

CSE 321a

# Computer Organization (1)

## تنظيم الحاسبات (1)

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### Lecture #8



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# Administrivia

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- Assignment #2:
  - Due: **Today**
  - Solution will be posted tomorrow
- Midterm:
  - New Date: **Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2016**
  - New Time: **11:00am - 12:30pm**
  - Location: **classroom #27321 (قاعة ٢٧٣٢١)**
  - Coverage: lecture #1 → lecture #6

Website: <http://hshehata.github.io/courses/zu/cse321a/>

Office hours: Sunday 12:00pm – 1:00pm

# Chapter 12. Instruction Sets: Characteristics and Functions (*cont.*)

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# Outline

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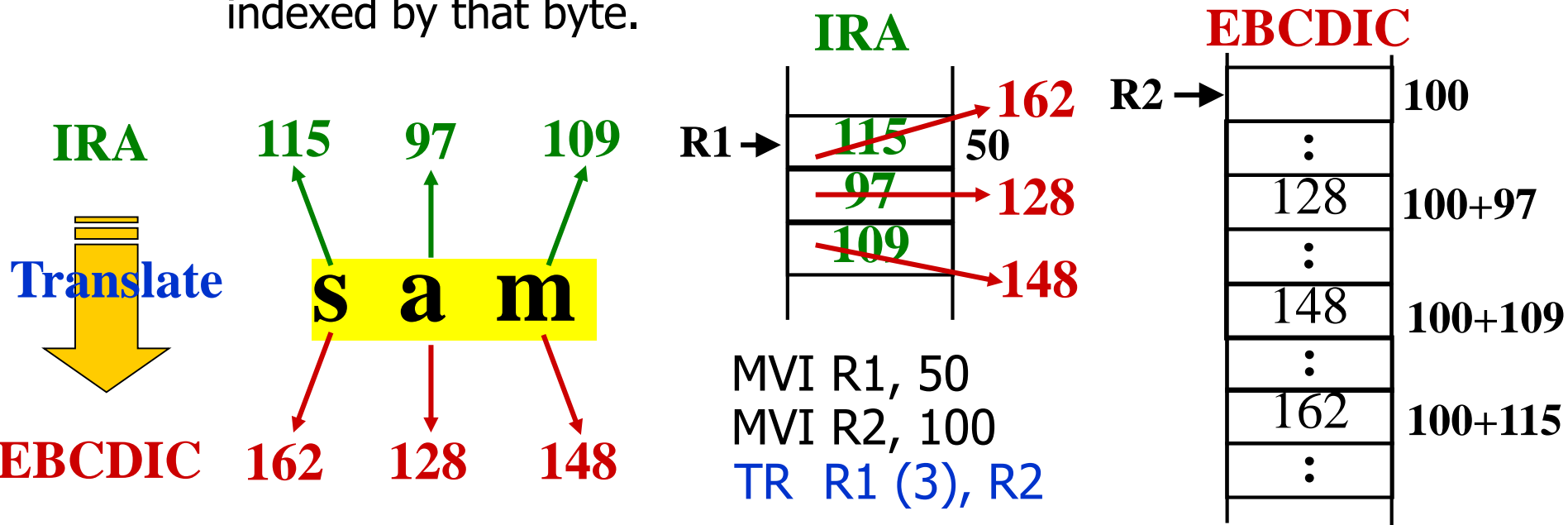
- Machine Instruction Characteristics
  - Elements of machine instructions, instruction representation, instruction types, number of addresses, instruction set design issues.
- Types of Operands
  - Addresses, numbers, characters, logical data
  - Example: x86 data types
- Types of Operations
  - Data transfer, arithmetic, logical, **conversion, input/output, system control, transfer of control.**

## 4. Conversion

- Instructions that change the format of data.
  - e. g., convert from binary to BCD.
- Example: Translate (TR) instruction in IBM System 390.

TR R1 (L), R2

- R1: starting address of source; L: number of bytes to be translated; R2: starting address of a table of 8-bit codes.
- Each byte of the source bytes is replaced by a table entry indexed by that byte.



## 5. Input/Output

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- May be done using data movement instructions
  - memory-mapped i/o
- May be using specific i/o instructions
  - isolated i/o
- May be done by a separate controller
  - DMA

## **5. Input/Output – Common Operations**

<b>Operation Name</b>	<b>Description</b>
Input (read)	Transfer data from specified I/O port or device to destination (e.g., main memory or processor register)
Output (write)	Transfer data from specified source to I/O port or device
Test I/O	Transfer status information from I/O system to specified destination

## 6. System Control

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- Privileged instructions.
- Executed only when the processor is in a certain privileged state
  - e.g., ring 0, supervisor mode, kernel mode, ... etc.
- Reserved for operating systems use.
- Example Instructions:
  - Modify storage protection keys.
  - Access process control blocks (ID, address space, priority, ... *etc*).
  - ...

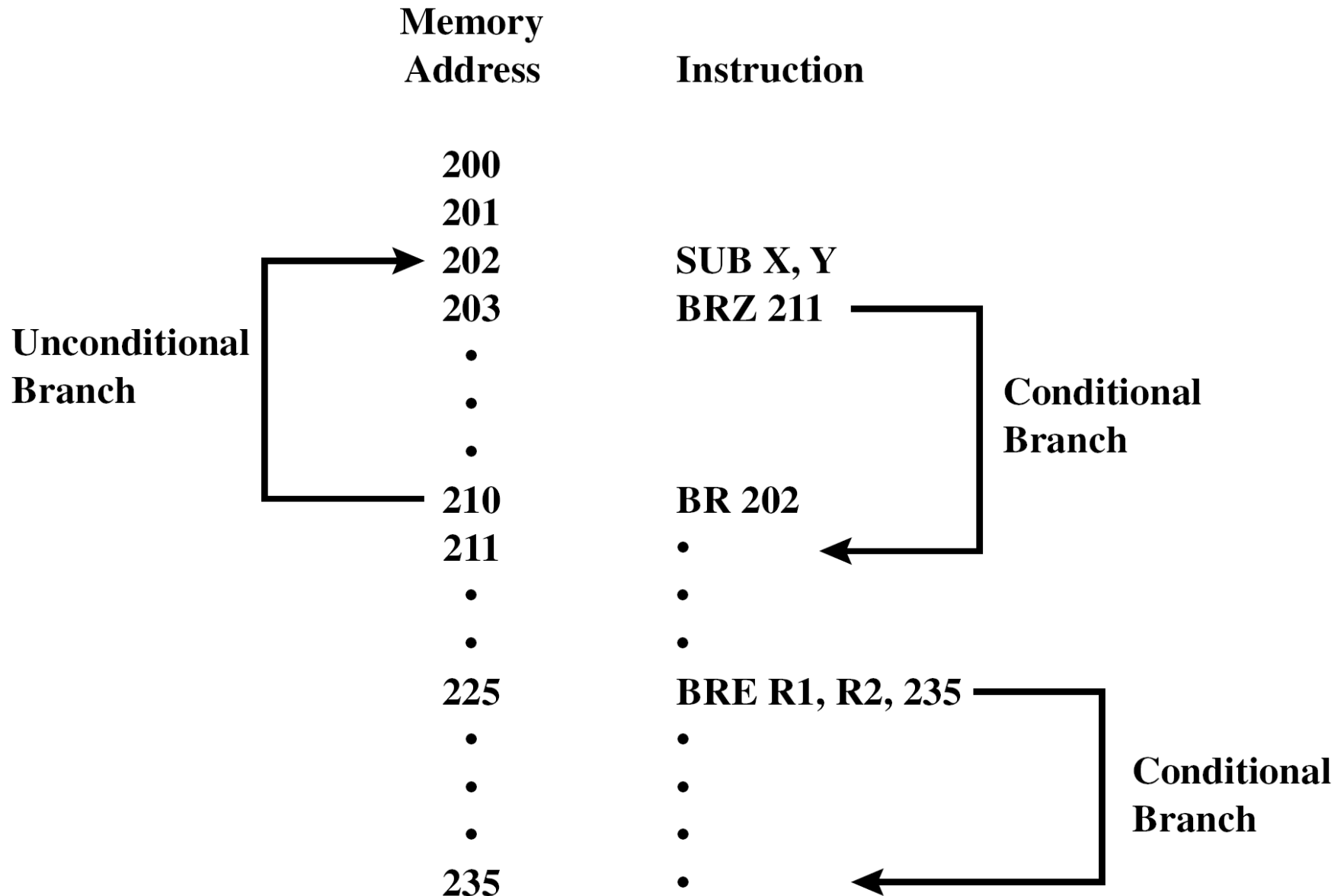


## 7. Transfer of Control

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- Most common transfer-of-control operations:
  - branch, skip, and procedure call/return.
- Branch (jump):
  - Types: unconditional or conditional.
  - Unconditional: always take the branch (update PC to equal address specified in operand).
    - Ex.: BR X → branch to location X
  - Conditional: take the branch if a condition is met, otherwise continue.
    - Condition: test a **flag** set as a result of a recent operation, or perform a **comparison** (need three-address instruction)
      - + Ex.: BRP X → Branch to location X if result is positive.
      - + Ex.: BRE R1, R2, X → Branch to location X if [R1] equals [R2].
  - Branches can be either forward or backward.

# 7. Transfer of Control – Branch Instructions



## 7. Transfer of Control

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- Skip:
  - Types: unconditional or conditional.
  - Unconditional: always skip following instn. (update PC to equal address of following instn. plus  $\Delta$ ).
  - Conditional: skip following instruction if condition is met, otherwise continue.
    - Typical Example: increment-and-skip-if-zero (ISZ)

+ 301	...	
+ ...	...	
+ 309	ISZ	R1
+ 310	BR	301
+ 311	...	

## 7. Transfer of Control

- Procedure call/return:
  - Call: save address of following instruction (*i.e.*, return address) and branch to target procedure.
    - Return address can be saved: in special **register**, at **start** of called procedure, or on top of **stack**.
    - Ex.: Call X  $\rightarrow$  call the procedure at location X

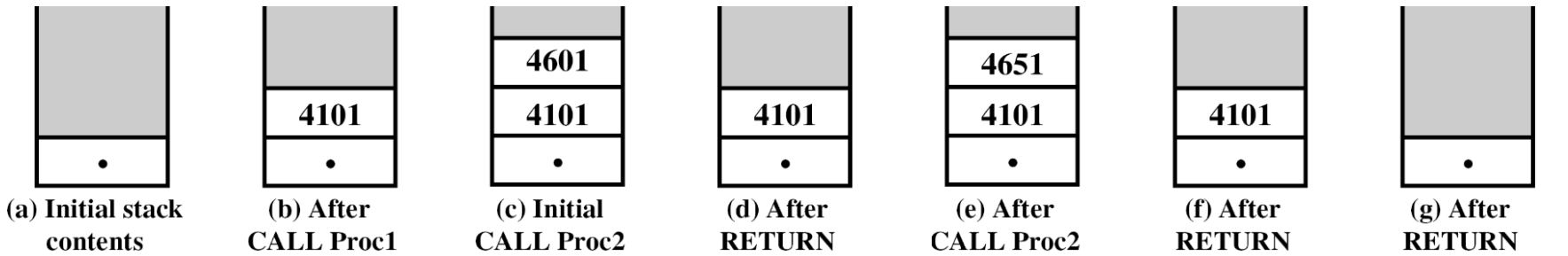
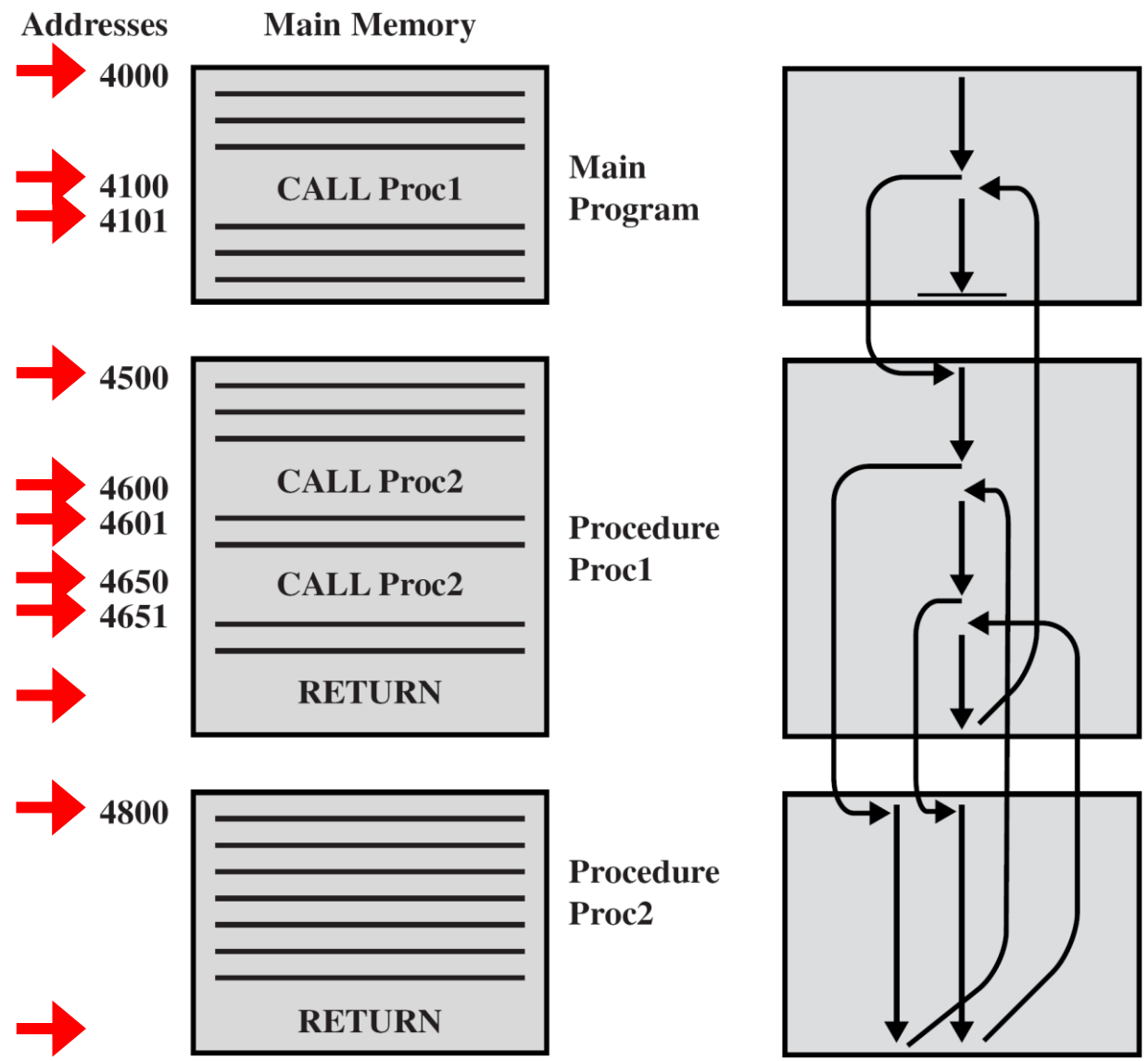
Register	Procedure Start	Stack Top
$RN \leftarrow [PC]$ $PC \leftarrow X$	$X \leftarrow [PC]$ $PC \leftarrow X+1$	Push $[PC]$ to stack $PC \leftarrow X$

- Return: Return to calling procedure.
  - Load PC with the return address
  - Ex.: Ret  $\rightarrow$  return to where you came from!

Register	Procedure Start	Stack Top
$PC \leftarrow [RN]$	$PC \leftarrow [X]$	Pop $[PC]$ from stack

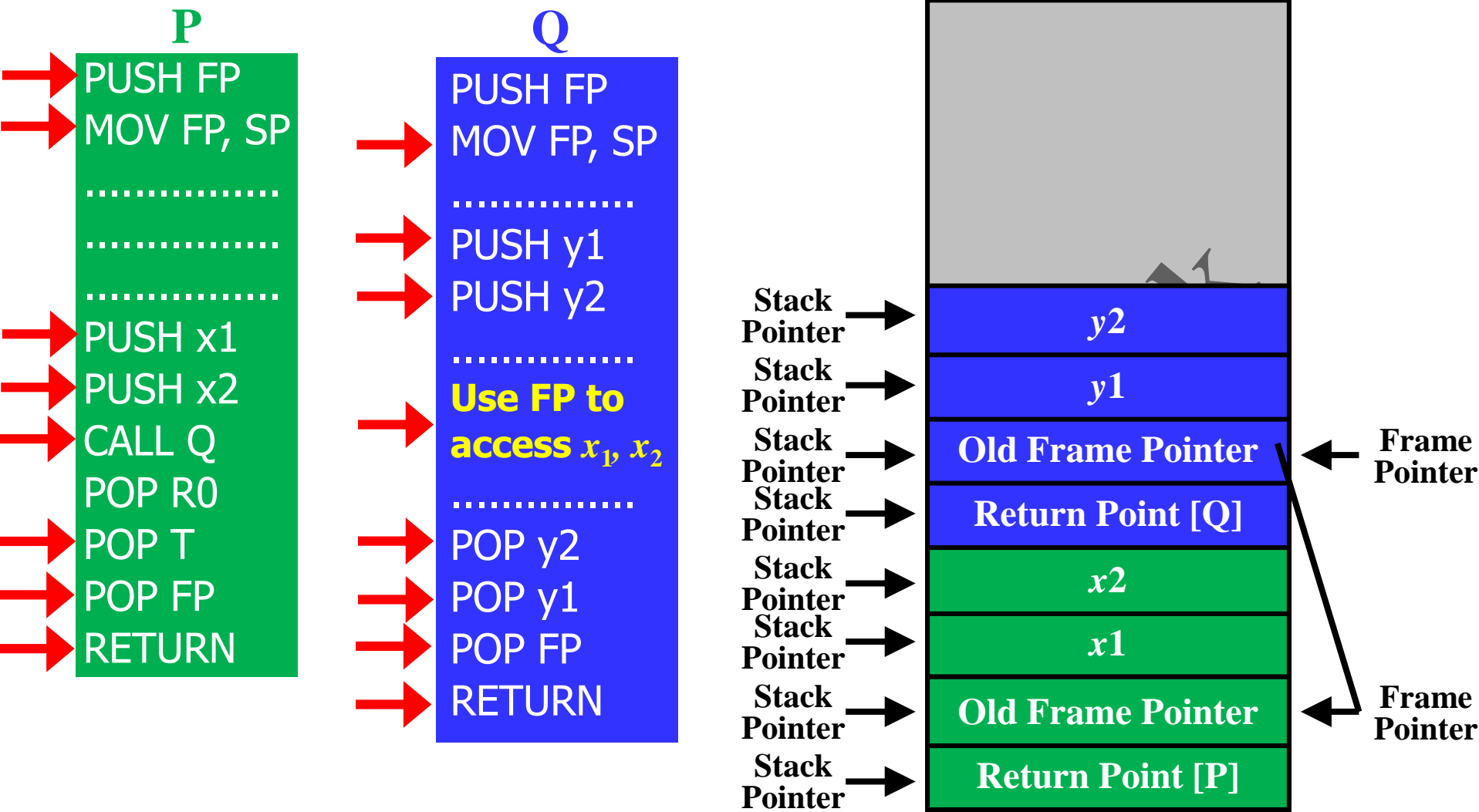
- c.f. interrupt call/return

# 7. Transfer of Control – Nested Procedure Calls



# Stack Frame Growth – Parameter Passing

- **Stack frame**: set of (parameters + local variables + return address) necessary for a procedure call.



## 7. Transfer of Control – Common Op's

Operation Name	Description
Jump (branch)	Unconditional transfer; load PC with specified address
Jump Conditional	Test specified condition; either load PC with specified address or do nothing, based on condition
Jump to Subroutine	Place current program control information in known location; jump to specified address
Return	Replace contents of PC and other register from known location
Execute	Fetch operand from specified location and execute as instruction; do not modify PC
Skip	Increment PC to skip next instruction
Skip Conditional	Test specified condition; either skip or do nothing based on condition
Halt	Stop program execution
Wait (hold)	Stop program execution; test specified condition repeatedly; resume execution when condition is satisfied
No operation	No operation is performed, but program execution is continued

# Byte Order

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- In what order do we read numbers that occupy more than one byte? e.g. (numbers in hex) 12345678 can be stored in 4x8-bit locations as follows:

**Address**

**Value (1)**

**Value (2)**

184

12

78

185

34

56

186

56

34

187

78

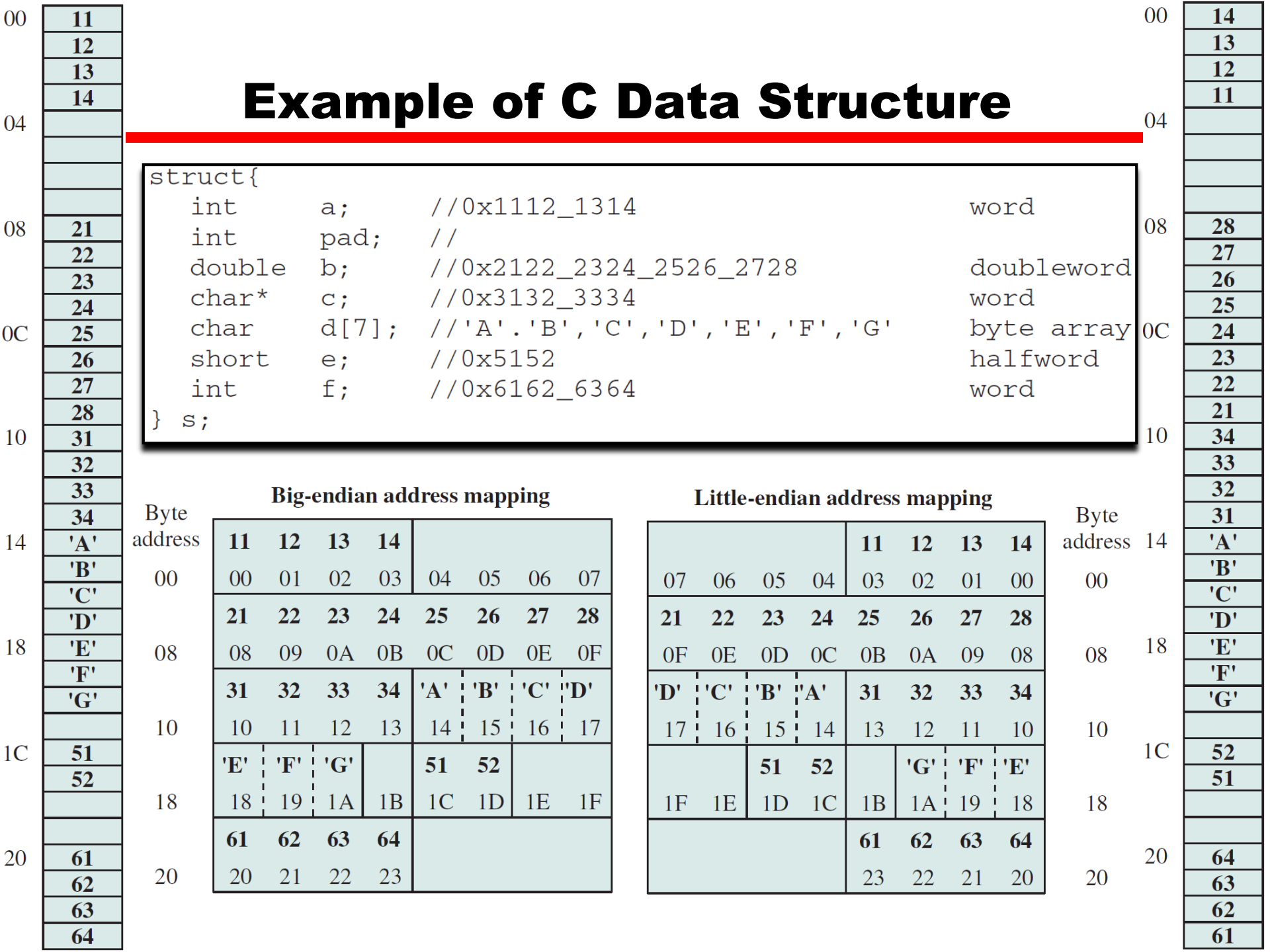
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**Big endian**

**Little endian**

- The problem is called **Endian**.
- Highest significant byte in lowest address:
  - **Big-endian**.
- Least significant byte in lowest address:
  - **Little-endian**.





## Standard...What Standard?

- X86 and VAX are little-endian.
- IBM System 370/390, Sun SPARC, and most RISC are big-endian.
- **Big-endian is favored for:**
  - Character-string sorting: multiple bytes can be compared in parallel.
  - Decimal/ASCII dumps: values can be printed left to right without causing confusion.
  - Consistent order: integers and character strings are stored in the same order.
- **Little-endian is favored for:**
  - 32-to-16-bit integer conversion: no need to increment address to access least-significant 2 bytes.
  - Higher-precision arithmetic: no need to find the least-significant byte and move backward.

# Reading Material

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- Stallings, Chapter 12:
  - Pages 425 – 431
  - Pages 447 – 450