

CSO-1

Stack and Functions

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THOUGHTS ON THE EXAM

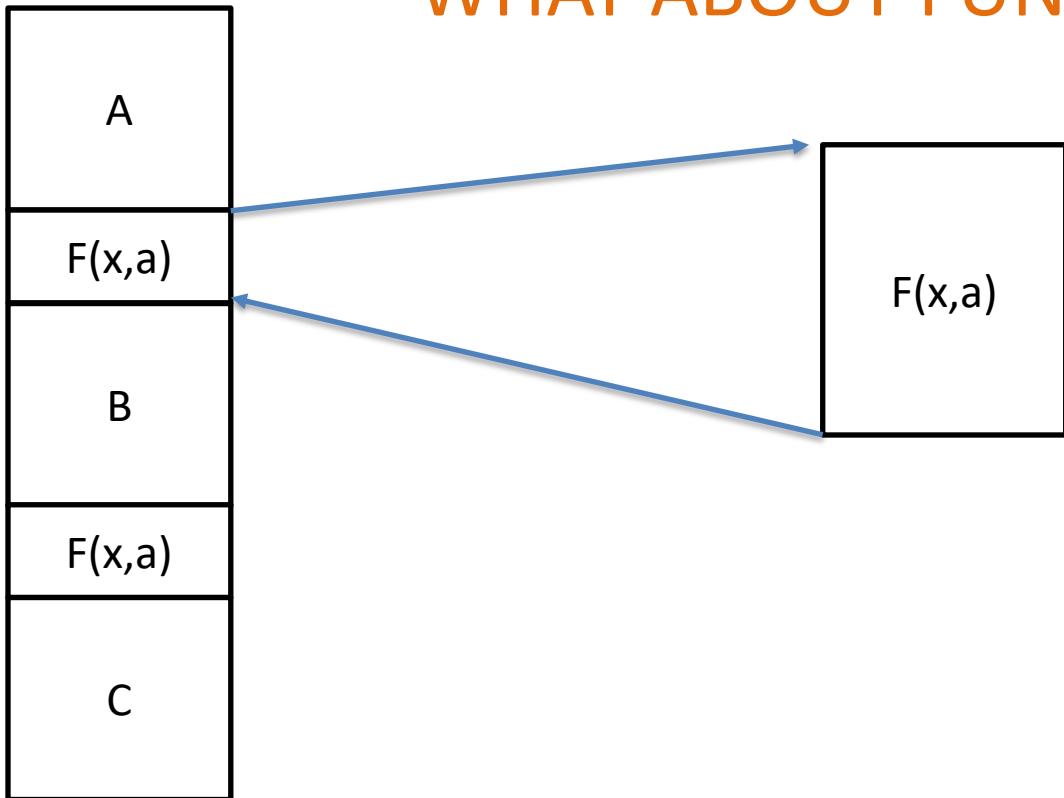
- I am so proud of you all.
 - It was challenging exam and you all faced it with grit
- I have read all the very thoughtful feedback on Piazza and other sites.
- The TA has always advocated for you. I should have paid closer attention to their feedback.
- The TA team and I will meet on Monday. Hopefully, you will have your grade back before lab on Tuesday.
- Hope that you all restful fall break.



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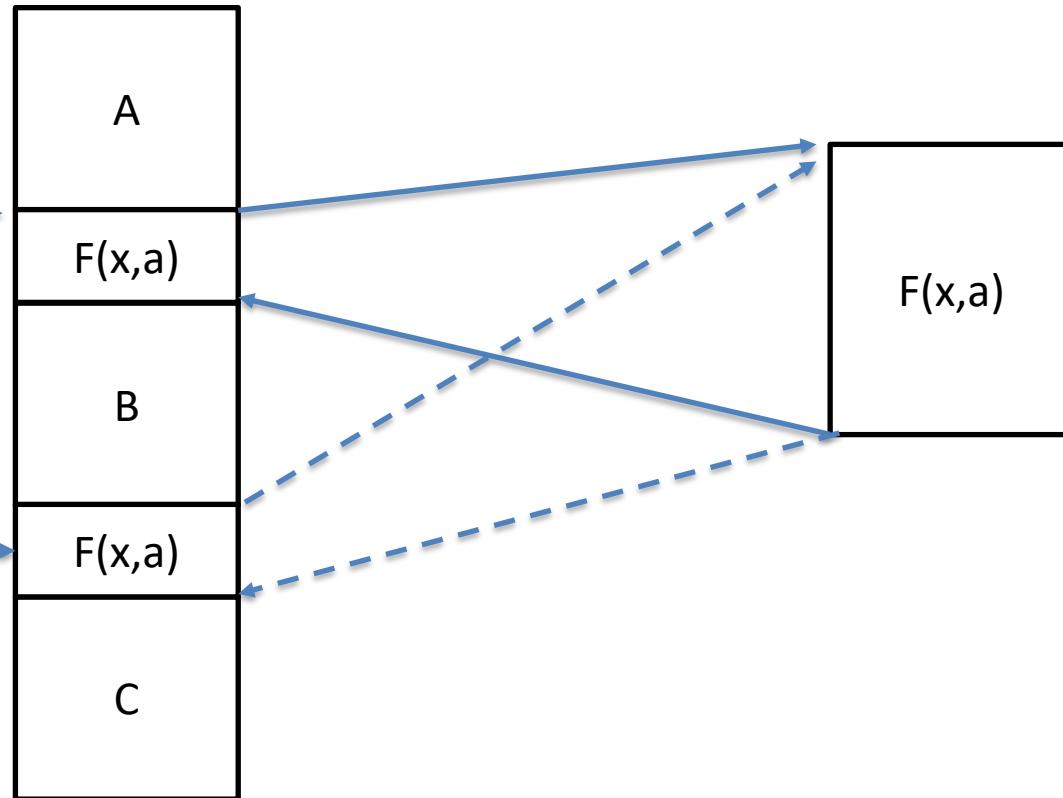
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3. Detailed Example Function call
4. Start Introduction to x86 assembly

WHAT ABOUT FUNCTIONS



SAVE PC =
instruction after
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Jump back
to saved
value

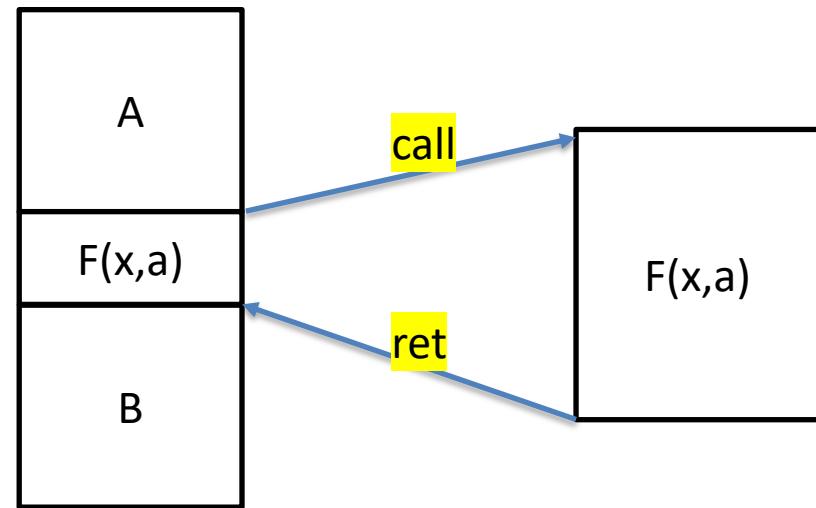
DEFINING A NEW INSTRUCTION

Let's create a new instruction that will both save the location to return and jump to the beginning of the function. We'll name this our **call** instruction

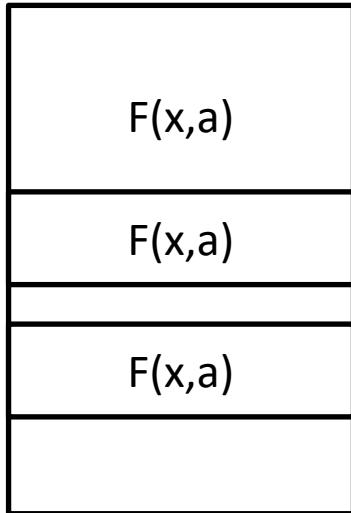
Save $pc+2$, set $pc = M[pc+1]$

Let's also create an instruction that sets the PC back to the saved. We'll name this our return instruction or **ret** for short

$pc = \text{Saved Value}$

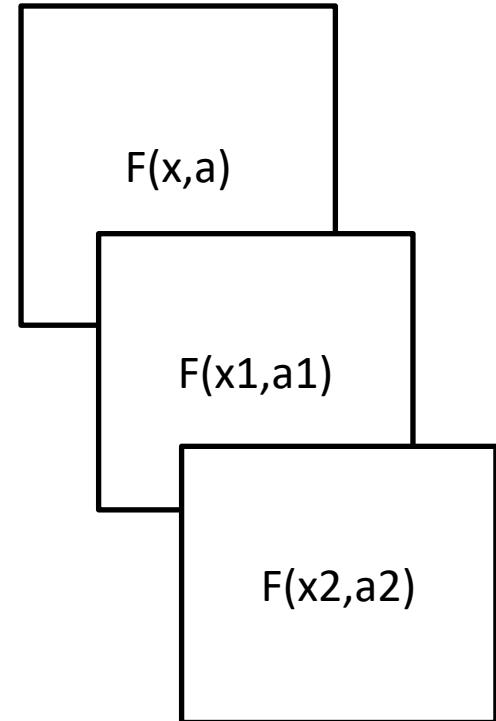


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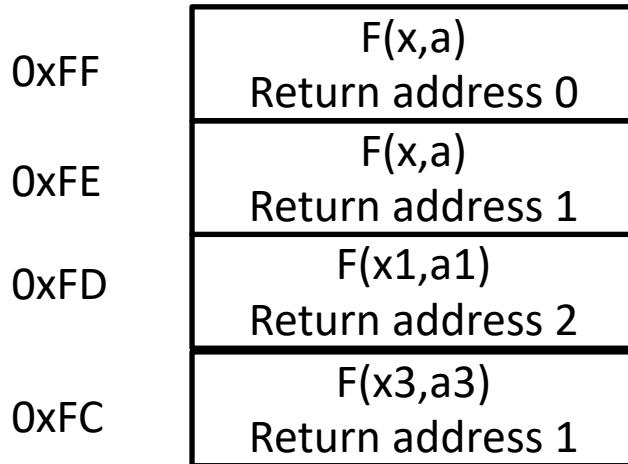
What about recursive functions? Functions that call themselves

Now we need to keep track of both the location return to (multiple function calls) and the register state of function before the call)



THE STACK

We are going to a region of memory that will hold the stack of function states and their associated return addresses.



By convention keep adding new things to the stack by growing it to lower addresses

THE STACK

RSP

0xFC

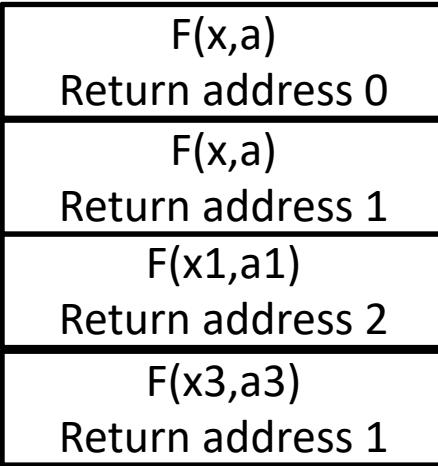
We also define a new register that holds the location of the **TOP** of the stack in memory. We'll name this register RSP

0xFF

0xFE

0xFD

0xFC



PUSH AND POP INSTRUCTIONS

RSP

0xFC

We'll also create two instructions that will add and remove values from the stack.

The push instruction will decrement the RSP and to the top of the stack

Example push(0x04)

0xFF

0xFE

0xFD

0xFC

F(x,a)

Return address 0

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Example x = pop()

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0xFE

0xFD

0xFC

0xFB

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0x04



PUSH AND POP INSTRUCTIONS

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We'll also create two instructions that will add and remove values from the stack.

While the **pop** instruction returns the value at the top of the stack and **then** increments RSP

Example x = pop() returns 0x04

0xFF
0xFE
0xFD
0xFC

| |
|------------------|
| F(x,a) |
| Return address 1 |
| F(x,a) |
| Return address 1 |
| F(x1,a1) |
| Return address 2 |
| F(x3,a3) |
| Return address 1 |



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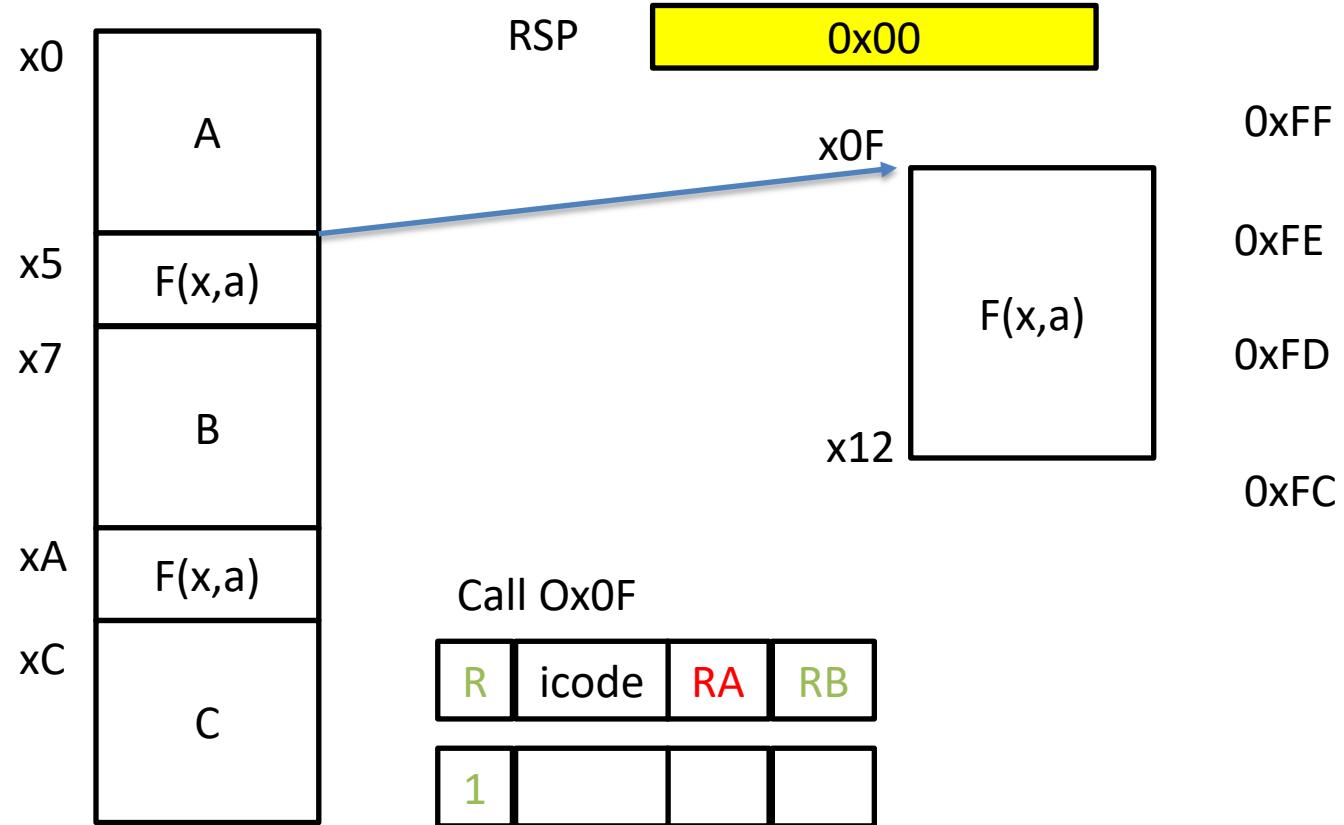
R3 = 0x02

call left_shift

R0 //Contains result

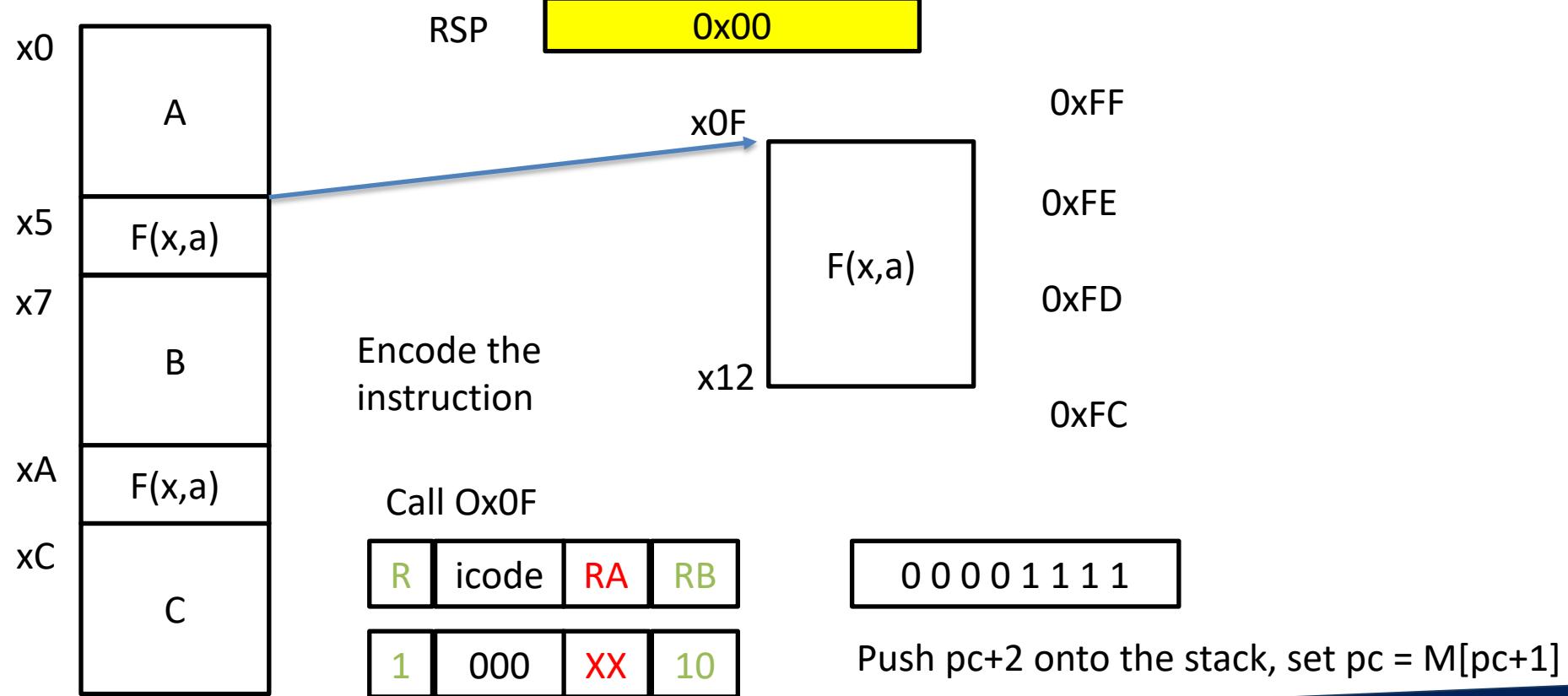
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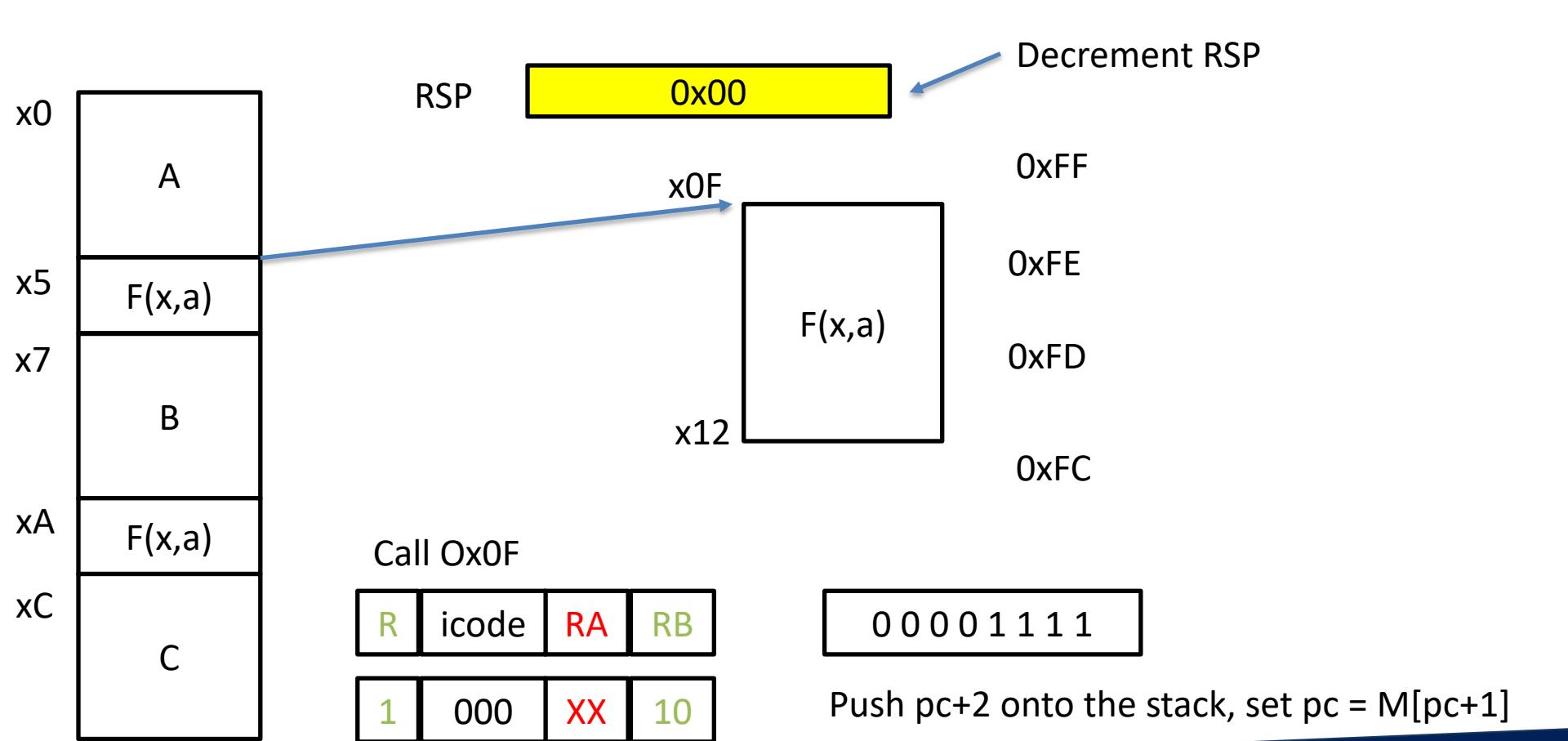
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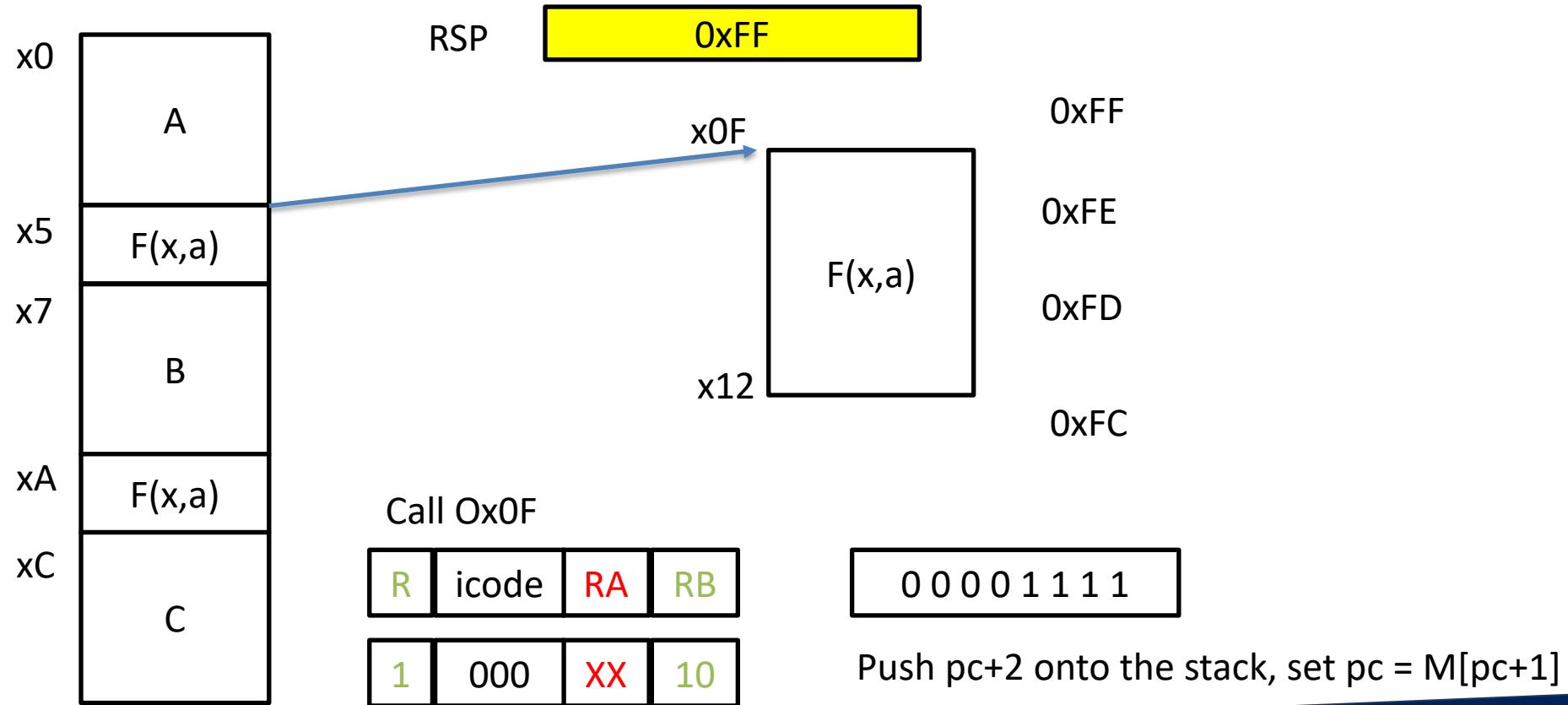


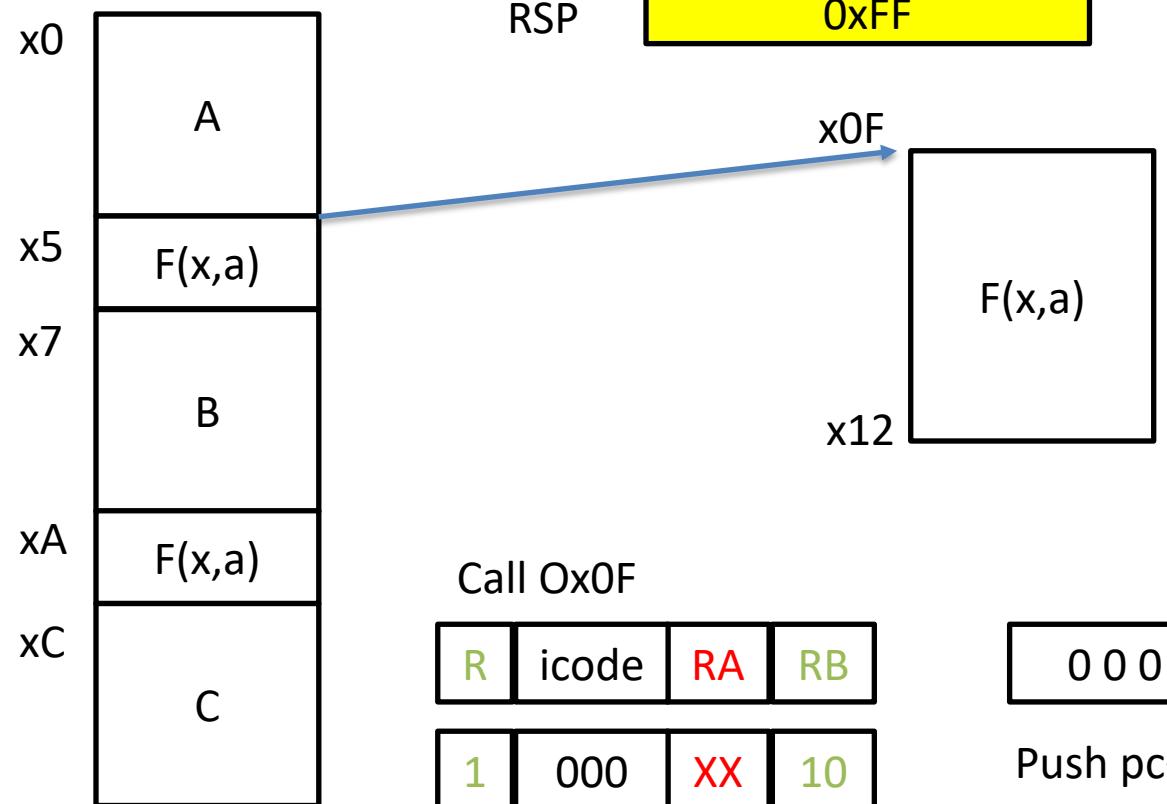
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Add PC+2 at new RSP

0xFF

0 0 0 0 1 1 1

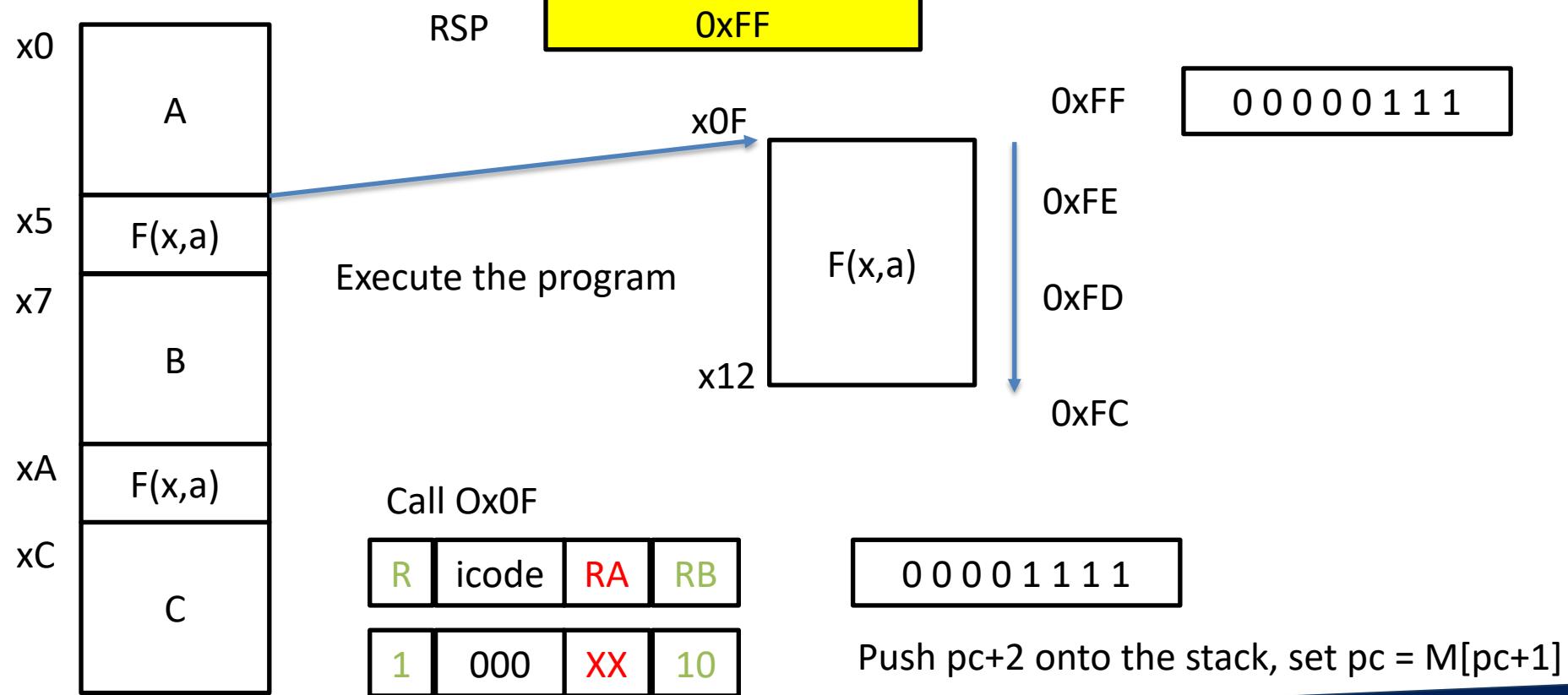
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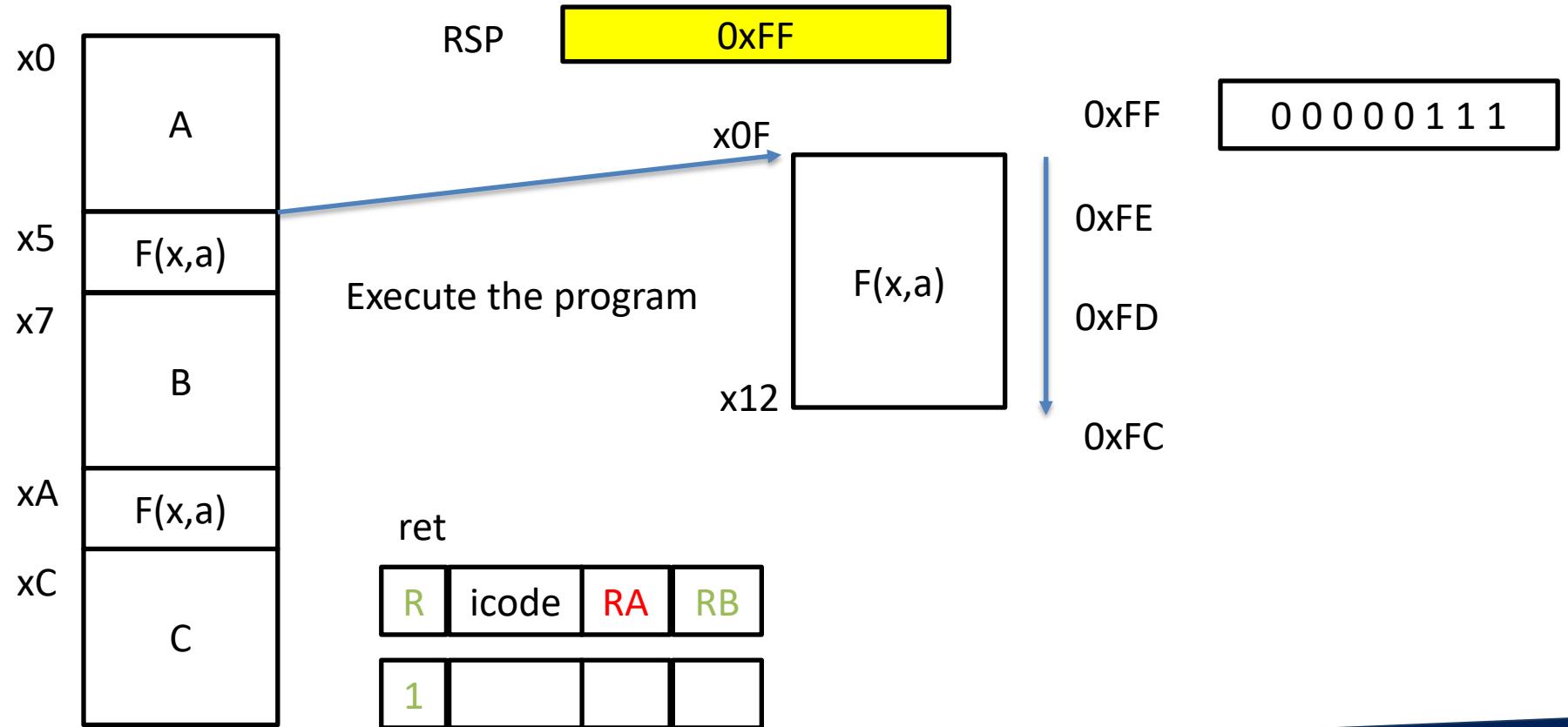
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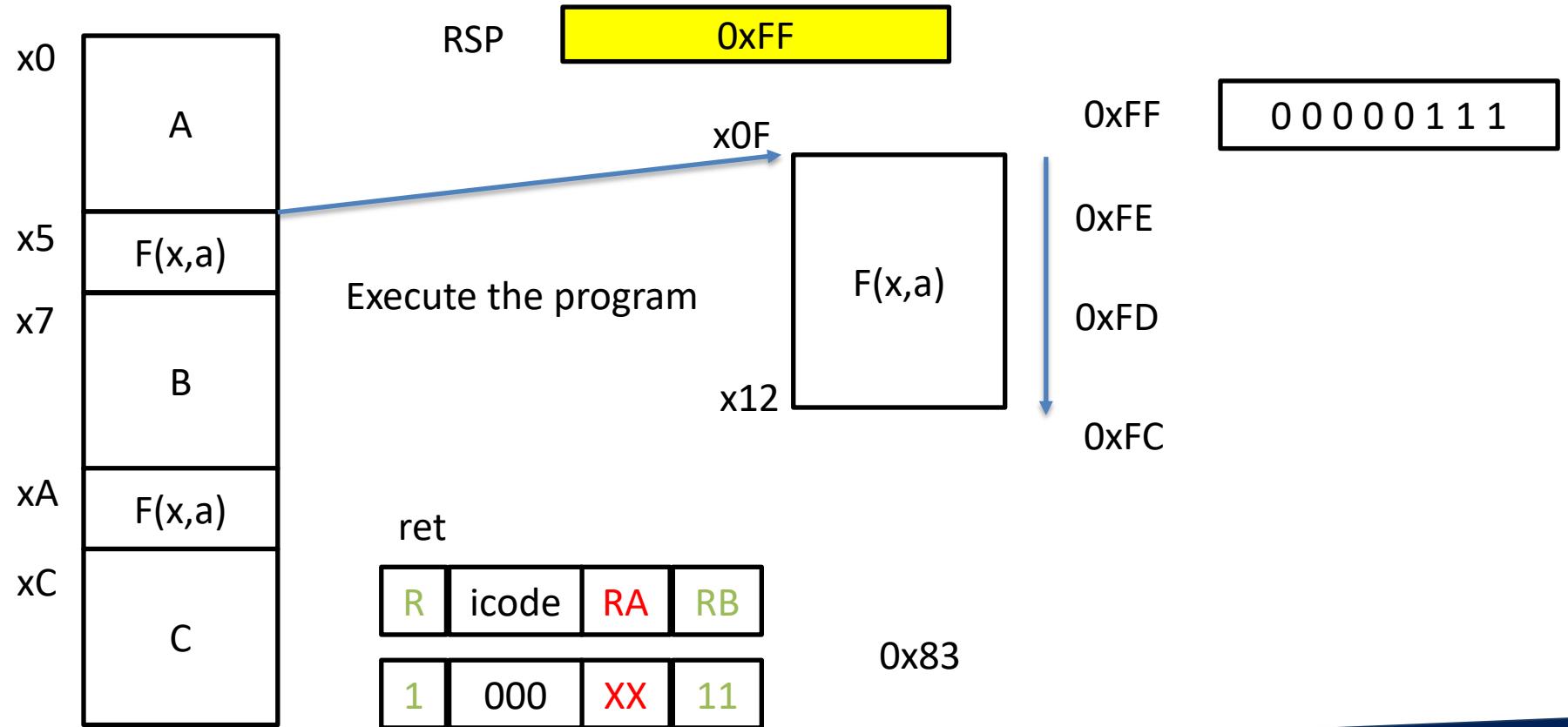
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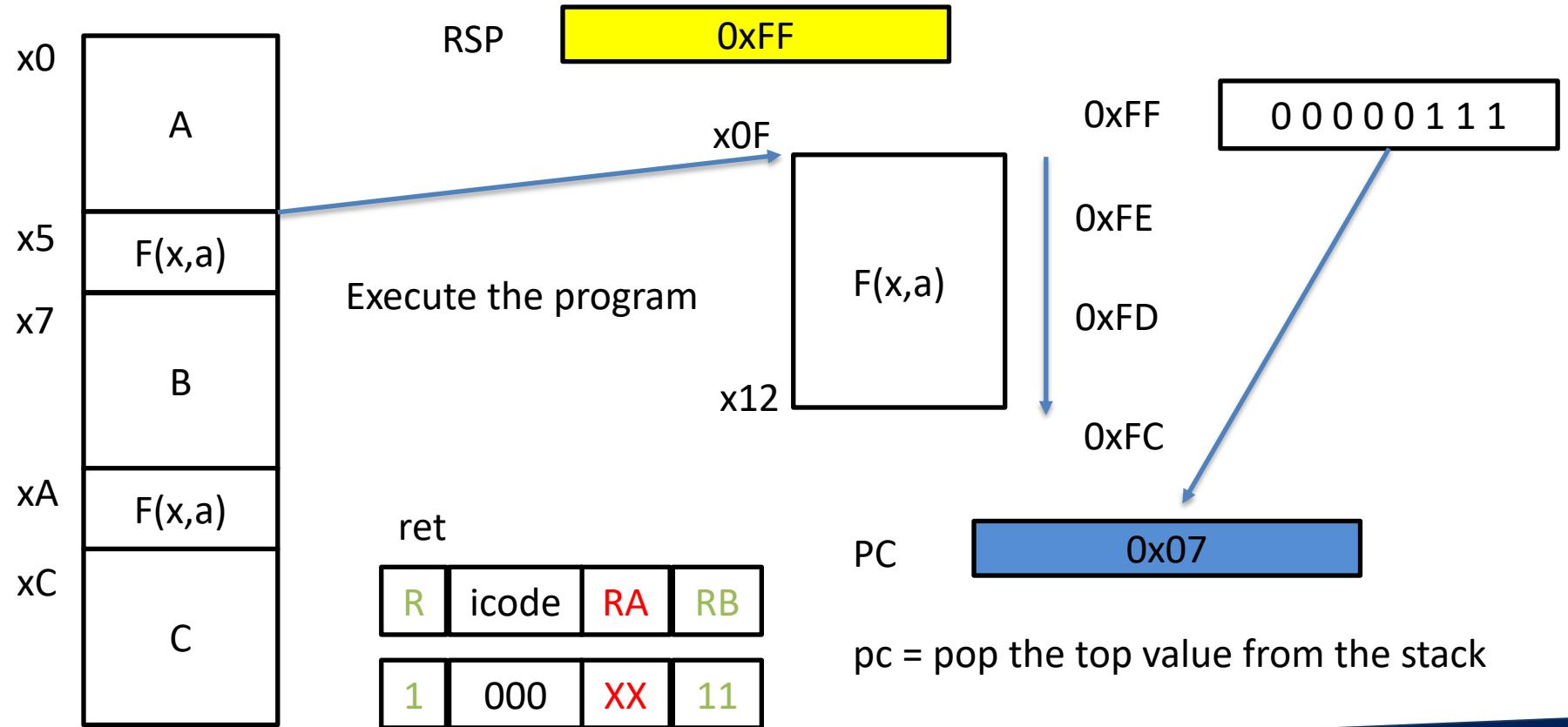


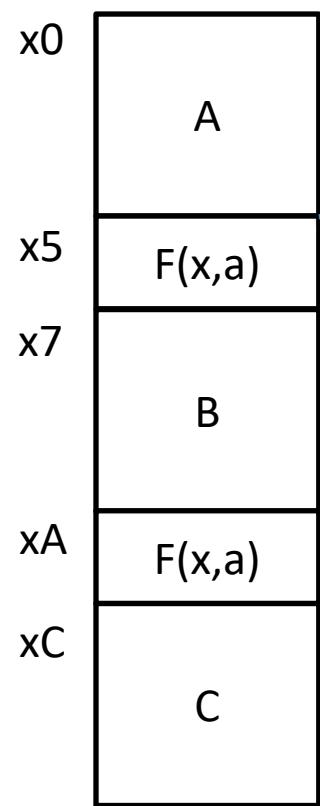


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RSP **0x00**

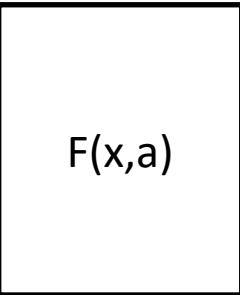
Increment RSP

0xFF **0 0 0 0 1 1 1**

Execute the program

xOF

$x12$



0xFE

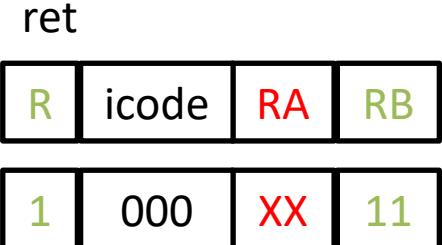
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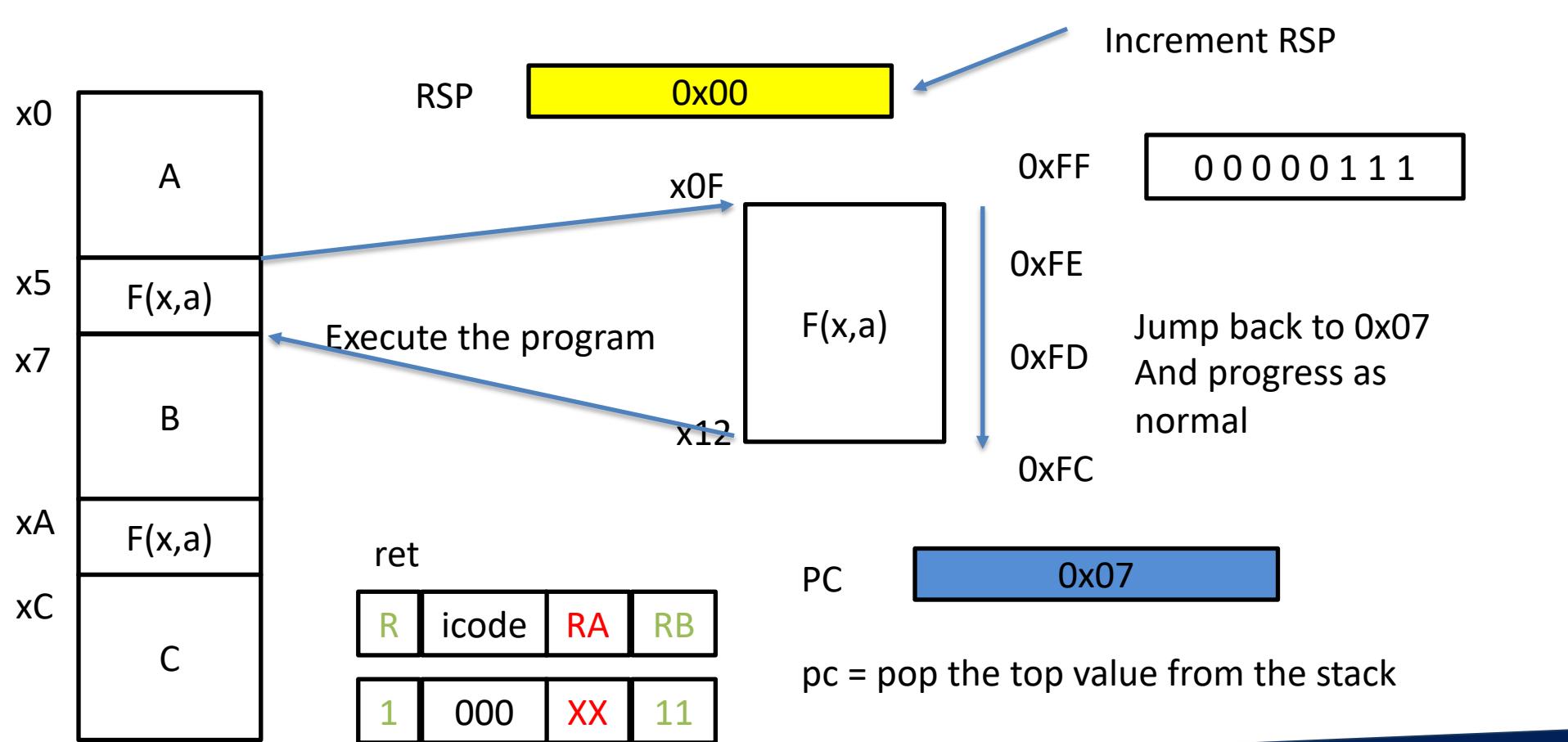
The value
remain
unchanged in
memory

PC

0x07



$pc = \text{pop the top value from the stack}$



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shiftAmount = 0x02

output = left_shift(input, shiftAmount)



R2 = 0xFF

R3 = 0x02

call left_shift

R0 //Contains result

THOUGHT EXPERIMENTS

Could you implement the left_shift function using our toy ISA?

```
a = 1  
input = -1  
shiftAmount = 2  
output = left_shift(input, shiftAmount)  
a+= output
```

```
R1 = 1  
R2 = 0xFF  
R3 = 0x02  
call left_shift  
//R0 Contains result  
R1+=R0
```

Hint: Left shifts by 1 is equivalent to multiplying the number by 2. Let's Implement left shift function

```
Push R1  
Push R2  
Push R3  
R3=-R3  
R3+= 1  
R1 = PC  
R2+=R2  
R3+=1  
IF R3 <=0 PC = R1  
R0 = R2  
R3 = POP  
R2 = POP  
R1 = POP  
RET
```

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R1 = 1  
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Function

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R0 = R2  
R3 = POP  
R2 = POP  
R1 = POP  
RET
```

But wait when we change R1 in our function. Will take give use the wrong result?

No because we save and Restore R1 and the beginning and end of our function

Registers

| | |
|----|---|
| R0 | X |
| R1 | X |
| R2 | X |
| R3 | X |

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OF | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| | |
|-----|----|
| PC | 00 |
| RSP | 00 |

R2 = 0xFF
 R3 = 0x02
 call left_shift
 R0 //Contains result

68 FF
 6C 02
 82 10
 R0 //Contains result

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | X

PC | 00

RSP | 00

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Registers

R0 X

R1 X

R2 FF

R3 02

PC 02

RSP 00

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| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 X | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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R2 = 0xFF
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Registers

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| R3 | 02 |

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| ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OF | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| | |
|-----|----|
| PC | 02 |
| RSP | 00 |

R2 = 0xFF
 R3 = 0x02
 call left_shift
 R0 //Contains result

68 FF
 6C 02
 82 10
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Registers

R0 | X

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | 02

PC | 04

RSP | 00

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R0 X

R1 X

R2 FF

R3 02

PC 10

RSP FF

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RET

0x84 ←
0x88
0x8C
0x5D
0x6D 0x01
0x57
1A
0x6D 0x01
0x7D
0x03
R3 = POP
R2 = POP
R1 = POP
RET

| | | | |
|---|-------|----|----|
| R | icode | RA | RB |
| 1 | 000 | 01 | 00 |

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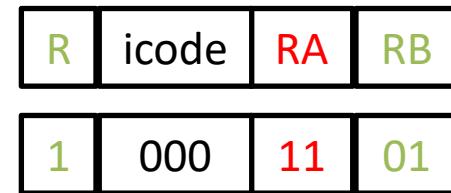
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0x03
0x8D ←
0x89
0x85
RET



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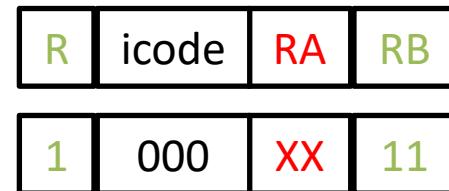
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1A  
0x6D x01  
0x7D  
0x03  
0x8D  
0x89  
0x85  
0x83
```



Registers

R0 | X

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | 02

PC | 10

RSP | FF

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
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| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 X | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 02 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

Push R1

Push R2

Push R3

R3=-R3

R3+= 1

Top of the stack.
Contains the address
to return after the
function executes



Registers

R0 | X

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | 02

PC | 10

RSP | FE

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| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 02 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X | 06 |

Push R1

Push R2

Push R3

R3=-R3

R3+= 1

Top of the stack

Registers

R0 X

R1 X

R2 FF

R3 02

PC 11

RSP FD

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|-------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 X | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 83 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 02 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | FF | X | 06 |

Push R1

Push R2

Push R3

R3=-R3

R3+= 1

Top of the stack

Registers

| | |
|----|---|
| R0 | X |
|----|---|

| | |
|----|---|
| R1 | X |
|----|---|

| | |
|----|----|
| R2 | FF |
|----|----|

| | |
|----|----|
| R3 | 02 |
|----|----|

| | |
|----|----|
| PC | 12 |
|----|----|

| | |
|-----|----|
| RSP | FC |
|-----|----|

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 | X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | |
| R2 | FF | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 |
| R3 | 02 | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 85 |
| PC | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 83 |
| RSP | FC | OF | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X | 06 |

Push R1

Push R2

Push R3

R3=-R3

R3+= 1

Top of the stack

Store a copy of registers so that we can restore them when we are done. Now we can use the registers

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | -02

PC | 13

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|----------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 X | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 -02 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 13 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

Push R1

Push R2

Push R3

R3=-R3

R3+= 1

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | -01

PC | 14

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|----------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 X | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 -01 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

Push R1

Push R2

Push R3

R3=-R3

R3+= 1

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FF

R3 | -01

PC | 16

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|----------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 -01 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FE

R3 | -01

PC | 17

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|----------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FE | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 -01 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FE

R3 | 00

PC | 18

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FE | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 00 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X | 06 |

$$R1 = PC$$

$$R2 += R2$$

$$R3 += 1$$

IF R3 <= 0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Registers

| | |
|----|---|
| R0 | X |
|----|---|

| | |
|----|----|
| R1 | 16 |
|----|----|

| | |
|----|----|
| R2 | FE |
|----|----|

| | |
|----|----|
| R3 | 00 |
|----|----|

| | |
|----|----|
| PC | 16 |
|----|----|

| | |
|-----|----|
| RSP | FC |
|-----|----|

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 | 83 |
| ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OF | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X | 06 | |

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2



Take the loop. Jump back to here

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FE

R3 | 00

PC | 16

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FE | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 00 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FD

R3 | 00

PC | 17

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FD | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 00 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FD

R3 | 01

PC | 18

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FD | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 01 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X | 06 |

$$R1 = PC$$

$$R2 += R2$$

$$R3 += 1$$

$$\text{IF } R3 \leq 0 \text{ PC} = R1$$

$$R0 = R2$$

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FD

R3 | 01

PC | 1A

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FD | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 01 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X | 06 |

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Loop not taken this time

Registers

R0 | X

R1 | 16

R2 | FD

R3 | 01

PC | 1A

RSP | FC

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 X | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FD | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 01 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X | 06 |

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Loop not taken this time

Registers

R0 FD

R1 16

R2 FD

R3 01

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|-------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 FD | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FD | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 01 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X | 06 |

PC 1B

R1 = PC

R2+=R2

R3+=1

IF R3 <=0 PC = R1

R0 = R2

Loop not taken this time
Return value is stored in
R0

Registers

R0 | FD

R1 | 16

R2 | FD

R3 | 02

PC | 1C

RSP | FD

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 FD | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FD | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 02 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 1C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

Restore registers except R0 back original state

R3 = POP

R2 = POP

R1 = POP

RET

Registers

R0 | FD

R1 | 16

R2 | FD

R3 | 02

PC | 1C

RSP | FD

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 FD | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FD | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 83 |
| R3 02 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X | 06 |

Pop then increment

R3 = POP

R2 = POP

R1 = POP

RET

New top of the stack



Registers

R0 | FD

R1 | 16

R2 | FF

R3 | 02

PC | 1C

RSP | FE

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 FD | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 16 | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 83 |
| R3 02 | OF | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 1C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

Pop then increment

R3 = POP

R2 = POP

R1 = POP

RET

Registers

R0 | FD

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | 02

PC | 1C

RSP | FF

R3 = POP

R2 = POP

R1 = POP

RET

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 FD | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 X | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 02 | OF | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 1C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 |

R1 is not restored to what it was before
the function was called

Registers

R0 | FD

R1 | X

R2 | FF

R3 | 02

PC | 06

RSP | 00

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | A | B | C | D | E | F |
|---------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| R0 FD | 00 | 68 | FF | 6C | 02 | 82 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| R1 X | 10 | 84 | 88 | 8C | 5D | 6D | 01 | 57 | 1A | 6D | 01 | 7D | 03 | 8D | 89 | 85 |
| R2 FF | ... | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R3 02 | 0F | | | | | | | | | | | | | 02 | FF | X |
| PC 06 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 06 | |

R3 = POP

R2 = POP

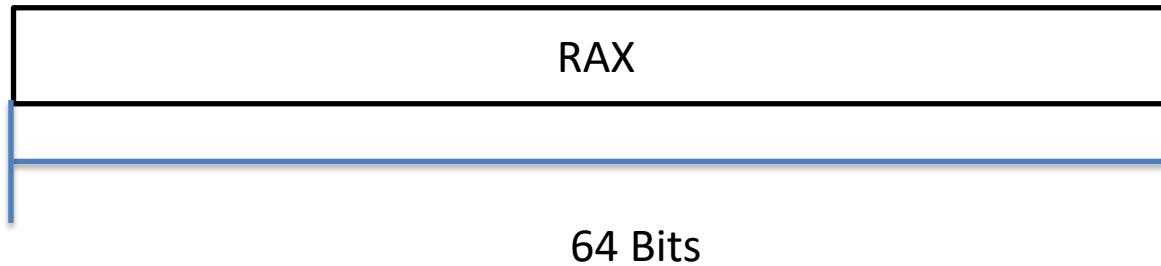
R1 = POP

RET

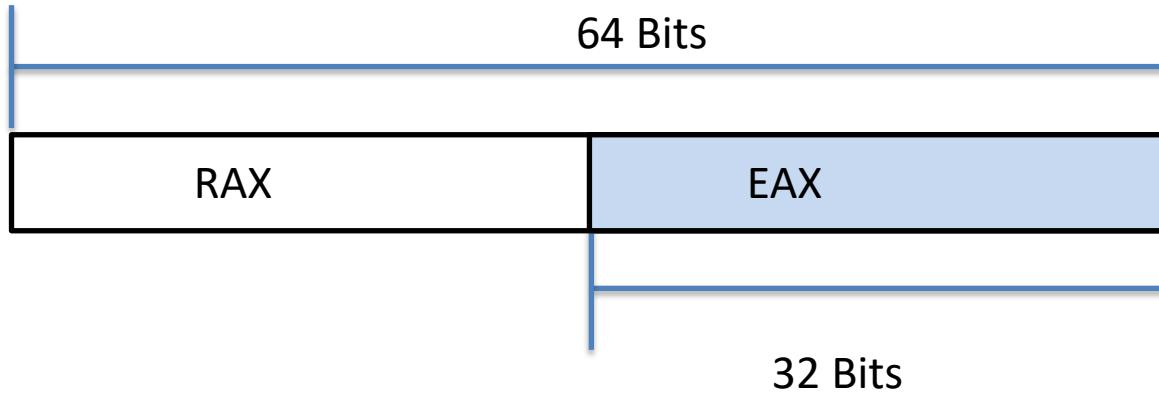
PC gets updated and we return address
after our call instruction

NOW LET'S START TALK ABOUT WRITING ASSEMBLY FOR X86 PROCESSORS

X86 REGISTERS

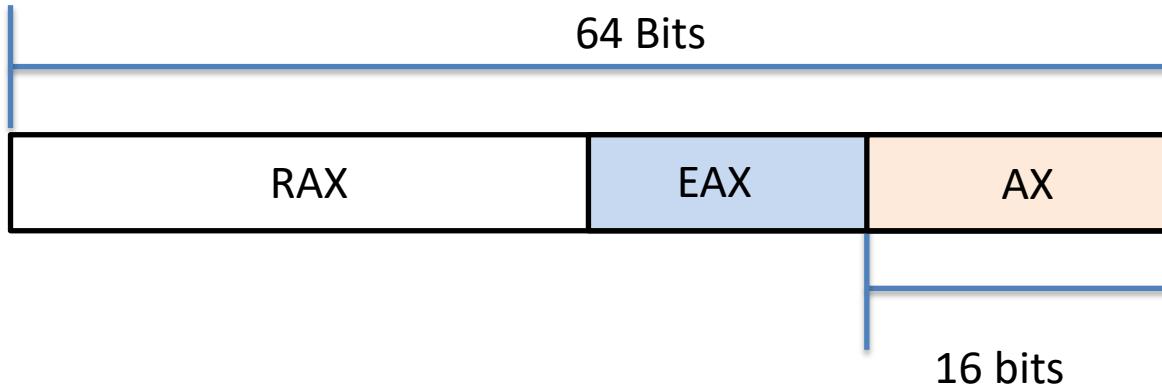


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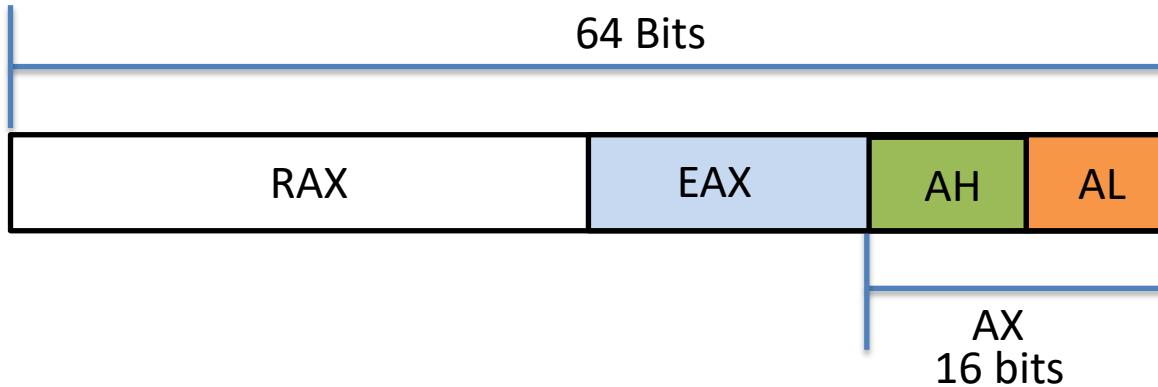
The lowest 32 bits

X86 REGISTERS

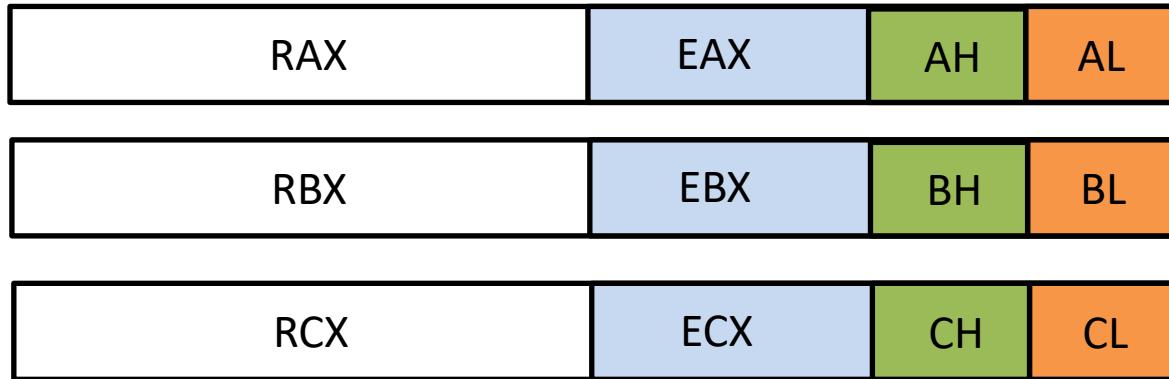


AX can future divided
into two registers

X86 REGISTERS



THERE ARE 16 REGISTER



We'll discuss more next time.

A PREVIEW OF WHERE WE ARE GOING

0000000000401108 <main>:

| | | | |
|---------|----------|------|-----------|
| 401108: | 6a 04 | push | \$0x4 |
| 40110a: | 6a 05 | push | \$0x5 |
| 40110c: | 58 | pop | %rax |
| 40110d: | 5b | pop | %rbx |
| 40110e: | 48 01 c3 | add | %rax,%rbx |
| 401111: | 53 | push | %rbx |

Disassembly of section .fini:

Result of running objdump on Linux executable.

LLDB (F1) | Target (F2) | Process (F3) | Thread (F4) | View (F5) | Help (F6)

```
<Threads>->>>>>>>>>>
◆ process 3323783
└◆ thread #1: tid = 0x
  └frame #0: main + 5
  └frame #1: __libc_start_main + 14
  └frame #2: __libc_start_main + 14
  └frame #3: start + 0
```

