

# Assign-5 Compiler Construction

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Q. 1:

count nonnegative  
(x[], 5)

3  
x[] = {2, 9, -1, 5, -2}  
len = 5    count, i

eraseStones  
(x[], 5, 3)

3  
x[] = {2, 3, -1, 5, -1}    len = 5, index = 3  
v = 5, i'

eraseStones  
(x[], 5, 2)

3  
x[] = {2, 3, -1, 5, -1}    len = 5, index = 1  
v = 3, i'

eraseStones  
(x[], 5, 0)

3  
x[] = {2, 3, 4, 5, 6}    len = 5, index = 0  
v = 2, i'

foo()

3  
x = {2, 3, 4, 5, 6}    len = 5

main

2) The aim of this question is to show how compilers handle calling-by-value & calling-by-reference.

- ⇒ Code for the function is generated once & should be able to retrieve the value passed argument regardless of what is happened before. Other calls to each function might also be present & should work with same code.
- passed by value - value should be used in activation record
- " " reference - its value should be retrievable by single deref.

⇒ if foo uses call by value:  
LW \$a0, OFFSET(\$FP)

⇒ if foo uses call by reference:  
LW \$t0, OFFSET(\$FP)  
LW \$a0, 0(\$t0)

⇒ The content of argument slots of the activation records will be: -

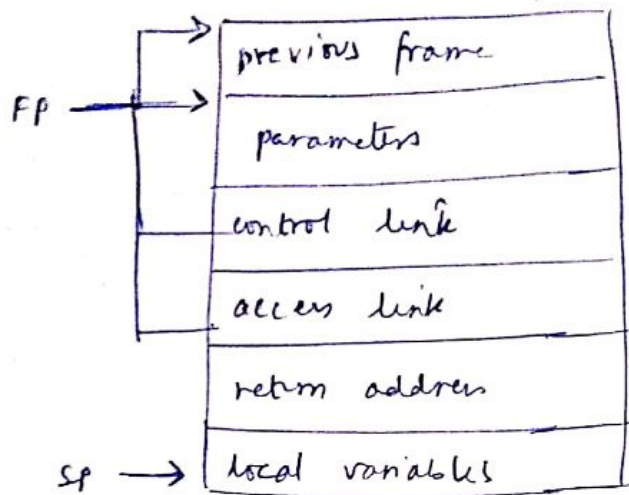
- ① for foo uses call by value & bar uses call by value, both slots will contain actual values (i.e. the numeric representation of 6)
- ② for foo uses call by value & bar uses call by reference, the slot for call on line 13 contains the address of variable c, whereas the slot for call on line 7 contains actual values retrieved from that address before call (i.e. 6)
- ③ foo: call by reference; bar: call by value -  
The slot for call on line 13 contains value of the variable c at the time of call (i.e. 6) whereas the slot for call on line 7 contains address of the previous slot
- ④ foo: call by reference; bar: call by reference -  
line 13 contains address of variable c & same address is copied in slot for call on line 7. The compiler knows that foo received an argument by reference & has to pass it on by reference, therefore it copies the original reference.

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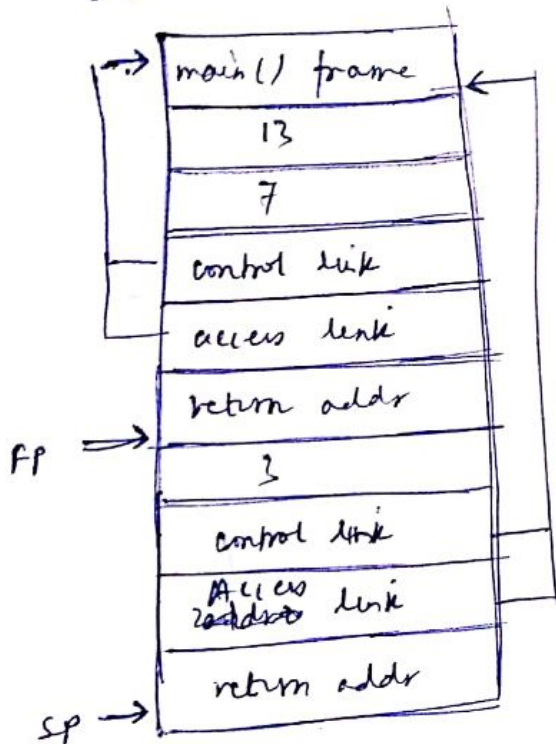
Q.3: Return value of this call: -  $\text{spam}(7, 13) = 2 \times 7 \bmod 13 = 8$

Stack: The general idea for a stack layout that supports nested fn definitions would look like: -





Following this stack idea, the stack right before return of the call:-



⇒  $x$  is retrieved directly from by accessing the function's parameter inside function frame:

$\text{lw } \$t0, -4(\$fp)$

⇒  $a$  is retrieved using access link in the fn. frame as it is defined in a higher scope

$\text{lw } \$t0, -8(\$fp)$

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⇒ This code assumes that values have size of a word

Q4: Algebraic optimization

$a := b + c$

$z := a \times a$

$x := 0$

$y := b + c$

$w := y \times y$

$u := x + 3$

$v := u + w$

→ Common sub-expression elim.

$a := b + c$

$z := a \times a$

$x := 0$

$y := a$

$w := y \times y$

$u := x + 3$

$v := u + w$

→ copy propagation -

$a := b + c$   
 $z := a * a$   
 $x := 0$   
 $y := a$   
 $w := a * a$   
 $u := 0 + z$   
 $v := u + w$

→ constant folding -

$a := b + c$   
 $z := a * a$   
 $x := 0$   
 $y := a$   
 $w := a * a$   
 $u := z$   
 $v := u + w$

→ Dead code elimination :-

$a := b + c$   
 $z := a * a$   
 $w := a * a$   
 $u := z$   
 $v := u + w$

doing all the steps one more time,  
we get final minimal form :-

$a := b + c$   
 $z := a * a$   
 $v := z + z$

Q. 5: ② call by value :-

O/p:  $p: 5, 3, 7$   
main: 2

④ call by name :-

O/p:  $p: 5, 8, 8$   
main: 8

⑤ call by reference :-

O/p:  $p: 5, 8, 8$   
main: 8

⑥ call by copy restore :-

O/p:  $p: 5, 3, 7$   
main: 7

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