

MICROPROCESSOR SYSTEMS

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Week 10: Programming in ARM Processors, Pointers, Registers, C programming



Overview

- We program in C for convenience
- There are no processor that execute C, only machine code
- So we compile the C into assembly code, a human-readable representation of machine code
- We need to know what the assembly code implementing the C looks like
 - To use the processor efficiently
 - To analyze the code with precision
 - To find performance and other problems
- An overview of what C gets compiled into
 - C start-up module, subroutines calls, stacks, data classes and layout, pointers, control flow, etc.

Programmer's World: The Land of Chocolate!



- As many functions and variables as you want!
- All the memory you could ask for!
- So many data types! Integers, floating point, char, ...
- So many data structures! Arrays, lists, trees, sets, dictionaries
- So many control structures! Subroutines, if/then/else, loops, etc.
- Iterators! Polymorphism!

Processor's World

- Data types
 - Integers
 - More if you're lucky!
- Instructions
 - Math: +, -, *
 - Logic: and, or
 - Shift, rotate
 - Move, swap
 - Compare
 - Jump, branch

23	251	151	11	3	1	1	1
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2	33	72	1	a	1	1	a
a	4	h	e	l	l	o	1
67	96	a	0	9	9	9	1
6	11	d	72	7	0	0	0
28	289	37	54	42	0	0	0
213	6	234	2	31	1	1	1



Program Translation Stages

Compiler

- Parser
 - reads in C code,
 - checks for syntax errors,
 - forms intermediate code (tree representation)
- High-Level Optimizer
 - Modifies intermediate code (processor-independent)
- Code Generator
 - Creates assembly code from of the intermediate code
 - Allocates variable uses to registers
- Low-Level Optimizer
 - Modifies assembly code (parts are processor-specific)

Assembler

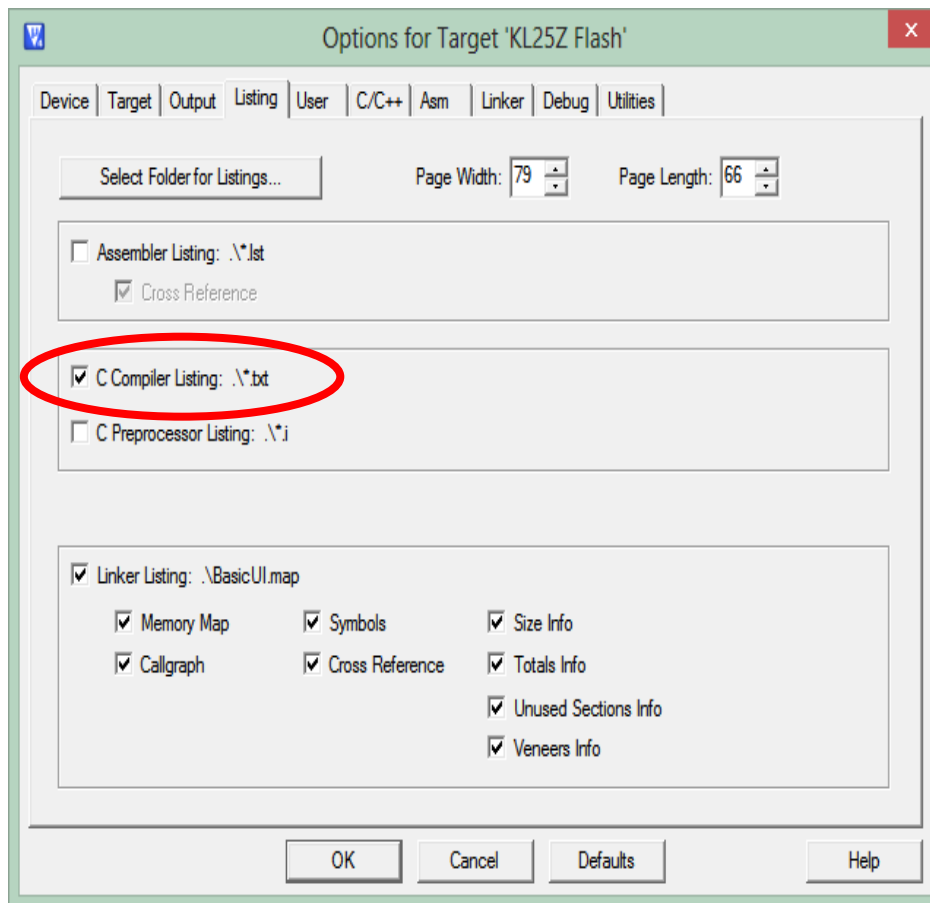
- Assembler
 - Creates object code (machine code)

Linker/
Loader

- Linker/Loader
 - Creates executable image from one or more object file

Examining Assembly Code before Debugger

- Compiler can generate assembly code listing for reference
- Select in project options



Examining Disassembled Program in Debugger

The screenshot displays the CMSIS-DAP Debugger interface. The left pane shows the C source code for `main.c`, with the `arrays` function call at line 12 highlighted. The right pane shows the corresponding ARM assembly disassembly, with the instruction `MOV r1, #0x04` at address `0x000002FC` highlighted. The bottom status bar indicates the debugger is running at `t1: 0.00000000 sec`.

Source Code (main.c):

```
6 extern void arrays(unsigned char n, unsigned char j);
7 extern void static_auto_local( void );
8
9
10 int main(void)
11 {
12     arrays(2, 4);
13     fun4(1,2000,3);
14     static_auto_local();
15
16     while (1)
17     ;
18 }
19
```

Disassembly:

Address	Hex	OpCode	Comment
0x000002F6	003D	DCW	0x003D
0x000002F8	F000	DCW	0xF000
0x000002FA	1FFF	DCW	0x1FFF
12:			arrays(2, 4);
0x000002FC	2104	MOVS	r1, #0x04
0x000002FE	2002	MOVS	r0, #0x02
0x00000300	F000F8D4	BL.W	arrays (0x000004AC)
13:			fun4(1,2000,3);
0x00000304	2203	MOVS	r2, #0x03
0x00000306	217D	MOVS	r1, #0x7D
0x00000308	0109	LSLS	r1, r1, #4
0x0000030A	2001	MOVS	r0, #0x01
0x0000030C	F000F8F4	BL.W	fun4 (0x000004F8)
14:			static_auto_local();
15:			
0x00000310	F000F87E	BL.W	static_auto_local (0x00000410)
16:			while (1)
0x00000314	BF00	NOP	
0x00000316	E7FE	B	0x00000316
			__aeabi_uidiv:
0x00000318	B530	PUSH	{r4-r5,lr}
0x0000031A	460B	MOV	r3, r1
0x0000031C	4601	MOV	r1, r0
0x0000031E	2000	MOVS	r0, #0x00

- View->Disassembly Window



A Warning About Code Optimizations

- Compiler and rest of tool-chain try to optimize code:
 - Simplifying operations
 - Removing “dead” code
 - Using registers
- These optimizations often get in way of understanding what the code does
 - Fundamental trade-off: Fast or comprehensible code?
 - Compilers typically offer a range of optimization levels (e.g. Level 0 to Level 3)
- Code examples here may use “volatile” data type modifier to reduce compiler optimizations and improve readability



Application Binary Interface (ABI)

Defines rules which allow separately developed functions to work together

- ARM Architecture Procedure Call Standard (AAPCS)
 - Which registers must be saved and restored
 - How to call procedures
 - How to return from procedures
- C Library ABI (CLIBABI)
 - C Library functions
- Run-Time ABI (RTABI)
 - Run-time helper functions: 32/32 integer division, memory copying, floating-point operations, data type conversions, etc.



USING REGISTERS



AAPCS Register Use Conventions

- Make it easier to create modular, isolated and integrated code
- Scratch registers are not expected to be preserved upon returning from a called subroutine
 - r0-r3
- Preserved (“variable”) registers are expected to have their original values upon returning from a called subroutine
 - r4-r8, r10-r11

AAPCS Core Register Use

Register	Synonym	Special	Role in the procedure call standard
r15		PC	The Program Counter.
r14		LR	The Link Register.
r13		SP	The Stack Pointer.
r12		IP	The Intra-Procedure-call scratch register.
r11	v8		Variable-register 8.
r10	v7		Variable-register 7.
r9		v6 SB TR	Platform register. The meaning of this register is defined by the platform standard.
r8	v5		Variable-register 5.
r7	v4		Variable register 4.
r6	v3		Variable register 3.
r5	v2		Variable register 2.
r4	v1		Variable register 1.
r3	a4		Argument / scratch register 4.
r2	a3		Argument / scratch register 3.
r1	a2		Argument / result / scratch register 2.
r0	a1		Argument / result / scratch register 1.

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Don't need to be saved. May be used for arguments, results, or temporary values.



MEMORY REQUIREMENTS



What Memory Does a Program Need?

```
int a, b;  
const char c=123;  
int d=31;  
void main(void) {  
    int e;  
    char f[32];  
    e = d + 7;  
    a = e + 29999;  
    strcpy(f, "Hello!");  
}
```

- Five possible types
 - Code
 - Read-only static data
 - Writable static data
 - Initialized
 - Zero-initialized
 - Uninitialized
 - Heap
 - Stack
- What goes where?
 - Code is obvious
 - And the others?



What Memory Does a Program Need?

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const char c=123;  
int d=31;  
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    char f[32];  
    e = d + 7;  
    a = e + 29999;  
    strcpy(f, "Hello!");  
}
```

- Can the information change?
 - **If No → Put it in read-only, nonvolatile memory**
 - Instructions
 - Constant strings
 - Constant operands
 - Initialization values
 - **If Yes → Put it in read/write memory**
 - Variables
 - Intermediate computations
 - Return address
 - Other housekeeping data



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```

- How long does the data need to exist? Reuse memory if possible.

- **Statically allocated**

- Exists from **program start to end**
- Each variable has its own fixed location
- Space is not reused

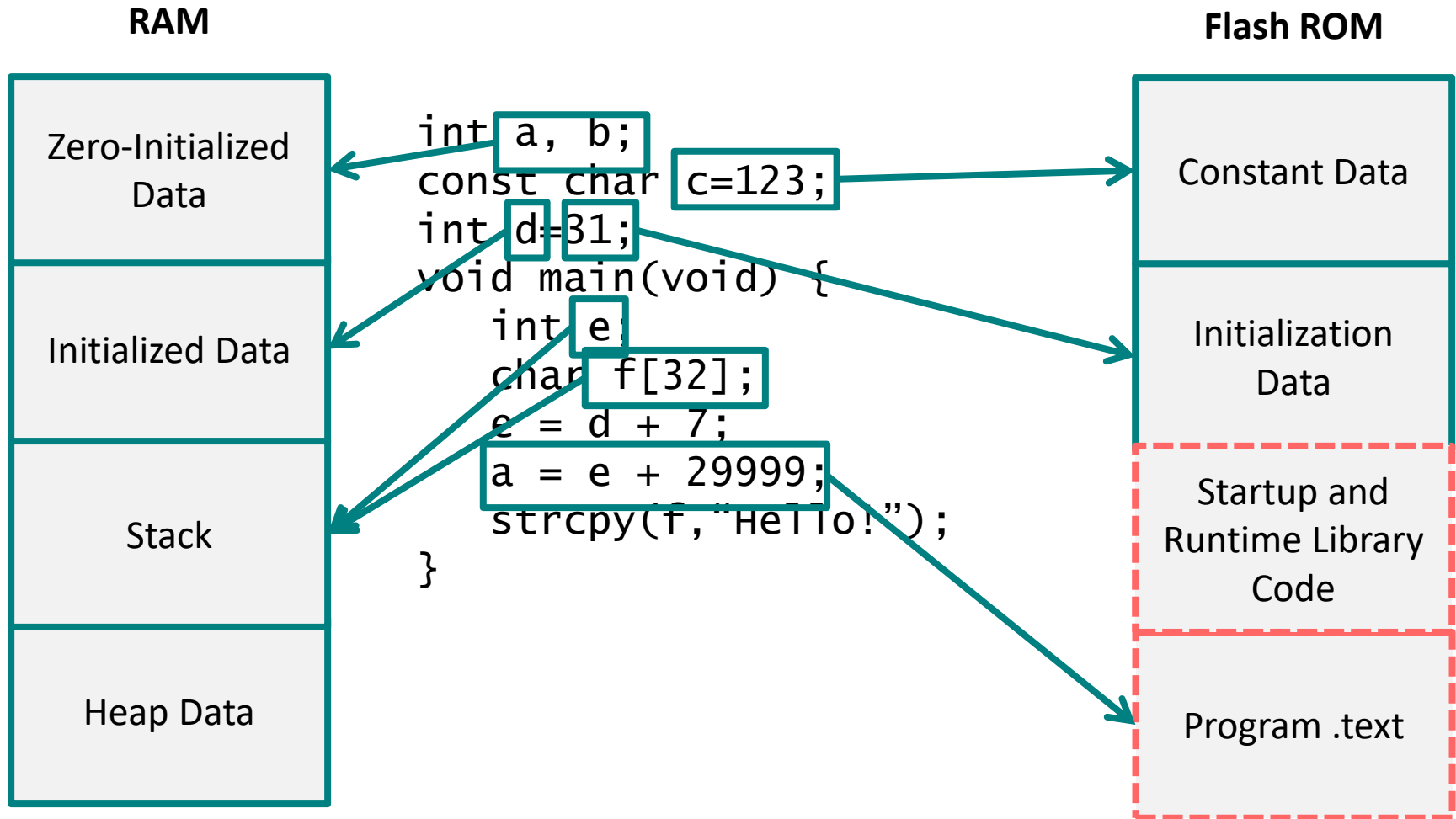
- **Automatically allocated**

- Exists from **function start to end**
- Space can be reused

- **Dynamically allocated**

- Exists from explicit allocation to explicit deallocation
- Space can be reused

Program Memory Use



Activation Record

- Activation records are located on the **stack**
 - Calling a function creates an activation record
 - Returning from a function deletes the activation record

- **Automatic variables** and **housekeeping information** are stored in a function's activation record

Lower
address

Higher
address

	(Free stack space)
Activation record for current function	Local storage
	Return address
	Arguments
Activation record for caller function	Local storage
	Return address
	Arguments
Activation record for caller's caller function	Local storage
	Return address
	Arguments
Activation record for caller's caller's caller function	Local storage
	Return address
	Arguments

<- Stack ptr

- Not all fields (Local storage, Return Address, Arguments) may be present for each activation record



Type and Class Qualifiers

- Used to modify a variable's declaration so compiler treats it slightly differently
- Const
 - Never written by program, can be put in ROM to save RAM
- Volatile
 - Can be changed outside of normal program flow: Interrupt Service Routine (ISR), hardware register
 - Compiler must be careful with optimizations
- Static
 - Declared within function, retains value between function invocations
 - Scope is limited to function

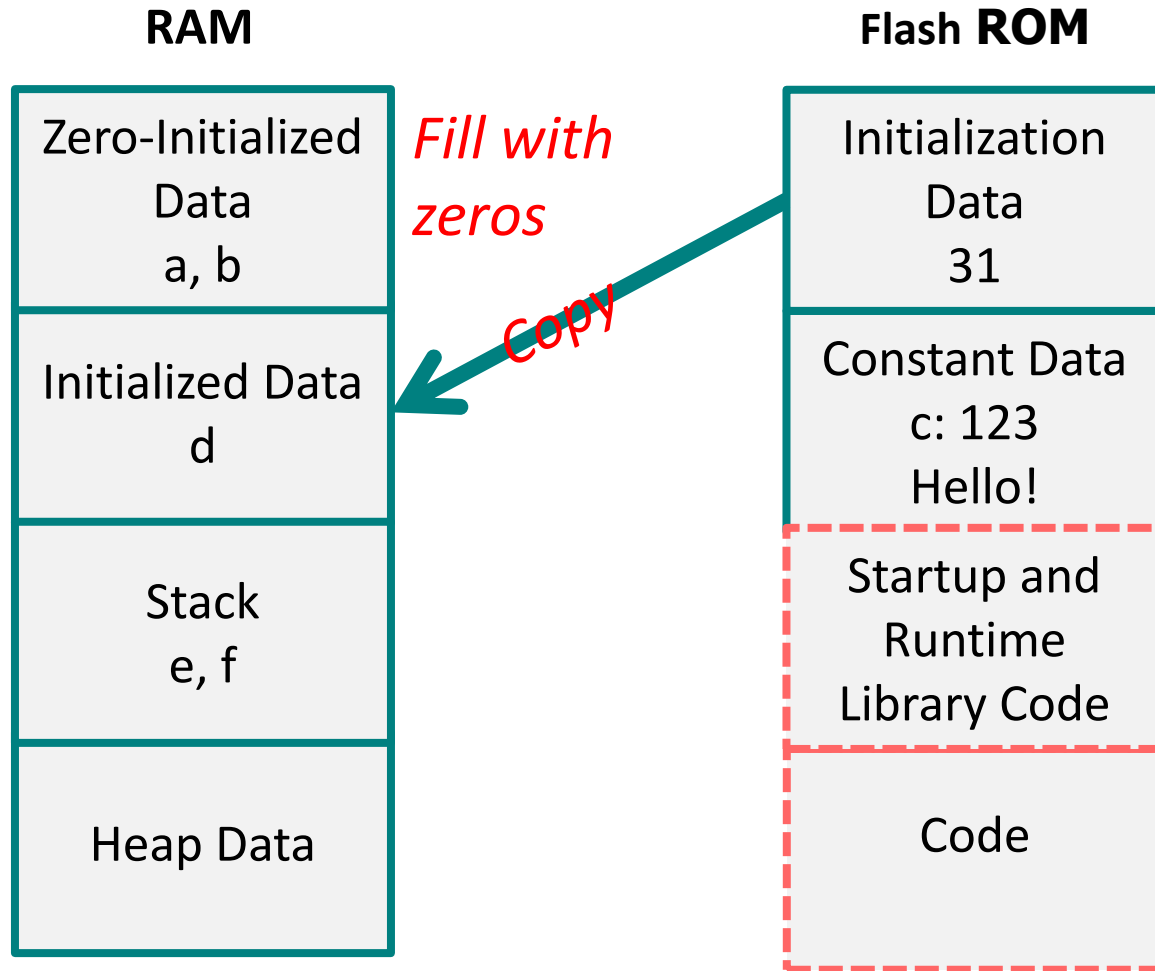


Linker Map File

- Contains extensive information on functions and variables
 - Value, type, size, object
- Cross references between sections
- Memory map of image
- Sizes of image components
- Summary of memory requirements

C Run-Time Start-Up Module

- After reset, processor must...
- Initialize hardware
 - Peripherals, etc.
 - Set up stack pointer
- Initialize C or C++ run-time environment
 - Set up heap memory
 - Initialize variables





ACCESSING DATA IN MEMORY

Accessing Data

- What does it take to get at a variable in memory?
 - Depends on location, which depends on storage type (static, automatic, dynamic)

```
int siA;
void static_auto_local() {
    int aiB;
    static int siC=3;
    int * apD;
    int aiE=4, aiF=5, aiG=6;

    siA = 2;
    aiB = siC + siA;
    apD = & aiB;
    (*apD)++;
    apD = &siC;
    (*apD) += 9;
    apD = &siA;
    apD = &aiE;
    apD = &aiF;
    apD = &aiG;
    (*apD)++;
    aiE+=7;
    *apD = aiE + aiF;
}
```

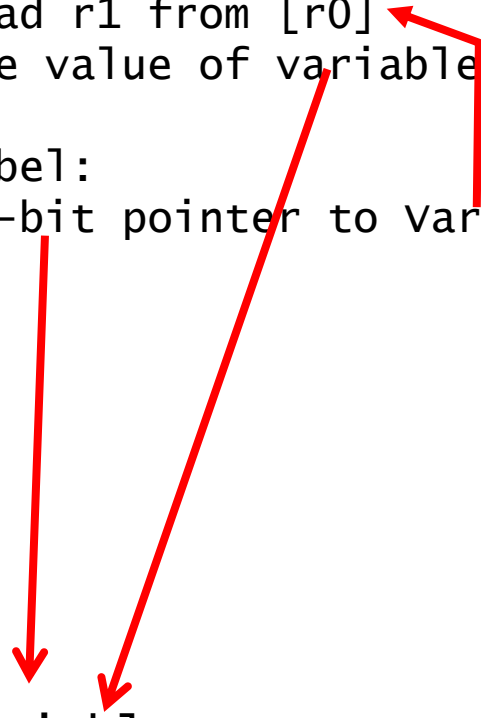
Static Variables

- Static var can be located anywhere in 32-bit memory space, so to access it, you need a 32-bit pointer
- Can't fit a 32-bit pointer into a 16-bit instruction (or a 32-bit instruction), so save the pointer separate from instruction, but nearby so we can access it with a short PC-relative offset
- Load the pointer into a register (r0)
- Can now load variable's value into a register (r1) from memory using that pointer in r0
- Similarly can store a new value to the variable in memory

Load r0 with pointer to variable
Load r1 from [r0]
Use value of variable

Label:
32-bit pointer to variable

variable



Static Variables

- Key
 - variable's value
 - variable's address
 - address of copy of variable's address
 - Code
 - Loads r2 with address of siA (from |L1.240|)
 - Loads r1 with contents of siA (via pointer r2, with offset 0)
 - Same for siC, with address at |L1.244|
- | | |
|---|--|
| <pre> AREA .text , CODE, READONLY, ALIGN=2 ;;;20 siA = 2; 00000e 2102 MOVS r1,#2 000010 4a37 LDR r2, L1.240 000012 6011 STR r1,[r2,#0] ; siA ;;;21 aiB = siC + siA; 000014 4937 LDR r1, L1.244 000016 6809 LDR r1,[r1,#0] ; siC 000018 6812 LDR r2,[r2,#0] ; siA 00001a 1889 ADDS r1,r1,r2 ... </pre> | <pre> L1.240 DCD siA L1.244 DCD siC </pre> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Variables siC and siA are located in .data section with initial values | <pre> AREA .data , DATA, ALIGN=2 siC DCD 0x00000003 siA DCD 0x00000000 </pre> |

Automatic Variables Stored on Stack

- Automatic variables are stored in a function's activation record (unless optimized and promoted to register)
- Activation records are located on the stack
- Calling a function creates an activation record, allocating space on stack
- Returning from a function deletes the activation record, freeing up space on stack

```
int main(void) {  
    auto vars  
    a();  
}
```

```
void a(void) {  
    auto vars  
    b();  
}
```

```
void b(void) {  
    auto vars  
    c();  
}
```

```
void c(void) {  
    auto vars  
    ...  
}
```

Automatic Variables

```

int main(void)
{
    auto vars
    a();
}

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    auto vars
    b();
}

void b(void) {
    auto vars
    c();
}

void c(void) {
    auto vars
    ...
}
    
```

Lower
address

Higher
address

	(Free stack space)
Activation record for current function C	Local storage
	Saved regs
	Arguments (optional)
Activation record for caller function B	Local storage
	Saved regs
	Arguments (optional)
Activation record for caller's caller function A	Local storage
	Saved regs
	Arguments (optional)
Activation record for caller's caller's caller function main	Local storage
	Saved regs
	Arguments (optional)

<- Stack pointer
while executing C

<- Stack pointer
while executing B

<- Stack pointer
while executing A

<- Stack pointer
while executing main

Addressing Automatic Variables

- Program must allocate space on stack for variables
- Stack addressing uses an offset from the stack pointer: `[sp, #offset]`
 - One byte used for offset, is multiplied by four
 - Possible offsets: 0, 4, 8, ..., 1020 bytes
 - Maximum range addressable this way is 1024 bytes

Address	Contents
SP	
SP+4	
SP+8	
SP+0xC	
SP+0x10	
SP+0x14	
SP+0x18	
SP+0x1C	
SP+0x20	

Example Code

```
int siA;
void static_auto_local() {
    int aiB;
    static int siC=3;
    int * apD;
    int aiE=4, aiF=5, aiG=6;

    siA = 2;
    aiB = siC + siA;
    apD = & aiB;
    (*apD)++;
    apD = &siC;
    (*apD) += 9;
    apD = &siA;
    apD = &aiE;
    apD = &aiF;
    apD = &aiG;
    (*apD)++;
    aiE+=7;
    *apD = aiE + aiF;
}
```

Automatic Variables

Address	Contents
SP	aiG
SP+4	aiF
SP+8	aiE
SP+0xC	aiB
SP+0x10	r0
SP+0x14	r1
SP+0x18	r2
SP+0x1C	r3
SP+0x20	lr

- Initialize aiE
- Initialize aiF
- Initialize aiG

- Store value for aiB

```
;;;14      void static_auto_local(
void ) {
000000    b50f    PUSH    {r0-r3,lr}
;;;15    int aiB;
;;;16    static int siC=3;
;;;17    int * apD;
;;;18    int aiE=4, aiF=5, aiG=6;
000002    2104    MOVS     r1,#4
000004    9102    STR      r1,[sp,#8]
000006    2105    MOVS     r1,#5
000008    9101    STR      r1,[sp,#4]
00000a    2106    MOVS     r1,#6
00000c    9100    STR      r1,[sp,#0]
...
;;;21      aiB = siC + siA;
...
00001c    9103    STR      r1,[sp,#0xc]
```



USING POINTERS

Example Code

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    (*apD)++;
    aiE+=7;
    *apD = aiE + aiF;
}
```


Using Pointers to Automatic Variables

- C Pointer: a variable which holds the data's address
- aiB is on stack at SP+0xc
- Compute r0 with **variable's address** from **stack pointer and offset (0xc)**
- Load r1 with variable's value from memory
- Operate on r1, save back to **variable's address**

```
;;;22      apD = & aiB;
00001e    a803  ADD    r0,sp,#0xc
;;;23      (*apD)++;
000020    6801  LDR    r1,[r0,#0]
000022    1c49  ADDS   r1,r1,#1
000024    6001  STR    r1,[r0,#0]
```

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Using Pointers to Static Variables

- Load r0 with variable's address from address of copy of variable's address
- Load r1 with variable's value from memory
- Operate on r1, save back to variable's address

```

;;;24      apD = &siC;
000026    4833  LDR  r0, |L1.244|
;;;25      (*apD) += 9;
000028    6801      LDR    r1, [r0, #0]
00002a    3109      ADDS   r1, r1, #9
00002c    6001      STR    r1, [r0, #0]
|L1.244|

          DCD      ||siC||
          AREA  ||.data||, DATA, ALIGN=2

||siC||

          DCD      0x00000003

```



ARRAY ACCESS



Array Access

- What does it take to get at an array element in memory?
 - Depends on how many dimensions
 - Depends on element size and row width
 - Depends on location, which depends on storage type (static, automatic, dynamic)

```
unsigned char buff2[3];  
unsigned short int buff3[5][7];
```

```
unsigned int arrays(unsigned char n,  
unsigned char j) {  
    volatile unsigned int i;  
  
    i = buff2[0] + buff2[n];  
    i += buff3[n][j];  
  
    return i;  
}
```

Accessing 1-D Array Elements

- Need to calculate element address, that is sum of:
 - array start address
 - offset: index * element size
- buff2 is array of **unsigned characters**
- Move n (argument) from r0 into r2
- Load r3 with pointer to buff2
- Load (byte) r3 with first element of buff2
- Load r4 with pointer to buff2
- Load (byte) r4 with element at address buff2+r2
 - r2 holds argument n
- Add r3 and r4 to form sum

Address	Contents
buff2	buff2[0]
buff2 + 1	buff2[1]
buff2 + 2	buff2[2]

```
;;;74 unsigned int arrays(unsigned char
n, unsigned char j) {
00009e 4602      MOV      r2,r0
;;;75 volatile unsigned int i;
;;;76      i = buff2[0] + buff2[n];
0000a0 4b1b      LDR       r3,|L1.272|
0000a2 781b      LDRB      r3,[r3,#0]
0000a4 4c1a      LDR       r4,|L1.272|
0000a6 5ca4      LDRB      r4,[r4,r2]
0000a8 1918      ADDS      r0,r3,r4
|L1.272|
                                DCD      buff2
```

Accessing 2-D Array Elements

`short int buff3[5][7]`

Address	Contents
buff3	buff3[0][0]
buff3+1	
buff3+2	buff3[0][1]
buff3+3	
(etc.)	
buff3+10	buff3[0][5]
buff3+11	
buff3+12	buff3[0][6]
buff3+13	
buff3+14	buff3[1][0]
buff3+15	
buff3+16	buff3[1][1]
buff3+17	
buff3+18	buff3[1][2]
buff3+19	
(etc.)	
buff3+68	buff3[4][6]
buff3+69	

- `var[rows][columns]`
- Sizes
 - Element: **2 bytes**
 - Row: $7 \times 2 \text{ bytes} = 14 \text{ bytes (0xe)}$
- Offset based on row index and column index
 - $\text{column offset} = \text{column index} * \text{element size}$
 - $\text{row offset} = \text{row index} * \text{row size}$

Code to Access 2-D Array

- Load r3 with row size
- Multiply by row number (n, r2) to put row offset in r3
- Load r4 with address of buff3
- Add buff3 address to row offset in r3
- Shift column number (j is mapped to r1) left by one
 - Which is multiplying by 2 (bytes/element)
- Load (halfword) r3 with element at address r3+r4 (buff3 + row offset + col. offset)
- Add r3 into variable i (variable i is mapped to r0)

```

;;;77          i += buff3[n][j];
0000aa  230e  MOVS  r3,#0xe
0000ac  4353  MULS  r3,r2,r3

0000ae  4c19  LDR   r4,|L1.276|

0000b0  191b  ADDS  r3,r3,r4

0000b2  004c  LSLS  r4,r1,#1

0000b4  5b1b  LDRH  r3,[r3,r4]

0000b6  1818  ADDS  r0,r3,r0

|L1.276|

DCD     buff3
  
```




FUNCTION PROLOG AND EPILOG



Prolog and Epilog

- A function's P&E are responsible for creating and destroying its activation record
- Remember AAPCS
 - **Scratch** registers r0-r3 are not expected to be preserved upon returning from a called subroutine, can be overwritten
 - **Preserved** ("variable") registers r4-r8, r10-r11 must have their original values upon returning from a called subroutine
 - Prolog must **save** preserved registers on stack
 - Epilog must **restore** preserved registers from stack
- Prolog also may
 - Handle function arguments
 - Allocate temporary storage space on stack (subtract from SP)
- Epilog
 - May deallocate stack space (add to SP)
 - Returns control to calling function



Return Address

- Return address stored in LR by bl, blx instructions
- Consider case where a() calls b() which calls c()
 - On entry to b(), LR holds return address in a()
 - When b() calls c(), LR will be overwritten with return address in b()
 - After c() returns, b() will have lost its return address
- If a function calls a subroutine,
 - Yes-> must save and restore LR on stack just like other preserved registers, but LR value is popped into PC rather than LR
 - No-> don't need to save or restore LR, as it will not be modified

Function Prolog and Epilog

- Save r4 (preserved register) and link register (return address)
- Allocate 32 (0x20) bytes on stack for array x by subtracting from SP
- Compute return value, placing in return register r0
- Deallocate 32 bytes from stack
- Pop r4 (preserved register) and PC (return address)

```
fun4 PROC
;;;102  int fun4(char a, int b, char c) {
00010a  b510      PUSH    {r4,lr}
;;;103      volatile int x[8];
00010c  b088      SUB     sp,sp,#0x20
...

;;;106      return a+b+c;
00011c  1858      ADDS    r0,r0,r1
00011e  1880      ADDS    r0,r0,r2
;;;107      }
000120  b008      ADD     sp,sp,#0x20

000122  bd10      POP     {r4,pc}
ENDP
```

Activation Record Creation by Prolog

Smaller
address

space for x[0]	Array x
space for x[1]	
space for x[2]	
space for x[3]	
space for x[4]	
space for x[5]	
space for x[6]	
space for x[7]	
lr	Return address
r4	Preserved register
	Caller's stack frame

Larger
address

**<- 3. SP after sub
sp,sp,#0x20**

<- 2. SP after push {r4,lr}

**<- 1. SP on entry to
function, before push
{r4,lr}**

Activation Record Destruction by Epilog

Smaller
address

space for x[0]	Array x
space for x[1]	
space for x[2]	
space for x[3]	
space for x[4]	
space for x[5]	
space for x[6]	
space for x[7]	
lr	Return address
r4	Preserved register
	Caller's stack frame

Larger
address

**<- 1. SP before add
sp,sp,#0x20**

**<- 2. SP after add
sp,sp,#20**

<- 3. SP after pop {r4,pc}



CALLING FUNCTIONS



Function Arguments and Return Values

- First, pass the arguments
 - **How to pass them?**
 - Much faster to use registers than stack
 - But quantity of registers is limited
 - **Basic rules**
 - Process arguments in order they appear in source code
 - Round size up to be a multiple of 4 bytes
 - Copy arguments into core registers (r0-r3), aligning doubles to even-numbered registers
 - Copy remaining arguments onto stack, aligning doubles to even addresses
 - Specific rules in AAPCS, Section 5.5
- Second, call the function
 - Usually as subroutine with branch link (bl) or branch link and exchange instruction (blx)
 - Exceptions in AAPCS

AAPCS Core Register Use

Register	Synonym	Special	Role in the procedure call standard
r15		PC	The Program Counter.
r14		LR	The Link Register.
r13		SP	The Stack Pointer.
r12		IP	The Intra-Procedure-call scratch register.
r11	v8		Variable-register 8.
r10	v7		Variable-register 7.
r9		v6 SB TR	Platform register. The meaning of this register is defined by the platform standard.
r8	v5		Variable-register 5.
r7	v4		Variable register 4.
r6	v3		Variable register 3.
r5	v2		Variable register 2.
r4	v1		Variable register 1.
r3	a4		Argument / scratch register 4.
r2	a3		Argument / scratch register 3.
r1	a2		Argument / result / scratch register 2.
r0	a1		Argument / result / scratch register 1.

Return Values

- Callee passes Return Value in register(s) or stack
- Registers
- Stack
 - Caller function allocates space for return value, then passes pointer to space as an argument to callee
 - Callee stores result at location indicated by pointer

Return value size	Registers used for passing	
	Fundamental Data Type	Composite Data Type
1-4 bytes	r0	r0
8 bytes	r0-r1	stack
16 bytes	r0-r3	stack
Indeterminate size	n/a	stack

Call Example: Calling Function

```
int fun2(int arg2_1, int arg2_2) {  
    int i;  
    arg2_2 += fun3(arg2_1, 4, 5, 6);  
    ...  
}
```

- Argument 4 into r3
- Argument 3 into r2
- Argument 2 into r1
- Argument 0 into r0
- Call fun3 with BL instruction
- Result was returned in r0, so add to r4 (arg2_2 += result)

```
fun2 PROC  
;;;85      int fun2(int arg2_1, int  
arg2_2) {  
    ...  
0000e0    2306      MOVS    r3,#6  
0000e2    2205      MOVS    r2,#5  
0000e4    2104      MOVS    r1,#4  
0000e6    4630      MOV     r0,r6  
  
0000e8    f7ffffffe BL     fun3  
  
0000ec    1904      ADDS    r4,r0,r4
```

r4 ve r6: arbitrary values

Call and Return Example

```
int fun3(int arg3_1, int arg3_2,  
        int arg3_3, int arg3_4) {  
    return  arg3_1*arg3_2*  
           arg3_3*arg3_4;  
}
```

- Save r4 and Link Register on stack
- $r0 = \text{arg3_1} * \text{arg3_2}$
- $r0 *= \text{arg3_3}$
- $r0 *= \text{arg3_4}$
- Restore r4 and return from subroutine
- Return value is in r0

```
fun3 PROC  
;;;81      int fun3(int arg3_1, int  
arg3_2, int arg3_3, int arg3_4) {
```

```
0000ba    b510      PUSH    {r4,lr}
```

```
0000c0    4348      MULS    r0,r1,r0
```

```
0000c2    4350      MULS    r0,r2,r0
```

```
0000c4    4358      MULS    r0,r3,r0
```

```
0000c6    bd10      POP     {r4,pc}
```



CONTROL FLOW

Control Flow: Conditionals and Loops

- How does the compiler implement conditionals and loops?

```
if (x){  
    y++;  
} else {  
    y--;  
}
```

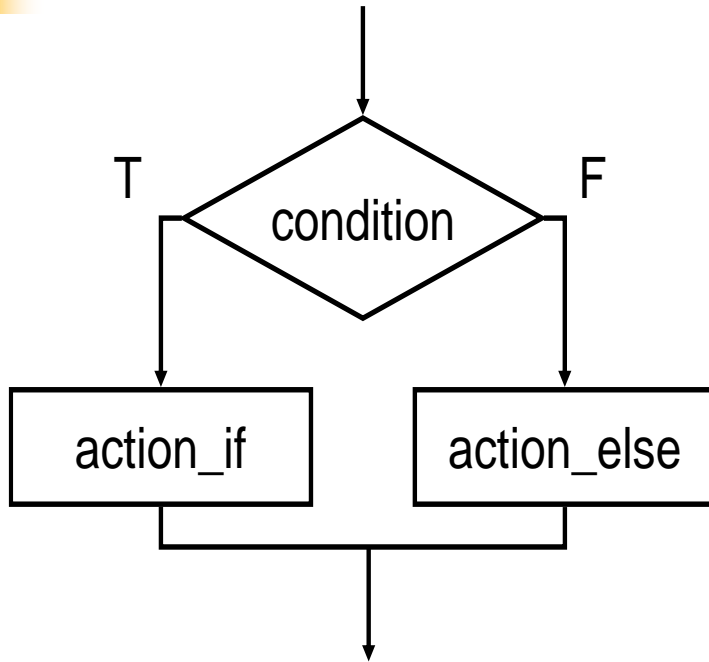
```
switch (x) {  
    case 1:  
        y += 3;  
        break;  
    case 31:  
        y -= 5;  
        break;  
    default:  
        y--;  
        break;  
}
```

```
while (x<10) {  
    x = x + 1;  
}
```

```
for (i = 0; i < 10;  
i++){  
    x += i;  
}
```

```
do {  
    x += 2;  
} while (x < 20);
```

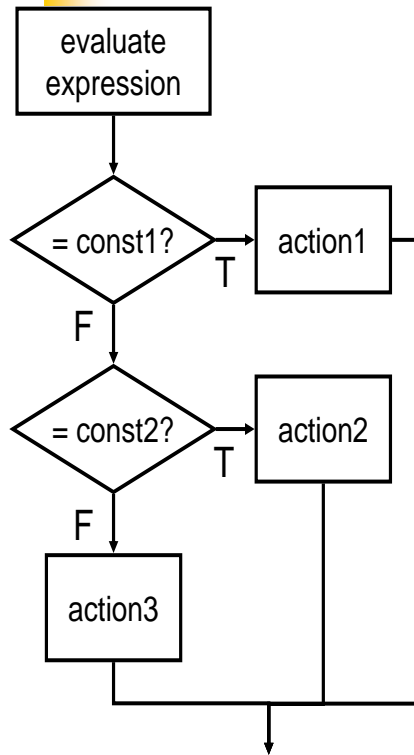
Control Flow: If/Else



```
if (x){  
    y++;  
} else {  
    y--;  
}
```

```
;;;39          if (x){  
000056    2900    CMP    r1,#0  
000058    d001    BEQ    |L1.94|  
;;;40          y++;  
00005a    1c52    ADDS   r2,r2,#1  
00005c    e000    B      |L1.96|  
  
          |L1.94|  
;;;41          } else {  
;;;42          y--;  
00005e    1e52    SUBS   r2,r2,#1  
  
          |L1.96|  
;;;43          }
```

Control Flow: Switch



```

switch (x) {
  case 1:
    y += 3;
    break;
  case 31:
    y -= 5;
    break;
  default:
    y--;
    break;
}
  
```

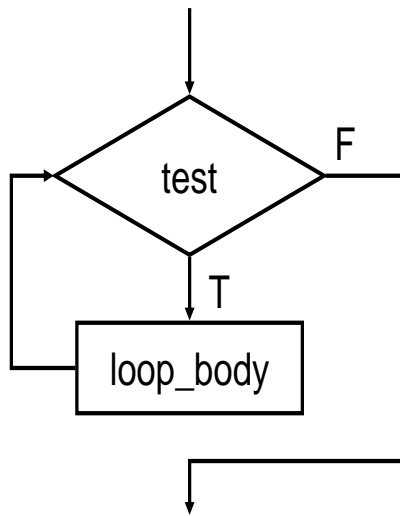
```

;;;45      switch (x) {
000060    2901      CMP    r1,#1
000062    d002      BEQ    |L1.106|
000064    291f      CMP    r1,#0x1f
000066    d104      BNE    |L1.114|
000068    e001      B      |L1.110|
  
```

```

|L1.106|
;;;46      case 1:
;;;47          y += 3;
00006a    1cd2      ADDS    r2,r2,#3
;;;48          break;
00006c    e003      B      |L1.118|
|L1.110|
;;;49      case 31:
;;;50          y -= 5;
00006e    1f52      SUBS    r2,r2,#5
;;;51          break;
000070    e001      B      |L1.118|
|L1.114|
;;;52      default:
;;;53          y--;
000072    1e52      SUBS    r2,r2,#1
;;;54          break;
000074    bf00      NOP
|L1.118|
000076    bf00      NOP
;;;55      }
  
```

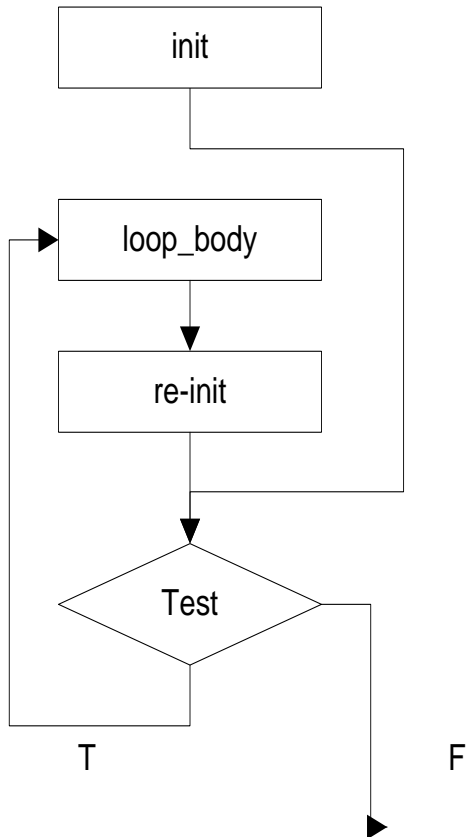

Iteration: While



;;;57		while (x<10) {	
000078	e000	B	L1.124
			L1.122
;;;58		x = x + 1;	
00007a	1c49	ADDS	r1,r1,#1
			L1.124
00007c	290a	CMP	r1,#0xa ;57
00007e	d3fc	BCC	L1.122
;;;59		}	

```
while (x<10) {  
    x = x + 1;  
}
```

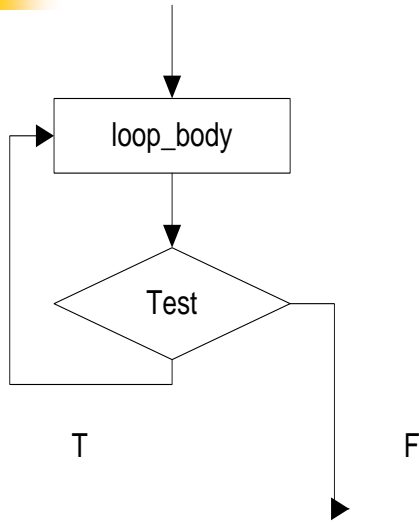
Iteration: For



```
for (i = 0; i < 10; i++){  
    x += i;  
}
```

```
;;;61      for (i = 0; i < 10; i++){  
000080    2300      MOVS    r3,#0  
000082    e001      B      |L1.136|  
  
          |L1.132|  
;;;62      x += i;  
000084    18c9      ADDS    r1,r1,r3  
000086    1c5b      ADDS    r3,r3,#1      ;61  
  
          |L1.136|  
000088    2b0a      CMP     r3,#0xa      ;61  
00008a    d3fb      BCC     |L1.132|  
;;;63      }
```

Iteration: Do/While



```
do {  
    x += 2;  
} while (x < 20);
```

```
;;;65      do {  
00008c    bf00      NOP  
  
                |L1.142|  
;;;66      x += 2;  
00008e    1c89      ADDS    r1,r1,#2  
;;;67      } while (x < 20);  
000090    2914      CMP     r1,#0x14  
000092    d3fc      BCC     |L1.142|
```



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