ds:___imp___atoi
                    add     esp, 4
                    mov     [ebp-4], eax ☒
                    mov     edx, [ebp-4] ☒
                    push    edx ☒
                    mov     eax, [ebp+8]
                    push    eax
                    call    _sub
                    add     esp, 8
                    mov     esp, ebp
                    pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```

First setting “a” equal to the return value. Then pushing “a” as the second parameter in sub(). We can see an obvious optimization would have been to replace the last two instructions with “push eax”.

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x100 |
| ecx | 0x12FFD4 |
| edx | 0x100 ൬ |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF1C ൬ |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | 0x100 (int y) ൬ |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0x100 (int a) ൬ |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 8

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
                mov     eax, [ebp+8]
                push   eax
                call   _sub
                add     esp, 8
                mov     esp, ebp
                pop     ebp
                retn
.text:0000003A
```

Pushing argc as the first parameter (int x) to sub()

| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0x2 |
| ecx | 0x12FFD4 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF18 |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | 0x2 (int x) |
| 0x0012FF1C | 0x100 (int y) |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0x100 (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after "call _main" |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 9



```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:___imp___atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F call    _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```

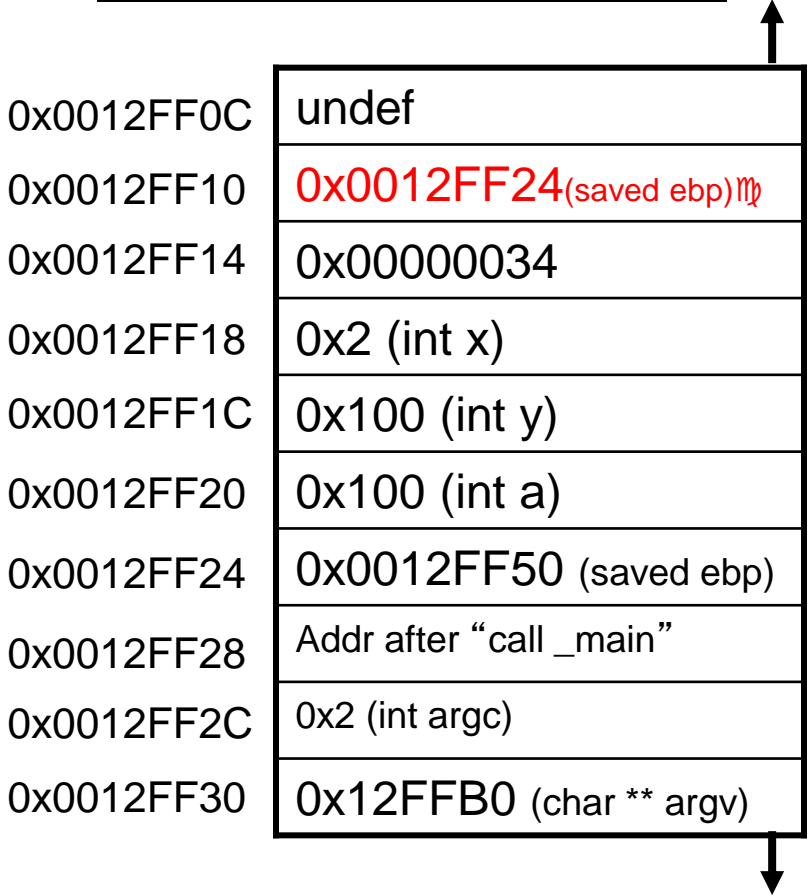
| | |
|-----|--------------|
| eax | 0x2 |
| ecx | 0x12FFD4 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF14 ↗ |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | 0x00000034 ↗ |
| 0x0012FF18 | 0x2 (int x) |
| 0x0012FF1C | 0x100 (int y) |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0x100 (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 10

```
.text:00000000 _sub:      push    ebp
.text:00000001      mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003      mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006      mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009      lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C      pop     ebp
.text:0000000D      retn
.text:00000010 _main:    push    ebp
.text:00000011      mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013      push    ecx
.text:00000014      mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017      mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A      push    ecx
.text:0000001B      call    dword ptr ds:___imp___atoi
.text:00000021      add     esp, 4
.text:00000024      mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027      mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A      push    edx
.text:0000002B      mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E      push    eax
.text:0000002F      call    _sub
.text:00000034      add     esp, 8
.text:00000037      mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039      pop     ebp
.text:0000003A      retn
```

| | |
|-----|--|
| eax | 0x2 |
| ecx | 0x12FFD4 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF10  |
| esp | 0x0012FF10  |

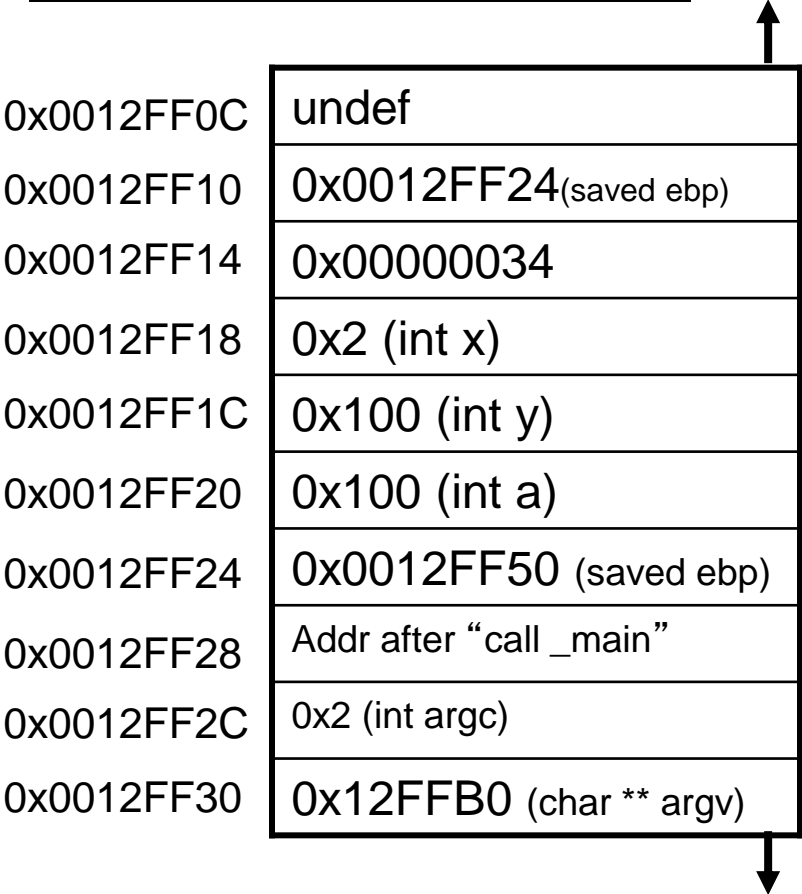


Example2 - 11

```
.text:00000000 _sub:      push    ebp
.text:00000001                mov     ebp, esp
                        mov     eax, [ebp+8] ☒
                        mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch] ☒
                        lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
                        pop     ebp
                        retn
.text:00000010 _main:    push    ebp
.text:00000011                mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013                push    ecx
.text:00000014                mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017                mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A                push    ecx
.text:0000001B                call    dword ptr ds: __imp__atoi
.text:00000021                add     esp, 4
.text:00000024                mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027                mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A                push    edx
.text:0000002B                mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E                push    eax
.text:0000002F                call    _sub
.text:00000034                add     esp, 8
.text:00000037                mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039                pop     ebp
.text:0000003A                retn
```

Move “x” into eax,
and “y” into ecx.

| | |
|-----|-------------------------------------|
| eax | 0x2 mp (no value change) |
| ecx | 0x100 mp |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF10 |
| esp | 0x0012FF10 |



Example2 - 12

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
          pop     ebp
          retn
          push    ebp
          mov     ebp, esp
          push    ecx
          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
          push    ecx
          call    dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
          add     esp, 4
          mov     [ebp-4], eax
          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
          push    edx
          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
          push    eax
          call    _sub
          add     esp, 8
          mov     esp, ebp
          pop     ebp
          retn
```

Set the return value (eax) to 2*x + y.
Note: neither pointer arith, nor an “address” which was loaded. Just an efficient way to do a calculation.



| | |
|-----|------------|
| eax | 0x104 m |
| ecx | 0x100 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF10 |
| esp | 0x0012FF10 |


0x0012FF0C
0x0012FF10
0x0012FF14
0x0012FF18
0x0012FF1C
0x0012FF20
0x0012FF24
0x0012FF28
0x0012FF2C
0x0012FF30

| |
|-------------------------|
| undef |
| 0x0012FF24(saved ebp) |
| 0x00000034 |
| 0x2 (int x) |
| 0x100 (int y) |
| 0x100 (int a) |
| 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 13

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F          call   _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```

| | |
|-----|--|
| eax | 0x104 |
| ecx | 0x100 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24  |
| esp | 0x0012FF14  |

| | |
|------------|---|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef  |
| 0x0012FF14 | 0x00000034 |
| 0x0012FF18 | 0x2 (int x) |
| 0x0012FF1C | 0x100 (int y) |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0x100 (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 14

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn    4
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F          call   _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```

| | |
|-----|----------------------|
| eax | 0x104 |
| ecx | 0x100 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF18 <i>mp</i> |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef <i>mp</i> |
| 0x0012FF18 | 0x2 (int x) |
| 0x0012FF1C | 0x100 (int y) |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0x100 (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 15


```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:___imp___atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F          call   _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```


| | |
|-----|--------------------------|
| eax | 0x104 |
| ecx | 0x100 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF20 mp |

| | |
|------------|-------------------------|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef mp |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef mp |
| 0x0012FF20 | 0x100 (int a) |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 16



```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:___imp___atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F          call   _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037 mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```


| | |
|-----|--|
| eax | 0x104 |
| ecx | 0x100 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF24 |
| esp | 0x0012FF24  |

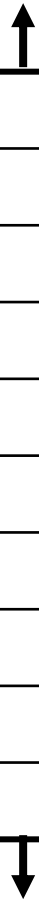
| | |
|------------|---|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | undefd |
| 0x0012FF20 | undef  |
| 0x0012FF24 | 0x0012FF50 (saved ebp) |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |

Example2 - 17

```
.text:00000000 _sub:    push    ebp
.text:00000001          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000003          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:00000006          mov     ecx, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000009          lea     eax, [ecx+eax*2]
.text:0000000C          pop     ebp
.text:0000000D          retn
.text:00000010 _main:   push    ebp
.text:00000011          mov     ebp, esp
.text:00000013          push   ecx
.text:00000014          mov     eax, [ebp+0Ch]
.text:00000017          mov     ecx, [eax+4]
.text:0000001A          push   ecx
.text:0000001B          call   dword ptr ds:__imp__atoi
.text:00000021          add     esp, 4
.text:00000024          mov     [ebp-4], eax
.text:00000027          mov     edx, [ebp-4]
.text:0000002A          push   edx
.text:0000002B          mov     eax, [ebp+8]
.text:0000002E          push   eax
.text:0000002F          call   _sub
.text:00000034          add     esp, 8
.text:00000037          mov     esp, ebp
.text:00000039          pop     ebp
.text:0000003A          retn
```

| | |
|-----|--|
| eax | 0x104 |
| ecx | 0x100 |
| edx | 0x100 |
| ebp | 0x0012FF50  |
| esp | 0x0012FF28  |

| | |
|------------|---|
| 0x0012FF0C | undef |
| 0x0012FF10 | undef |
| 0x0012FF14 | undef |
| 0x0012FF18 | undef |
| 0x0012FF1C | undef |
| 0x0012FF20 | undef |
| 0x0012FF24 | undef  |
| 0x0012FF28 | Addr after “call _main” |
| 0x0012FF2C | 0x2 (int argc) |
| 0x0012FF30 | 0x12FFB0 (char ** argv) |



Instructions we now know (9)

- NOP
- PUSH/POP
- CALL/RET
- MOV
- LEA
- ADD/SUB