CET 241: Day 5

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Agenda

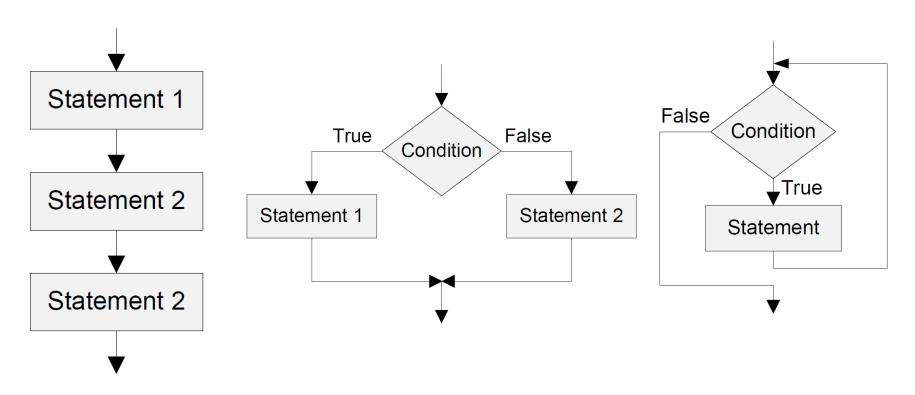
- Top down design
- Reuse of registers
- Passing Parameters to Subroutines via Register
 - "ARM Procedure Call Standard"
 - An example
- Preserve Environment via Stack

"Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs."

Henry Ford, Founder of Ford Motor

→ The beauty of Divide and Conquer

Three basic control structures



Sequence Structure

Selection Structure

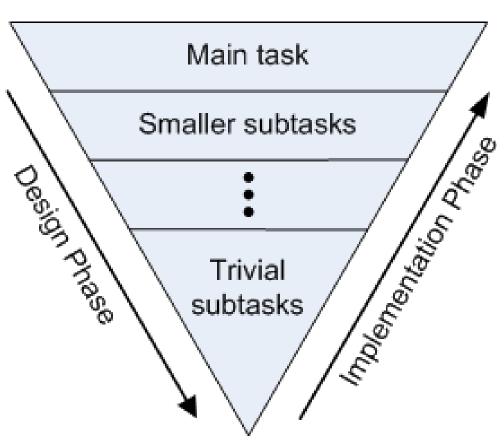
- If, else-if, else
- switch

Loop Structure

- for
- while

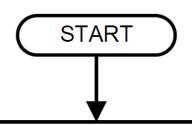
Top-Down Design

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Top-Down Design Example

- Find all Armstrong numbers less than 10,000
- Given a positive integer that has n digits, it is an Armstrong number if the sum of the nth powers of its digits equals the number itself.
- For example, 371 is an Armstrong number since we have $371 = 3^3 + 7^3 + 1^3$.



If 1 is an Armstrong number, then print 1.

If 2 is an Armstrong number, then print 2.

If 3 is an Armstrong number, then print 3.

If 4 is an Armstrong number, then print 4.

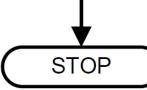
If 5 is an Armstrong number, then print 5.

If 6 is an Armstrong number, then print 6.

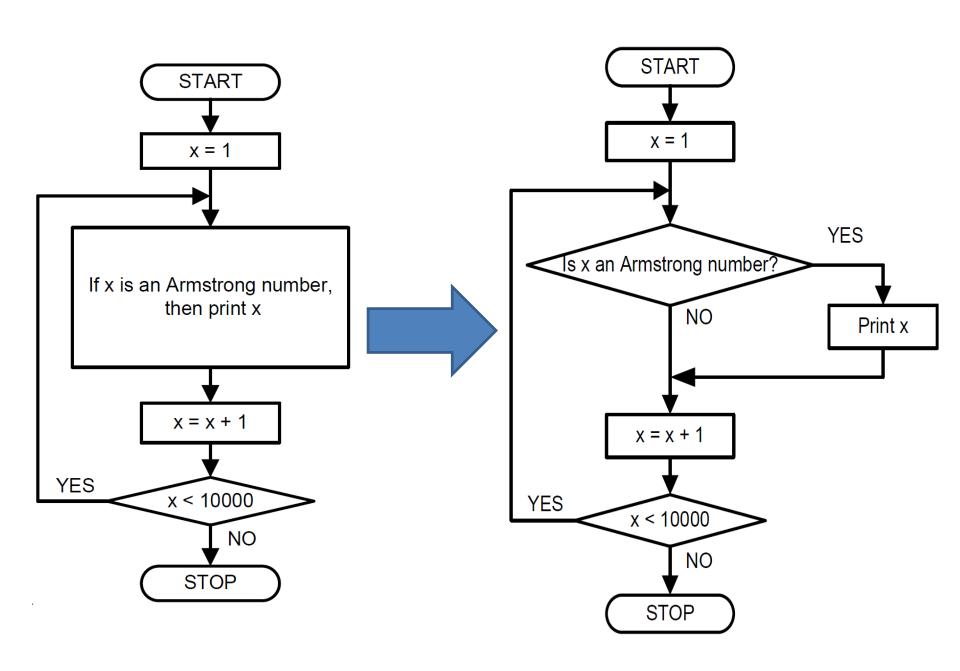
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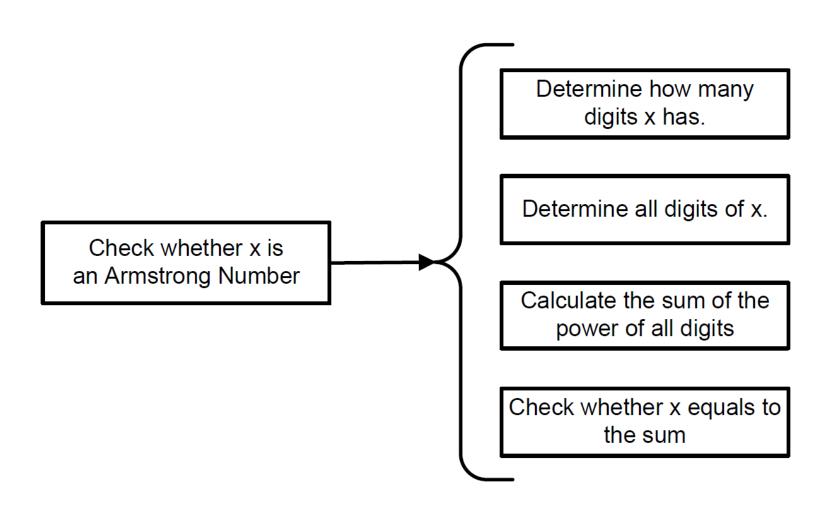
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If 9999 is an Armstrong number, then print 9999.

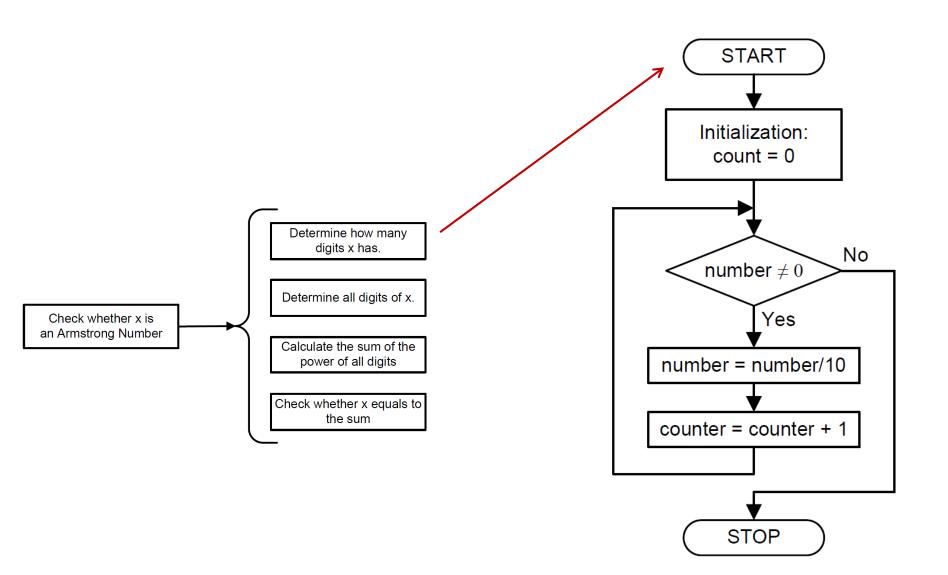


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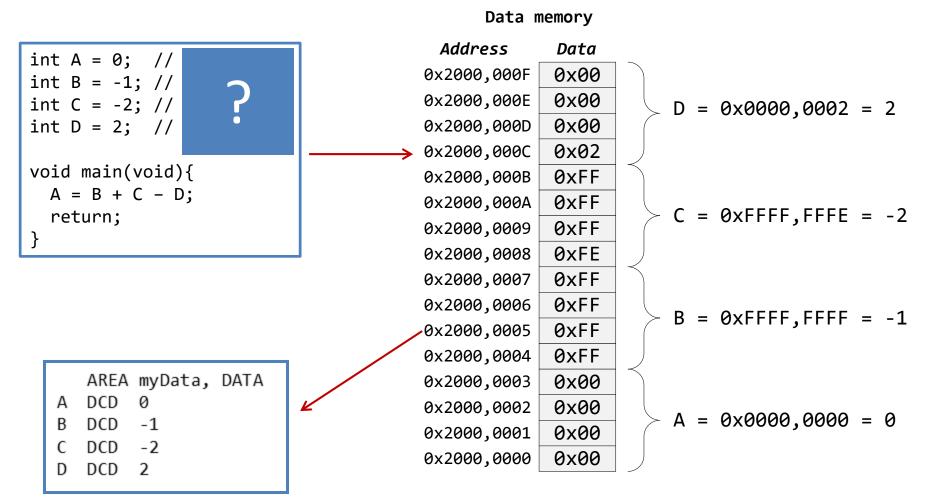




One of the above will be tested in your quiz



Reuse of Registers



http://www.keil.com/support/man/docs/armasm/armasm_dom1361290005934.htm

```
int A = 0;  // 0x00000000
int B = -1;  // 0xFFFFFFFF
int C = -2;  // 0xFFFFFFFE
int D = 2;  // 0x00000002

void main(void){
   A = B + C - D;
   return;
}
```

8 Registers are used: r0, r1, r2, r3, r4, r5, r6, r7

```
AREA myCode, CODE
   EXPORT main
   ENTRY
  main PROC
   LDR r2, =B ; r2 = 0x2000,0004
LDR r3, [r2] ; r3 = B = -1
   LDR r4, =C; r4 = 0x2000,0008
   LDR r5, [r4]; r5 = C = -2
LDR r6, =D; r6 = 0x2000,000B
   LDR r7, [r6]; r7 = D = 2
   ADD r1, r3, r5; r1 = B + C
   SUB r1, r1, r7; r1 = B + C - D
   LDR r0, =A; r0 = 0x2000,0000
   STR r1, [r0] ; Save A
   ENDP
   AREA myData, DATA
  DCD 0
  DCD -1
  DCD -2
  DCD 2
   END
```

```
AREA myCode, CODE
                                      AREA myCode, CODE
                                                                       AREA myCode, CODE
          EXPORT __main
                                      EXPORT main
                                                                        EXPORT main
          ENTRY
                                      ENTRY
                                                                        ENTRY
         main PROC
                                     main PROC
                                                                      main PROC
          LDR r2, =B
                                                                        LDR r2, =B
                                      LDR r2, =B
          LDR r3, [r2]
                                      LDR r3, [r2]
                                                                       LDR r3, [r2]
          LDR r4, =C
                                                                       LDR r2, =C
                                      LDR r2, =C
                                                    Lifetime
          LDR r5, [r4]
Lifetime
                                      LDR r5, [r2]
                                                     of r2
                                                                       LDR r5, [r2]
  of r3
          LDR r6, =D
                                      LDR r2, =D
                                                                        LDR r2, =D
          LDR r7, [r6]
                                                                        LDR
                                      LDR r7, [r2] \( \simegright)
          ADD r1, r3, r5
                                      ADD r3, r3, r5
                                                                        ADD
          SUB r1, r1, r7
                                                                        SUB
                                      SUB r3, r3, r7
          LDR r0, =A
                                                                        LDR r2, =A
                                      LDR r2, =A \rightarrow Lifetime
          STR r1, [r0]
                                      STR r3, [r2] \nearrow of r2
                                                                        STR r3, [r2]
          ENDP
                                                                        ENDP
                                      ENDP
          AREA myData, DATA
                                                                       AREA myData, DATA
                                      AREA myData, DATA
       A DCD 0
                                                                    A DCD 0
                                   A DCD 0
       B DCD -1
                                                                    B DCD -1
                                   B DCD -1
       C DCD -2
                                                                    C DCD -2
                                   C DCD -2
       D DCD 2
                                                                    D DCD 2
                                   D DCD 2
          END
                                                                        END
                                      END
       8 registers used
                                                                      3 registers used
                                     4 registers used
```

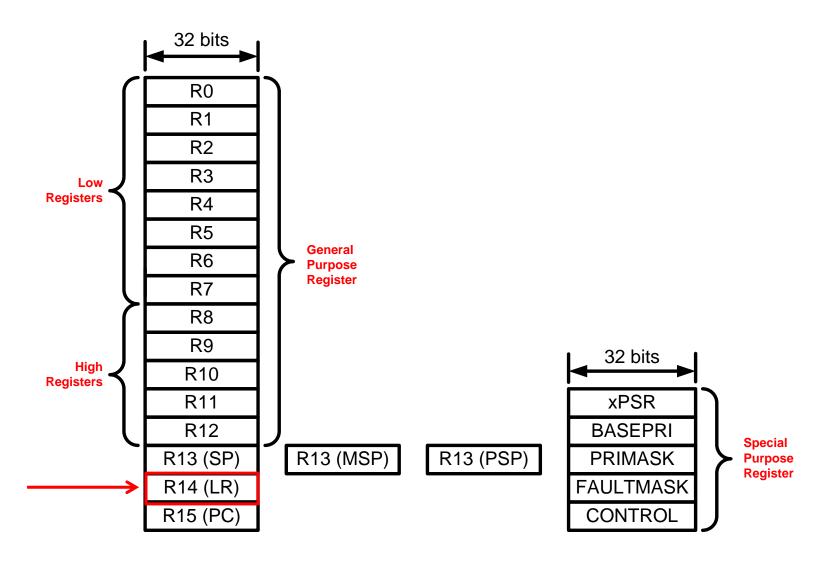
$$A = B + C - D;$$

Passing Parameters to Subroutines via Register Preserved Environment via Stack

Subroutine

- A subroutines, also called a function or a procedure,
 - single-entry, single-exit
 - Return to caller after it exits
- When a subroutine is called, the Link Register (LR) holds the memory address of the next instruction to be executed after the subroutine exits.

Link Register



Calling a Subroutine

BL label

- Step 1: LR = PC + 4
- Step 2: PC = label

Notes:

- label is name of subroutine (address)
- Compiler translates label to memory address
- After call, LR holds return address (the instruction following the call)

```
MOV r4, #100
...
BL foo
...
```

```
Subroutine/Callee
foo PROC
...
MOV r4, #10
...
BX LR
ENDP
```

Exiting a Subroutine

BX LR

• PC = LR

```
MOV r4, #100
...
BL foo
...
```

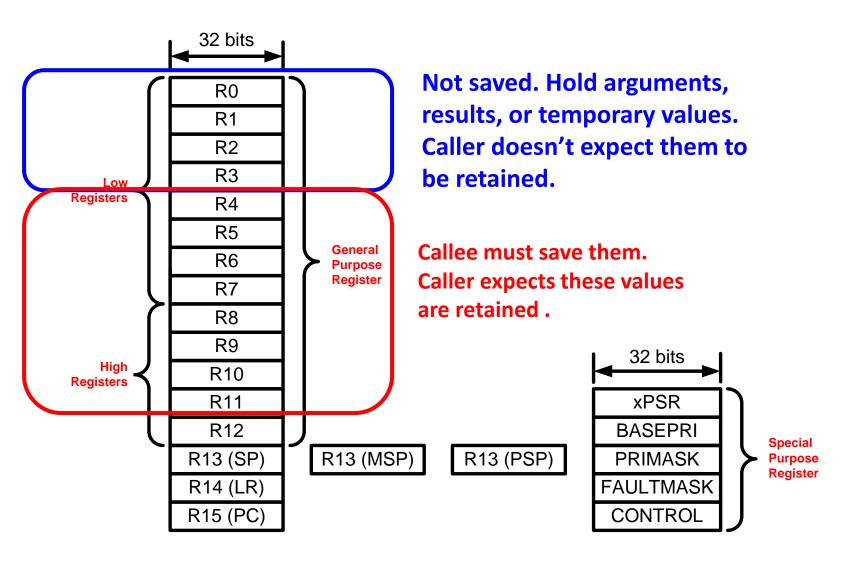
```
foo PROC
...
MOV r4, #10
...
BX LR
ENDP
```

BL and BX

```
void enable(void) ;
   enable();
      Compiler
                                    export enable
                                  → enable
 BL enable
                                             BX LR
```

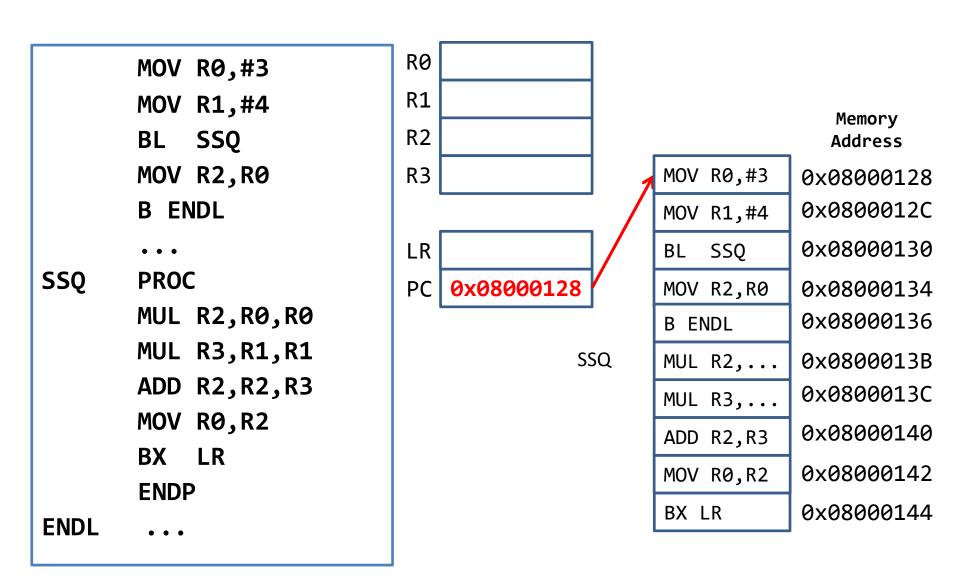
ARM Procedure Call Standard

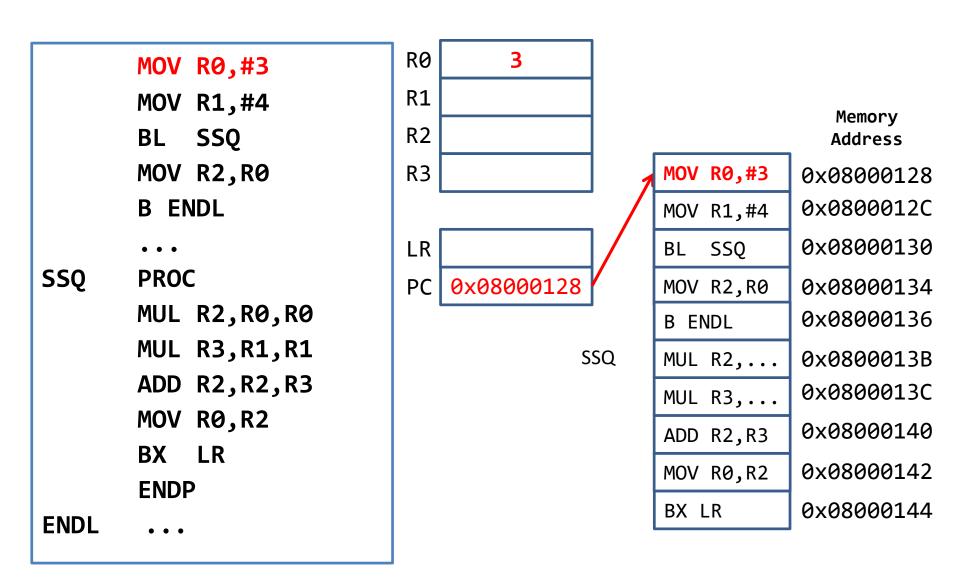
Register	Usage	Subroutine Preserved	Notes
r0	Argument 1 and return value	No	If return has 64 bits, then r0:r1 hold it. If argument 1 has 64 bits, r0:r1 hold it.
r1	Argument 2	No	
r2	Argument 3	No	If the return has 128 bits, r0-r3 hold it.
r3	Argument 4	No	If more than 4 arguments, use the stack
r4	General-purpose V1	Yes	Variable register 1 holds a local variable.
r5	General-purpose V2	Yes	Variable register 2 holds a local variable.
r6	General-purpose V3	Yes	Variable register 3 holds a local variable.
r7	General-purpose V4	Yes	Variable register 4 holds a local variable.
r8	General-purpose V5	YES	Variable register 5 holds a local variable.
r9	Platform specific/V6	No	Usage is platform-dependent.
r10	General-purpose V7	Yes	Variable register 7 holds a local variable.
r11	General-purpose V8	Yes	Variable register 8 holds a local variable.
r12 (IP)	Intra-procedure-call register	No	It holds intermediate values between a procedure and the sub-procedure it calls.
r13 (SP)	Stack pointer	Yes	SP has to be the same after a subroutine has completed.
r14 (LR)	Link register	No	LR does not have to contain the same value after a subroutine has completed.
r15 (PC)	Program counter	N/A	Do not directly change PC

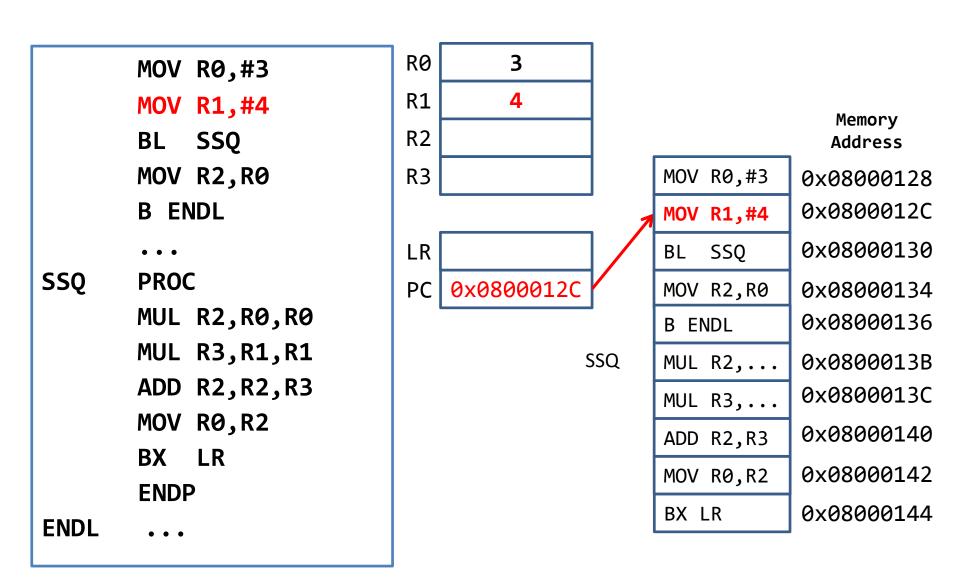


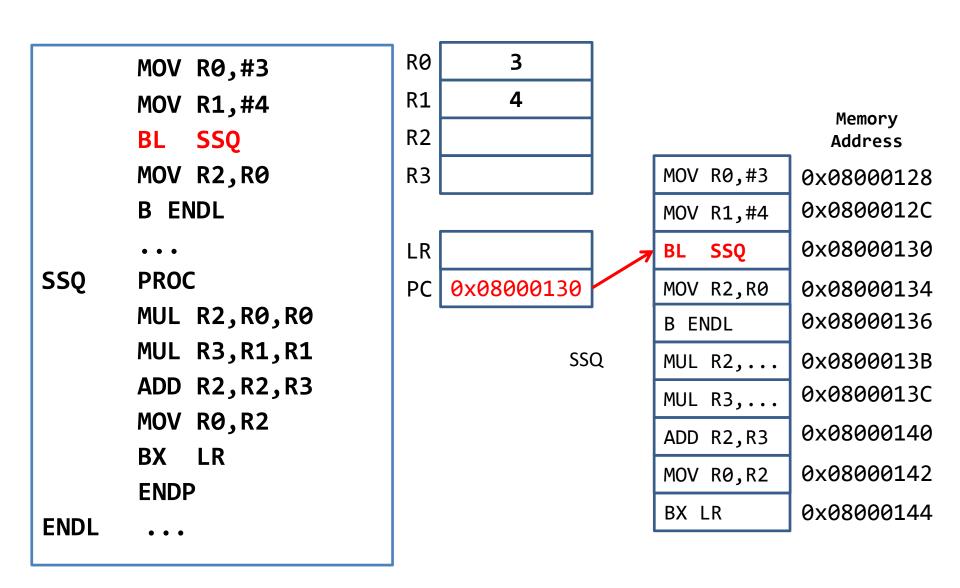
Example: R2 = R0*R0+R1*R1

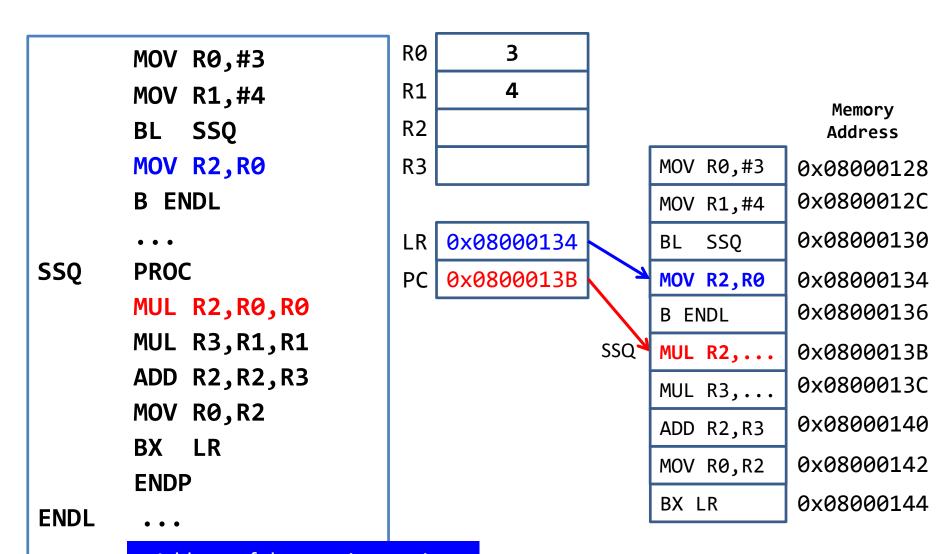
```
MOV R0,#3
      MOV R1,#4
                                 R1: second argument
      BL SSQ
      MOV R2, R0
      B ENDL
                                R0: first argument
SSQ
       PROC
                                    int SSQ(int x, int y){
      MUL R2, R0, R0
                                         int z;
                                         z = x*x + y * y;
      MUL R3, £1, R1
                                         return z;
      ADD R2, R2, R3
      MOV R0, R2
      BX LR
                                           R0: Return Value
       ENDP
```



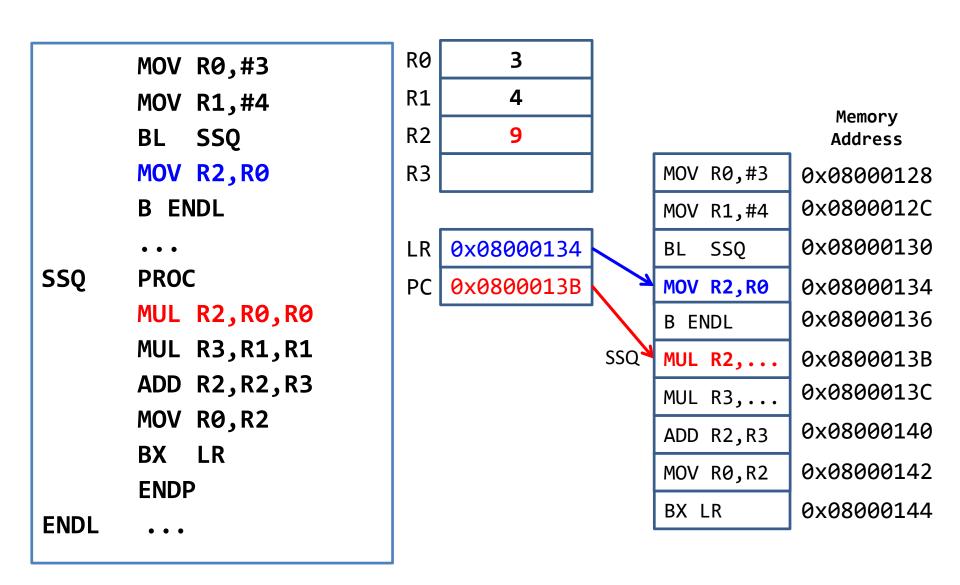


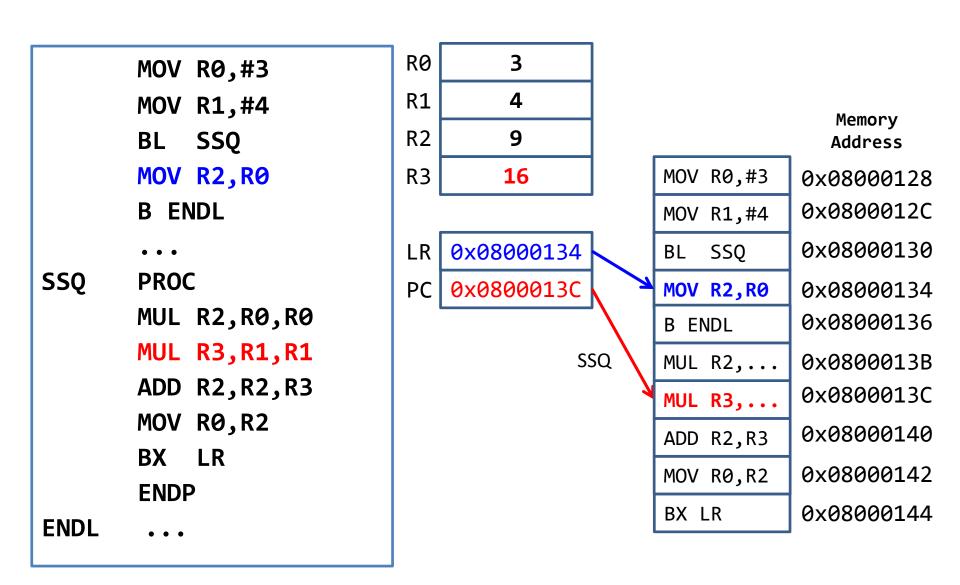


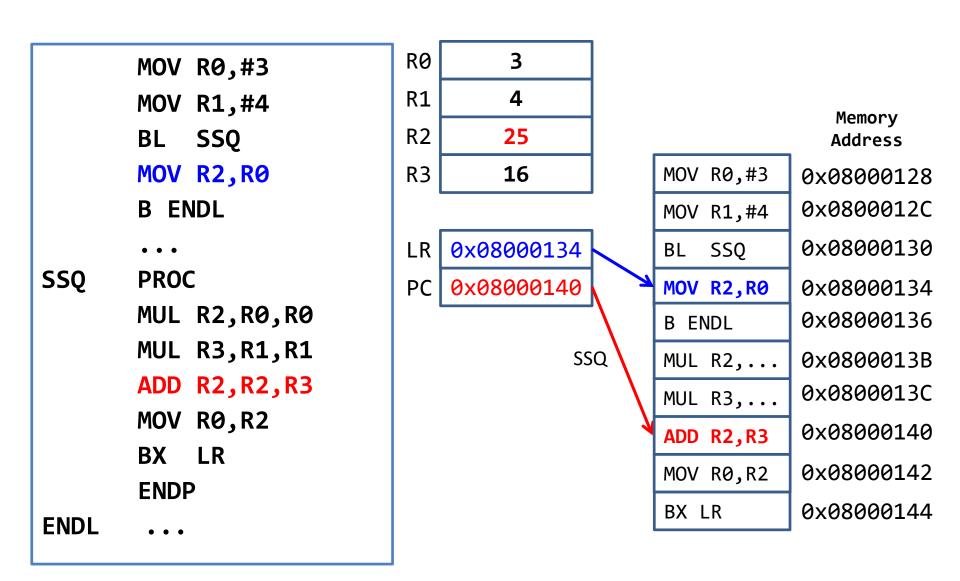


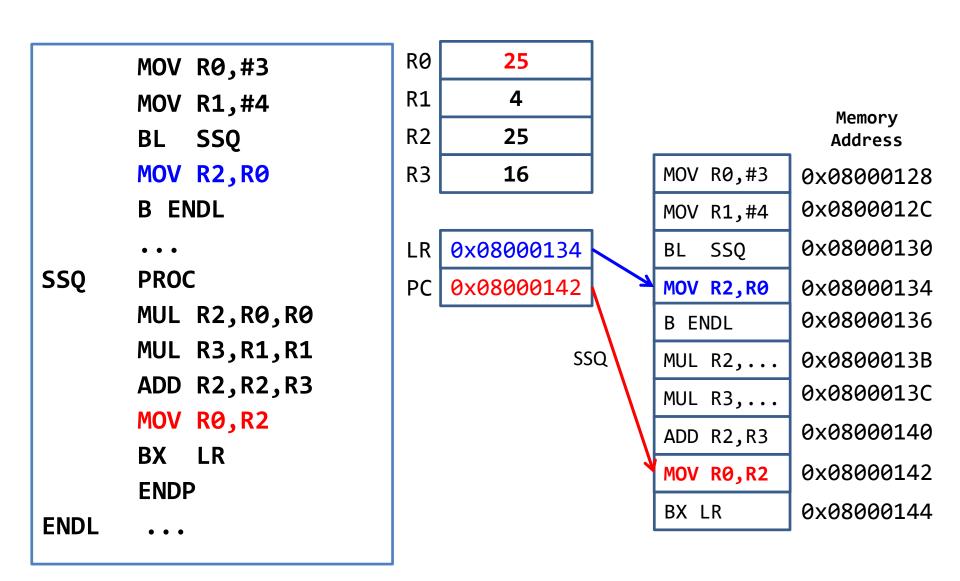


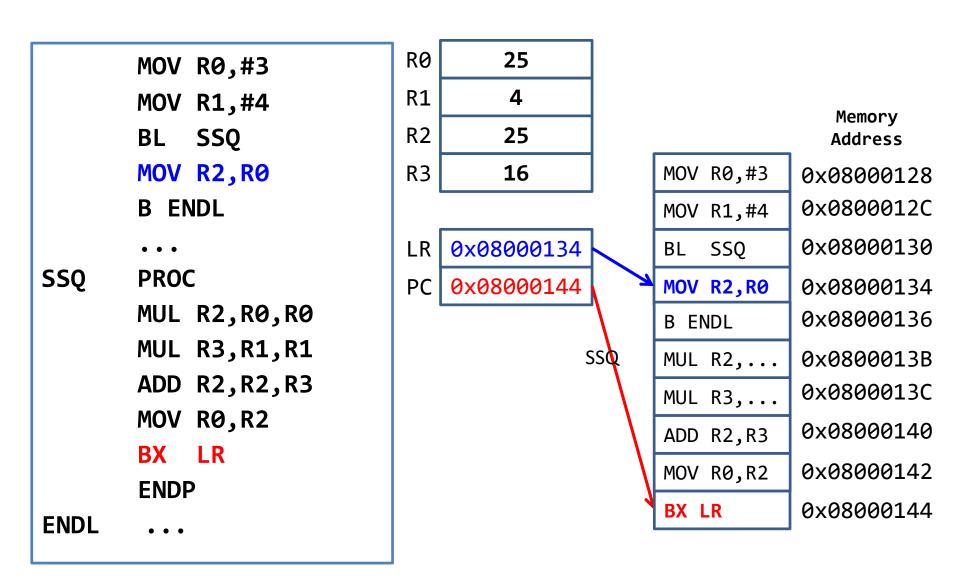
Address of the next instruction after the branch is saved into LR.

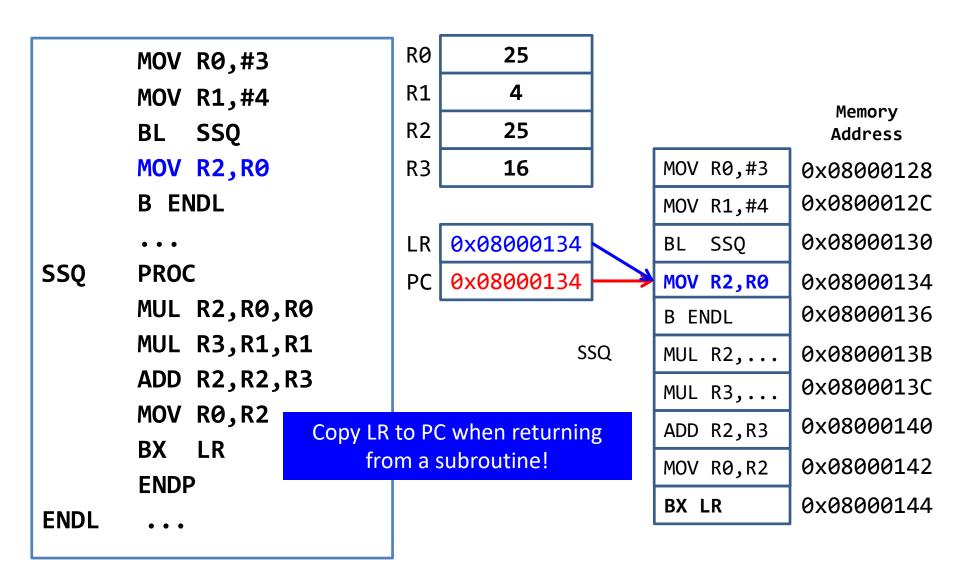


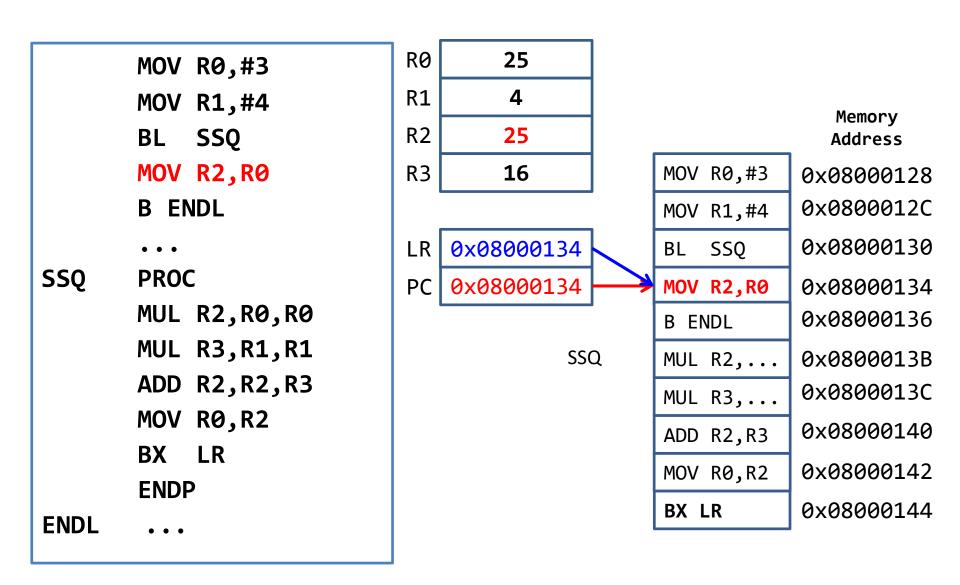


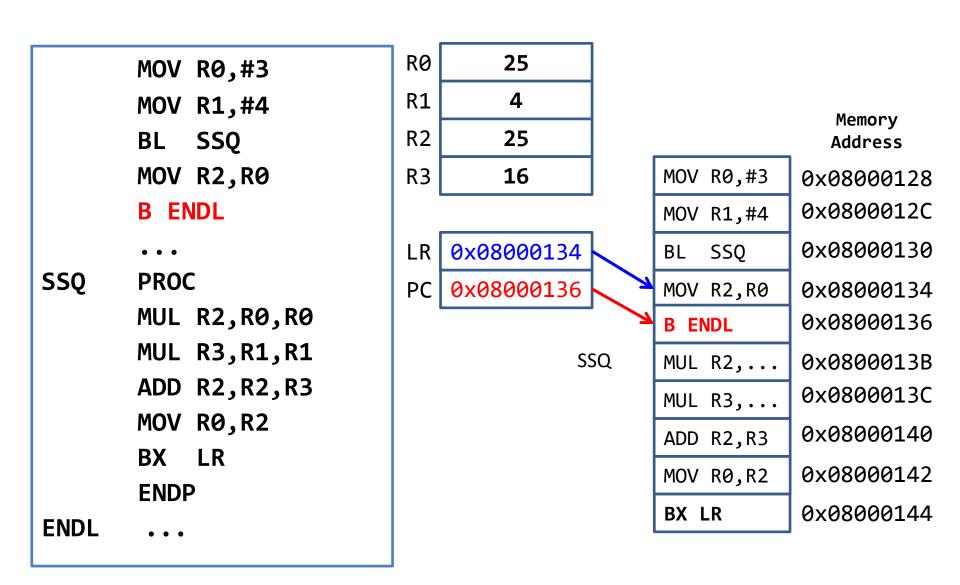






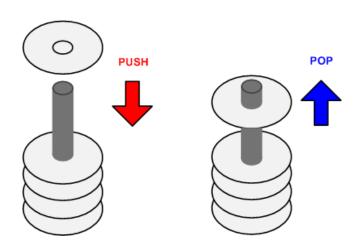






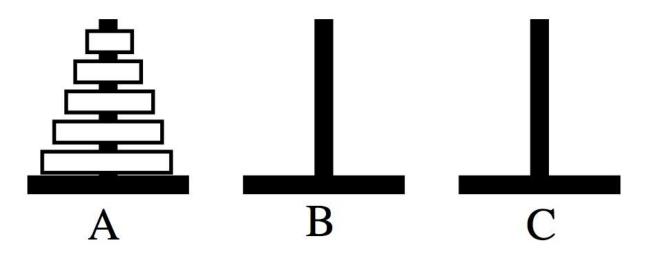
Stack

- A Last-In-First-Out data structure
- Only allow to access the most recently added item
 - Also called the top of the stack
- Key operations:
 - push (add item to stack)
 - pop (remove top item from stack)



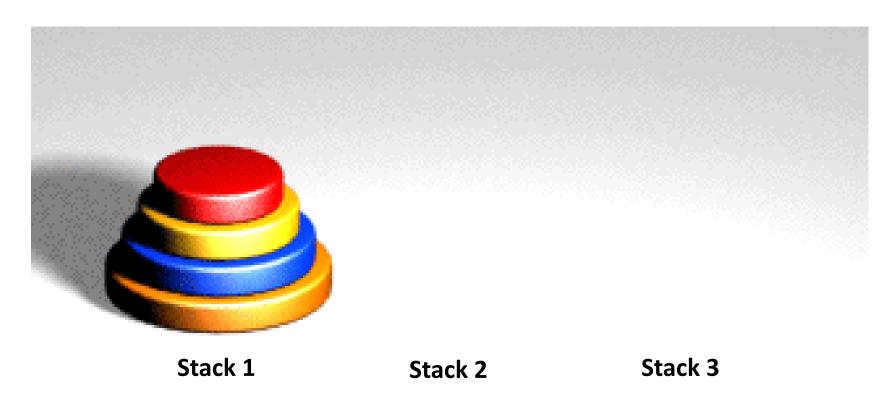


Stack ex: Tower of Hanoi



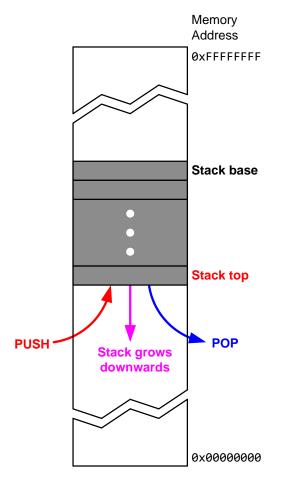
- Only one disk may be moved at a time.
- Each move consists of taking the upper disk from one of the rods and sliding it onto another rod, on top of the other disks that may already be present on that rod.
- No disk may be placed on top of a smaller disk.

STACK: Last In First Out

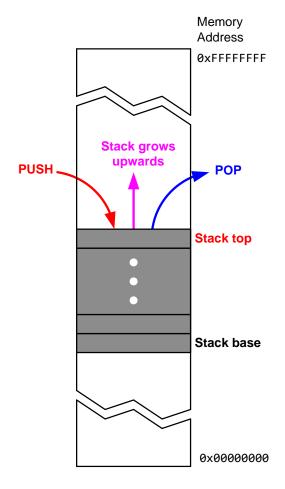


http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Tower_of_Hanoi_4.gif

Stack Growth Convention: Ascending *vs* Descending



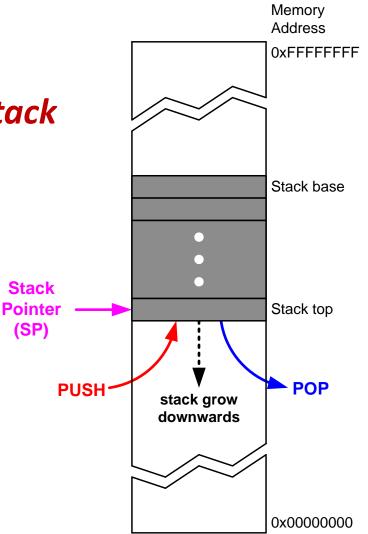
Descending stack: Stack grows towards low memory address



Ascending stack: Stack grows towards high memory address

Cortex-M Stack

- stack pointer (SP) = R13
- Cortex-M uses full descending stack
- stack pointer
 - decremented on PUSH
 - incremented on POP



PUSH {Rd}

```
    SP = SP-4 → descending stack
    (*SP) = Rd → full stack
    (SP points to the last item pushed onto the stack)
```

Push multiple registers They are equivalent.

```
(push large first)

PUSH {r6, r7, r8} → PUSH {r8, r7, r6} → PUSH {r7}

PUSH {r6-r8}
```

- The order in which registers listed in the register list does not matter.
- When pushing multiple registers, these registers are automatically sorted by name and the lowest-numbered register is stored to the lowest memory address, i.e. is stored last.

POP $\{Rd\}$ $-Rd = (*SP) \rightarrow \text{full stack}$ $-SP = SP + 4 \rightarrow \text{Stack shrinks}$

Pop multiple registers

```
They are equivalent.

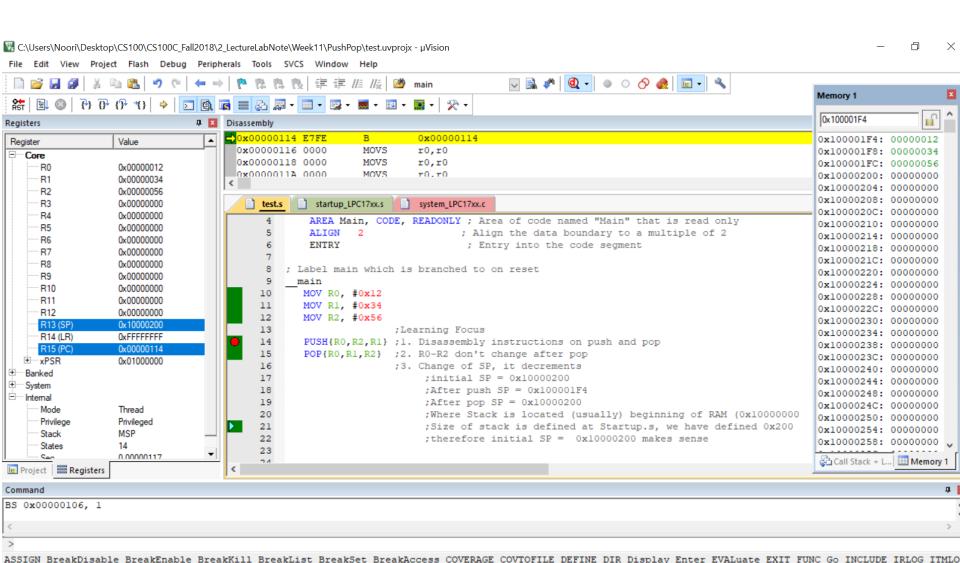
Pop small first

POP {r6, r7, r8} 

POP {r8, r7, r6}

POP {r8}
```

- The order in which registers listed in the register list does not matter.
- When popping multiple registers, these registers are automatically sorted by name and the lowest-numbered register is loaded from the lowest memory address, i.e. is loaded first.



Simulation

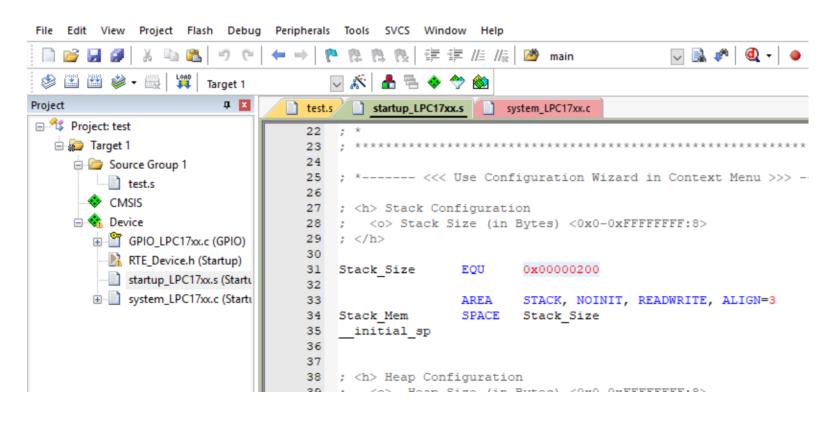
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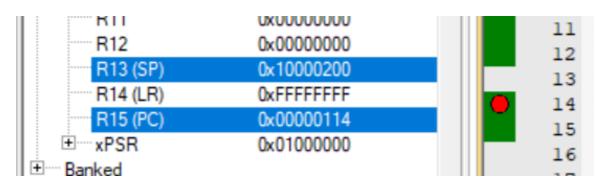
L:22 C:71

CAP NUM SCRL OVR RA

Initializing the stack pointer (SP)

- Before using the stack, software has to define stack space and initialize the stack pointer (SP).
- The assembly file startup.s defines stack space and initialize SP.

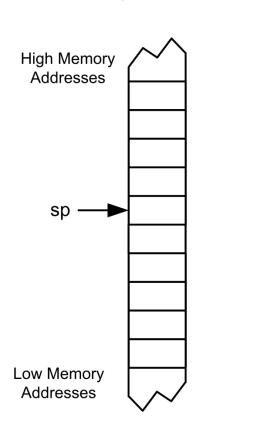


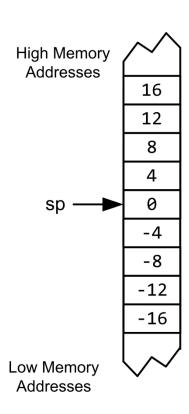


Full Descending Stack

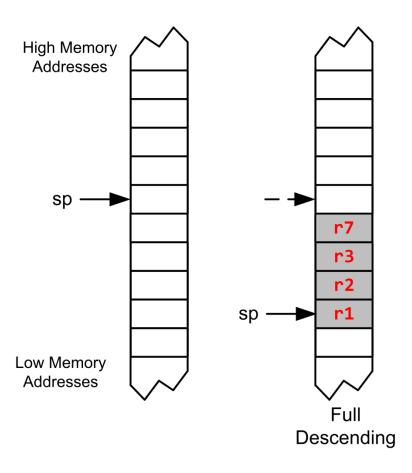
PUSH {r3, r1, r7, r2}

POP {r3, r1, r7, r2}

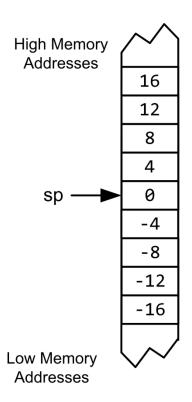




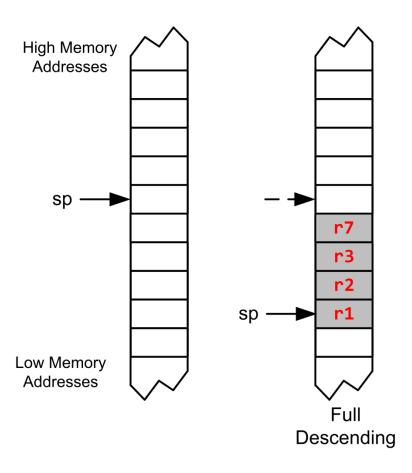
PUSH {r3, r1, r7, r2}



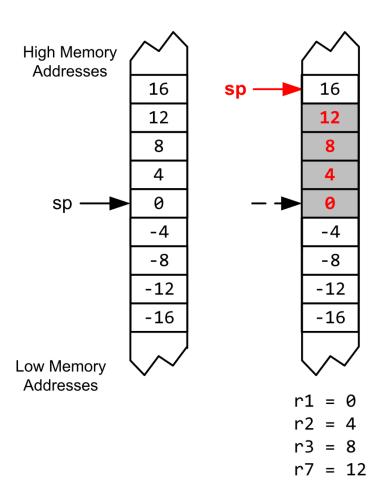
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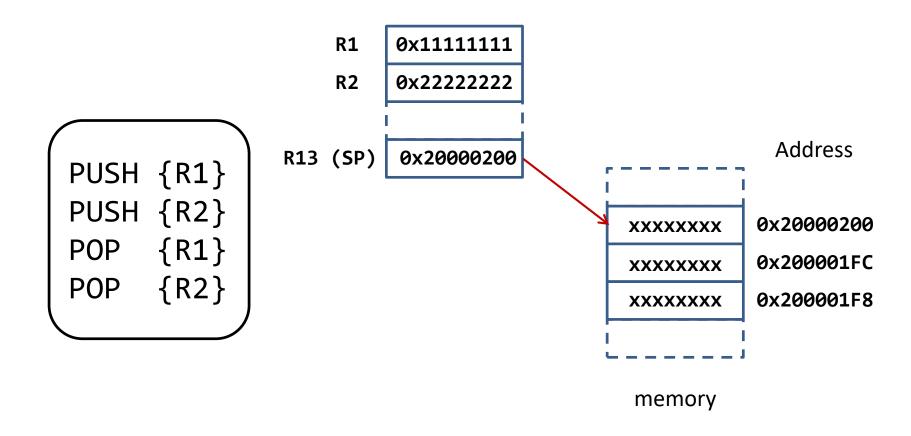
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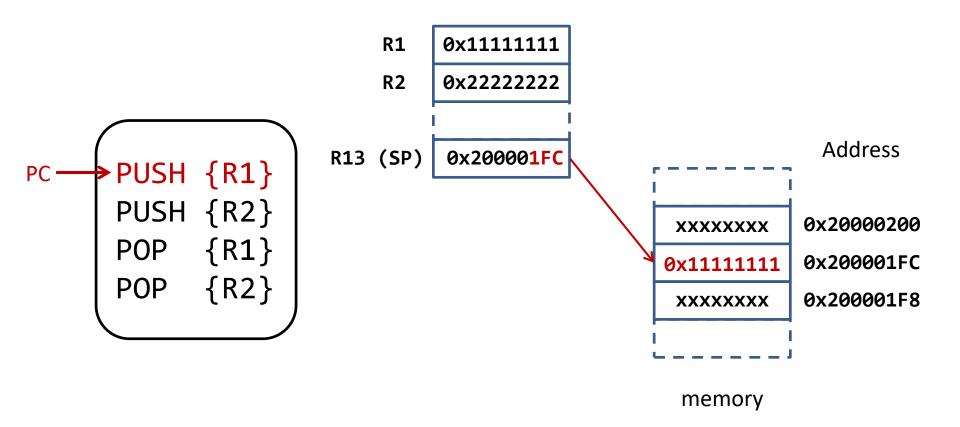


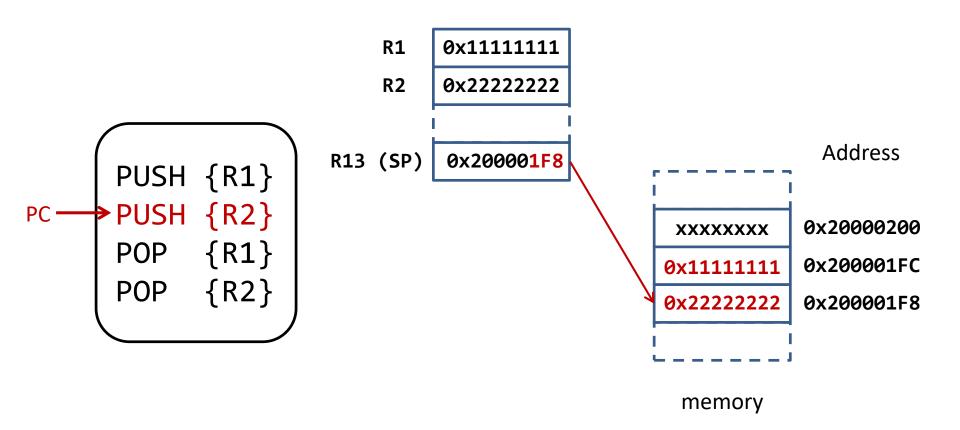
POP {r3, r1, r7, r2}

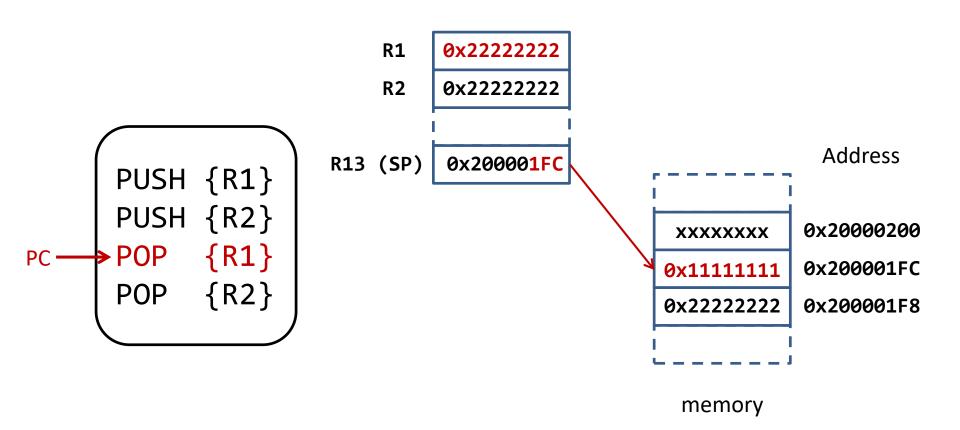


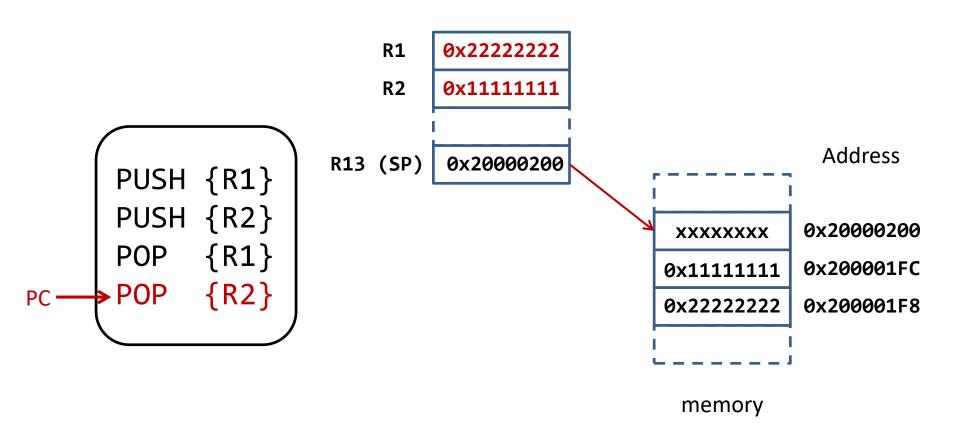
Example: swap R1 & R2











Are the values of R1 and R2 swapped?

```
PUSH {R1, R2}
POP {R2, R1}
```

Answer: No.

But you can:

Recap: Call a Subroutine I (has a problem)

```
      Subroutine/Callee

      MOV r4, #100
      foo PROC

      ...
      MOV r4, #10 ; foo changes r4

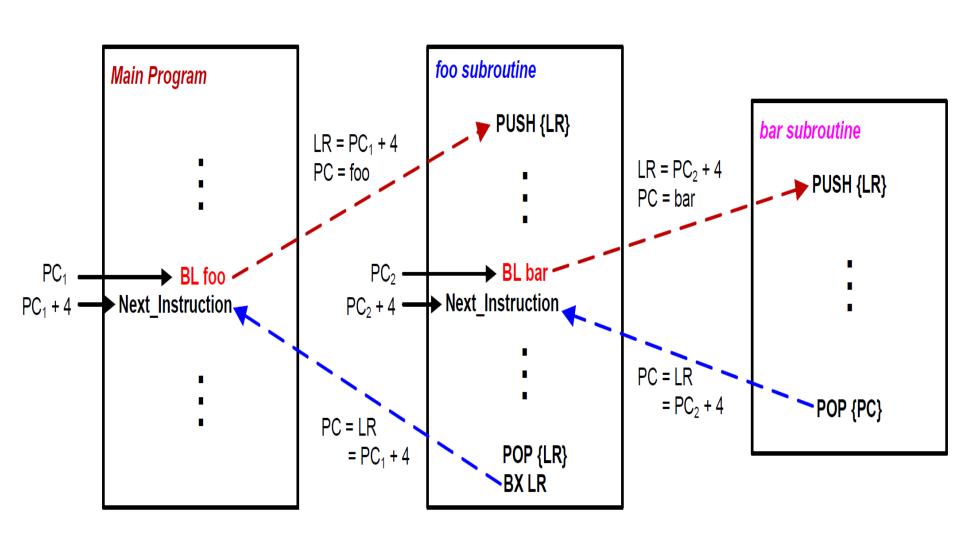
      ...
      BX LR

      ADD r4, r4, #1 ; r4 = 101, not 11
      ENDP
```

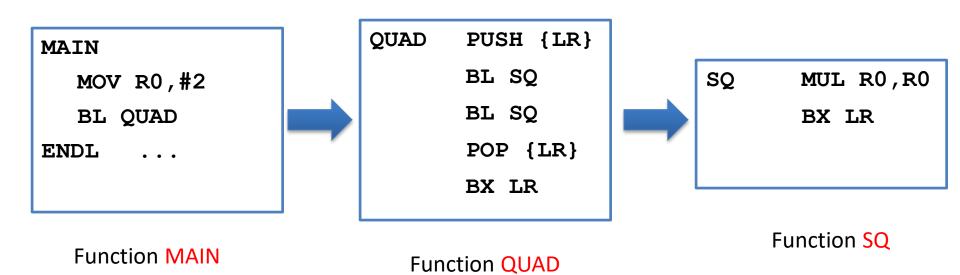
Call a Subroutine II: Preserve Runtime Environment via Stack

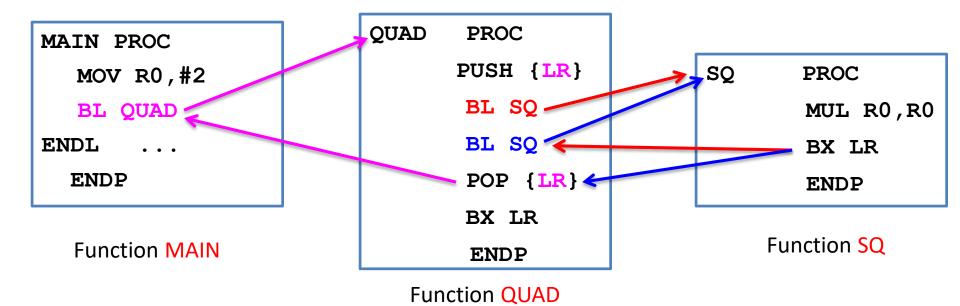
Caller	Program	Subroutine/Callee	
BL	r4, #100 foo r4, r4, #1 ; r4 = 101, not 11	foo PROC PUSH {r4} ; preserve r4 MOV r4, #10 ; foo changes r4 POP {r4} ; Recover r4 BX LR ENDP	

Stacks and Subroutines



Subroutine Calling Another Subroutine





Example: $R0 = R0^4$

