Module 06: Instruction Set Architecture, RISC-V Assembly Programming, and Assembly Program of a C Program

Units 4 and 5: Supporting functions and procedures, sorting example and comparison with other ISAs

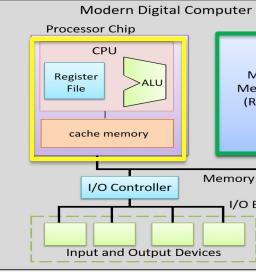
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- Unit 1: Module overview, Instruction Set Architecture (ISA) and assembly programs, registers, instruction operations and operands, register and immediate operands, arithmetic and logic instructions
- Unit 2: Memory Operands and Memory Access Instructions
- Unit 3: Conditional control instructions for making decisions (if-else) and loops
- Unit 4: Supporting Functions and procedures
- Unit 5: Sort examples and comparison with other ISAs
 - Materials are developed based on textbook:
 - Computer Organization and Design RISC-V Edition: The Hardware/Software Interface, <u>Amazon</u>
 - RISC-V Specification: https://riscv.org/technical/specifications/
 - ITSC 3181: https://passlab.github.io/ITSC3181/

Instructions Used So Far: add, addi, sub, slli, load, store, and beq/bne/bge/blt



- They can do computation and access memory, and implementing complicated computation and algorithms involving decision making and repetive
- Organizing software to make them modular and easily reusable
 - Function and function call (procedure, method, etc)

Three Kinds of Operands and Three Classes of Instructions

General form:

- <op word> <dest operand> <src operand 1> <src operand 2>
- E.g.: add x5, x3, x4, which performs [x5] = [x3] + [x4]

Three Kinds of Operands

- 1. Register operands, e.g., x0 x31
- 2. Immediate operands, e.g., 0, -10, etc
- 3. Memory operands, e.g. 16(x4)

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Three Classes of Instructions

- 1. Arithmetic-logic instructions
 - add, sub, addi, and, or, shift left | right, etc
- 2. Memory load and store instructions
 - lw and sw: Load/store word
 - Id and sd: Load/store doubleword
- 3. Control transfer instructions (changing sequence of instruction execution)
 - Conditional branch: bne, beq
 - Unconditional jump: i (
 - Procedure call and return: jal and jr

Function Call: sum_full.c

```
c sum_full.c
  REAL sum(int N, REAL X[], REAL a) {
       int i;
36
37
       REAL result = 0.0;
       for (i = 0; i < N; ++i)
38
           result += a * X[i];
39
       return result;
40
41 }
                                          c sum full.c
52
       srand48((1 << 12));
       init(X, N);
53
       init(Y, N);
54
55
       REAL a = 0.1234;
       /* example run */
56
       elapsed = read_timer();
57
       REAL result = sum(N, X, a);
58
       elapsed = (read_timer() - elapsed);
59
```

Function Call Steps

- 1. Place arguments for callee in registers
- 2. Transfer control to callee function
- 3. Acquire storage for callee function
- 4. Perform callee's operations
- 5. Place result in register for caller
- 6. Return to place of call

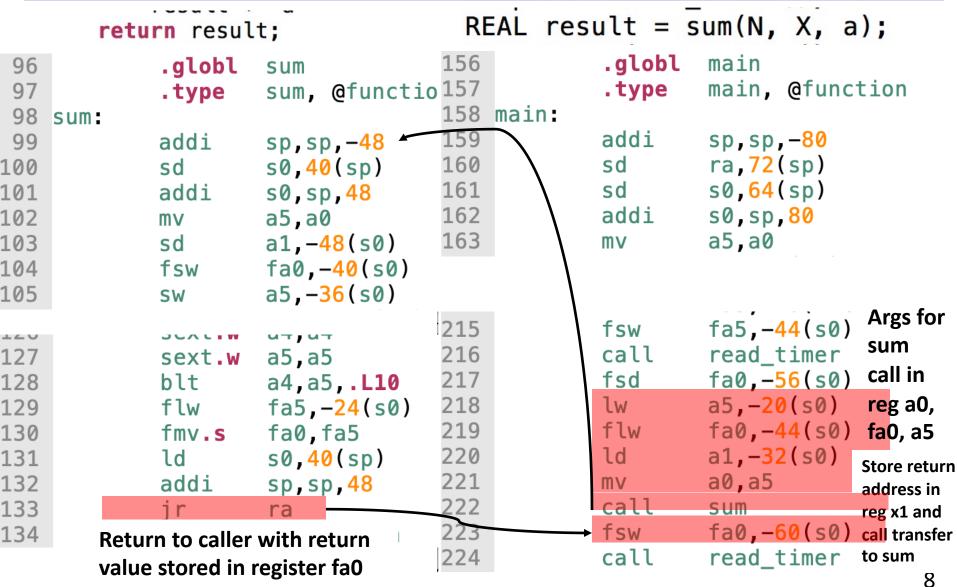
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Three Important Things of the Computer System to Support Function Calls

- 1. Hardware instructions for control transfer for procedure call and call return
 - Caller → callee transfer
 - Callee → caller transfer
- 2. Specifying register/memory for passing data between caller and callee
 - Passing argument from caller > callee
 - Passing return value from callee
 → caller
- 3. Mechanism of stack memory for managing data of functions
 - Storage for function variables, etc
 - Preserve register data of the calle so when control is in callee
 - Restore the data when control is returned to caller

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Sum Example, sum_full riscv.s



1. Hardware Instruction for Function Call

- Function call: jump and link
 jal x1, ProcedureLabel
 - Address of following instruction put in x1
 - Jumps to target address
- Function return: jump and link register jalr x0, 0(x1)
 - Like jal, but jumps to 0 + address in x1
 - Use x0 as rd (x0 cannot be changed)
 - Can also be used for computed jumps
 - e.g., for case/switch statements

In Summary for jal and jalr Instructions

 The jal (jump and link) instruction in RISC-V is used for making function calls. It jumps to the target function's address while saving the return address in the link register (ra). Function arguments can be passed in registers before the jal instruction. The jalr (jump and link register) instruction is used for function call returns, where it jumps to the address stored in the link register, returning control to the calling function at the point just after the original jal instruction. Together, these instructions enable function calls and returns in RISC-V assembly language.

2. Register Usage Convention for Function Call

- x10 x17: arguments and return values for function calls (a0 a17)
 - https://riscv.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/riscv-calling.pdf
 - https://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~cs61c/resources/RISCV_Calling_Convention.r^{-1f}
- x5 x7, x28 x31: temporary registers (t0-t6)
 - Not automatically preserved by the callee
- x8 x9, x18 x27: saved registers (s0-s11)
 - If used, the callee saves and restores them

Register	ABI Name	Description	Saver
x 0	zero	Hard-wired zero	T
x 1	ra	Return address	Caller
x2	sp	Stack pointer	Callee
x 3	gp	Global pointer	_
x4	tp	Thread pointer	
x5-7	t0-2	Temporaries	Caller
x8	s0/fp	Saved register/frame pointer	Callee
x9	s1	Saved register	Callee
x10-11	a0-1	Function arguments/return values	Caller
x12–17	a2-7	Function arguments	Caller
x18-27	s2–11	Saved registers	Callee
x28-31	t3-6	Temporaries	Caller
f0-7	ft0-7	FP temporaries	Caller
f8-9	fs0-1	FP saved registers	Callee
f10-11	fa0-1	FP arguments/return values	Caller
f12-17	fa2-7	FP arguments	Caller
f18-27	fs2-11	FP saved registers	Callee
f28-31	ft8-11	FP temporaries	Caller

```
sult = sum(N, X, a);
  .globl
           main
           main, @function
  .type
 addi
           sp, sp, -80
           ra,72(sp)
 sd
           s0,64(sp)
 sd
           s0, sp, 80
 addi
           a5, a0
 ΜV
                         Args for
           fa5,-44(s0)
 fsw
                         sum
           read_timer
                         call in
           fa0,-56(s0)
           a5,-20(s0)
                         reg a0,
           fa0,-44(s0)
                         fa0, a5
           a1,-32(s0)
                         Store return
           a0, a5
                         address in
           sum
                         reg x1 and
→ fsw
           fa0,-60(s0)
                         call transfer
 call
           read_timer
                         to sum
```

Table 18.2: RISC-V calling convention register usage.

Register a0-a7, and s0-s11

1. a0-a7 Registers (Argument Registers):

- 1. Purpose: The a0-a7 registers, also known as the argument registers, are primarily used to pass function arguments to a called function.
- 2. Usage: When a function is called, arguments are typically placed in the a0-a7 registers before the jal (jump and link) instruction is executed. The called function can access these values directly from these registers.
- 3. Saving Values: The called function should not assume that the argument values in a0-a7 will remain unchanged after the function call. If it needs to preserve or modify these values, it should save them to other registers or memory before overwriting them.

2. s0-s11 Registers (Saved Registers):

- 1. Purpose: The s0-s11 registers, also known as the saved registers, are used for saving and preserving values across function calls. They are callee-saved registers, meaning that the called function must ensure their values are preserved across the function call and restore them before returning to the calling function.
- 2. Usage: When a function is called, it must save the contents of the s0-s11 registers if it intends to modify these registers. This ensures that any values saved in these registers by the calling function are not inadvertently changed.
- 3. Saving Values: To save the values of s0-s11, the callee (the called function) typically pushes these registers onto the stack in the function prologue (the beginning of the function). After the function has finished executing, it restores the saved values from the stack in the function epilogue (the end of the function) to ensure that the calling function's expectations are met regarding the values in these registers.
- In summary, the a0-a7 registers are used to pass function arguments, and the s0-s11 registers are used to save and preserve registers across function calls. Proper management of these registers is essential to ensure the correct and efficient execution of functions in a RISC-V assembly program

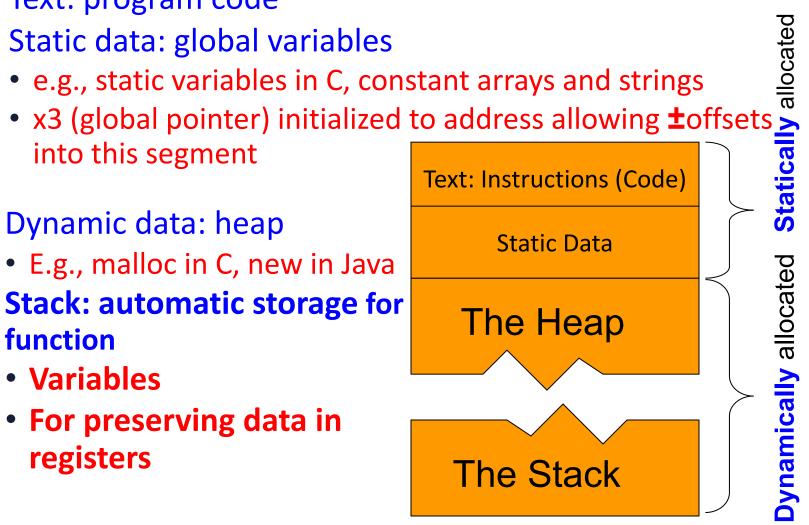
3. Stack Memory for Managing Data of Function Call

- Memory Layout of a Process
 - Text: program code
 - Static data: global variables

Dynamic data: heap

• E.g., malloc in C, new in Java

- Stack: automatic storage for **function**
 - Variables
 - For preserving data in registers



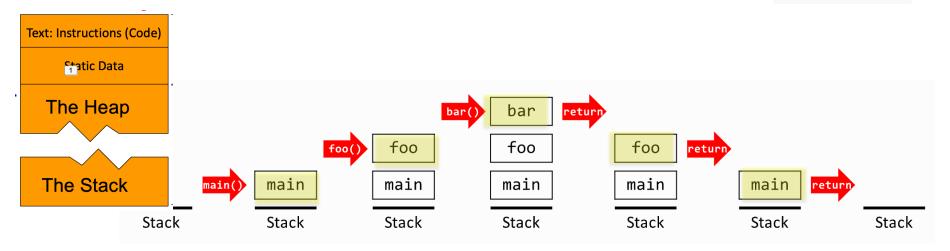
How Stack Works For Function Calls

- Stack Memory for Each Function Call
 - Named as Stack Frame, Function frame (activation record)
 - Memory space for function's parameters and local variables, temporary objects, the return address, and other items that are needed by the function.

```
void bar() {
}

void foo() {
  bar();
}

int main() {
  foo();
}
```



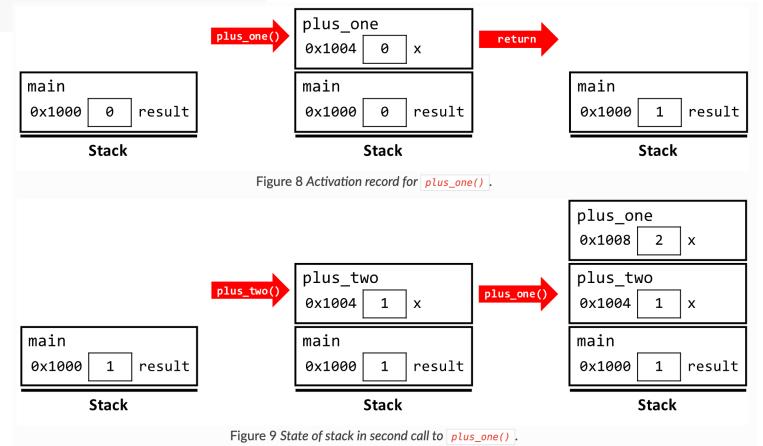
https://eecs280staff.github.io/notes/02_ProceduralAbstraction_Testing.html

```
int plus_one(int x) {
  return x + 1;
}

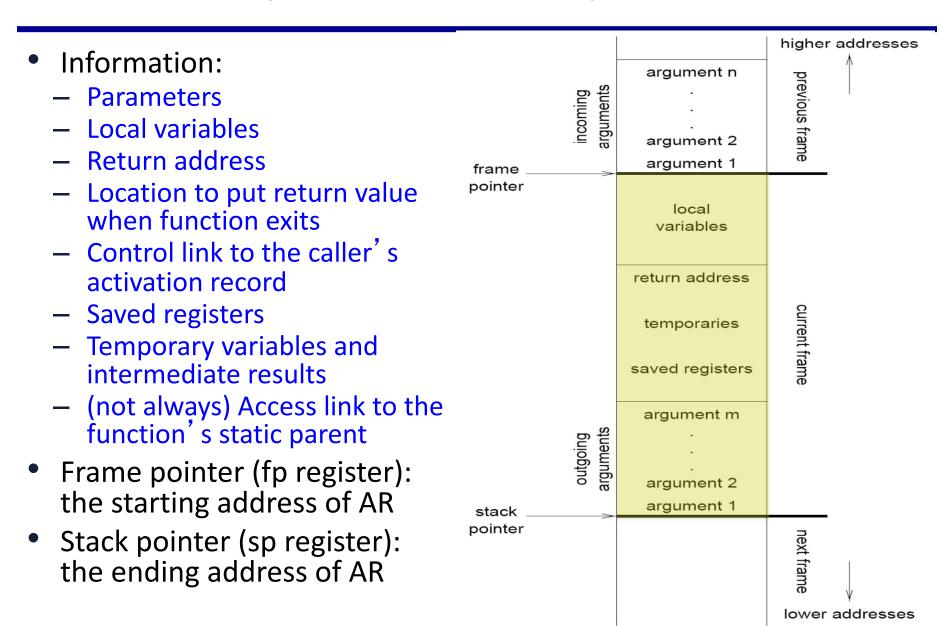
int plus_two(int x) {
  return plus_one(x + 1);
}

int main() {
  int result = 0;
  result = plus_one(0);
  result = plus_two(result);
  cout << result;
  // prints 3</pre>
```

How Stack Works For Function Calls



Stack Frame (Activation Record) of a Function Call

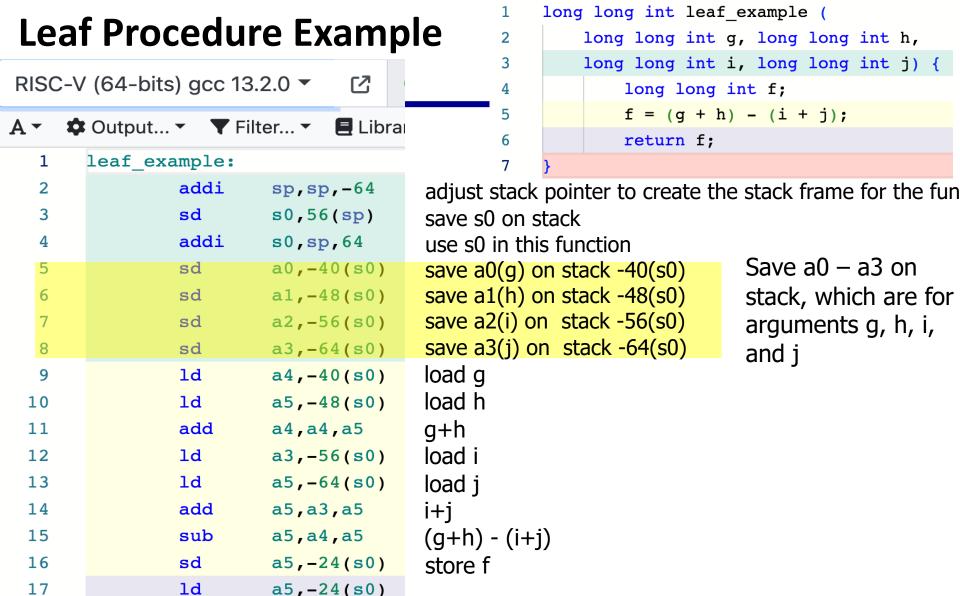


Leaf Procedure Example

- Leaf procedure: a procedure does not call other procedures
 - Thinking of procedure calls as a tree

```
long long int leaf_example (
   long long int g, long long int h,
   long long int i, long long int j) {
     long long int f;
     f = (g + h) - (i + j);
     return f;
}
```

- Arguments g, ..., j in register a0 a3
- Need a register for f (could be a*, s*, t*)
- Need to save s0-s11 on stack if it is used in this func



return value (f) in a0

19

1d

s0,56(sp)

restore s0

addi
sp,sp,64

jr

ra

return value (f) in a0

restore s0

adjust sp back to the activation frame of the caller

```
long long int g, long long int h,
long long int i, long long int j) {
    long long int f;
    f = (g + h) - (i + j);
    return f;
}

int main() {
    long long int v;
    v = leaf_example(1, 2, 3, 4);
    return v;
}

See it from Compiler Explorer
```

long long int leaf example (

1

3

6

8

10

11

12

13

```
RISC-V (64-bits) gcc 13.2.0 ▼
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       leaf example(long long, long
               addi
                        sp, sp, -64
  3
               sd
                        s0,56(sp)
               addi
                        s0, sp, 64
               sd
                        a0,-40(s0)
  6
                        a1,-48(s0)
               sd
  7
               sd
                        a2,-56(s0)
               sd
                        a3,-64(s0)
  9
               ld
                        a4,-40(s0)
 10
               ld
                        a5,-48(s0)
 11
               add
                        a4,a4,a5
               ld
                        a3, -56(s0)
 13
               1d
                        a5,-64(s0)
 14
               add
                        a5,a3,a5
                        a5,a4,a5
 15
               sub
 16
               sd
                        a5,-24(s0)
 17
               ld
                        a5,-24(s0)
 18
                        a0,a5
               mv
 19
               1d
                        s0,56(sp)
                addi
                        sp.sp.64
```

Leaf Procedure Example

22	main:		
23		addi	sp,sp,-32
24		sd	ra,24(sp)
25		sd	s0,16(sp)
26		addi	s0,sp,32
27		li	a3,4
28		li	a2,3
29		li	a1,2
30		li	a0,1
31		call	<pre>leaf_example</pre>
32		sd	a0,-24(s0)
33		ld	a5,-24(s0)
34		sext.w	a5,a5
35		mv	a0,a5
36		ld	ra,24(sp)
37		ld	s0,16(sp)
38		addi	sp,sp,32
39		jr	ra

Non-Leaf Procedures

- Procedures that call other procedures
- For nested call, caller needs to save on the stack:
 - Its return address
 - Any arguments and temporaries needed after the call
- Restore from the stack after the call

```
long long int fact (long long int n){
  if (n < 1) return n;
  else return n * fact(n - 1);
}</pre>
```

• fact is a recursive function

```
long long int fact (long long int n){
                                                      1
RISC-V (64-bits) gcc 13.2.0 ▼
                                   2
                                                                if (n < 1) return n;
                                                                else return n * fact(n - 1);
                                                      3
     ‡ Output... ▼ Filter... ▼ ■ Libraries
                                                See<sup>4</sup>it<sup>}</sup> from Compiler Explorer
  1
       fact(long long):
                 addi
  2
                           sp, sp, -32
                                                 Adjust stack frame for the call
  3
                 sd
                           ra, 24(sp)
                                                 Save return address on stack
  4
                 sd
                           s0,16(sp)
                                                 Save s0 on stack since the func will use it
  5
                 addi
                           s0, sp, 32
                                                 s0 now has the adjusted stack pointer
                 sd
                           a0, -24(s0)
  6
                                                 Save the argument n on stack
                 ld
                           a5, -24(s0)
  7
                                                 Load n
  8
                 bgt
                           a5, zero, <u>L2</u>
                                                 Branch to .L2 if n is greater than 0, i.e. reversing n<1
  9
                 ld
                                                 n>=1 \rightarrow n>0
                           a5,-24(s0)
 10
                 j
                           <u>.L3</u>
                                                 If n < 1, load n to a5 for return value and jump to .L3
 11
       .L2:
                 1d
 12
                           a5, -24(s0)
                                                 Load n
 13
                 addi
                           a5, a5, -1
                                                 n-1 is in a5
 14
                           a0, a5
                                                 Put the argument (n-1) on a0
                 mv
 15
                 call
                           fact(long long)
                                                 call fact(n-1)
                                                  move result of fact(n - 1) to a4
 16
                           a4,a0
                 mv
                                                  Load n
                           a5, -24(s0)
 17
                 ld
 18
                 mul
                           a5, a4, a5
                                                 N * fact(n-1) and store in a5, so it is ready for return to fact(r
 19
       .L3:
                                                  Return value in a5 in either both path of if, now move to a0 for
 20
                           a0, a5
                 mv
 21
                           ra,24(sp)
                 ld
                                                 Restore caller's return address
                           s0,16(sp)
 22
                 ld
                                                  Restore register s0
 23
                 addi
                           sp,sp,32
                                                  Pop stack
                                                                                                        21
 24
                 jr
                                                  Return
                           ra
```

Byte/Halfword/Word Operations

- RISC-V byte/halfword/word load/store
 - Load byte/halfword/word: Sign extend to 64 bits in rd
 - lb rd, offset(rs1)
 - lh rd, offset(rs1)
 - lw rd, offset(rs1)
 - Load byte/halfword/word unsigned: Zero extend to 64 bits in rd
 - lbu rd, offset(rs1)
 - lhu rd, offset(rs1)
 - lwu rd, offset(rs1)
 - Store byte/halfword/word: Store rightmost 8/16/32 bits
 - sb rs2, offset(rs1)
 - sh rs2, offset(rs1)
 - sw rs2, offset(rs1)

String Copy Example

C code:

- A string is an array of characters with \0` as the last character
 - char x[100]; a string of 100 character
 - char * x2; is used for refer to a string
- Null-terminated string

```
void strcpy (char x[], char y[]) {
    long long int i = 0;
    while ((x[i] = y[i]) != '\0')
        i += 1;
}
```

```
void strcpy (char x[], char y[]) {
1
2
    long long int i = 0;
3
    while ((x[i] = y[i]) != '\0')
    ····i·+=·1;
4
                                        13
5
                                        14
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       strcpy(char*, char*):
   1
                                        20
   2
              addi
                      sp, sp, -48
                                        21
                      s0,40(sp)
              sd
   3
                                        22
              addi
                     s0, sp, 48
                                        23
              sd
                      a0,-40(s0)
                                        24
                      a1,-48(s0)
   6
              sd
                                        25
                      zero, -24(s0)
              sd
   7
                                        26
               j
   8
                      .L2
   9
       .L3:
                                        27
  10
              ld
                      a5, -24(s0)
                                        28
  11
              addi
                      a5, a5, 1
                                        29
  12
                      a5, -24(s0)
              sd
                                        30
                                        31
```

String Copy Example

```
.L2:
         1d
                  a5, -24(s0)
         ld
                  a4,-48(s0)
         add
                  a4, a4, a5
         ld
                  a5, -24(s0)
         ld
                  a3,-40(s0)
         add
                  a5, a3, a5
         1bu
                  a4,0(a4)
         sb
                  a4,0(a5)
                  a5,0(a5)
         1bu
         sext.w
                  a5, a5
                  a5, a5
         snez
         andi
                  a5, a5, 0xff
         bne
                  a5, zero, .L3
         nop
         nop
         ld
                  s0,40(sp)
         addi
                  sp, sp, 48
         jr
                  ra
```

C Bubble Sort Example

```
void swap(long long int v[], long long int k) {
     long long int temp;
     temp = v[k];
     v[k] = v[k+1];
     v[k+1] = temp;
void sort (long long int v[], long long int n) {
     long long int i, j;
     for (i = 0; i < n; i += 1) {
                                                                        Bubble sort example
          for (j = i - 1;
                                                               Iniitial
                                                                                        Initial Unsorted array
                i >= 0 \&\& v[j] > v[j + 1];
                                                                                       Compare 1st and 2nd
                                                               Step 1
                                                                                         (Swap)
                j -= 1) {
                                                                                        Compare 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>
                                                               Step 2
                                                                                         (Do not Swap)
                swap(v, j);
                                                                                        Compare 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>rn</sup>
                                                               Step 3
                                                                                         (Swap)
                                                                                       Compare 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>rh</sup>
                                                                                         (Swap)
                                                               Step 5
                                                                                        Repeat Step 1-5 until
                                                                                        no more swaps required
```

Bubble Sort Assembly From GCC

Study from the Code from Compiler Explorer

```
void swap(long long int v[], long long int k) {
 1
 2
         long long int temp;
 3
         temp = v[k];
        v[k] = v[k+1];
 4
 5
        v[k+1] = temp;
 6
 7
     void sort (long long int v[], long long int n) {
 8
           long long int i, j;
           for (i = 0; i < n; i += 1) {
10
             for (j = i - 1;
11
                   j \ge 0 \&\& v[j] > v[j + 1];
12
                   j -= 1) {
13
14
                swap(v, j);
15
16
17
```

You Own Way of Using Register

```
void swap(long long int v[], long long int k) {
   long long int temp;
   temp = v[k];
   v[k] = v[k+1];
   v[k+1] = temp;
}
```

Register usage: v in x10, k in x11, temp in x5

Register usage: v in x10, n in x11, i in x19, j in x20

The Procedure Swap

```
void swap(long long int v[], long long int k) {
   long long int temp;
   temp = v[k];
   v[k] = v[k+1];
   v[k+1] = temp;
}
```

Register usage: v in x10, k in x11, temp in x5

swap:

```
slli x6,x11,3  // reg x6 = k * 8
add x6,x10,x6  // reg x6 = v + (k * 8)
ld x5,0(x6)  // reg x5 (temp) = v[k]
ld x7,8(x6)  // reg x7 = v[k + 1]
sd x7,0(x6)  // v[k] = reg x7
sd x5,8(x6)  // v[k+1] = reg x5 (temp)
jalr x0,0(x1)  // return to calling routine
```

The Outer Loop of Sort

Skeleton of outer loop:

```
- for (i = 0; i <n; i += 1) {

mv x21, x10 // s
```

mv x22, x11

x19,0

void sort (long long int v[], long long int n) {

long long int i, j;

for1tst:

```
bge x19,x11,exit1 //go to exit1 if x19≥x11(i≥n)
```

// i = 0

(body of outer for-loop)

```
addi x19,x19,1 // i += 1
j for1tst // branch to test of outer loop
exit1:
```

The Inner Loop

Skeleton of inner loop:

```
- for (j = i - 1; j \ge 0 \&\& v[j] > v[j + 1]; j - = 1) { swap (v, j); }
      addi x20, x19, -1 // j = i -1
  for2tst:
      blt x20,x0,exit2 // go to exit2 if x20 < 0 (j < 0)
      slli x5, x20, 3 // reg x5 = j * 8
      add x5,x10,x5 // reg x5 = v + (j * 8)
      1d x6,0(x5) // reg x6 = v[j]
      1d
          x7,8(x5) // reg x7 = v[j + 1]
      ble x6,x7,exit2 // go to exit2 if x6 \leq x7
          x10, x21 // first swap parameter is v
      ΜV
      mv x11, x20 // second swap parameter is j
      jal x1, swap // call swap
      addi x20, x20, -1 // j -= 1
          for2tst // branch to test of inner loop
   exit2:
```

Preserving Registers

Preserve saved registers:

```
addi sp,sp,-40 // make room on stack for 5 regs x1,32(sp) // save x1 on stack x22,24(sp) // save x22 on stack x21,16(sp) // save x21 on stack x20,8(sp) // save x20 on stack x19,0(sp) // save x19 on stack
```

Restore saved registers:

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exit1:

ld x19,0(sp) // restore x19 from stack
ld x20,8(sp) // restore x20 from stack
ld x21,16(sp) // restore x21 from stack
ld x22,24(sp) // restore x22 from stack
ld x1,32(sp) // restore x1 from stack
addi sp,sp, 40 // restore stack pointer
jalr x0,0(x1)
```

The Full Version

	Sav	ing registers	
sort:	addi sp. sp40 sd x1, 32(sp) sd x22, 24(sp) sd x21, 16(sp) sd x20, 8(sp) sd x19, 0(sp)	<pre># make room on stack for 5 registers # save return address on stack # save x22 on stack # save x21 on stack # save x20 on stack # save x19 on stack</pre>	

Procedure body		
Move parameters	mv x21, x10 mv x22, x11	<pre># copy parameter x10 into x21 # copy parameter x11 into x22</pre>
Outer loop	li x19, 0 forltst:bge x19, x22, exit1	# i = 0 # go to exit1 if i >= n
Inner loop	addi x20, x19, -1 for2tst:blt x20, x0, exit2 slli x5, x20, 3 add x5, x21, x5 ld x6, 0(x5) ld x7, 8(x5) ble x6, x7, exit2	7
Pass parameters and call	mv x10, x21 mv x11, x20 jal x1, swap	<pre># first swap parameter is v # second swap parameter is j # call swap</pre>
Inner loop	addi x20, x20, -1 j for2tst	j for2tst # go to for2tst
Outer loop	exit2: addi x19, x19, 1 j forltst	# i += 1 # go to forltst

	Restor	ing registers
exit1:	1d x19, 0(sp)	# restore x19 from stack
	1d x20, 8(sp)	# restore x20 from stack
	1d x21, 16(sp)	# restore x21 from stack
	1d x22, 24(sp)	# restore x22 from stack
	ld x1, 32(sp)	# restore return address from stack
	addi sp. sp. 40	# restore stack pointer

Pro	ocedure return
jalr x0, 0(x1)	# return to calling routine

RISC-V Instruction Set Extensions

- M: integer multiply, divide, remainder
- A: atomic memory operations
- F: single-precision floating point
- D: double-precision floating point
- C: compressed instructions
 - 16-bit encoding for frequently used instructions

The Intel x86 ISA

- Evolution with backward compatibility
 - 8080 (1974): 8-bit microprocessor
 - Accumulator, plus 3 index-register pairs
 - 8086 (1978): 16-bit extension to 8080
 - Complex instruction set (CISC)
 - 8087 (1980): floating-point coprocessor
 - Adds FP instructions and register stack
 - 80286 (1982): 24-bit addresses, MMU
 - Segmented memory mapping and protection
 - 80386 (1985): 32-bit extension (now IA-32)
 - Additional addressing modes and operations
 - Paged memory mapping as well as segments

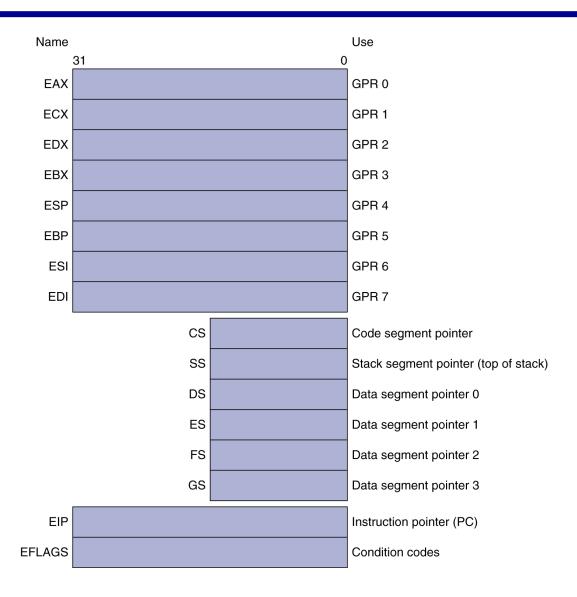
The Intel x86 ISA

- Further evolution...
 - i486 (1989): pipelined, on-chip caches and FPU
 - Compatible competitors: AMD, Cyrix, ...
 - Pentium (1993): superscalar, 64-bit datapath
 - Later versions added MMX (Multi-Media eXtension) instructions
 - The infamous FDIV bug
 - Pentium Pro (1995), Pentium II (1997)
 - New microarchitecture (see Colwell, The Pentium Chronicles)
 - Pentium III (1999)
 - Added SSE (Streaming SIMD Extensions) and associated registers
 - Pentium 4 (2001)
 - New microarchitecture
 - Added SSE2 instructions

The Intel x86 ISA

- And further...
 - AMD64 (2003): extended architecture to 64 bits
 - EM64T Extended Memory 64 Technology (2004)
 - AMD64 adopted by Intel (with refinements)
 - Added SSE3 instructions
 - Intel Core (2006)
 - Added SSE4 instructions, virtual machine support
 - AMD64 (announced 2007): SSE5 instructions
 - Intel declined to follow, instead...
 - Advanced Vector Extension (announced 2008)
 - Longer SSE registers, more instructions
- If Intel didn't extend with compatibility, its competitors would!
 - Technical elegance ≠ market success

Basic x86 Registers



Basic x86 Addressing Modes

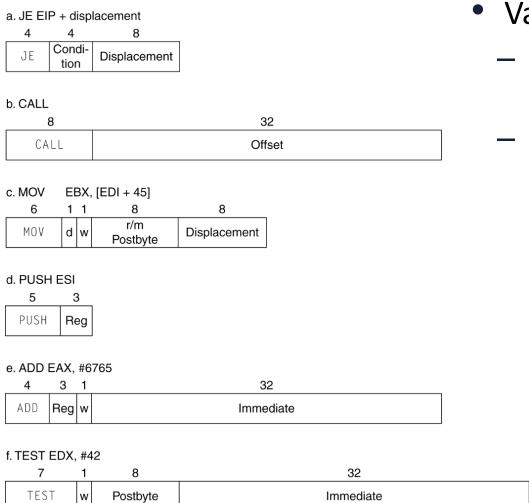
Two operands per instruction

Source/dest operand	Second source operand	
Register	Register	
Register	Immediate	
Register	Memory	
Memory	Register	
Memory	Immediate	

Memory addressing modes

- Address in register
- Address = R_{base} + displacement
- Address = R_{base} + 2^{scale} × R_{index} (scale = 0, 1, 2, or 3)
- Address = R_{base} + 2^{scale} × R_{index} + displacement

x86 Instruction Encoding



- Variable length encoding
 - Postfix bytes specify addressing mode
 - Prefix bytes modify operation
 - Operand length, repetition, locking, ...

Implementing IA-32

- Complex instruction set makes implementation difficult
 - Hardware translates instructions to simpler microoperations
 - Simple instructions: 1–1
 - Complex instructions: 1—many
 - Microengine similar to RISC
 - Market share makes this economically viable
- Comparable performance to RISC
 - Compilers avoid complex instructions

More Materials for RISC-V Instruction

- Slides for RISC-V intro and specification:
 - https://passlab.github.io/ITSC3181/notes/lectureXX_RISCV_ISA.
 pdf
- RISC-V instruction reference cards:
 - https://passlab.github.io/ITSC3181/resources/RISCVGreenCardv 8-20151013.pdf
- Information for learning assembly programming
 - https://passlab.github.io/ITSC3181/resources/RISC-VAssemblyProgramming.html
- Resources from the official website including the standard
 - https://riscv.org/

Concluding Remarks

- Instruction Set Architecture are Hardware and Software Interface
- Three major classes of instructions
 - Arithmetic and logic instructions
 - Load/Store instructions
 - Control transfer (branch and jump/link)
 - Other helpful instruction, e.g. load immediate, etc.
- High-level language constructs to instruction sequence
 - Arithmetic and logic expression => Arithmetic and logic instructions
 - Array reference => address calculation and load/store
 - If-else/switch-case, for/while-loop => branch and jump
 - Function call => jump/link, store and restore registers
- Design principles
 - 1. Simplicity favors regularity
 - 2. Smaller is faster
 - 3. Good design demands good compromises
 - 4. Make the common case fast