

Exercise: Stack Frames for Function Invocations

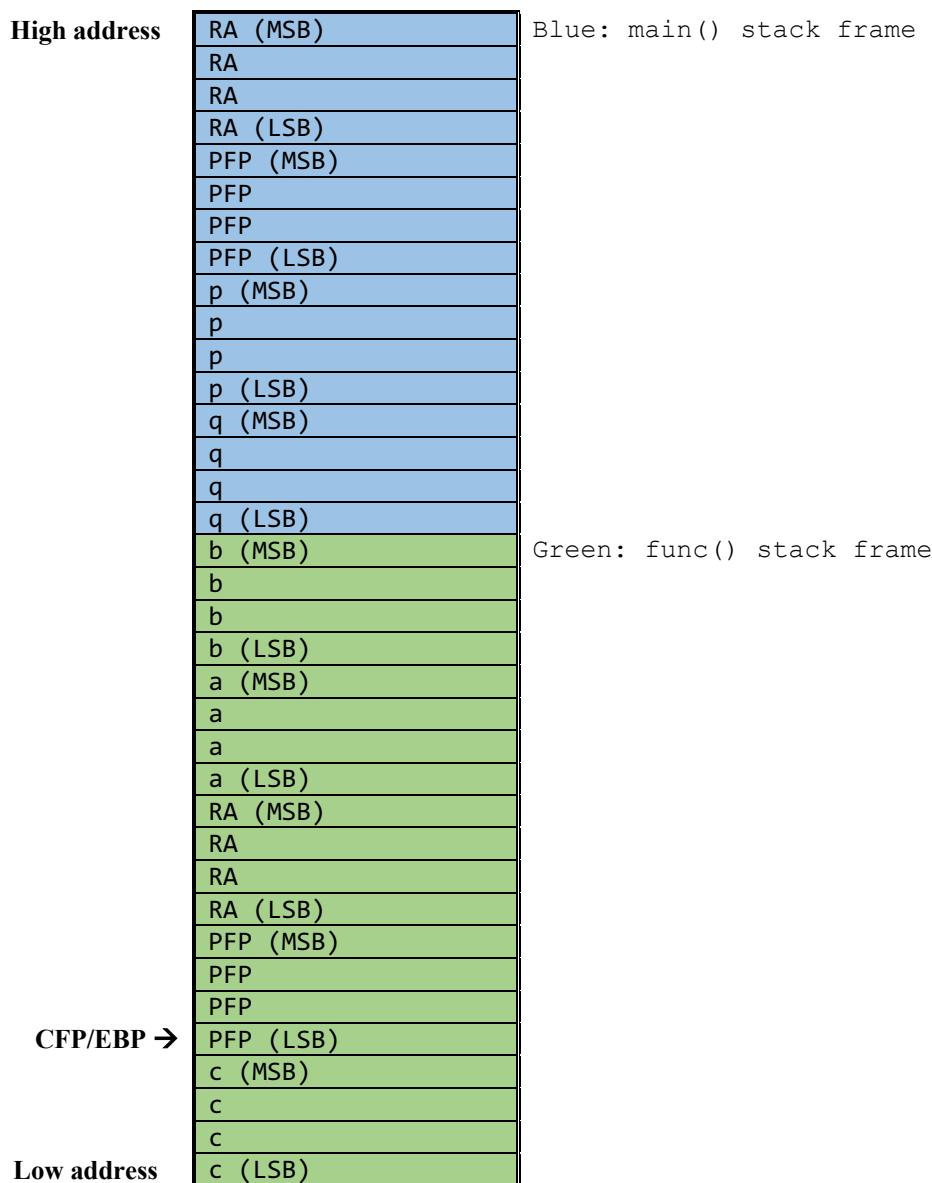
The stack frame for a function invocation contains arguments (in reverse order), return address, frame pointer of caller, and local variables. Remember the stack grows towards the low address.

```
int main() {  
    int p = 5, q = 10;  
    printf("%d\n", func(p,q));  
}  
  
void func(int a, int b) {  
    int c = a + b;  
    return c;  
}
```

An **int** type requires 4 bytes 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 the stack frames that you will find on the stack when the program is currently executing inside the `func()`. 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.



Stack frame with values for p, q, a, and b:

High address	RA (MSB)	Blue: main() stack frame
	RA	
	RA	
	RA (LSB)	
	PFP (MSB)	
	PFP	
	PFP	
	PFP (LSB)	
	p (MSB): 00000000	
	p: 00000000	
	p: 00000000	
	p (LSB): 00000101	
	q (MSB): 00000000	
	q: 00000000	
	q: 00000000	
	q (LSB): 00001010	
	b (MSB): 00000000	Green: func() stack frame
	b: 00000000	
	b: 00000000	
	b (LSB): 00001010	
	a (MSB): 00000000	
	a: 00000000	
	a: 00000000	
	a (LSB): 00000101	
	RA (MSB)	
	RA	
	RA	
	RA (LSB)	
	PFP (MSB)	
	PFP	
	PFP	
	PFP (LSB)	
CFP/EBP →	c (MSB)	
	c	
	c	
Low address	c (LSB)	