

# CS107, Lecture 5

## More C Strings

Reading: K&R (1.6, 5.5, Appendix B3) or Essential C section 3

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- **Demo:** Buffer Overflow and Valgrind
- Arrays of Strings
- **Practice:** Password Verification
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# C Strings

C strings are arrays of characters, ending with a **null-terminating character** `'\0'`.

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<i>value</i>	'H'	'e'	'l'	'l'	'o'	','	' '	'w'	'o'	'r'	'l'	'd'	'!'	'\0'

String operations use the null-terminating character to find the end of the string. E.g. `strlen` calculates string length by counting up the characters it sees *before* reaching a null-terminating character.

# Common string.h Functions

Function	Description
strlen( <i>str</i> )	returns the # of chars in a C string (before null-terminating character).
strcmp( <i>str1</i> , <i>str2</i> ), strncmp( <i>str1</i> , <i>str2</i> , <i>n</i> )	compares two strings; returns 0 if identical, <0 if <b><i>str1</i></b> comes before <b><i>str2</i></b> in alphabet, >0 if <b><i>str1</i></b> comes after <b><i>str2</i></b> in alphabet. <b><i>strncmp</i></b> stops comparing after at most <i>n</i> characters.
strchr( <i>str</i> , <i>ch</i> ) strrchr( <i>str</i> , <i>ch</i> )	character search: returns a pointer to the first occurrence of <b><i>ch</i></b> in <b><i>str</i></b> , or <b><i>NULL</i></b> if <b><i>ch</i></b> was not found in <b><i>str</i></b> . <b>strrchr</b> find the last occurrence.
strstr( <i>haystack</i> , <i>needle</i> )	string search: returns a pointer to the start of the first occurrence of <b><i>needle</i></b> in <b><i>haystack</i></b> , or <b><i>NULL</i></b> if <b><i>needle</i></b> was not found in <b><i>haystack</i></b> .
strcpy( <i>dst</i> , <i>src</i> ), strncpy( <i>dst</i> , <i>src</i> , <i>n</i> )	copies characters in <b><i>src</i></b> to <b><i>dst</i></b> , including null-terminating character. Assumes enough space in <b><i>dst</i></b> . Strings must not overlap. <b>strncpy</b> stops after at most <i>n</i> chars, and <u>does not</u> add null-terminating char.
strcat( <i>dst</i> , <i>src</i> ), strncat( <i>dst</i> , <i>src</i> , <i>n</i> )	concatenate <b><i>src</i></b> onto the end of <b><i>dst</i></b> . <b>strncat</b> stops concatenating after at most <i>n</i> characters. <u>Always</u> adds a null-terminating character.
strspn( <i>str</i> , <i>accept</i> ), strcspn( <i>str</i> , <i>reject</i> )	<b>strspn</b> returns the length of the initial part of <b><i>str</i></b> which contains <u>only</u> characters in <b><i>accept</i></b> . <b>strcspn</b> returns the length of the initial part of <b><i>str</i></b> which does <u>not</u> contain any characters in <b><i>reject</i></b> .

# C Strings As Parameters

Regardless of how you created the string, when you pass a string as a parameter it is always passed as a **char \***. **char \*** still lets you use bracket notation to access individual characters (*How? We'll see later today!*).

```
int doSomething(char *str) {  
    char secondChar = str[1];  
    ...  
}
```

// can also write this, but it is really a pointer

```
int doSomething(char str[]) { ...
```

# Buffer Overflows

- It is your responsibility to ensure that memory operations you perform don't improperly read or write memory.
  - E.g. don't copy a string into a space that is too small!
  - E.g. don't ask for the string length of an uninitialized string!
- The **Valgrind** tool may be able to help track down memory-related issues.
  - See [cs107.stanford.edu/resources/valgrind](https://cs107.stanford.edu/resources/valgrind)
  - We'll talk about Valgrind more when we talk about dynamically-allocated memory.

# Demo: Memory Errors





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# Arrays of Strings

You can make an array of strings to group multiple strings together:

```
char *stringArray[5];    // space to store 5 char *s
```

You can also use the following shorthand to initialize a string array:

```
char *stringArray[] = {  
    "my string 1",  
    "my string 2",  
    "my string 3"  
};
```

# Arrays of Strings

You can access each string using bracket syntax:

```
printf("%s\n", stringArray[0]); // print out first string
```

When an array of strings is passed as a parameter, it is passed as a *pointer to the first element of the string array*. This is what **argv** is in **main**! This means you write the parameter type as:

```
void myFunction(char **stringArray) {
```

```
// equivalent to this, but it is really a double pointer
```

```
void myFunction(char *stringArray[]) {
```

# Practice: Password Verification

Write a function **verifyPassword** that accepts a candidate password and certain password criteria, and returns whether the password is valid.

```
bool verifyPassword(char *password, char *validChars, char  
*badSubstrings[], int numBadSubstrings);
```

**password** is valid if it contains only letters in **validChars**, and does not contain any substrings in **badSubstrings**.

# Practice: Password Verification

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## Example:

```
char *invalidSubstrings[] = { "1234" };
```

```
bool valid = verifyPassword("1572", "0123456789",  
    invalidSubstrings, 1);    // true
```

```
bool valid = verifyPassword("141234", "0123456789",  
    invalidSubstrings, 1);    // false
```

# Practice: Password Verification



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# Pointers

- A *pointer* is a variable that stores a memory address.
- Because there is no pass-by-reference in C like in C++, pointers let us pass around the address of one instance of memory, instead of making many copies.
- One (8 byte) pointer can refer to any size memory location!
- Pointers are also essential for allocating memory on the heap, which we will cover later.
- Pointers also let us refer to memory generically, which we will cover later.



# Pointers

```
int x = 2;
```

```
// Make a pointer that stores the address of x.
```

```
// (& means "address of")
```

```
int *xPtr = &x;
```

```
// Dereference the pointer to get the data it points to.
```

```
// (* means "dereference")
```

```
printf("%d", *xPtr);    // prints 2
```

# Pointers

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```
void myFunc(int *intPtr) {  
    *intPtr = 3;  
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    int x = 2;  
    myFunc(&x);  
    printf("%d", x);    // 3!  
    ...  
}
```

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main

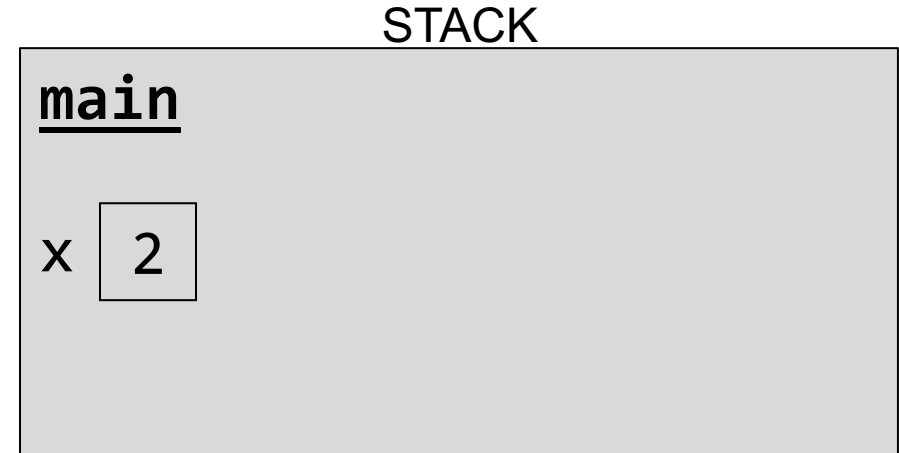


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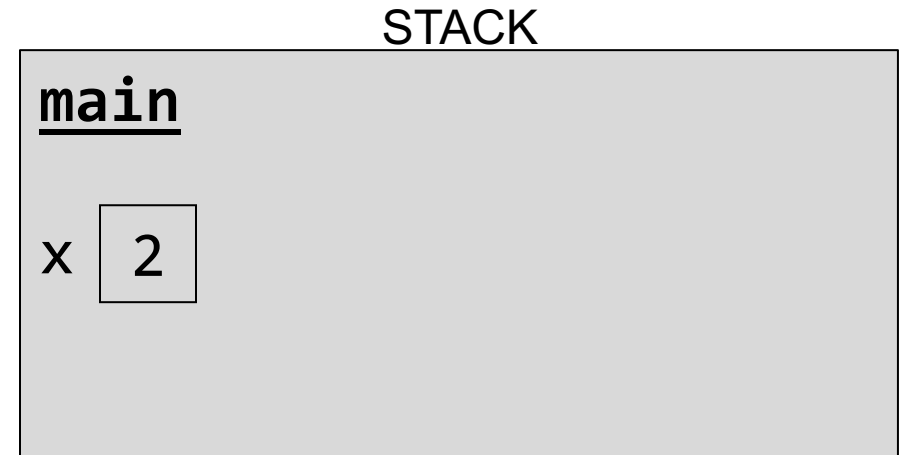


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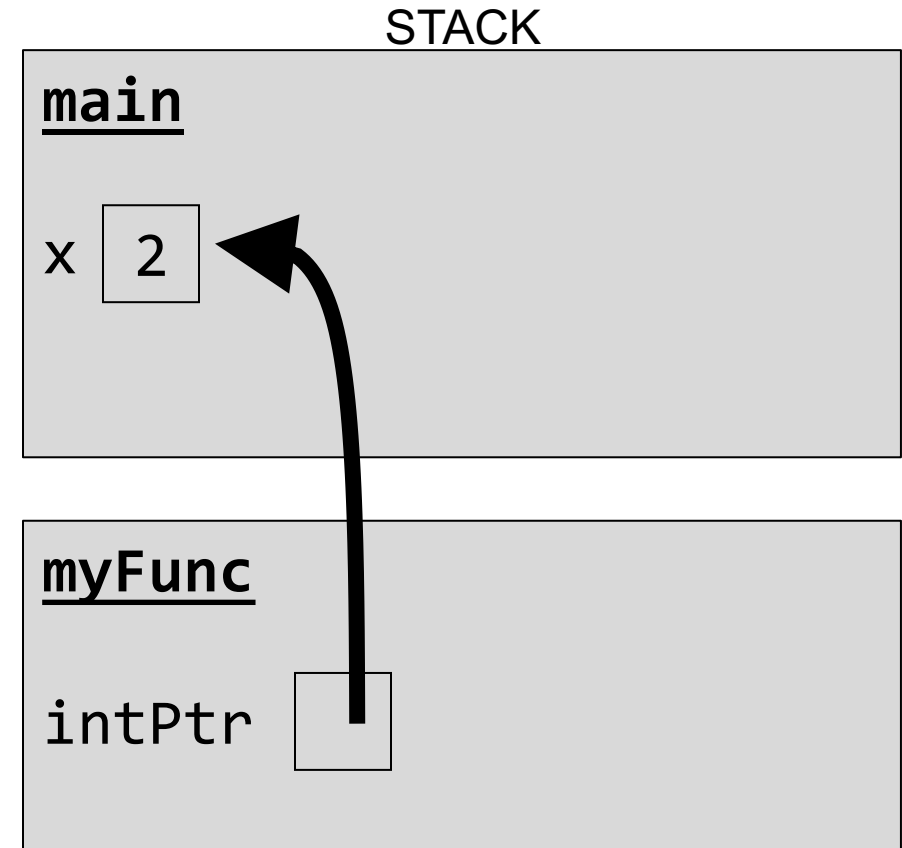


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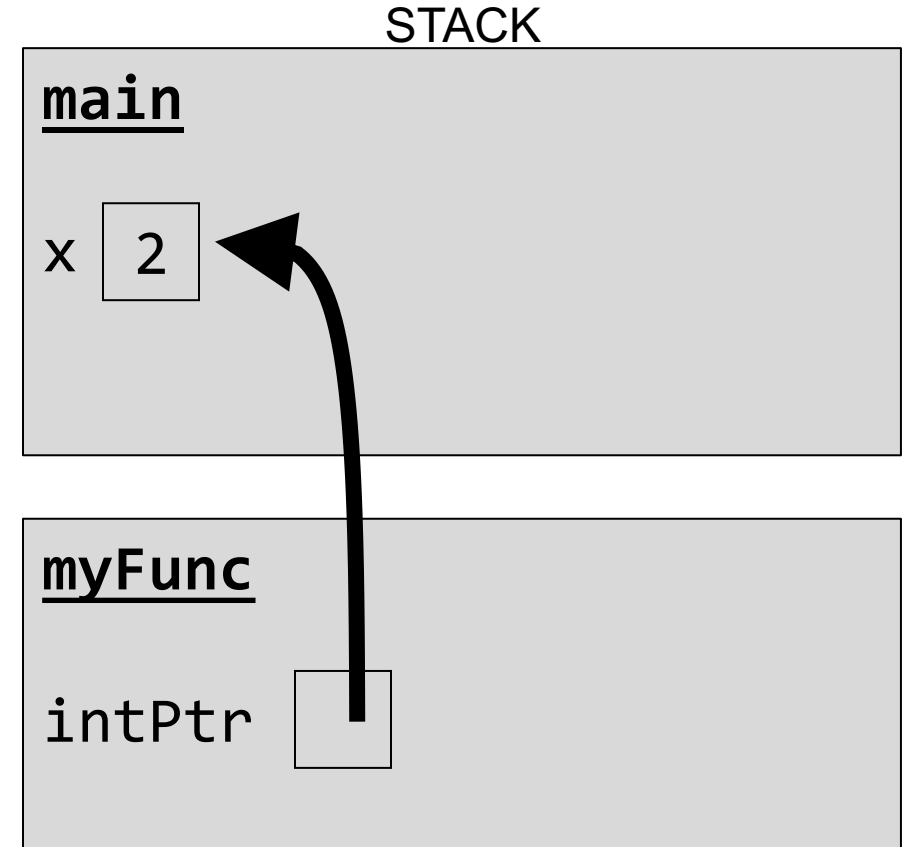


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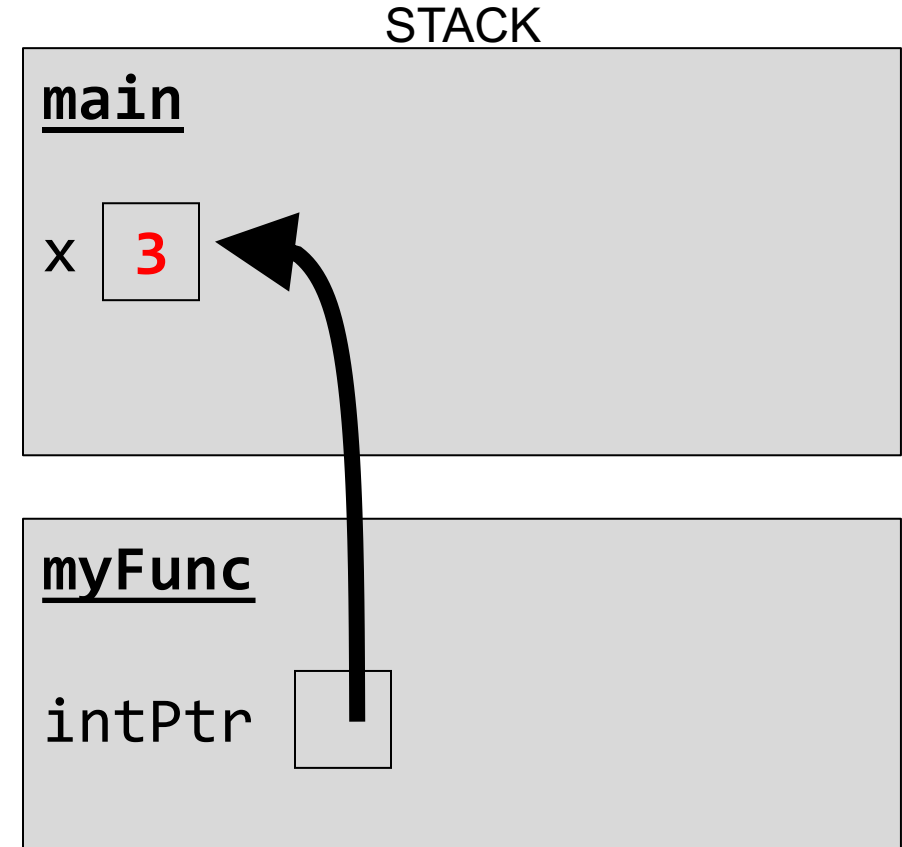


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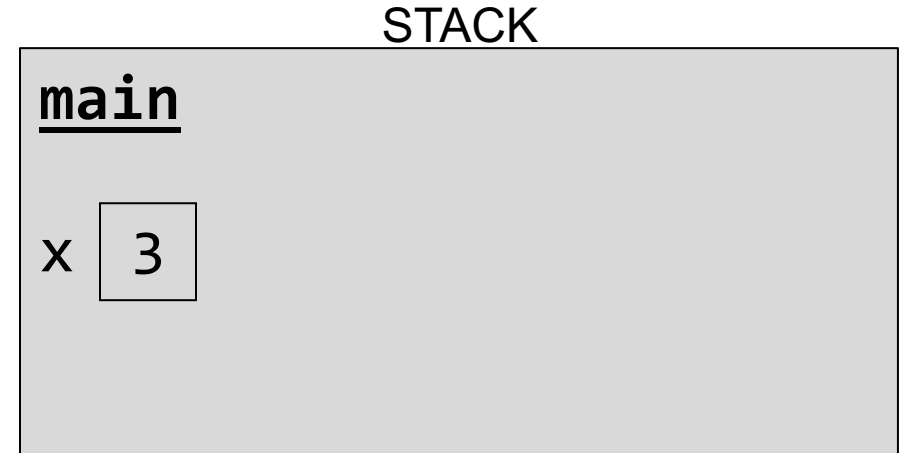


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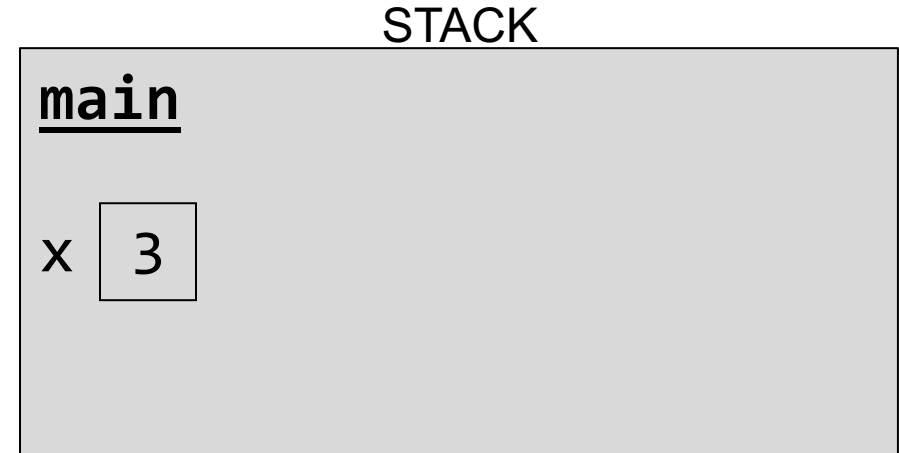


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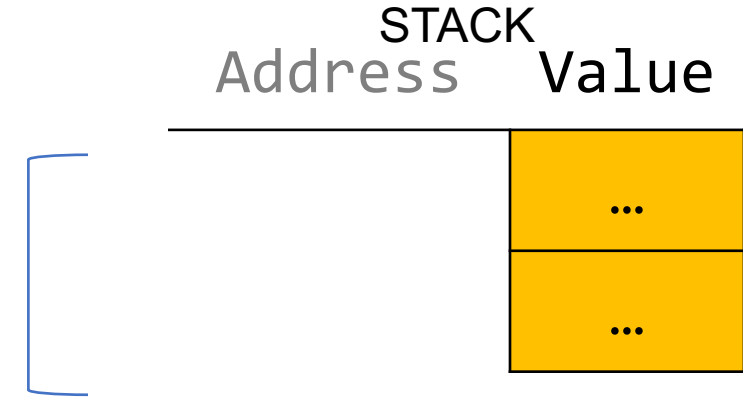
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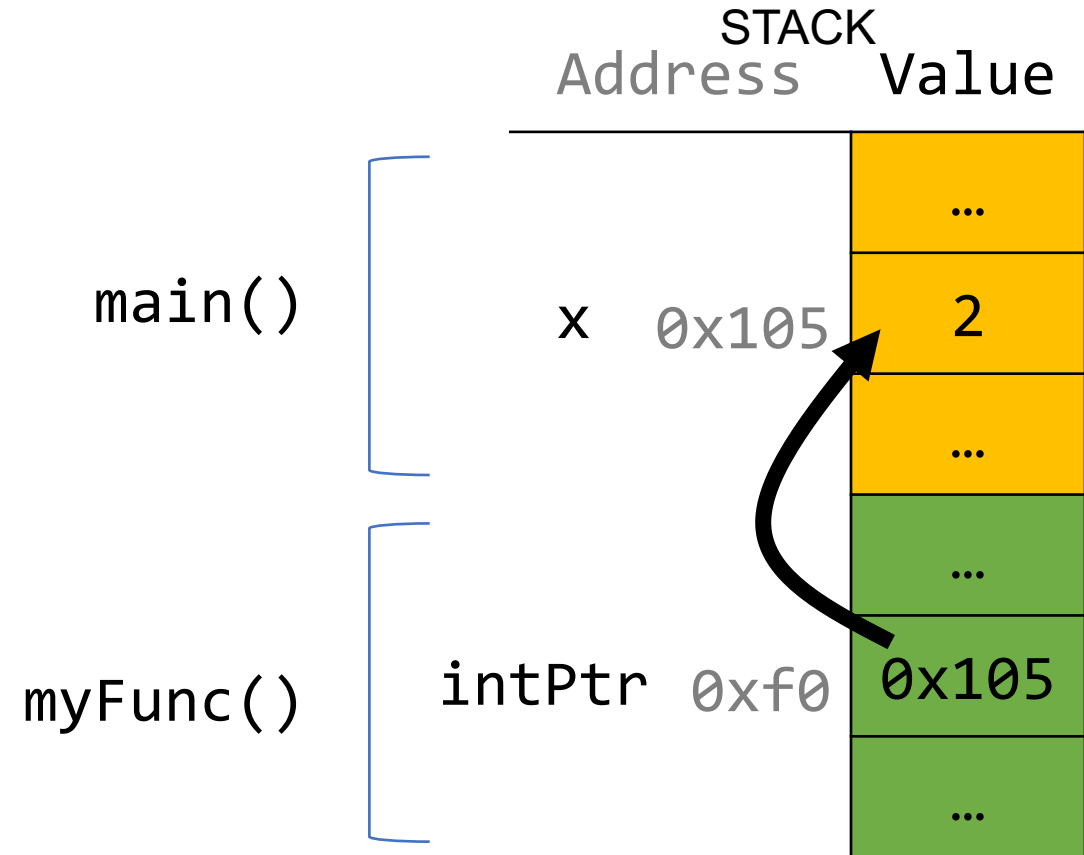
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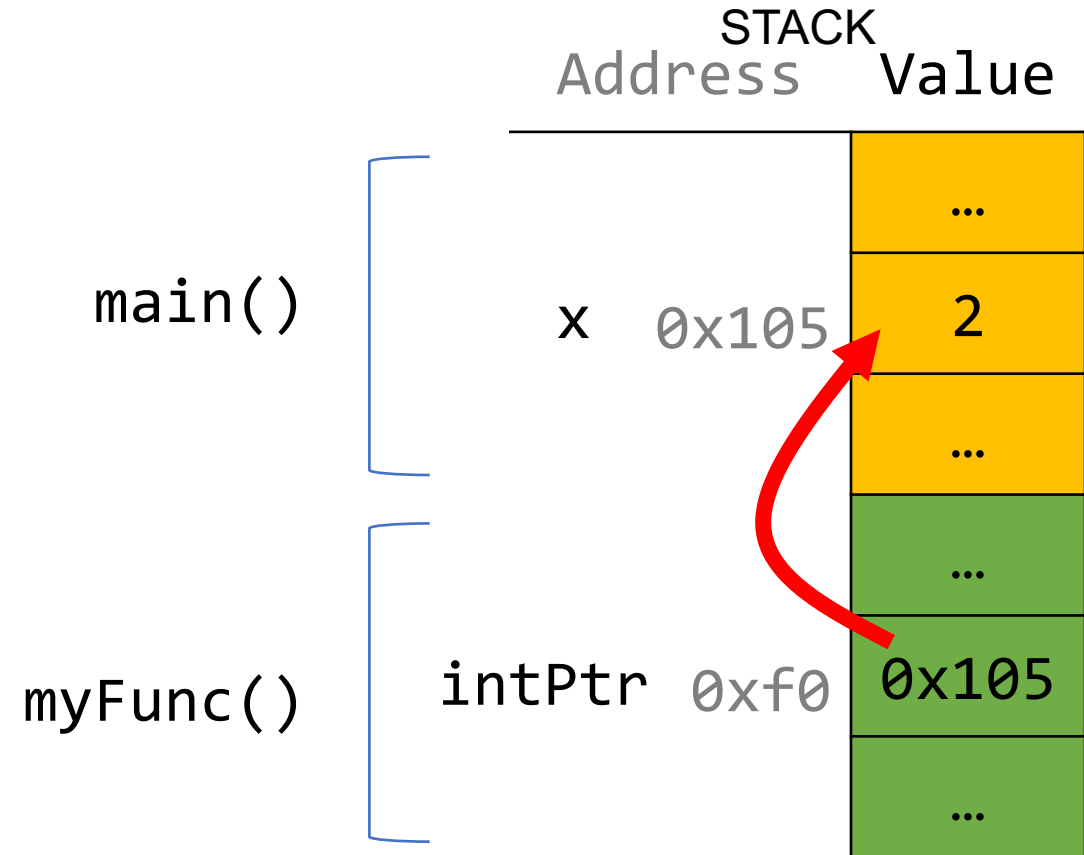


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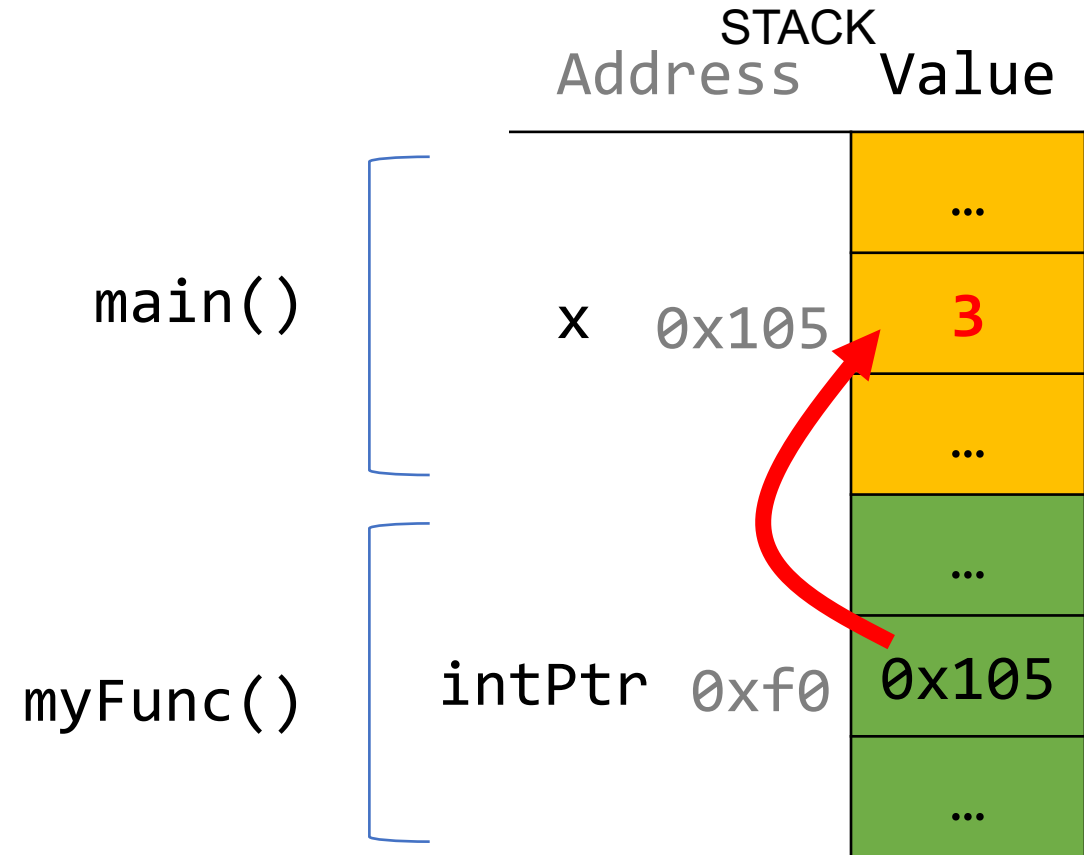


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			...
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# Announcements

- Assignment 1 due Monday 1/21 11:59PM PST
  - Grace period until Wed. 1/23 11:59PM PST
- Lab 2: C strings practice
- Assignment 2 released at Assignment 1 due date
  - Due Mon. 1/28 11:59PM PST, grace period until Wed. 1/30 11:59PM PST
  - Programs using C strings
  - Style guide published on course website

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# Character Arrays

When you declare an array of characters, contiguous memory is allocated on the stack to store the contents of the entire array.

```
char str[6] = "apple";
```

The array variable (e.g. **str**) is not a pointer; it refers to the entire array contents. In fact, **sizeof** returns the size of the entire array!

```
int arrayBytes = sizeof(str);    // 6
```

*(so then why do we need **strlen**? We'll see soon!)*

STACK	
Address	Value
	...
0x105	'\0'
0x104	'e'
0x103	'l'
0x102	'p'
0x101	'p'
0x100	'a'
	...

str {

# Character Arrays

An array variable refers to an entire block of memory. You cannot reassign an existing array to be equal to a new array.

```
char str[6] = "apple";  
char str2[8] = "apple 2";  
str = str2;    // not allowed!
```

An array's size cannot be changed once you create it; you must create another new array instead.

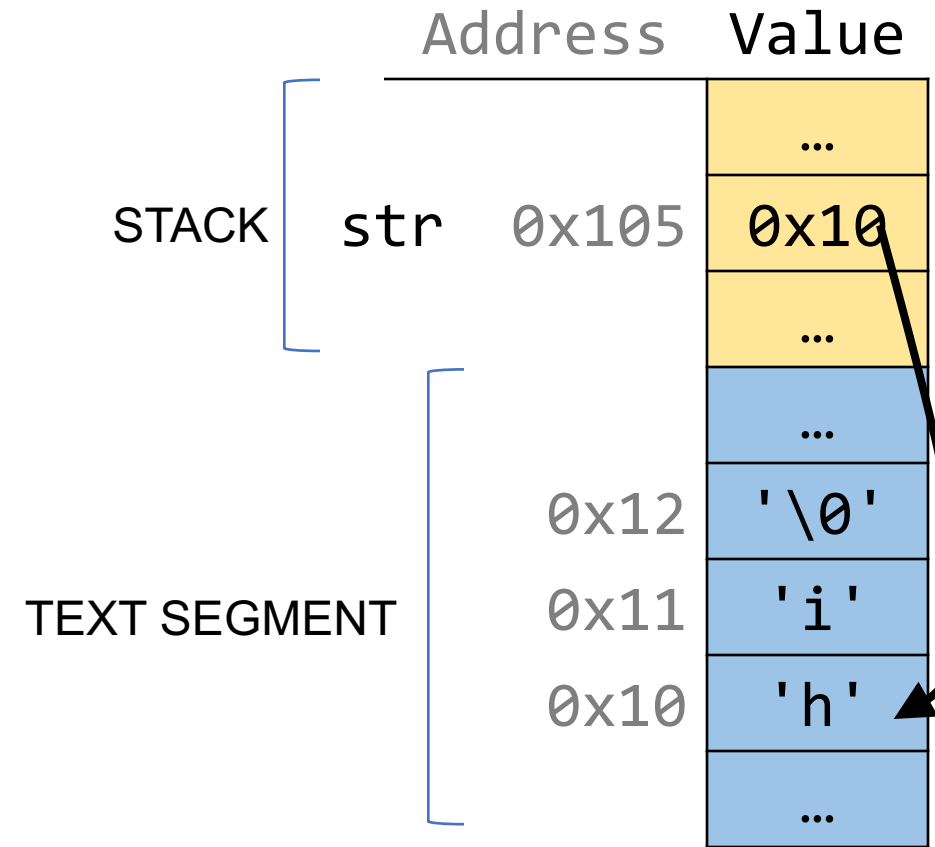
# char \*

When you declare a char pointer equal to a string literal, the string literal is *not* stored on the stack. Instead, it's stored in a special area of memory called the "Text segment". You *cannot modify memory in this segment*.

```
char *str = "hi";
```

The pointer variable (e.g. **str**) refers to the *address of the first character of the string in the text segment*. Since this variable is just a pointer, **sizeof** returns 8, no matter the total size of the string!

```
int stringBytes = sizeof(str); // 8
```



# char \*

A **char \*** variable refers to a single character. You can reassign an existing **char \*** pointer to be equal to another **char \*** pointer.

```
char *str = "apple";           // e.g. 0xff5  
char *str2 = "apple 2";       // e.g. 0xfe2  
str = str2;    // ok! Both store address 0xfe2
```



# Arrays and Pointers

You can also make a pointer equal to an array;  
it will point to the first element in that array.

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
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    char *ptr = str;  
    ...  
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main()

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ptr { 0xf8	0x100
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    // equivalent  
    char *ptr = &str[0];  
  
    // equivalent, but avoid  
    char *ptr = &str;  
    ...  
}
```

main()

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0xf8	0x100
	...

Diagram illustrating memory stack layout. A bracket labeled `main()` spans the entire stack. A bracket labeled `str` points to the memory address `0x100`, which contains the character `'a'`. A bracket labeled `ptr` points to the memory address `0xf8`, which contains the value `0x100`. An arrow points from the value `0x100` at address `0xf8` to the memory address `0x100`, indicating that the pointer `ptr` points to the first element of the array `str`.

# Pointer Arithmetic

When you do pointer arithmetic, you are adjusting the pointer by a certain *number of places* (e.g. characters).

```
char *str = "apple";      // e.g. 0xff1
char *str2 = str + 1;     // e.g. 0xff2
char *str3 = str + 3;     // e.g. 0xff4

printf("%s", str);        // apple
printf("%s", str2);       // pple
printf("%s", str3);       // le
```

TEXT SEGMENT	
Address	Value
	...
0xff6	'\0'
0xff5	'e'
0xff4	'l'
0xff3	'p'
0xff2	'p'
0xff1	'a'
	...

# Pointer Arithmetic

Pointer arithmetic does *not* add bytes. Instead, it adds the *size of the type it points to*.

```
// nums points to an int array
int *nums = ...           // e.g. 0xff1
int *nums2 = nums + 1;    // e.g. 0xff5
int *nums3 = nums + 3;    // e.g. 0xffd

printf("%d", *nums);      // 52
printf("%d", *nums2);     // 23
printf("%d", *nums3);     // 34
```

STACK	
Address	Value
	...
0x1005	1
0x1001	16
0xffd	34
0xff9	12
0xff5	23
0xff1	52
	...

# char \*

When you use bracket notation with a pointer, you are actually *performing pointer arithmetic and dereferencing*:

```
char *str = "apple";    // e.g. 0xff1
```

```
// both of these add two places to str,  
// and then dereference to get the char there.  
// E.g. get memory at 0xff3.
```

```
char thirdLetter = str[2];    // 'p'
```

```
char thirdLetter = *(str + 2); // 'p'
```

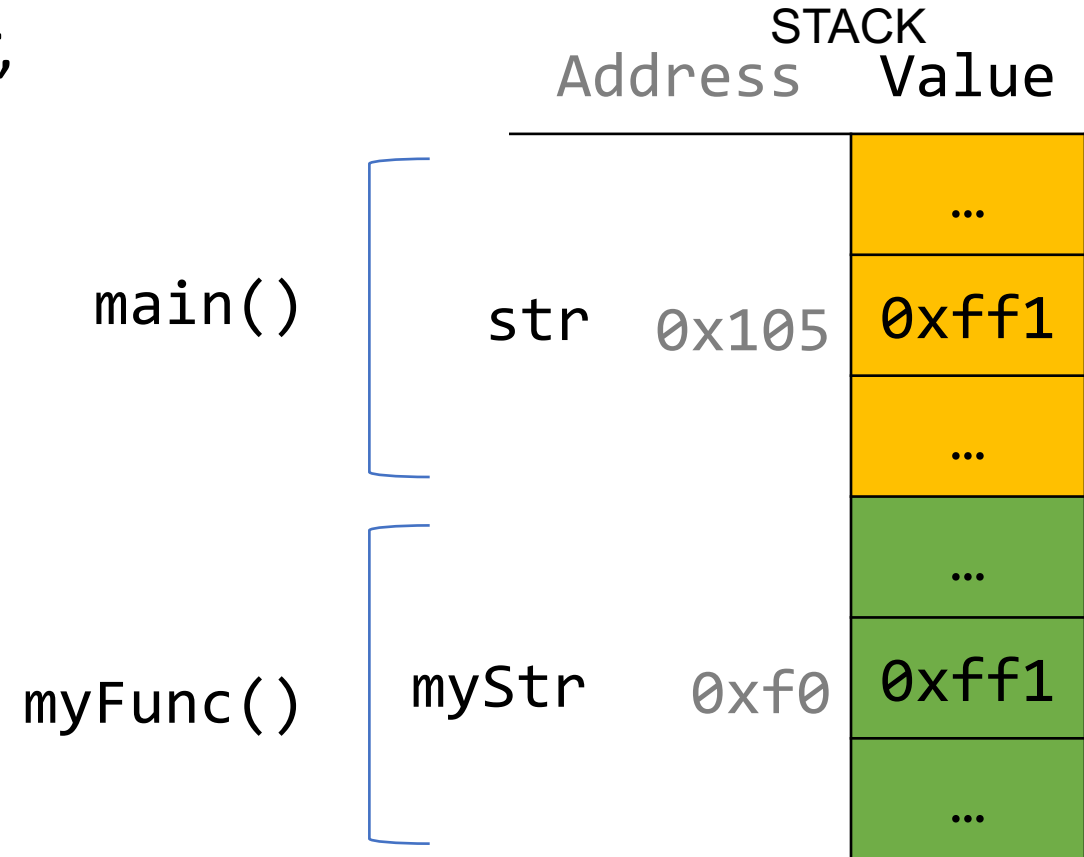
TEXT SEGMENT	
Address	Value
	...
0xff6	'\0'
0xff5	'e'
0xff4	'l'
0xff3	'p'
0xff2	'p'
0xff1	'a'
	...

# Strings as Parameters

When you pass a **char \*** string as a parameter, C makes a *copy* of the address stored in the **char \***, and passes it to the function. This means they both refer to the same memory location.

```
void myFunc(char *myStr) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    char *str = "apple";  
    myFunc(str);  
    ...  
}
```



# Strings as Parameters

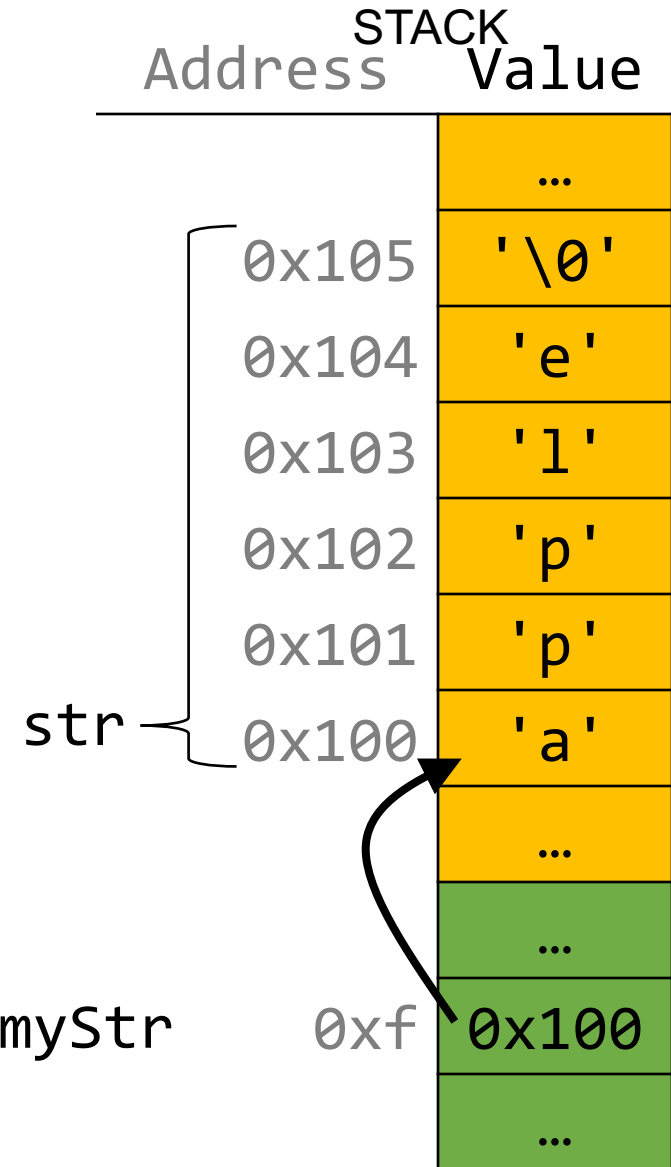
When you pass a **char array** as a parameter, C makes a *copy of the address of the first array element*, and passes it (as a **char \***) to the function.

```
void myFunc(char *myStr) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    char str[6] = "apple";  
    myFunc(str);  
    ...  
}
```

main()

myFunc()



# Strings as Parameters

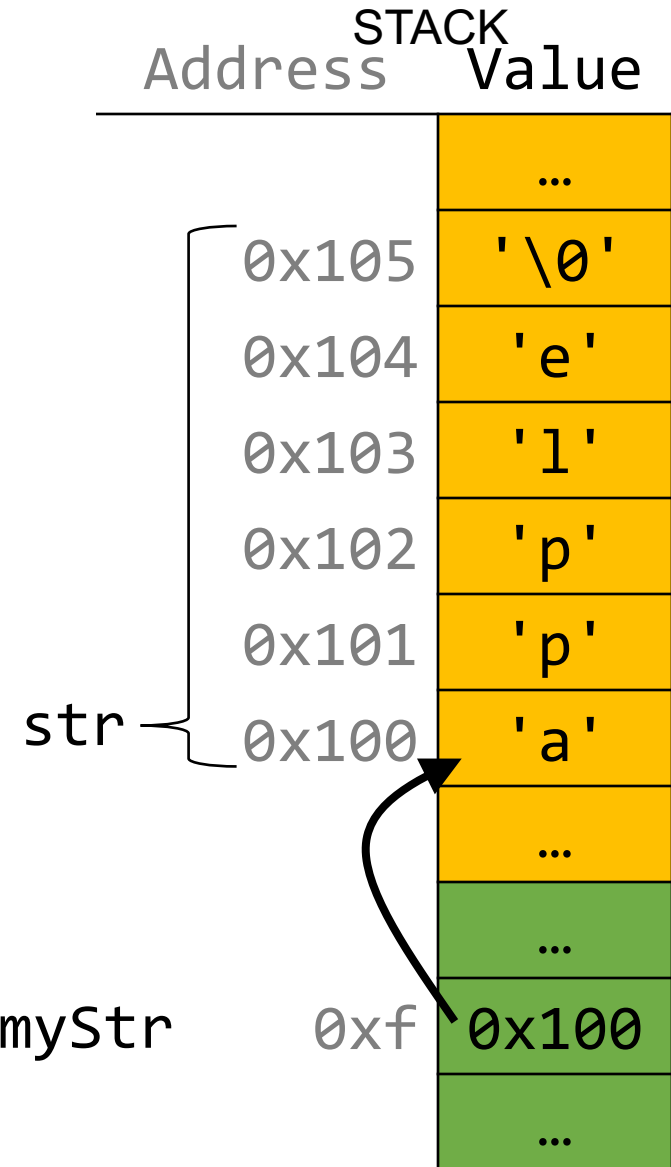
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```
void myFunc(char *myStr) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    char str[6] = "apple";  
    // equivalent  
    char *arrPtr = str;  
    myFunc(arrPtr);  
    ...  
}
```

main()

myFunc()

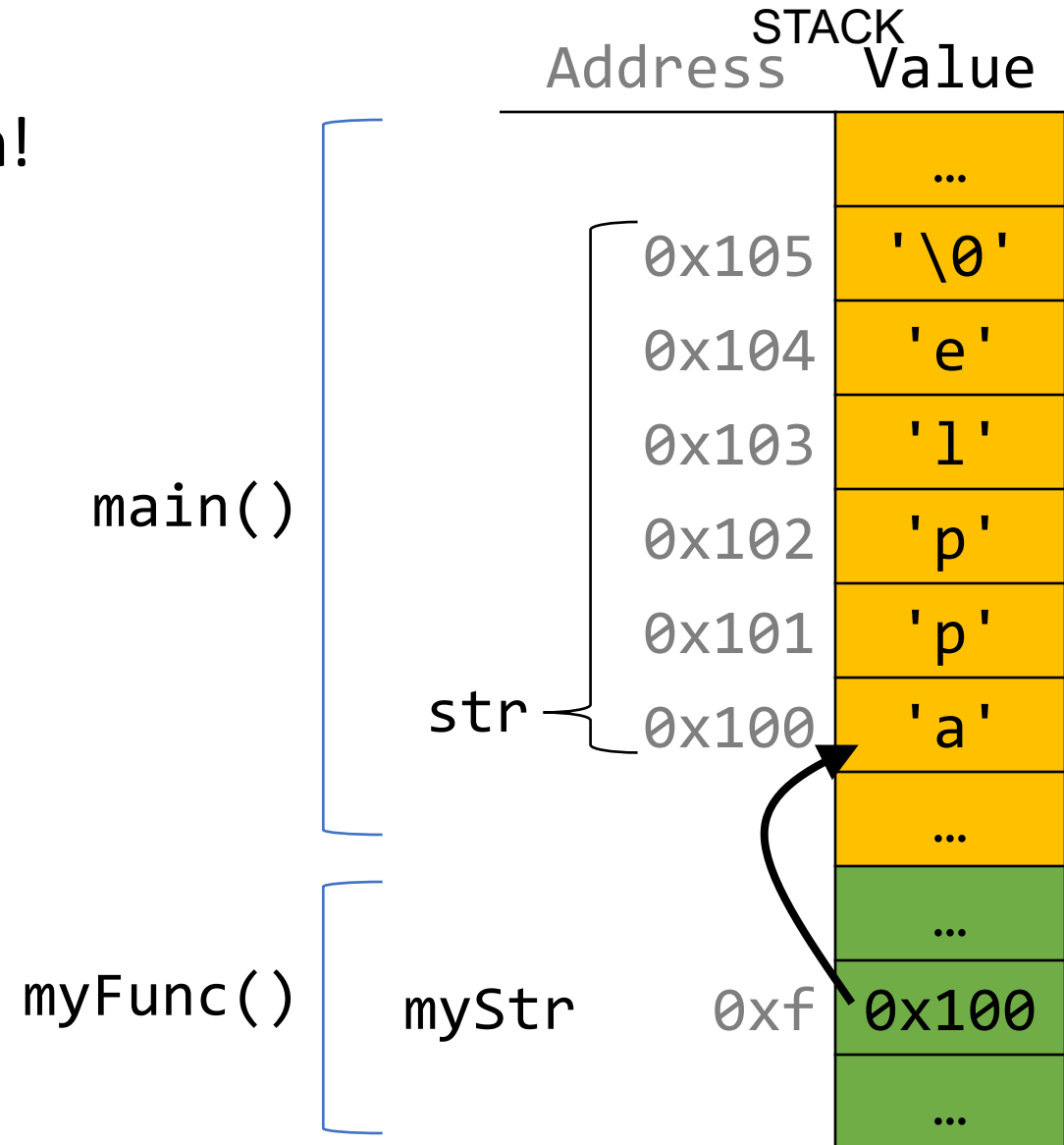




# Strings as Parameters

This means if you modify characters in **myFunc**, the changes will persist back in **main**!

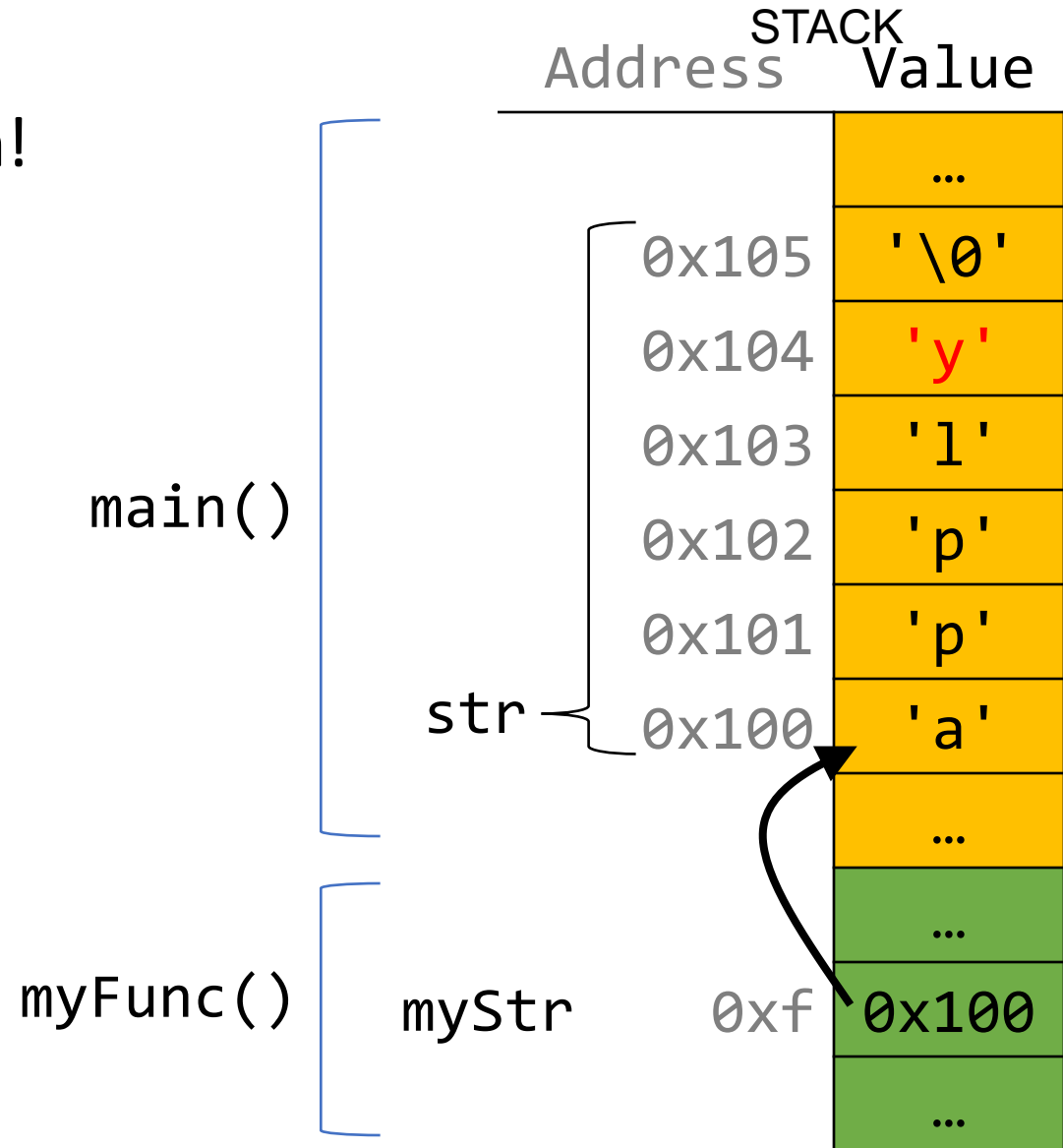
```
void myFunc(char *myStr) {  
    myStr[4] = 'y';  
}  
  
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    char str[6] = "apple";  
    myFunc(str);  
    printf("%s", str);    // apply  
    ...  
}
```



# Strings as Parameters

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}  
  
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    char str[6] = "apple";  
    myFunc(str);  
    printf("%s", str);    // apply  
    ...  
}
```



# Strings as Parameters

This also means we can no longer get the full size of the array using **sizeof**, because now it is just a regular **char \*** pointer.

```
void myFunc(char *myStr) {  
    int size = sizeof(myStr); // 8  
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    char str[6] = "apple";  
    int size = sizeof(str); // 6  
    myFunc(str);  
    ...  
}
```

main()

myFunc()

STACK  
Address Value

	...
0x105	'\0'
0x104	'e'
0x103	'l'
0x102	'p'
0x101	'p'
0x100	'a'
	...
	...
0xf	0x100
	...

str

myStr

# Strings and Memory

These memory behaviors explain why strings behave the way they do:

1. We can modify a string created as a **char[]** because its memory lives in our stack space.
2. We cannot modify a string created as a **char\*** because its memory does not live in our stack space; it lives in the text segment.
3. We can set a **char\*** equal to another value, because it is just a pointer.
4. We cannot set a **char[]** equal to another value, because it is not a pointer; it refers to the block of memory reserved for the original array.
5. If we change characters in a string passed to a function, these changes will persist outside of the function.
6. When we pass a char array as a parameter, we can no longer use **sizeof** to get its full size.

# Demo: Strings and Memory



# Plan For Today

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# Pointers to Strings

Sometimes, we would like to modify a string's pointer itself, rather than just the characters it points to.

- Ex. Write a function **skipCSPrefix** that takes in a **char \*** representing a class name, and modifies it to advance past the “CS” prefix, if any, in the string.

```
char *myStr = "CS41";  
skipCSPrefix(&myStr);  
printf("%s\n", myStr); // 41
```

# Pointers to Strings

```
void skipCSPrefix(char **strPtr) {  
    char *prefix = strstr(*strPtr, "CS");  
    if (prefix != NULL && prefix == *strPtr) {  
        *strPtr += strlen("CS");  
    }  
}
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    char *myStr = "CS41";  
    skipCSPrefix(&myStr);  
    printf("%s\n", myStr);           // 41  
    return 0;  
}
```

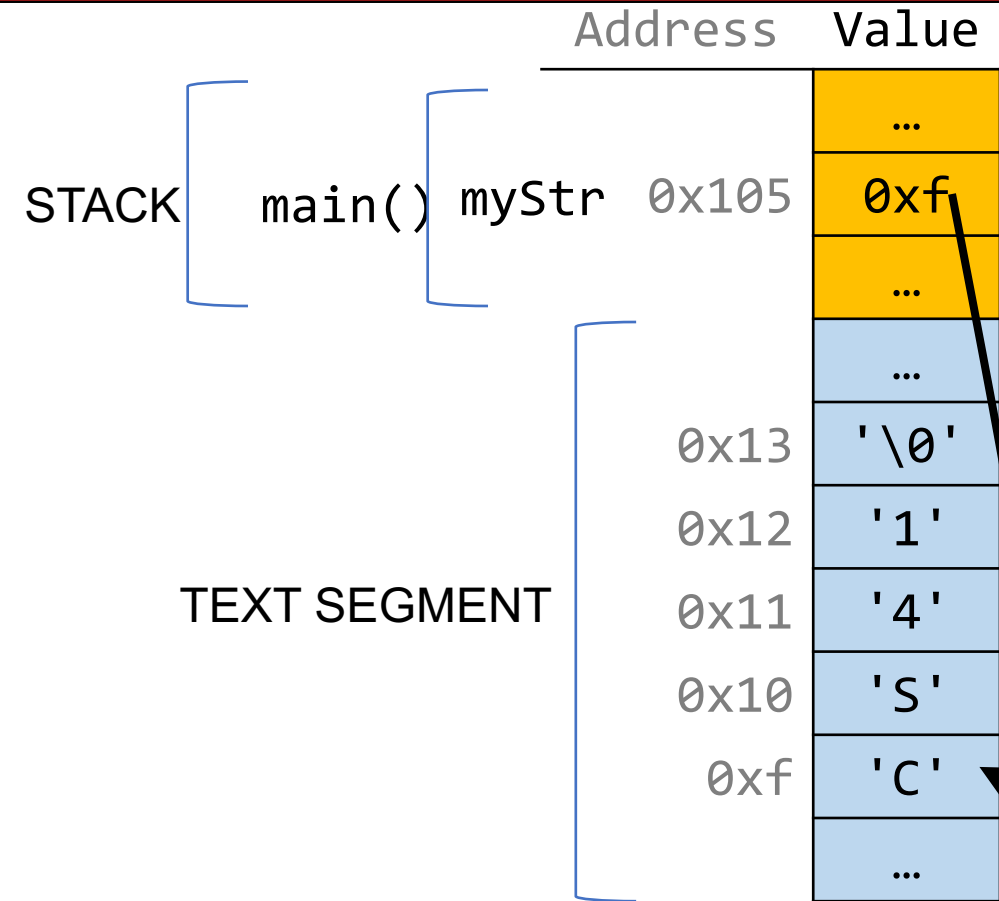
STACK [ main() [

Address	Value
	...
	...



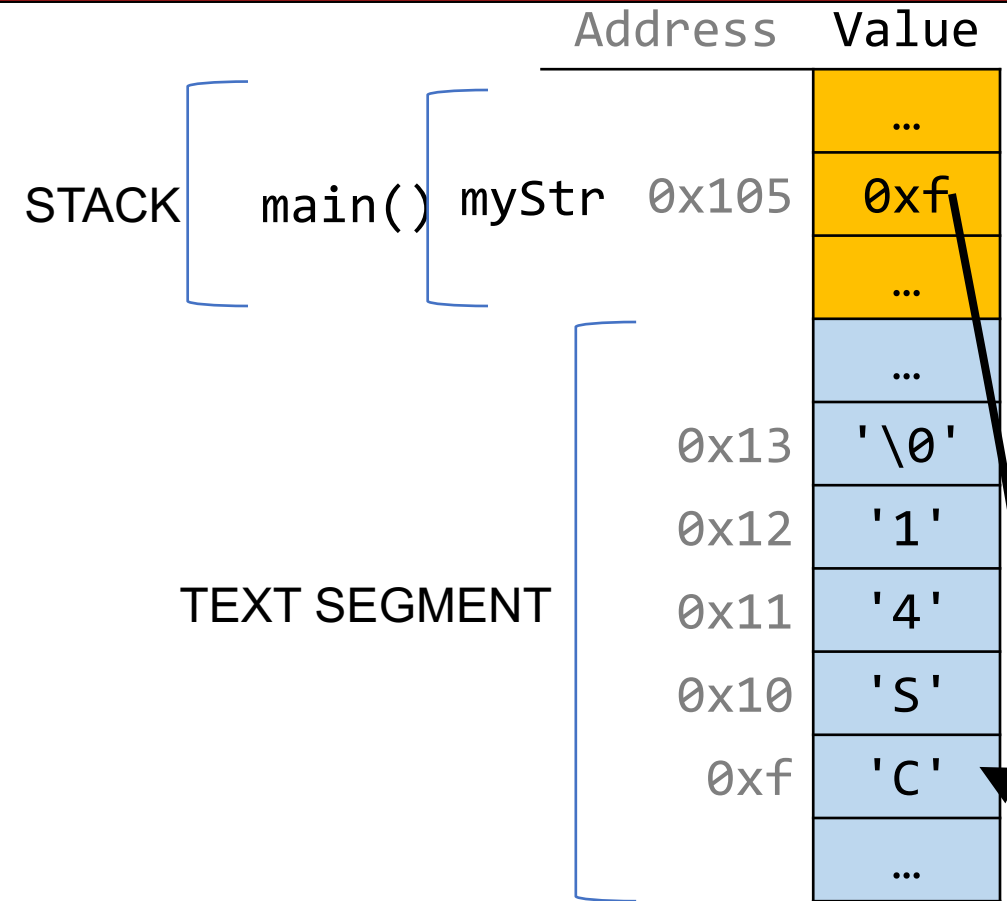
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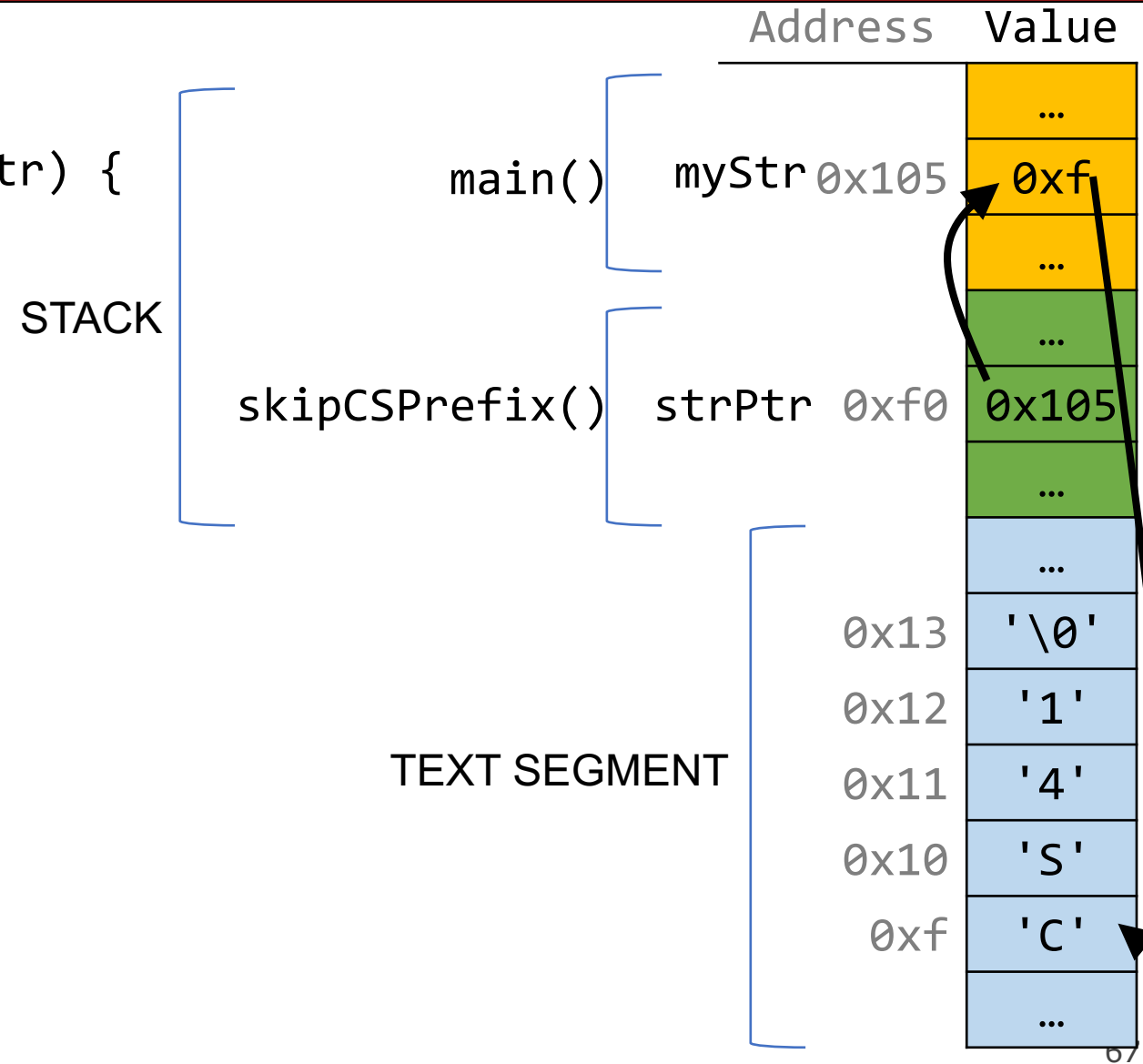
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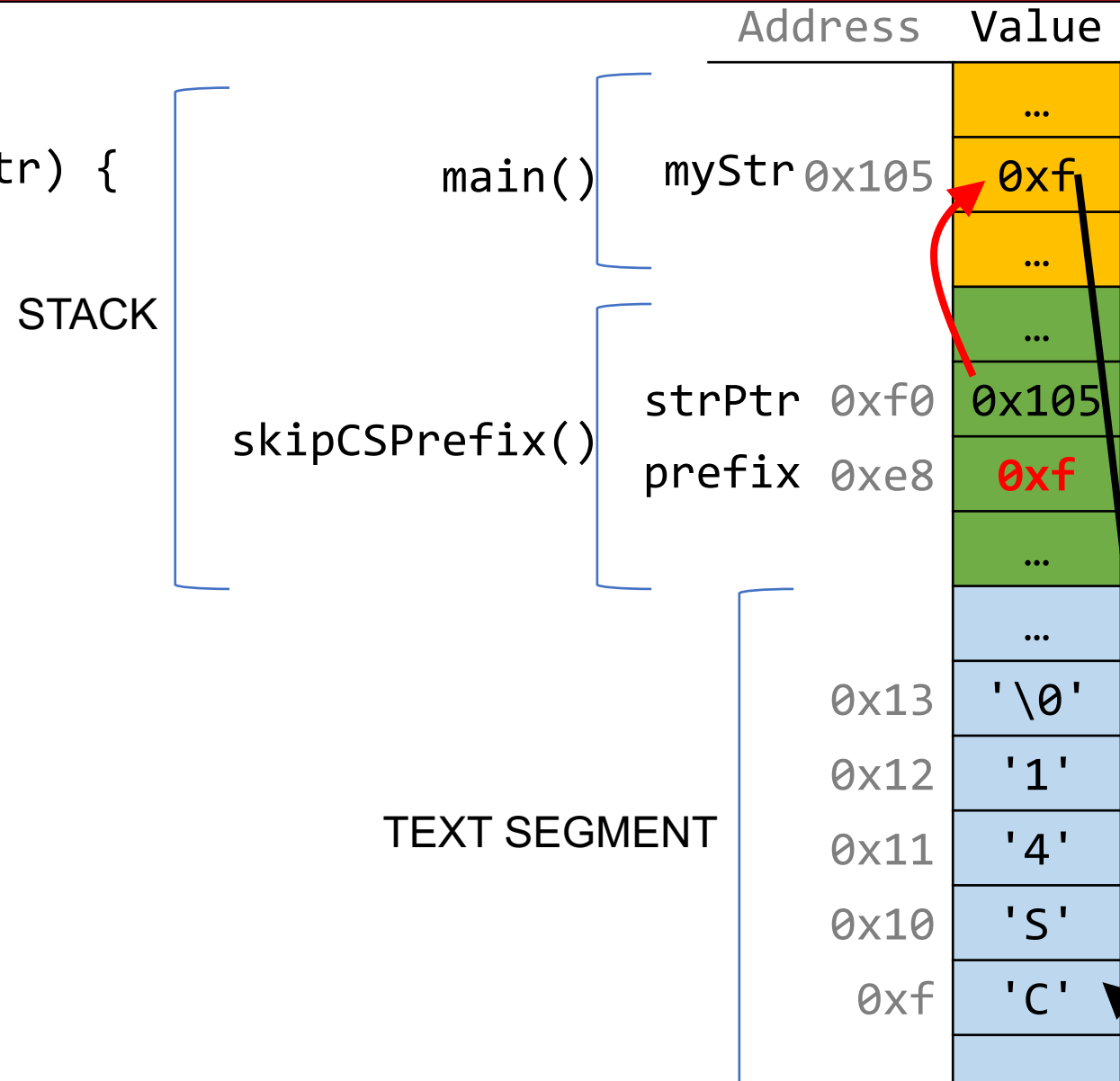
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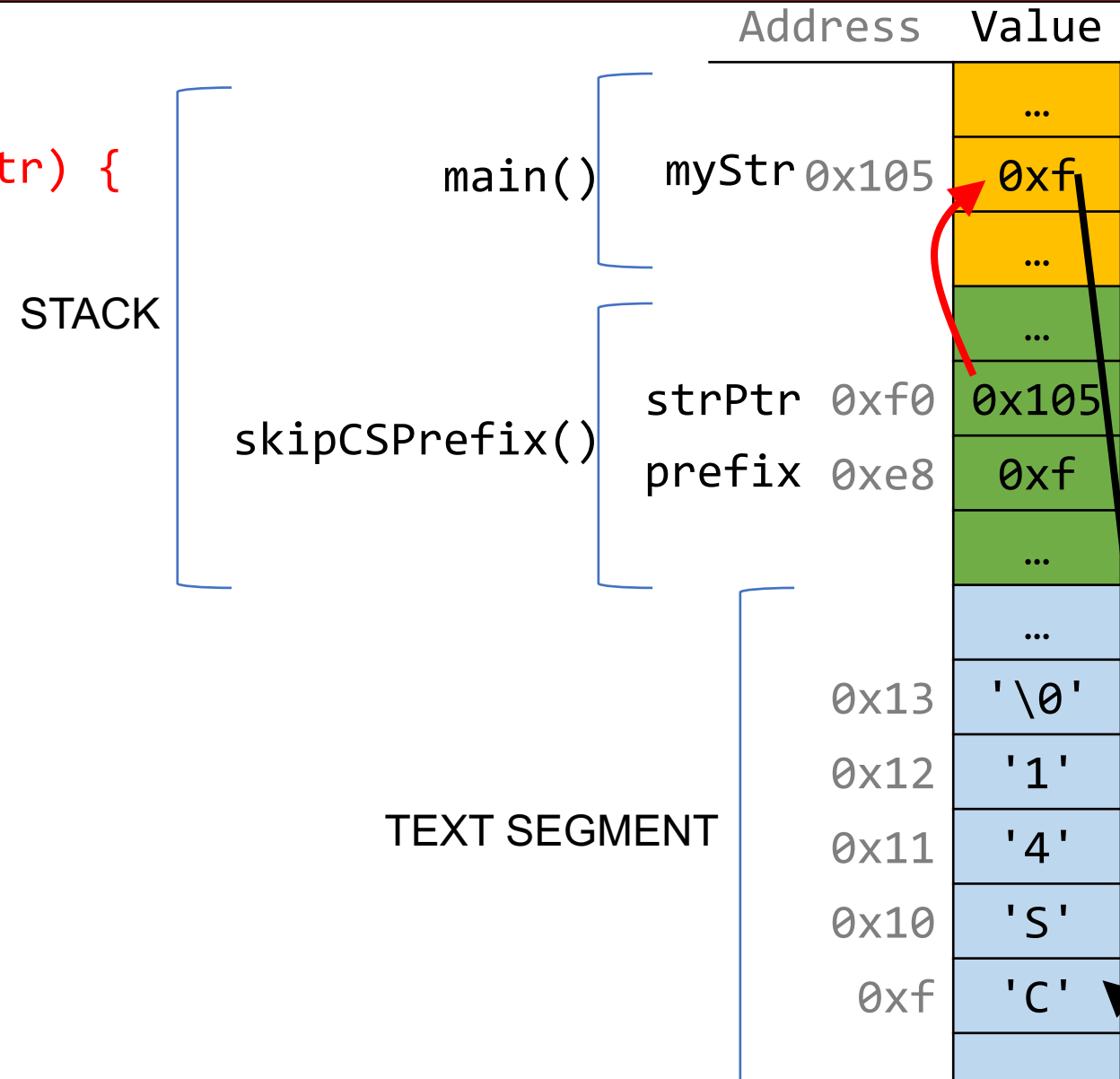
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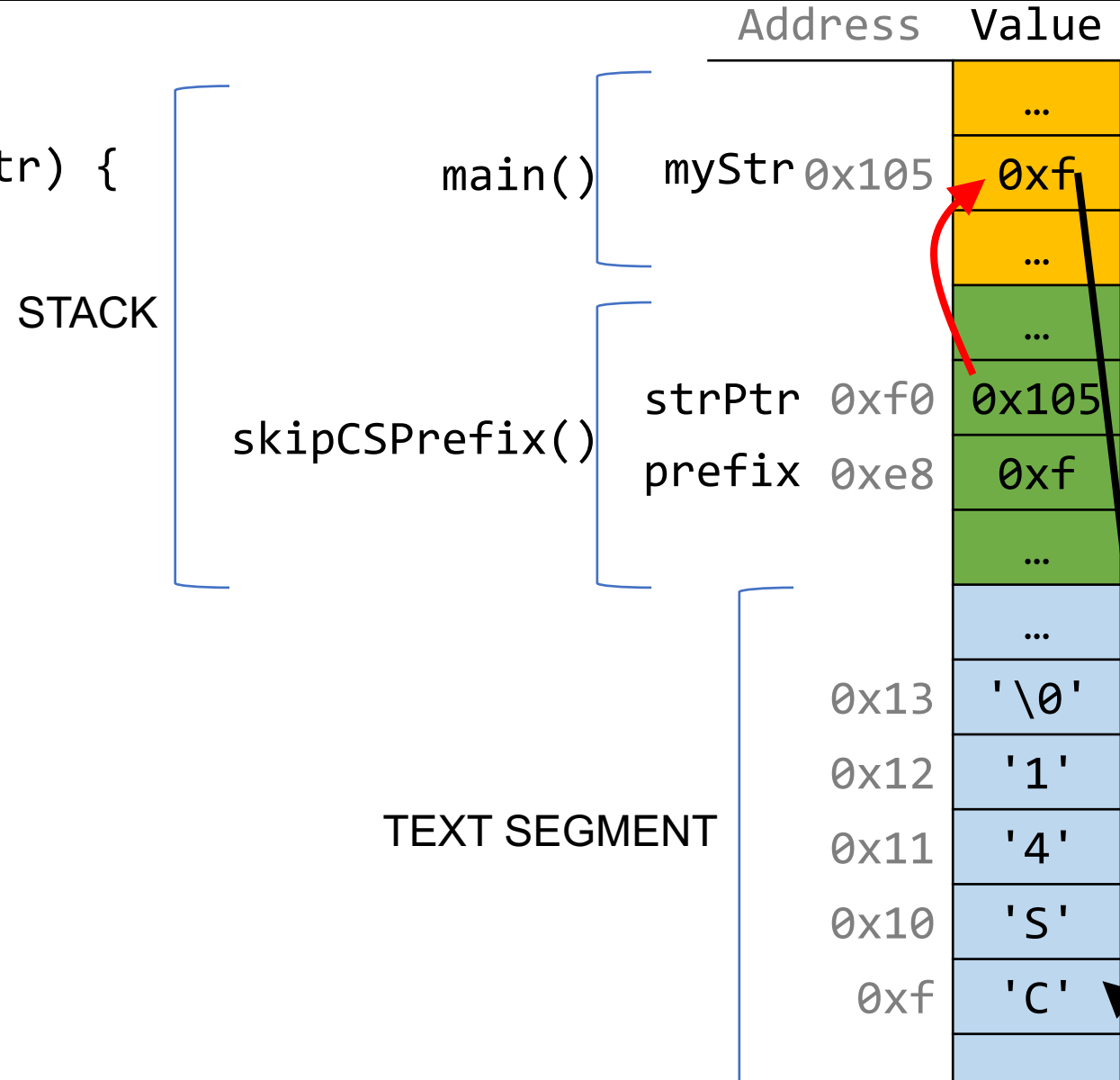
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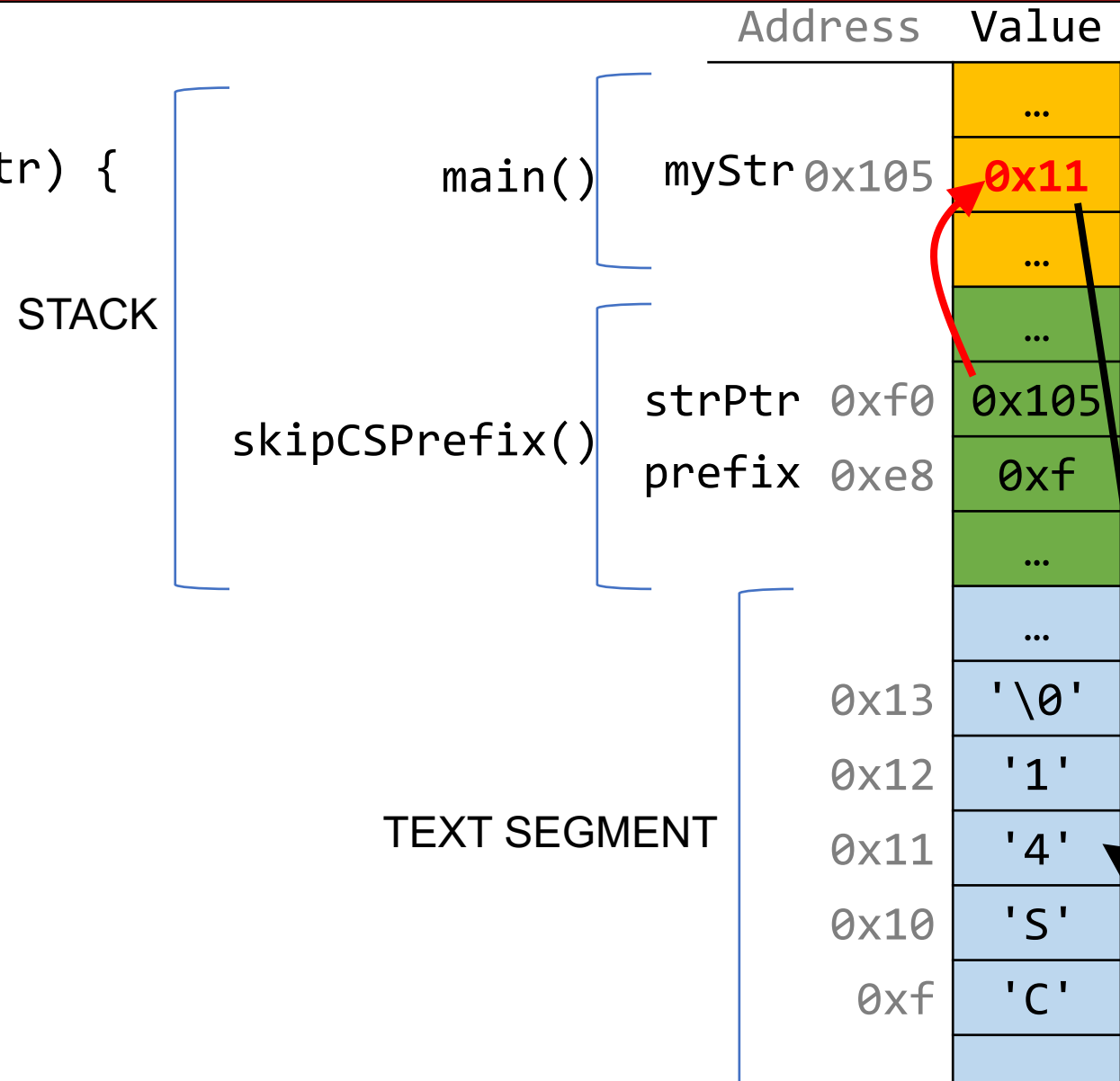
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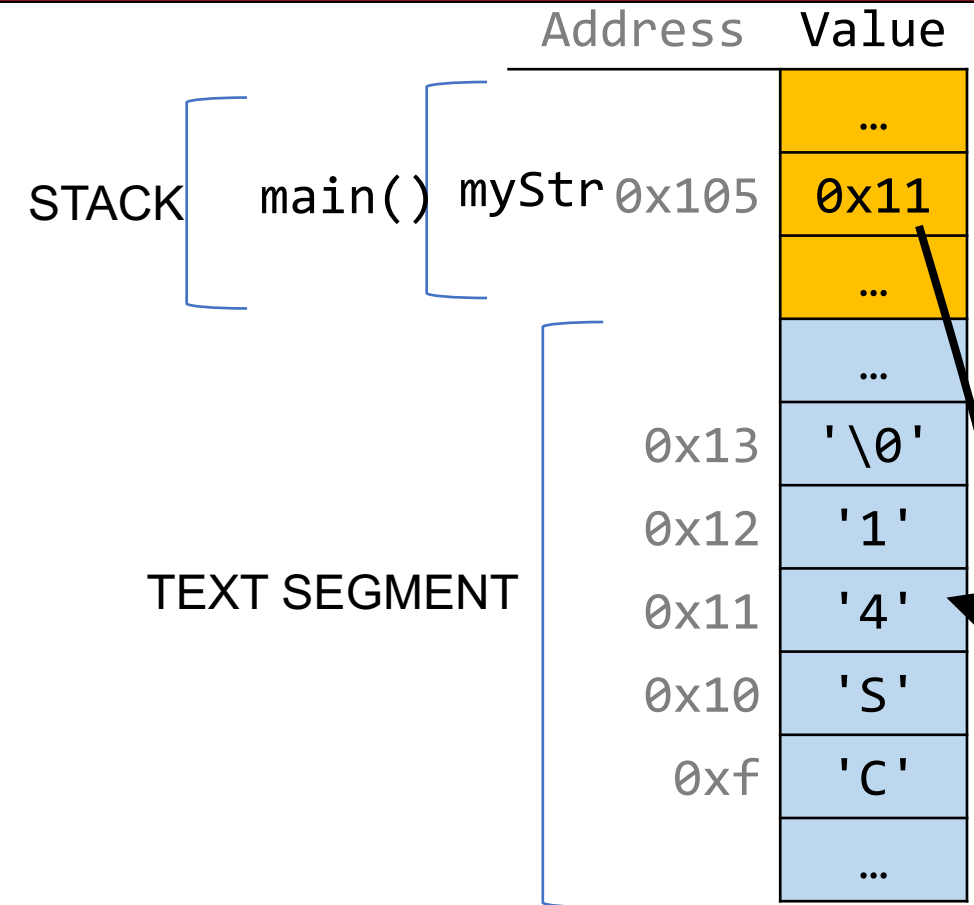
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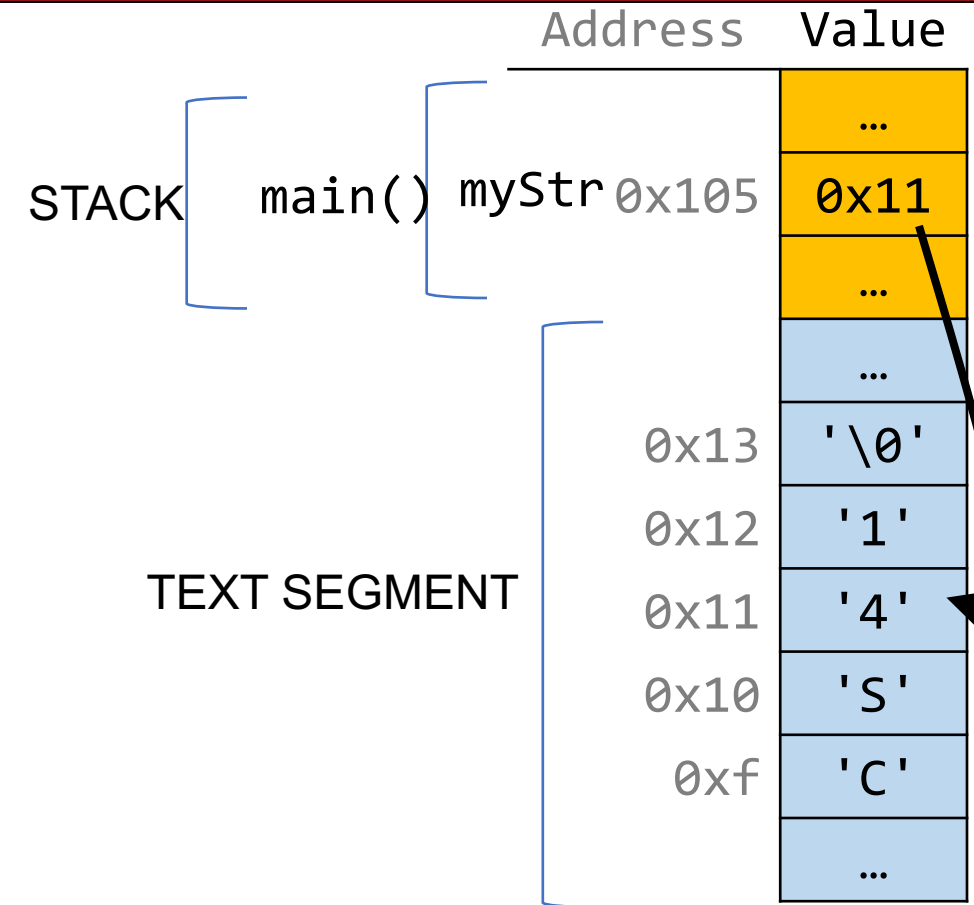
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