

Script generated by TTT

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As an exercise translate $s_1 \equiv b = (&a) + 2;$ and $s_2 \equiv *(b+3)[0] = 5;$

```
codeR (e1 ± e2) ρ = codeR e1 ρ
                    codeR e2 ρ
                    loadc |t|
                    mul
                    add / sub if e1 has type t* or t[]

code (s1s2) ρ = loadc 7          loadc 5
                loadc 2          loadc 17
                loadc 10 // size of int[10] load
                mul // scaling
                add
                loadc 17         loadc 3
                store          loadc 10 // size of int[10]
                pop // end of s1 mul // scaling
                store          add
                pop // end of s2 store
                               pop // end of s2
```

9.2 Determining Address Environments

We distinguish two kinds of variables:

1. **global**/extern that are defined outside of functions;
2. **local**/intern/automatic (including formal parameters) which are defined inside functions.



The address environment ρ maps names onto pairs $(tag, a) \in \{G, L\} \times \mathbb{Z}$.

Caveat

- In general, there are further refined grades of visibility of variables.
- Different parts of a program may be translated relative to different address environments!

9.3 Calling/Entering and Exiting/Leaving Functions

Assume that f is the current function, i.e., the **caller**, and f calls the function g , i.e., the **callee**.

The code for the call must be distributed between the caller and the callee.

The distribution can only be such that the code depending on information of the caller must be generated for the caller and likewise for the callee.

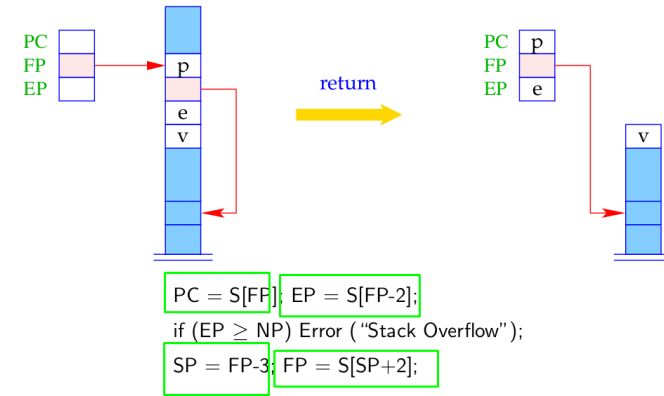
Caveat

The space requirements of the actual parameters is only known to the caller ...

Remark

- Of every expression which is passed as a parameter, we determine the R-value
 ⇒ call-by-value passing of parameters.
- The function g may as well be denoted by an expression, whose R-value provides the start address of the called function ...

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The code for `return e;` corresponds to an assignment to a variable with relative address `-3`.

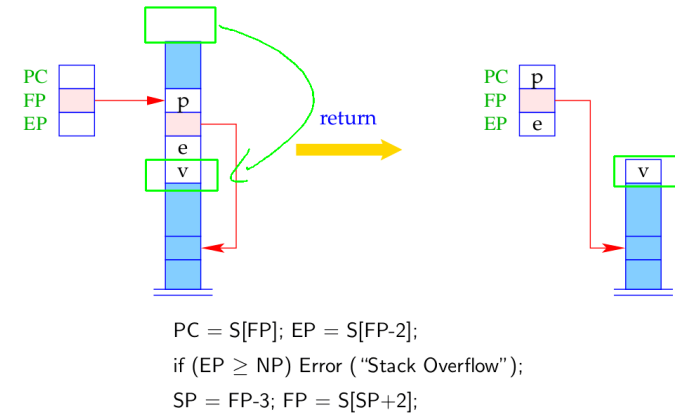
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code return e; ρ = codeR e ρ
                    storer -3
                    return
```

Example For function

```
int fac (int x) {
    if (x ≤ 0) return 1;
    else return x * fac (x - 1);
}
```

we generate:

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Then we define:

```

code p ∅ =   enter (k + 4)
             alloc (k + 1)
             mark
             loadc _main
             call
             slide k
             halt
-f1: code F_def1 ρ1
      ⋮
-fn: code F_defn ρn

```

where $\emptyset \hat{=}$ empty address environment;
 $\rho_j \hat{=}$ global address environment before definition of f_j ;
 $k \hat{=}$ size of the global variables

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A program is an expression e of the form:

```

e ::= b | x | (□1 e) | (e1 □2 e2)
    | (if e0 then e1 else e2)
    | (e' e0 ... ek-1)
    | (fun x0 ... xk-1 → e)
    | (let x1 = e1 in e0)
    | (let rec x1 = e1 and ... and xn = en in e0)

```

An expression is therefore

- a basic value, a variable, the application of an operator, or
- a function-**application**, a function-**abstraction**, or
- a **let**-expression, i.e. an expression with **locally defined variables**, or
- a **let-rec**-expression, i.e. an expression with **simultaneously defined** local variables.

For simplicity, we only allow **int** as basic type.

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