



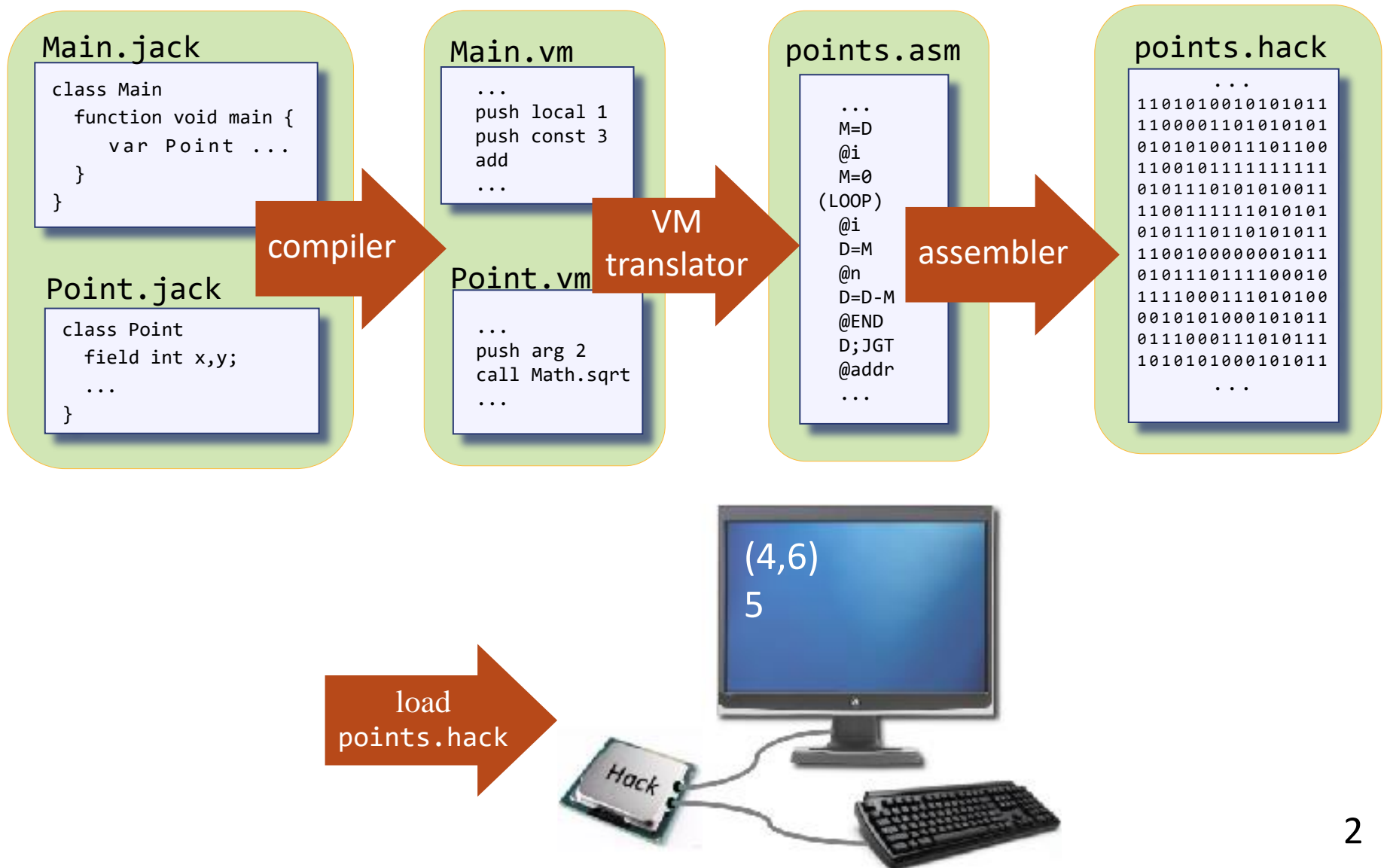
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# Revision Slides

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# Big picture

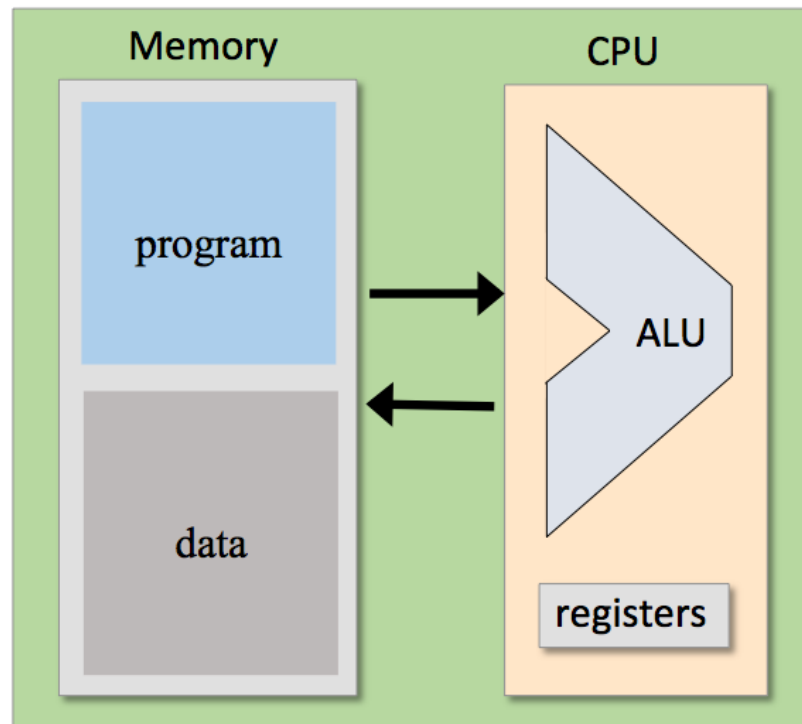


# Outlines

- Hack assembly programming
- Assembler
- Virtual machine

# An informal definition

- A *machine language* can be viewed as an agreed-upon formalism, designed to manipulate a *memory* using a *processor* and a set of *registers*. (Nisan & Schocken)



# Addressing modes

- Register

- ADD R1, R2       $// R2 \leftarrow R2 + R1$
- Access data from a **register** R2.

- Direct

- ADD R1, M[67]     $// Mem[67] \leftarrow Mem[67] + R1$
- LOAD R1, 67       $// R1 \leftarrow Mem[67]$
- Access data from **fixed memory address** 67.

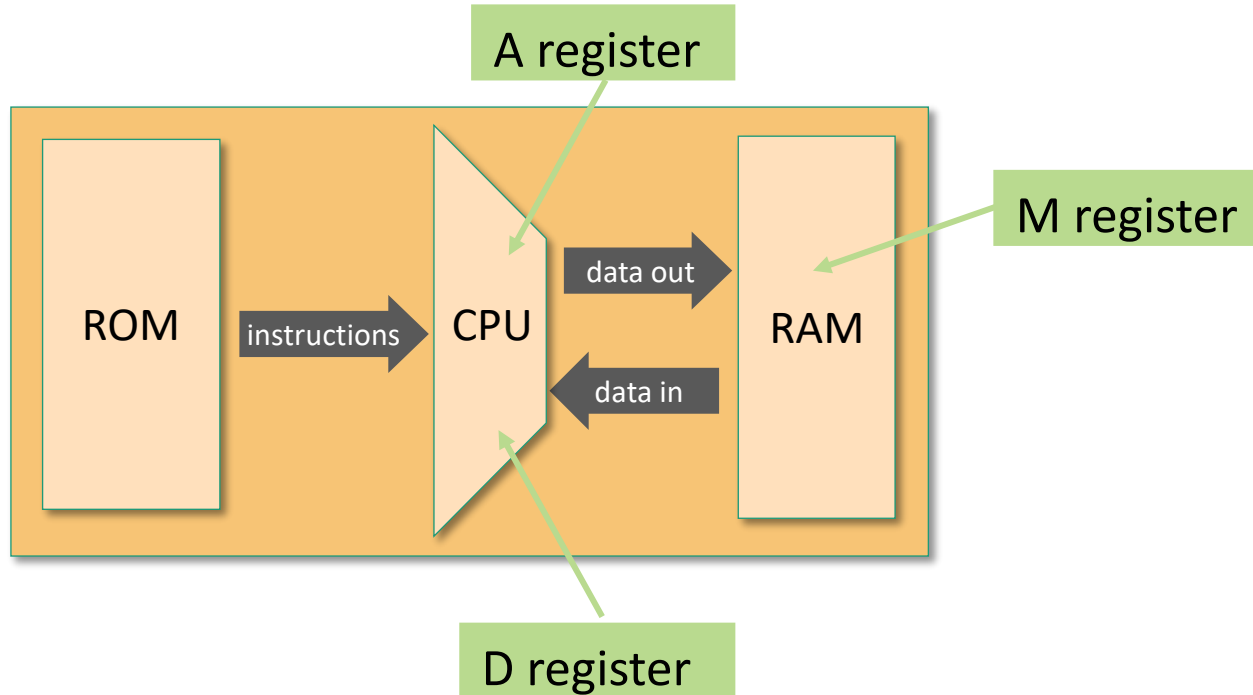
- Indirect

- ADD R1, @A       $// Mem[A] \leftarrow Mem[A] + R1$
- Access data from **memory address specified by variable A**.

- Immediate

- ADD 67, R1       $// R1 \leftarrow R1 + 67$
- LOADI R1, 67     $// R1 \leftarrow 67$
- Access the data of **value** 67 immediately.

# Hack computer: registers



- Three 16-bit registers:

- D: Store data
- A: Store data / address the memory
- M: Represent currently addressed memory register: **M = RAM[A]**

# A-instruction specification

Semantics: Set the A register to *value*

Symbolic syntax:

@ *value*

Example:

@ 21

set A to 21

Where *value* is either:

- a non-negative decimal constant  $\leq 65535$  ( $=2^{15}-1$ ) or
- a symbol referring to a constant (*come back to this later*)

Binary syntax:

0 *value*

Where *value* is a 15-bit binary constant

Example:

0 00000000000010101

opcode signifying  
an A-instruction

set A to 21

# C-instruction

Syntax: *dest = comp ; jump* (both *dest* and *jump* are optional)

where:

*comp* =

0, 1, -1, D, A, !D, !A, -D, -A, D+1, A+1, D-1, A-1, D+A, D-A, A-D, D&A, D|A  
M, !M, -M, M+1, M-1, D+M, D-M, M-D, D&M, D|M

*dest* =

null, M, D, MD, A, AM, AD, AMD (M refer to **RAM[A]**)

*jump* =

null, JGT, JEQ, JGE, JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP

## Semantics:

- Computes the value of *comp*
- Stores the result in *dest*
- If the Boolean expression (***comp jump 0***) is true, jumps to execute the instruction at **ROM[A]**



# C-instruction specification

Symbolic syntax:

*dest* = *comp* ; *jump*

Binary syntax:

1 1 1 a c1 c2 c3 c4 c5 c6 d1 d2 d3 j1 j2 j3

opcode

not used

*comp* bits

*dest* bits

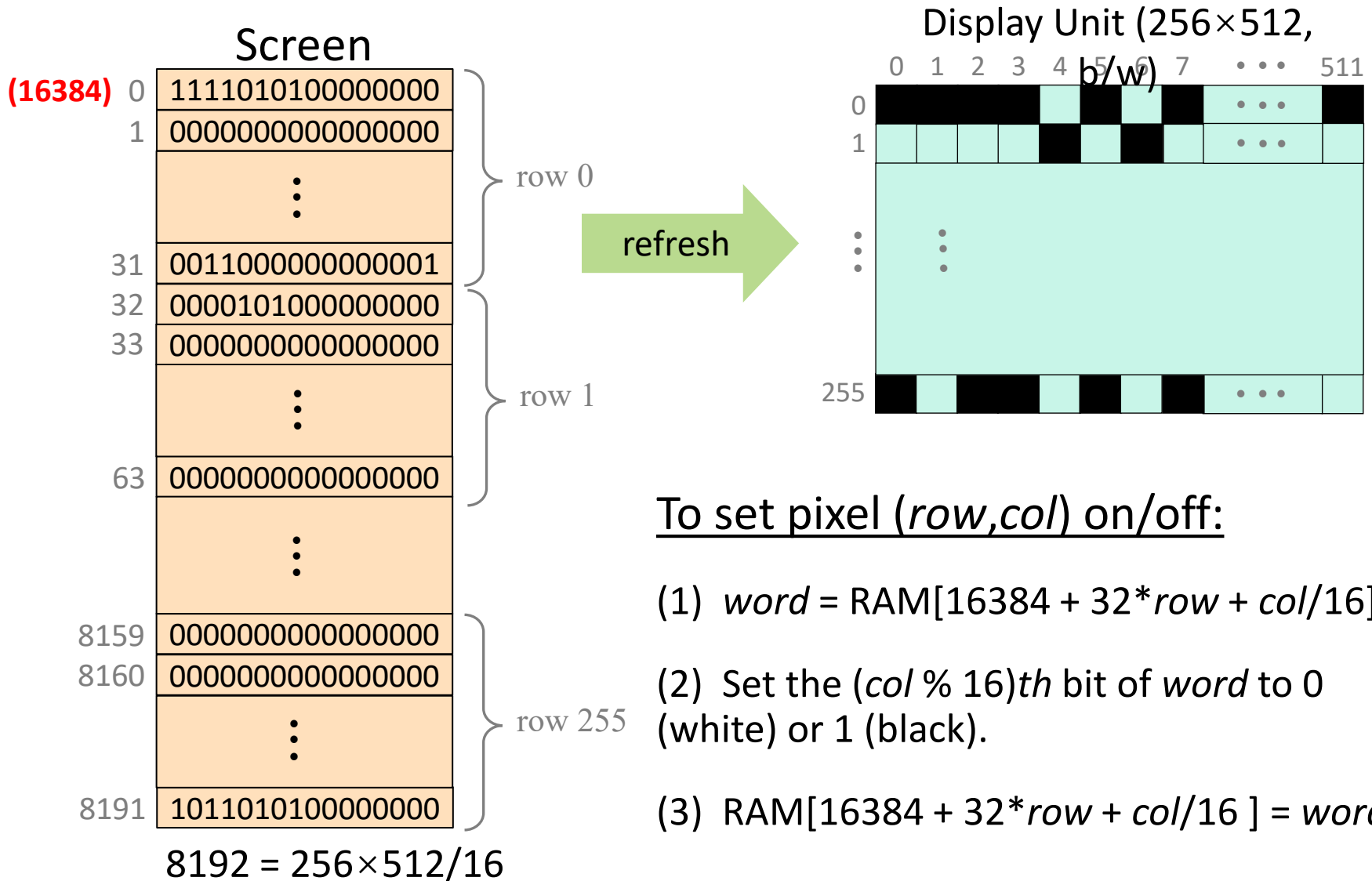
*jump* bits

<i>comp</i>		c1	c2	c3	c4	c5	c6
0		1	0	1	0	1	0
1		1	1	1	1	1	1
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0
D		0	0	1	1	0	0
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0
D A	D M	0	1	0	1	0	1
a==0	a==1						

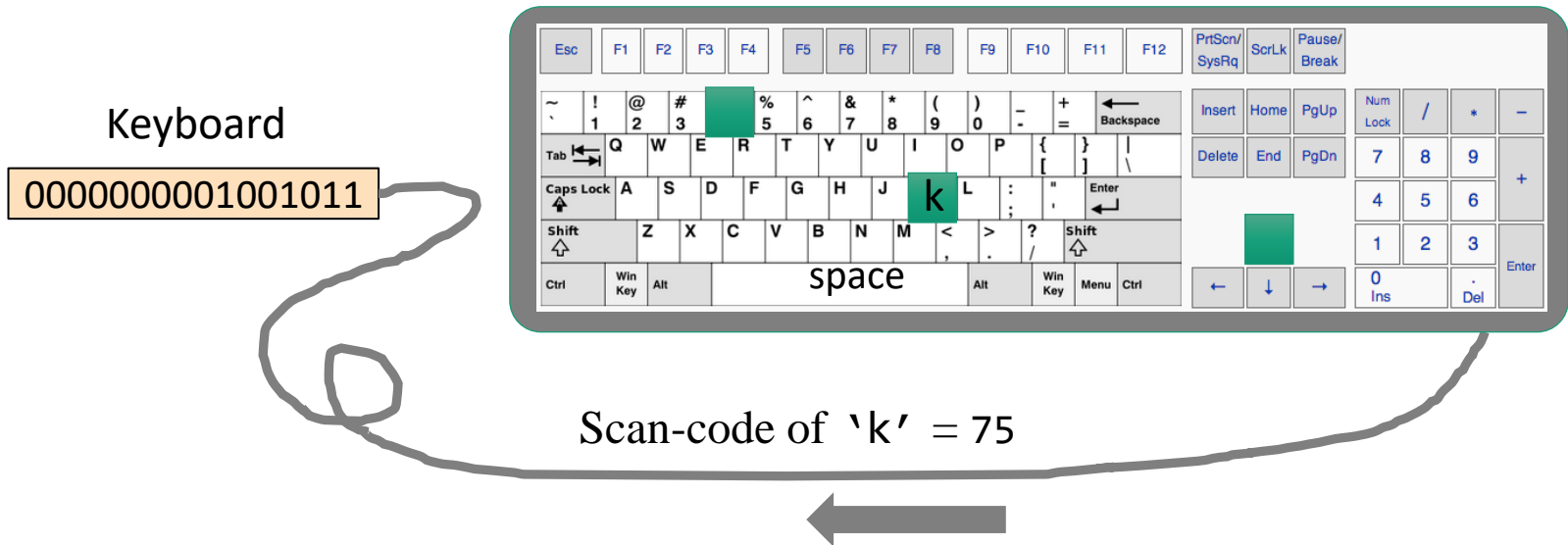
<i>dest</i>	d1	d2	d3	effect: the value is stored in:
null	0	0	0	The value is not stored
M	0	0	1	RAM[A]
D	0	1	0	D register
MD	0	1	1	RAM[A] and D register
A	1	0	0	A register
AM	1	0	1	A register and RAM[A]
AD	1	1	0	A register and D register
AMD	1	1	1	A register, RAM[A], and D register

<i>jump</i>	j1	j2	j3	effect:
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JEQ	0	1	0	if out = 0 jump
JGE	0	1	1	if out ≥ 0 jump
JLT	1	0	0	if out < 0 jump
JNE	1	0	1	if out ≠ 0 jump
JLE	1	1	0	if out ≤ 0 jump
JMP	1	1	1	Unconditional jump

# Memory mapped output



# Handle the keyboard



- To check which key is currently pressed:
  - Probe the contents of the Keyboard chip
  - In the Hack computer: probe the contents of **RAM[24576]**.

# Terminate a program

## Hack assembly code

```
0 // Program: Add2.asm
1 // Computes: RAM[2] = RAM[0] + RAM[1]
2 // Usage: put values in RAM[0], RAM[1]
3 @0
4 D=M // D = RAM[0]
5
6 @1
7 D=D+M // D = D + RAM[1]
8
9 @2
10 M=D // RAM[2] = D
11
12 @6
13 0; JMP
```

translate and load

## Memory (ROM)

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@1
3	D=D+M
4	@2
5	M=D
6	@6
7	0; JMP
8	
9	
10	
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- Jump to instruction number A (which happens to be 6)
- 0: syntax convention for jmp instructions

## Best practice:

To terminate a program safely, end it with an infinite loop.

# Built-in symbols

The Hack assembly language features *built-in symbols*:

<u>symbol</u>	<u>value</u>	<u>symbol</u>	<u>value</u>
R0	0	SP	0
R1	1	LCL	1
...	...	ARG	2
R15	15	THIS	3
SCREEN	16384	THAT	4
KBD	24576		

- R0, R1 ,..., R15 : “virtual registers”, can be used as variables
- SCREEN and KBD : base addresses of I/O memory maps
- Remaining symbols: used in the implementation of the Hack virtual machine, discussed in chapters 7-8.

# Labels

```
// Program: Signum.asm
// Computes: if R0>0
//      R1=1
//      else
//      R1=0
// Usage: put a value in RAM[0],
//      run and inspect RAM[1].
```

```
0  @R0
1  D=M  // D = RAM[0]
2  @POSITIVE
3  D;JGT // If R0>0 goto 8
```

referring  
to a label

```
4  @R1
5  M=0  // RAM[1]=0
6  @END
7  0;JMP // goto end
```

declaring  
a label

```
(POSITIVE)
8  @R1
9  M=1  // R1=1
```

```
(END)
10 @END // end
11 0;JMP
```

resolving labels

## Implications:

- Instruction numbers no longer needed in symbolic programming
- The symbolic code becomes *relocatable*.

## Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8 // @POSITIVE
3	D;JGT
4	@1
5	M=0
6	@10 // @END
7	0;JMP
8	@1
9	M=1
10	@10 // @END
11	0;JMP
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# Variables

```
// Program: Flip.asm
// flips the values of
// RAM[0] and RAM[1]
```

```
// temp = R1
// R1 = R0
// R0 = temp
```

```
@R1
D=M
@temp
M=D    // temp = R1
```

symbol used for  
the first time

```
@R0
D=M
@R1
M=D    // R1 = R0
```

```
@temp
D=M
@R0
M=D    // R0 = temp
```

symbol used  
again

```
(END)
@END
0; JMP
```

resolving symbols

## Symbol resolution rules:

- A reference to a symbol without label declaration is treated as a reference to a variable.
- If the reference *@symbol* occurs in the program for first time, *symbol* is allocated to address **16** onward (say *n*), and the generated code is *@n*.
- All subsequent *@symbol* commands are translated into *@n*.

Note: variables are allocated to **RAM[16]** onward.

## Memory

0	@1
1	D=M
2	@16 // @temp
3	M=D
4	@0
5	D=M
6	@1
7	M=D
8	@16 // @temp
9	D=M
10	@0
11	M=D
12	@12
13	0; JMP
14	
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# Iterative processing

## pseudo code

```
// Compute RAM[1] =  
1+2+ ... +RAM[0]  
n = R0  
i = 1  
sum = 0  
LOOP:  
  if i > n goto STOP  
  sum = sum + i  
  i = i + 1  
  goto LOOP  
STOP:  
  R1 = sum
```

## assembly code

```
// Compute RAM[1] = 1+2+ ... +n  
// Usage: put a number (n) in  
RAM[0]  
@R0  
D=M  
@n  
M=D // n = R0  
@i  
M=1 // i = 1  
@sum  
M=0 // sum = 0  
(LOOP)  
@i  
D=M // D = i  
@n  
D=D-M // D = i - n  
@STOP  
D;JGT // if i > n goto STOP
```

```
@sum  
D=M // D = sum  
@i  
D=D+M // D = sum + i  
@sum  
M=D // sum = sum + i  
@i  
M=M+1 // i = i + 1  
@LOOP  
0;JMP // goto LOOP  
(STOP)  
@sum  
D=M // D = sum  
@R1  
M=D // RAM[1] = sum  
(END)  
@END  
0;JMP // end
```

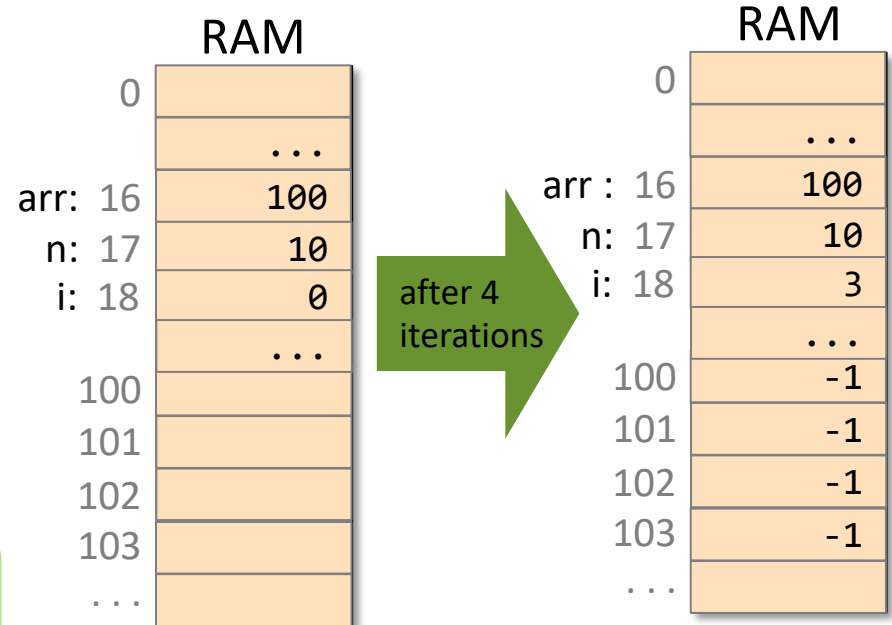


# Pointers

## Example:

```
(LOOP)
  // if (i==n) goto END
  @i
  D=M // D = i
  @n
  D=D-M // D = i-n
  @END
  D;JEQ // if (i==n) goto END
  // RAM[arr+i] = -1
  @arr
  D=M // D = arr
  @i
  A=D+M // A = arr + i
  M=-1 // M[arr+i] = -1
  // i++
  @i
  M=M+1 // i = i + 1
  @LOOP
  0;JMP // goto LOOP
(END)
  @END
  0;JMP // END
```

typical pointer manipulation



- Pointers: Variables that store memory addresses (like arr).
- Pointers in Hack: Whenever we have to access memory using a pointer, we need an instruction like **A = expression**.
- Semantics:  
“set the address register to some value”.

# Outlines

- Hack assembly programming
- **Assembler**
- Virtual machine

# Translating A-instructions

## Symbolic syntax:

*@ value*

## Examples:

*@ 21*

*@foo*

Where *value* is either

- a non-negative decimal constant or
- a symbol referring to such a constant

## Binary syntax:

*0 valueInBinary*

## Example:

*00000000000010101*

## Translation to binary:

- If *value* is a decimal constant, generate the equivalent binary constant
- If *value* is a symbol, later.

# Translating C-instructions

Symbolic syntax:

*dest* = *comp* ; *jump*

Binary syntax:

1 1 1 a c1 c2 c3 c4 c5 c6 d1 d2 d3 j1 j2 j3

<i>comp</i>		c1	c2	c3	c4	c5	c6
0		1	0	1	0	1	0
1		1	1	1	1	1	1
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0
D		0	0	1	1	0	0
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0
D A	D M	0	1	0	1	0	1
a=0	a=1						

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Symbolic:

Binary:

Example:

MD = D+1

1 1 1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 0

# Hack language specification: symbols

## Pre-defined symbols:

<u>symbol</u>	<u>value</u>	<u>symbol</u>	<u>value</u>
R0	0	SP	0
R1	1	LCL	1
R2	2	ARG	2
...	...	THIS	3
R15	15	THAT	4
SCREEN	16384		
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Label declaration:      *(label)*

Variable declaration:      *@variableName*

```
// Computes RAM[1]=1+...+RAM[0]
@i
M=1 // i = 1
@sum
M=0 // sum = 0

(LOOP)
@i // if i>RAM[0] goto STOP
D=M
@R0
D=D-M
@STOP
D;JGT
@i // sum += i
D=M
@sum
M=D+M
@i // i++
M=M+1
@LOOP // goto LOOP
0;JMP
...
```

# Outlines

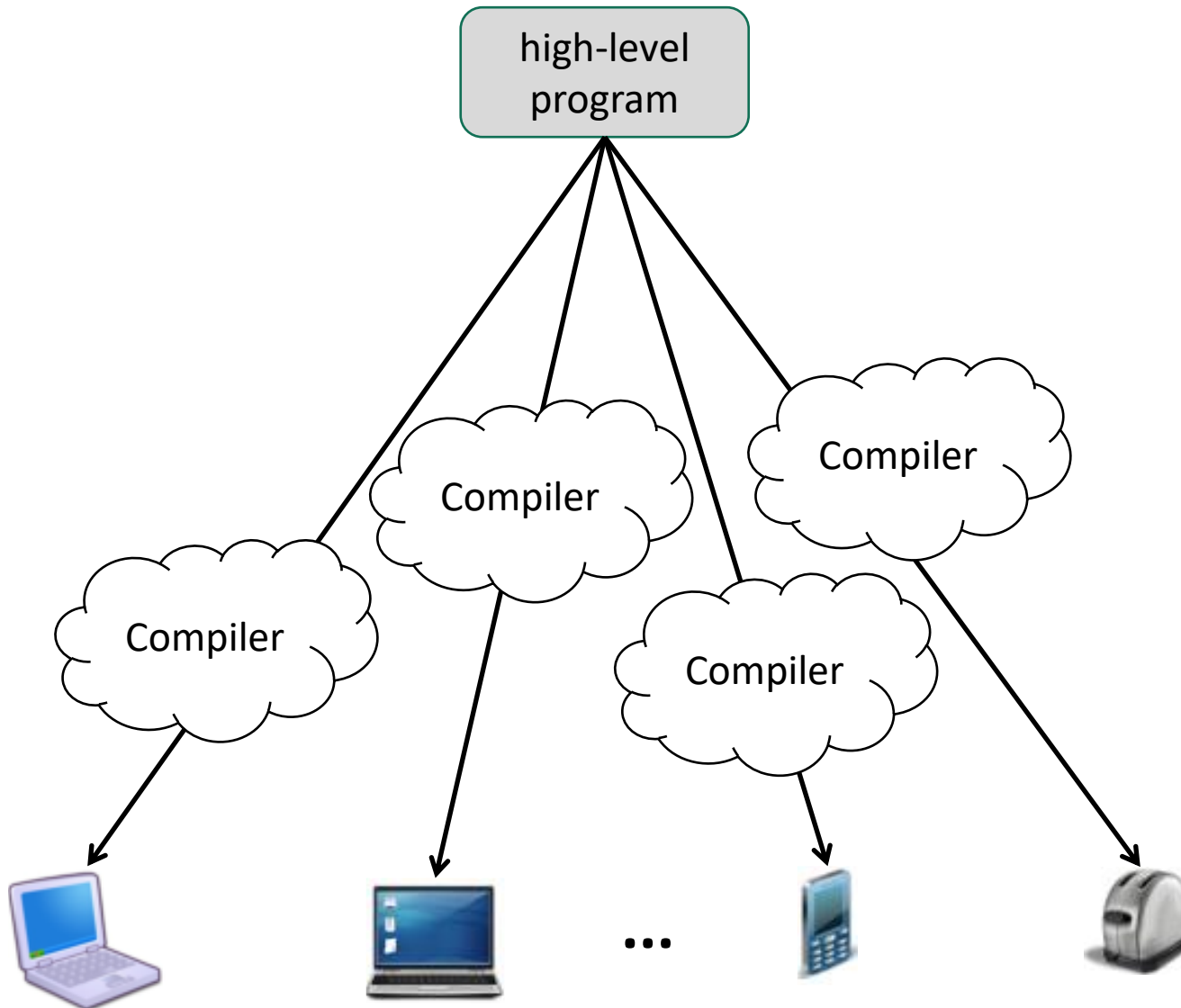
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# Why we need virtual machine?

- **Code transportability**

- **Many** high-level languages can work on the same platform: virtual machine.
- VM may be implemented with relative ease on **multiple** target platforms.
- As a result, VM-based software can run on **many** processors and operating systems without modifying source code.

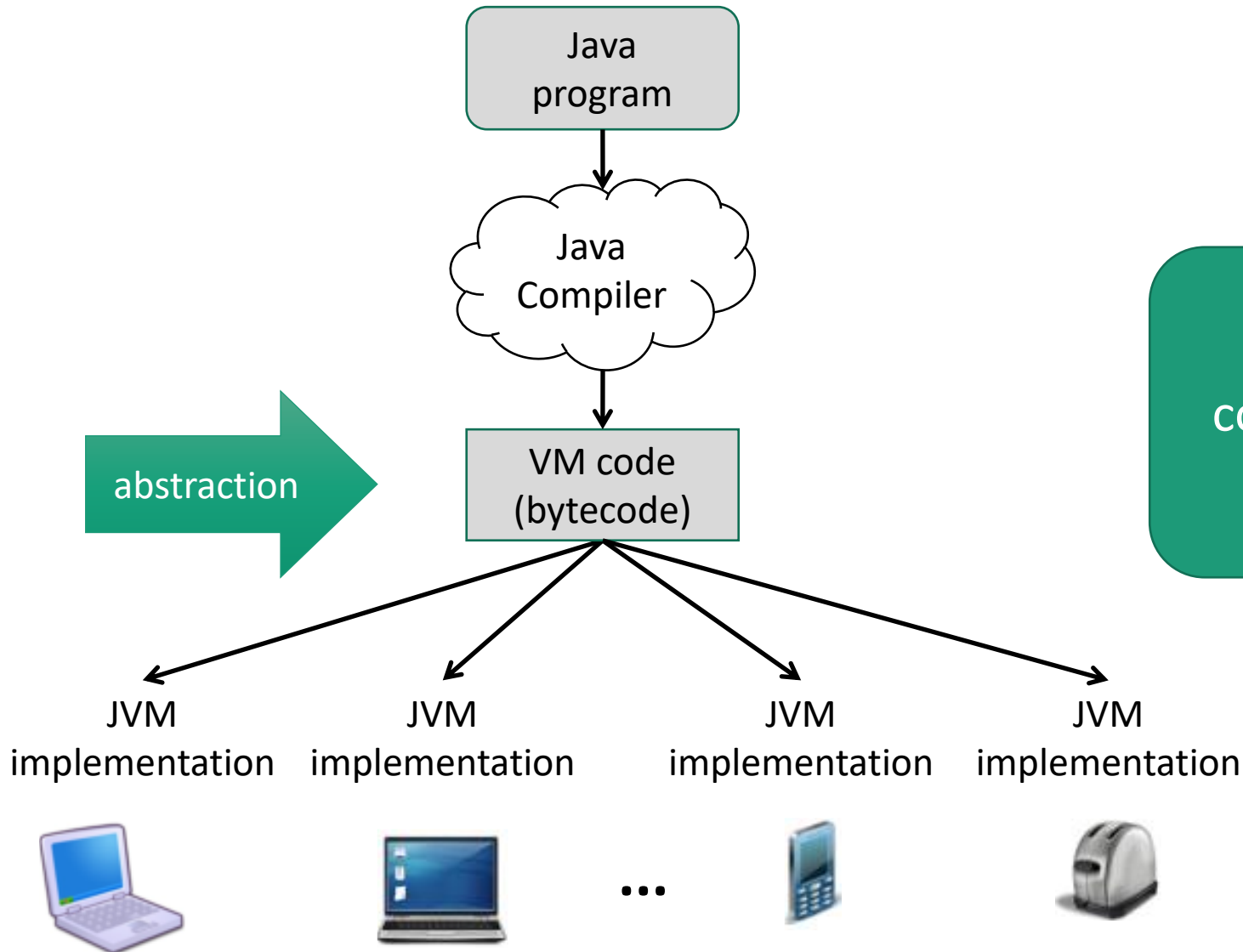
# Program compilation: 1-tier



One compiler for  
each device!



# Program compilation: 2-tier



One Java compiler for all devices!

# Arithmetic commands

VM code

```
// d=(2-x) +
```

```
// (y+9)
```

```
push 2
```

```
push x
```

```
sub
```

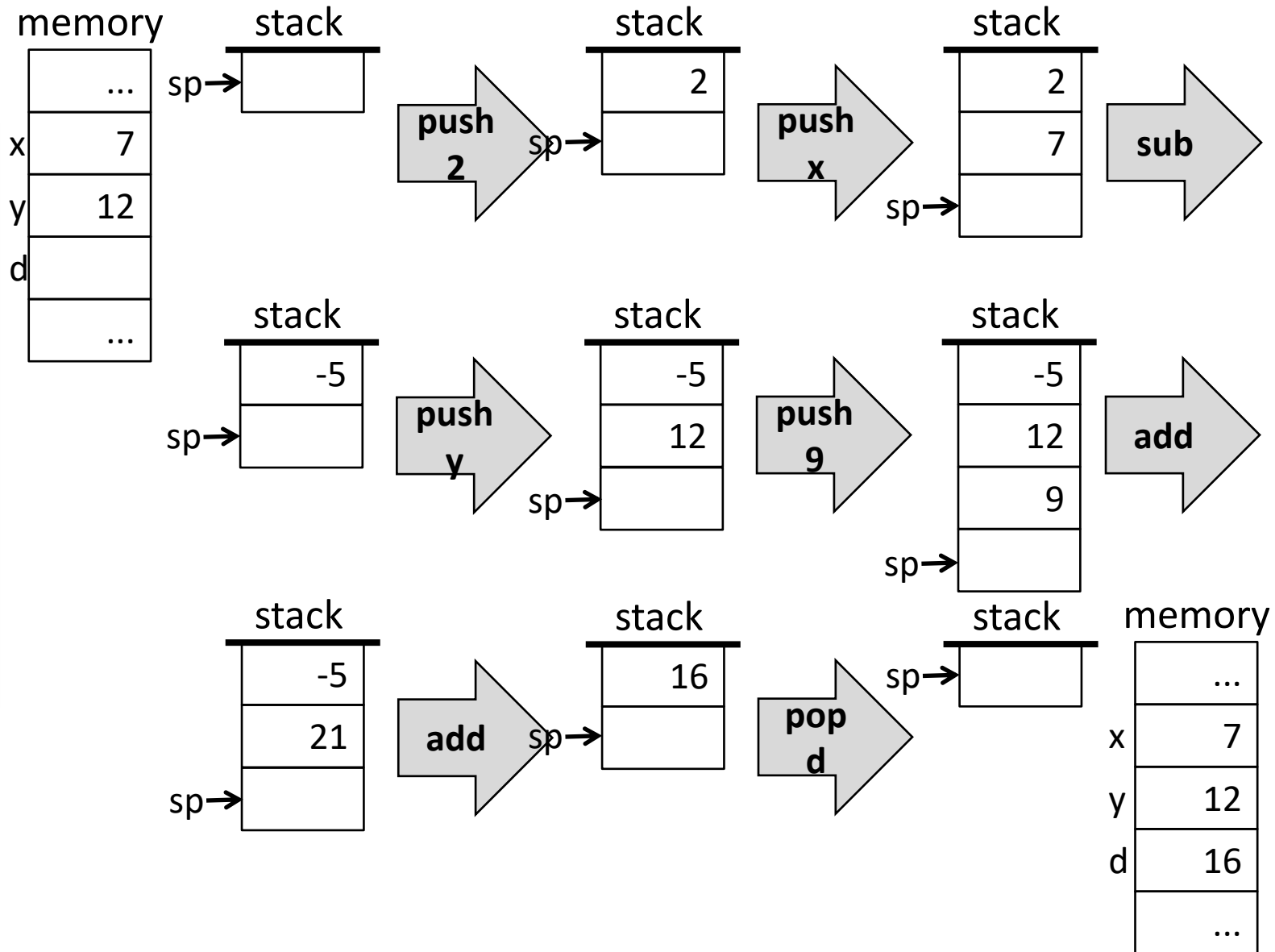
```
push y
```

```
push 9
```

```
add
```

```
add
```

```
pop d
```

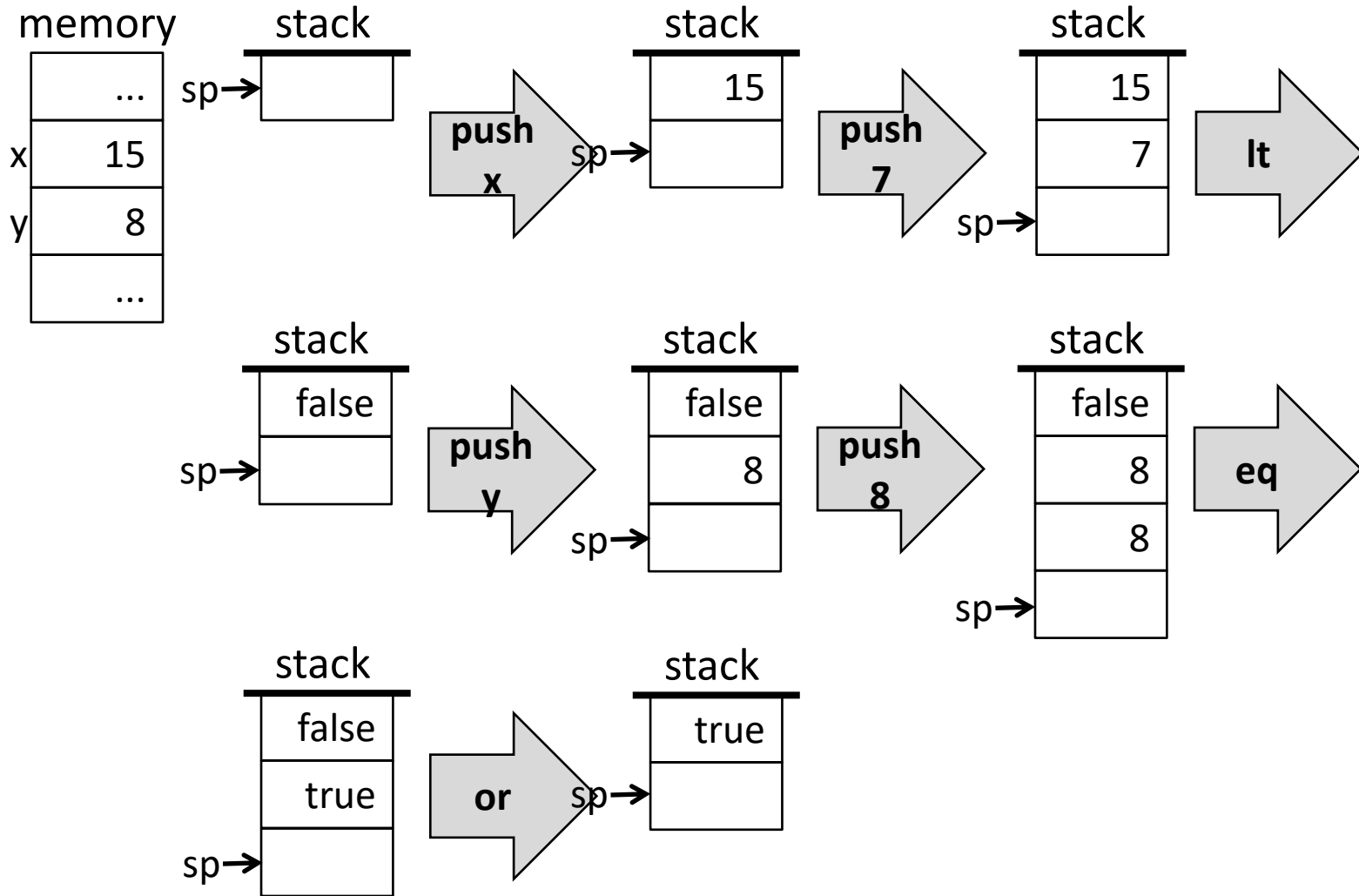


# Logical commands

VM code

```
// (x<7)  
// or  
// (y==8)
```

```
push x  
push 7  
lt  
push y  
push 8  
eq  
or
```

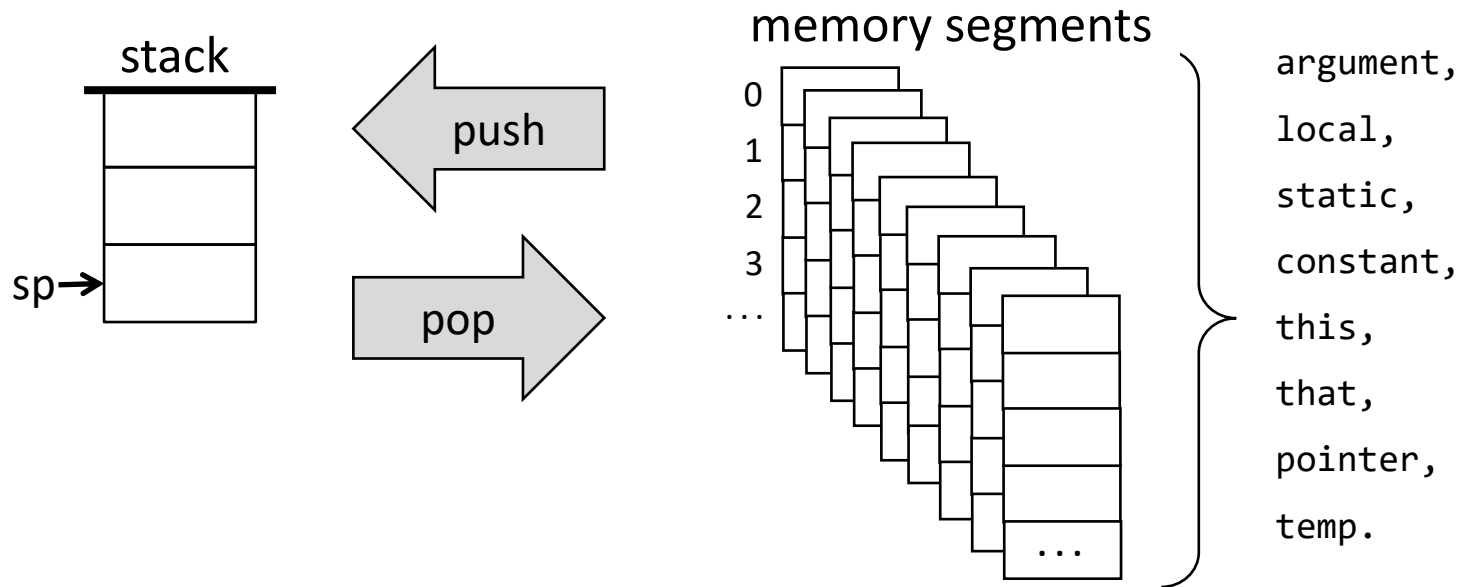


# Arithmetic / Logical commands

Command	Return value	Return value
add	$x + y$	integer
sub	$x - y$	integer
neg	$-y$	integer
eq	$x == y$	boolean
gt	$x > y$	boolean
lt	$x < y$	boolean
and	$x \text{ and } y$	boolean
or	$x \text{ or } y$	boolean
not	not $x$	boolean

Observation: Any arithmetic or logical expression can be expressed and evaluated by applying some sequence of the above operations on a stack.

# Memory segments



Syntax: *push segment i*  
where *segment* is: argument, local, static, constant,  
this, that, pointer, or temp  
and *i* is a non-negative integer.

Syntax: *pop segment i*  
Where *segment* is: argument, local, static,  
this, that, pointer, or temp  
and *i* is a non-negative integer.

# Program control

- *goto label*
  - jump to execute the command just after *label*
- *if-goto label*
  - *cond* = pop
  - if *cond* jump to execute the command just after *label*
- *label label*
  - label declaration command
- Implementation (VM translation):
  - Translate each branching command into assembly instructions that effect the specified operation on the host machine.

Simple implementation:  
the assembly language has  
similar branching commands.

# Functions in VM language

```
// Computes 3 + 5 * 8
0 function main 0
1 push constant 3
2 push constant 8
3 push constant 5
4 call mult 2
5 add
6 return
```

caller

```
// Computes the product of two given arguments
0 function mult 2
1 push constant 0
2 pop local 0
3 push constant 1
4 pop local 1
5 label LOOP
6 push local 1
7 push argument 1
  //... computes the product into local 0
19 label END
20 push local 0
21 return
```

callee

## Implementation

We can write low-level code to

- Handle the VM command call
- Handle the VM command function
- Handle the VM command return.

# Functions in VM language

// Computes 3 + 5 \* 8

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5 add

6 **return**

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7 push argument 1

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21 **return**

callee

## Handling call:

- Determine the **return address** within the caller's code;
- **Save** the caller's return address, stack and memory segments;
- **Pass parameters** from the caller to the callee;
- **Jump** to execute the callee.



# Functions in VM language

```
// Computes 3 + 5 * 8
```

```
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```

```
1 push constant 3
```

```
2 push constant 8
```

```
3 push constant 5
```

```
4 call mult 2
```

```
5 add
```

```
6 return
```

caller



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// Computes the product of two given arguments
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```
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```

```
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```

```
2 pop local 0
```

```
3 push constant 1
```

```
4 pop local 1
```

```
5 label LOOP
```

```
6 push local 1
```

```
7 push argument 1
```

```
//... computes the product into local 0
```

```
19 label END
```

```
20 push local 0
```

```
21 return
```

callee

## Handling function:

- Initialize the local variables of the callee;
- Handle some other simple initializations (later);
- Execute the callee function.

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```

callee



## Handling return:

(a function always ends by pushing a return value on the stack)

- **Return** the *return value* to the caller;
- **Recycle** the memory resources used by the callee;
- **Reinstate** the caller's stack and memory segments;
- **Jump** to the return address in the caller's code.

# Pointer manipulation

## Pseudo assembly code

```
D = *p // D becomes 23
p--    // RAM[0] becomes 256
D = *p // D becomes 19

*q = 9 // RAM[1024] becomes 9
q++    // RAM[1] becomes 1025
```

### In Hack:

@p  
A=M  
D=M

## Notation:

\*p // the memory location that p points at  
x-- // decrement:  $x = x - 1$   
x++ // increment:  $x = x + 1$

RAM		
0	257	p
1	1024	q
2	1765	
...	...	
256	19	
257	23	
258	903	
...	...	
1024	5	
1025	12	
1026	-3	
...	...	

# Implement push constant $i$

VM code:

push constant  $i$

VM Translator

Assembly psuedo code:

$*SP = i, SP++$

(no pop constant operation)

Implementation:

Supplies the specified constant.

Hack assembly:

```
// D = i
@i
D=A
// *SP=D
@SP
A=M
M=D
// SP++
@SP
M=M+1
```

# Implement `pop local i`

Abstraction

`pop local i`

Implementation:

`addr=LCL+ i, SP--, *addr=*SP`

*i* is a constant here!!!  
but LCL is a variable.

Hack assembly:

```
@i      // addr=LCL+i
D=A
@LCL
D=D+M
@addr
M=D
@SP      // SP--
M=M-1
@SP      // D=*SP
A=M
D=M
@addr    // *addr=D
A=M
M=D
```

# Implement push/pop local i

VM code:

```
pop local i
```

```
push local i
```

VM Translator

Assembly pseudo code:

```
addr = LCL + i, SP--, *addr = *SP
```

```
addr = LCL + i, *SP = *addr, SP++
```

Stack pointer

Base address of the local segment

Implementation:

The local segment is stored somewhere in the RAM

RAM	
0	258
1	1015
2	
...	
256	12
257	5
258	
...	
1015	...
1016	...
1017	...
...	

SP  
LCL

Hack assembly:

```
// implement  
// push local i  
// addr=LCL+i  
@i  
D=A  
@LCL  
D=D+M  
@addr  
M=D
```

```
// *SP = *addr  
@addr // D=*addr  
A=M  
D=M  
@SP // *SP=D  
A=M  
M=D  
// SP++  
@SP  
M=M+1
```

# Implement `push / pop local / argument / this / that i`

VM code:

```
push segment i
```

```
pop segment i
```

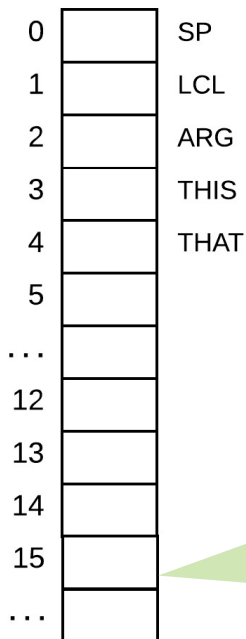
VM translator

Assembly pseudo code:

```
addr = segmentPointer + i, *SP = *addr, SP++
```

```
addr = segmentPointer + i, SP--, *addr = *SP
```

$segment = \{local, argument, this, that\}$



base addresses of the four segments are stored in these pointers

the four segments are stored somewhere in the RAM

- `push/pop local i`
  - `push/pop argument i`
  - `push/pop this i`
  - `push/pop that i`
- implemented precisely the same way.

# Implement push/pop static *i*

VM code:

```
// File Foo.vm
...
pop static 5
...
pop static 2
...
```

VM translator

Generated assembly code:

```
...
// D = stack.pop (code omitted)
@Foo.5
M=D
...
// D = stack.pop (code omitted)
@Foo.2
M=D
...
```

The challenge:

Static variables should be seen by all the methods in a

program.

Store them in some “**global space**”:

- Have the VM translator translate each VM reference `static i` (in file `Foo.vm`) into an assembly reference `Foo.i`
- Following assembly, the Hack assembler will map these references onto `RAM[16]`, `RAM[17]`, ..., `RAM[255]`
- Therefore, the entries of the `static` segment will end up being mapped onto `RAM[16]`, `RAM[17]`, ..., `RAM[255]`, in the order in which they appear in the program.

Hack RAM

0		SP
1		LCL
2		ARG
3		THIS
4		THAT
5		
...		
12		
13		
14		
15		
16		} static variables
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
2047		
...		



# Implement push/pop temp $i$

VM code:

push temp  $i$

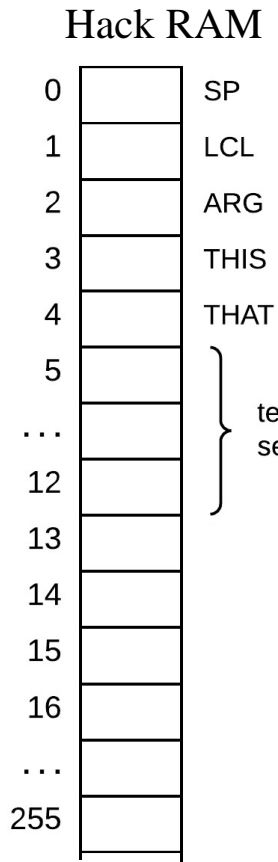
pop temp  $i$

VM Translator

Assembly psuedo code:

addr =  $5 + i$ , \*SP = \*addr, SP++

addr =  $5 + i$ , SP--, \*addr = \*SP



A fixed, **8-place** memory segment, stored in RAM locations 5 to 12

# Implement push/pop pointer 0/1

VM code:

push pointer 0/1

pop pointer 0/1

VM Translator

Assembly psuedo code:

\*SP = THIS/THAT, SP++

SP--, THIS/THAT = \*SP

A fixed, 2-place segment:

- accessing pointer 0 should result in accessing THIS
- accessing pointer 1 should result in accessing THAT

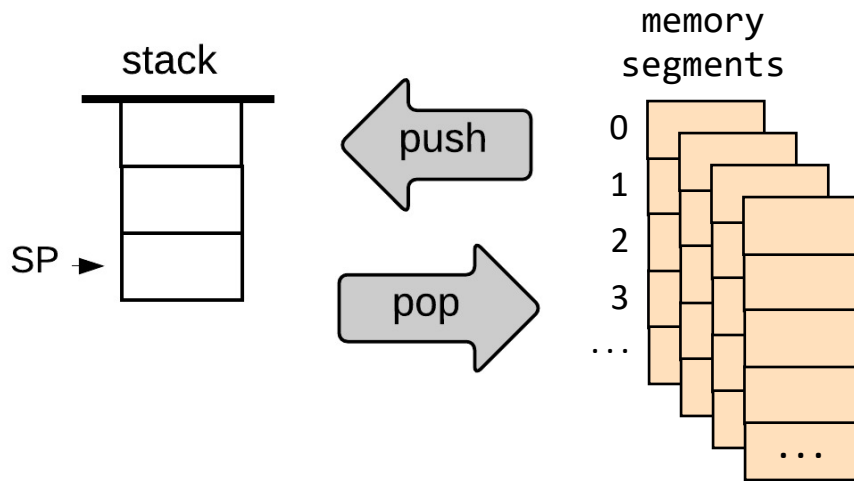
## Implementation:

Supplies THIS or THAT // (the base addresses of this and that).

# Branching

- *goto label*
  - jump to execute the command just after *label*
- *if-goto label*
  - *cond* = pop
  - if *cond* jump to execute the command just after *label*
- *label label*
  - label declaration command
- Implementation (VM translation):
  - The assembly language has **similar branching commands**.

# The function's state



## During run-time:

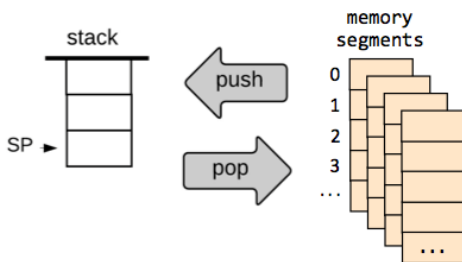
- Each function uses a **working stack** + **memory segments**
- The working stack and some of the segments should be:
  - Created when the function starts running,
  - Maintained as long as the function is executing,
  - Recycled when the function returns.

# The function's state

## function main 0

```
push constant 3
push constant 8
push constant 5
call mult 2
add
return
```

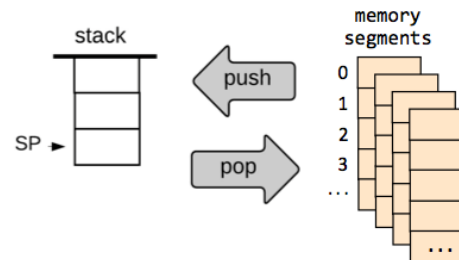
caller



## function mult 2

```
push constant 0
pop local 0
...
label LOOP
push local 1
//... computes the product
label END
push local 0
return
```

callee



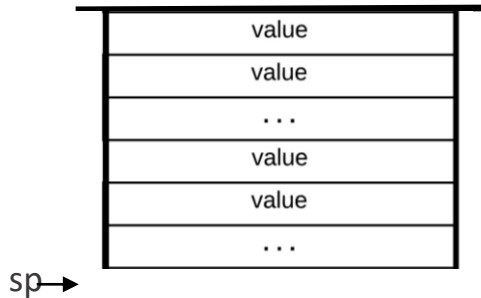
## Challenge:

- Maintain the states of all the functions up the calling chain.
- Can be done by using a single *global stack*.

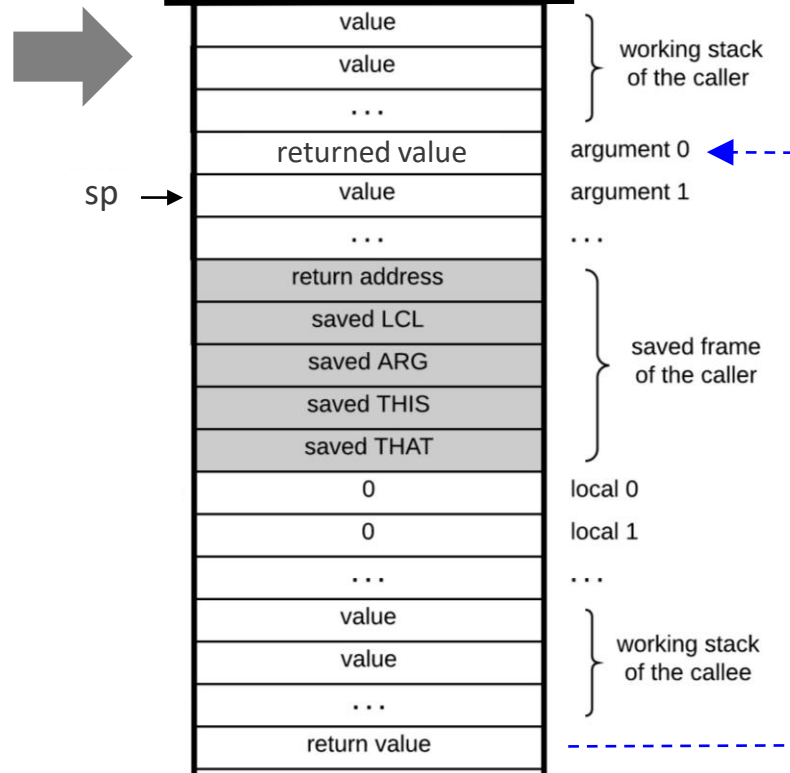
# Recap: function call and return

The caller says:

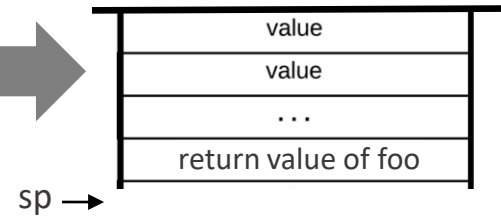
*call foo nArgs*



Implementation:



The caller resumes  
its execution



# Booting

## VM program convention

- one file in any VM program is expected to be named `Main.vm`;
- one VM function in this file is expected to be named `main`

## VM implementation conventions

- the stack starts in address 256 in the host RAM
- when the VM implementation starts running, or is reset, it starts executing an argument-less OS function named `Sys.init`
- `Sys.init` is designed to call `Main.main`, and then enter an infinite loop

These conventions are realized by the following code:

```
// Bootstrap code (should be  
// written in assembly)  
SP = 256  
call Sys.init
```

In the Hack platform, this code should be put in the ROM, starting at address 0

# Final remark

- Be sure that you know how to program in hack assembly language.
- Be sure that you know how to translate hack assembly codes into binary machine codes.
- Be sure that you know how to perform stack operations in VM. (VM abstraction)
- Be sure that you know how to program in VM code. (VM abstraction)
- Be sure that you know how to translate VM codes to hack assembly codes. (VM implementation)
- Make sure that you understand all the **examples**, **exercises** and **quizes** given in the lecture slides.