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# UCSD CSE 30

## Aarch32 Assembly –Load & Store, Bit Ops, Functions

Week 8

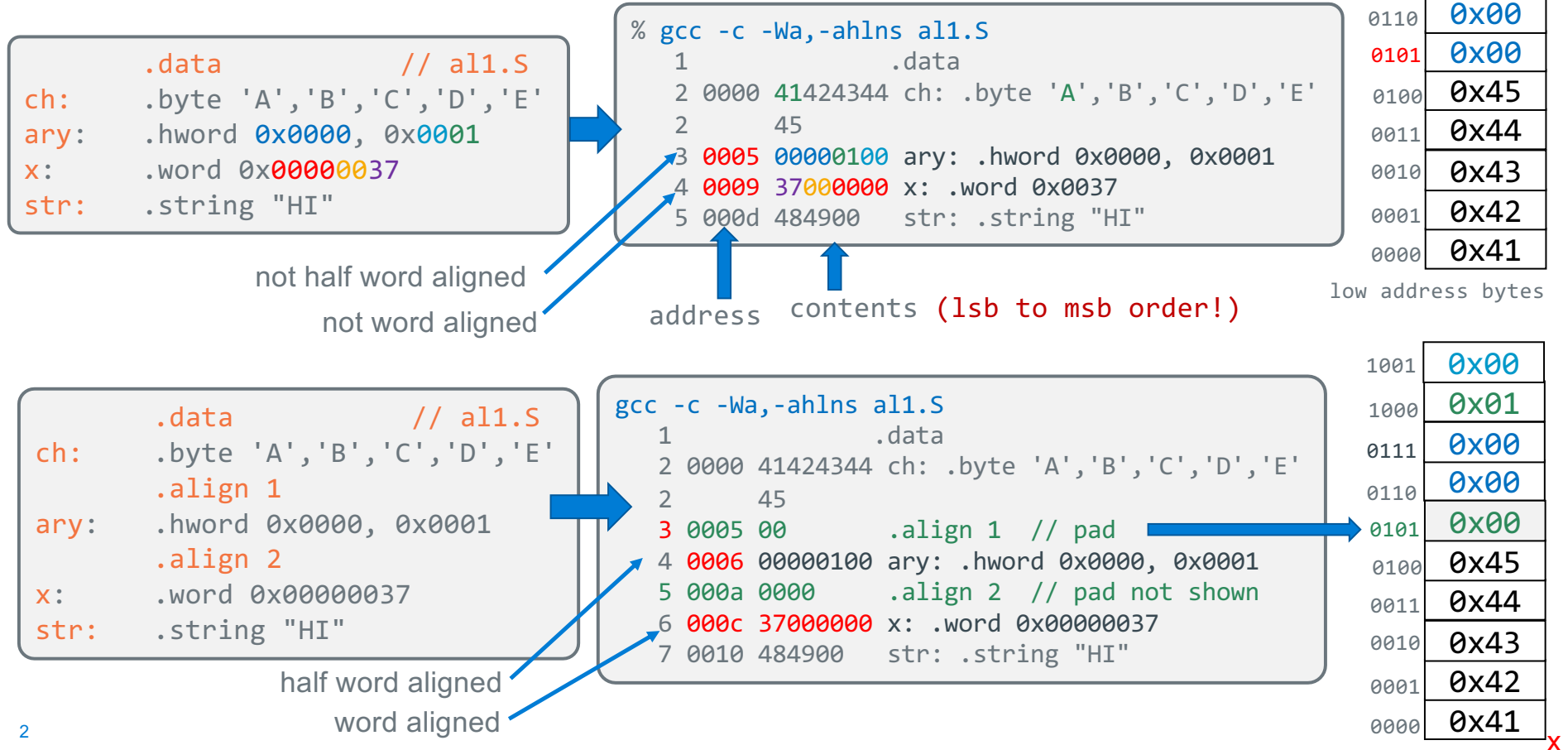
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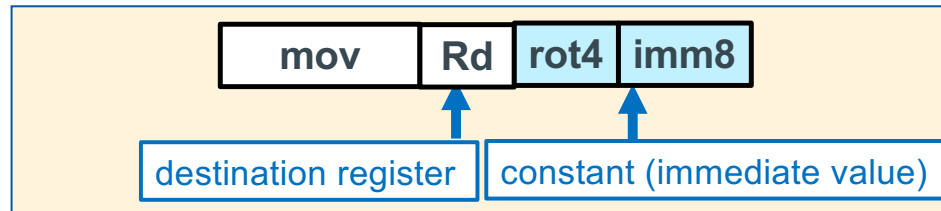
# Data Segment Alignments

## .bss, .data and ,section .rodata

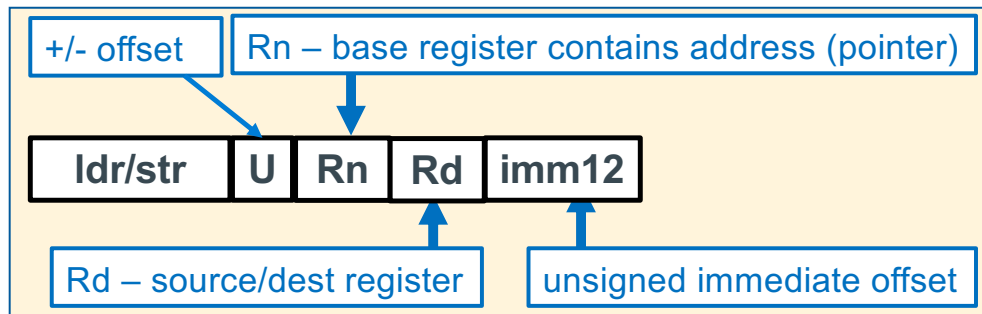


## Review From Earlier week: How to Access Memory?

- Address space is 32 bits wide – **POINTERS** in registers



**rot4/imm8 is too small**

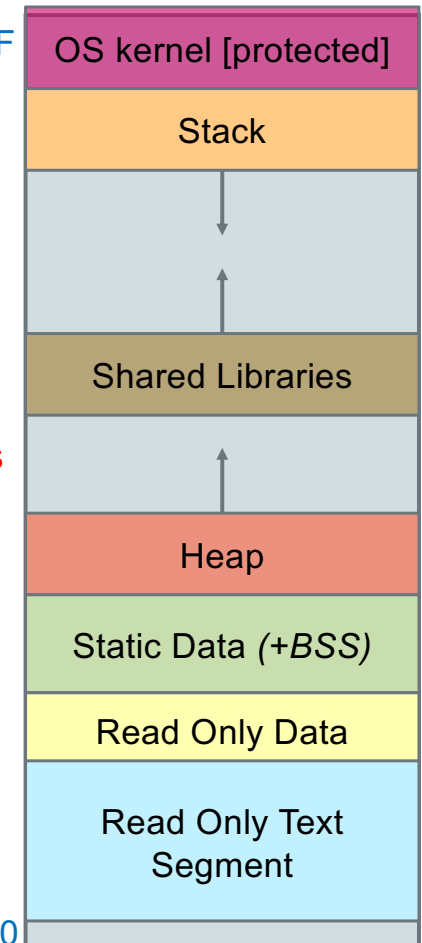


**Even if you changed the instruction to reuse the base register bits (4 bits) + imm12 to get 16-bits, it is still too small!**

0xFF...FF

**32-bit  
Address  
space**

0x00...00



# How to Access variables in a Data Segment

assembly source file ex.S

- Assembler **creates a table of pointers** in the **text segment** called the **literal table**
  - Each entry contains a **32-bit Label address**
  - The table is located within than 12 bits of address offset from the instruction being executed (the PC has the address of the current instruction + 8 in it), so r15 is the base register
- Tell the assembler to use a literal table to get the address of a label into a register:

`ldr/str Rd, =Label // Rd = address`

to **load** a **memory** variable

1. load the pointer
2. read (load) from the pointer

to **store** to a **memory** variable

1. load the pointer
2. write (store) to the pointer

```
.bss
y: .space 4

.data
x: .word 200

.section .rodata
.Lmsg: .string "Hello World"

.text
// function header
main:

// load the contents into r2
ldr r2, =x      // int *r2 = &x
ldr r2, [r2]    // r2 = *r2;
// &x was only needed once above

// store the contents of r0
ldr r1, =y      // r1 = &y
str r0, [r1]    // y = r0
// keeping &y in r1 above

...
```

## Literal Table (Array) each entry is a pointer to a different Label

- Assembler automatically inserts into the text segment an array (table) of pointers
- Each entry contains a 32-bit address of one of the labels
- Uses r15 (PC) as base register to load the entry into a reg

*displacement (bytes) - 8*

The assembler creates this table before generating the .o file

```
.bss
y: .space 4
.data
x: .word 200
.section .rodata
.Lmsg: .string "Hello World"
.text
main:
(address)ldr r0, [PC, displacement] // replaces: ldr r0, =y
    <last line of your assembly, typically a function return>
.word y // entry #1 32-bit address for y
.word x // entry #2 32-bit address for x
.word .Lmsg // entry #3 32-bit address for .Lmsg
```

## Literal Table (Array) each entry is a pointer to a different Label

The displacement is different for each use. As the PC is different at each instruction

```
.bss
y: .space 4
.data
x: .word 200

.section .rodata
.Lmsg: .string "Hello World"
.text
main:
(address)ldr r0, [PC, displacement1] // replaces: ldr r0, =y
(address)ldr r0, [PC, displacement2] // replaces: ldr r0, =y
<last line of your assembly, typically a function return>
.word y // entry #1 32-bit address for y
.word x // entry #2 32-bit address for x
.word .Lmsg // entry #3 32-bit address for .Lmsg
```

displacement1 - 8

displacement2 - 8



## Using ldr for immediate values too big for mov, add, sub, and, etc

- In data processing instructions, the field **imm8 + rotate 4 bits** is too small to store many numbers outside of the range of -256 to 255, how do you get larger immediate values into a register?



fails



```
mov    r0, 1023
```

xxx.s:24: Error: invalid constant (3ff) after fixup

replacement



```
ldr    r0, =1023
```

- Answer: use **ldr** instruction with the constant as an operand: **=constant**
- Assembler creates a **literal table entry** with the **constant**

```
ldr    Rd, =constant    // =constant
ldr    r1, =0x2468abcd   // loads the constant 0x246abcd into r1
```

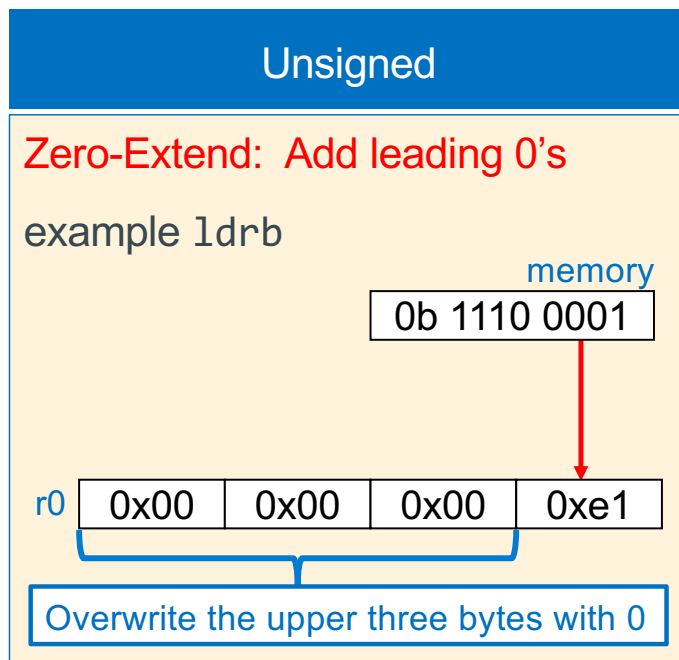
## Loading and Storing: Variations List

- Load and store have **variations** that move 8-bits, 16-bits and 32-bits
- Load into a register with less than 32-bits will **set the upper bits not filled from memory differently depending** on which **variation of the load instruction** is used
- Store will only select the lower 8-bit, lower 16-bits or all 32-bits of the register to copy to memory

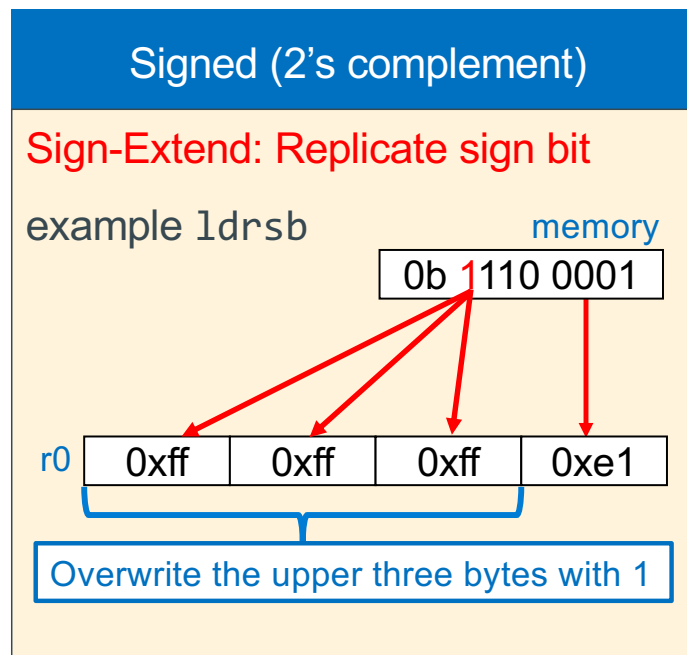
Instruction	Meaning	Sign Extension	Memory Address Requirement
<b>ldrsb</b>	load signed byte	sign extension	none (any byte)
<b>ldrb</b>	load unsigned byte	zero fill (extension)	none (any byte)
<b>ldrsh</b>	load signed halfword	sign extension	halfword (2-byte aligned)
<b>ldrh</b>	load unsigned halfword	zero fill (extension)	halfword (2-byte aligned)
<b>ldr</b>	load word	---	word (4-byte aligned)
<b>strb</b>	store low byte (bits 0-7)	---	none (any byte)
<b>strh</b>	store halfword (bits 0-15)	---	halfword (2-byte aligned)
<b>str</b>	store word (bits 0-31)	---	word (4-byte aligned)



## Loading 32-bit Registers From Memory Variables < 32-Bits Wide

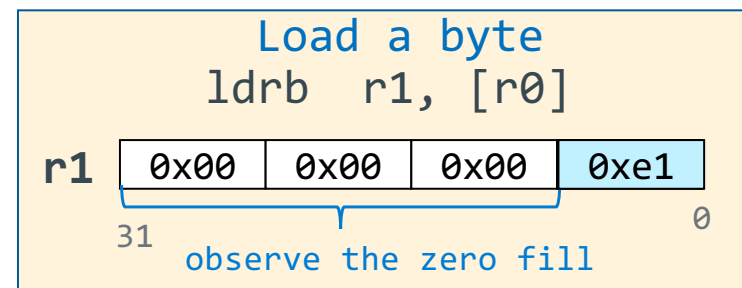
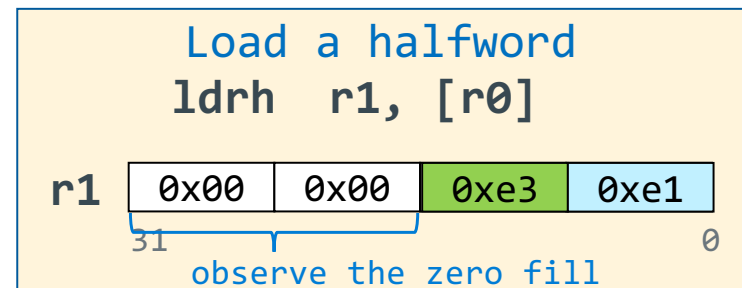
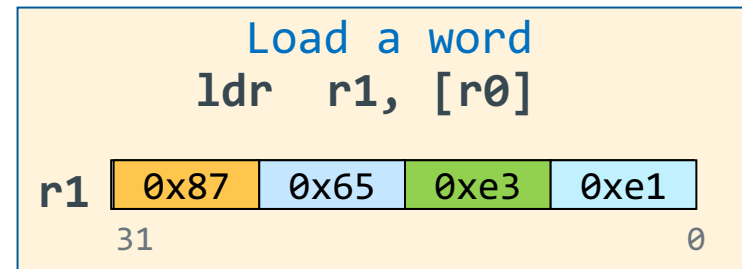
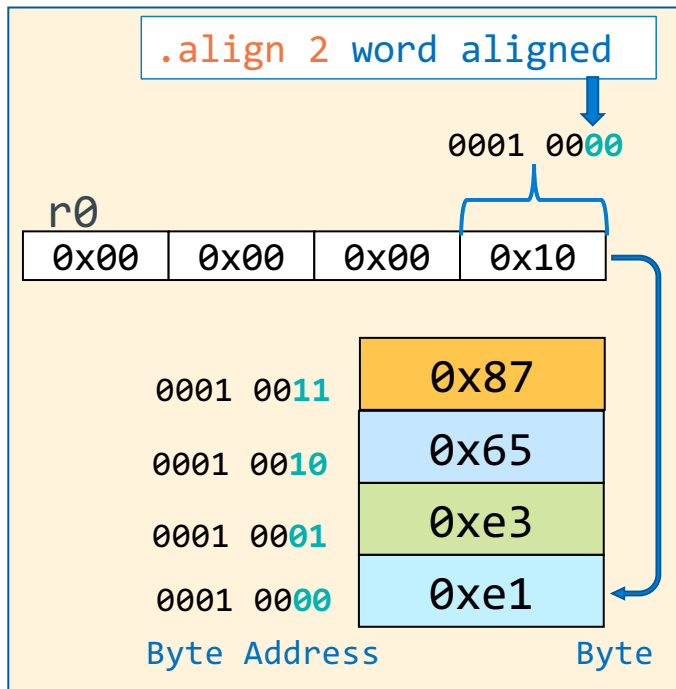


Instructions that zero-extend:  
`ldrb`, `ldrh`

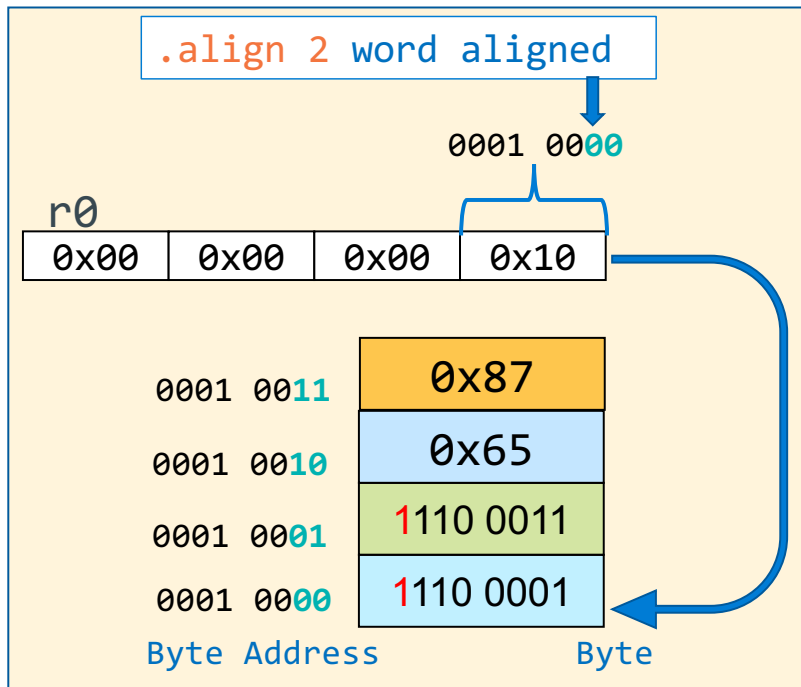


Instructions that sign-extend:  
`ldrsb`, `ldrsh`

## Load a Byte, Half-word, Word

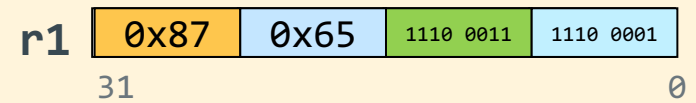


## Signed Load a Byte, Half-word, Word



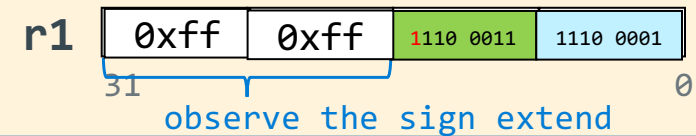
Load a word (no change)

`ldr r1, [r0]`



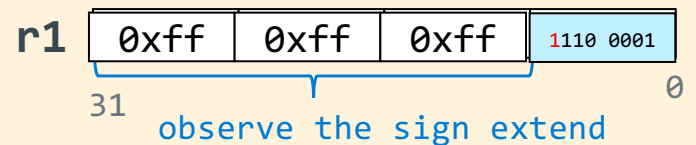
Load a halfword

`ldrsh r1, [r0]`

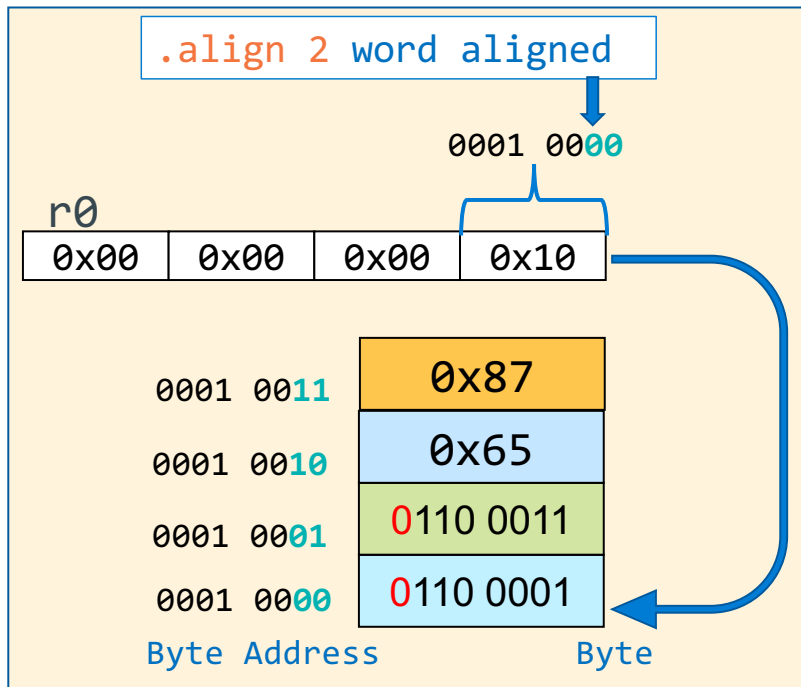


Load a byte

`ldrsb r1, [r0]`

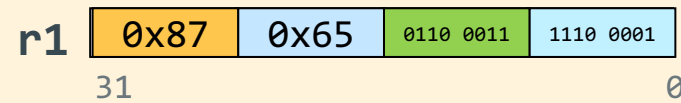


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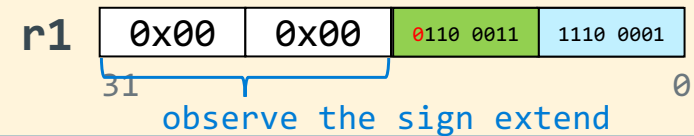
Load a word (no change)

`ldr r1, [r0]`



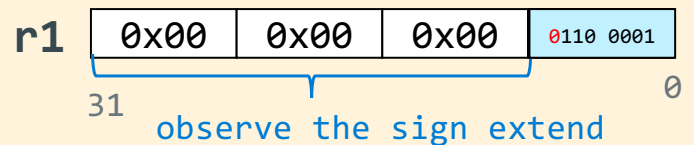
Load a halfword

`ldrsh r1, [r0]`

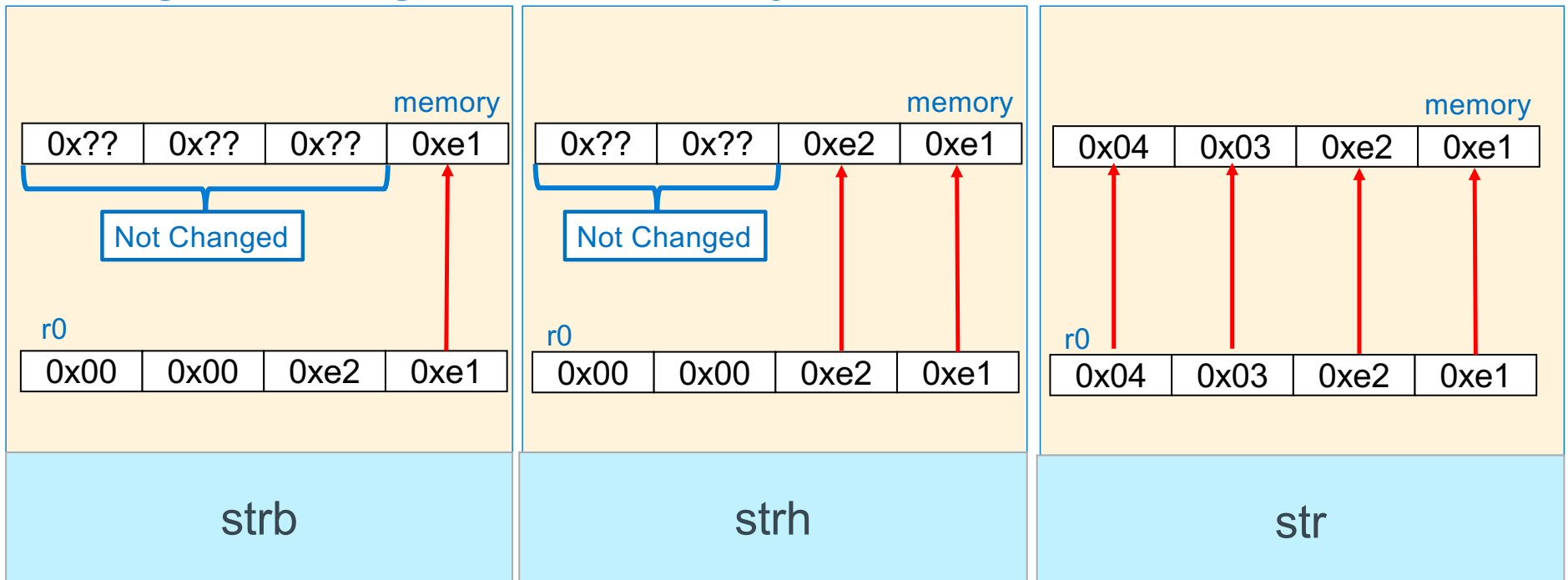


Load a byte

`ldrsb r1, [r0]`



## Storing 32-bit Registers To Memory 8-bit, 16-bit, 32-bit



# Store a Byte, Half-word, Word

initial value in r0

0x20	0x00	0x00	0x00
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**Store a byte**  
`strb r1, [r0]`

r1: 31 0x87 0x65 0xe3 0xe1 0

Byte Address	Byte
0x20000003	0x33
0x20000002	0x22
0x20000001	0x11
0x20000000	0xe1

observe other bytes NOT altered

**Store a halfword**  
`strh r1, [r0]`

r1: 31 0x87 0x65 0xe3 0xe1 0

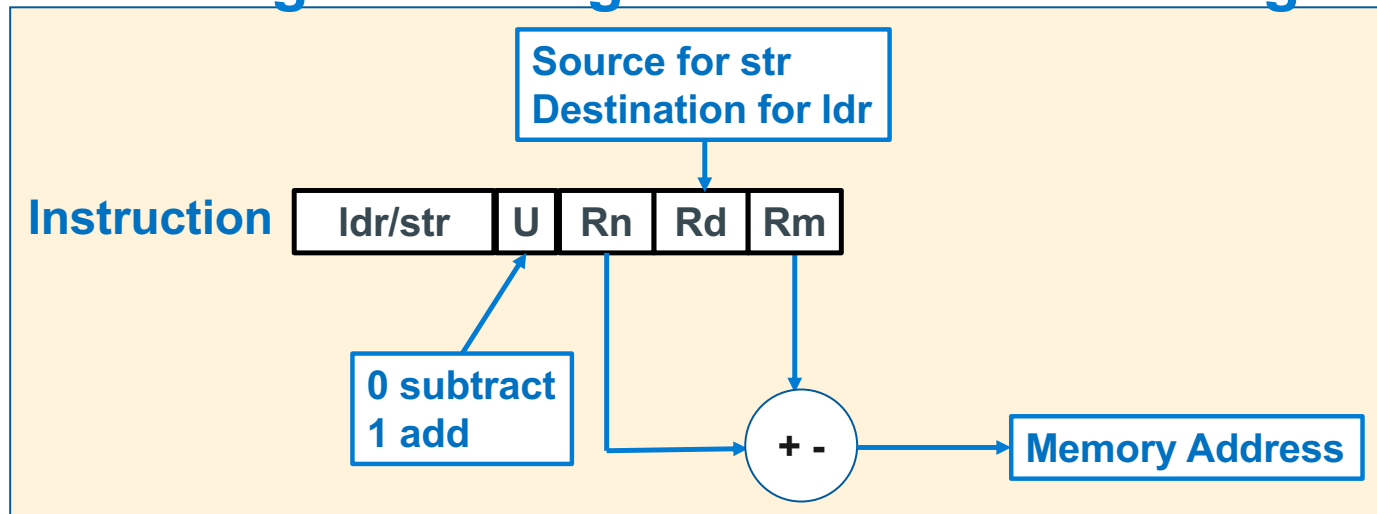
Byte Address	Byte
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0x20000001	0xe3
0x20000000	0xe1

**Store a word**  
`str r1, [r0]`

r1: 31 0x87 0x65 0xe3 0xe1 0

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0x20000000	0xe1

## ldr/str Base Register + Register Offset Addressing



**Pointer Address = Base Register + Register Offset**

- **Unsigned** offset integer **in a register (bytes)** is either added/subtracted from the **pointer address** in the **base register**

Syntax	Address	Examples
<code>ldr/str Rd, [Rn +/- Rm]</code>	$Rn + \text{or} - Rm$	<code>ldr r0, [r5, r4]</code> <code>str r1, [r5, r4]</code>



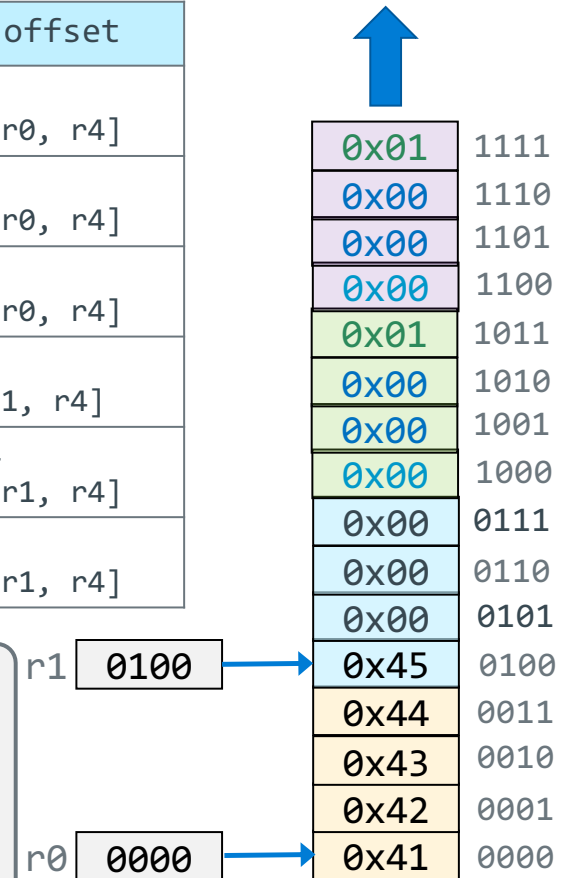
## Array addressing with ldr/str

Array element	Base addressing	Immediate offset	register offset
ch[0]	ldrb r2, [r0]	ldrb r2, [r0, 0]	mov r4, 0 ldrb r2, [r0, r4]
ch[1]	add r0, r0, 1 ldrb r2, [r0]	ldrb r2, [r0, 1]	mov r4, 1 ldrb r2, [r0, r4]
ch[2]	add r0, r0, 2 ldrb r2, [r0]	ldrb r2, [r0, 2]	mov r4, 2 ldrb r2, [r0, r4]
x[0]	ldr r2, [r1]	ldr r2, [r1, 0]	mov r4, 0 ldr r2, [r1, r4]
x[1]	add r1, r1, 4 ldrb r2, [r1]	ldrb r2, [r1, 4]	mov r4, 4 ldrb r2, [r1, r4]
x[2]	add r1, r1, 8 ldrb r2, [r1]	ldrb r2, [r1, 8]	mov r4, 8 ldrb r2, [r1, r4]

table rows are  
independent instructions

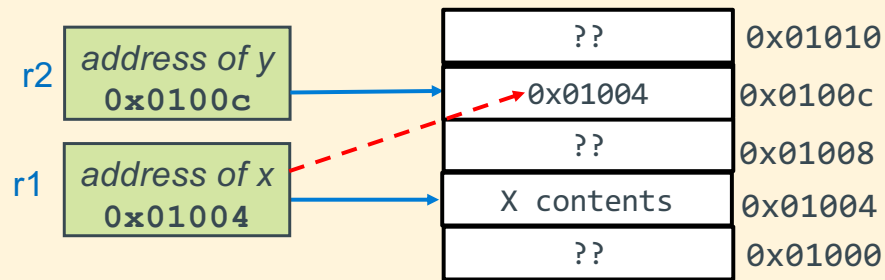
```

.data
ch:  .byte 0x41, 0x42, 0x43, 0x44
x:   .word 0x00000045
      .word 0x01000000
      .word 0x01020304
.text
ldr  r0, =ch
ldr  r1, =x
    
```



## ldr/str practice - 1

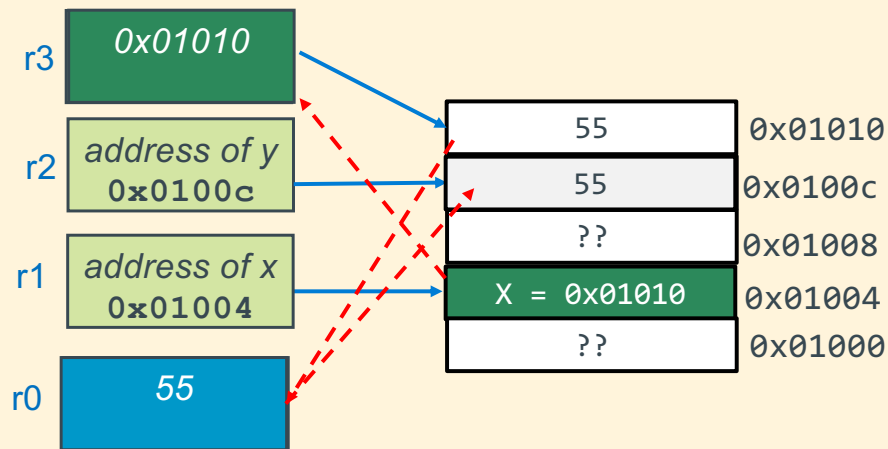
- r1 contains the Address of X (int X) in memory (register r1 points at X)
- r2 contains the Address of Y (int \*Y) in memory (register r2 points at Y)
- write Y = &X;



```
str    r1, [r2]    // y ← &x
```

## ldr/str practice - 2

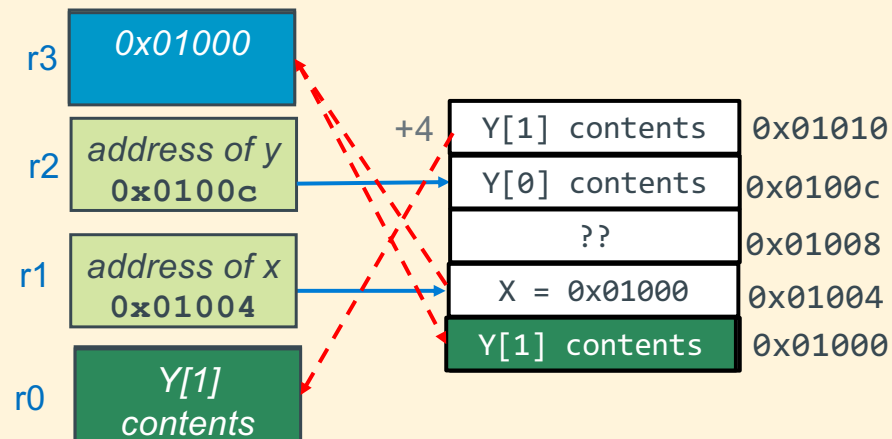
- r1 contains the Address of X (int \*X) in memory (r1 points at X)
- r2 contains the Address of Y (int Y) in memory (r2 points at Y)
- write Y = \*X;



```
ldr    r3, [r1]  // r3 ← x (read 1)
ldr    r0, [r3]  // r0 ← *x (read 2)
str    r0, [r2]  // y ← *x
```

## ldr/str practice - 3

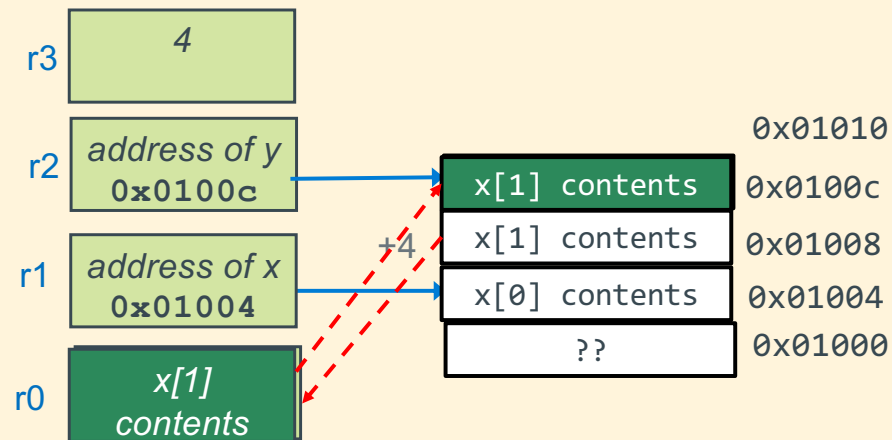
- r1 contains the Address of X (int \*X) in memory (r1 points at X)
- r2 contains the Address of Y (int Y[2]) in memory (r2 points at &Y[0])
- write `*X = Y[1];`



```
ldr    r0, [r2, 4]    // r0 ← y[1]
ldr    r3, [r1]       // r3 ← x
str     r0, [r3]       // *x ← y[1]
```

## ldr/str practice - 4

- r1 contains the Address of X (int X[2]) in memory (r1 points at &x[0])
- r2 contains the Address of Y (int Y) in memory (r2 points at Y)
- r3 contains a 4
- write `Y = X[1];`



```
ldr    r0, [r1, r3]  // r0 ← x[1]
```

```
str    r0, [r2]      // y ← x[1]
```

## Label (Address) Math

- You can have the assembler calculate some useful values for you
- One common use is calculating the distance in bytes between two labels
- The dot (.) refers to the address on the current line (the next byte after a previous space allocation)

```
.section .rodata
.Lst: .string "The value of x is %d\n"
.equ STSZ, (. - .Lst)    // number of bytes in .Lst includes \0
.equ STLEN, STSZ - 1    // string length of .Lst
```

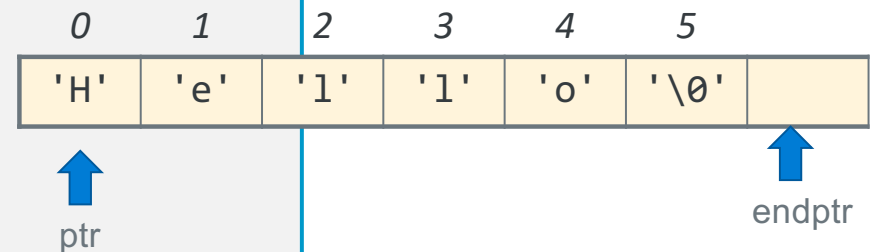
## Example: Base Register Addressing with Arrays

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

char msg[] = "Hello CSE30! We Are CountinG UpPER cASe letters!";

int
main(void)
{
    int cnt = 0;
    char *endpt = msg + sizeof(msg)/sizeof(*msg);
    char *ptr = msg;

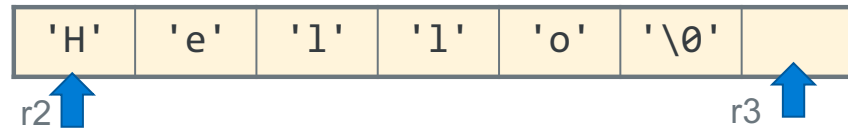
    while(ptr < endpt) {
        if ((*ptr >= 'A') && (*ptr <= 'Z'))
            cnt++;
        ptr++;
    }
    printf("%d\n", cnt);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```





## Example: Base Register Addressing with Arrays

- Iterates a pointer (r2) through the array
- r3 contains the address +1 past the end of the string
- MSGSZ is the size of the array (including the '\0' if you wanted to excluded the '\0', then subtract 1 from MSGSZ)



```

.data          // segment
msg:.string    "Hello CSE30! We Are Counting UpPER cASe letters!"
.equ          MSGSZ, (. - msg) // number of bytes in msg
.section .rodata
.Lpf:.string   "%d\n"          // literal for printf
...
ldr           r2, =msg          // ptr point to &msg
add           r3, r2, MSGSZ     // endpt points after end

.Lwhile:
cmp           r2, r3            // at end of buffer yet?
bge           .Lexit           loop guard

ldr           r0, [r2]          // get next char (base addressing)
cmp           r0, 'A'           // is it less than an 'A' ?
blt           .Lendif          // if so, not CAP (short circuit)
cmp           r0, 'Z'           // is it greater than a 'Z'?
bgt           .Lendif          // if so, not CAP
add           r1, r1, 1         // is a CAP increment
.Lendif:
add           r2, r2, 1         // move to next char
b             .Lwhile          //go to loop guard at top of while
.Lexit:

```

## Example: Base Register + Offset Register

```
ldr    r2, =msg          // ptr point to &msg
add    r3, r2, MSGSZ      // endpt points after end
.Lwhile:
cmp     r2, r3             // at end of buffer yet?
bge     .Lexit

ldrb    r0, [r2]           // get next char
cmp     r0, 'A'            // is it less than an 'A' ?
blt     .Lendif            // if so, not CAP
cmp     r0, 'Z'            // is it greater than a 'Z'?
bgt     .Lendif            // if so, not CAP
add     r1, r1, 1          // is a CAP increment

.Lendif:
add     r2, r2, 1          // move to next char
b       .Lwhile           //go to loop guard while top
.Lexit:
```

Using Base register pointer with an end pointer

```
ldr    r2, =msg          // ptr point to &msg
mov     r3, 0             // index reg
.Lwhile:
cmp     r3, MSGSZ         // are we done?
bge     .Lexit

ldrb    r0, [r2, r3]      // get next char
cmp     r0, 'A'            // is it less than an 'A' ?
blt     .Lendif            // if so, not CAP
cmp     r0, 'Z'            // is it greater than a 'Z'?
bgt     .Lendif            // if so, not CAP
add     r1, r1, 1          // is a CAP increment

.Lendif:
add     r3, r3, 1          // index++
b       .Lwhile           //go to loop guard while top
.Lexit:
```

Using Base register pointer + Offset register

## Example: Base Register + Register Offset Two Buffers

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define SZ 6

int src[SZ] = {1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11};

int dest[SZ];

int
main(void)
{
    for (int i = 0; i < SZ; i++)
        dest[i] = src[i];

    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

- Make sure to index by bytes and increment the index register by `sizeof(int) = 4`

```
.data          // segment
src:.word      1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11
               .equ      SRCSZ, (. - src) // bytes
msg
dest:.space    SRCSZ
               .equ      INT_STEP, 4
...

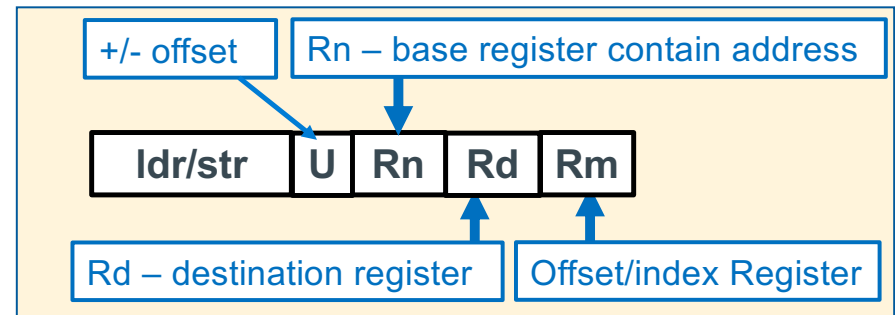
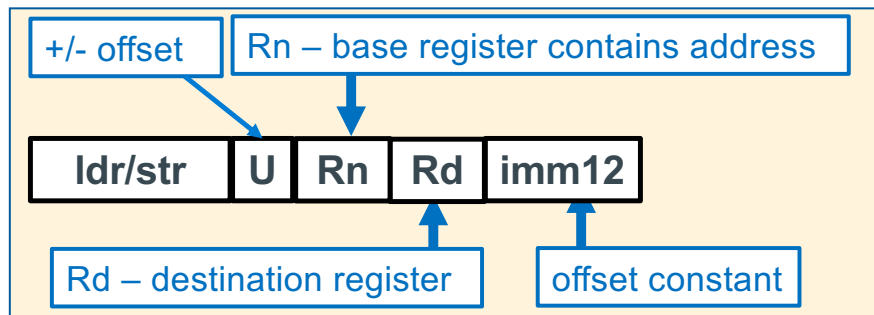
ldr    r0, =src           // ptr to src
ldr    r1, =dest          // ptr to
dest
mov    r2, 0

.Lfor:
cmp    r2, SRCSZ          // in bytes!
bge    .Lexit

ldr    r3, [r0, r2]
str    r3, [r1, r2]
add    r2, r2, INT_STEP
b      .Lfor
.Lexit:
```

one increment  
covers both arrays

## Reference: LDR/STR – Register To/From Memory Copy



```
ldr/str  Rd,  [Rn, +/- imm12] // base register pointer + offset  imm12 in bytes
                                -4095 <= imm12 <= 4095 (bytes)
ldr/str  Rd,  [Rn]             // base register pointer + 0 (imm12 is 0)
ldr/str  Rd,  [Rn, +/- Rm]     // base register pointer +/- offset register
```

```
ldr      r1, =var_x           // r1 = &var_x
str      r1, =mylabel+4       // *(mylabel+4) = r1
ldr      r1, =0x246abcd       // load an immediate into r1
ldr      r1, [r3]             // y = *r3 (4 bytes)
str      r1, [r0]             // *r0 = r1
ldr      r1, [r3, -4]         // y = *(r3 - 4) (4 bytes)
str      r1, [r0, r2]         // *(r0 + r2) = r1
```

## Reference: Addressing Mode Summary for use in CSE30

index Type	Example	Description
Pre-index immediate	<code>ldr r1, [r0]</code>	$r1 \leftarrow \text{memory}[r0]$ $r0$ is unchanged
Pre-index immediate	<code>ldr r1, [r0, 4]</code>	$r1 \leftarrow \text{memory}[r0 + 4]$ $r0$ is unchanged
Pre-index immediate	<code>str r1, [r0]</code>	$\text{memory}[r0] \leftarrow r1$ $r0$ is unchanged
Pre-index immediate	<code>str r1, [r0, 4]</code>	$\text{memory}[r0 + 4] \leftarrow r1$ $r0$ is unchanged
Pre-index register	<code>ldr r1, [r0, +-r2]</code>	$r1 \leftarrow \text{memory}[r0 \pm r2]$ $r0$ is unchanged
Pre-index register	<code>str r1, [r0, +-r2]</code>	$\text{memory}[r0 \pm r2] \leftarrow r1$ $r0$ is unchanged

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# Preview: Return Value and Passing Parameters to Functions

(Four parameters or less)

Register	Function Call Use	Register	Function Return Value Use
r0	1 <sup>st</sup> parameter	r0	8, 16 or 32-bit result, 32-bit address or least-significant half of a 64-bit result
r1	2 <sup>nd</sup> parameter		
r2	3 <sup>rd</sup> parameter	r1	most-significant half of a 64-bit result
r3	4 <sup>th</sup> parameter		

- Where **r0**, **r1**, **r2**, **r3** are arm registers, the function declaration is (first four arguments):  

```
r0 = function(r0, r1, r2, r3)           // 32-bit return
```

```
r0, r1 = function(r0, r1, r2, r3)      // 64-bit return - long long
```
- Each **parameter** and **return value** is limited to data that **can fit in 4 bytes or less**
- You receive **up to the first four parameters in these four registers**
- You copy up to the first four parameters into these four registers before calling a function
- For parameter values using more than 4 bytes, a pointer to the parameter is passed (we will cover this later)
- You MUST ALWAYS assume** that the called function will **alter the contents of all four registers: r0-r3**
  - In terms of C runtime support, these registers contain the copies given to the called function
  - C allows the copies to be changed in any way by the called function



## Preview: Simple Function Calls: An Example with printf()

- Where `r0`, `r1`, `r2`, `r3` are registers

```
r0 = function(r0, r1, r2, r3)
```

```
printf("arg1", arg2, arg3, arg4)
```

- We need to create a literal string for `arg1` which tells `printf()` how to interpret the remaining arguments (up to three arguments total at this point in the class; more later)
  - Create the string and tell the assembler to place it into the read only data section

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int
main(void)
{
```

```
    int a = 2;
    int b = 3;
    int c;
```

```
    c = a + b;
    printf("c=%d\n", c);
```

```
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

We are going to put these variables in temporary registers

`r0, r1`

two passed args in this use of `printf`

```
.extern printf //declare printf
.section .rodata
.Lfst: .string "c=%d\n"
```

// part of the **text segment** below

```
mov    r2, 2      // int a = 2;
mov    r3, 3      // int b = 3;
add    r1, r2, r3  // int c = a + b;
                        // r1 is second arg
ldr    r0, =.Lfst  // =literal address
bl     printf
```

# Function Calls, Parameters and Locals: Requirements

```
int
main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int x, z = 4;

    x = a(z);
    z = b(z);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}

int
a(int n)
{
    int i = 0;
    if (n == 1)
        i = b(n);
    return i;
}

int
b(int m)
{
    return m+1;
}
/* the return cannot be done with a
branch */
```

- Since **b()** is called both by main and a() how does the **return m+1** statement in b() know where to return to? (Obviously, it cannot be a branch)
- Where are the parameters (args) to a function stored so the function has a copy that it can alter?
- Where is the return value from a function call stored?
- How are Automatic variables *lifetime* and *scope* implemented?
  - When you enter a variables scope: memory is allocated for the variables
  - When you leave a variable scope: memory lifetime is ended (memory can be reused -- deallocated) – contents are **no longer valid**

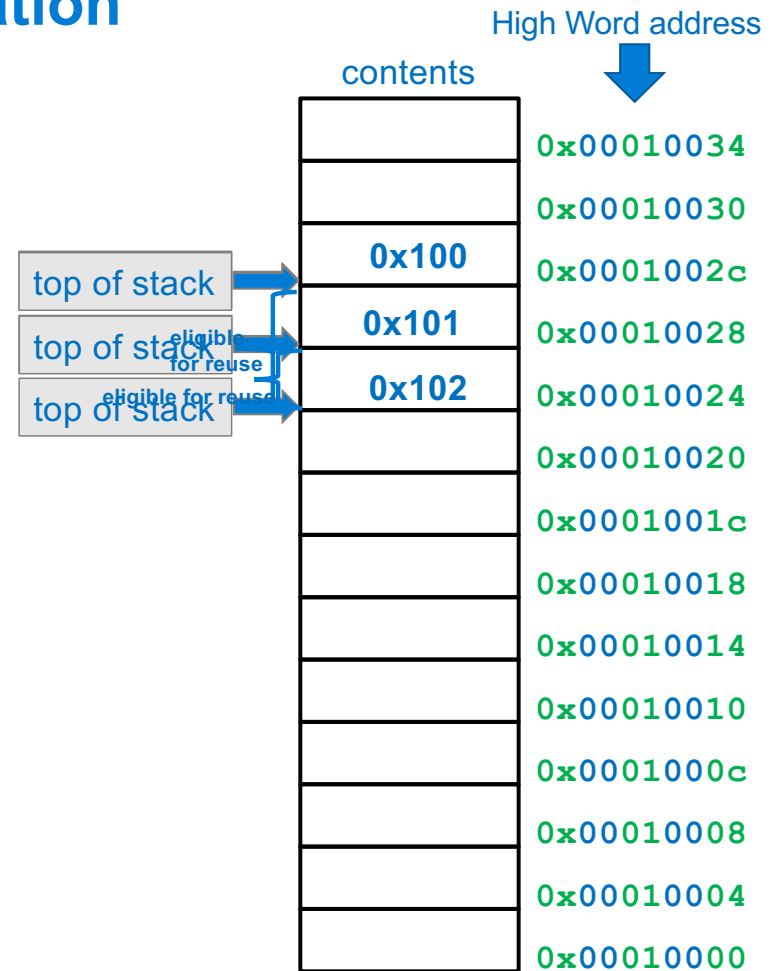
# Data Structure Review: Stack Operation

- A Stack Implements a **last-in first-out** (LIFO) protocol
- **Stacks** are expandable and grow downward from high memory address towards low memory address
- **Stack pointer** always points at the **top of stack**
  - contains the starting address of the top element
- New items are pushed (*added*) onto the **top of the stack** by subtracting from the stack pointer the size of the element and then writing the element

push (sp - element size) & write

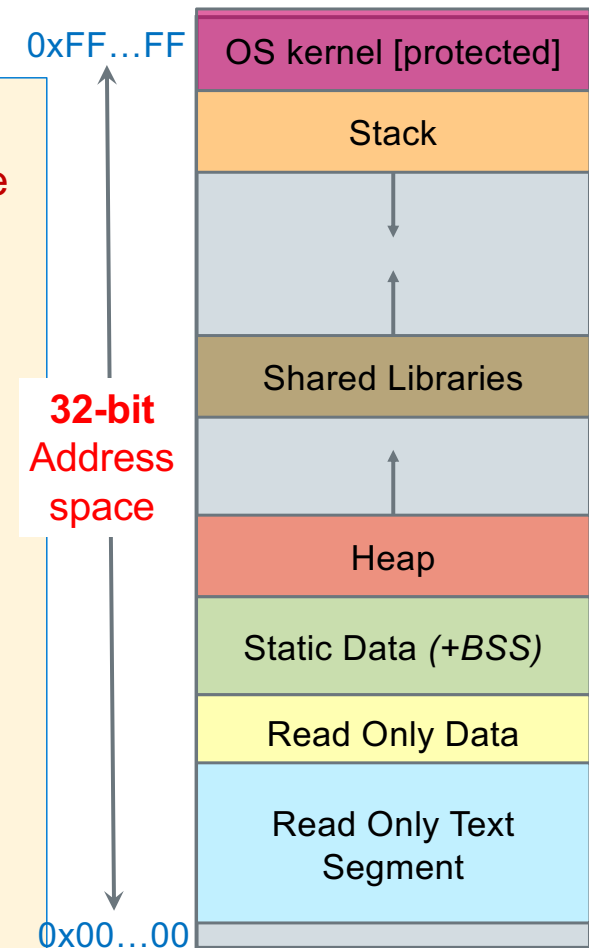
- Existing items are **popped** (removed) from the top of the stack by adding to the stack pointer the size of the element (leaving the **old contents unchanged**)

pop (sp + element size)



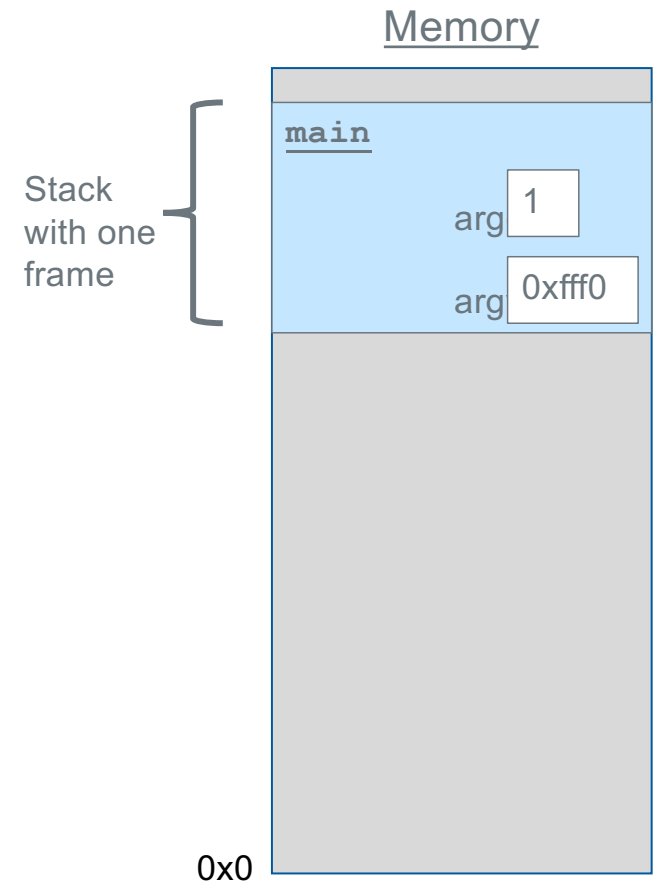
## Stack Segment: Support of Functions

- The stack consists of a series of "*stack frames*" or "*activation frames*", one is **created** each time a function is called **at runtime**
- Each **frame** represents a function that is currently being **executed** and **has not yet completed** (why activation frame)
- A function's stack "frame" goes away when the function returns
- Specifically, a **new stack frame** is
  - allocated (**pushed** on the stack) for each function call (**contents are not implicitly zeroed**)
  - deallocated (**popped** from the stack) on function return
- **Stack frame** contains:
  - Local variables, parameters of function called
  - Where to return to which caller when the function completes (the return address)



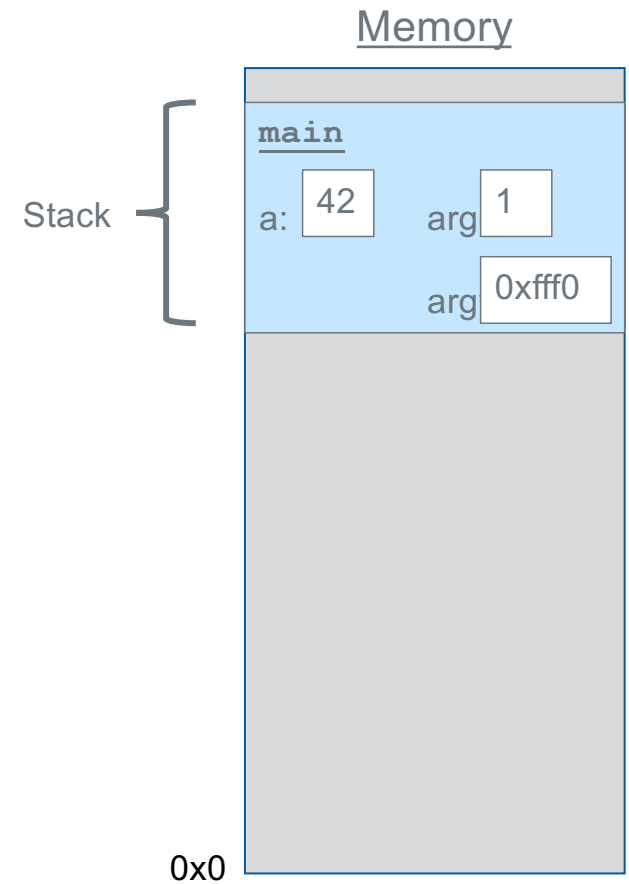
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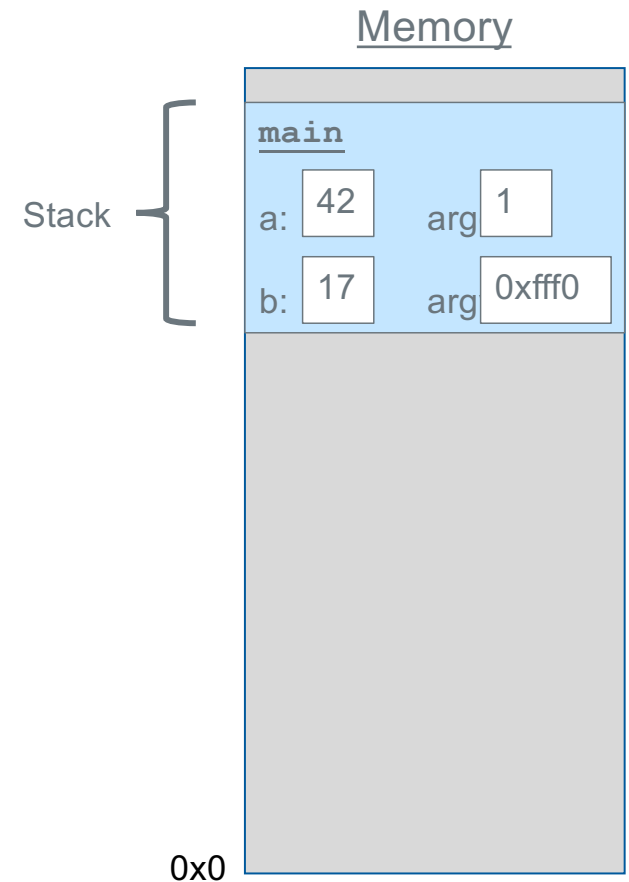
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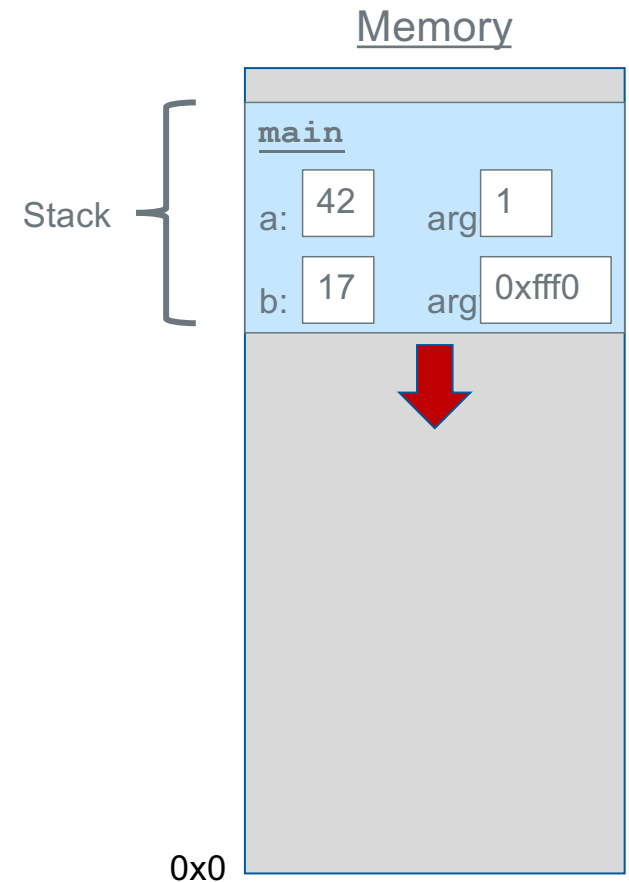
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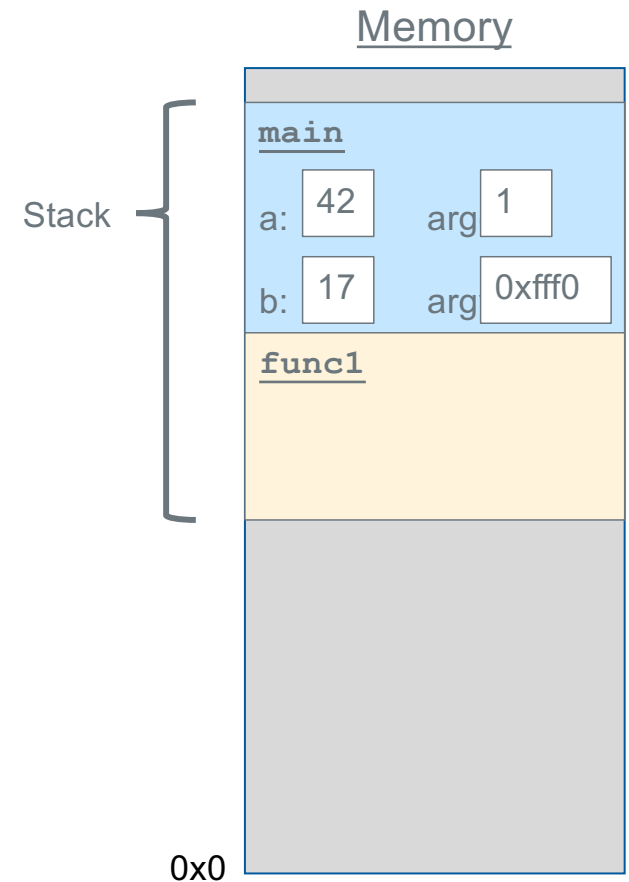
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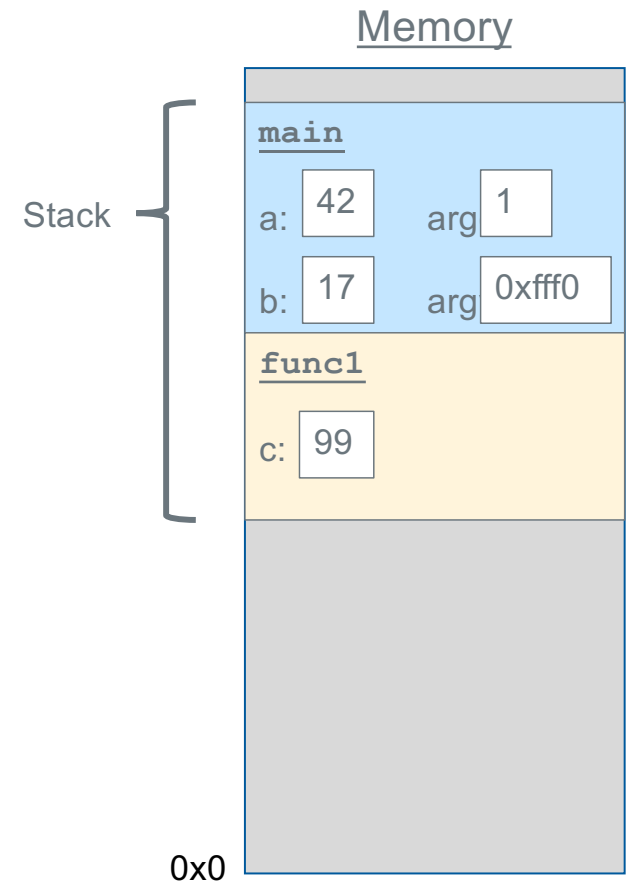
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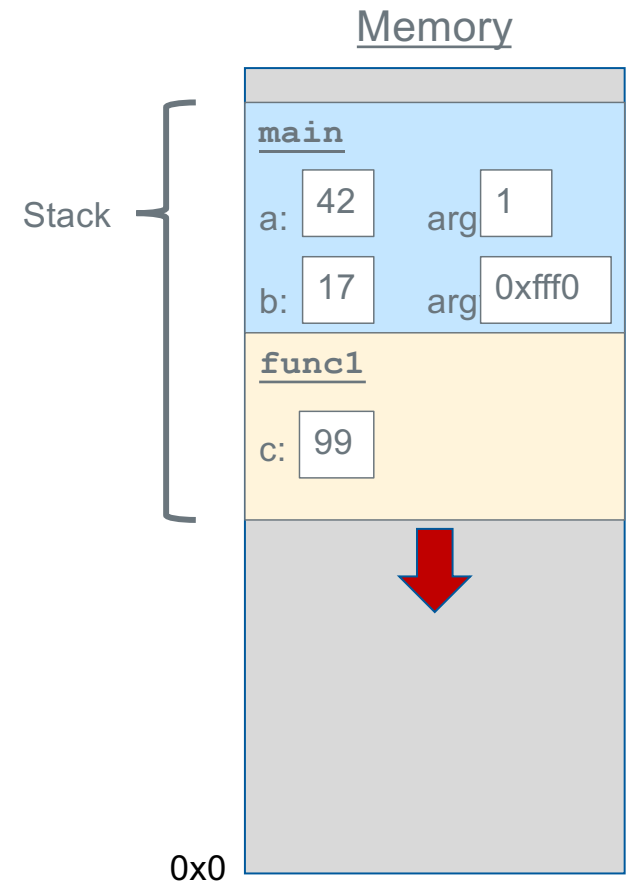
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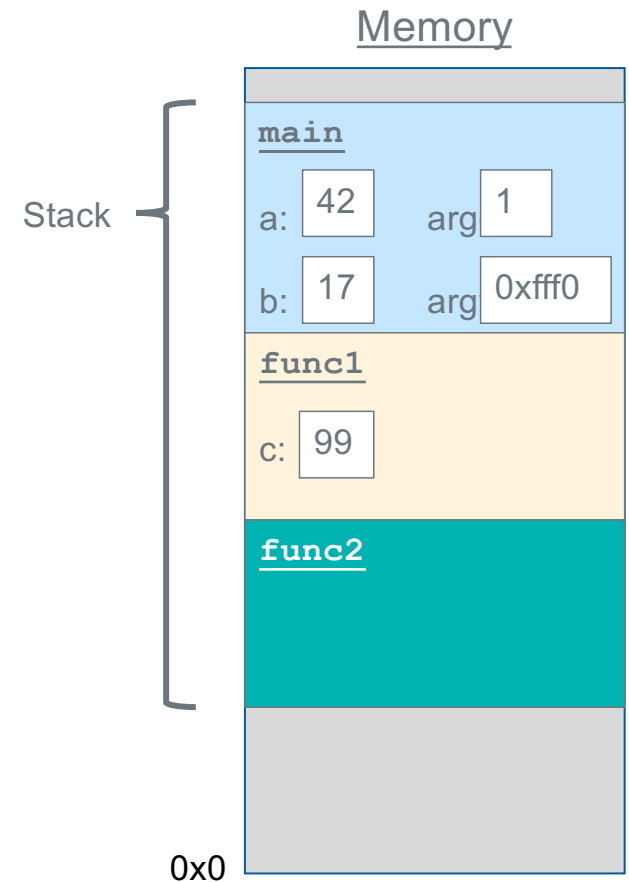
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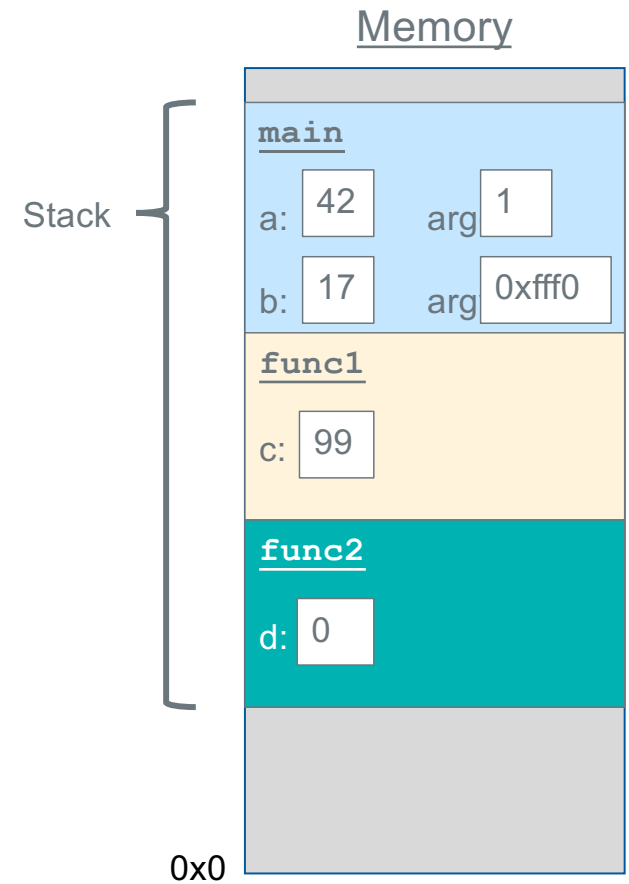
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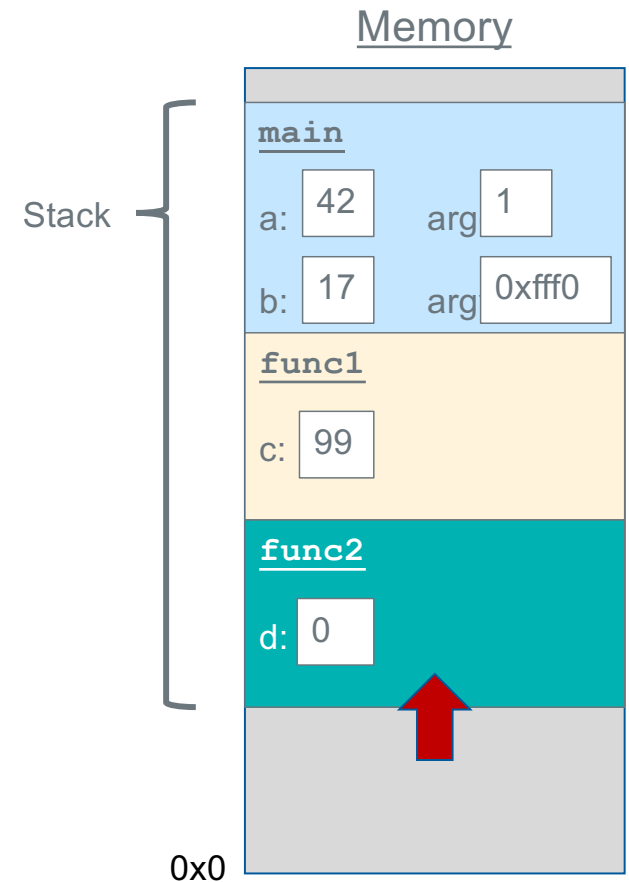
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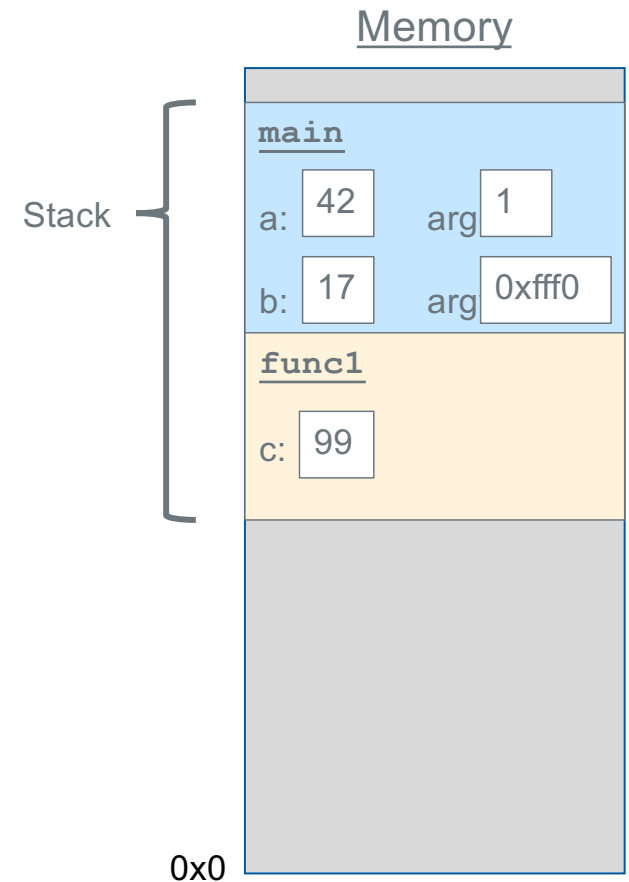
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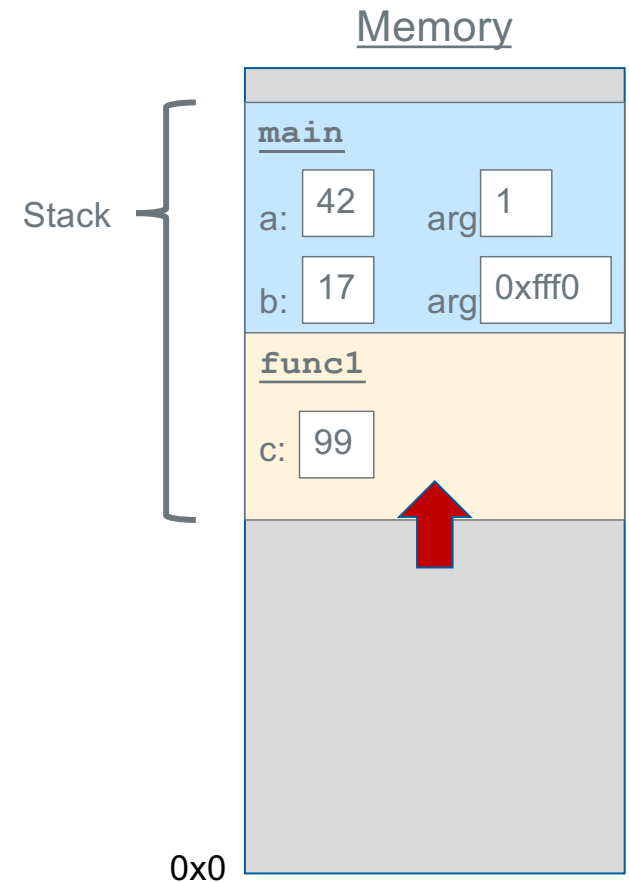
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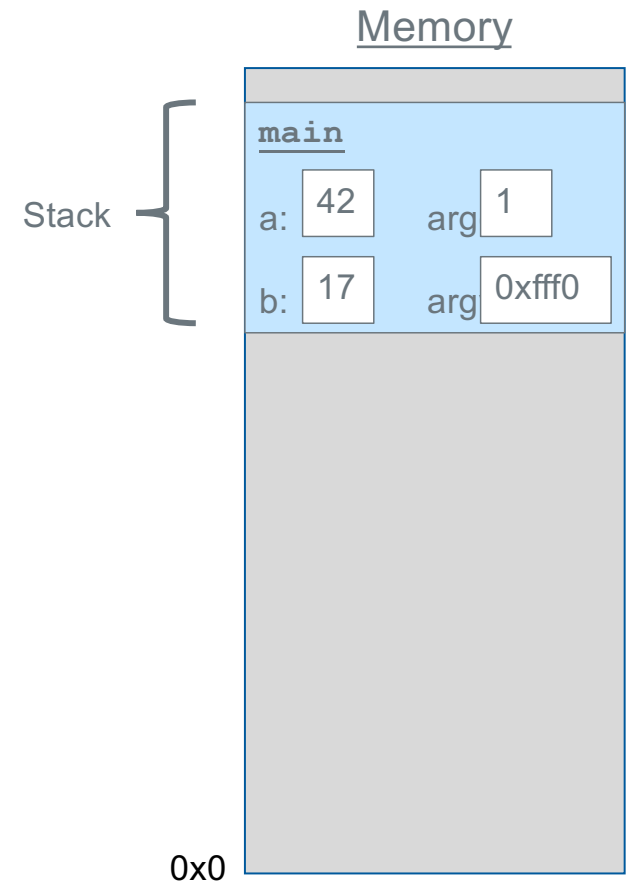
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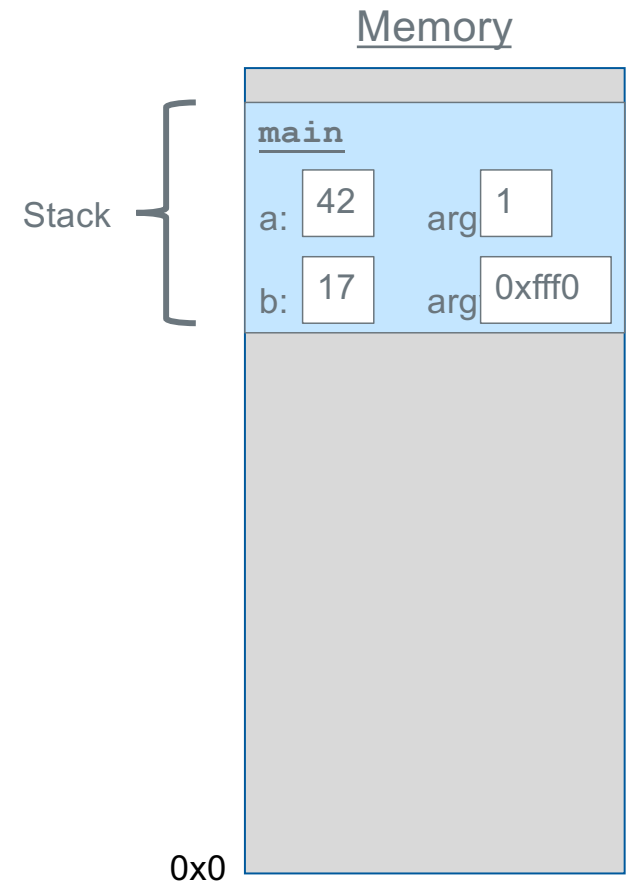
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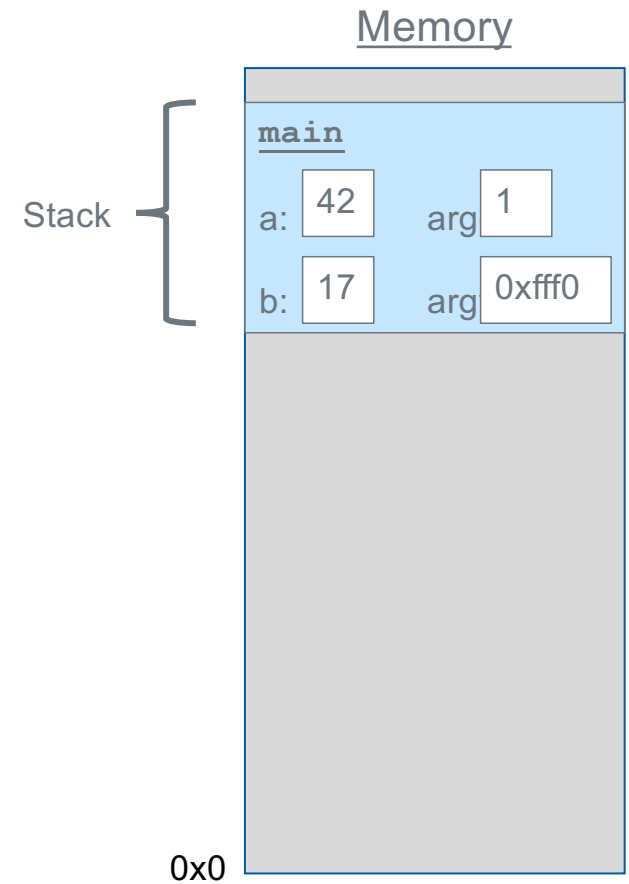
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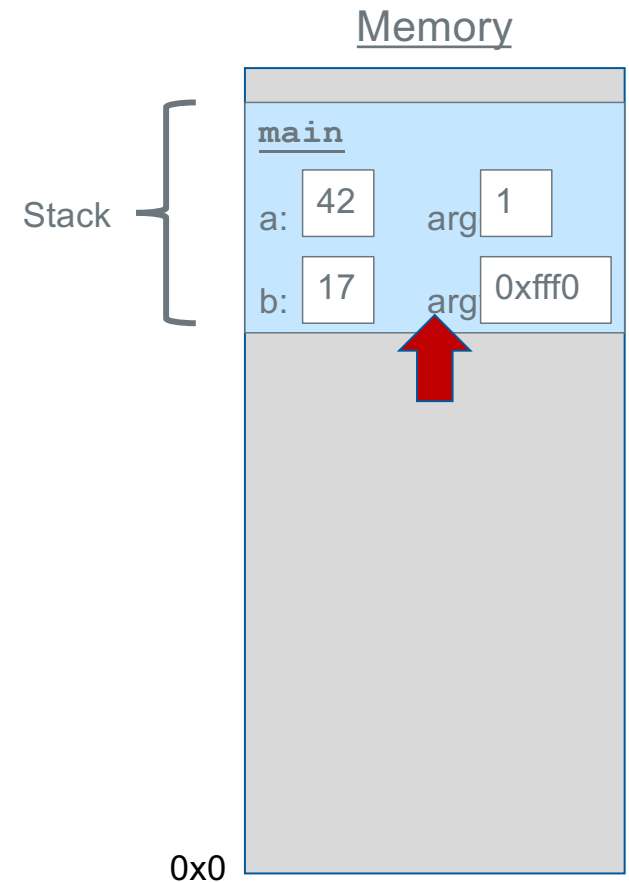
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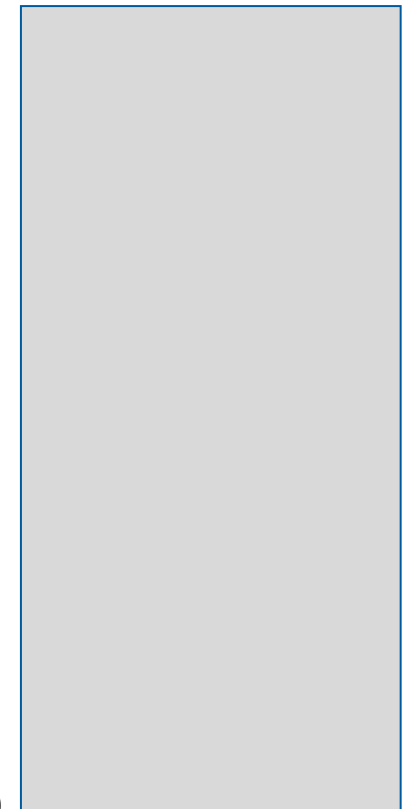
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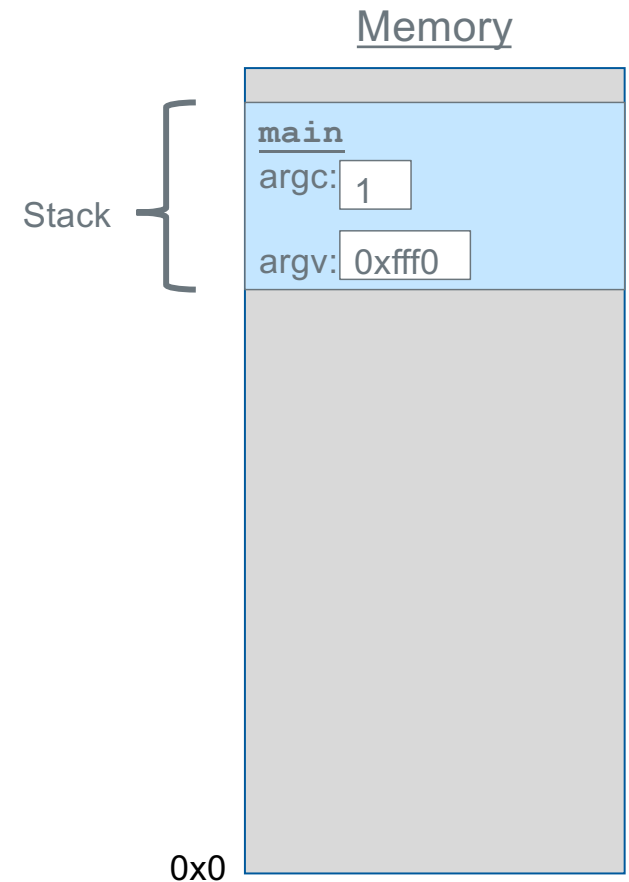
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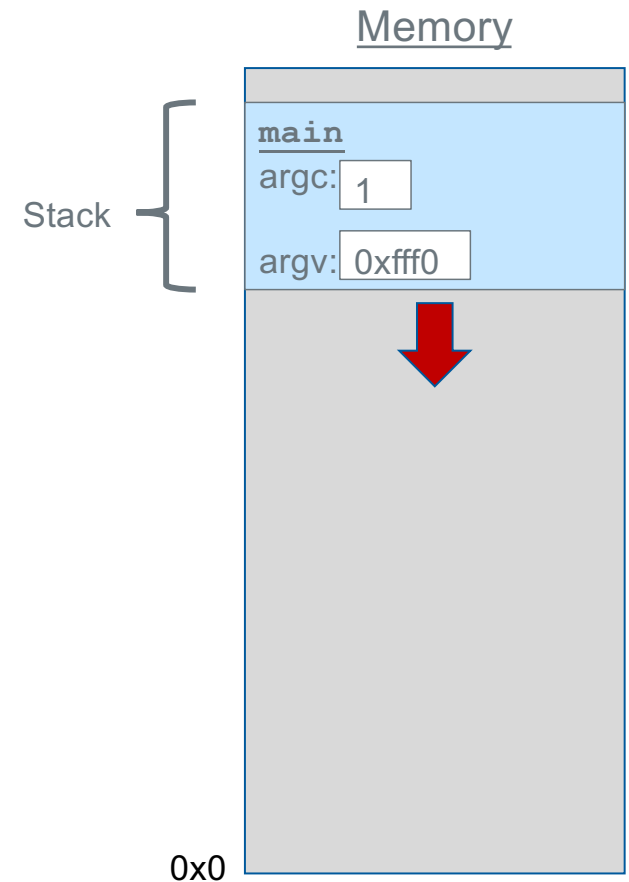
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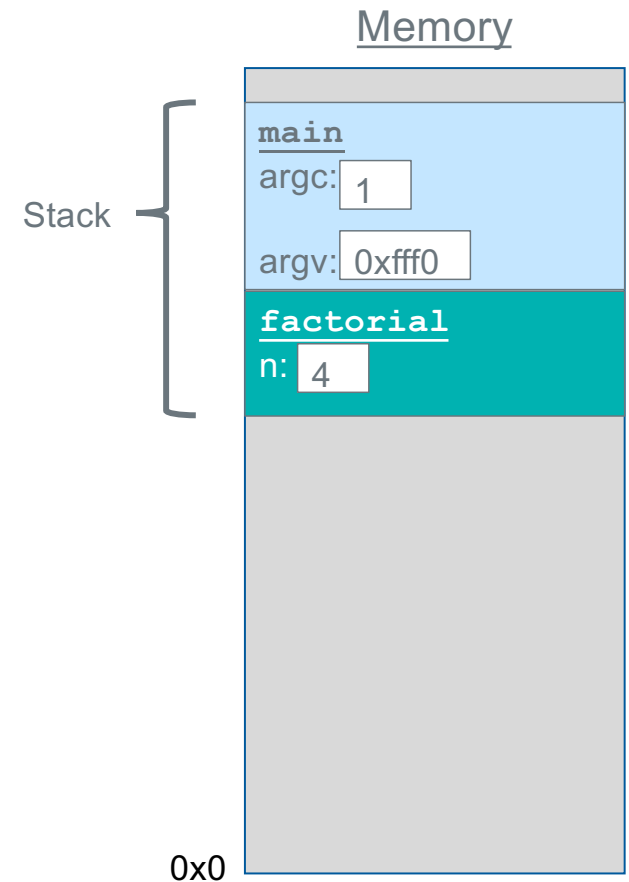




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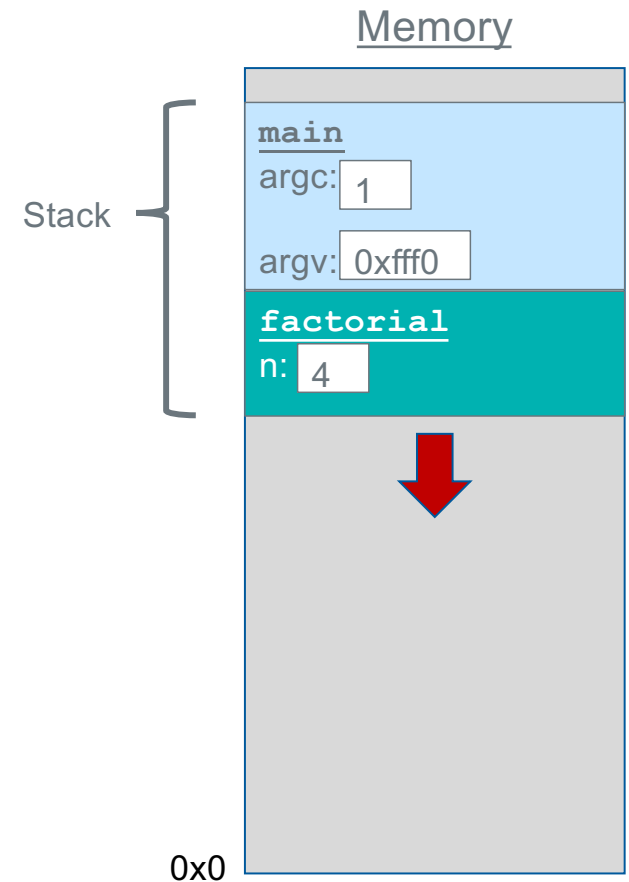
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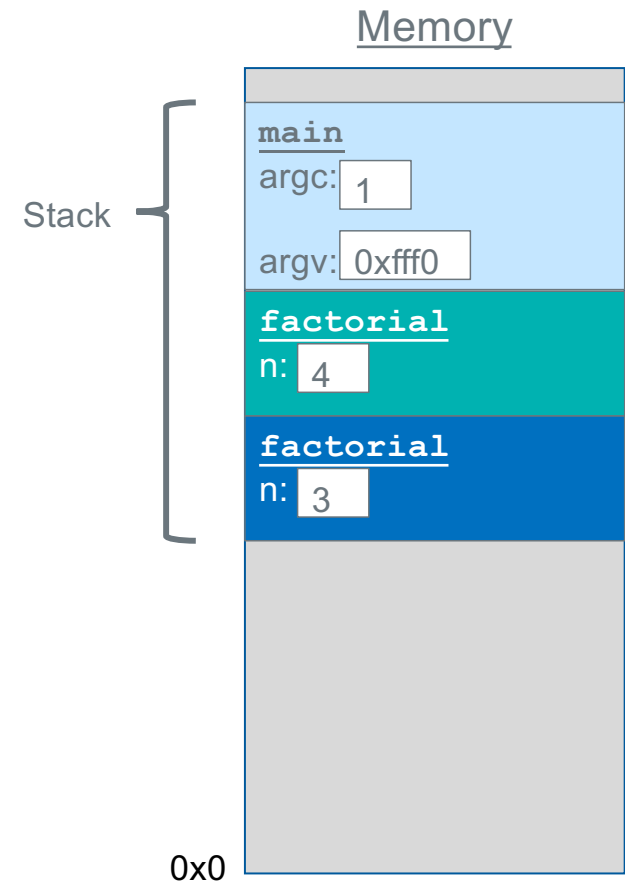
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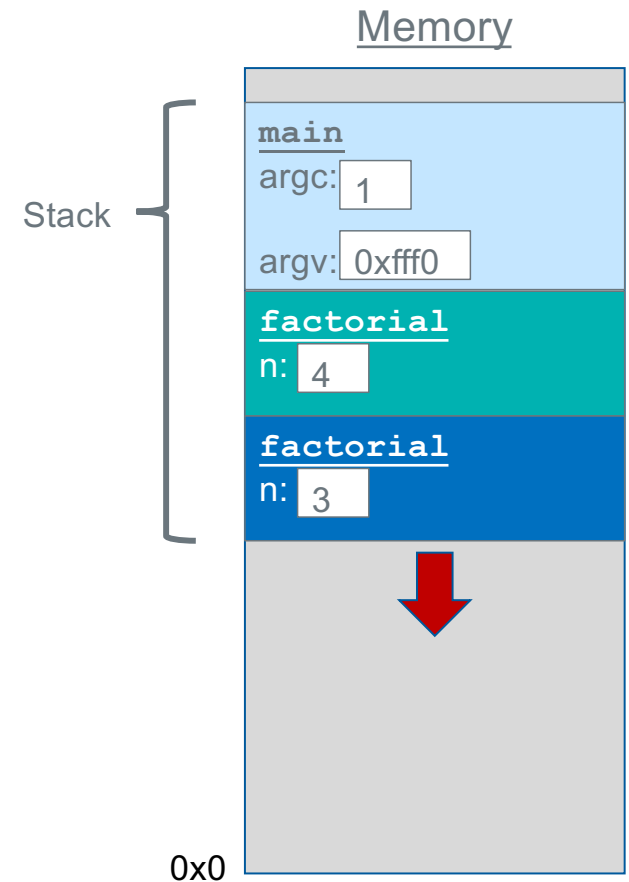
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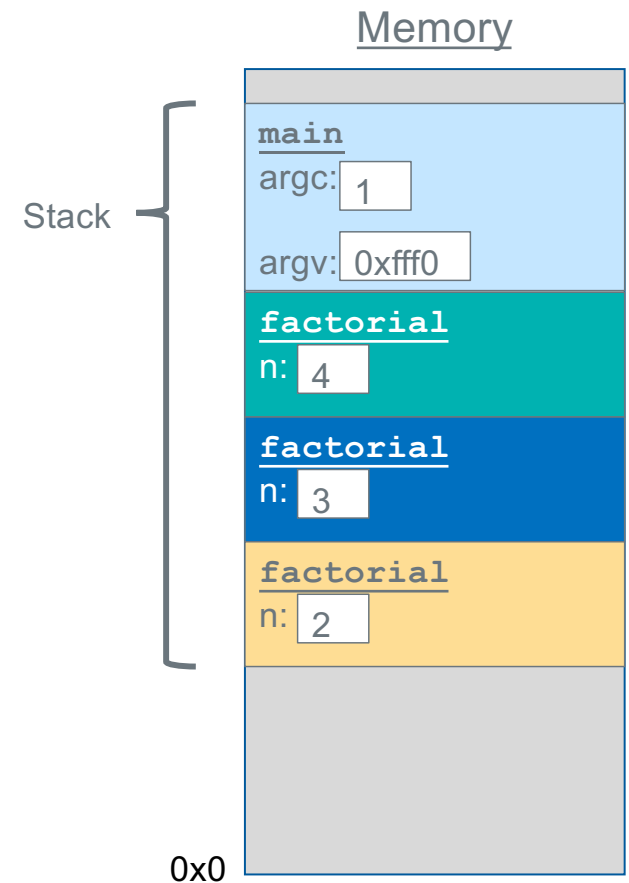
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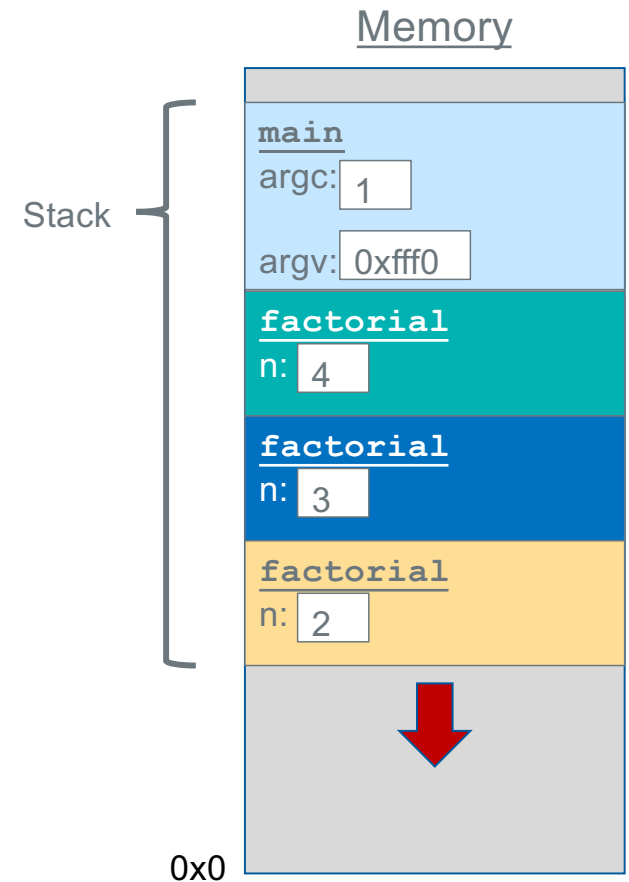
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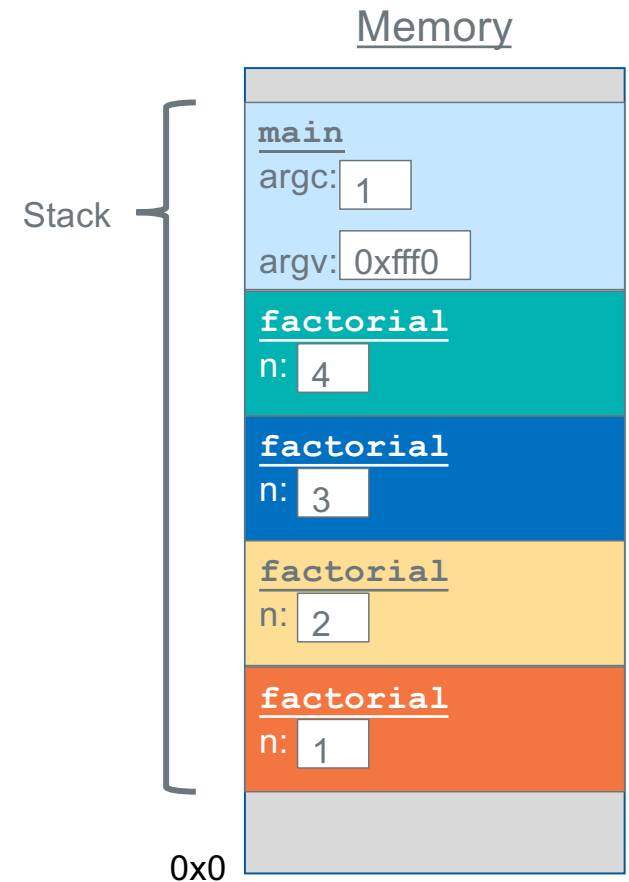
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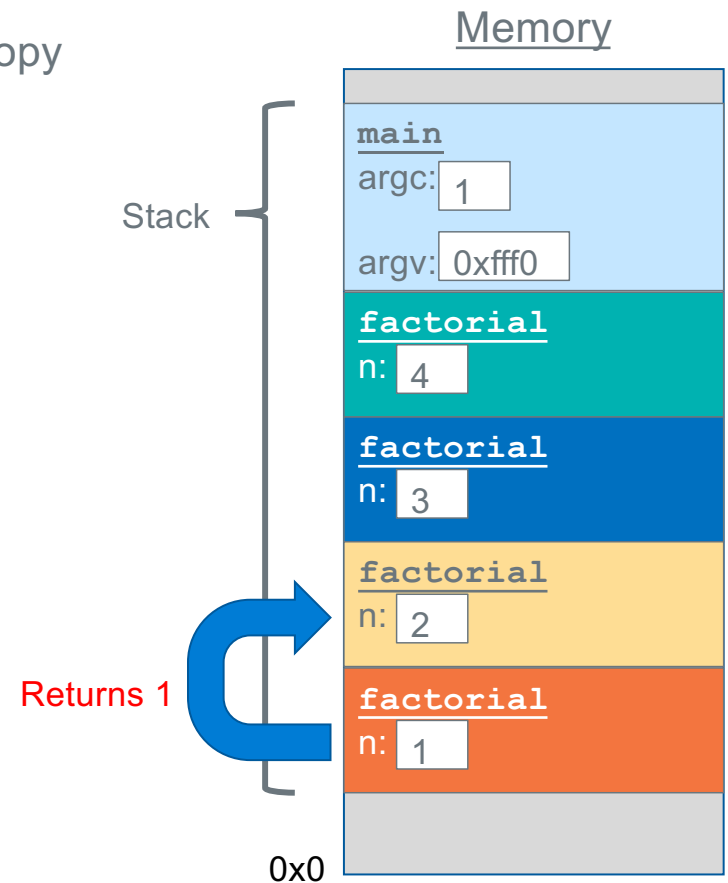
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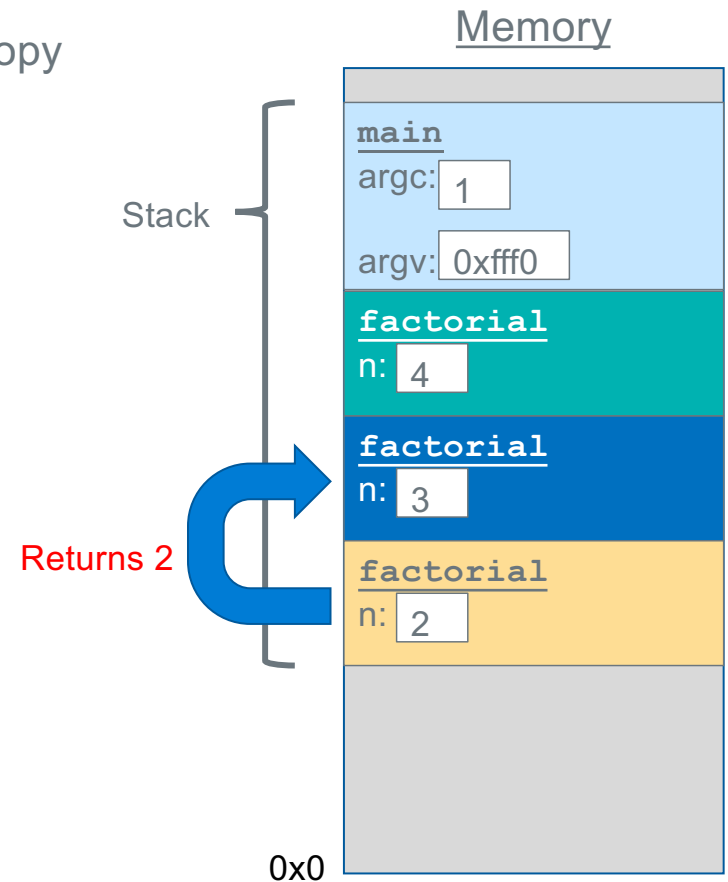




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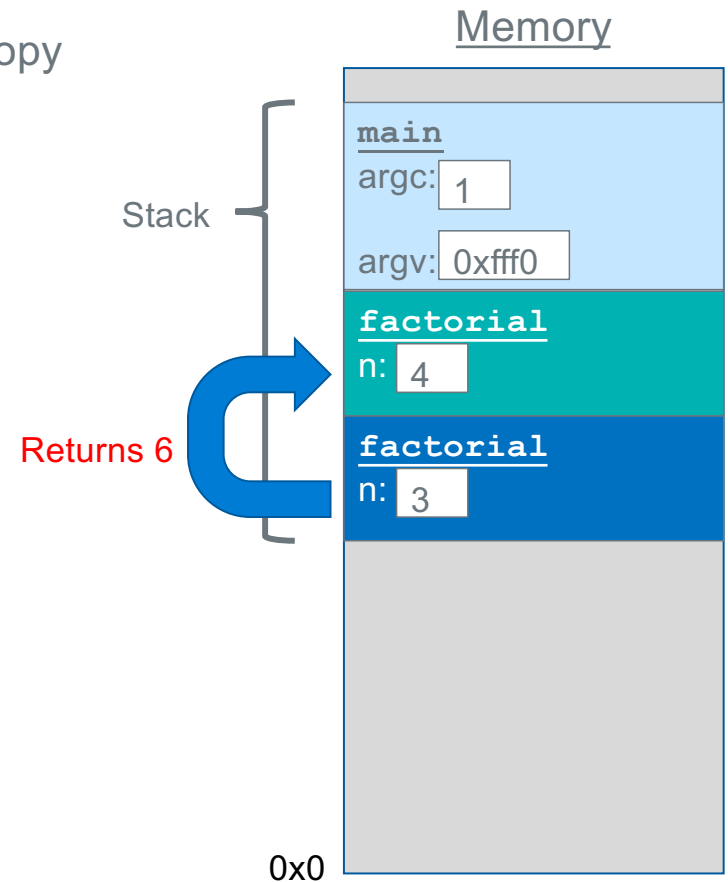
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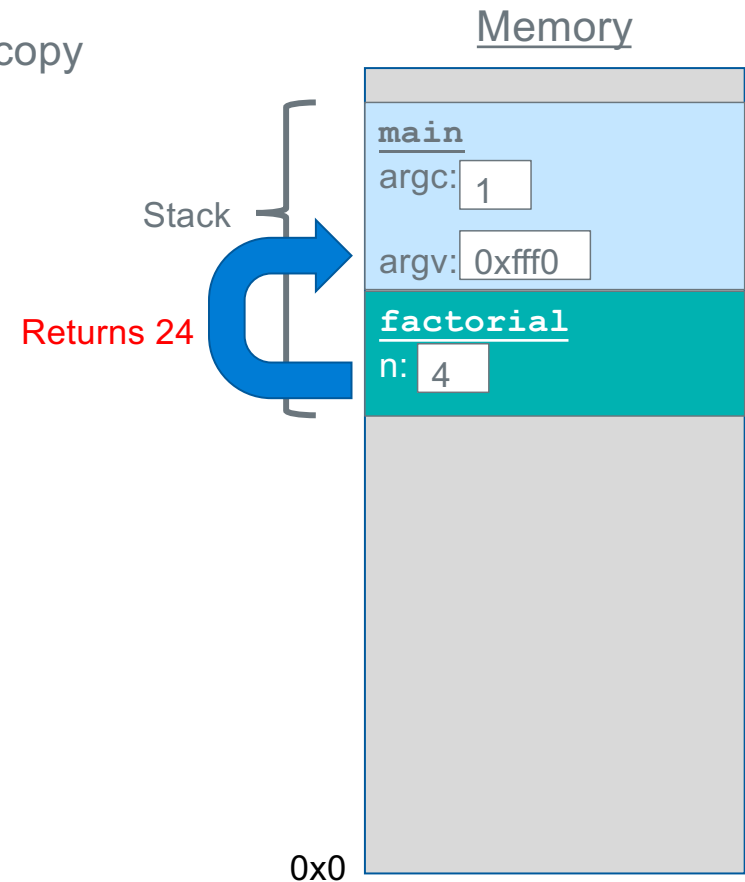
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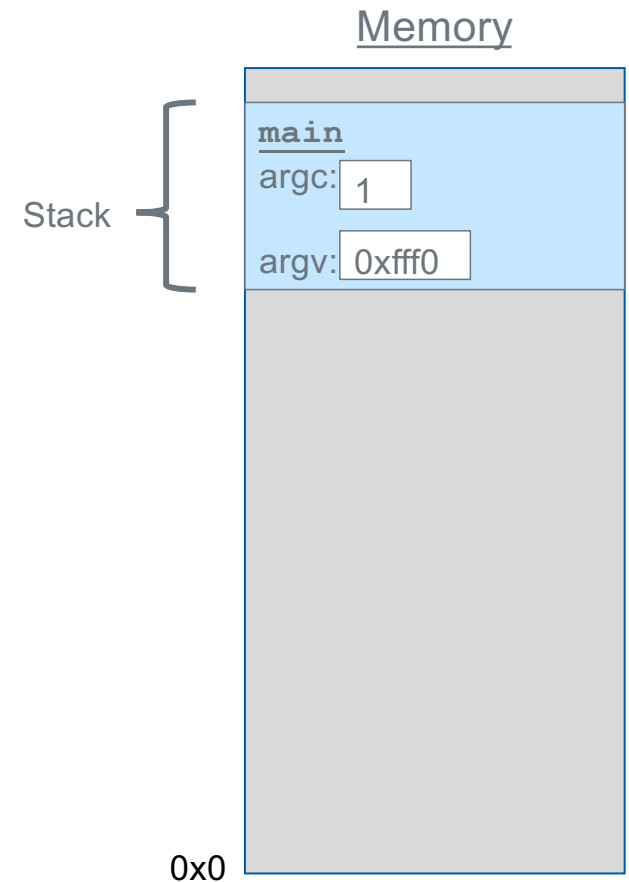
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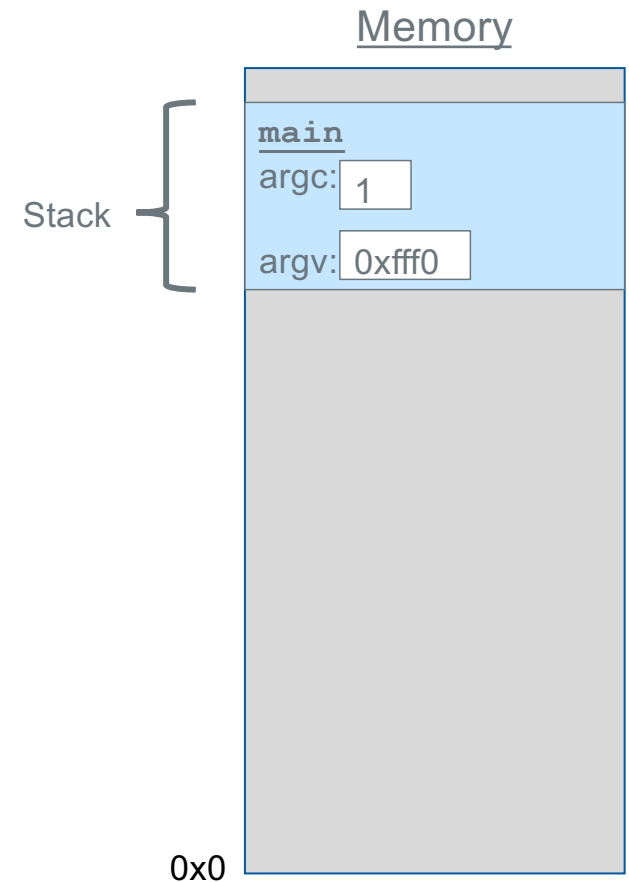
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# Function Header and Footer Assembler Directives

## function entry point

address of the first instruction in the function

**Must not be a local label (does not start with .L)**

```
Function Header {  
    .text  
    .global myfunc           // make myfunc global for linking  
    .type    myfunc, %function // define myfunc to be a function  
    .equ     FP_OFF, 4       // fp offset in main stack frame  
myfunc:  
    // function prologue, stack frame setup  
    // your code  
    // function epilogue, stack frame teardown  
Function Footer {  
    .size myfunc, (. - myfunc)  
}
```

`.global function_name`

- Exports the function name to other files. Required for main function, optional for others

`.type name, %function`

- The `.type` directive sets the **type of a symbol/label name**
- `%function` specifies that `name` is a function (name is the address of the first instruction)

`equ FP_OFF, 4`

- Used for basic stack frame setup; the number 4 will change – later slides

`.size name, bytes`

- The `.size` directive is used to **set the size associated with a symbol**
- Used by the linker to exclude unneeded code and/or data when creating an executable file
- It is also used by the **debugger** gdb
- bytes is best calculated as an expression: (period is the current address in a memory segment)**

**In CSE30 required use:** `.size name, (. - name)`

## Support For Function Calls and Function Call Return - 1

bl	imm24
----	-------

Branch with Link (**function call**) instruction

**bl** **label**

- Function call to the instruction with the address **label** (**no local labels for functions**)
  - **imm24** number of instructions from pc+8
- **label** **any function label** in the current file, or **any function label** that is defined as **.global** in any file that it is linked to
- **BL saves** the address of the instruction **immediately** following the **bl** instruction in **register lr** (link register is also known as r14)
- Therefore, the **contents of the link register is the return address**
  - used to return to the calling function at the point right after the call

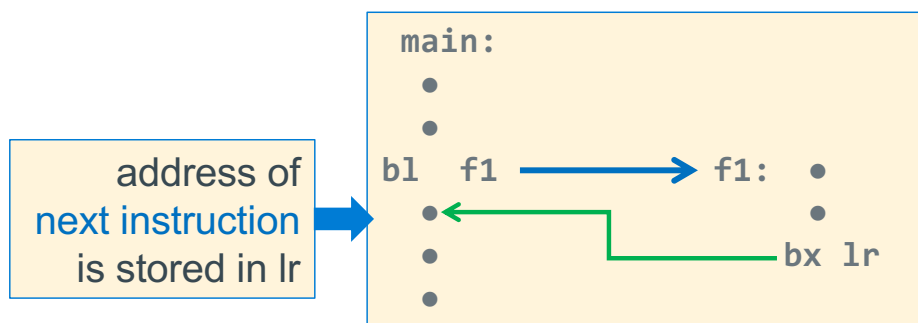
## Support For Function Calls and Function Call Return - 2

bx	Rn
----	----

Branch & exchange (**function return**) instruction

**bx lr**

- Causes a **branch** to the instruction **whose address is stored** in register **<lr>**
  - It copies **lr** to the PC
- This is often used to implement **a return from a function call** (exactly like a C return) when the function is called using **bl label**





## bl and bx operation working together

```
int main(void)
{
    a();
    // other code
    a();
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
int a(void)
{
    // other code
    return 0;
}
```

```
.text
.type    main, %function
.global  main
.equ     EXIT_SUCCESS, 0

main:
    // code
    bl    a
    // other code
    bl    a

    ra1 → a → ra1 lr
    ra2 → a → ra2 lr

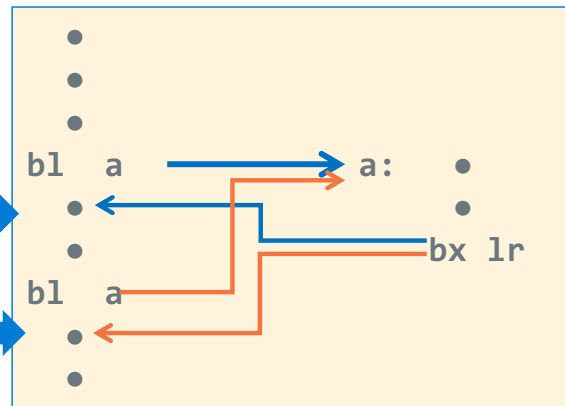
    ra2 → mov    r0, EXIT_SUCCESS
    // code
    bx     lr
    .size  main, (. - main)

.type    a, %function

a:
    // code
    mov    r0, 0
    // code
    bx     lr
    ra2 ← a ← ra2 lr
    .size  a, (. - a)
```

address of  
next instruction  
is stored in lr

address of  
next instruction  
is stored in lr



But there is a problem we must address here – see next slide

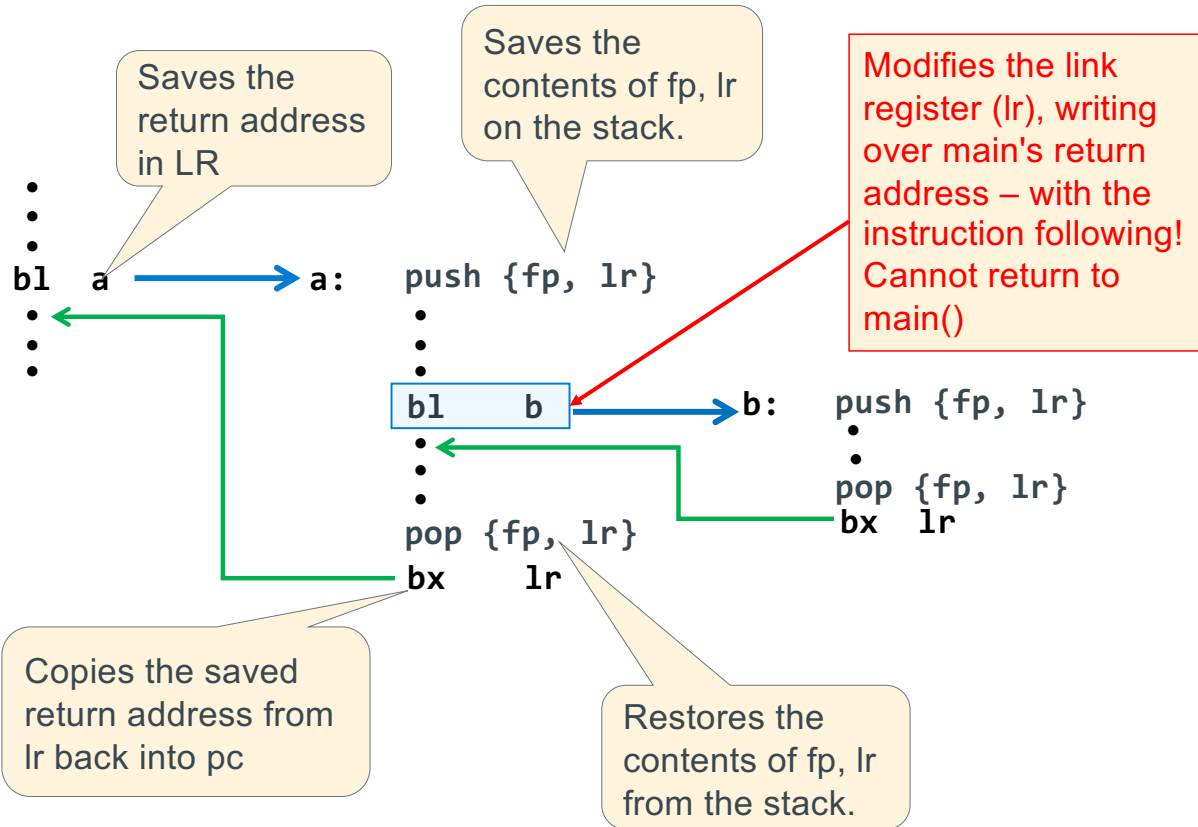
x

## Preserving lr (and fp): The Foundation of a stack frame

```
int
main(void)
{
    a();
    /* other code */
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}

int
a(void)
{
    b();
    /* other code */
    return 0;
}

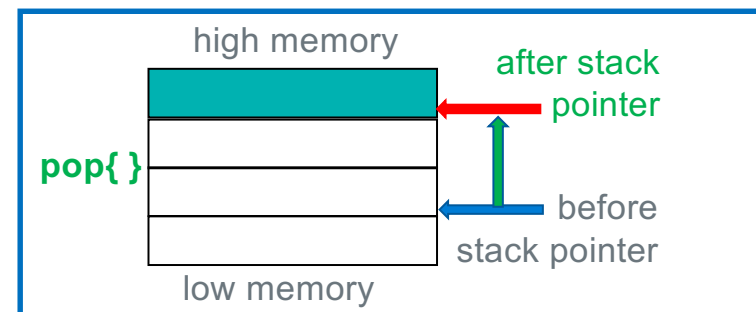
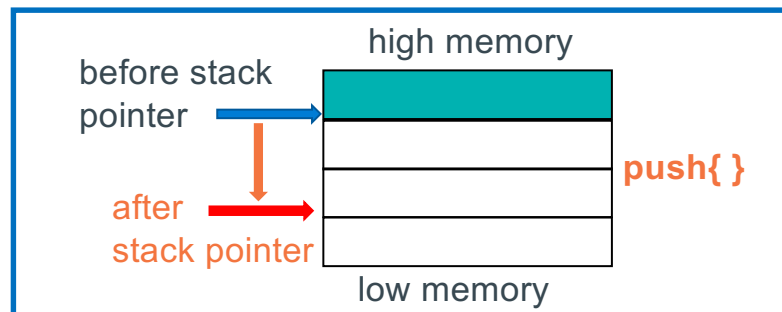
int
b(void)
{
    /* other code */
    return 0;
}
```



The frame pointer is used to find variables on the stack – later

## Preserving and Restoring Registers on the Stack

Operation	Pseudo Instruction (Use in CSE30)	ARM instruction (reference only)	Operation
<b>Push registers</b> onto stack	<code>push {reg list}</code>	<code>stmfd sp!, {reg list}</code>	$sp \leftarrow sp - 4 \times \text{\#registers}$ Copy registers to <code>mem[sp]</code>
<b>Pop registers</b> from stack	<code>pop {reg list}</code>	<code>ldmfd sp!, {reg list}</code>	Copy <code>mem[sp]</code> to registers, $sp \leftarrow sp + 4 \times \text{\#registers}$



## Preserving and Restoring Registers on the Stack

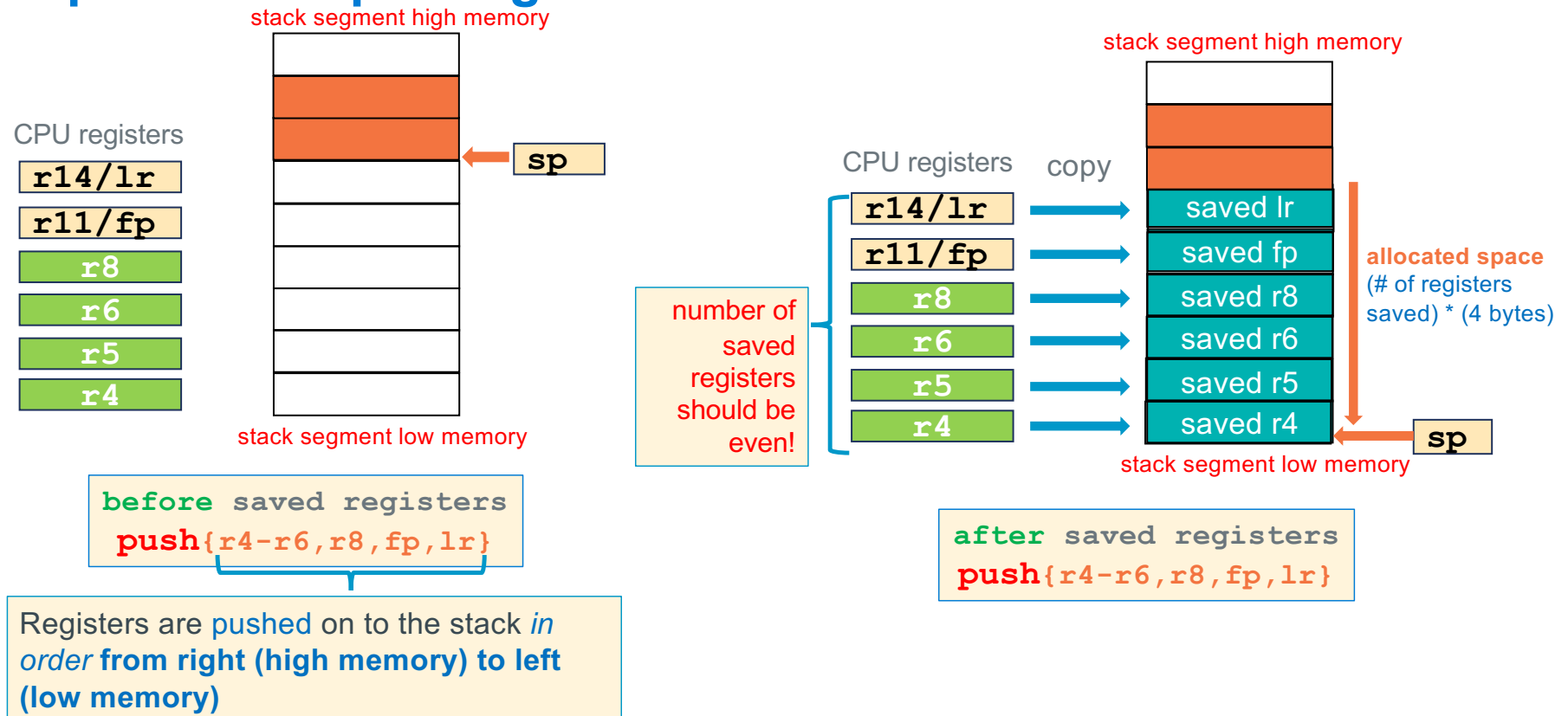
Operation	Pseudo Instruction	Operation
Push registers onto stack	push      {reg list}	$sp \leftarrow sp - 4 \times \text{\#registers}$ Copy registers to mem[sp]
Pop registers from stack	pop      {reg list}	Copy mem[sp] to registers, $sp \leftarrow sp + 4 \times \text{\#registers}$

- Where {reg list} is a **list of registers in numerically increasing order**

**example:** push {r4-r10, fp, lr}

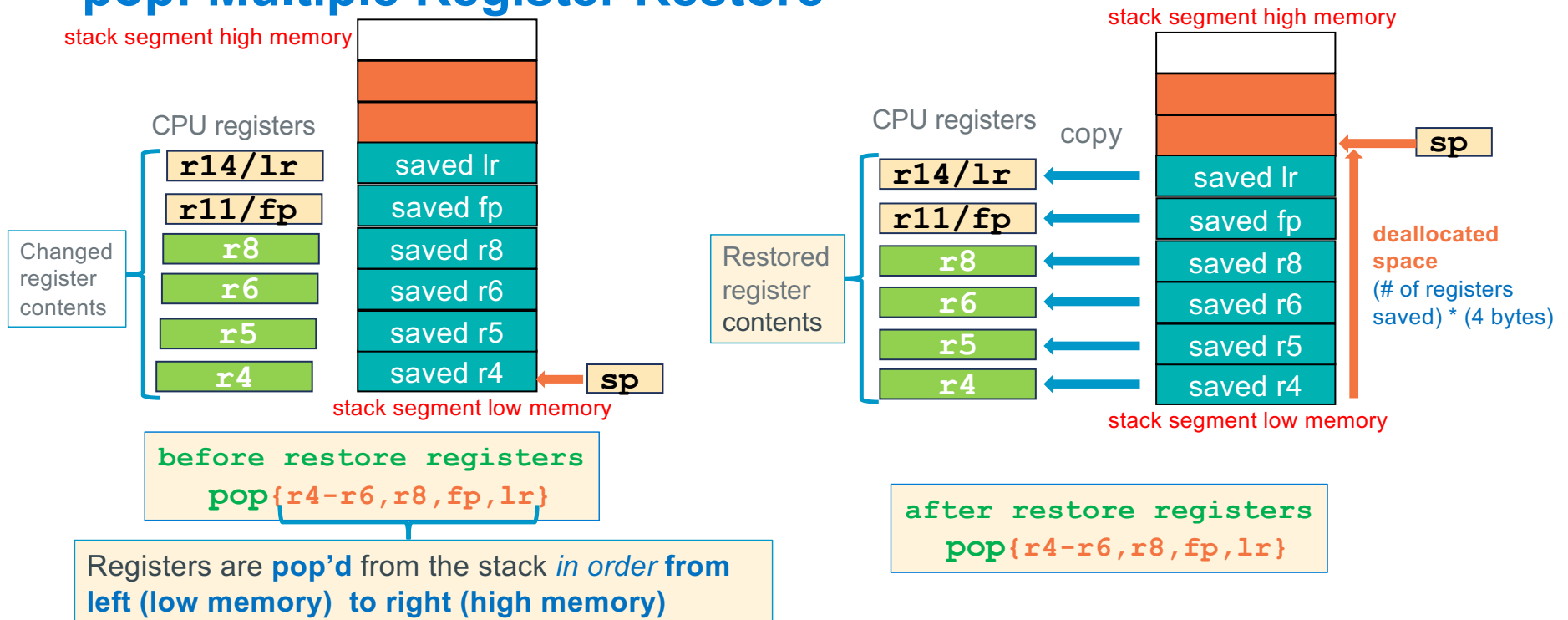
- Registers cannot be: (1) duplicated in the list, nor be (2) listed out of numeric order
- Register ranges can be specified {r4, r5, r8-r11, fp, lr}
- The **count of registers specified** in the {reg list} **for now is an even number, 2 or greater**
- The smallest {reg list} you should specify is two registers {fp, lr}

# push: Multiple Register Save



- **push** copies the contents of the {reg list} to stack segment memory
- **push** subtracts (# of registers saved) \* (4 bytes) from the **sp** to **allocate** space on the stack

# pop: Multiple Register Restore



- **pop** copies the contents of stack segment memory to the **{reg list}**
- **pop adds:**  $(\# \text{ of registers saved}) * (4 \text{ bytes})$  to **sp** to **deallocate** space on the stack
- **Remember:** **{reg list}** must be the same in both the **push** and the corresponding **pop**

# Return Value and Passing Parameters to Functions

(Four parameters or less)

Register	Function Call Use	Register	Function Return Value Use
r0	1 <sup>st</sup> parameter	r0	8, 16 or 32-bit result, 32-bit address or least-significant half of a 64-bit result
r1	2 <sup>nd</sup> parameter		
r2	3 <sup>rd</sup> parameter	r1	most-significant half of a 64-bit result
r3	4 <sup>th</sup> parameter		

- Where **r0**, **r1**, **r2**, **r3** are arm registers, the function declaration is (first four arguments):  

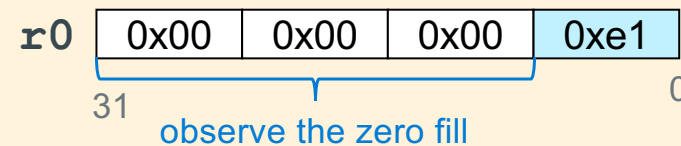
```
r0 = function(r0, r1, r2, r3)           // 32-bit return
```

```
r0, r1 = function(r0, r1, r2, r3)      // 64-bit return - long long
```
- Each **parameter** and **return value** is limited to data that **can fit in 4 bytes or less**
- You receive **up to the first four parameters in these four registers**
- You copy up to the first four parameters into these four registers before calling a function
- For parameter values using more than 4 bytes, a pointer to the parameter is passed (we will cover this later)
- You MUST ALWAYS assume** that the called function will **alter the contents of all four registers: r0-r3**
  - In terms of C runtime support, these registers contain the copies given to the called function
  - C allows the copies to be changed in any way by the called function

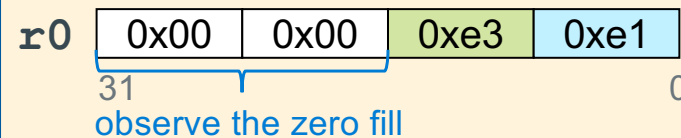
## Argument and Return Value Requirements

- When passing or returning values from a function you must do the following:
  - Make sure that the values in the registers r0-r3 are in their **properly aligned position in the register based on data type**
  - Upper bytes in byte and halfword values in registers r0-r3 when passing arguments and returning values **are zero filled**

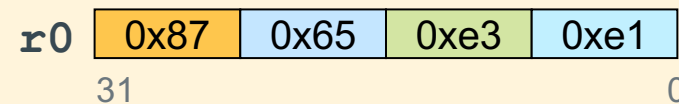
### Single Byte



### Single Halfword



### Full Word





## Simple Function Calls: An Example with printf()

- Where `r0`, `r1`, `r2`, `r3` are registers

```
r0 = function(r0, r1, r2, r3)
```

```
printf("arg1", arg2, arg3, arg4)
```

- We need to create a literal string for `arg1` which tells `printf()` how to interpret the remaining arguments (up to three arguments total at this point in the class; more later)
  - Create the string and tell the assembler to place it into the read only data section

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int
main(void)
{
    int a = 2;
    int b = 3;
    int c;

    c = a + b;
    printf("c=%d\n", c);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

We are going to  
put these  
variables in  
temporary  
registers

`r0, r1`

two passed  
args in this  
use of  
printf

```
.extern printf //declare printf
.section .rodata
.Lfst: .string "c=%d\n"
```

// part of the **text segment** below

```
mov    r2, 2      // int a = 2;
mov    r3, 3      // int b = 3;
add    r1, r2, r3  // int c = a + b;
                        // r1 is second arg
ldr    r0, =.Lfst  // =literal address
bl     printf
```

# Basic Stack Frames (Arm Arch32 Procedure Call Standards)

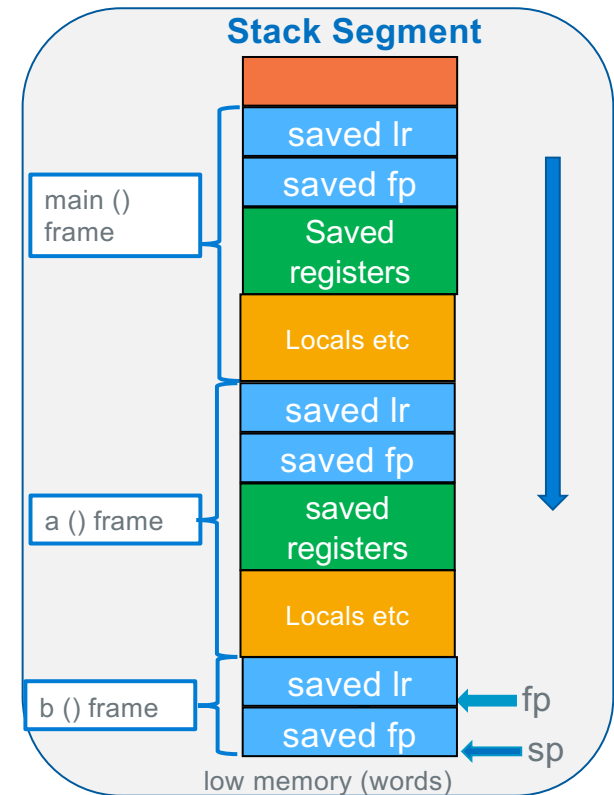
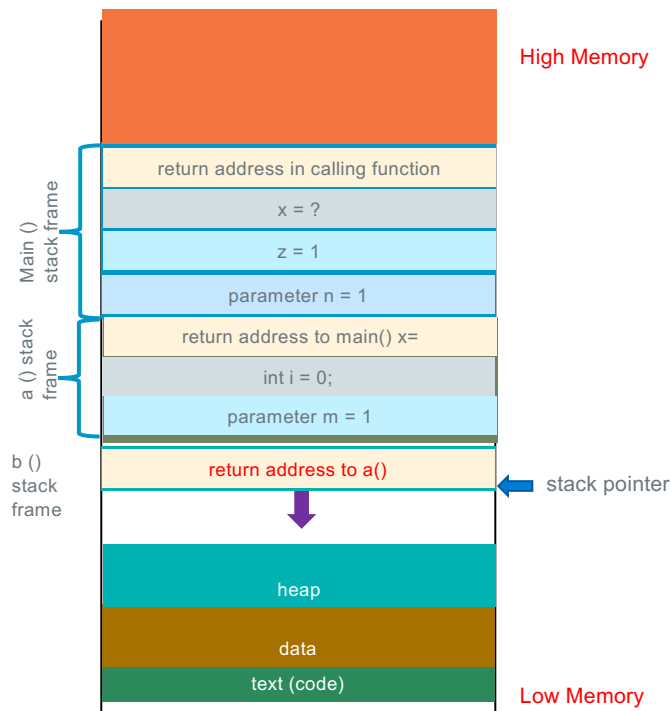
```

int
main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int x, z = 1;
    while (--argc > 0)
        /* code */;

    x = a(z);
    z = b(z);
    /* code */
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}

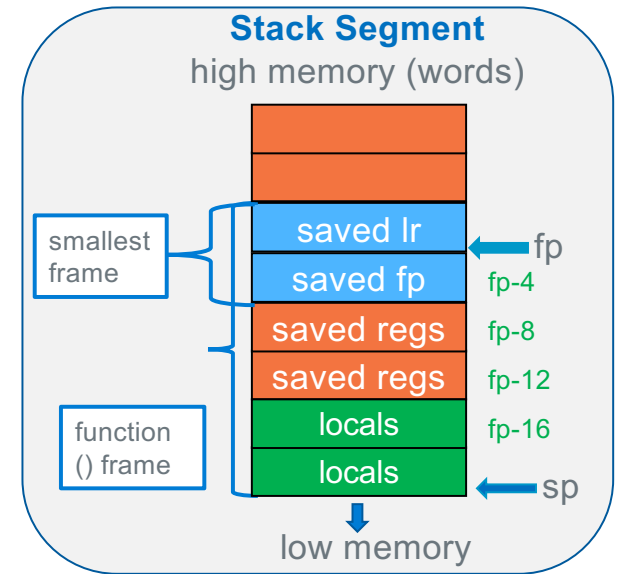
int
a(int n)
{
    int i = 0;
    if (n == 1)
        i = b(n);
    return i;
}

int
b(int m)
{
    return m + 1;
}
    
```



## Stack Frames (Arm Arch32 Procedure Call Standards)

- **Stack frames are 8-byte aligned and expands from high to low memory**
- The **sp** contains the starting byte address (points at lowest address) of the top element in the stack
- **fp** must point at the base element (always **lr**) in the current stack frame and once set is not changed during function execution
- **fp -4** is the saved copy of the **callers fp**
- You move items between the data on the stack and the CPU registers using **ldr/str** instructions with **register base** (**fp** or sometimes the **sp**) **with offset addressing** (either register offset or immediate offset)



We will describe the sections of the stack frame in following slides

**More to come**

## **Week 9 Slide Preview**

# Bitwise (Bit to Bit) Operators in C

output = ~a;

a	~a
0	1
1	0

output = a & b;

a	b	a & b
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

& with 1 to let a bit through  
& with 0 to set a bit to 0

output = a | b;

a	b	a   b
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

| with 1 to set a bit to 1  
| with 0 to let a bit through

output = a ^ b; //EOR

a	b	a ^ b
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

^ with 1 will flip the bit  
^ with 0 to let a bit through

Bitwise  
NOT

~	1100
---	
	0011

Bitwise  
AND

	0110
&	1100
---	
	0100

Bitwise  
OR

	0110
	1100
---	
	1110

Bitwise  
EOR

	0110
^	1100
---	
	1010

## Bitwise versus C Boolean Operators

Meaning	Operator	Operator	Meaning
Boolean AND	a && b	a & b	Bitwise AND
Boolean OR	a    b	a   b	Bitwise OR
Boolean NOT	!b	~b	Bitwise NOT

Boolean operators **act on the entire value not the individual bits**

**& versus &&**

`0x10 & 0x01 = 0x00 (bitwise)`

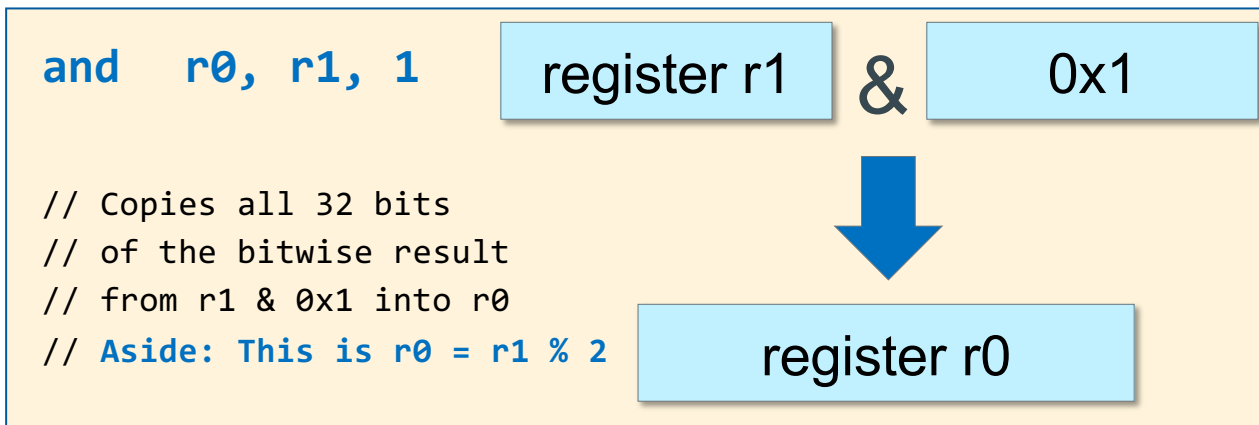
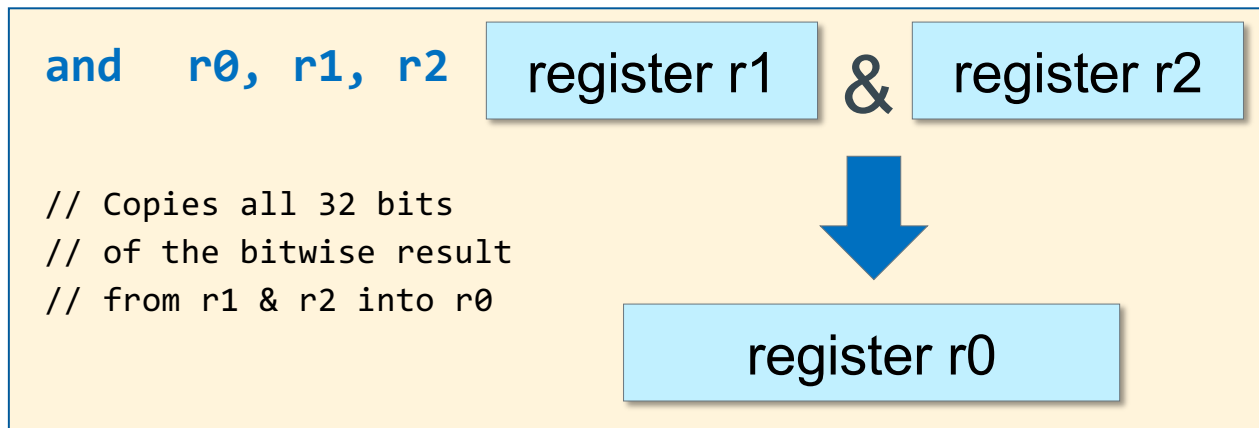
`0x10 && 0x01 = 0x01 (Boolean)`

**! versus ~**

`~0x01 = 0xfffffffffe (bitwise)`

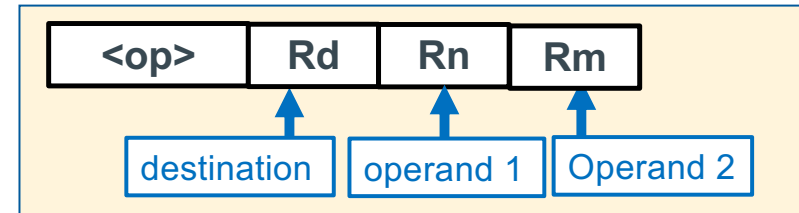
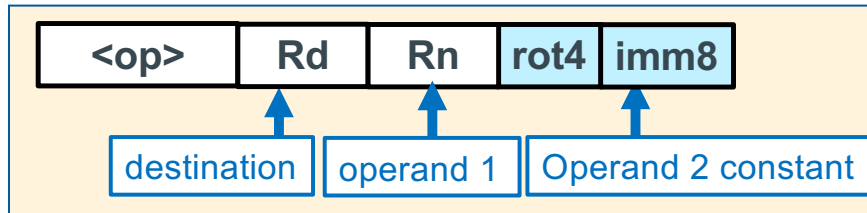
`!0x01 = 0x0 (Boolean)`

## First Look: **AND** Registers





## Bitwise Instructions



`<op> Rd, Rn, constant // Rd = Rn <op> constant`  
`<op> Rd, constant // Rd = Rd <op> constant`  
`<op> Rd, Rn, Rm // Rd = Rn <op> Rm`  
`<op> Rd, Rm // Rd = Rd <op> Rm`

**Bytes:**  $0 \leq \text{imm8} \leq 255$  + values from "rotating" rot 4 bits

Bitwise <code>&lt;op&gt;</code> description	<code>&lt;op&gt;</code> Syntax	Operation
Bitwise <b>AND</b>	<code>and Rd, Rn, Op2</code>	$R_d \leftarrow R_n \& Op2$
<b>Bit Clear</b> each bit in Op2 that is a 1, the same bit in $R_d$ , is cleared	<code>bic Rd, Rn, Op2</code>	$R_d \leftarrow R_n \& \sim Op2$
Bitwise <b>OR</b>	<code>orr Rd, Rn, Op2</code>	$R_d \leftarrow R_n   Op2$
Exclusive <b>OR</b>	<code>eor Rd, Rn, Op2</code>	$R_d \leftarrow R_n \wedge Op2$
Bitwise <b>NOT</b>	<code>mvn Rd, Op2</code>	$R_d \leftarrow \sim Op2$

## Bit Masks: Masking - 1

- Bit masks access/modify specific bits in memory
- Masking act of applying a mask to a value
- **or**: 0 passes bit unchanged, 1 sets bit to 1
- **eor**: 0 passes bit unchanged, 1 inverts the bit
- **bic**: 0 passes bit unchanged, 1 clears it
- **and**: 0 clears the bit, 1 passes bit unchanged

mask force lower 16 bits to 1 "**mask on**" operation

```
orr  r1, r2, r3
```

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0x00 00 ff ff lower half to 1

RSLT: r1 0xab ab ff ff

mask to invert the lower 8-bits "**bit toggle**" operation

```
eor  r1, r2, r3
```

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0x00 00 00 ff flip LSB bits

RSLT: r1 0xab ab ab 88

MASK: r3 0x00 00 00 ff apply a 2<sup>nd</sup> time

RSLT: r1 0xab ab ab 77 original value!

x

## Bit Masks: Masking - 2

mask to **extract top 8 bits** of r2 into r1

**and** r1, r2, r3

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0xff 00 00 00

RSLT: r1 0xab 00 00 00

mask to query the status of a bit **"bit status"** operation

**and** r1, r2, r3

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0x00 00 00 01 is bit 0 set?

RSLT: r1 0x00 00 00 01 (0 if not set)

mask to force lower 8 bits to 0 **"mask off"** operation

**and** r1, r2, r3

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0xff ff ff 00 clear LSB

RSLT: r1 0xab ab ab 00

clear bit 5 to a 0 without changing the other bits

**bic** r1, r2, r3

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0x00 00 00 20 clear bit 5 (0010)

RSLT: r1 0xab ab ab 57

## Bit Masks: Masking - 3

mask to get **1's complement** operation  
(like mvn)

**eor** r1, r2, r3

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0xff ff ff ff

RSLT: r1 0x54 54 54 88

**remainder (mod):**  $\text{num \% d}$  where  $n \geq 0$  and  $d = 2^k$

$\text{mask} = 2^k - 1$  so for mod 2,  $\text{mask} = 2 - 1 = 1$

**and** r1, r2, r3

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0x00 00 00 01 (mod 2 even or odd)

RSLT: r1 0xab 00 00 01 (odd)

**remainder (mod):**  $\text{num \% d}$  where  $n \geq 0$  and  $d = 2^k$

$\text{mask} = 2^k - 1$  so for mod 16,  $\text{mask} = 16 - 1 = 15$

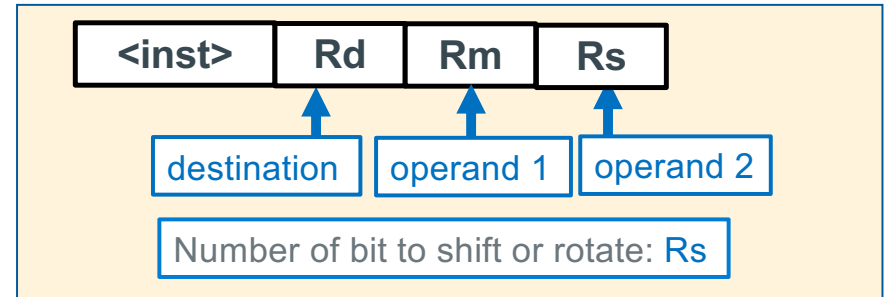
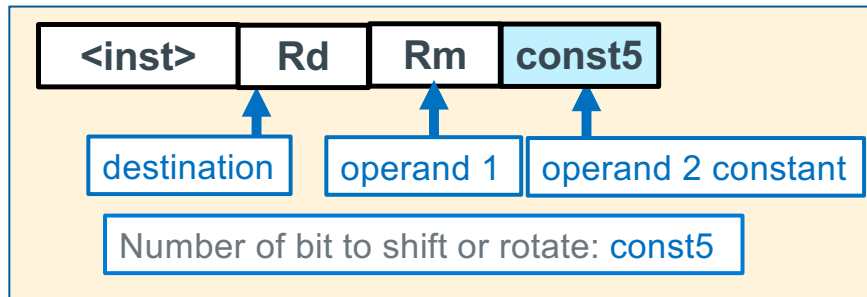
**and** r1, r2, r3

DATA: r2 0xab ab ab 77

MASK: r3 0x00 00 00 0f (mod 16)

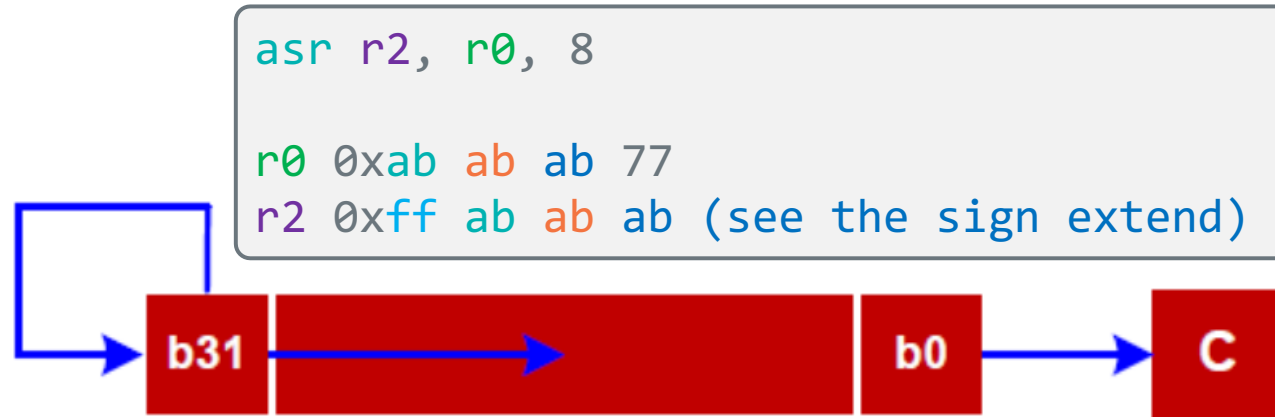
RSLT: r1 0xab 00 00 07 (if 0: divisible by)

## Shift and Rotate Instructions



Instruction	Syntax	Operation	Notes	Diagram
Logical Shift Left	LSL $R_d, R_m, const5$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \ll const5$	Zero fills shift: 0 - 31	
	LSL $R_d, R_m, R_s$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \ll R_s$		
Logical Shift Right	LSR $R_d, R_m, const5$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \gg const5$	Zero fills shift: 1 - 32	
	LSR $R_d, R_m, R_s$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \gg R_s$		
Arithmetic Shift Right	ASR $R_d, R_m, const5$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \ggg const5$	Sign extends shift: 1 - 32	
	ASR $R_d, R_m, R_s$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \ggg R_s$		
Rotate Right	ROR $R_d, R_m, const5$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \text{ ror } const5$	right rotate rot: 0 - 31	
	ROR $R_d, R_m, R_s$	$R_d \leftarrow R_m \text{ ror } R_s$		

## Shift & Rotate Operations



Test for sign  
-1 if r0 negative

```
asr r2, r0, 31
```

r0 0xab ab ab 77  
r2 0xff ff ff ff

Test for sign  
0 if r0 positive

```
asr r2, r0, 31
```

r0 0x7b ab ab 77  
r2 0x00 00 00 00

## Shift & Rotate Operations



```
lsr r2, r0, 8
```

```
r0 0xab ab ab 77
r2 0x00 ab ab ab
```



```
lsl r2, r0, 8
```

```
r0 0xab ab ab 77
r2 0xab ab 77 00
```

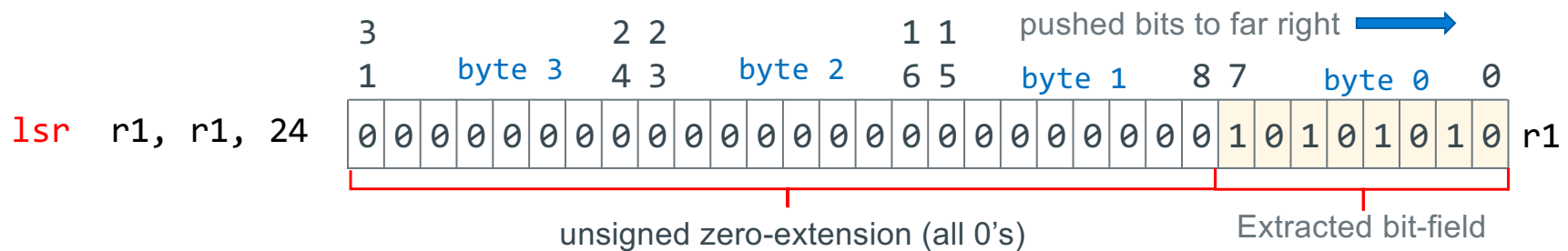
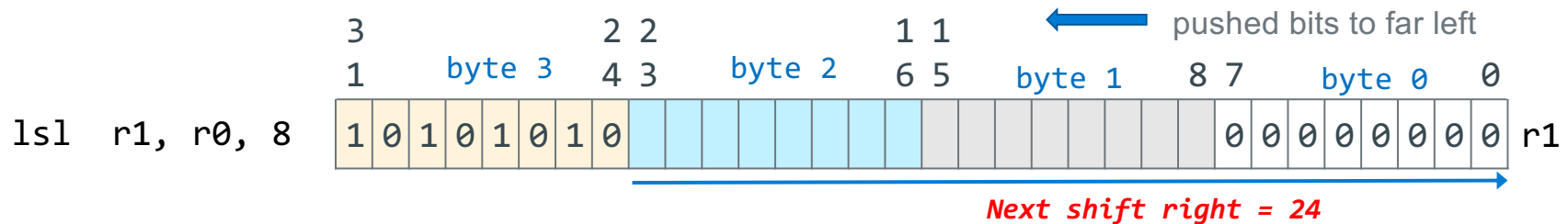
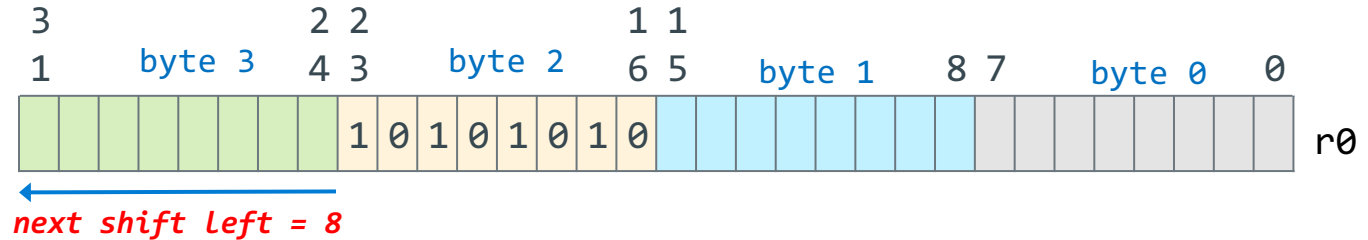


```
ror r2, r0, 8
```

```
r0 0xab ab ab 77
r2 0x77 ab ab ab
```

# Extracting Unsigned Bitfields

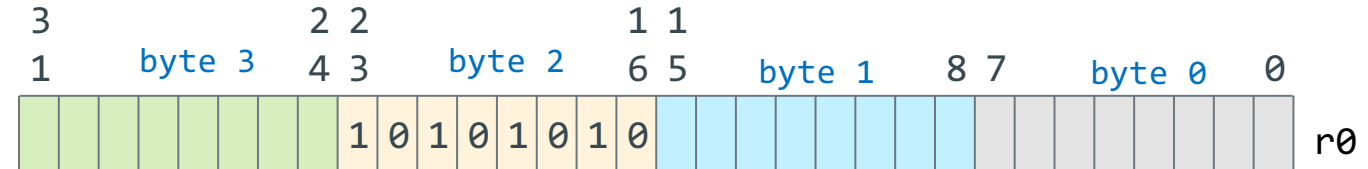
- Move byte 2 in r0 to byte 0 in r1



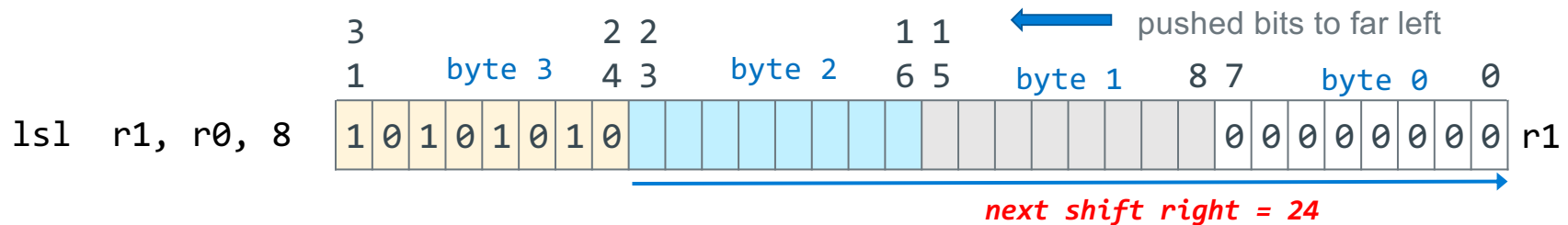


# Extracting Signed Bitfields

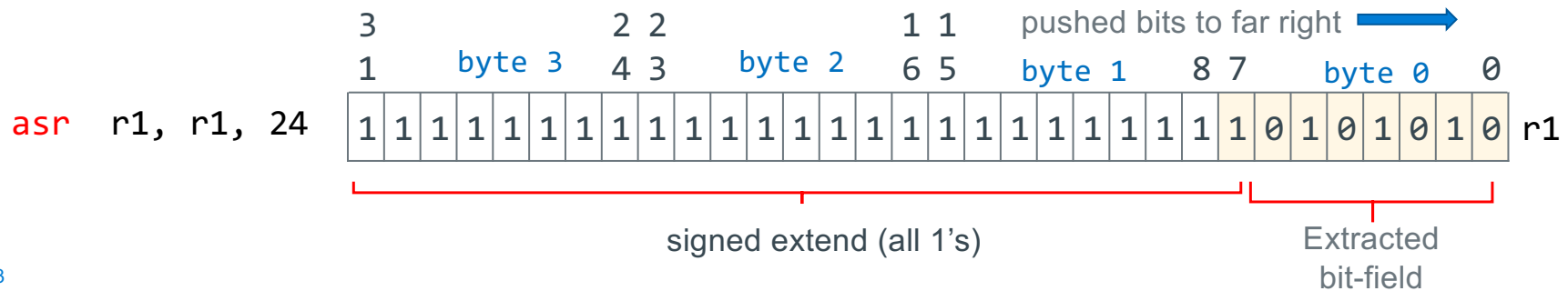
- Move byte 2 in r0 to byte 0 in r1



next shift left = 8



next shift right = 24



# Inserting Bitfields – Inserting Source Field into Destination Field

Task: Insert source into destination

a	b	a   b
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

Approach

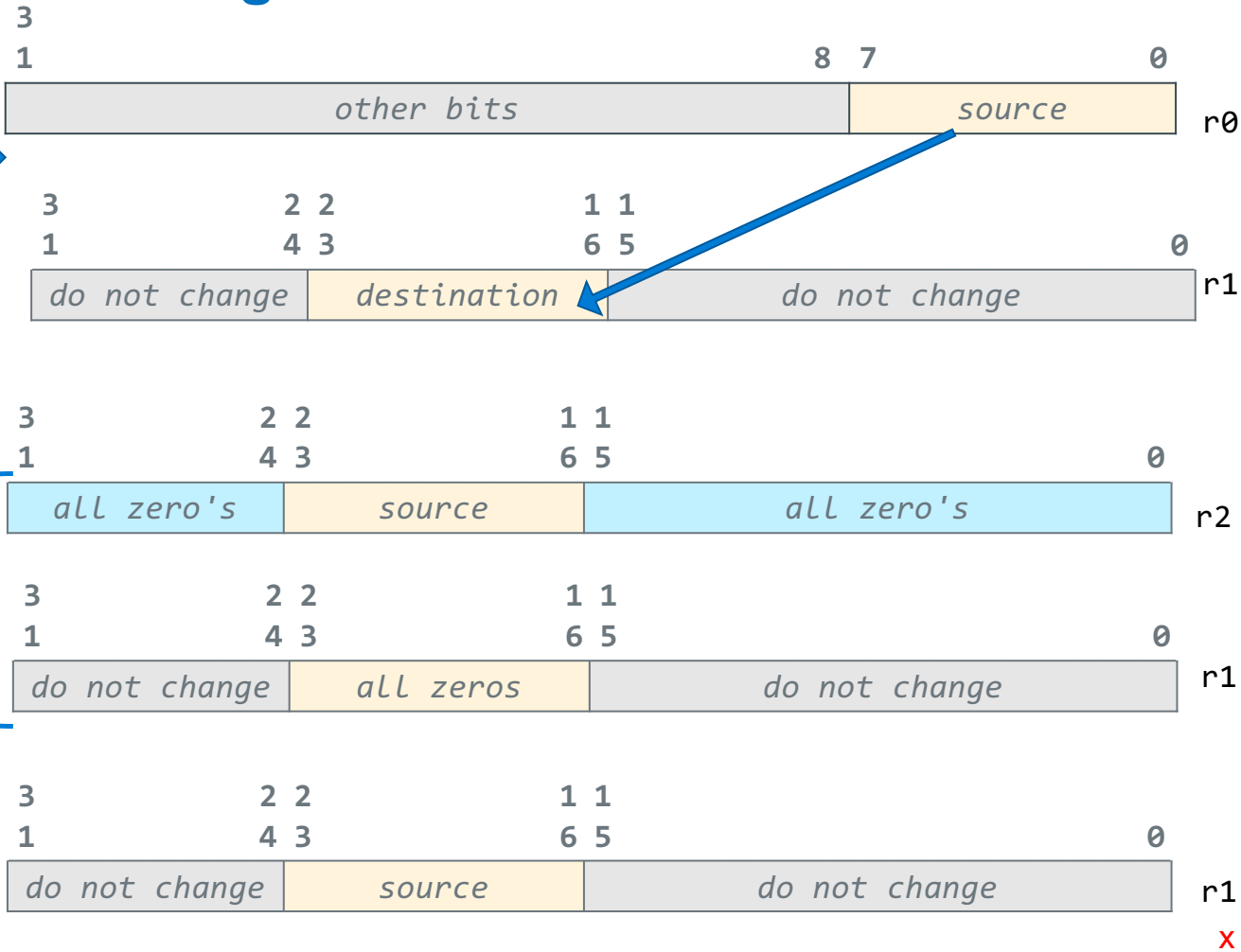
(1) isolate source field

(2) clear destination field

(3) Bitwise **or** together

orr r1, r1, r2

results in



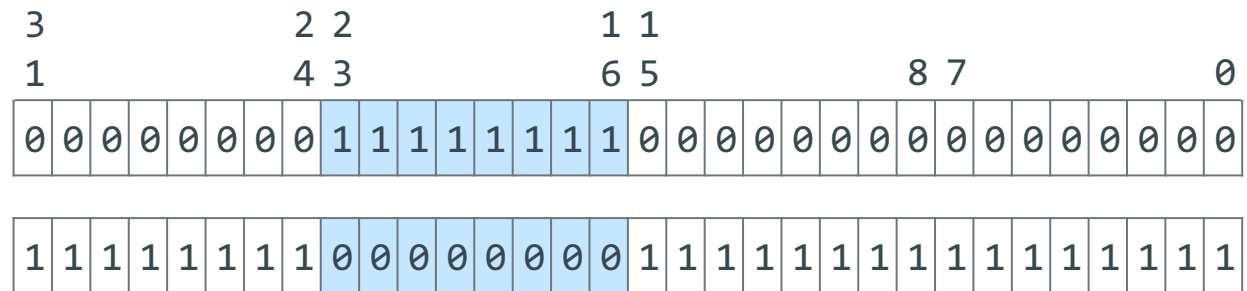
# Creating a Mask - 1

option #1 (1 mask)

```
ldr    r3, =0x00ffff0000
```

for a 0 mask

```
ldr    r3, =0xff0000ffff
```



option #2 (1 mask)

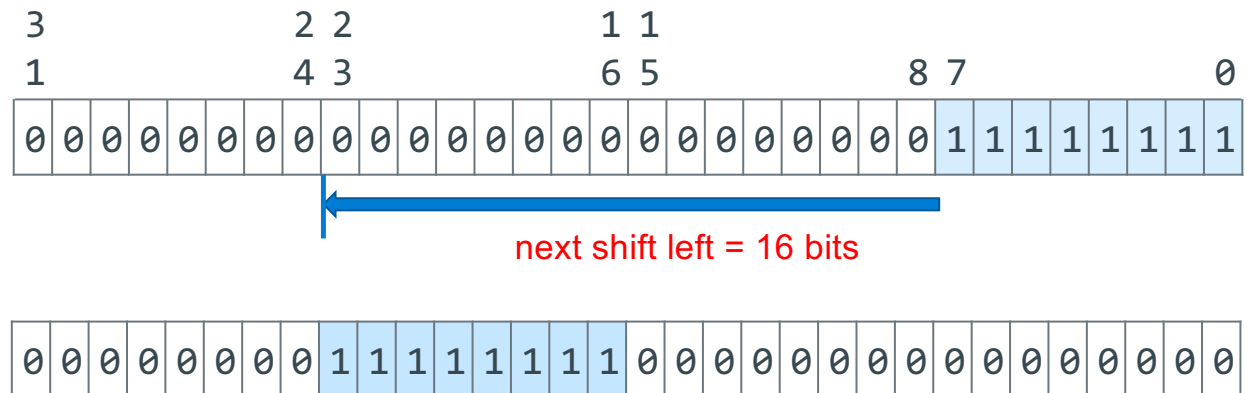
small mask

```
mov    r3, 255
```

```
ls1    r3, r3, 16
```

or do

```
ror    r3, r3, 16
```



# Creating a Mask- 0 mask

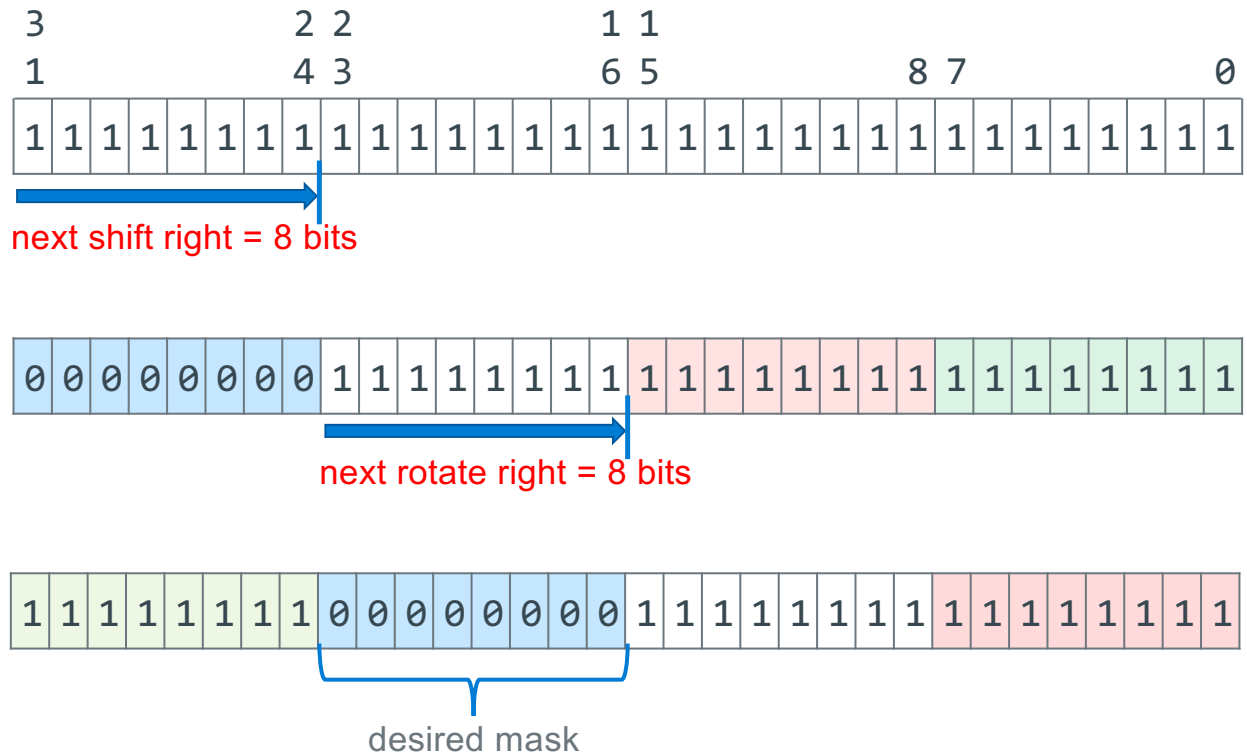
option #3  
any size field

```
mov    r3, -1
```

number of bits you need in  
the mask, 8 for example

```
asr    r3, r3, 8
```

```
ror    r3, r3, 8
```



# Creating a Mask- 1 mask

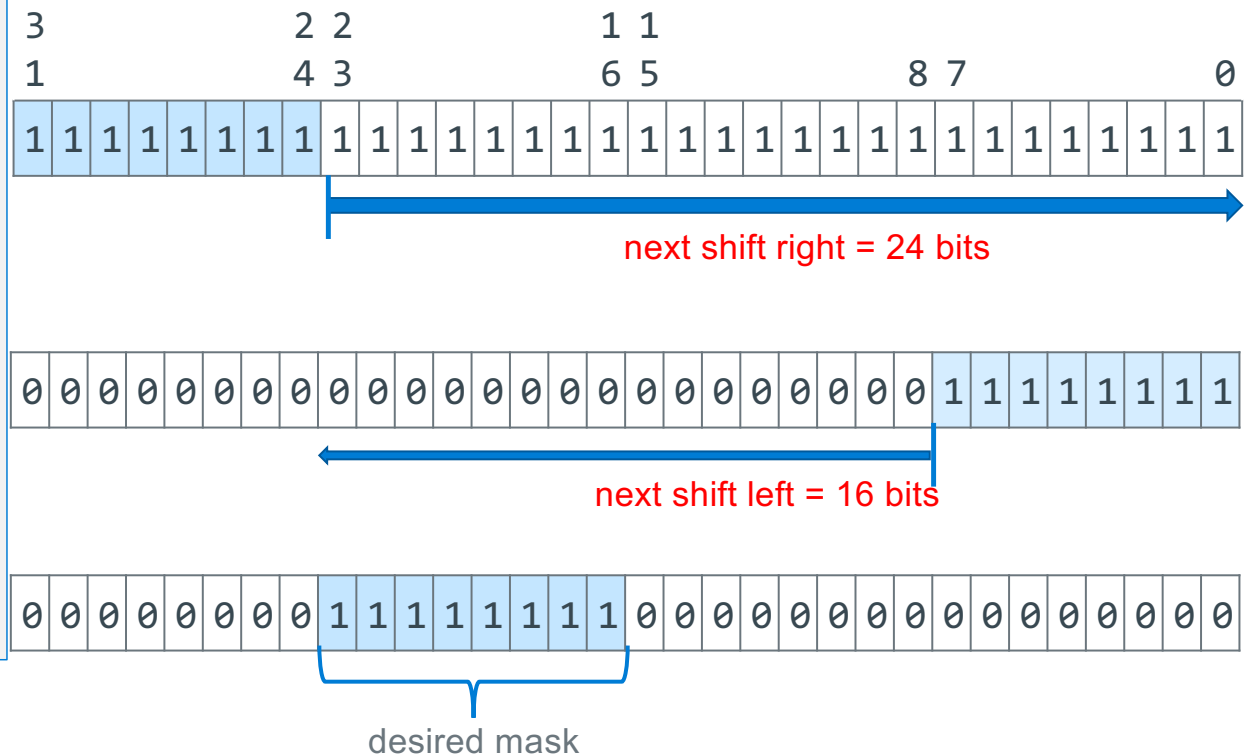
option #3  
any size field

```
mov    r3, -1
```

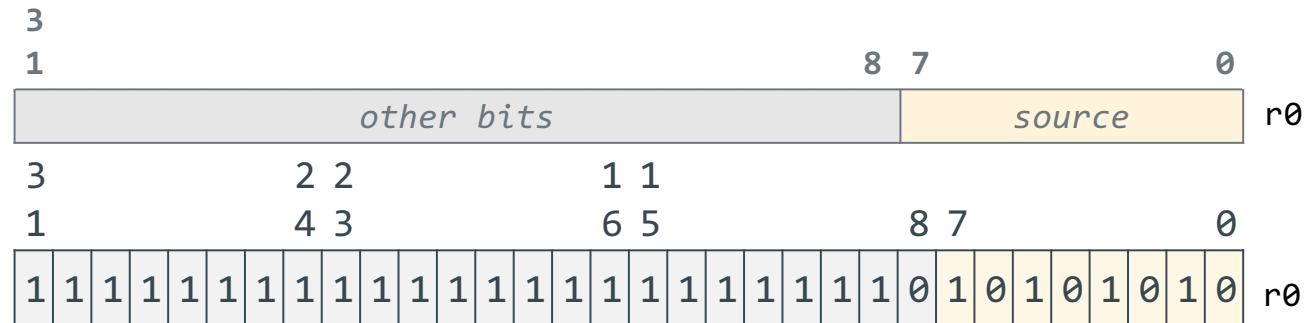
32 - number of bits you  
need in the mask, 8 for  
example is mask size

```
lsr    r3, r3, 24
```

```
lsl    r3, r3, 16
```



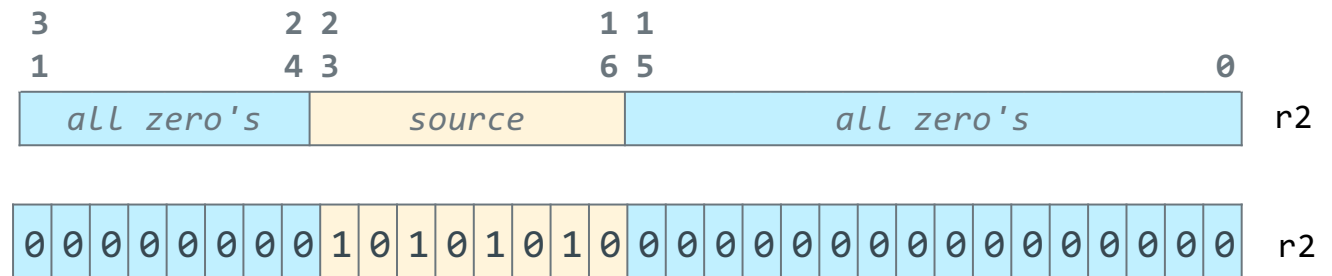
## Inserting Bitfields – Isolating the Source Field



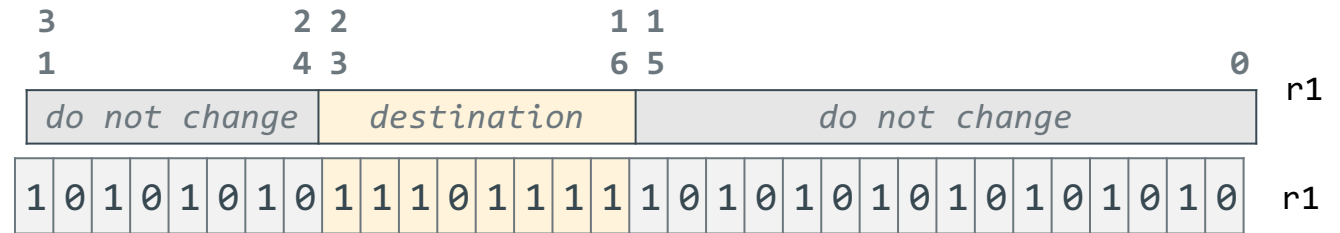
isolate source field

`lsl r2, r0, 24`

`lsr r2, r2, 8`



# Inserting Bitfields – Clearing the Destination Field

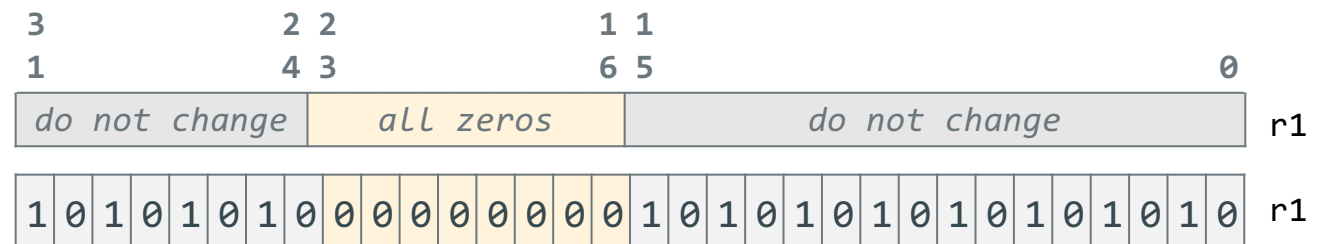


create a 1 mask



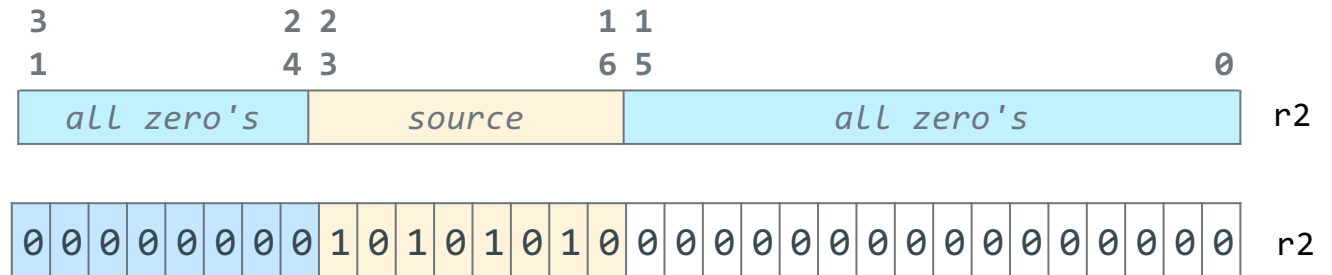
clear the  
destination field

bic      r1, r1, r3

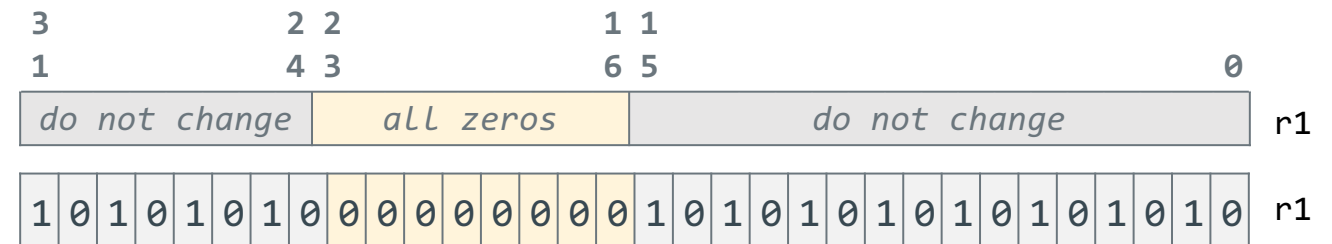


# Inserting Bitfields – Combining Isolated Source and Cleared Destination

isolated source



field cleared in destination



inserted field  
orr r1, r1, r0



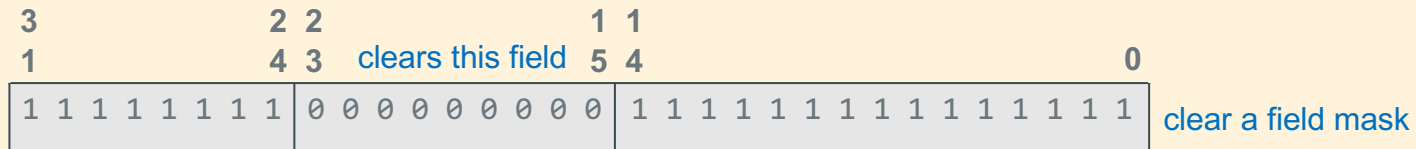


# Masking Summary

**Isolate a field:** Use **and** with a **mask** of one's surrounded by zero's to select the bits that have a 1 in the mask, all other bits will be set to zero



**Clear a field:** Use **and** with a mask of zero's surrounded by one's to select the bits that have a 1 in the mask, all other bits will be set to zero



**Isolate a field:** Use **lsl** and **lsr** to get a field surrounded by zeros

