



Programming Language Semantics and Compiler Design
(Sémantique des Langages de Programmation et Compilation)
Generation of Assembly Code

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Generation of Assembly Code

Main issues for code generation

- ▶ input: (well-typed) source pgm AST (or intermediate code)
- ▶ output: machine level code (assembly, relocatable, or absolute code)

Expected properties for the output

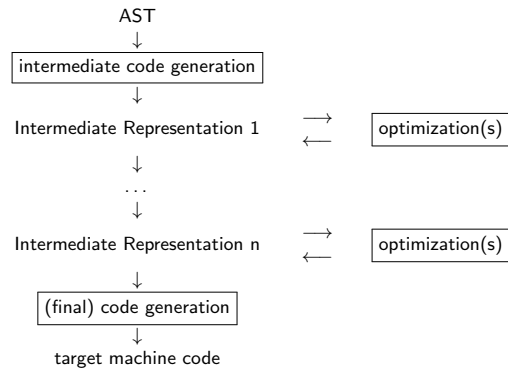
- ▶ **compliance** with the target machine instruction set, architecture, memory access, OS, ...
- ▶ **correctness** of the generated code semantically equivalent to the source pgm
- ▶ **optimality** w.r.t. non-functional criteria execution time, memory size, energy consumption, ...
- ▶ and **security** w.r.t. external (cyber-)attacks hardened code, no information leakage, checks for vulnerability detection, ...

Main issues for code generation (ctd)

Tasks of the Code Generator

- ▶ **Instruction selection:** choosing appropriate target-machine instructions to implement the (IR) statements.
Complexity depends on:
 - ▶ how abstract is the IR,
 - ▶ “expressiveness of instruction set” (e.g., support of some types),
 - ▶ expected quality of the output code according to some criteria (speed and size).
- ▶ **Registers allocation and assignment:** deciding what variables to keep in which registers at every location (when the target machine uses registers).
- ▶ **Instruction ordering:** deciding the scheduling order for the execution of instructions.
 - ▶ It affects the efficiency of the code and the required registers.
 - ▶ It is generally not possible to obtain an optimal (NP-complete)
 - ⇒ heuristics

A pragmatic approach



Intermediate Representations

- ▶ Abstractions of a real target machine
 - ▶ generic code level instruction set
 - ▶ simple addressing modes
 - ▶ simple memory hierarchy
- ▶ Examples
 - ▶ a “stack machine”
 - ▶ a “register machine”
 - ▶ etc.

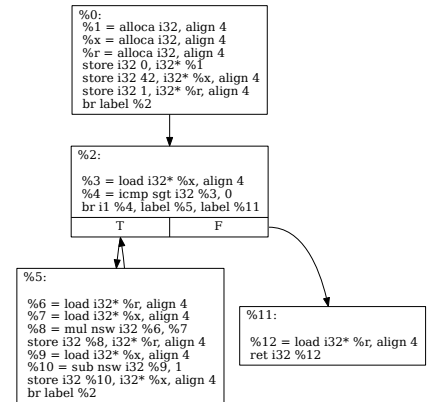
Remark Other intermediate representations are used in the optimization phases. □

Example 1: LLVM IR (register machine)

```

int main() {
  int x, r;
  x=42 ; r=1 ;
  while (x>0) {
    r = r*x;
    x = x-1;
  } ;
  return r ;
}

```



Example 2: Java ByteCode (stack machine)

```
public static int main(java.lang.String[]);
Code:
0: bipush          42
2: istore_1
3: iconst_1
4: istore_2
5: iload_1
6: ifle            20
9: iload_2
10: iload_1
11: imul
12: istore_2
13: iload_1
14: iconst_1
15: isub
16: istore_1
17: goto            5
20: iload_2
21: ireturn
```

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Machine “M”

Machine with Registers

- ▶ Unlimited register set, $\{R_0, R_1, R_2, \dots\}$.
- ▶ Special registers:
 - ▶ program counter PC,
 - ▶ stack pointer SP,
 - ▶ frame pointer FP,
 - ▶ register R0 (contains always 0).(the exact purpose of these registers will become clear later)

Instructions, addresses, and integers take 4 bytes in memory.

Addressing

- ▶ Address of variable x is $E - \text{off}_x$ where:
 - ▶ E = address of the environment where x is defined
 - ▶ off_x = offset of x within this environment (statically computed, stored in the symbol table)
- ▶ Addressing modes:
 R_i, val (immediate), $R_i \text{ +/- } R_j$, $R_i \text{ +/- offset}$

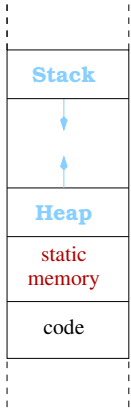
Instruction Set

- ▶ Usual arithmetic instructions OPER: ADD, SUB, AND, etc.
- ▶ Usual (conditional) branch instructions BRANCH: BA, BEQ (=), BGT (>), BLT (<), BGE ($\geq$), BLE ($\leq$), BNE ($\neq$).
- ▶ Usual calling instructions to labels or register: CALL.

instruction	informal semantics
OPER R_i, R_j, R_k	$R_i \leftarrow R_j \text{ oper } R_k$
OPER R_i, R_j, val	$R_i \leftarrow R_j \text{ oper val}$
CMP R_i, R_j	$R_i - R_j$ (set cond flags)
LD $R_i, [\text{adr}]$	$R_i \leftarrow \text{Mem}[\text{adr}]$
ST $R_i, [\text{adr}]$	$\text{Mem}[\text{adr}] \leftarrow R_i$
BRANCH label	if cond then $\text{PC} \leftarrow \text{label}$ else $\text{PC} \leftarrow \text{PC} + 4$

Run-Time Environment

Storage organization



- ▶ **Static data:**
 - ▶ computed at compile-time
 - ▶ allocated at load-time (once for all)
 - ▶ ex: global variables, constant strings, etc.
- ▶ **Dynamic data:**
 - ▶ in the stack
 - ▶ allocated with procedure activation
 - ▶ life-span: procedure execution
 - ▶ ex: local data of a proc. (parameters and local vars)
 - ▶ in the heap:
 - ▶ managed using malloc and free
 - ▶ life-span: from alloc to free (possibly after pgm termination)
 - ▶ ex: dynamic arrays

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Language **While**

Reminder

```

p ::= d ; s
d ::= var x | d ; d
s ::= x := a | s ; s | if b then s else s | while b do s od
a ::= n | x | a + a | a * a | ...
b ::= a = a | b and b | not b | ...
  
```

Remark Terms are well-typed.

→ distinction between boolean and arithmetic expr.



Language **While**

Informal code generation

Informal code generation

Give the "Machine M" code for the following statements:

1. $y := x + 42 * (3+y)$
2. **if** (not $x=1$) **then** $x := x+1$
 else $x := x-1$; $y := x$; **fi**

Functions for code generation

- Notation
- ▶ $Code^*$: instruction sequences for machine “M”
 - ▶ $||$: concatenation operator for code and sequences of code

$GCStm : Stm \rightarrow Code^*$
 $GCStm(s)$ computes the code C corresponding to statement s .

$GCAExp : Exp \rightarrow Code^* \times Reg$
 $GCAExp(e)$ returns a pair (C, i) where C is the code allowing to

1. computes the value of e ,
2. stores it in Ri .

$GCBExp : BExp \times Label \times Label \rightarrow Code^*$
 $GCBExp(b, ltrue, lfalse)$ produces the code C that computes the value of b and branches to label $ltrue$ when this value is “true” and to $lfalse$ otherwise.

Auxiliary functions

$AllocRegister : \rightarrow Reg$
allocates a new register Ri

$newLabel : \rightarrow Labels$
produces a new label

$GetOffset : Var \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$
returns the offset corresponding to the specified name which depends on the position at which the variable is declared (shall be defined precisely for blocks and procedures)

Function $GCStm$

Assignments, sequential and iterative compositions

$GCStm(x := e)$	$=$	Let	$(C, i) = GCAExp(e),$ $k = GetOffset(x)$ in	$C ST Ri, [FP + k]$
$GCStm(s_1 ; s_2)$	$=$	Let	$C_1 = GCStm(s_1),$ $C_2 = GCStm(s_2)$ in	$C_1 C_2$
$GCStm(while\ e\ do\ s\ od)$	$=$	Let	$lb = newLabel(),$ $ltrue = newLabel(),$ $lfalse = newLabel()$ in	$lb : $ $GCBExp(e, ltrue, lfalse) $ $ltrue : $ $GCStm(s) $ $BA\ lb $ $lfalse :$

Function $GCStm$ (ctd)

Conditional statement

$GCStm(if\ e\ then\ s_1\ else\ s_2)$ $=$ Let $lnext = newLabel(),$
 $ltrue = newLabel(),$
 $lfalse = newLabel()$
in $GCBExp(e, ltrue, lfalse) ||$
 $ltrue :$
 $GCStm(s_1) ||$
 $BA\ lnext ||$
 $lfalse : ||$
 $GCStm(s_2) ||$
 $lnext :$

Function GCAexp
Arithmetic expressions

GCAExp(x)	=	Let	i=AllocRegister() k=GetOffset(x)
		in	((LD Ri, [FP + k]),i)
GCAExp(n)	=	Let	i=AllocRegister() in ((ADD Ri, R0, n),i)
GCAExp(e ₁ + e ₂)	=	Let	(C ₁ ,i ₁)=GCAExp(e ₁), (C ₂ ,i ₂)=GCAExp(e ₂), k=AllocRegister() in ((C ₁ C ₂ ADD Rk, Ri ₁ , Ri ₂),k)

Function GCBexp
Boolean expressions

GCBExp (e ₁ = e ₂ ,ltrue,lfalse)	=	Let	(C ₁ , i ₁)=GCAExp(e ₁), (C ₂ , i ₂)=GCAExp(e ₂),
		in	C ₁ C ₂ CMP Ri ₁ , Ri ₂ BEQ ltrue BA lfalse
GCBExp (e ₁ and e ₂ ,ltrue,lfalse)	=	Let	l=newLabel() in GCBExp(e ₁ ,l,lfalse) l: GCBExp(e ₂ ,ltrue,lfalse)
GCBExp(NOT e,ltrue,lfalse)	=		GCBExp(e,lfalse,ltrue)

Similar principle for e₁ > e₂, e₁ ≥ e₂, etc.

Exercises/Examples

Code generation

Assume that the offsets of variables x, y, and z are -4, -8, and -12, respectively.
Give the "Machine M" code for the following statements:

- if x > 0 then z := x else z := y fi
- x := 10; while x > 10 do x := x − 1 od

Adding new statements to While

Extend the code generation function

- ▶ to consider statements of the form repeat S until b,
- ▶ to consider Boolean expressions of the form b1 xor b2,
- ▶ to consider arithmetical expressions of the form b ? e1 : e2.

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Blocks

Syntax

$$S ::= \dots \mid \mathbf{begin} D_V ; S \mathbf{end}$$

$$D_V ::= \mathbf{var} x \mid D_V ; D_V$$

Remark Variables are not initialized and assumed to be of type **Int**. □

Problems raised for code generation

→ to preserve **scoping rules**:

- ▶ local variables should be **visible** inside the block,
- ▶ their **lifetime** should be limited to block execution.

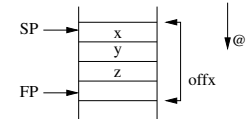
Possible locations to store local variables

→ registers vs **memory**

Storing local variables in memory - Example 1

Access to local variables within a block

```
begin
  var x ; var y ; var z ;
  ...
end
```



- ▶ A **memory environment** is associated to each declaration in D_V .
- ▶ Register FP contains the address of the current environment.
- ▶ (Static) offsets are associated to each local variables.

Definition 1 (Offset of a local variable)

The offset of a local variable is $-4 \times i$, where i is the position of the variable in the sequence of local declarations.

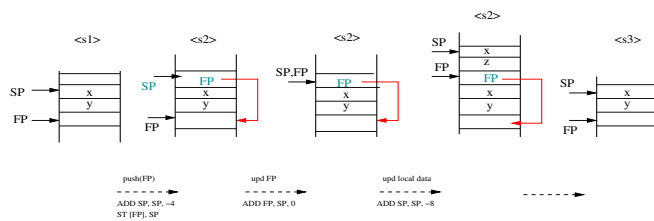
Example 1 (Offset of a local variable)

For `var x ; var y ; var z ;`: `GetOffset(z) = -4`, `GetOffset(y) = -8`, `GetOffset(x) = -12`.

Storing local variables in memory - Example 2

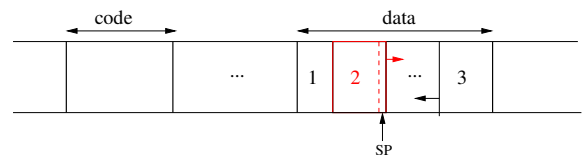
Access to local variables in case of nested blocks

```
begin
  var x ; var y ; <s1>
  begin
    var x ; var z ; <s2>
  end ;
  <s3>
end
```



- ▶ entering/leaving a block → allocate/de-allocate a mem. env.
 - ▶ nested block env. have to be linked together: **"Ariadne link"**
- ⇒ a **stack** of memory environments ... (~ **operational semantics**)

Structure of the memory



- 1: global variables
- 2: **execution stack**, SP = last occupied address
- 3: heap (for dynamic allocation)

Code generation for variable declarations

SizeDecl : $D_V \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$
SizeDecl(d) computes the size of declarations d

SizeDecl (var x)	=	4	(x of type Int)
SizeDecl (d ₁ ; d ₂)	=	Let	$v_1 = \text{SizeDecl}(d_1),$ $v_2 = \text{SizeDecl}(d_2)$
		in	$v_1 + v_2$

Code generation for blocks

GCStm (begin d ; s ; end)	=	Let	size =SizeDecl(d), C=GCStm(s)
		in	ADD, SP, SP, -4 ST FP, [SP] ADD FP, SP, 0 ADD SP, SP, -size C ADD SP, FP, 0 LD FP, [SP] ADD SP, SP, 4

With the help of some auxiliary functions ...

prologue(size)	epilogue	push register (Ri)
ADD SP, SP, -4	ADD SP, FP, 0	ADD SP, SP, -4
ST FP, [SP]	LD FP, [SP]	ST Ri, [SP]
ADD FP, SP, 0	ADD SP, SP, +4	
ADD SP, SP, -size		

GCStm (begin d ; s ; end)	=	Let	size =SizeDecl(d), C=GCStm(s)
		in	Prologue(size) C Epilogue

Access to variables from a block?

```
...
begin
  var ...
  x := ...
end
```

- What is the memory address of x ?
- ▶ if x is a **local** variable (w.r.t the current block)
⇒ $\text{adr}(x) = \text{FP} + \text{GetOffset}(x)$
 - ▶ if x is a **non local** variable
⇒ it is defined in a "nesting" memory env. E
⇒ $\text{adr}(x) = \text{adr}(E) + \text{GetOffset}(x)$
 $\text{adr}(E)$ can be accessed through the "Ariadne link" ...

Access to non-local variables

The number n of indirections to perform on the “Ariadne link” depends on the “distance” between:

- ▶ the nesting level of the current block: p
- ▶ the nesting level of the target environment: r

More precisely:

- ▶ $r \leq p$
- ▶ $n = p - r$

$\Rightarrow n$ can be **statically** computed...

Remark The number of indirections can be statically computed because the programming language has a semantics with static bindings. $\square$

Access to non-local variables: example

Example 2 (Access to non-local variables and number of indirections)

```
begin
  var x ; /* env. E1, nesting level = 1 */
  begin
    var y ; /* env. E2, nesting level = 2 */
    begin
      var z ; /* env. E3, nesting level = 3 */
      x := y + z /* s, nesting level = 3 */
    end
  end
end
```

From statement s:

- ▶ no indirection to access z
- ▶ 1 indirection to access y
- ▶ 2 indirections to access x

Code generation for variable access

1. the nesting level r of each identifier x is computed during type-checking;
2. it is associated to each occurrence of x in the AST (via the symbol table)
3. function GCStm keeps track of the current nesting level p (incremented/decremented at each block entry/exit)

$\text{adr}(x)$ is obtained by executing the following code:

- ▶ if $r = p$:

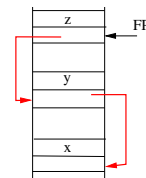
$\text{FP} + \text{GetOffset}(x)$

- ▶ if $r < p$:

LD Ri, [FP]
LD Ri, [Ri] } ($p - r - 1$) times
Ri + GetOffset(x)

Example (ctn'd)

```
begin
  var x ; /* env. E1, nesting level = 1 */
  begin
    var y ; /* env. E2, nesting level = 2 */
    begin
      var z ; /* env. E3, nesting level = 3 */
      x := y + z /* s, nesting level = 3 */
    end
  end
end
```



```
LD R1, [FP]    ! R1 = adr(E2)
LD R2, [R1 + offy] ! R2 = y
LD R3, [FP + offz] ! R3 = z
ADD R4, R2, R3  ! R4 = y+z
LD R5, [FP]
LD R5, [R5]    ! R5 = adr(E1)
ST R4, [R5 + offx] ! x = y + z
```

Code generated for statement s

An alternative for block variables

For code generation, all local variables of nested blocks can be **flattened**, i.e., shifted up to the **outermost block** environment

```
begin
  var x ; /* env. E1, nesting level = 1 */
  var y ; /* env. E2, nesting level = 2 */
  var z ; /* env. E3, nesting level = 3 */
  begin
    begin
      x := y + z /* s, nesting level = 3 */
    end
  end
end
```

⇒ all variable addresses are relative to env. E1:

- ▶ no need to push/pop FP at each block entry/exit (no prologue/epilogue)
- ▶ no need to generate code for computing variable addresses at runtime

Demo: code generation for nested blocks

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Reminder

Procedure declarations:

$$\begin{aligned} Pgm &::= \dots \mid \mathbf{begin} \ D_V ; D_P ; S \ \mathbf{end} \\ D_P &::= \mathbf{proc} \ p \ (FP_L) \ \mathbf{is} \ D_V \ S \ \mathbf{end} \ D_P \mid \epsilon \\ FP_L &::= \mathbf{x}, FP_L \mid \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Statements:

$$\begin{aligned} S &::= \dots \mid \mathbf{call} \ p(EPL) \\ EPL &::= AExp, EPL \mid \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

FP_L : list of formal parameters; EPL : list of effective parameters

- ▶ only one single block, no nested procedures ($\equiv$ C language)
- ▶ We assume (first) **value-passing** for **integer** parameters.

Example of program in Proc

```
begin
var z ; // global variable

proc p1 (x, y) is
  var t ; // local variable
  z := 42 ;
  t := x + y + z ;
end

proc p2 (x) is
  var z ; // local variable (hides the global one)
  call p1(x, 12) ; z := z+x ;
end

call p2(42) ; // main block body
end
```

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Main issues for code generation with procedures

Procedure P is calling procedure Q ...

Before the call:

- ▶ set up the memory environment of Q
- ▶ evaluate and "transmit" the effective parameters
- ▶ switch to the memory environment of Q
- ▶ branch to first instruction of Q

During the call:

- ▶ access to local/global variables
- ▶ access to parameter values

After the call:

- ▶ switch back to the memory environment of P
- ▶ resume execution to the instruction of P following the call

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Information exchanged between callers and callees?

- ▶ parameter values
- ▶ return address
- ▶ address of the caller memory environment (**dynamic link**)

This information should be stored in a memory zone:

- ▶ dynamically allocated
(exact number of procedure calls cannot be foreseen at compile time)
- ▶ accessible from both parties
(those addresses should be computable by the caller and the callee)

⇒ inside the **execution stack**, at **well-defined offsets** w.r.t FP

A possible “protocol” between the two parties

Before the call, the **caller**:

- ▶ evaluates the effective parameters
- ▶ pushes their values
- ▶ pushes the return address, and branch to the callee's 1st instruction

When it begins, the **callee**:

- ▶ pushes FP (**dynamic link**)
- ▶ assigns SP to FP (memory env. address)
- ▶ allocates its local variables on the stack

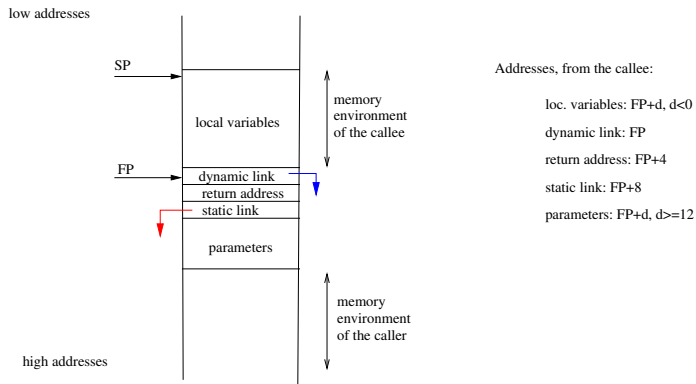
When it ends, the **callee**:

- ▶ de-allocates its local variables
- ▶ restores FP to caller's memory env. (**dynamic link**)
- ▶ branch to the return address, and pops it from the stack

After the call, the **caller**

- ▶ de-allocates the parameters

Organization of the execution stack



Memory environment of the callee

...	0
Loc. var _n	← SP, FP- 4*n
...	
Loc. var ₁	← FP-4
Dynamic link	← FP
Return address	← FP+4
Param _n	← FP+8
...	
Param ₁	← FP+8+4*n

Definition 2 (Offset of a variable or a parameter)

- ▶ For local variable var_i , as before, $\text{GetOffset}(\text{var}_i)$ is $-4 \times i$.
- ▶ For parameter param_i , $\text{GetOffset}(\text{param}_i)$ is $8 + 4 \times (n - i)$.

Instructions CALL and RET

- ▶ Assigning a code location (i.e., a label) to a register.
- ▶ Usual calling instructions to labels or register: CALL.
- ▶ Procedure return.

instruction	informal semantics
SET R label	$R \leftarrow \text{@(label)}$
CALL label	branch to the procedure labelled with label $\text{PUSH(PC)} \parallel \text{PC} \leftarrow \text{label}$
CALL R	branch to the address contained in register R $\text{PUSH(PC)} \parallel \text{PC} \leftarrow R$
RET	end of procedure: $\text{PC} \leftarrow \text{MEM[SP]} \parallel \text{SP} \leftarrow \text{SP} + 4$

Code generation for a procedure declaration

$\text{GCProc} : D_P \rightarrow \text{Code}^*$
 $\text{GCStm}(dp)$ computes the code C corresponding to procedure declaration dp.

$$\text{GCProc}(\text{proc } p \text{ (} FP_L \text{ is s end)} = \text{Let}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & p = \text{newlabel}(), \\ & C = \text{GCStm}(s) \\ \text{in } & p: \text{Prologue}(0) \parallel \\ & C \parallel \\ & \text{Epilogue} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{GCProc}(\text{proc } p \text{ (} FP_L \text{ is dv ; s end)}$$
$$=$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } & p = \text{newlabel}(), \\ & \text{size} = \text{SizeDecl}(dv), \\ & C = \text{GCStm}(s) \\ \text{in } & p: \text{Prologue}(\text{size}) \parallel \\ & C \parallel \\ & \text{Epilogue} \end{aligned}$$

Remark GCProc is applied to each procedure declaration.

Code generation for a procedure declaration (ctd)

Prologue & Epilogue

Prologue (size):

```
push (FP)           ! dynamic link
ADD FP, SP, 0        ! FP := SP
ADD SP, SP, -size    ! loc. variables allocation
```

Epilogue:

```
ADD SP, FP, 0        ! SP := FP, loc. var. de-allocation
LD FP, [SP]          ! restore FP
ADD SP, SP, +4        ! erase previous backup of FP
RET                  ! return to caller
```

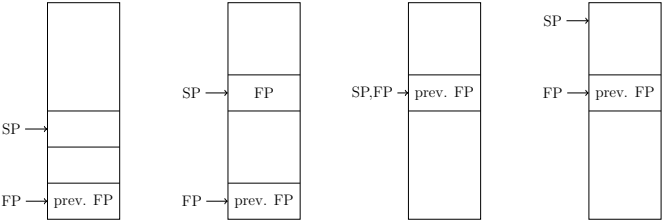
RET:

```
LD PC, [SP] // ADD SP, SP, +4
```

Illustration of the prologue

Prologue (size):

```
push (FP)           ! dynamic link
ADD FP, SP, 0        ! FP := SP
ADD SP, SP, -size    ! loc. variables allocation
```



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Code generation for a procedure call

- Four steps:
- 1. evaluate and push each effective parameter (with passing-by-value mode for now)
 - 2. push the return address and branch to the callee
 - 3. de-allocate the parameter zone

GCS _{tm} (call p (ep))	=	Let	(C, size) = GCP _{aram} (ep)
		in	
			C
			CALL p
			ADD SP, SP, size

CALL p:

ADD R1, PC, +4 // Push (R1) // BA p

Code generation for the evaluation of parameters

$GCP_{aram} : EP_L \rightarrow Code^* \times \mathbb{N}$
 $GCS_{tm}(ep) = (c, n)$ where c is the code to evaluate and "push" each effective parameter of ep and n is the size of pushed data.

GCP _{aram} (ε)	=	(ε, 0)
GCP _{aram} (a, ep)	=	Let
		(Ca, i) = GCA _{exp} (a),
		(C, size) = GCP _{aram} (ep)
	in	(Ca Push (R _i) C, 4 + size)

Access to local/global variables?

```
begin
var z ; // global variable

proc p (x, y) is
    var t ; // local variable
    z := t+42 ;
end

z := 8 ;
call p(z, 12)
end
```

local variables
static offset w.r.t. the frame pointer FP
@t = FP-4 (within p environment)

global variables

- ▶ stored in a memory zone those address @glob is fixed at load time
- ▶ static offset w.r.t @glob

@z = @glob - 4 (within the global variable memory area)

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Introducing parameters

Let **f** be a function which effective parameter is at address FP-8.

Passing by value	Passing by address
LD R2, [FP-8] push(R2) CALL f ADD SP, SP, +4	ADD R2, FP, -8 push(R2) CALL f ADD SP, SP, +4
Passing by result	Passing by value-result
ADD SP, SP, -4 CALL f LD R2, [SP] ST R2, [FP-8] ADD SP, SP, +4	LD R2, [FP-8] push(R2) CALL f LD R2, [SP] ST R2, [FP-8] ADD SP, SP, +4

In practice: ABI (Application Binary Interface)

↪ to "standardize" how processor resources should be used
⇒ required to ensure compatibilities at binary level

- ▶ sizes, layouts, and alignments of basic data types
- ▶ **calling conventions**
argument & return value passing, saved registers, etc.
- ▶ system calls to the operating system
- ▶ the binary format of object files, program libraries, etc.

	Cleans Stack	Arguments	Arg Ordering
cdecl	Caller	On the Stack	Right-to-left
fastcall	Callee	ECX,EDX, then stack	Left-to-Right
stdcall	Callee	On the Stack	Left-to-Right
VC++ thiscall	Callee	EDX (this), then stack	Right-to-left
GCC thiscall	Caller	On the Stack (this pointer first)	Right-to-left

Figure: some calling conventions

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```
begin
var z ;

proc p1 () is
  z := 0 ;
  call p2(z+1, 3)
end ;

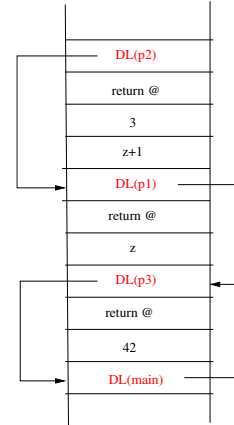
proc p2(x, y) is z := x + y end ;

proc p3 (x) is
  var z ;
  call p1() ; z := z+x
end

call p3(42)
end
```

- Give the execution stack when p2 is executed.
- Give the code for the block body and for procedures p1, p2 and p3.

Execution stack during the execution of p2



Global variable z is located on a dedicated memory area of base address @glob

The block body

Global variable z is at address @glob -4

```
var z ;
...
call p3(42) ;
```

Assembly code for the block body:

```
prologue(0) ! no local variables
! preparing the call p3(42)
! pushing 42
ADD R1, R0, #42
push (R1)
CALL p3
! clean the stack
ADD SP, SP, +4
epilogue()
```

Code for procedure p1

```
proc p1 () is
begin
  z := 0 ;
  call p2(z+1, 3) ;
end
```

Assembly code:

```
prologue(0) ! no local variables
! z := 0
ST R0, [@glob-4] ! z:=0
! call p2(z+1,3)
!push z+1
LD R1, [@glob_4] ! R1:=z
ADD R2, R2, 1
push(R2) ! 1st param
! push 3
ADD R1, R0, 3
push(R1) ! 2nd param
CALL p2
ADD SP, SP, 8 ! clean the stack
epilogue()
```


First example

Code for procedure p2

```
proc p2(x, y) is z := x + y ;
```

Assembly code:

```
prologue(0) ! no local variables
LD R1, [FP+12] ! R1:=x
LD R2, [FP+8] ! R2:=y
ADD R1, R1, R2 ! R1:=x+y
!assignment
ST R1, [@glob-4] ! z:=R1
epilogue()
```

First example

Code for procedure p3

```
proc p3 (x) is
begin
    var z ;
    call p1() ; z := z+x ;
end
```

Assembly code:

```
prologue(4) ! one local variable (z)
CALL p1
ADD SP, SP, +4 ! clean the stack
!z+x
LD R1, [FP-4] ! R1:=z
LD R2, [FP+8] ! R2:=x
ADD R2, R1, R2 ! R2:=z+x
ST R2, [FP-4] ! z:=R2
epilogue()
```

Exercises

Consider the following extensions to language **Proc**:

- ▶ recursive procedures
- ▶ functions
- ▶ other parameter modes (by reference, by result)
- ▶ procedures as variables and parameters
- ▶ nested procedures?

↪ Have a look to code generated by **real compilers**
(<https://godbolt.org/>)

Summary - Generation of Assembly Code

(Machine) Code generation from **While**, **Block**, and **Proc**

- ▶ Expected properties of the generated code: compliance, correctness, optimality.
- ▶ Machine M (with registers) and its instruction set.
- ▶ Formal code-generation functions.
- ▶ Nested blocks and (non nested) procedures.
- ▶ A well-defined protocol between the caller and the callee.