

Exercise: Stack Frame for a Function Invocation

The stack frame for a function invocation contains arguments (in reverse order), return address, frame pointer of caller, and local variables. Remember the stack grows towards the low address.

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void func(int a, char b, int c) {  
    short x = 5;  
    char d[] = "ABC";  
    char e[6];  
    ...  
}
```

An **int** type requires 4 bytes of memory, a **short** type takes 2 bytes of memory, and a **char** type takes 1 byte of memory. Return address (RA) and previous frame pointer (PFP) fields take 4 bytes each. Assume that the storage for local variables is allocated in the order of declaration in the source code and the stack protector/guard is not enabled. Assume the program is run on a little-endian machine.

Show where the storage/value for a, b, c, x, d, e, RA and PFP is allocated/stored in the stack frame. Show where the current frame pointer during the func () invocation points at in the stack frame.

Important: each cell in the stack segment memory block below represents one byte (8 bits) of memory.

High address	c (MSB) c c c (LSB) b a (MSB) a a a (LSB) RA (MSB) RA RA RA (LSB) PFP (MSB) PFP PFP PFP (LSB) x (MSB): 00000000 x (LSB): 00000101 d[3]: '\0' d[2]: 'C' d[1]: 'B' d[0]: 'A' e[5] e[4] e[3] e[2] e[1] e[0]
CFP/EIP →	
Low address	