

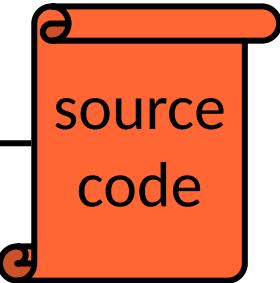
Functions: Calling Conventions + Frames

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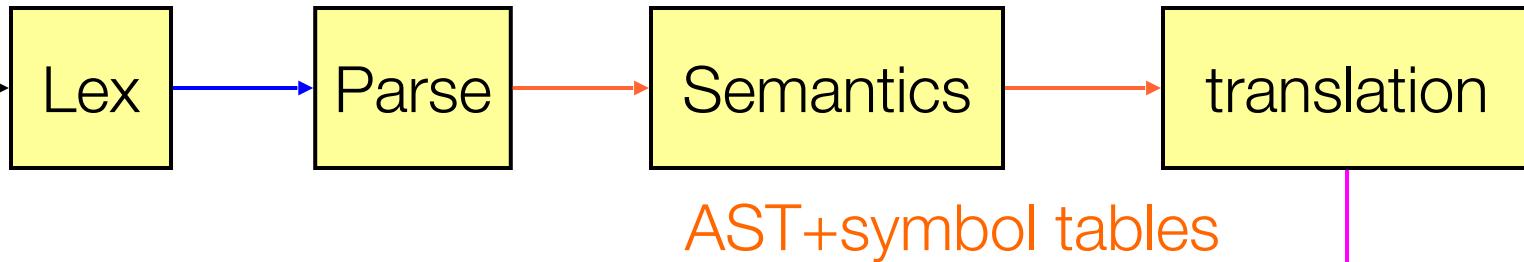
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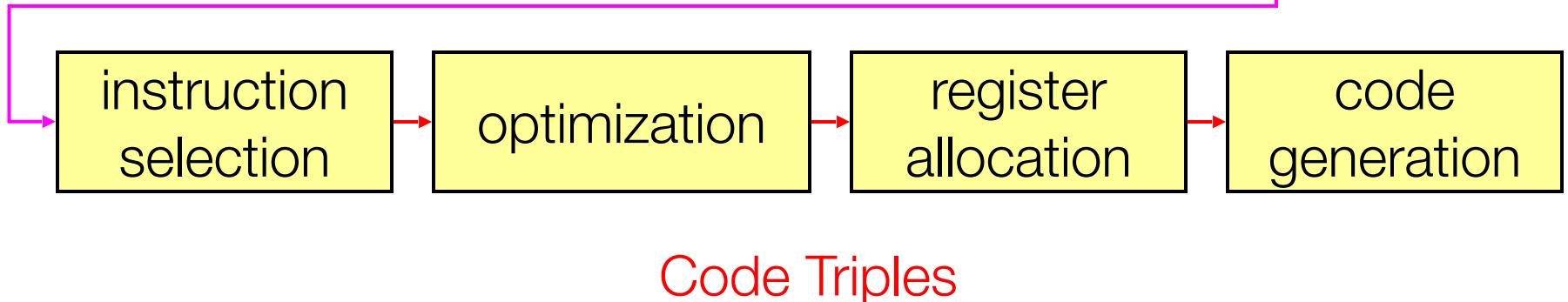
Compiler Phases



Abstract syntax tree



Intermediate Representation (tree)



Today

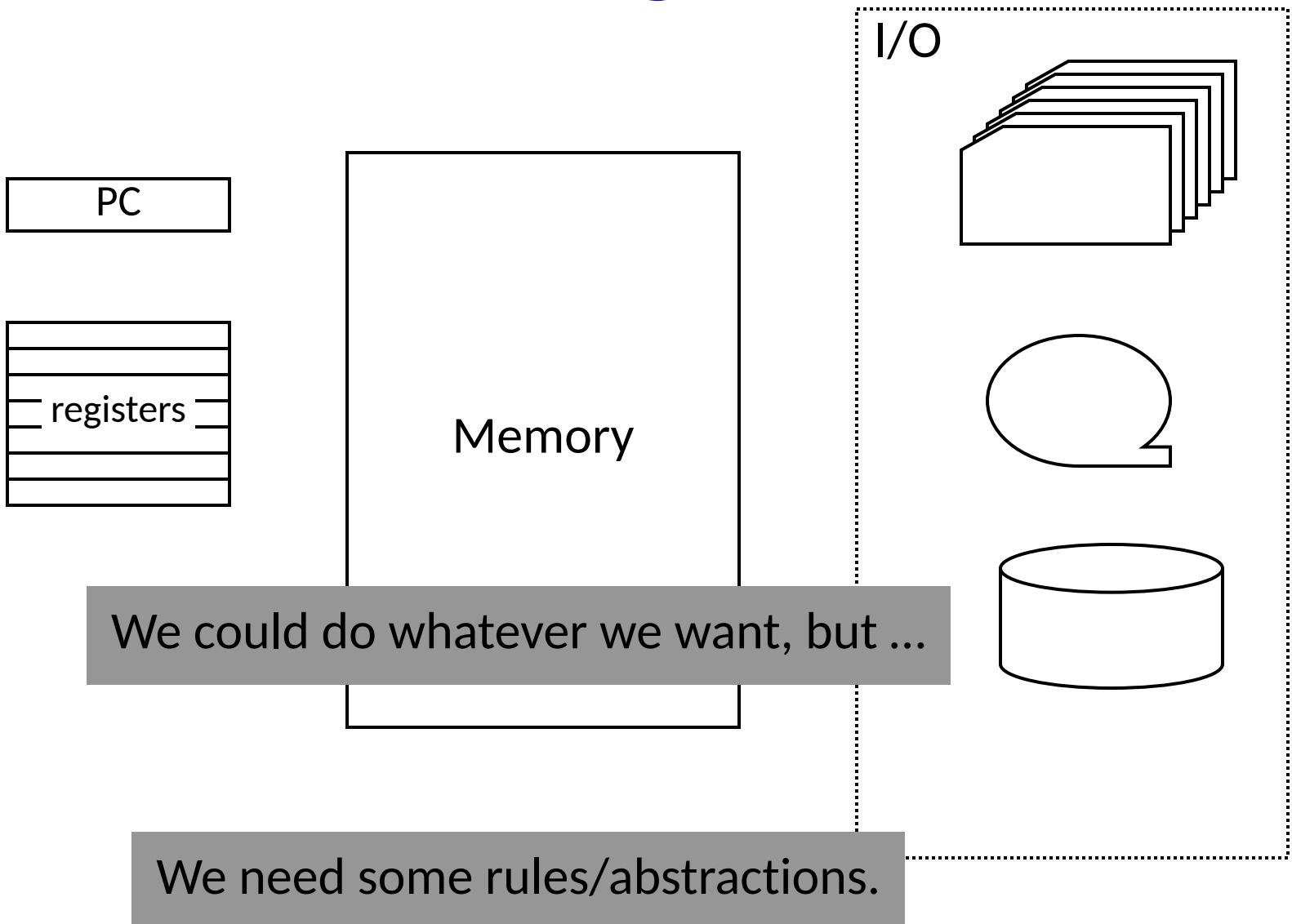
- Calling Conventions
- Activation Frames
- IR for Function Calls
- Putting it all together

Lab3

- Function declarations and calls
- Typedefs
- assert

Understanding functions is the key.

The Target



What is the role of a Function?

- Provides an independent namespace
 - Parameters
 - Local variables
- Binds a name to an executable sequence
 - Can be invoked with a call
- Provides illusion of custom instruction
 - Control continues after call
- Interface to rest of world
- Job of compiler it create this abstraction from
 - A single PC
 - Byte addressed (single) memory space
 - Shared registers

Function as Contract

- Contract between
 - Architects
 - Compiler writers
 - Operating System
- Supports Interoperability
- Separate Compilation
- Plug-n-Play

Most Important part of the contract is between
callers and callees.

The abstraction of the function is the key.

Benefits of “Function”

- Supports implementation and maintenance of large programs
 - Intellectual leverage (.e.g., decompose tasks)
 - Development efficiency
(e.g., separate compilation)
- Supports cooperation of large independent systems
(.e.g, O/S + Application)
- Supports Portability
(e.g., libc)

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Foo: instr1

instr2 x,y,z
mov z,a

Need to find code for bar

Bar: instr1 op1,op2
instr2 x,y,z

Abstraction supported by 3 mechanisms:

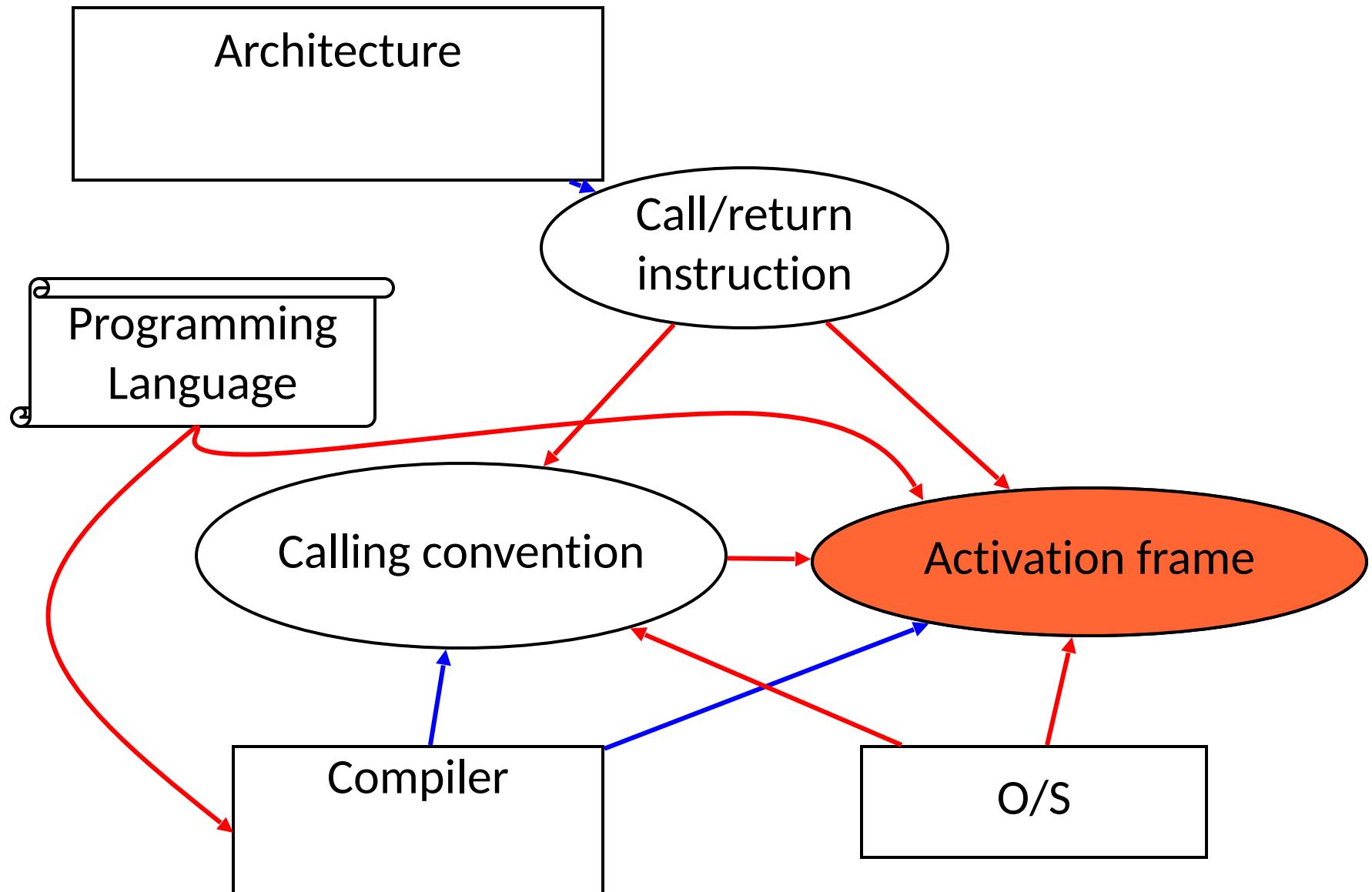
- Call instruction
- Activation Frame
- Calling Convention

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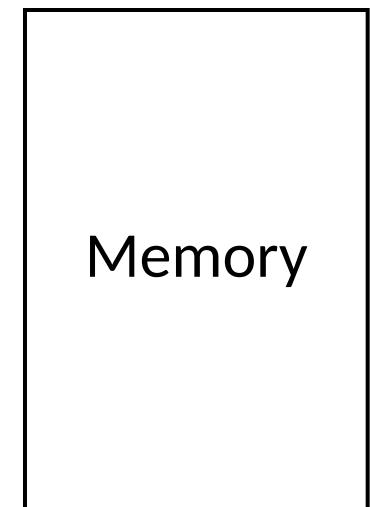
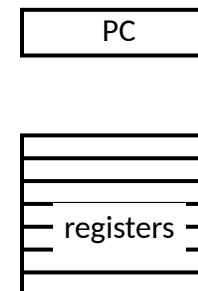
Need to resume Foo at correct place.

Implementing the Function



The Activation Frame

- Information to restore caller environment
 - Return address
 - registers
- Establishes local environment for function
 - Parameters
 - Locals
 - Temporaries
 - Dynamically allocated data?
- Support for non-locals?

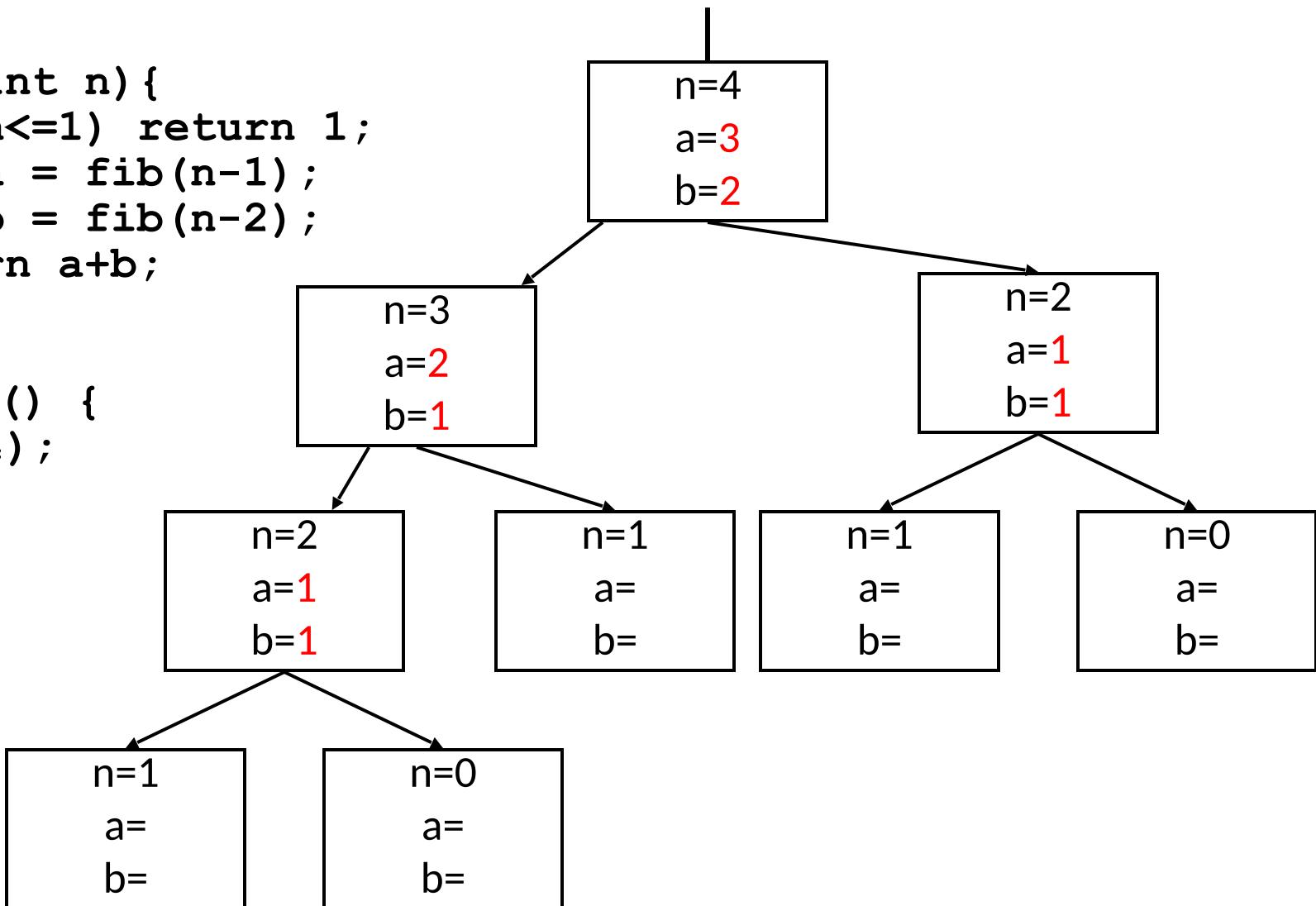


Programming Language Issues

- Can functions be recursive?
- What is Parameter passing mechanism?
 - Call-by-name
 - Call-by-value
 - Call-by-reference
- Can (and how) are non-local names referenced?
- What happens to local variables on return from function?
- Can storage be allocated locally and dynamically in a function?
- Are functions first-class objects?
- Can functions close over variables (i.e. be higher-order)?

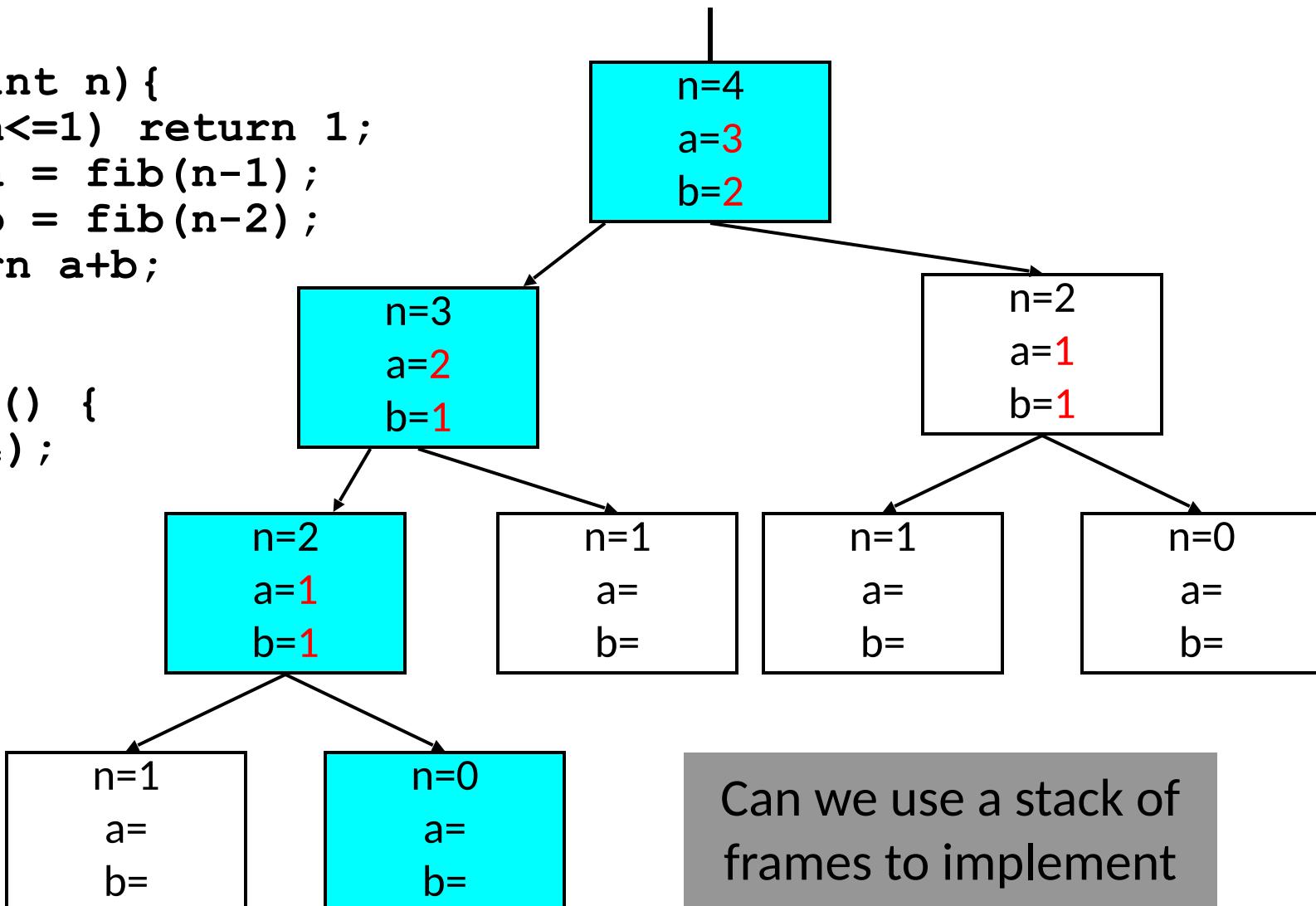
An Activation Tree

```
int fib(int n) {  
    if (n<=1) return 1;  
    int a = fib(n-1);  
    int b = fib(n-2);  
    return a+b;  
}  
  
int main() {  
    fib(4);  
}
```



A Control Path

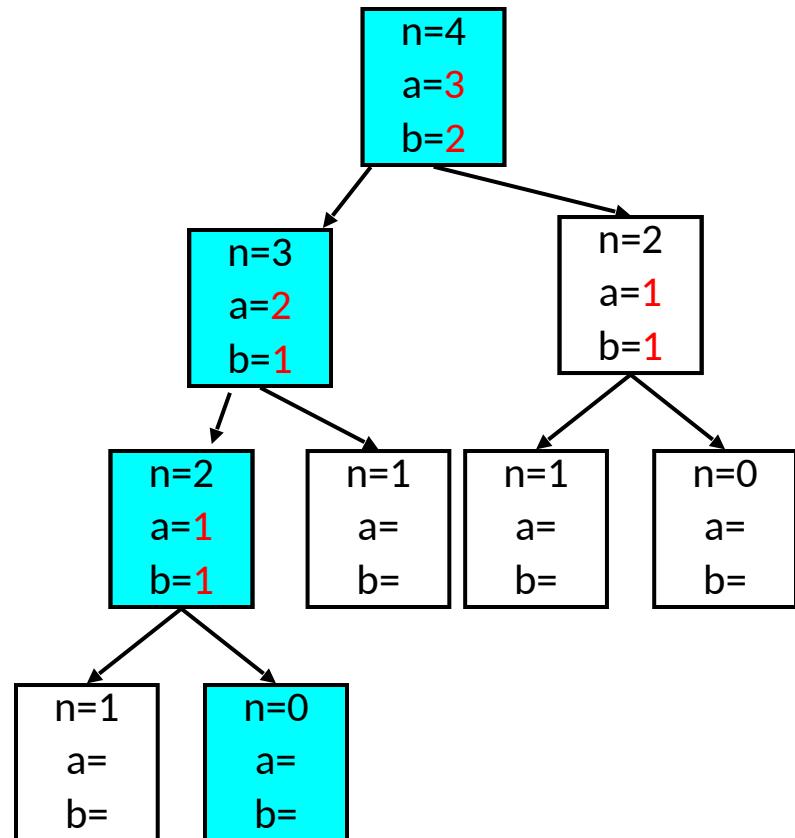
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Can we use a stack of frames to implement this?

Collection of Frames

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Returning references

- Can a function return a reference to a local variable?
- E.g.:

```
int* dangle() {  
    int a;  
    return &a;  
}
```
- If so, can we use a stack of frames?

Returning Functions

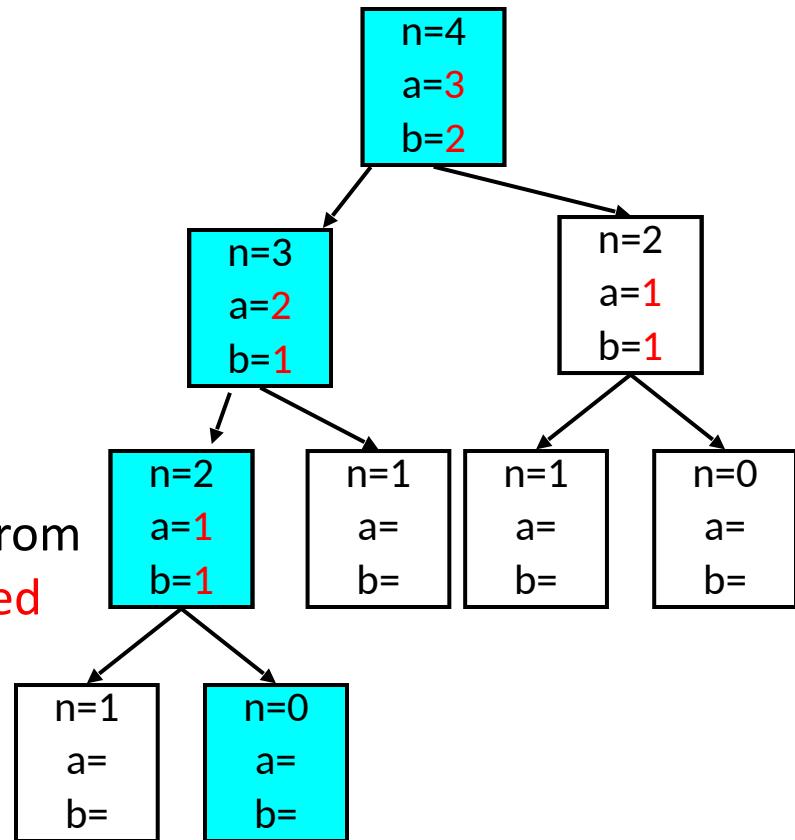
- Can a function return a (higher-order) function?
- E.g.:

```
typedef int (*p2f)(int);
p2f hof(void) {
    int add5(int b) {
        return 5+b;
    }
    return &add5;
}
```

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Non-local Access

- Can a function refer to variables in outer functions?
- E.g.:

```
int add2(int a, int c) {  
    int add1(int b) {  
        return a+b;  
    }  
    return add1(c);  
}
```
- Stack of Frames ok?
- There are other issues however (deal with later)

Non-local Access vs. Global Access

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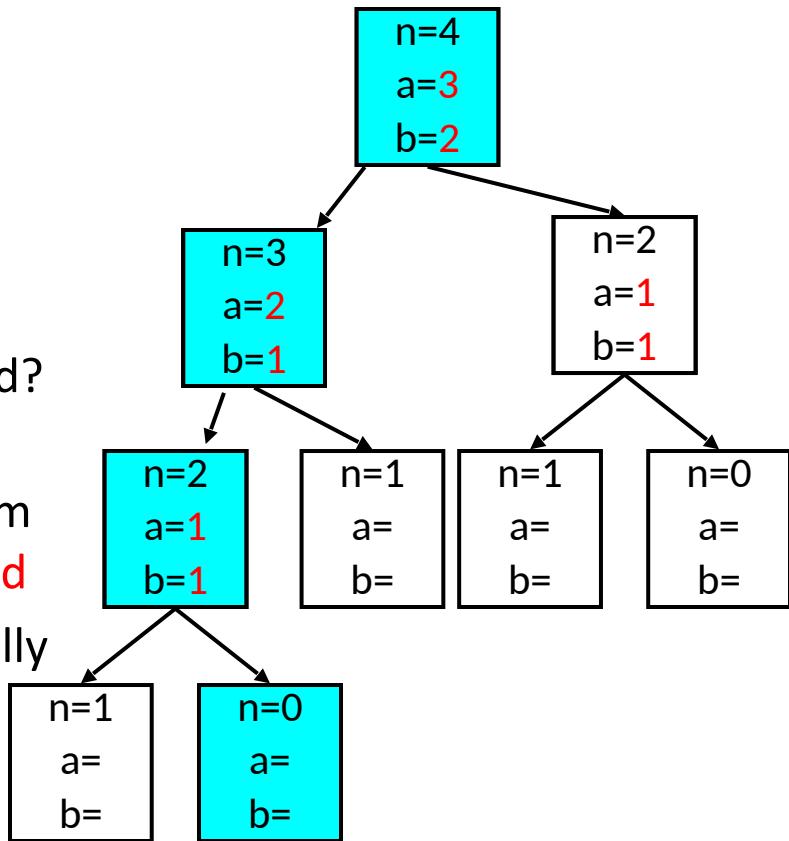
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Allocating variables - Globals

- At Compile time
 - Create a new location in “memory”
 - Allocate space for the variables
 - Assign a name
 - tie this into the symbol table
 - potentially include initial data
- At link time
 - collect all global definitions into data segment
 - resolve addresses
- At run time
 - access is made by offset from global register or via address

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1st Class Functions&Non-local Access

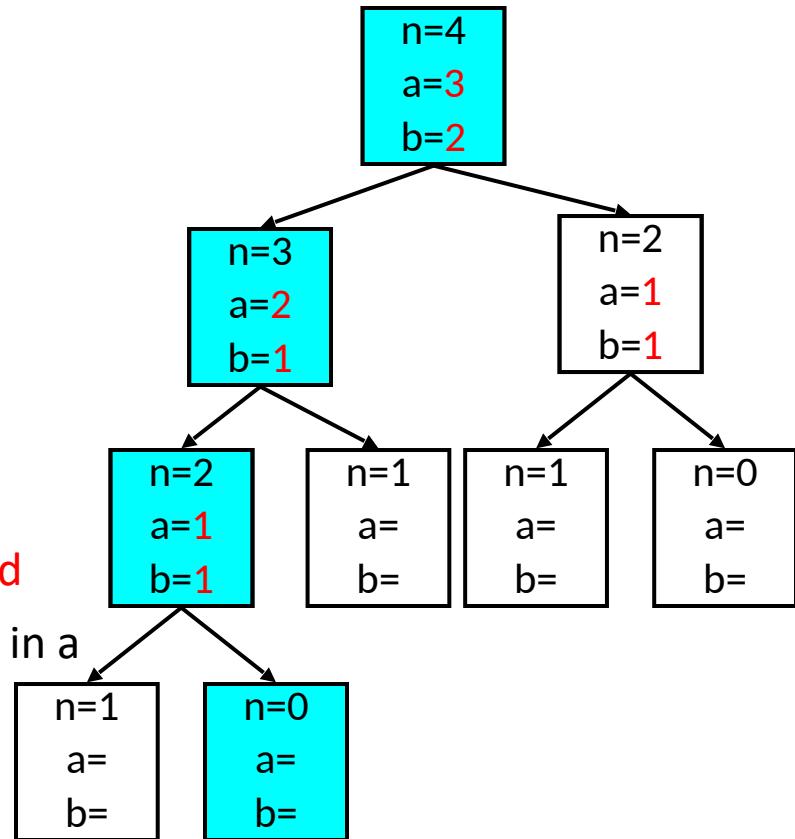
- Can a function return a function?
- E.g.:

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typedef int (*p2f) (int) ;
p2f hof(int a) {
    int adda(int b) {
        return a+b;
    }
    return &adda;
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```

- What is going on here?
- Combination of
 - non-local access &
 - first-class functions.

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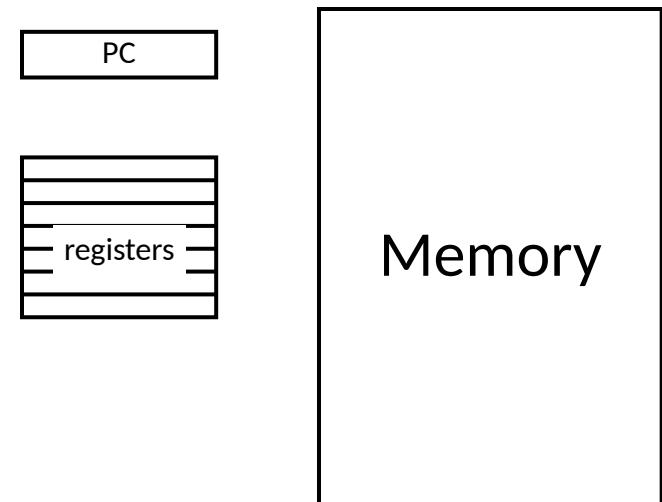
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Use a stack of activation frames.

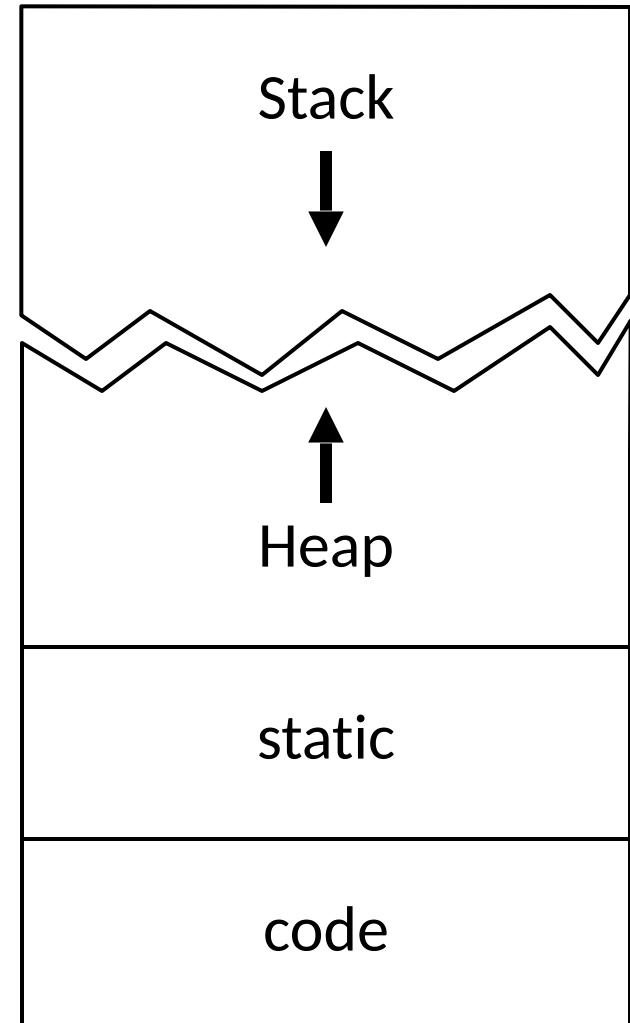
Memory Layout

- We went through this analysis to determine the interaction of frames
- We are assuming:
 - stack is good for storing frames
 - Allows “unlimited” recursion
- How does this interact with entire system?



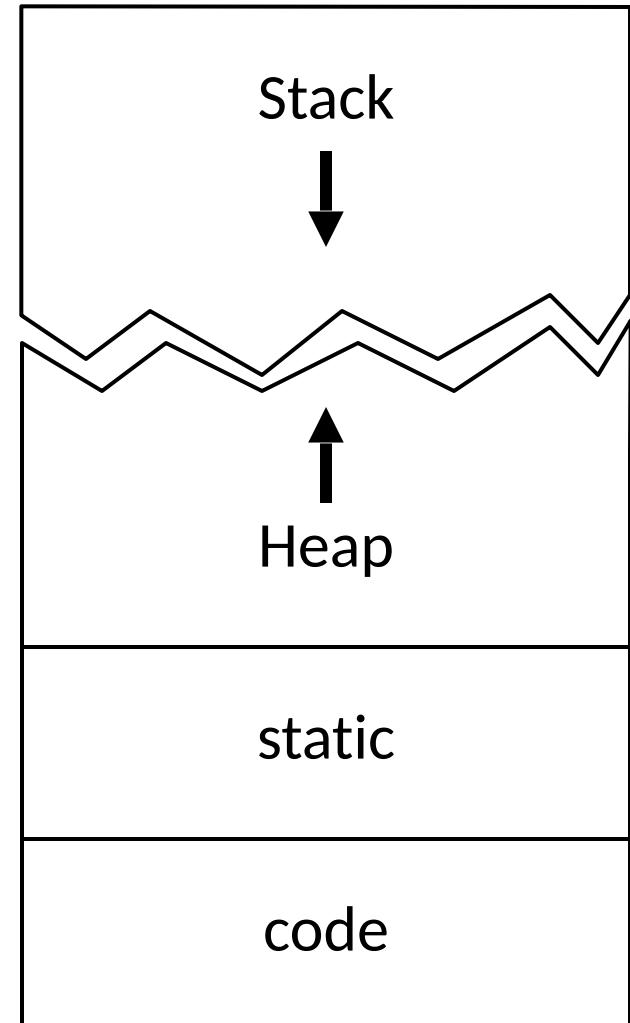
Memory Organization

- Instructions are (usually) static and go into code.
- Static data is allocated at compile time, resolved at link-time
- Stack grows down and holds activation frames
- Heap grows up

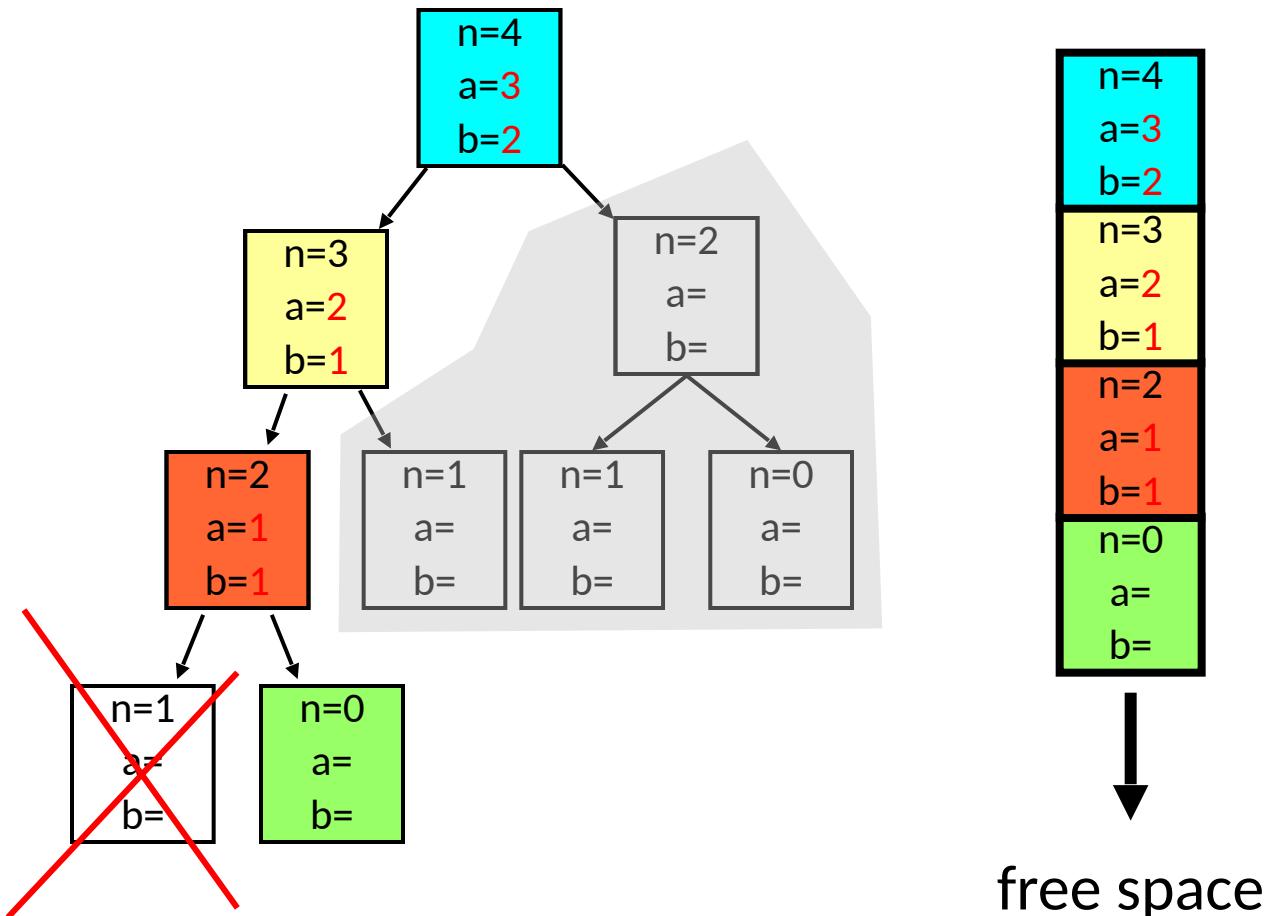


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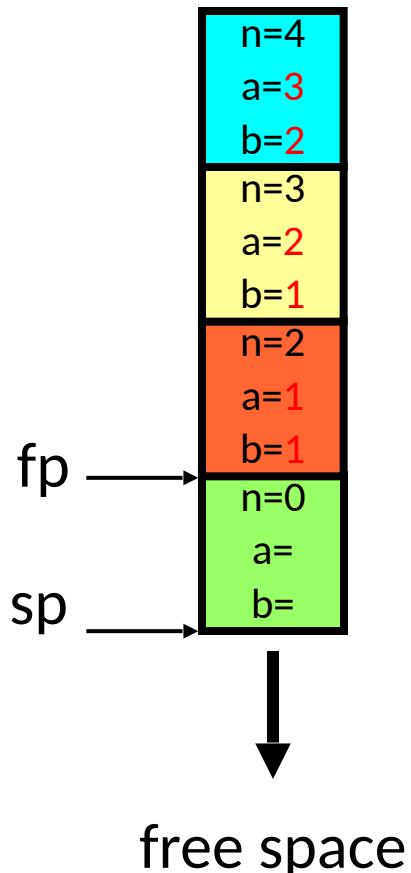
- Code and static contain fixed size statically allocated information
- Stack and data contain dynamically sized and dynamically allocated information
- Stack and heap compete for memory.
- Relates to storage classes



The Stack



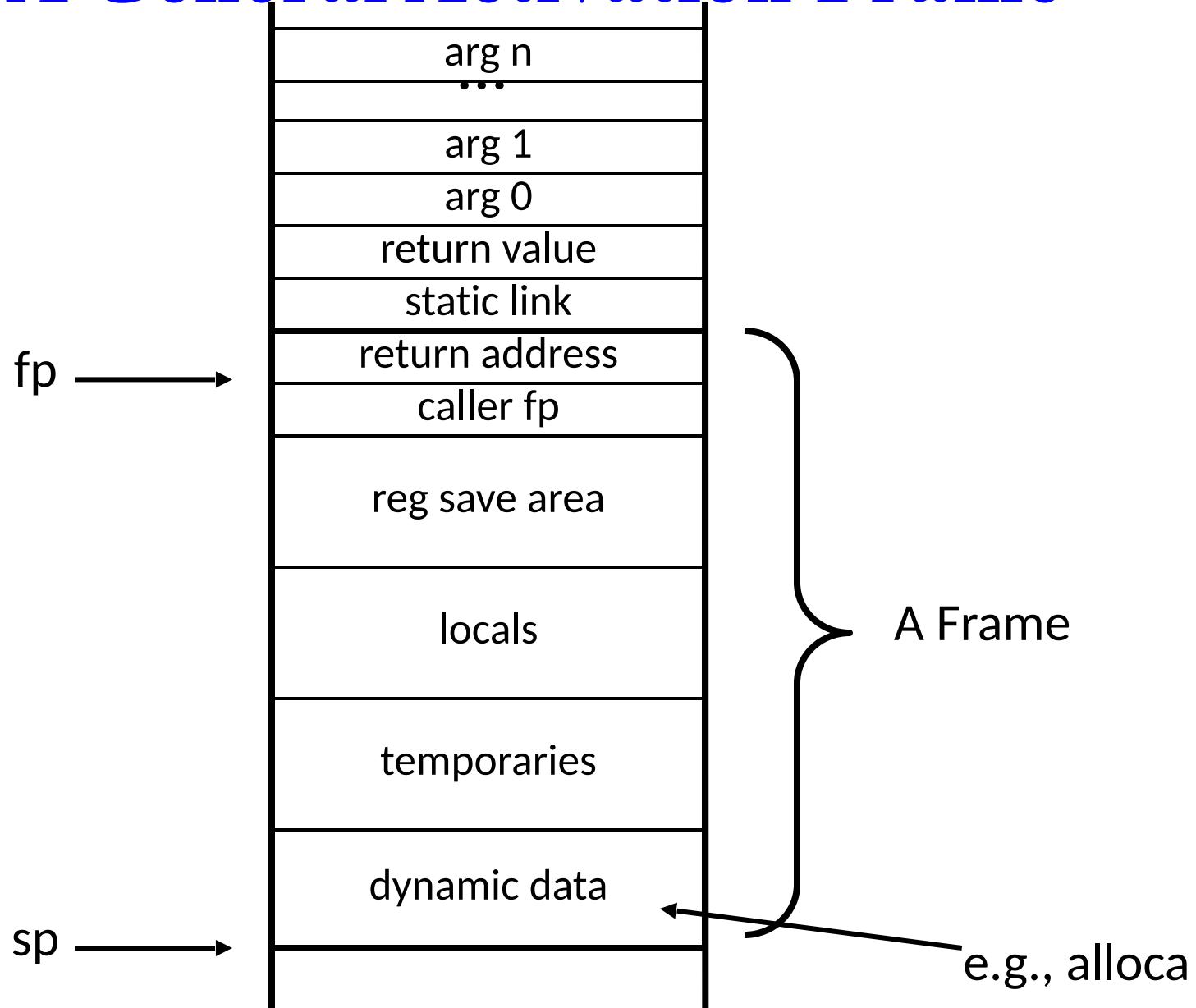
The Stack



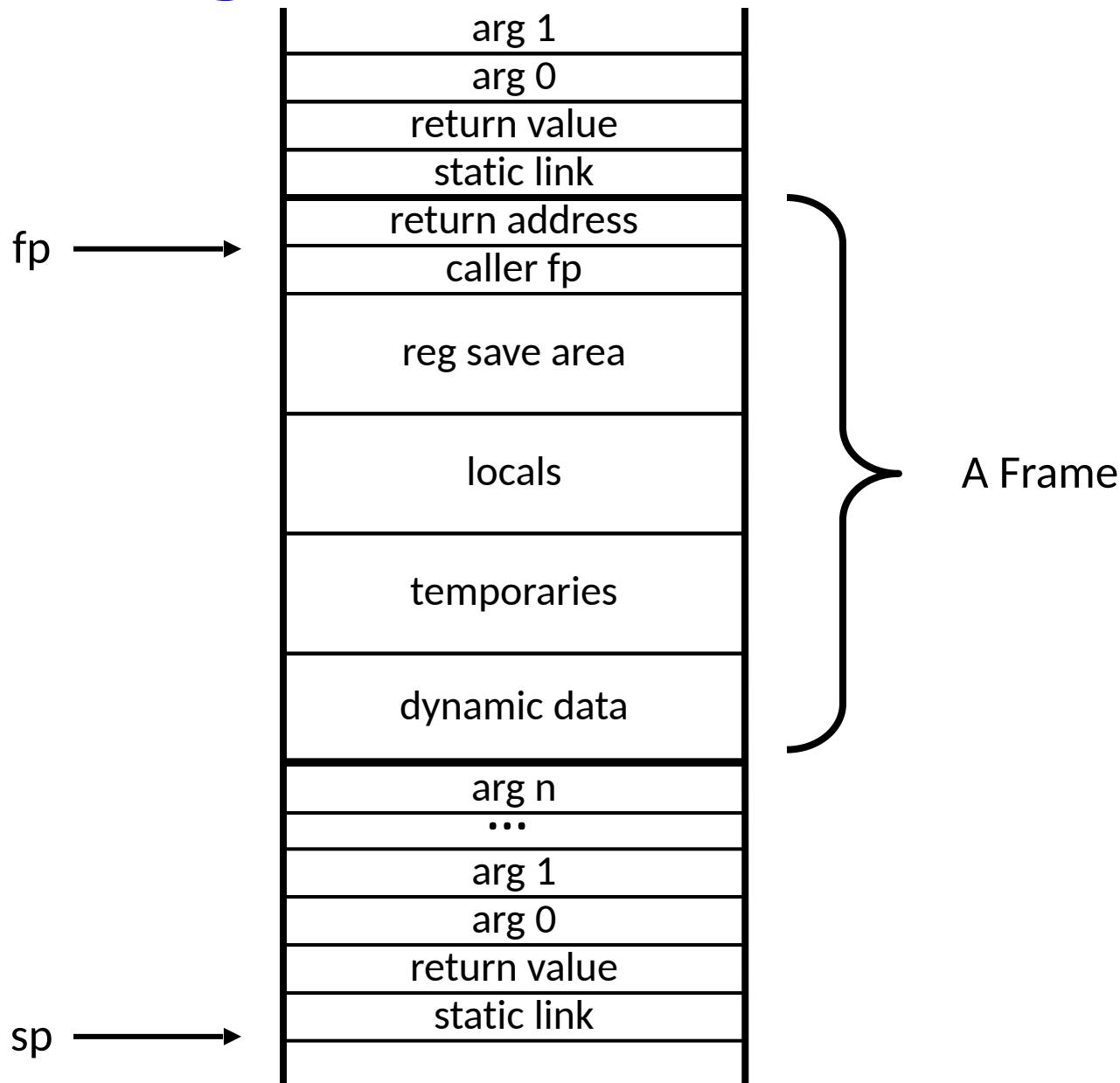
- How do we know where one frame starts and another stops?
- How do we track return address?
- How do we access local variables?
- How do we access non-local variables?
 - Frame Pointer (fp)
 - Stack Pointer (sp)

Why not just say %rbp?

A General Activation Frame



Right Before Next Call



Who does what?

Foo: Prologue

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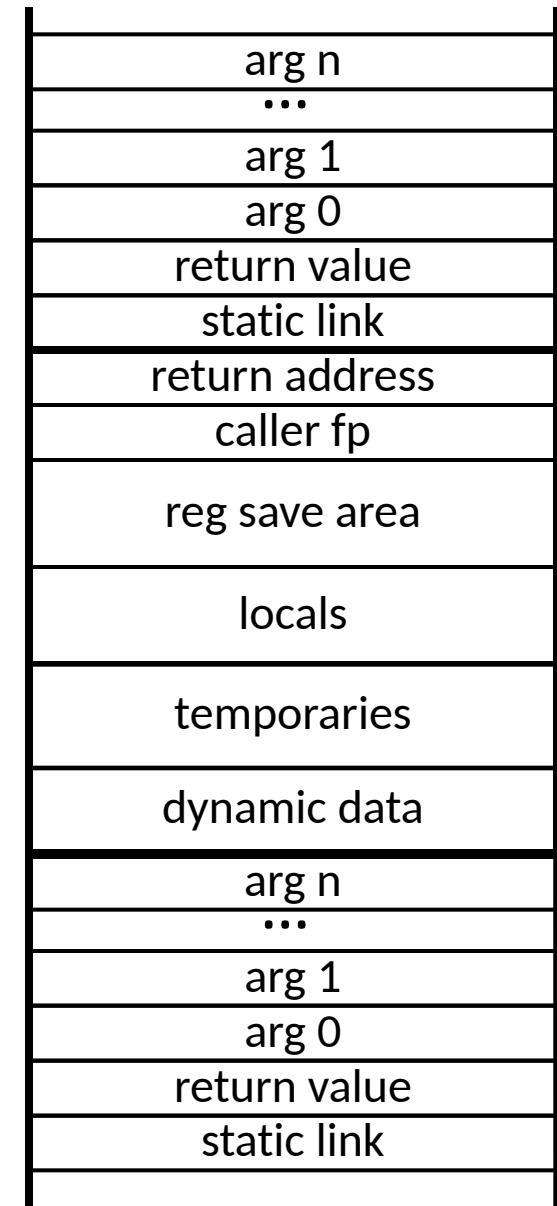
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Epilogue

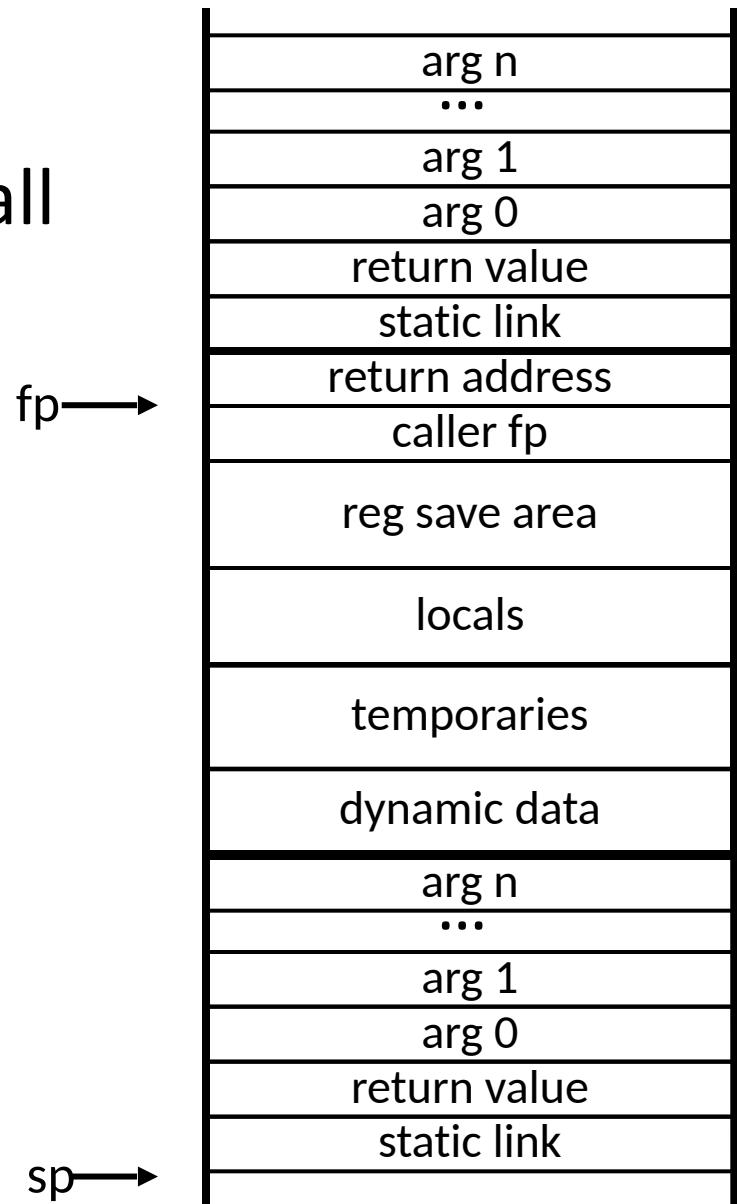
The answer is: it depends!

fp →

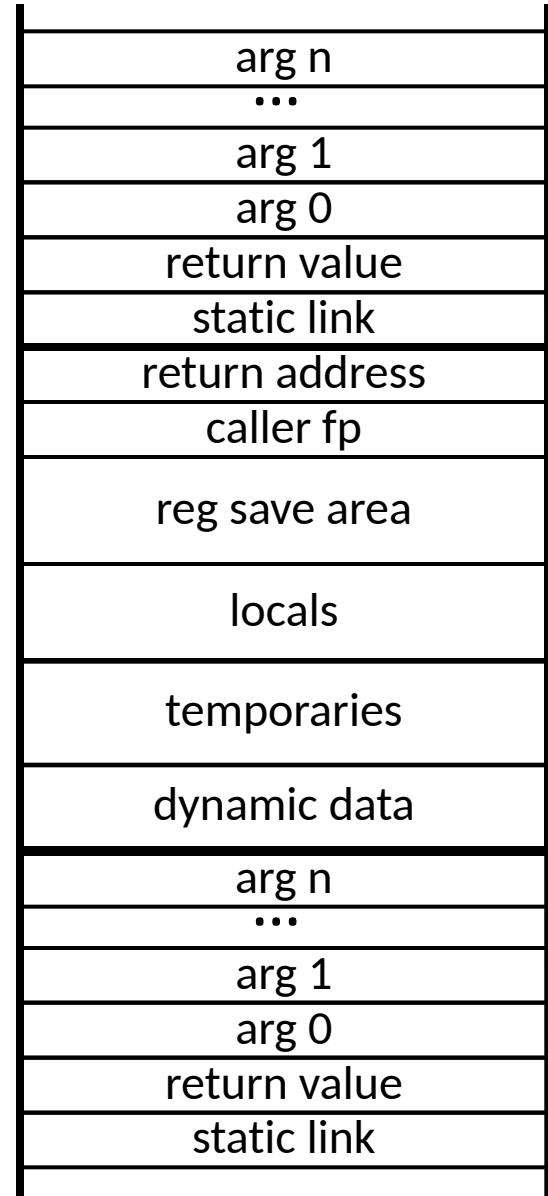


Frame Pointer

- Used as base for accessing all elements of frame.
- In Prologue:
 - $[sp-x] = fp$; save caller's fp
 - $fp = sp$
 - $sp \leftarrow \text{frameSize}$
- In Epilogue
 - $sp = fp$
 - $fp = [sp-x]$
- Do we always need fp?

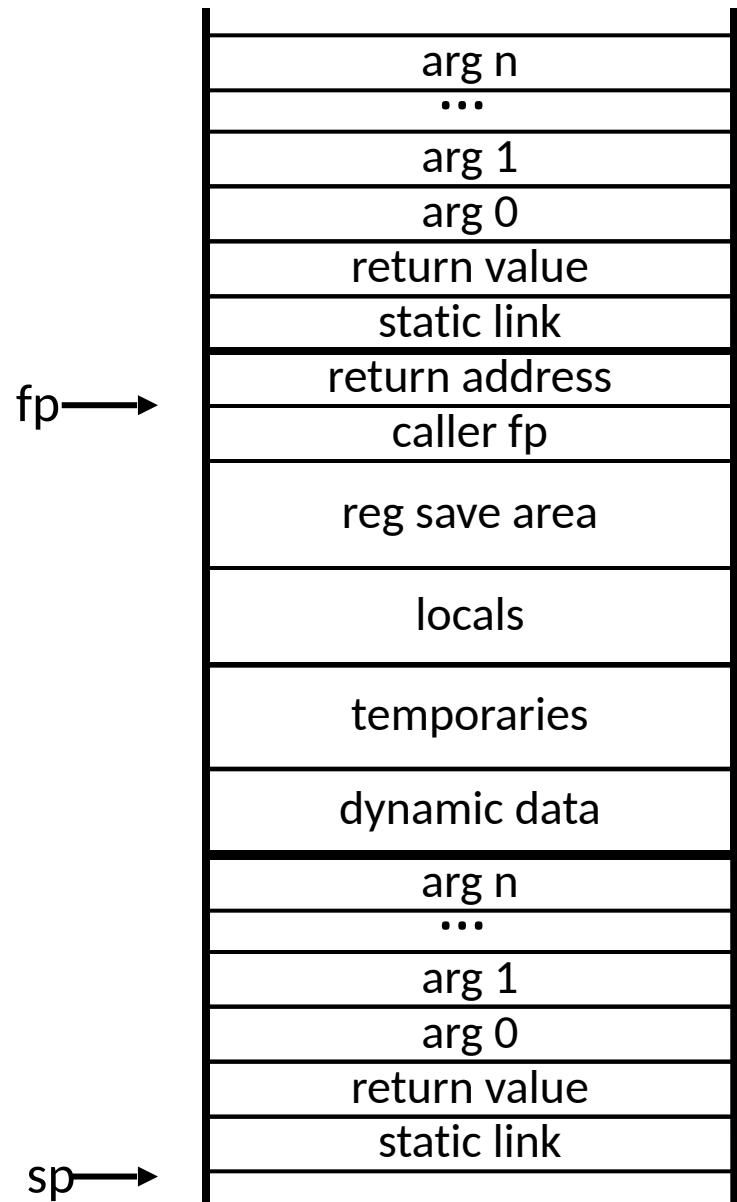


Frame Pointer

- Used as base for accessing all elements of frame.
- Many times a “fictional register”

- On Call
 - $sp -= \text{frameSize}$
 - $fp = sp + \text{frameSize}$
- On Return
 - $sp += \text{frameSize}$

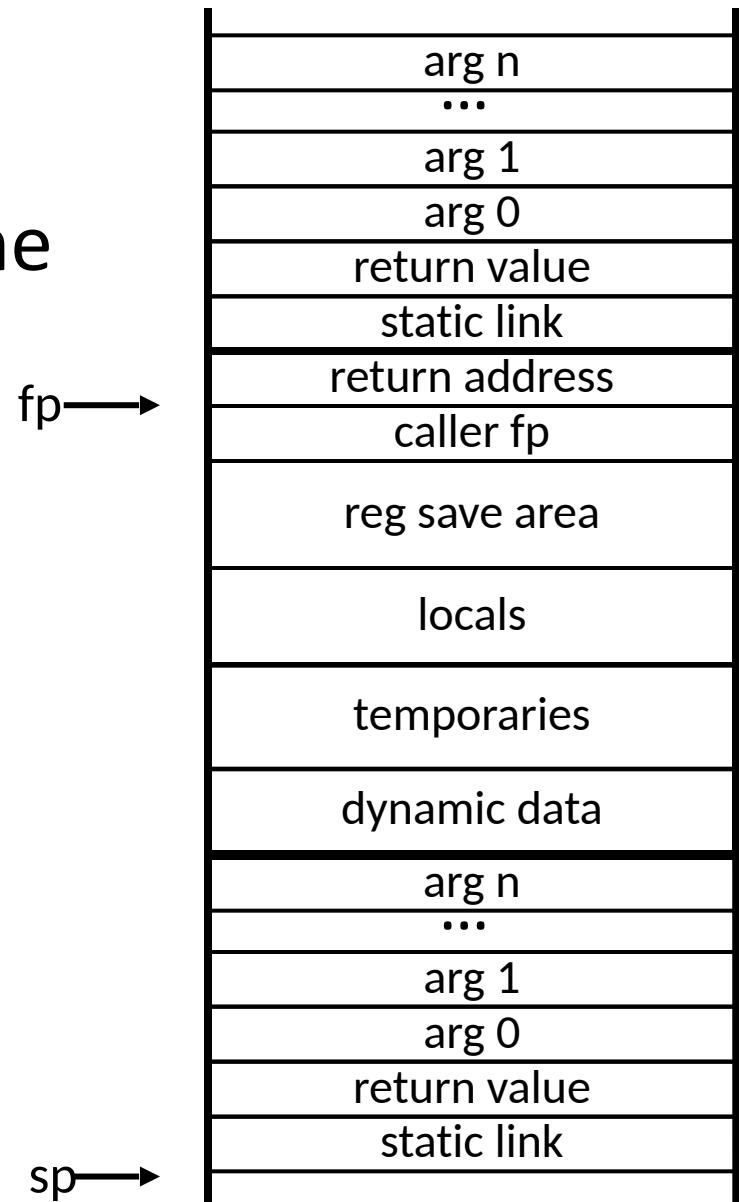
Parameter Passing

- Caller puts parameters into stack starting at current sp
- Save space for return value
- Invoke Callee
- Actually we can do better!
 - Caller **reserves** space for first k params and return value
 - Why is this better?
 - Why bother to reserve space at all?



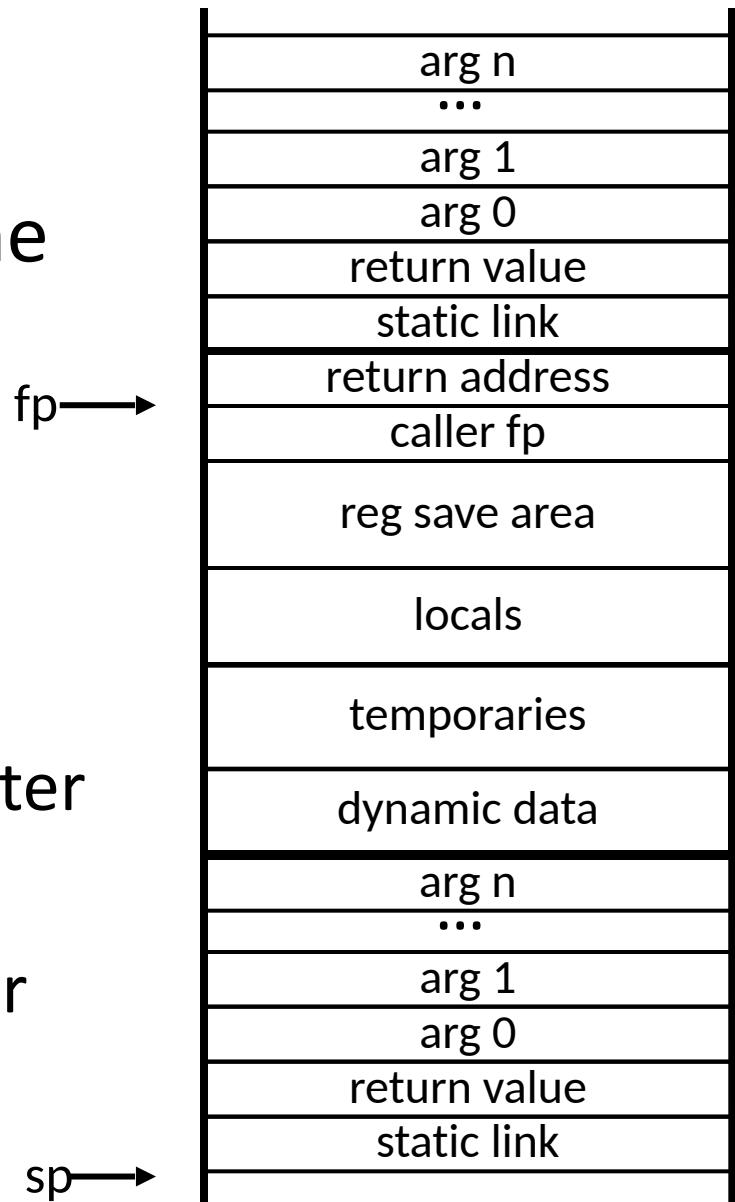
Registers

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- Caller can save all registers
- Callee can save all registers
- Which is better?
- Issues:



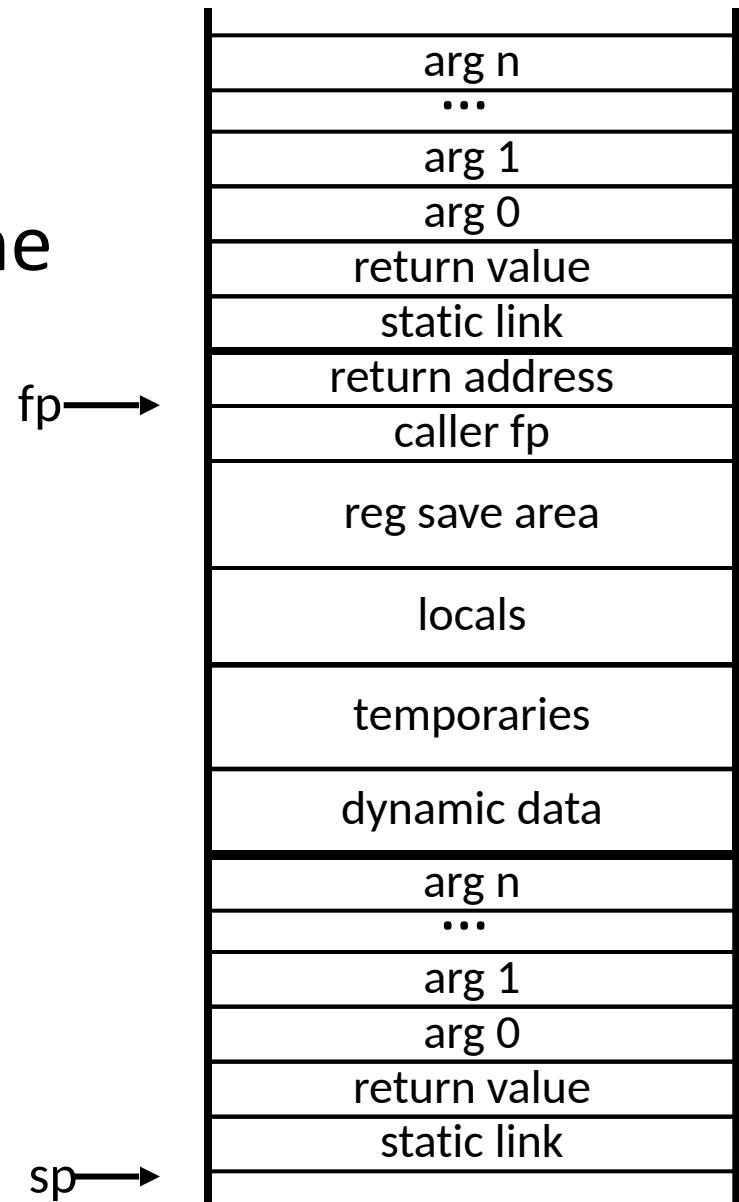
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- Issues:
 - callee might not use your register
 - Extreme case is leaf procedure
 - caller might not have used your register



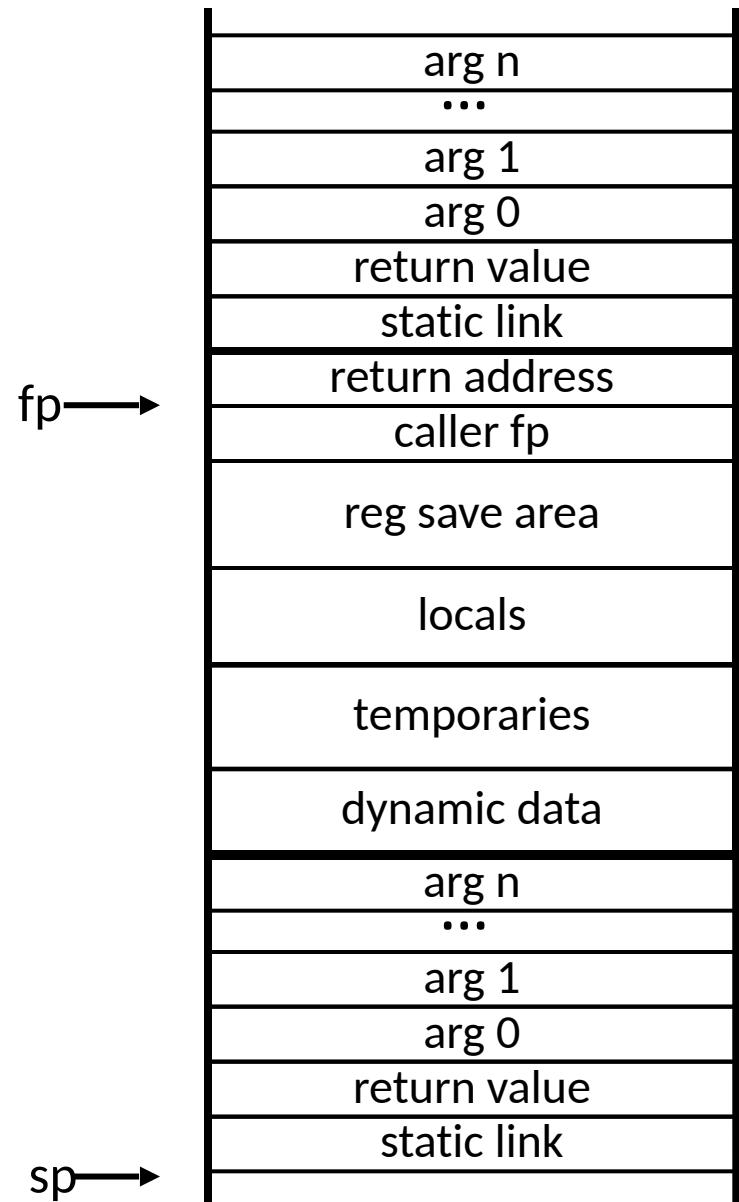
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- Make some registers
 - caller save
 - callee save
- Or, register windows?



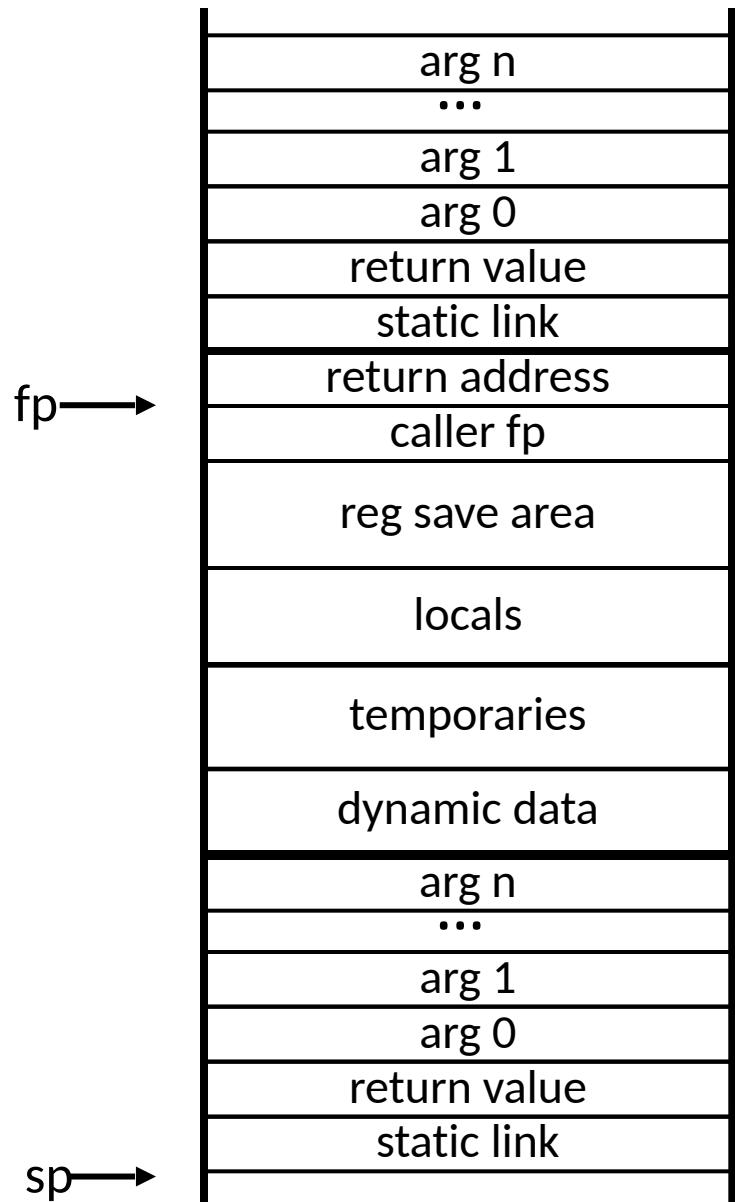
Return Address

- Who should save it?
- Should it be saved?



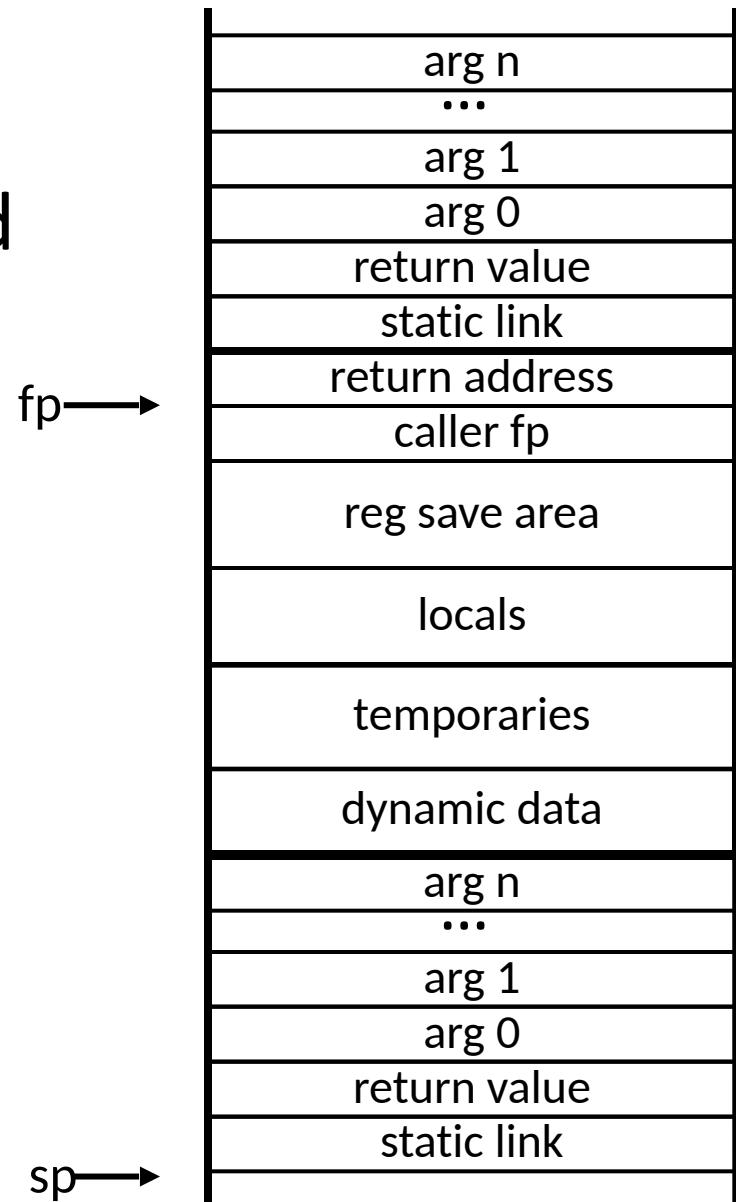
Locals/Temps/Dynamic

- Allocated by callee
- Dynamic data (e.g., `alloca`) requires fp and sp



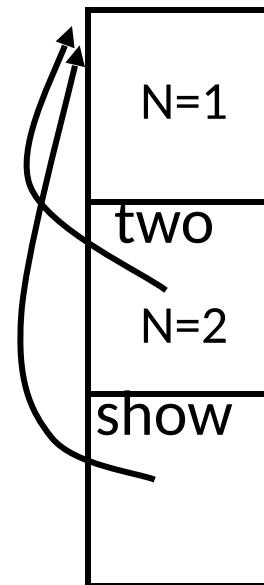
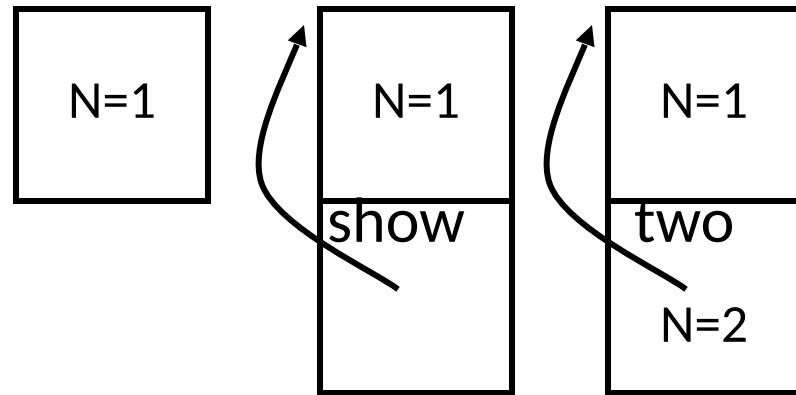
The Static Link

- Static link used to access non-local variables for nested procedures.



Nested Functions*

```
void outer(void) {  
    int N = 1;  
    void show(void) {  
        print(N);  
        print(" ");  
    }  
    void two(void) {  
        int N = 2;  
        show();  
        show(); two();  
        show(); two();  
    }  
}
```



*Lexically scoped

Implementing Nested Functions

- Non-local names are referenced by their **level** and **offset**.
 - level is lexical nesting depth
 - offset is offset into activation frame
- During compilation names must be translated into <level,offset> pair.
 - Use block structured symbol tables
 - Track difference between current function's nesting depth and referenced names nesting depth
- At runtime, either
 - static links
 - displays

Static Links

- Keep a link list which follows the lexical nesting depth (NOT THE SAME AS PARENT FP!)
- Can follow chain to find frame at level k
- On call/return setup and teardown chain
- Caller passes pointer to lexically enclosing frame of callee.
- Maintenance cost: store (on call)
- Access cost from frame at level l to one at level k: $(k-l)$ extra loads

Display

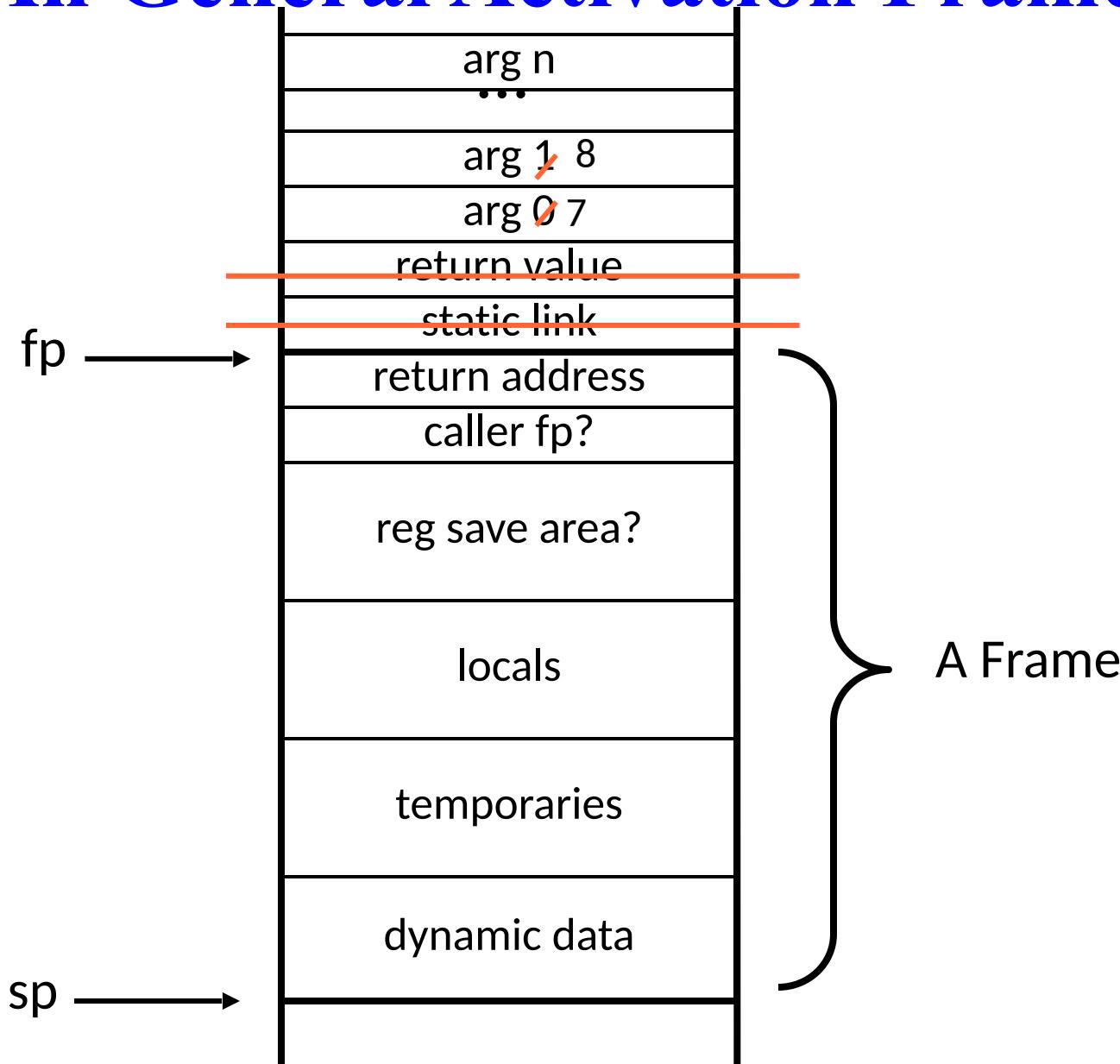
- Maintain global table with size = maximum lexical nesting in program
- In prologue:
 - save k^{th} entry in display for call to function at level k .
 - Store FP in k^{th} entry in display
- In epilogue:
 - restore display
- On access: one load from display to get proper frame.

Activation Frame C0

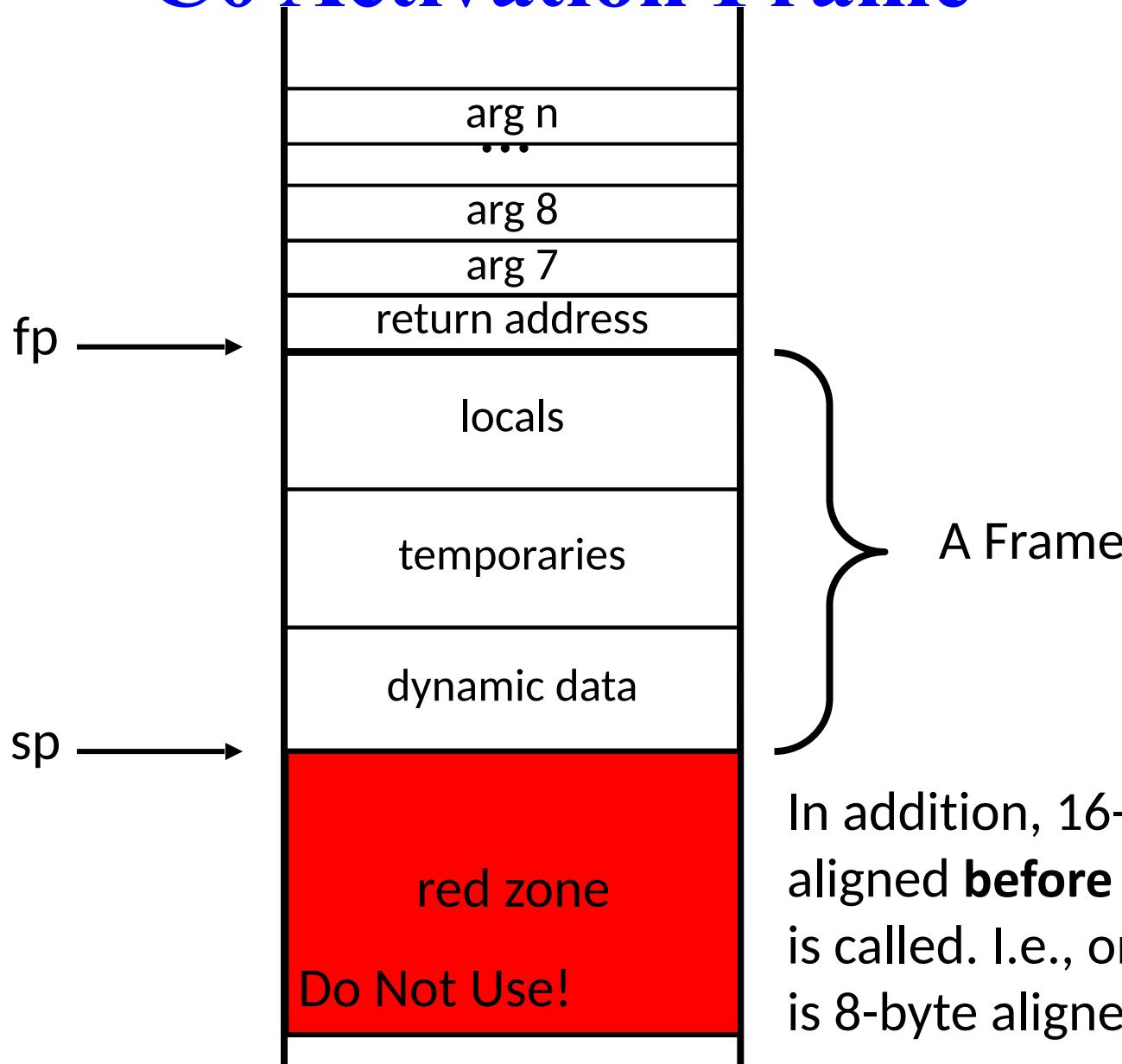
- No nested functions, so no static link
- return value is not stored on stack:
%rax
- First 6 arguments stored in registers:
%rdi, %rsi, %rdx, %rcx, %r8, %r9
- Divides registers into caller save:
%r10, %r11
- And, callee save:
%rbx, %rbp, %r12, %r13, %r14, %r15

This is a part of C's calling convention

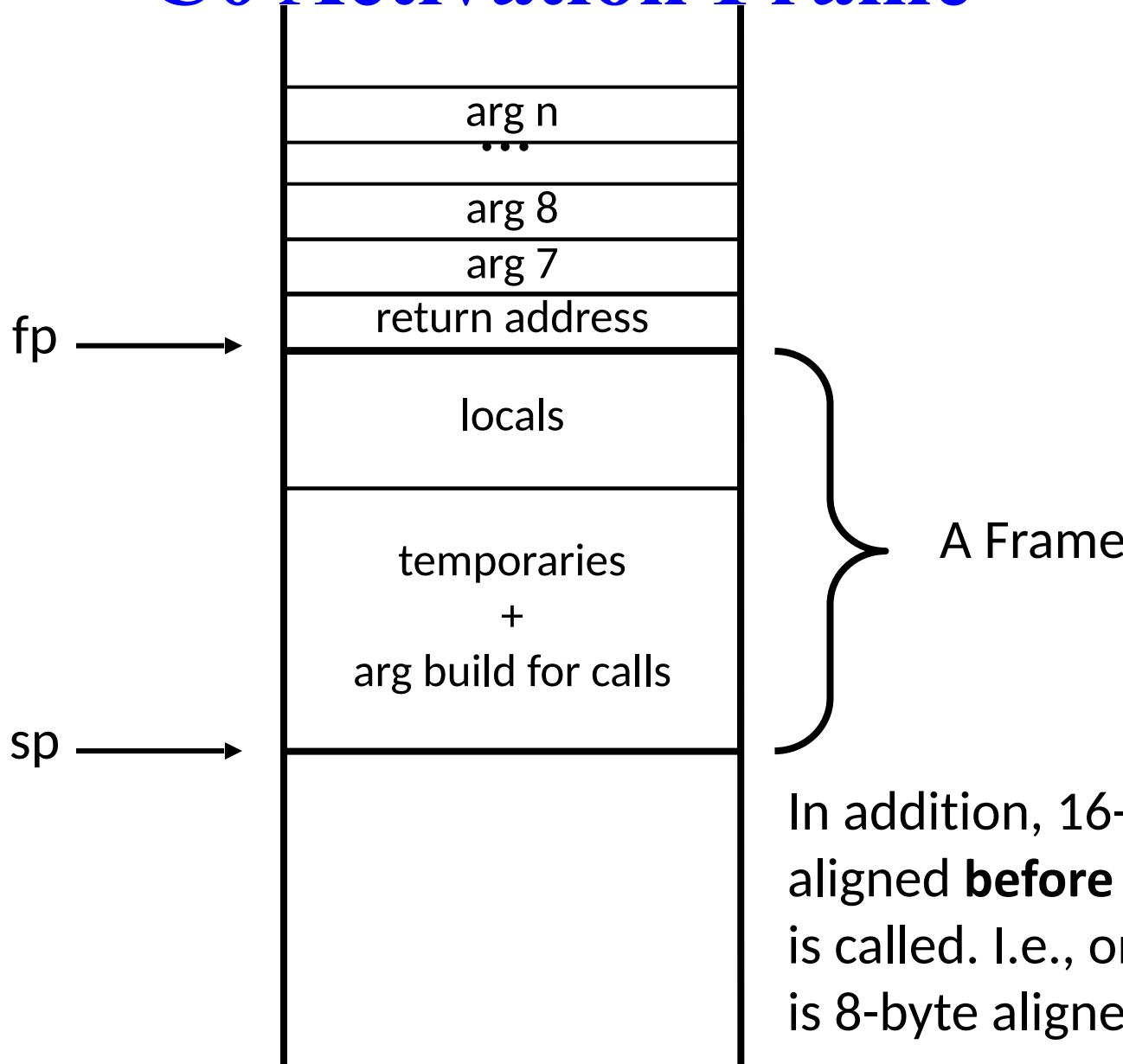
An General Activation Frame



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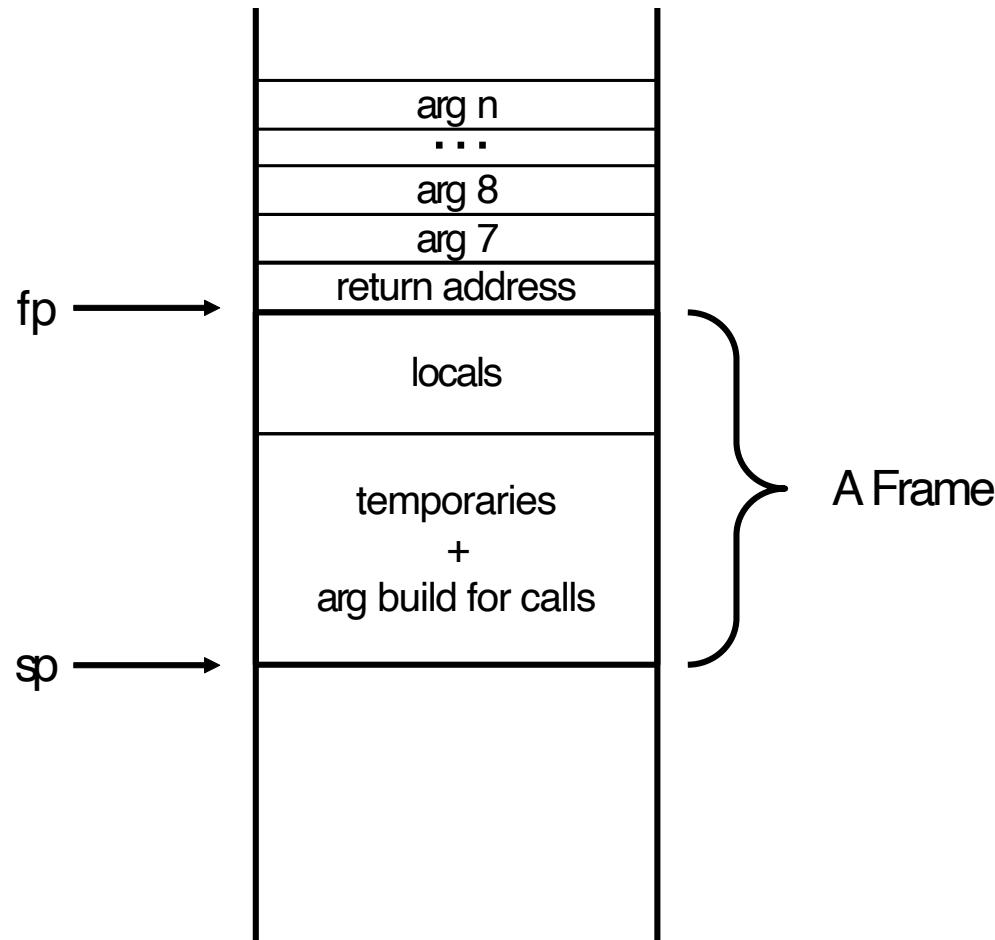


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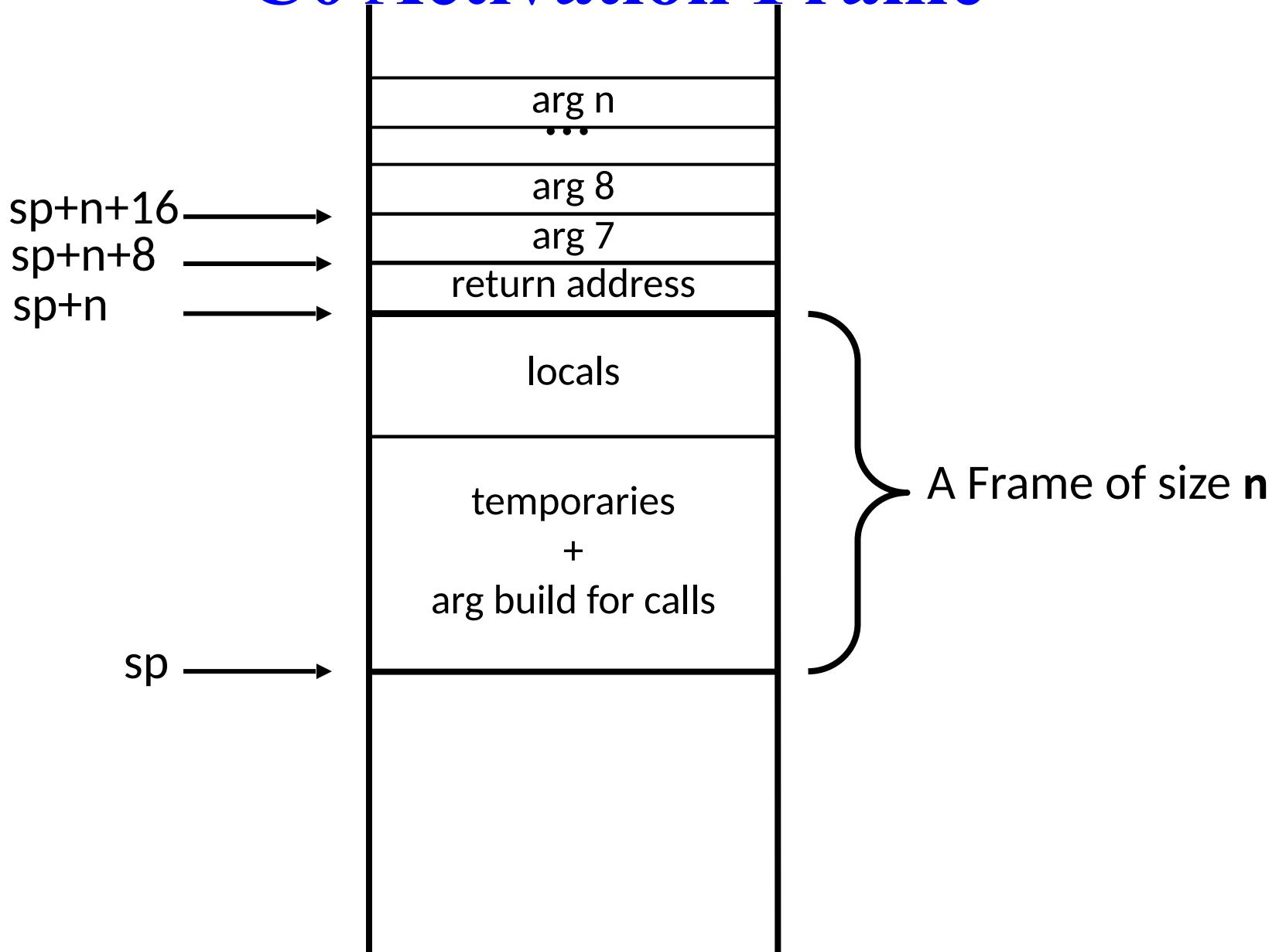


to fp or not to fp?

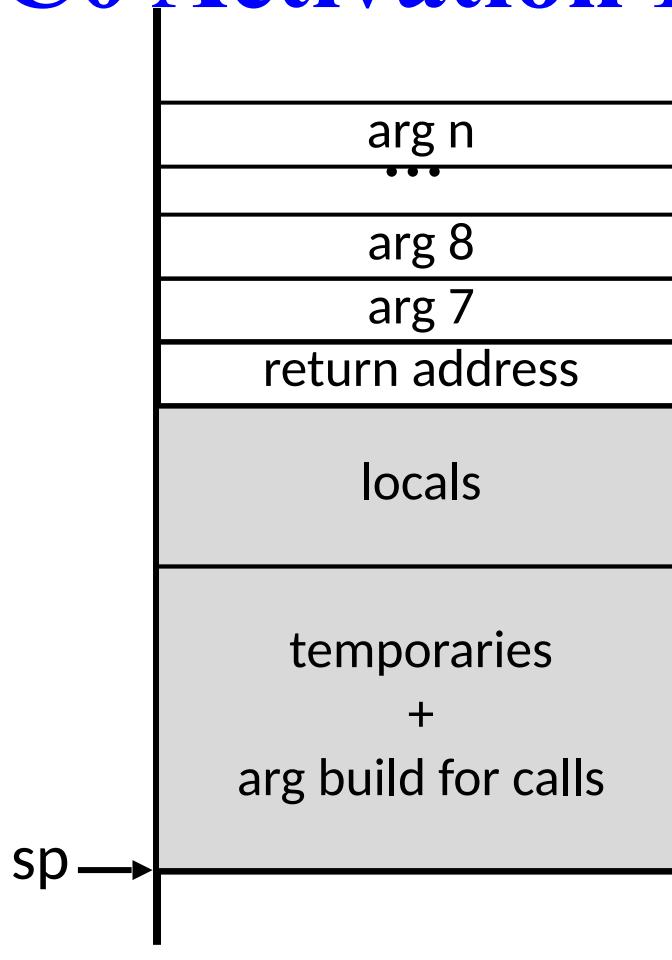
- Do we need a frame pointer?



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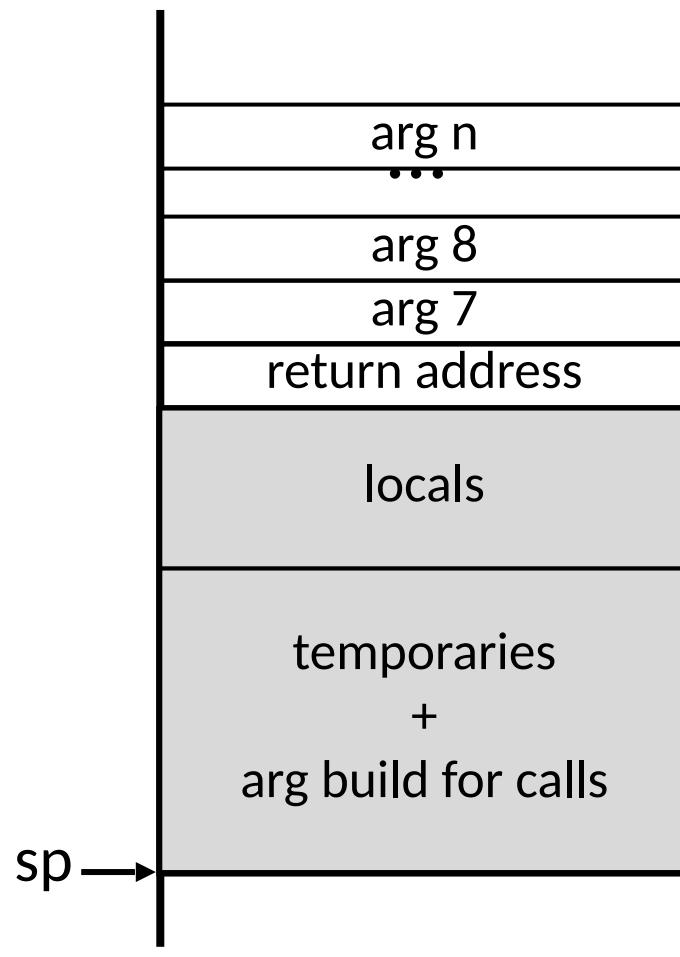
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Prologue

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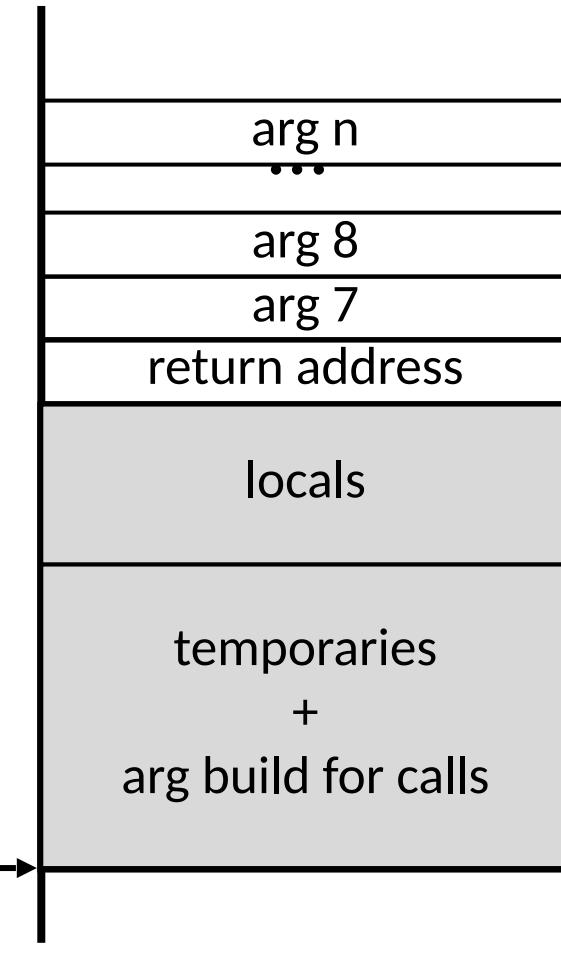
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Epilogue



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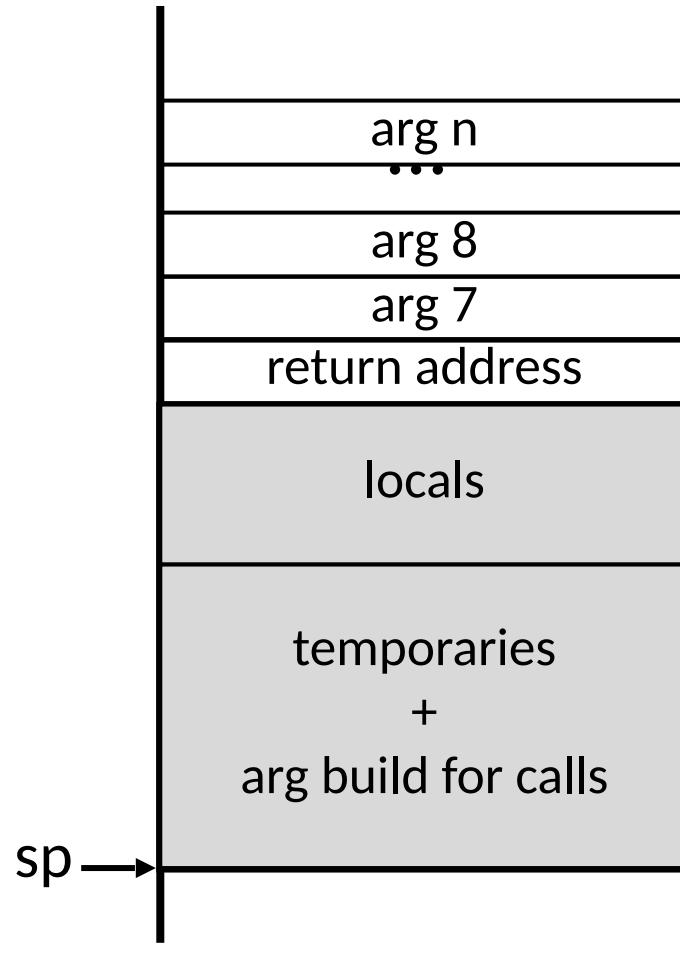
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epilog: re-adjust sp
restore any saved callee-save registers

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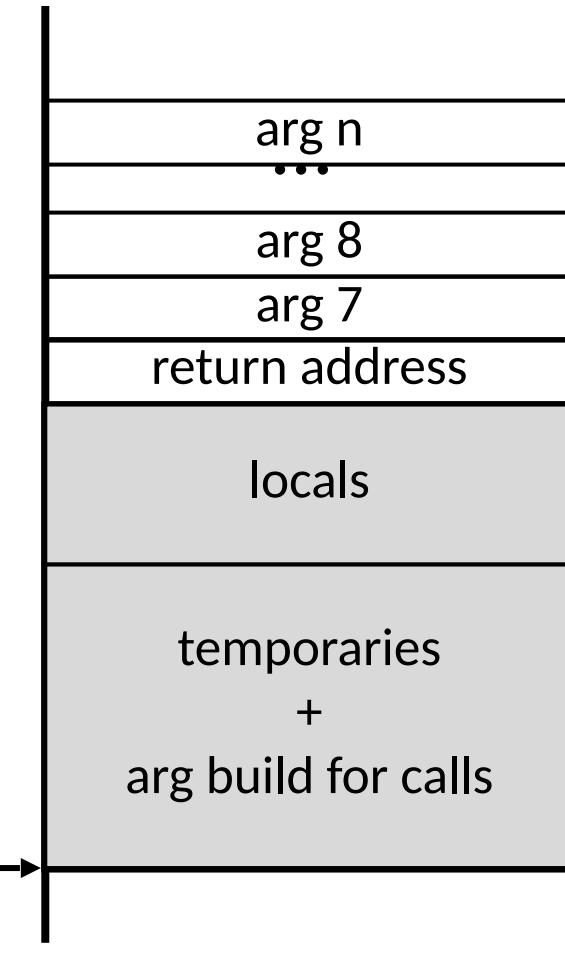
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before call: save any necessary caller-save registers
setup arg registers
possibly store 7th, ..., nth arg on stack

recover from call

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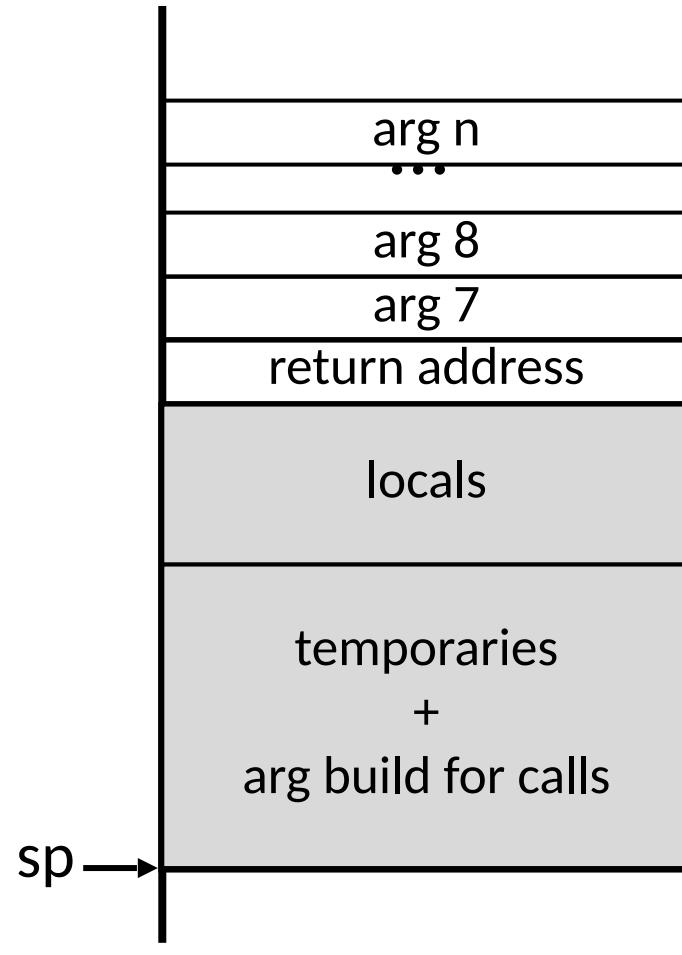
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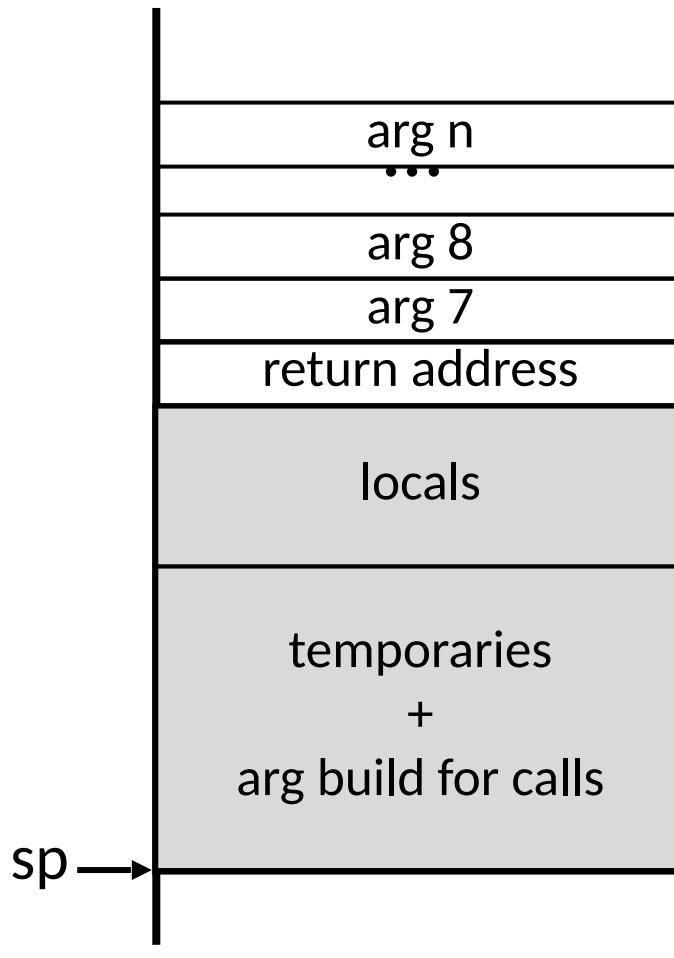
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after call: restore any saved caller-save registers

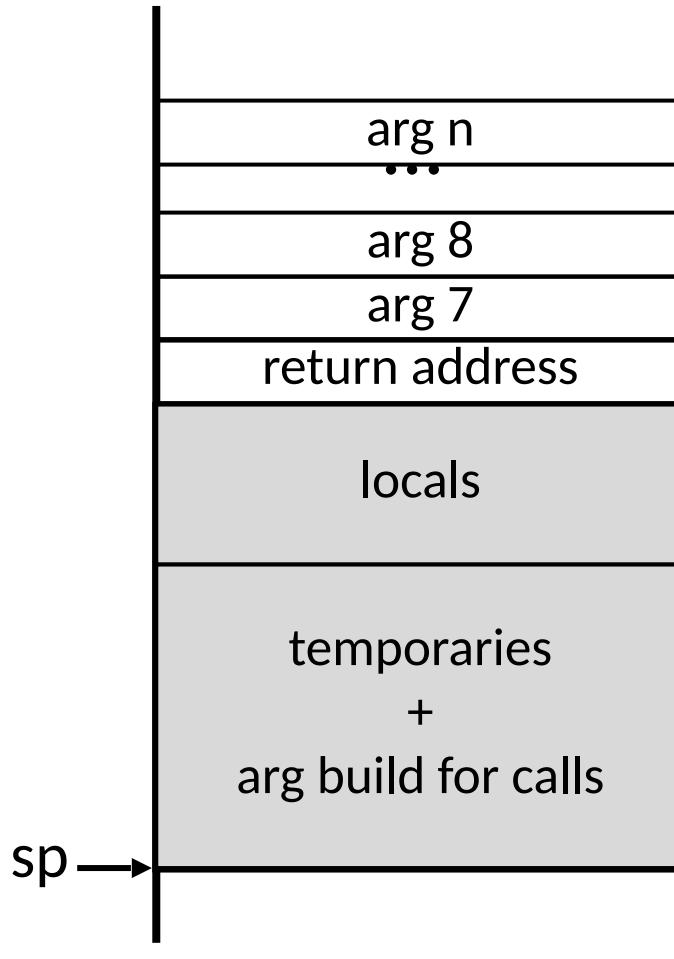
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- What gets saved in the frame?



What are “locals” and “temps”?

- What gets saved in the frame?
 - spilled automatic variables
 - escaping variables
- Escaping variables:
 - referenced in inner function
 - address taken
 - passed by reference
 - Can determine at semantic analysis time with recursive walk of AST
- When do we know?



How to Represent locations

- Various kinds of locations
 - automatic variables: temp
 - parameters: temp
 - hard registers: register
 - spill: frame slot
 - global: memory?
 - static: memory?
- When do we know size of frame?
- When do we generate loads and stores?
- How do we simplify our compiler?

Variables

- Three kinds of variables
 - globals & statics
 - local variables
 - formal parameters
 - Issues:
 - where are they stored
 - How much space do they take up
 - How are they accessed
 - This is both
 - machine dependent
 - and, language dependent
- Use an abstract Access type to represent all variables.
 - It will end up being:
 - a Temp
 - a HardReg
 - a Slot
 - a MemoryLocation

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- Evaluate all arguments first so we can use pure expressions in call.
- $f(e_1, \dots, e_n) \mapsto t_1 = e_1; \dots; t_n = e_n; t_r \leftarrow f(t_1, \dots, t_n))$
- treat call itself as a “statement” and assign (if needed) return value to a fresh temp

IR for a function call

- Choices:

$d \leftarrow f(s_1, \dots, s_n)$

`call f`

`%rax ← call f`

- The latter two assume that s_1, \dots, s_n have either been moved to appropriate arg register or put in proper place on stack.
- Side note on SSA and precolored registers:
 - Explicitly representing `%rax` will mean not in SSA form. So, `call f` may be preferred (deal with `%rax` as with div/mult/etc.)

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 - So, call defines:
%rax, %rdi, %rsi, %rdx, %rcx, %r8, %r9, %r10, %r11

Register

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<i>ler</i> ₈	%r11	caller-saved	No
<i>lee</i> ₉	%rbx	callee-saved	Yes
<i>lee</i> ₁₀	%rbp	callee-saved*	Yes
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 - if they are not used,
they become nops
 - If there is register pressure, then
they will be spilled. (assuming spilling cost is calculated right.)
- f: $t_1 \leftarrow \text{lee}_9$
 $t_2 \leftarrow \text{lee}_{10}$
...
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 $\text{lee}_9 \leftarrow t_1$

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%rax? %eax? %al

- So, far 32-bits in %eax
- Spilling callee-save registers, however, requires saving %rax.

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The power function

```
int pow(int b, int e)          pow(b,e):  
//@requires e >= 0;           if (e == 0) then done else recurse  
{                           done:  
    if (e == 0)             ret 1  
        return 1;           recurse:  
    else                     t0 <- e - 1  
        return b * pow(b, e-1);      t1 <- pow(b, t0)  
}                           t2 <- b * t1  
                           ret t2
```

Initial Translation with def/use

program	def	use
pow(b, c) :	b, c	
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse		e
done :		
ret 1		
recurse :		
$t_0 \leftarrow c - 1$	t_0	c
$t_1 \leftarrow \text{pow}(b, t_0)$	t_1	b, t_0
$t_2 \leftarrow b * t_1$	t_2	b, t_1
ret t_2		t_2

Calculating liveness

program	def	use	live-in
pow(b, c) :	b, c	c	
if ($c == 0$) then done else recurse			
done :			
ret 1			
recurse :			
$t_0 \leftarrow c - 1$	t_0	c	
$t_1 \leftarrow \text{pow}(b, t_0)$	t_1	b, t_0	
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ret t_2		t_2	t_2

Next: Arguments & retval explicit

program	def	use	live-in
pow(b, c) :	b, c	c	b, e
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse			
done :			
ret 1			
recurse :			b, c
$t_0 \leftarrow c - 1$	t_0	c	b, c
$t_1 \leftarrow \text{pow}(b, t_0)$	t_1	b, t_0	b, t_0
$t_2 \leftarrow b * t_1$	t_2	b, t_1	b, t_1
ret t_2		t_2	t_2

Making argument's Explicit

program	def	use
pow :	arg_1, arg_2	
$b \leftarrow arg_1$	b	arg_1
$e \leftarrow arg_2$	e	arg_2
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse		
done :	$res_0 \leftarrow 1$	
ret		res_0
recurse :		
$t_0 \leftarrow e - 1$	t_0	e
$arg_2 \leftarrow t_0$	arg_2	t_0
$arg_1 \leftarrow b$	arg_1	b
call pow	$res_0, arg_1, arg_2,$ $arg_3, arg_4, arg_5,$ arg_6, ler_7, ler_8	arg_1, arg_2
$t_1 \leftarrow res_0$	t_1	res_0
$t_2 \leftarrow b * t_1$	t_2	b, t_1
$res_0 \leftarrow t_2$	res_0	t_2
ret		res_0

Missing a def

Where are callee save regs?

Liveness

program	def	use	live-in
pow :			
$b \leftarrow arg_1$	arg_1, arg_2	arg_1	
$e \leftarrow arg_2$	b		
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse	e	arg_2	
done :			
$res_0 \leftarrow 1$	res_0		
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Calculating Interference Graph

program	def	use	live-in
pow :			
$b \leftarrow arg_1$	b	arg_1	arg_1, arg_2
$e \leftarrow arg_2$	e	arg_2	b, arg_2
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse			b, e
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ret		res_0	res_0
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$t_1 \leftarrow res_0$	t_1	res_0	b, res_0
$t_2 \leftarrow b * t_1$	t_2	b, t_1	b, t_1
$res_0 \leftarrow t_2$	res_0	t_2	t_2
ret		res_0	res_0

temp	interfering with
b	$res_0, arg_1, arg_2, arg_3, arg_4, arg_5, arg_6, ler_7, ler_8, e, t_0, t_1$
e	b
t_0	b
t_1	b
t_2	

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program	def	use	live-in	
pow :				
$b \leftarrow arg_1$	arg_1, arg_2	b	arg_1	$b - arg_1 - arg_2$
$e \leftarrow arg_2$		e	arg_2	$b - e$
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse				
done :				
$res_0 \leftarrow 1$	res_0		res_0	$b - res_0$
ret				
recurse :				
$t_0 \leftarrow e - 1$	t_0	e	b, e	$b - t_0$
$arg_2 \leftarrow t_0$	arg_2	t_0	b, t_0	$b - arg_3 - arg_4 - arg_5$
$arg_1 \leftarrow b$	arg_1	b	b, arg_2	
call pow	$res_0, arg_1, arg_2,$ $arg_3, arg_4, arg_5,$ arg_6, ler_7, ler_8	arg_1, arg_2	b, arg_1, arg_2	
$t_1 \leftarrow res_0$	t_1	res_0	b, res_0	$b - t_1 - arg_6 - ler_7 - ler_8$
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$e \leftarrow arg_2$		e	b, arg_2
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse			b, e
done :			
$res_0 \leftarrow 1$	res_0		
ret		res_0	res_0
recurse :			
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$arg_2 \leftarrow t_0$		t_0	b, t_0
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call pow			b, arg_1, arg_2
			$arg_3, arg_4, arg_5,$
			arg_6, ler_7, ler_8
$t_1 \leftarrow res_0$	t_1	res_0	b, res_0
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$res_0 \leftarrow t_2$	res_0	t_2	t_2
ret		res_0	res_0

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e	b
t_0	b
t_1	b
t_2	

Where to put b?

program	live-in
pow :	arg_1, arg_2, lee_9
push lee_9	arg_1, arg_2, lee_9
$b \leftarrow arg_1$	arg_1, arg_2
$e \leftarrow arg_2$	b, arg_2
if ($e == 0$) then done else recurse	b, e
done :	
$res_0 \leftarrow 1$	
goto exitpow	res_0
recurse :	b, e
$t_0 \leftarrow e - 1$	b, e
$arg_2 \leftarrow t_0$	b, t_0
$arg_1 \leftarrow b$	b, arg_2
call pow	b, arg_1, arg_2
$t_1 \leftarrow res_0$	b, res_0
$t_2 \leftarrow b * t_1$	b, t_1
$res_0 \leftarrow t_2$	t_2
goto exitpow	res_0
exitpow :	res_0
pop lee_9	res_0
ret	lee_9, res_0

- We added epilogue
- save and restore lee_9
- Make all returns goto epilogue

Post coloring

pow :

```
push leeg  
leeg ← arg1  
res0 ← arg2  
if (res0 == 0) then done else recurse
```

done :

```
res0 ← 1  
goto exitpow
```

recurse :

```
res0 ← res0 - 1  
arg2 ← res0  
arg1 ← leeg  
call pow
```

(redundant)

```
res0 ← res0  
res0 ← leeg * res0
```

(redundant)

```
res0 ← res0  
goto exitpow
```

(redundant)

exitpow :

```
pop leeg  
ret
```

Final

```
pow :  
    push leeg  
    leeg ← arg1  
    res0 ← arg2  
    if (res0 == 0) then done else recurse  
done :  
    res0 ← 1  
    goto exitpow  
recurse :  
    res0 ← res0 - 1  
    arg2 ← res0  
    arg1 ← leeg  
    call pow  
    res0 ← res0  
    res0 ← leeg * res0  
    res0 ← res0  
    goto exitpow  
exitpow :  
    pop leeg  
    ret
```

```
pow:    pushq   %rbx  
        movl    %edi, %ebx  
        movl    %esi, %eax  
        cmpl    $0, %eax  
        jne L1  
        movl    $1, %eax  
        goto L2  
L1:     subl    $1, %eax  
        movl    %eax, %esi  
        call    pow  
        imull   %ebx, %eax  
L2:     popq   %rbx  
        ret
```