
How to Translate

Java Byte Code into RISC-V Assembly Code

You need to understand Java bytecode's behavior before you read this.

First of all, let's check some RISC-V registers :

sp : stack pointer register

We need use this register to imitate the Java stack behavior.

a0~a7 : normal registers

Use the registers to pass the parameter, but if you want to use other registers to pass them that is still fine. But we usually use a-reg to pass them, this is called “calling convention” .

a1 : first parameter

a2 : second parameter

, and so on

t1~t5 : temp registers

We usually store the result of the calculate into these registers.

s1~s11 : accessing memory register

I use these register to access the memory.

Next, we need to configure something before translate Java bytecode.

<pre>.text .section .rodata .align 3</pre>
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You need to write this before main function.

You need to write this before any functions (including main) :

```
.text
.align 1
.globl #name
.type #name, @function
```

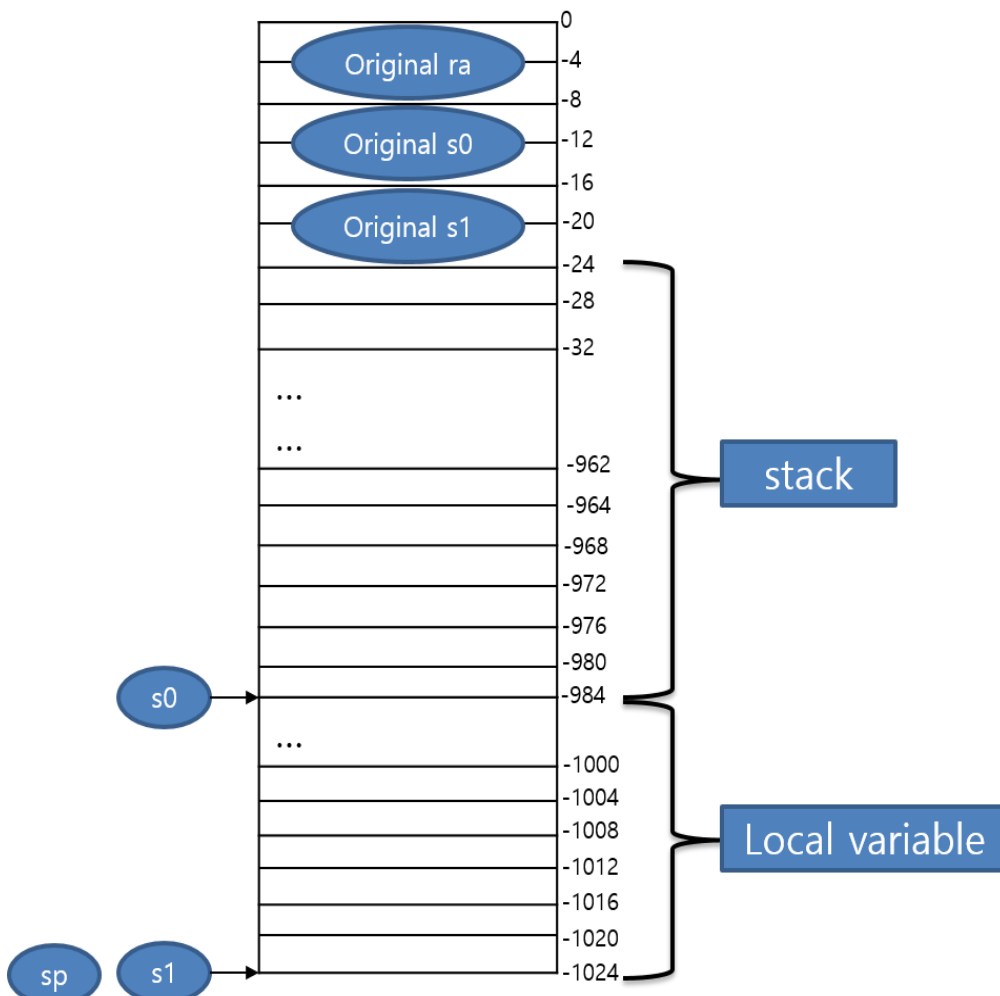
Next, this is used to configure the imitation of java stack and java local variable :

```
addi    sp, sp, -1024
sd       ra, 1016(sp)
sd       s0, 1008(sp)
sd       s1, 1000(sp)
addi     s0, sp, 40    #stack point(240 stack entries)
addi     s1, sp, 0     #define 12 local variable
```

First Line is used to reserve some memory space.

From second to forth lines, storing the original values in these registers cause we need to access these register later. When the program end, **do not forget to load the values back**.

Fifth line is setting the stack. **Sixth line** is setting the local variable. You can adjust the size of them. **You need to do this in every function**.



● Memory configuration

Next, it's about pass the function arguments :

You can observe how many times that Java “load” the value onto the stack right before calling function. That's the number of the arguments.

For example that you have 3 arguments to pass :

```
lw  t0,0(s0)
addi s0,s0,-4 #pop first argument
lw  t1,0(s0)
addi s0,s0,-4 #pop second argument
lw  t2,0(s0)
addi s0,s0,-4 #pop third argument

mv a0,t0
mv a1,t1
mv a2,t2

call function
...
...

function:
    addi    sp, sp, -1024
    sd  ra, 1016(sp)
    sd  s0, 1008(sp)
    sd  s1, 1000(sp)
    addi    s0, sp, 40    #stack point(240 stack entries)
    addi    s1, sp, 0     #define 12 local variable

    sw a0,0(s1)
    sw a1,4(s1)
    sw a2,8(s1)
    ...
```

Next, it is about array.

You can see **newarray #type** instruction in java bytecode, it means configure a type “#type” array. The size of the array is in the top value of stack.

iconst_5 newarray int

These 2 instructions are meant to configure a int array, size is 5.

Its RISC-V code are like this :

```
#iconst_5
```

```
li t1, 5
```

```
addi s0, s0, 4
```

```
sw t1, 0(s0) #push constant 5 onto the stack
```

```
#newarray int
```

```
sd s2, 992(sp) #You need some space to store the original value of s2
```

```
lw t1, 0(s0)
```

```
addi s0, s0, -4 #pop from the top of stack
```

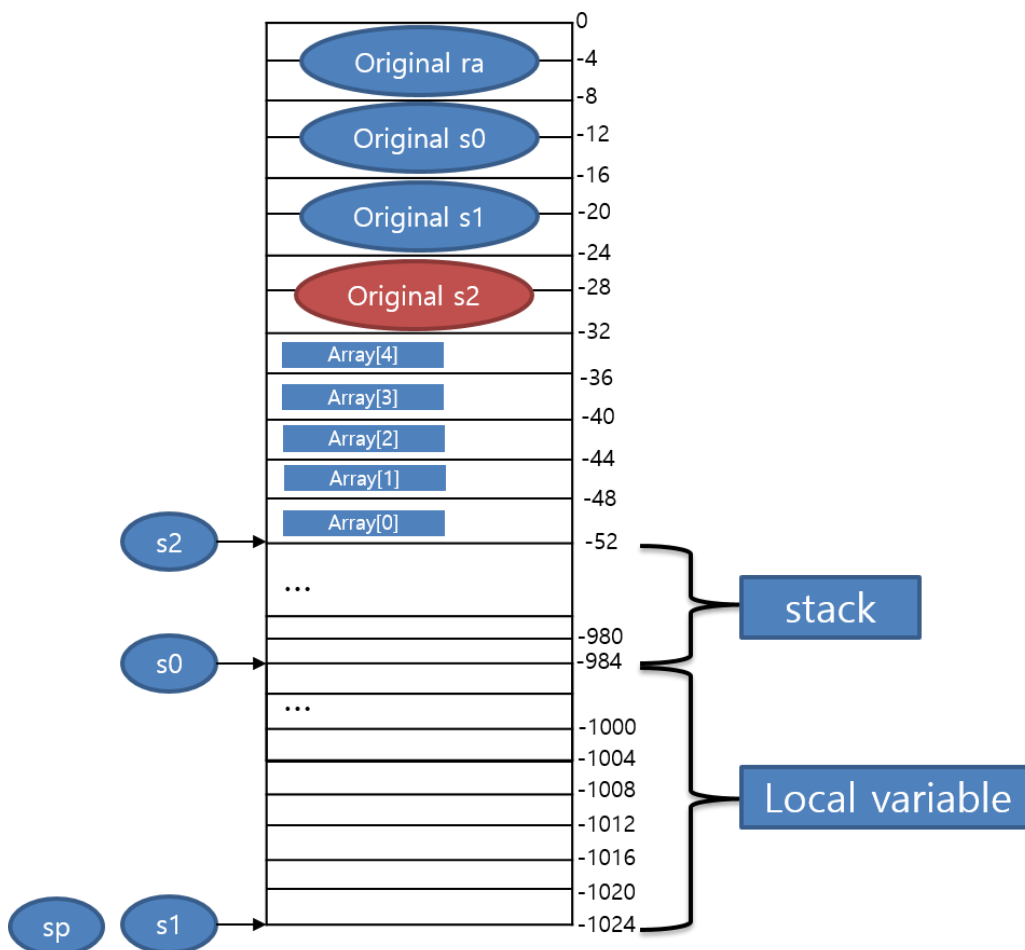
```
imul t1, t1, 4
```

```
li t2, 992
```

```
sub t1, t2, t1
```

```
add s2, sp, t1
```

This is the memory configure after add an array :



Global variable, you can treat them as main function' s local variable. You can use the way to pass the global variable like the way to pass the function arguments.

Java Bytecode to RISC-V Asm Instruction Mapping Table

Java bytecode	RISC-V asm
Arithmetic ISA	
iadd	lw a1, 0(s0) #pop from the top of stack addi s0, s0, -4 #move the pointer of stack lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 add a3, a1, a2 sw a3, 0(s0) #store the result to stack addi s0, 4
isub	lw a1, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 sub a3, a1, a2 sw a3, 0(s0) addi s0, 4
imul	lw a1, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 mul a3, a1, a2 sw a3, 0(s0) addi s0, 4
idiv	lw a1, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 div a3, a1, a2 sw a3, 0(s0) addi s0, 4
irem	lw a1, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 rem a3, a1, a2 sw a3, 0(s0) addi s0, 4
Load/Store ISA	
iload_#index	lw a3, 4*[#index](s1) #load int value from local variable table sw a3, 0(s0) #store the int value to the top of stack

Arithmetic ISA

Load/Store ISA

	addi s0, s0, -4	#move the pointer of stack
istore_#index	lw a3, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 sw a3, 4*[#index](s1) table	#pop from the top of stack #move the pointer of stack #store the popped value to local variable
Jump ISA		
goto LABEL	j LABEL	
ifeq LABEL	lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 beq a2, zero, LABEL	#pop from the top of stack #move the pointer of stack
ifge LABEL	lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 bge a2, zero, LABEL	
ifgt LABEL	lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 bgt a2, zero, LABEL	
ifle LABEL	lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 ble a2, zero, LABEL	
iflt LABEL	lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 blt a2, zero, LABEL	
ifne LABEL	lw a2, 0(s0) addi s0, s0, -4 bne a2, zero, LABEL	
Additional		
iconst_#num	#push constant #num onto the stack li t1, #num addi s0, s0, 4 sw t1, 0(s0)	

Example : Simple print

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

```
int main() {  
    int x,y,z;  
    x=1;  
    y=2;  
    z=x+y;  
  
    if(z>=0) {  
        printf( "z=%d\n" ,z);  
    }  
}
```

JAVA bytecode

```
public class test {  
    public test();  
    public static void main(java.lang.String[])  
        Code:  
        0: iconst_1  
        1: istore_1  
        2: iconst_2  
        3: istore_2  
        4: iload_1  
        5: iload_2  
        6: iadd  
        7: istore_3  
        8: iload_3  
        9: iflt 24  
        12: getstatic #7 # Field java/lang/System.out:Ljava/io/PrintStream;  
        15: iload_3  
        16: invokedynamic #13, 0  
        21: invokevirtual #17 # print  
        24: return  
}
```


RISC-V asm

```
.text
.section    .rodata
.align 3
.LC0:
.string "z=%d\n"
.text
.align 1
.globl main
.type main, @function
main:
    addi    sp, sp, -1024
    sd     ra, 1016(sp)
    sd     s0, 1008(sp)
    sd     s1, 1000(sp)
    addi    s0, sp, 40      #stack point(240 stack entries)
    addi    s1, sp, 0       #define 12 local variable

    #load 1 into local variable_0
    li     t1, 1
    addi    s0, s0, 4
    sw     t1, 0(s0) #push constant 1 onto the stack

    lw     t1, 0(s0) #pop from the top of the stack
    addi    s0, s0, -4
    sw     t1, 0(s1) #store the value into local variable_1

    #load 2 into local variable_1
    li     t1, 2
    addi    s0, s0, 4
    sw     t1, 0(s0)

    lw     t1, 0(s0)
    addi    s0, s0, -4
    sw     t1, 4(s1)

    #push 2 local variable onto the stack
    lw     t1, 0(s1)
    addi    s0, s0, 4
    sw     t1, 0(s0)

    lw     t1, 4(s1)
```

```
addi s0,s0,4
```

```
sw t1,0(s0)
```

```
#add the top 2 numbers of the stack
```

```
lw t1,0(s0)
```

```
addi s0,s0,-4
```

```
lw t2,0(s0)
```

```
addi s0,s0,-4
```

```
add t3,t1,t2
```

```
#store the result into local variable_2
```

```
sw t3,8(s0)
```

```
#push local variable_2 onto the stack
```

```
lw t1,8(s0)
```

```
addi s0,s0,4
```

```
sw t1,0(s0)
```

```
# "jump" if the top value on the stack is smaller then zero
```

```
lw t1,0(s0)
```

```
addi s0,s0,-4
```

```
blt t1,zero,.L2
```

```
#if didn't jump, the print the local variable_2
```

```
lw a5,8(s0)
```

```
mv a1,a5
```

```
lui a5,%hi(.LC0)
```

```
addi a0,a5,%lo(.LC0)
```

```
call printf
```

```
.L2:
```

```
#recover some register setting
```

```
li a5,0
```

```
mv a0,a5
```

```
ld ra,1016(sp)
```

```
ld s0,1008(sp)
```

```
ld s1,1000(sp)
```

```
addi sp,sp,1024
```

```
jr ra
```

```
.size main,.-main
```

Example : Fibonacci

Fibonacci Series using Recursion

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

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

```
int main()
{
    int n = 9;
    printf("fib(9)=%d", fib(n));
    return 0;
}
```

JAVA bytecode

```
public class test {

    public static int fib(int);
    Code:
        0: iload_0
        1: iconst_1                #push const "1" into stack

        2: if_icmpgt      7
        5: iload_0
        6: ireturn

        7: iload_0
        8: iconst_1
        9: isub
       10: invokestatic #2                # Method fib:(I)I

       13: iload_0
       14: iconst_2
       15: isub
       16: invokestatic #2                # Method fib:(I)I

       19: iadd
       20: ireturn

    public static void main(java.lang.String[]);
    Code:
        0: bipush      9
        2: istore_1
        6: iload_1
        7: invokestatic #2                # Method fib:(I)I
       10: invokevirtual #4                # Method print java/io/PrintStream.println:(I)V
       13: return
}
```

RISC-V asm

```
.text
.align 1
.globl fib
.type fib, @function
fib:
    addi sp, sp, -48
    sd ra, 40(sp)
    sd s0, 32(sp)
    sd s1, 24(sp)
    addi s0, sp, 8 #stack point
    addi s1, sp, 0 #local variable

    #store the argument in local variable_0
    sw a0, 0(s1)

    #(iload_0)push the argument onto the stack
    lw t1, 0(s1)
    addi s0, s0, 4
    sw t1, 0(s0)

    #(iconst_1)push const 1 onto the stack
    li t1, 1
    addi s0, s0, 4
    sw t1, 0(s0)

    #pop the top 2 value from the stack
    lw t1, 0(s0)
    addi s0, s0, -4
    lw t2, 0(s0)
    addi s0, s0, -4

    #compare 2 values
    bgt t2, t1, .L2

    #(iload_0)push argument onto the stack
    mv t1, t0
    addi s0, s0, 4
    sw t1, 0(s0)
    j .L3

.L2:
```

#(iload_0)push argument onto the stack

lw t1,0(s1)

addi s0,s0,4

sw t1,0(s0)

#(iconst_1)push const 1 onto the stack

li t1,1

addi s0,s0,4

sw t1,0(s0)

#pop the top 2 value from the stack

lw t1,0(s0)

addi s0,s0,-4

lw t2,0(s0)

addi s0,s0,-4

#(isub)parse the result of sub as argument

sub t3,t2,t1

addi s0,s0,4

sw t3,0(s0)

lw t1,0(s0)

addi s0,s0,-4

mv t0,t1

call fib

#push the return number onto the stack

mv t1,a0

addi s0,s0,4

sw t1,0(s0)

#(iload_0)push argument onto the stack

lw t1,0(s1)

addi s0,s0,4

sw t1,0(s0)

#(iconst_2)push const 2 onto the stack

li t1,2

addi s0,s0,4

sw t1,0(s0)

#pop the top 2 value from the stack

```

lw  t1, 0(s0)
addi s0, s0, -4
lw  t2, 0(s0)
addi s0, s0, -4

#(isub)parse the result of sub as argument
sub t3, t2, t1
addi s0, s0, 4
sw  t3, 0(s0)
lw  t1, 0(s0)
addi s0, s0, -4
mv  t0, t1
call fib

```

```

#push the return number onto the stack
mv  t1, a0
addi s0, s0, 4
sw  t1, 0(s0)

```

```

#pop the top 2 value from the stack
lw  t1, 0(s0)
addi s0, s0, -4
lw  t2, 0(s0)
addi s0, s0, -4

```

```

add t3, t2, t1
addi s0, s0, 4
sw  t3, 0(s0)

```

.L3:

```

#return the stack value
lw  t1, 0(s0)
addi s0, s0, -4
mv  a0, t1

```

```

ld  ra, 40(sp)
ld  s0, 32(sp)
ld  s1, 24(sp)
addi sp, sp, 48

```

```

jr  ra

```

```

.size    fib, .-fib
.section .rodata
.align   3

.LC0:
.string  "fib(9)=%d\n"
.text
.align   1
.globl   main
.type    main, @function
main:
    addi sp, sp, -32
    sd    ra, 24(sp)
    sd    s0, 16(sp)
    addi s0, sp, 8 #stack point

    #push 9 onto the stack
    li    t0, 9
    addi s0, s0, 4
    sw    t0, 0(s0)

    #pop the top stack value into local variable_1
    lw    t0, 0(s0)
    addi s0, s0, -4

    #parse argument and call the function
    mv    a0, t0
    call fib

    #print the return value
    mv    a5, a0
    mv    a1, a5
    lui   a5, %hi(.LC0)
    addi a0, a5, %lo(.LC0)
    call printf
    li    a5, 0

    mv    a0, a5
    ld    ra, 24(sp)
    ld    s0, 16(sp)
    addi sp, sp, 32

```



```
jr    ra
```

```
.size    main, .-main
```