

# **TM Simulator**

CIS\*4650 Compilers  
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# Incremental Steps for C3

- **Subtask 1:** Get familiar with TM Simulator architecture and its assembly code and test the TM Simulator package.

# Basic Architecture

```
#define IADDR_SIZE 1024
#define DADDR_SIZE 1024
#define NO_REGS 8
#define PC_REG 7

INSTRUCTION iMem[IADDR_SIZE];
int dMem[DADDR_SIZE];
int reg[NO_REGS];

do {
    /* fetch an instruction */
    currentInstruction = iMem[reg[PC_REG]++];
    /* execute current instruction */
    ...
} while( !(halt || error) );
```

## Runtime Errors:

- IMEM\_ERR:  
reg[PC\_REG] < 0  
reg[PC\_REG] >= IADDR\_SIZE
- DMEM\_ERR: similar to iMem above
- ZERO\_DIV:

# Register Only (RO) Instructions

*Format:* opcode r, s, t

<i>Opcode</i>	<i>Effect</i>
HALT	stop execution
IN	reg[r] <- read an integer from input
OUT	reg[r] -> write to standard output
ADD	reg[r] = reg[s] + reg[t]
SUB	reg[r] = reg[s] - reg[t]
MUL	reg[r] = reg[s] * reg[t]
DIV	reg[r] = reg[s] / reg[t] (may generate ZERO_DIV)

# Register Memory (RM) Instructions

*Format:* opcode r, d(s)

(a = d + reg[s]; may generate DMEM\_ERR if a < 0 or a >= DADDR\_SIZE)

*Opcode*

*Effect*

LD	reg[r] = dMem[a]
LDA	reg[r] = a
LDC	reg[r] = d
ST	dMem[a] = reg[r]
JLT	if( reg[r] < 0 ) reg[PC_REG] = a
JLE	if( reg[r] <= 0 ) reg[PC_REG] = a
JGT	if( reg[r] > 0 ) reg[PC_REG] = a
JGE	if( reg[r] >= 0 ) reg[PC_REG] = a
JEQ	if( reg[r] == 0 ) reg[PC_REG] = a
JNE	if( reg[r] != 0 ) reg[PC_REG] = a

# Sample Program

- \* This program inputs an integer, computes its factorial if it is positive,
- \* and prints the result

0:	IN 0, 0, 0	r0 = read
1:	JLE 0, 6(7)	if 0 < r0 then
2:	LDC 1, 1, 0	r1 = 1
3:	LDC 2, 1, 0	r2 = 1
		* repeat
4:	MUL 1, 1, 0	r1 = r1 * r0
5:	SUB 0, 0, 2	r0 = r0 - r2
6:	JNE 0, -3(7)	until r0 == 0
7:	OUT 1, 0, 0	write r1
8:	HALT 0, 0, 0	halt

\* end of program

# Three-Address vs Assembly Code

```
read x
t1 = x > 0
if_false t1 goto L1
fact = 1
label L2
t2 = fact * x
fact = t2
t3 = x - 1
x = t3
t4 = x == 0
if_false t4 goto L2
write fact
label L1
halt
```

```
0:      IN   0, 0, 0
1:      JLE  0, 6(7)
2:      LDC  1, 1, 0
3:      LDC  2, 1, 0
4:      MUL  1, 1, 0
5:      SUB  0, 0, 2
6:      JNE  0, -3(7)
7:      OUT  1, 0, 0
8:      HALT 0, 0, 0
```

(Compared with 70 instructions  
"fac.tm" ???)

# Flexible Order for Backpatching

```
0:    IN  0, 0, 0
2:    LDC 1, 1, 0
3:    LDC 2, 1, 0
4:    MUL 1, 1, 0
5:    SUB 0, 0, 2
6:    JNE 0, -3(7)
7:    OUT 1, 0, 0
1:    JLE 0, 6(7)
8:    HALT 0, 0, 0
```

skip an instruction

backpatching for a jump



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- **Subtask 2:** Refactor the syntax trees and the visitor interface.

# Required Attributes for Syntax Trees

## - Declarations:

ArrayDec: size (Already done in Checkpoint One)

FunctionDec: funaddr (To be added)

VarDec:

offset: location relative to fp (To be added)

nestLevel: gp or the current fp (To be added)

## - References:

VarExp: dtype to a VarDec (Already done in Checkpoint Two)

CallExp: dtype to a FunctionDec (Already done in Checkpoint Two)

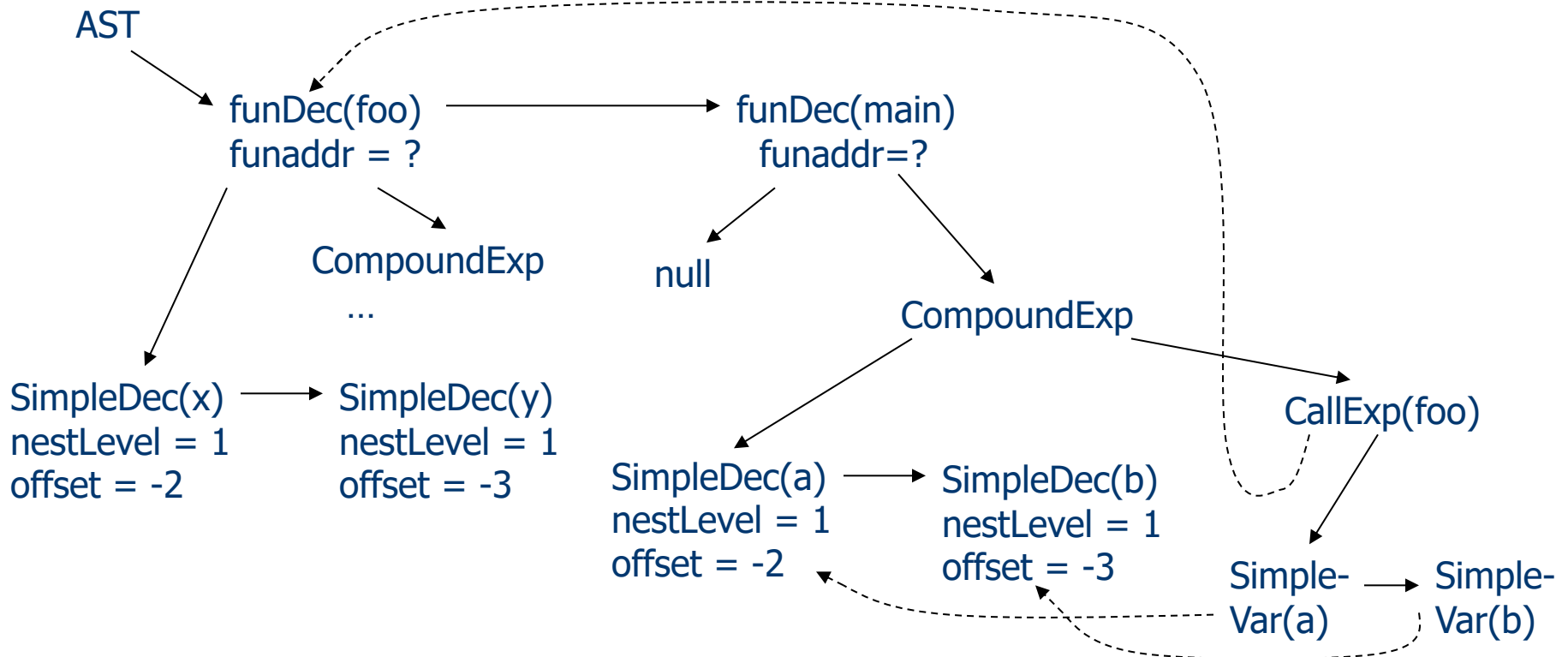
# Extending AST's for Code Generation

```
void foo( int x, int y ) {
    ...
}
```

ofp
ret
x
y

```
void main( void ) {
    int a; int b;
    foo( a, b );
}
```

ofp	0
ret	-1
a	-2
b	-3



# Implementation Details

For a FunctionDec, add "int funaddr" to record the start address of the corresponding function, which is needed for a function call.

For a VarDec (either SimpleDec or ArrayDec), we need to add "int nestLevel" and "int offset". The former is either 0 for "global" scope or "1" for "local" scope, and the latter is the offset within the related stackframe for memory access.

If "nestLevel = 0" and "offset = -3", we will go the global frame pointed by "gp" and its 4<sup>th</sup> location to read/write data. If "nestLevel = 1" and "offset=-2", we will go the current stackframe pointed by "fp" and access its third location (right after "ofp" and "return addr").

For a Var (either SimpleVar or IndexVar) and a CallExp, we need to add a link to its related definitions: SimpleDec, ArrayDec, and FunctionDec. That's where we can find the memory location or the function address.

# Visitor Class for Code Generation

```
public class CodeGenerator implements AbsynVisitor {  
    int mainEntry, globalOffset;  
    // add constructor and all emitting routines  
    ...  
    public void visit(Absyn trees) { // wrapper for post-order traversal  
        // generate the prelude  
        ...  
        // generate the i/o routines  
        ...  
        // make a request to the visit method for DecList  
        trees.accept(this, 0, false);  
        // generate finale  
        ...  
    }  
    // implement all visit methods in AbsynVisitor such as the following  
    public void visit(DecList decs, int offset, Boolean isAddress) { ...}  
    ...  
}
```

# Refactor the Visitor Pattern

- Add “boolean isAddr” to all function headers for the visitor pattern:

In Absyn.java:

```
abstract public void accept(AbsynVisitor visitor, int value, boolean flag);
```

In AbsynVisitor.java:

```
public void visit(AssignExp exp, int value, boolean flag);
```

...

In ShowTreeVisitor.java and SemanticAnalyzer.java:

```
public void visit(AssignExp exp, int level, boolean flag);
```

...

In CM.java:

```
ShowTreeVisitor visitor = new ShowTreeVisitor();
```

```
result.accept(visitor, 0, false);
```

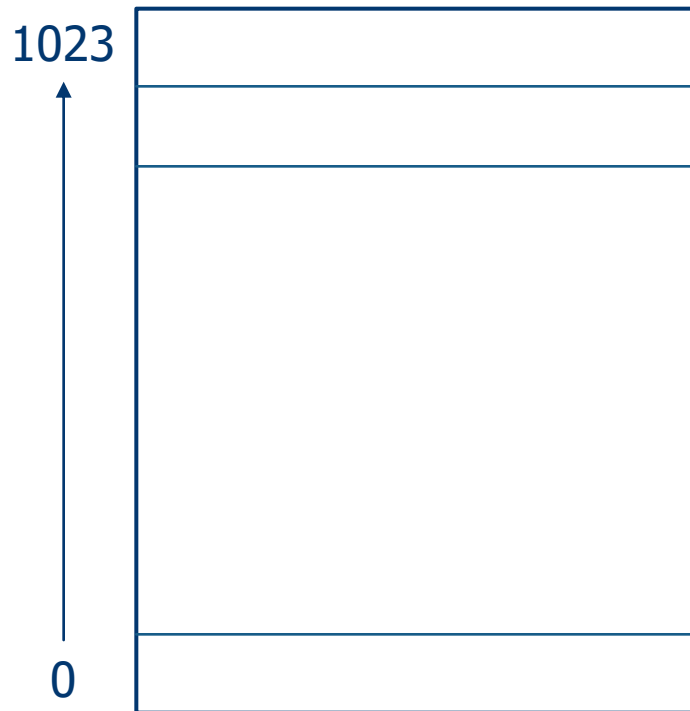
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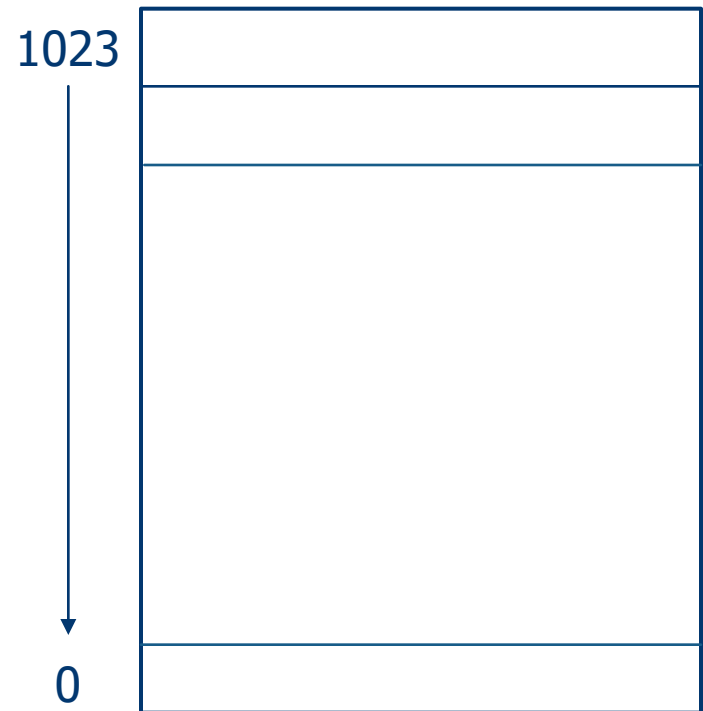
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# Runtime Environments for C-Minus

INSTRUCTION iMem[IADDR\_SIZE];

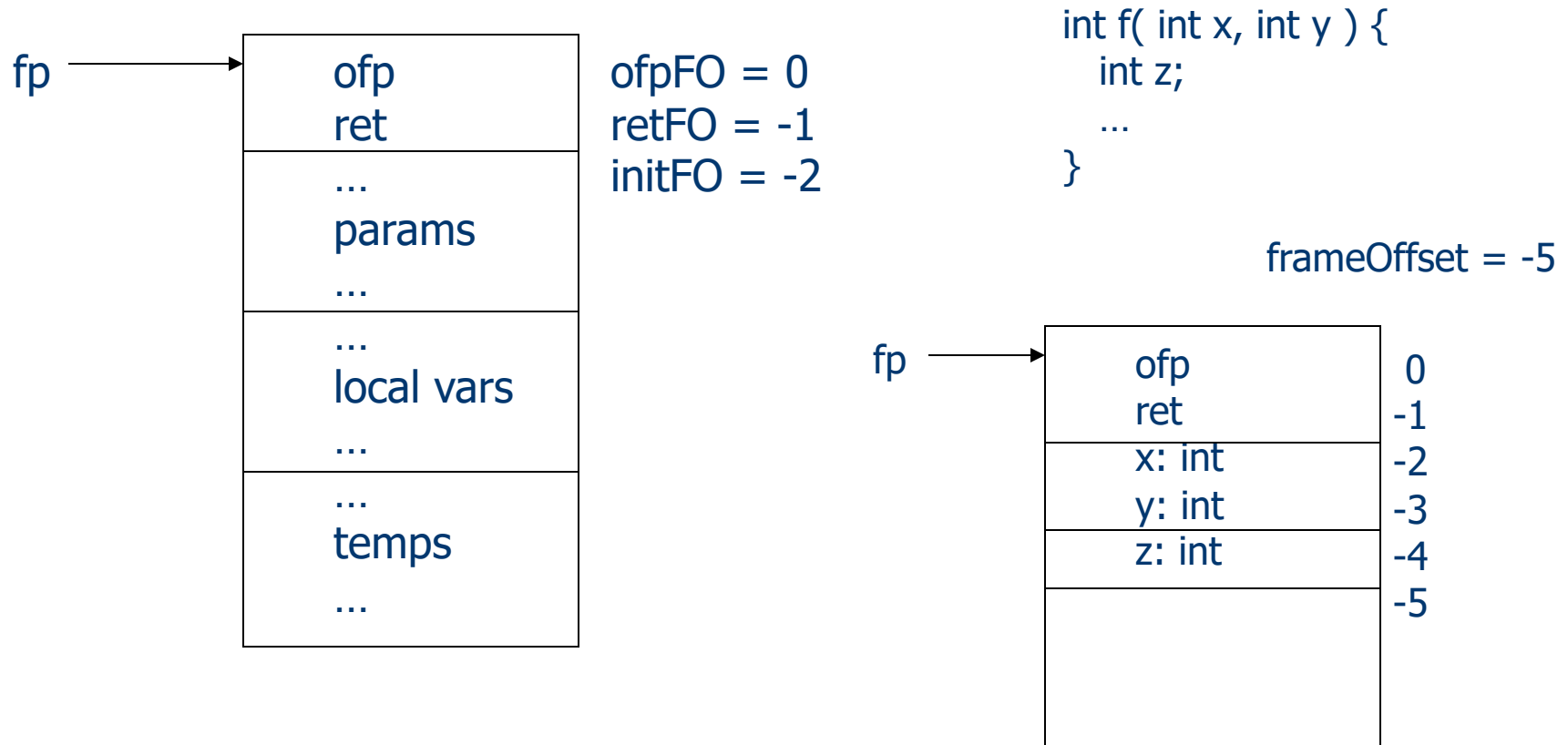


int dMem[DADDR\_SIZE];





# Runtime Environment for C-Minus



(Note that "frameOffset" is used for "sp", which can be passed as a parameter in the recursive functions for code generation)

# Registers and Relative Addresses

## ■ Prelude for code generation:

0: LD gp, 0(ac)	* load gp with maxaddress
1: LDA fp, 0(gp)	* copy gp to fp
2: ST ac, 0(ac)	* clear value at location 0

## ■ Jump to a different instruction:

- e.g., from location 42 to location 27:

42: LDA pc, -16(pc)



$a = (42 + 1) - 16 = 27$   
 $\text{offset} = 27 - (42 + 1) = -16$

Special registers:

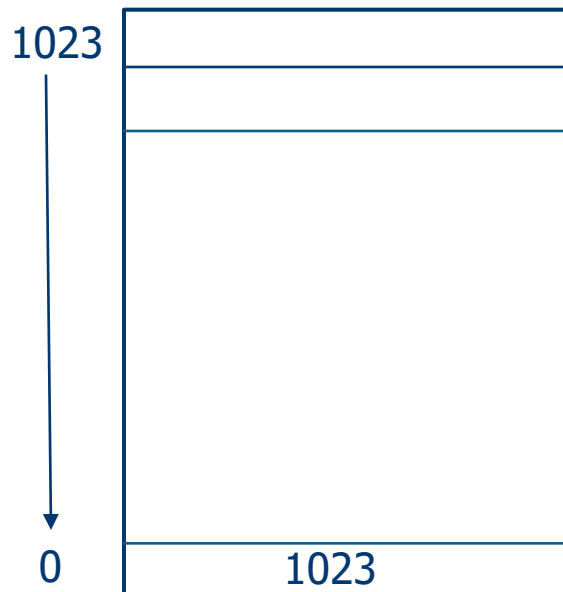
```
#define pc 7
#define gp 6
#define fp 5
#define ac 0
#define ac1 1
```

# Code for Prelude

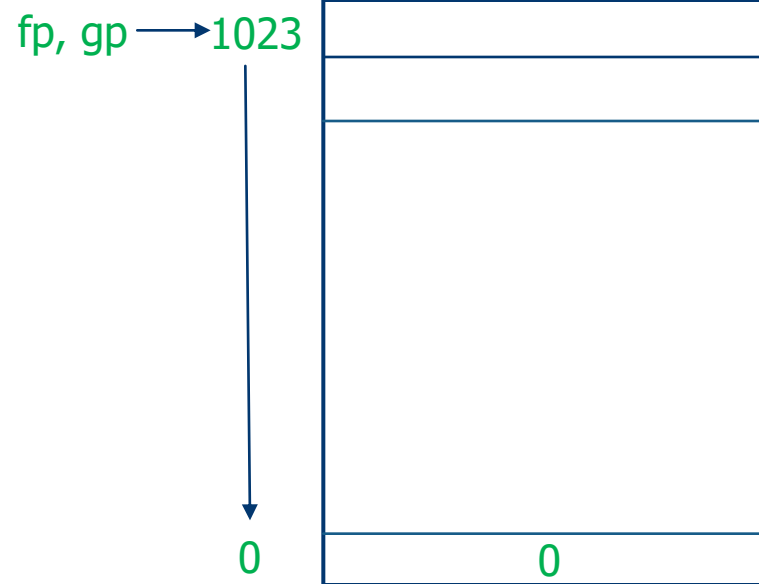
## ■ Accessing global data:

0: LD gp, 0(ac)  
1: LDA fp, 0(gp)  
2: ST ac, 0(ac)

\* load gp with maxaddress:  $\text{reg}[gp] = 1023$   
\* copy gp to fp:  $\text{reg}[fp] = 1023$   
\* clear location 0:  $\text{dMem}[0] = 0$



(Initialization of dMem by TM Simulator)



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# Example Code

```
int y;
```

```
int gcd( int u, int v ) {  
    if( v == 0 )  
        return u;  
    else  
        return gcd( v, u - u / v * v );  
}
```

```
void main( void ) {  
    int x;  
    x = input();  
    y = 10;  
    output( gcd(x, y) );  
}
```

# Basic Code Structure

Lines:      Tasks to do

0-2:      

prelude

3:      jump around i/o functions

4-10:      

code for i/o functions

11:      jump around gcd

12-48:      

code for gcd

49:      jump around main

50-80:      

code for main

81-86:      

finale

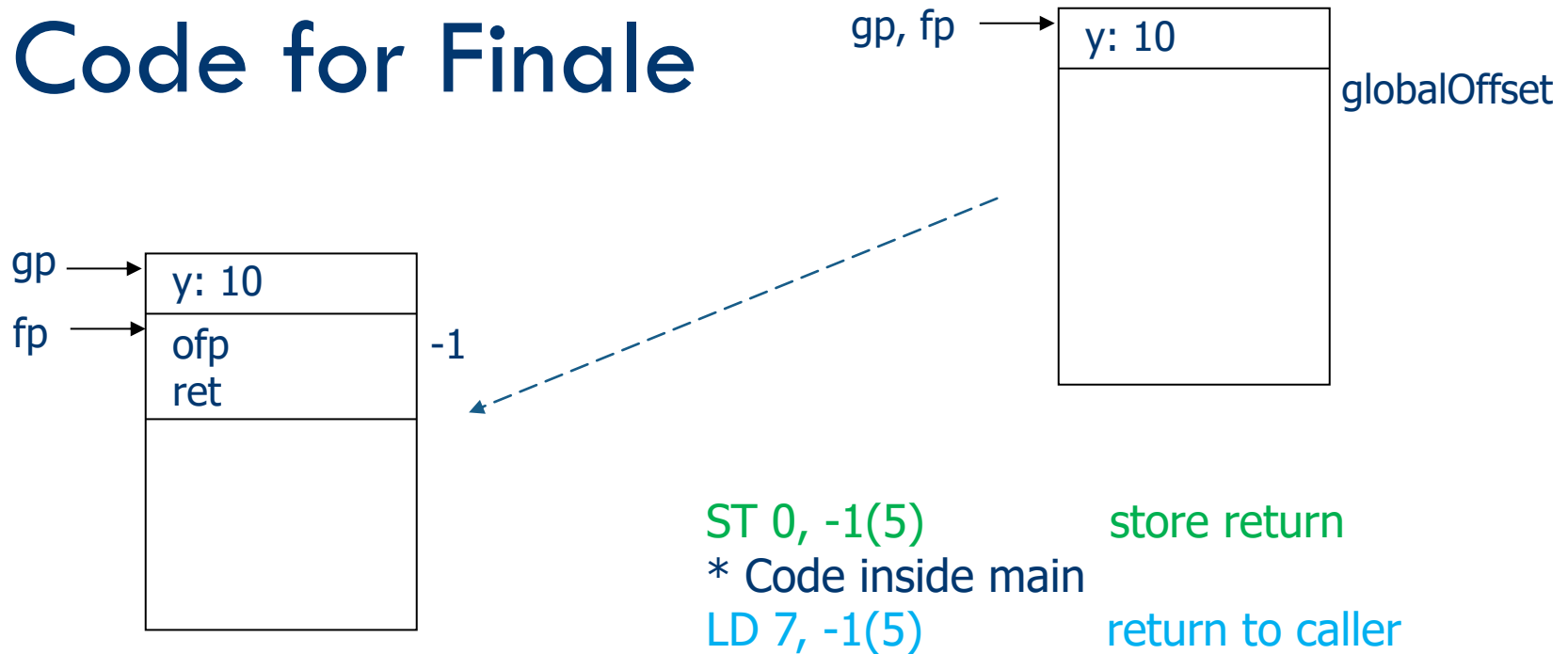
- prelude:

0: LD 6, 0(0)    load gp with maxaddr  
1: LDA 5, 0(6)    copy gp to fp  
2: ST 0, 0(0)    clear content at loc 0

- finale:

81: ST 5, -1(5)    push ofp  
82: LDA 5, -1(5)    push frame  
83: LDA 0, 1(7)    load ac with ret ptr  
84: LDA 7, -35(7)    jump to main loc  
85: LD 5, 0(5)    pop frame  
86: HALT 0, 0, 0

# Code for Finale

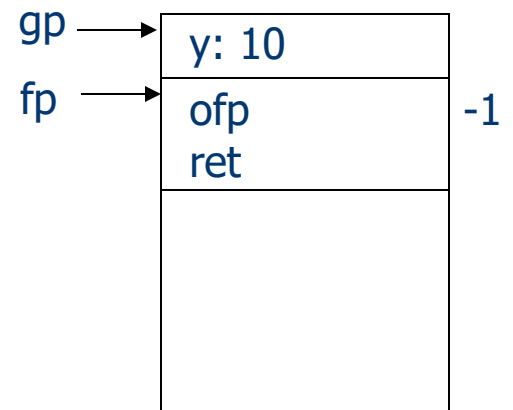


# Generating Finale

```
int mainEntry;           /* absolute address for main */
int globalOffset;        /* next available loc after global frame */
```

...

```
emitRM( "ST", fp, globalOffset+ofpFO, fp, "push ofp" );
emitRM( "LDA", fp, globalOffset, fp, "push frame" );
emitRM( "LDA", ac, 1, pc, "load ac with ret ptr" );
emitRM_Abs( "LDA", pc, mainEntry, "jump to main loc" );
emitRM( "LD", fp, ofpFO, fp, "pop frame" );
emitRO( "HALT", 0, 0, 0, "" );
```



- Beginning of a function:

```
emitRM( "ST", ac, retFO, fp, "store return" );
```

# Code Emitting Routines

```
/* Routines to generate different kinds  
   of assembly instructions  
*/
```

```
int emitLoc = 0;  
int highEmitLoc = 0;
```

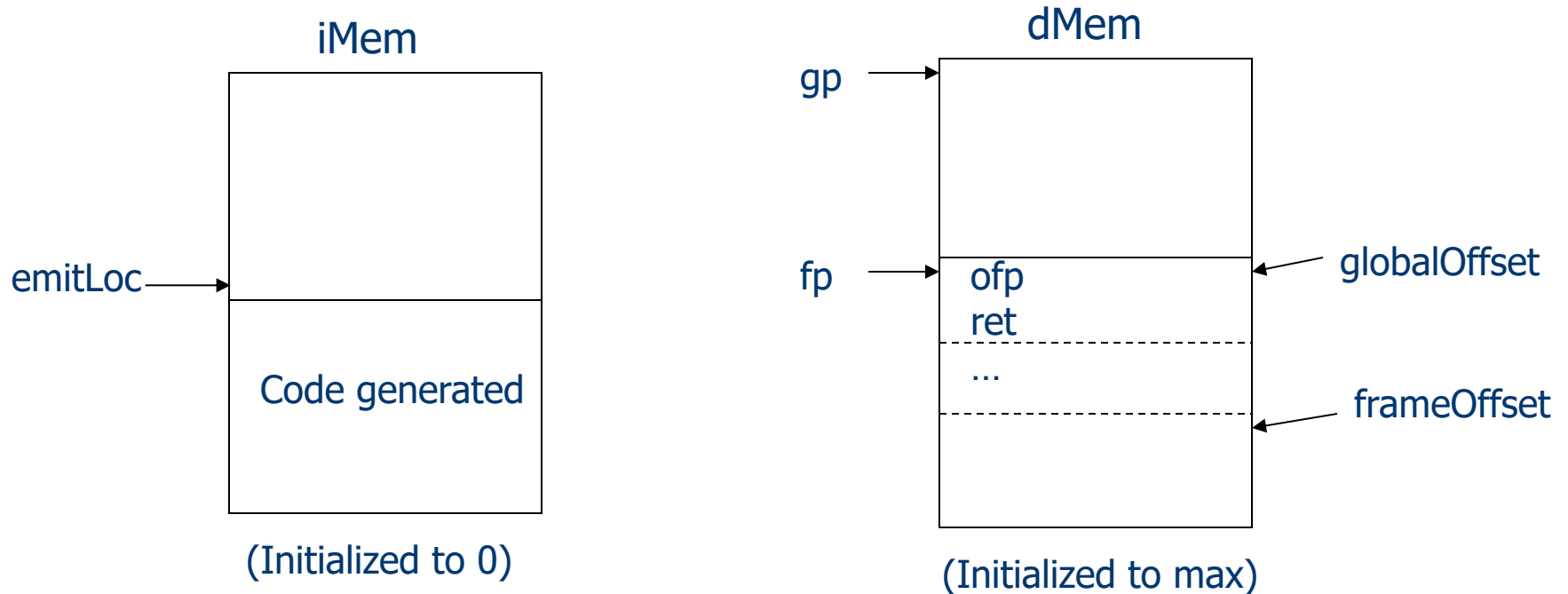
```
void emitRO( char *op,  
             int r, int s, int t, char *c ) {  
    fprintf( code, "%3d: %5s %d, %d, %d",  
            emitLoc, op, r, s, t );  
    fprintf( code, "\t%s\n", c );  
    ++emitLoc;  
    if( highEmitLoc < emitLoc )  
        highEmitLoc = emitLoc;  
}
```

```
void emitRM( char *op,  
             int r, int d, int s, char *c ) {  
    fprintf( code, "%3d: %5s %d, %d(%d)",  
            emitLoc, op, r, d, s );  
    fprintf( code, "\t%s\n", c );  
    ++emitLoc;  
    if( highEmitLoc < emitLoc )  
        highEmitLoc = emitLoc;  
}
```

```
void emitRM_Abs( char *op,  
                int r, int a, char *c ) {  
    fprintf( code, "%3d: %5s %d, %d(%d) ",  
            emitLoc, op, r, a - (emitLoc + 1), pc );  
    fprintf( code, "\t%s\n", c );  
    ++emitLoc;  
    if( highEmitLoc < emitLoc )  
        highEmitLoc = emitLoc;  
}
```



# Three Offsets to Keep Track of



- Main function is the last declaration in a program: that's where we set values for "mainEntry" and "globalOffset".

# Code Emitting Routines

```
/* Routines to maintain the code space */
```

```
int emitSkip( int distance ) {  
    int i = emitLoc;  
    emitLoc += distance;  
    if( highEmitLoc < emitLoc )  
        highEmitLoc = emitLoc;  
    return i;  
}
```

```
void emitBackup( int loc ) {  
    if( loc > highEmitLoc )  
        emitComment( "BUG in emitBackup" );  
    emitLoc = loc;  
}
```

```
void emitRestore( void ) {  
    emitLoc = highEmitLoc;  
}
```

```
/* Routine to generate one line  
of comment  
*/
```

```
void emitComment( char *c ) {  
    fprintf( code, "* %s\n", c );  
}
```

# Backpatching Example

\* Standard prelude

0: LD 6, 0(0)

1: LDA 5, 0(6)

2: ST 0, 0(0)

\* Jump around i/o routines

\* Code for input routine

4: ST 0, -1(5)      store return

5: IN 0, 0, 0      input

6: LD 7, -1(5)      return to caller

\* Code for output routine

7: ST 0, -1(5)      store return

8: LD 0, -2(5)      load output value

9: OUT 0, 0, 0      output

10: LD 7, -1(5)      return to caller

3: LDA 7, 7(7)      jump around i/o code

11:

/\* code for backpatching \*/

...

int savedLoc = emitSkip(1);

/\*

code for the i/o routines

\*/

int savedLoc2 = emitSkip(0);

emitBackup( savedLoc );

emitRM\_Abs( "LDA", pc, savedLoc2, "" );

emitRestore();

...

# Implementation Details

(1) For the very initial implementation, we can use an empty main function such as “void main(void) {}”. This should lead to the following sequence of instructions:

```
/* code for prelude */  
...  
/* code for i/o routines */  
...  
12: ST 0, -1(5)      save return address  
13: LD 7, -1(5)      return back to the caller  
11: LDA 7, 2(7)      jump forward to finale  
/* code for finale */  
...
```

- After that, we can gradually add code generation functions for expressions, assignments, control structures, functions and recursions, nested blocks, arrays, and runtime error checking, as suggested in the marking scheme for Checkpoint Three.

# Implementation Details

(2) Implement all the emit routines in CodeGenerator.java:

- Note that every time we emit an instruction, "emitLoc" is always incremented, and if it exceeds "highEmitLoc", the latter is also adjusted up.
- When generating an instruction, avoid using "fprintf" directly, but use the related "emit" routine since we can increment "emitLoc" and "highEmitLoc" as well.

```
void emitRO( char *op,  
    int r, int s, int t, char *c ) {  
    fprintf( code, "%3d: %5s %d, %d, %d",  
        emitLoc, op, r, s, t );  
    fprintf( code, "\t%s\n", c );  
    ++emitLoc;  
    if( highEmitLoc < emitLoc )  
        highEmitLoc = emitLoc;  
}
```

# Implementation Details

(3) Maintain three different offsets during code generation:

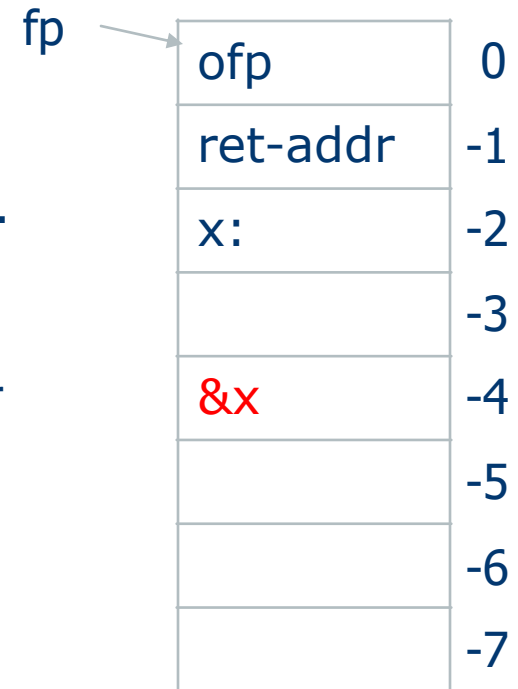
- For iMem, declare "emitLoc" and "highEmitLoc" as global variables. The former points to the current instruction we are generating (may go back to an earlier location for backpatching), while the latter always points to the next available space so that we can continue adding new instructions.
- The global stackframe at the top of dMem is pointed by the "gp" register, and its bottom is indicated by the global variable "globalOffset". If we have "int a" and "int b" declared in the global scope, we will have "globalOffset=-2". If we have "int x[10]" declared in the global scope, we will have "globalOffset=-11" (10 integers plus 1 more for size).
- The current stackframe in dMem is pointed by the "fp" register, and its bottom is indicated by a parameter "frameOffset", which is local in your recursive function for code generation. Since the first two locations are reserved for "ofp" and "return addr", the parameters and local variables will start from "-2" location in the stackframe.

# Implementation Details

(4) Slides 6-7 in the notes on “10-CodeGeneration” show the key steps for generating intermediate code for expressions. For Checkpoint Three, however, we need to map them further to generate TM assembly code. This can be illustrated with the following example:

- Assuming the syntax tree for the expression “ $x = x + 3$ ” and the stack frame on the right.
- The initial call is “visit(tree, -3, false)” where “tree” is an AssignExp and “-3” is the frameOffset.
- Inside the “visit” for AssignExp, we will call “visit(tree.lhs, -4, true)” and “visit(tree.rhs, -5, false)” first in the post-order traversal. The former is for a SimpleVar and the latter is for an OpExp.
- Inside the “visit” for SimpleVar when used as the left-hand side of AssignExp, we will compute the address of “x” and save it in location “-4”. This is done with these two instructions (assuming that we are starting with instruction 13):

13: LDA 0, -2(5)    and    14: ST 0, -4(5)



# Implementation Details

- Inside the "visit" for OpExp, we will call "visit(tree.left, -6, false)" and "visit(tree.right, -7, false)" in the post-order traversal. The former is for a SimpleVar and the latter is for an IntExp.

- Inside the "visit" for SimpleVar when not used as the left-hand side of AssignExp, we simply save the value of "x" to location "-6" with the following two instructions:

15: LD 0, -2(5)    and    16: ST 0, -6(5)

fp → ofp	0
ret-addr	-1
x: <b>result of x+3</b>	-2
<b>result of x + 3</b>	-3
&x	-4
result of x+3	-5
value of x	-6
value of 3	-7

- Inside the "visit" for IntExp, we will save the value of "3" to location "-7" with these instructions:

17: LDC 0, 3(0)    and    18: ST 0, -7(5)

- Back to the "visit" for OpExp, we will do the addition save the result in location "-5" with these instructions:

19: LD 0, -6(5)    and    20: LD 1, -7(5)

21: ADD 0, 0, 1    and    22: ST 0, -5(5)

- Back to the "visit" for AssignExp, we will do the assignment and save the result to location "-3" with the following instructions:

23: LD 0, -4(5)    and    24: LD 1, -5(5)    and    **25: ST 1, 0(0)**

**26: ST 1, -3(5)**



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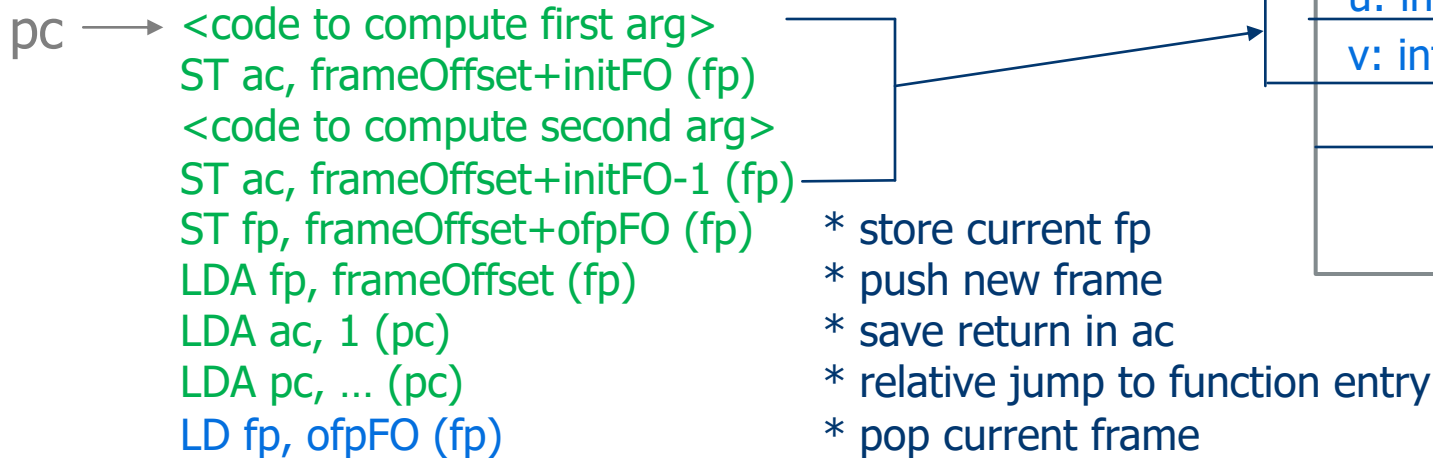
- Note that in the above illustration, we need to handle the “visit” for SimpleVar differently depending on whether we are computing the left-hand side of AssignExp or not. This is distinguished by “isAddr” parameter in the “visit(Absyn tree, int offset, boolean isAddr)”.
- The value for “isAddr” is false for most cases except when calling “visit(tree.lhs, offset, true)” of AssignExp, since this is when we need to compute and save the address of a variable into a memory location.
- For the case of IndexVar, we naturally compute the address of an indexed variable, and that value can be saved directly into a memory location when used in the left-hand side of AssignExp.
- As a general principle, we use the given location to save the result of an OpExp, and the next two locations for its left and right children. In addition, register “0” is used heavily for the result, which needs to be saved to a memory location as soon as possible.

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# Calling Sequence

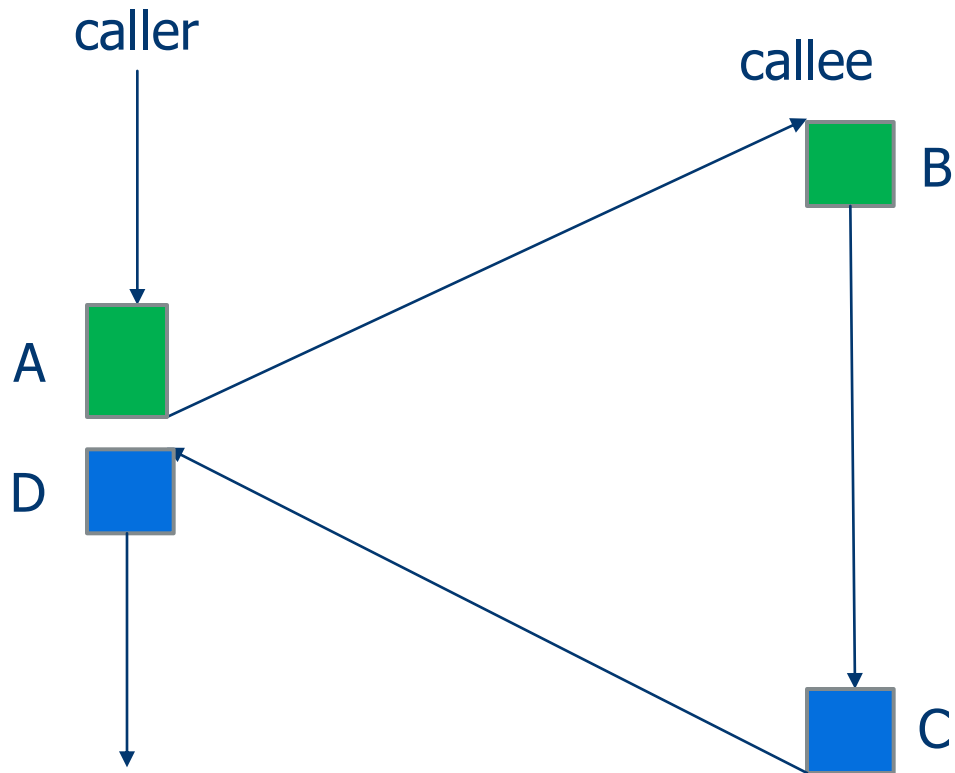
## ■ Call sequence:



## ■ Return sequence:

`ST ac, retFO (fp)` \* store return address  
 ...  
`LD pc, retFO (fp)` \* return to caller

# Calling Sequence



# Calling Sequence vs Finale

- calling sequence:

<code to compute first arg>

ST ac, frameOffset+initFO (fp)

<code to compute second arg>

ST ac, frameOffset+initFO-1 (fp)

ST fp, frameOffset+ofpFO (fp)

LDA fp, frameOffset (fp)

LDA ac, 1 (pc)

LDA pc, ... (pc)

LD fp, ofpFO (fp)

- finale:

ST fp, globalOffset+ofpFO (fp)

LDA fp, globalOffset (fp)

LDA ac, 1(pc)

LDA pc, ... (pc)

LD fp, ofpFO (fp)

HALT 0, 0, 0

push ofp

push frame

load ac with ret

jump to main

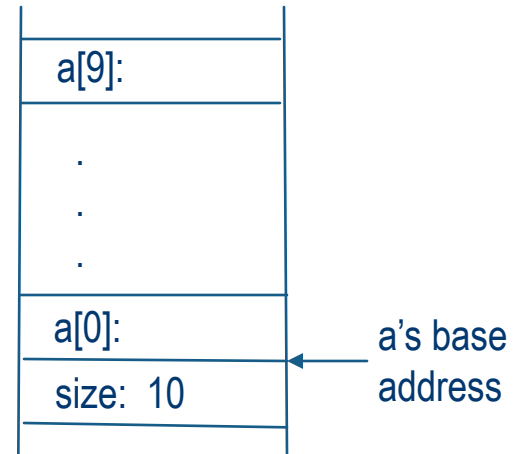
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- **Subtask 6:** Implement the code generation for inner blocks and array references: able to test “sort.cm” (see Slides 8-12 in “10-Intermediate Code Generation”).
- **Subtask 7:** Implement runtime error checking of the array index: index out of bound either below or above the given range

# Implementation Details

- Since an array is a static linear structure with a fixed size, we can store the “size” value right below the base address of the array
- When passing an array as an argument, the corresponding parameter will be given the base address of the array in the caller’s stack frame, and right below the base address, we can access the “size” value
- Every time we access an indexed variable, we should always check the index value: if it is less than 0, we have a runtime error of “out of range below”, and if it is greater or equal to “size”, we have a runtime error of “out of arrange above”
- Since C- language only has integer values, we can show very large negative values such as “-1000000” for “out of range below” and “-2000000” for “out of range above” errors.



# Special Cases for Functions

- **Missing “main” function:** In CodeGenerator.java, we need to maintain an instance variable “mainEntry”, which can be initialized to “-1”. If its value remains to be “-1” when we need to generate the code for “finale”, we can report an error for missing the “main” function and terminate the code generation process.
- **Accessing input/output functions:** Since these are predefined functions, we should always generate the related code right after the step “prelude”. To access them later, however, we need to maintain two more instance variables “inputEntry” and “outputEntry” so that for any calls to them, we can jump to the starts of these functions using these two variables.
- **Function prototypes without full definitions:** In C-, we can declare function prototypes, but no full definitions are provided later, we can’t really generate the code for them. This can be identified by checking the body of a FunctionDec node. If it is an instance of NilExp, we can also report an error before terminating the code generation process.