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# **Computer Architecture**

## RISC-V - Procedures

### Lecture 5

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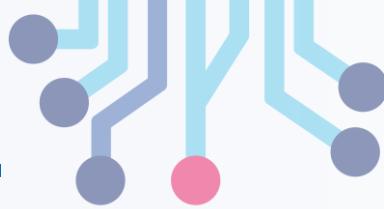
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# C Functions



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    return a;  
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```

Two jumps for each function: Jump to the function for the function call, and jump back to the next line of code after the function returns

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- **Calling a function:**
  - Set function arguments
  - Goto the start of the function
- **During a function call:**
  - Keep local scope separate from global scope
  - Perform the desired task of the function
- **Returning from a function:**
  - Place the return value in a variable that can be accessed
  - Goto the line immediately after the function call

# Problem with Maintaining Scope

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- In RISC-V, local scope doesn't exist; all registers are "kept" throughout the program
  - If a function changes register  $x10$ , then the global value of  $x10$  will also change
- Can we solve this by just making sure each function uses a different set of registers?
  - No; recursive function calls won't be able to use different registers
- We'll need a way to store variables somewhere that no called function can change

# Problem with returning from a function



- In C, all **gotos** need to go to a specific label (that can't change)
  - However, when returning from a function, we need to jump to different places depending on who called the function (the return address)
  - This can be solved if we treat the return address as an input to the function
- C doesn't actually let you store a label in a variable/argument, so we won't be able to reduce functions in C using just **gotos**
- We'll need a way to send in the return address to a function and jump to that return address when we finish with the function.

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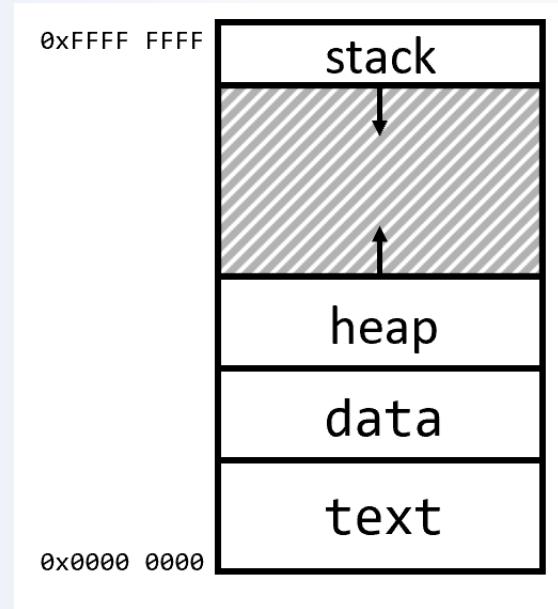


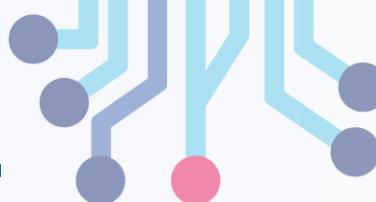
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# Review: C Memory Model



- In C, memory was divided into four segments:
  - Code/Text
  - Static/Data
  - Heap
  - Stack
- RISC-V uses the same memory layout. Today, we'll take a closer look at the text and stack segments!





# Text

- RISC-V code is also a form of data. This data gets stored in the text section of memory
- In RISC-V, every (real) instruction is stored as a 32-bit number
- Thus, the "next" instruction is always stored 4 bytes after the current instruction.
- A special 33rd register called the Program Counter (or PC) keeps track of which line of code is currently being run.

Current Line →

Address	Data
0x0000 0000	addi x5 x0 5
0x0000 0004	xor x5 x6 x6
0x0000 0008	jal x1 Label
0x0000 000C	sw x5 8(x2)
0x0000 0010	beq x0 x0 XX
0x0000 0014	bne x0 x0 XX

Register	Value
PC	0x0000 0008

# RISC-V Jump Instructions



- The address of an instruction can be used (along with the PC) to perform the jumps we need for functions
  - jal rd Label
  - Jump And Link
    - Jumps to the given label, but also sets rd to PC+4 (the line after the current line)
  - Ex. If we run the current line, **x1** will be set to **0x0000 000C**, and PC will move to Label.

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# RISC-V Jump Instructions

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- **jal rd Label:** Jump And Link
  - Jumps to the given label, but also sets rd to PC+4
  - (the return address)
  - Often used for function calls
- **j Label:** Jump
  - (From last lecture) Jumps to the given label.  
Pseudoinstruction for **jal x0 Label**
  - Used for unconditional jumps (ex. loops)

# RISC-V Jump Instructions

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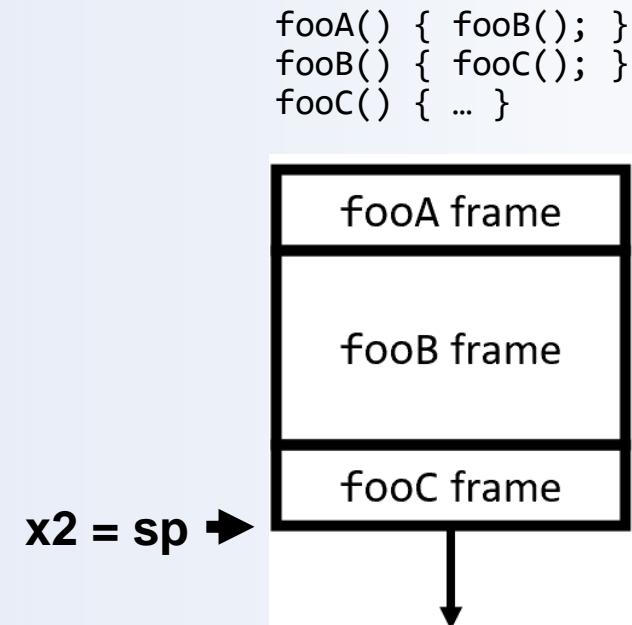


- **jalr rd rs1 imm:** Jump and Link Register
  - Jumps to the instruction at address  $rs1+imm$ , and sets rd to PC+4
  - Less common than other jumps, but used for higher-order functions and some function calls
  
- **jr rs1:** Jump to Register
  - Jumps to the instruction at address  $rs1$
  - Also, a pseudoinstruction for **jalr x0 rs1 0**
  - Often used to return from a function



# Stack

- In C: Each function call automatically creates a stack frame, with nested calls growing the stack downward.
- In RISC-V: One of our registers (by convention  $x2$ , nicknamed  $sp$ , or "stack pointer") is set to the bottom of the stack. A function can choose to create a stack frame, by manipulating  $sp$ !





# RISC-V: Rules for Manipulating the Stack

- Anything above the **sp** at the start of a function belongs to another function. You may not modify anything above the sp without permission.
- Everything below the **sp** is safe to modify.
- But anyone else can modify it, so you can't leave data there and expect it to stay the same
- By decrementing the **sp**, we can allocate as much space as we need for our function, that we can use however we want.
- After finishing a function call, the **sp** must be set to its value from before the function call

Address	Data
0xFFFF FF0C	
0xFFFF FF08	
0xFFFF FF04	
0xFFFF FF00	
0xFFFF FEFC	
0xFFFF FEF8	

Register	Value
sp	0xFFFF FF04

# Manual Stack Manipulation: Example



```
fooB:  
addi sp sp -8  
...  
jal x1 fooC  
...  
addi sp sp 8  
jr ra
```

Current Line

Space that we  
aren't allowed  
to change

By convention,  
stack addresses  
written from  
greatest to smallest

Address	Data
0xFFFF FF0C	0x12345678
0xFFFF FF08	0x9ABCDEF0
0xFFFF FF04	0x00000000
0xFFFF FF00	0xABADCAFE
0xFFFF FEFC	0x4F639DAB
0xFFFF FEF8	0x14857642

Register	Value
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Space that  
**fooC** isn't  
allowed to  
change  
(guaranteed to  
stay the same)

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addi sp sp -8  
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Current Line

After **fooC**, sp  
shouldn't be  
different

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Current Line

**sp** needs to be restored to its original value

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# Converting a C function into RISC-V



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    if(i == 0) return 0;  
    int a = i + foo(i-1);  
    return a;  
}  
  
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int k = foo(100);  
int m = j+k;
```

- **Step 1:** Define how foo plans to use registers
- Inputs:
  - i: x10
  - We'll call this register "a0" for "argument"
  - Return Address: x1
  - We'll call this register "ra"
- Output: x10
  - Yes, we'll reuse a0 for the return value
- Stack Pointer: x2
  - Nicknamed "sp"

# Converting a C function into RISC-V



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- **Step 1:** Define how foo plans to use registers
- Register that will NOT be changed by foo: **x8, x9**
  - We can still use these registers, as long as they get restored by the end of the function
  - We'll call these registers "s0" and "s1" for "saved"
- Registers that may be changed by function call: **x5**
  - Since foo can change this, anything that calls foo shouldn't save important data in this register
  - We'll call this register "t0" for "temporary"

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jal ra foo      # call foo  
mv s1 a0         # Saves return value in s1  
  
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li a0 100        # int k = foo(100);  
jal ra foo      # call foo  
mv s1 a0         # Saves return value in s1  
  
add a0 s0 s1    # int m = j+k;
```

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Function call  
will change  
**ra, a0**. Need  
to save both  
somewhere

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# Converting a C function into RISC-V



```
foo:          # int foo(int i)
addi sp sp -4    # Prologue
sw ra 0(sp)    # Prologue
#   if(i == 0) return 0,
#   int j = i - 1;
#   j = foo(j);
#   int a = i + j;
Epilogue:
lw ra 0(sp)    # Epilogue
addi sp sp 4    # Epilogue
#   return a;
...
...
```

**Option 1:**  
Save ra on  
the stack at  
the start of  
the function

Then restore ra  
from the stack  
(and restore the  
stack) at the end.

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    sw ra 0(sp)       # Prologue
    mv s0 a0           # Move i
    #   if(i == 0) return 0;
    #   int j = i - 1;
    #   j = foo(j);
    #   int a = i + j;
Epilogue:
    lw ra 0(sp)       # Epilogue
    addi sp sp 4        # Epilogue
    #   return a;
...
    
```

**Option 2:**  
Save a0 in a saved register so it won't get changed by foo's call

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x2 = sp	stack pointer
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# Converting a C function into RISC-V



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foo:          # int foo(int i)
    addi sp sp -8   # Prologue
    sw ra 0(sp)    # Prologue
    sw s0 4(sp)    # Prologue
    mv s0 a0        # Move i
    # if(i == 0) return 0;
    addi t0 s0 -1   # int j = i - 1;
    mv a0 t0
    jal ra foo      # j = foo(j);
    mv t0 a0
    add a0 s0 t0    # int a = i + j;
Epilogue:
    lw ra 0(sp)    # Epilogue
    lw s0 4(sp)    # Epilogue
    addi sp sp 8    # Epilogue
    jr ra           # return a;
...

```

Use t0 for j, and a0 for a.  
Due to how foo works, we need to move data to/from a0 for function input/output.

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    # if(i == 0) return 0;
    addi a0 s0 -1   # int j = i - 1;
    jal ra foo      ← # J = foo(j);
    mv t0 a0
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    jr ra          # return a;
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```

Alternative: Use a0 for j, and for a. Saves moving from t0 to a0 and back in this particular code.

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    sw s0 4(sp)    # Prologue
    mv s0 a0        # Move i
    <CODE>         # if(i == 0) return 0;
    addi a0 s0 -1   # int j = i - 1;
    jal ra foo      # j = foo(j);
    mv t0 a0
    add a0 s0 a0    # int a = i + j;
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Option A: beq s0 x0 Next li a0 0 j Epilogue	Option B: beq s0 x0 Next li a0 0 jr ra
Option C: bne s0 x0 Next li a0 0 j Epilogue	Option D: bne s0 x0 Next li a0 0 jr ra

# Converting a C function into RISC-V



```
foo:          # int foo(int i)
    addi sp sp -8   # Prologue
    sw ra 0(sp)    # Prologue
    sw s0 4(sp)    # Prologue
    mv s0 a0        # Move i
    bne s0 x0 Next  # if i != 0, skip this
    li a0 0          # int a = 0;
    j Epilogue      # Go to Epilogue (to restore
                     stack)
Next:         # int j = i - 1;
    addi a0 s0 -1   # j = foo(j);
    jal ra foo
    mv t0 a0
    add a0 s0 a0    # int a = i + j;
Epilogue:    # Epilogue
    lw ra 0(sp)    # Epilogue
    lw s0 4(sp)    # Epilogue
    addi sp sp 8    # Epilogue
    jr ra           # return a;
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beq s0 x0 Next	beq s0 x0 Next
li a0 0	li a0 0
j Epilogue	jr ra
Option C:	Option D:
bne s0 x0 Next	bne s0 x0 Next
li a0 0	li a0 0
j Epilogue	jr ra

# Converting a C function into RISC-V



```
j main
foo:
    addi sp sp -8          # int foo(int i)
    sw ra 0(sp)            # Prologue
    sw s0 4(sp)            # Prologue
    mv s0 a0                # Move i
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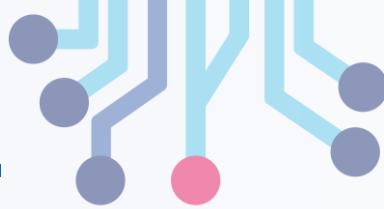
Next:
    addi a0 s0 -1           # int j = i - 1;
    jal ra foo               # j = foo(j);
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Epilogue:
    lw ra 0(sp)             # Epilogue
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    addi sp sp 8              # Epilogue
    jr ra                   # return a;

main:
    li a0 3                  # int j = foo(3);
    jal ra foo                # call foo
    mv s0 a0                  # mv rd rs1 sets rd = rs1
    li a0 100                 # int k = foo(100);
    jal ra foo                # call foo
    mv s1 a0                  # Saves return value in s1
    add a0 s0 s1                # int m = j+k;
```

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# Calling Convention

- When we wrote foo, we chose "roles" for each register based on how we wanted to use them
- In order for someone else to use foo, they would have to know everything in the table on the right
- We could choose to make one of these tables for every function we need to make
- Better solution: Standardize a set of conventions that everyone agrees to follow.

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x1 = ra	return address
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# Calling Convention



- Each register is given a name according to what its role is (no need to memorize the exact mapping):
  - **zero**: The x0 register, which always stores 0
  - **ra**: x1, which is used to store return addresses
  - Two new pseudoinstructions that explicitly use this:
    - jal Label → jal ra Label
    - ret → jr ra

#	Name	Description	#	Name	Desc		
x0	zero	Constant 0	x16	a6	Args		
x1	ra	Return Address	x17	a7			
x2	sp	Stack Pointer	x18	s2			
x3	gp	Global Pointer	x19	s3			
x4	tp	Thread Pointer	x20	s4			
x5	t0	Temporary Registers	x21	s5			
x6	t1		x22	s6			
x7	t2		x23	s7			
x8	s0	Saved Registers	x24	s8	Temporaries		
x9	s1	Function Arguments or Return Values	x25	s9			
x10	a0		x26	s10			
x11	a1		x27	s11			
x12	a2	Function Arguments	x28	t3			
x13	a3		x29	t4			
x14	a4		x30	t5			
x15	a5		x31	t6			
Caller saved registers							
Callee saved registers (except x0, gp, tp)							

# Calling Convention



- Callee Saved registers: Registers that must be restored by the end of a function call (i.e. if you want to use it, the called function needs to save the old value)
  - **sp**: The x2 register, which is the stack pointer
  - **s0-s11**: Saved registers

#	Name	Description	#	Name	Desc	
x0	zero	Constant 0	x16	a6	Args	
x1	ra	Return Address	x17	a7		
x2	sp	Stack Pointer	x18	s2		
x3	gp	Global Pointer	x19	s3		
x4	tp	Thread Pointer	x20	s4		
x5	t0	Temporary Registers	x21	s5		
x6	t1		x22	s6		
x7	t2		x23	s7		
x8	s0	Saved Registers	x24	s8		
x9	s1	Function Arguments or Return Values	x25	s9		
x10	a0		x26	s10		
x11	a1		x27	s11		
x12	a2	Function Arguments	x28	t3		
x13	a3		x29	t4		
x14	a4		x30	t5		
x15	a5		x31	t6		
Caller saved registers						
Callee saved registers (except x0, gp, tp)						

# Calling Convention



- Caller Saved registers: Registers that do not need to be restored by a called function (i.e. if you want to save a variable in this register, it needs to be saved somewhere before you call another function)
  - **ra**
  - **a0-a7**: Registers used for function arguments
  - **a0, a1** also used for function outputs
  - If a function needs more than 8 arguments, can use the stack to store more arguments
  - **t0-t6**: Temporary Registers

#	Name	Description	#	Name	Desc		
<b>x0</b>	<b>zero</b>	Constant 0	<b>x16</b>	<b>a6</b>	Args		
<b>x1</b>	<b>ra</b>	<i>Return Address</i>	<b>x17</b>	<b>a7</b>			
<b>x2</b>	<b>sp</b>	Stack Pointer	<b>x18</b>	<b>s2</b>			
<b>x3</b>	<b>gp</b>	Global Pointer	<b>x19</b>	<b>s3</b>			
<b>x4</b>	<b>tp</b>	Thread Pointer	<b>x20</b>	<b>s4</b>			
<b>x5</b>	<b>t0</b>	Temporary Registers	<b>x21</b>	<b>s5</b>			
<b>x6</b>	<b>t1</b>		<b>x22</b>	<b>s6</b>			
<b>x7</b>	<b>t2</b>		<b>x23</b>	<b>s7</b>			
<b>x8</b>	<b>s0</b>	Saved Registers	<b>x24</b>	<b>s8</b>			
<b>x9</b>	<b>s1</b>		<b>x25</b>	<b>s9</b>			
<b>x10</b>	<b>a0</b>	Function Arguments or Return Values	<b>x26</b>	<b>s10</b>			
<b>x11</b>	<b>a1</b>		<b>x27</b>	<b>s11</b>			
<b>x12</b>	<b>a2</b>	Function Arguments	<b>x28</b>	<b>t3</b>	Temporaries		
<b>x13</b>	<b>a3</b>		<b>x29</b>	<b>t4</b>			
<b>x14</b>	<b>a4</b>		<b>x30</b>	<b>t5</b>			
<b>x15</b>	<b>a5</b>		<b>x31</b>	<b>t6</b>			
Caller saved registers							
Callee saved registers (except <b>x0, gp, tp</b> )							

# Calling Convention



- Other registers: Registers that are out of scope for this class (don't use them!)
  - gp: The x3 register, used to store a reference to the heap. Also called the "global pointer"
  - tp: The x4 register, used to store separate stacks for threads)

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x5	t0	Temporary Registers	x21	s5			
x6	t1		x22	s6			
x7	t2		x23	s7			
x8	s0		x24	s8			
x9	s1	Saved Registers	x25	s9	Temporaries		
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# RISC-V Summary

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- Over the past four lectures, we've covered almost everything about programming in RISC-V.
- Arithmetic operations allow you to do math with registers
- Immediate versions for register-constant operations
- Loads/Stores for accessing memory
- Branches for conditionally changing the current line of code
- Jumps for function calls and unconditional jumps
- Only a few remaining instructions left!

## All remaining RISC-V instructions not covered!

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- **slt, slti, sltu, sltiu: Set Less Than**
  - `slt rd rs1 rs2`: Compares `rs1` to `rs2`. If  $rs1 < rs2$  (signed), sets `rd` to 1. Otherwise sets `rd` to 0.
- **ebreak, ecall: Environment Break/Call**
  - Asks the computer to do something (ex. Print data, set a breakpoint for debugging, allocate heap space)
  - We'll provide utility functions that call `ecall/ebreak` for you

# Thank You



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