

CSE 351: Week 4

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Does this code look okay?

```
int binarySearch(int a[], int length, int key) {
    int low = 0;
    int high = length - 1;

    while (low <= high) {
        int mid = (low + high) / 2;
        int midVal = a[mid];

        if (midVal < key)
            low = mid + 1;
        else if (midVal > key)
            high = mid - 1;
        else
            return mid; // key found
    }
    return -1; // key not found
}
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            low = What if length > 230?
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```
int mid = (low + high) / 2;
```



What if length > 2³⁰?

... then we could have: $low = 2^{30} = 0x40000000$

$high = 2^{30} + 1 = 0x40000001$

$low + high = 2^{31} + 1 = 0x80000001$



Oops, in two's complement, this is a negative number!

$(low + high) / 2 = 0xC0000000$
 $= -3221225472$

```
int midVal = a[mid];
```



Crashes because mid < 0

How can we fix the bug?

```
int mid = (low + high) / 2;
```



```
int mid = low + ((high - low) / 2);
```

(There are other ways, but I think this is the simplest to understand)

This was an actual bug in Java

```
java.util.Arrays.binarySearch
```

This bug went unnoticed for years.

See: <http://googleresearch.blogspot.com/2006/06/extra-extra-read-all-about-it-nearly.html>

Understanding binary number representations is important!

Check your textbook:

Don't use the international edition!
The homework problems are different.

Today

- Questions on Hw 2 or Lab 2?
- Procedure calls

Procedure Call Example

Caller

```
int z = sum(1, 2);
```

Callee

```
int sum(int x, int y) {  
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```

Procedure Call Example

(IA32/Linux)

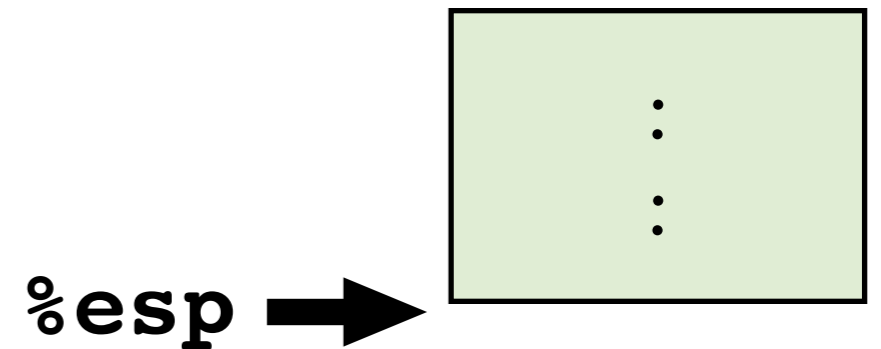
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The Stack



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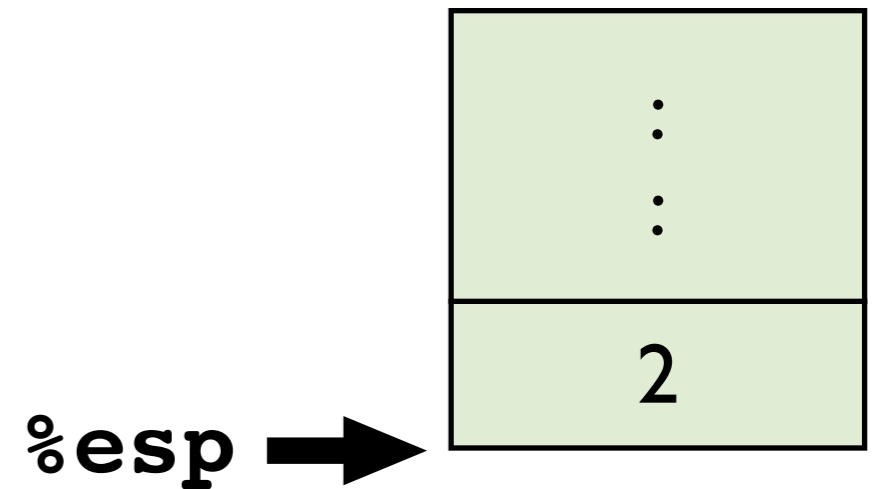
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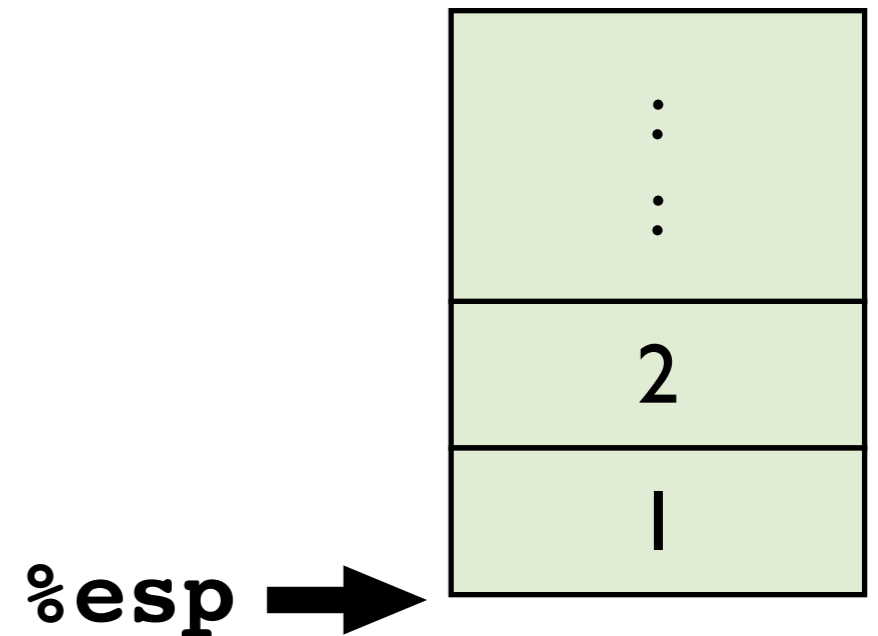
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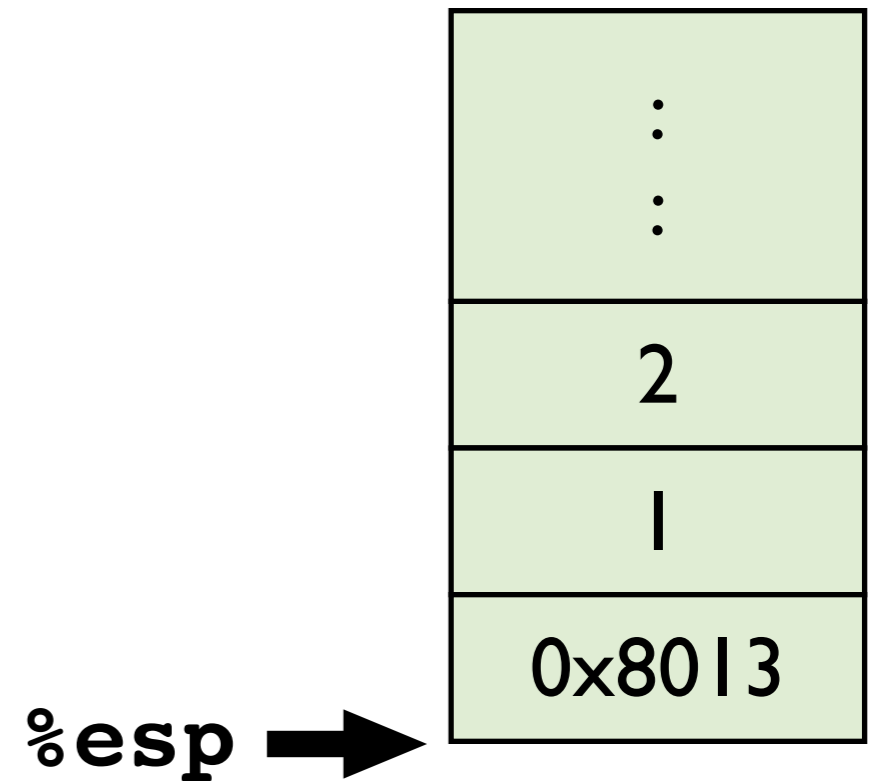
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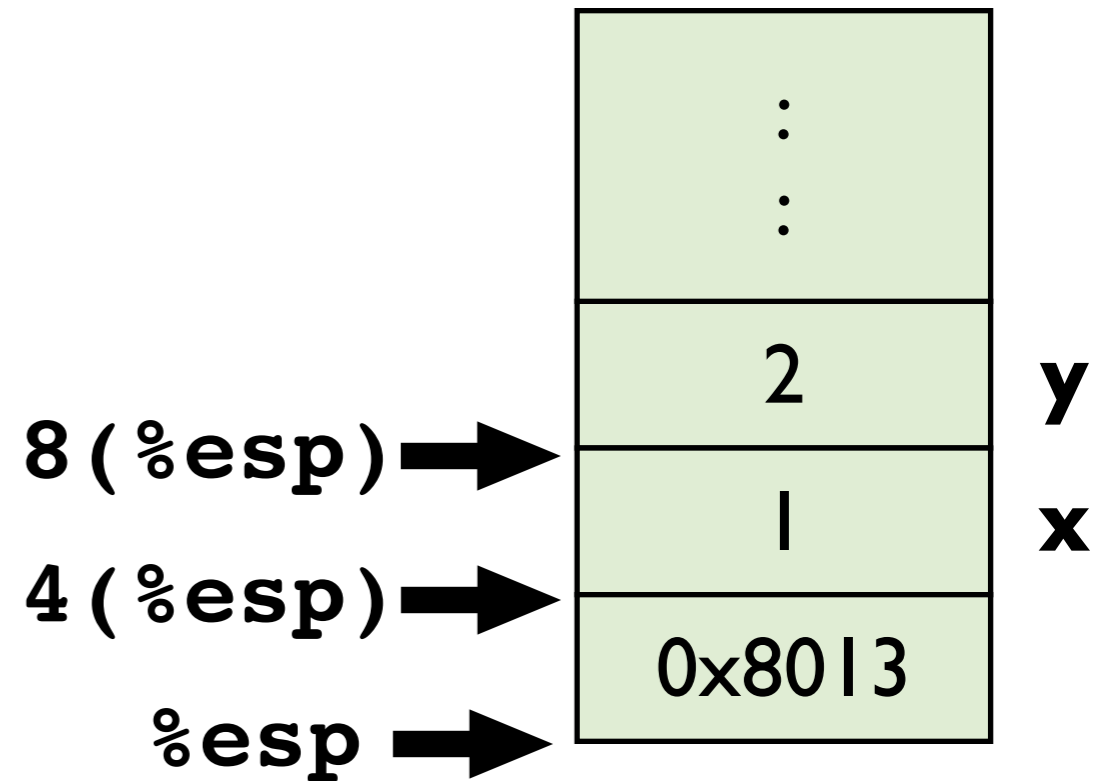
Callee

```
int sum(int x, int y) {  
    return x + y;  
}
```

Callee in assembly (simple version)

```
→ movl 8(%esp), %edi  
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   addl %edi, %eax  
   ret
```

The Stack



Registers

%edi

2



Procedure Call Example

(IA32/Linux)

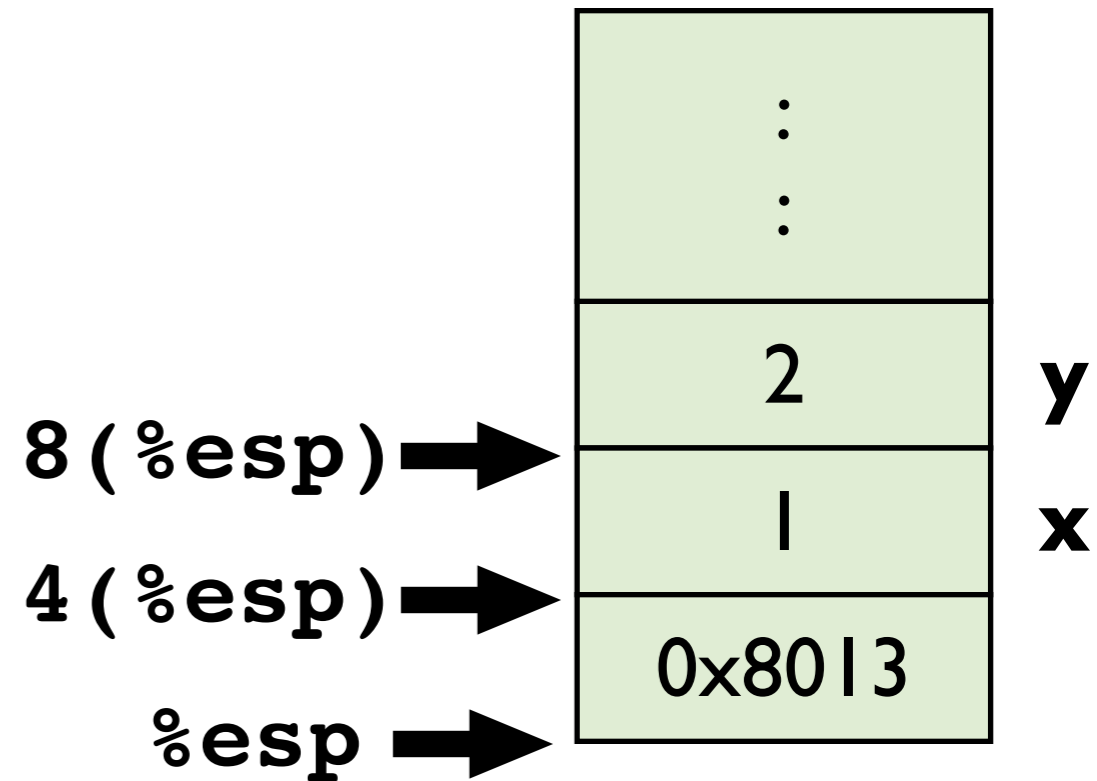
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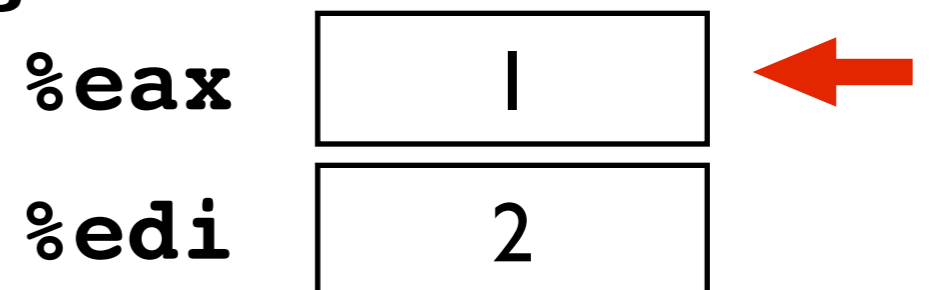
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(IA32/Linux)

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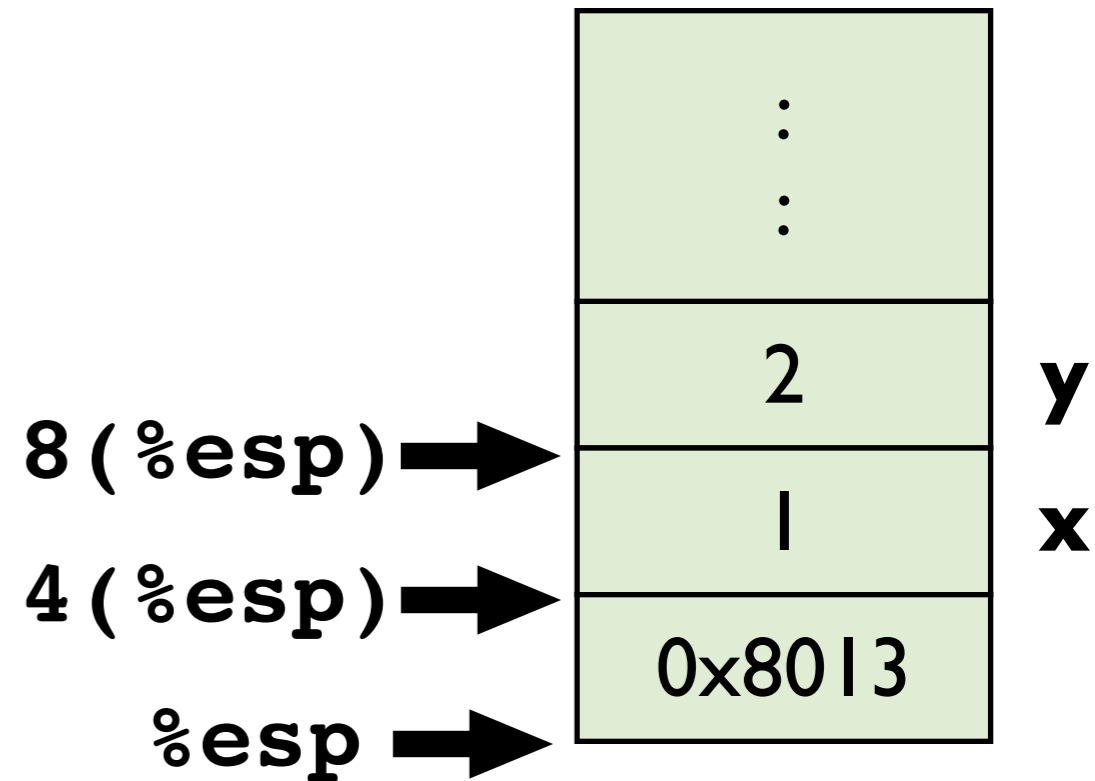
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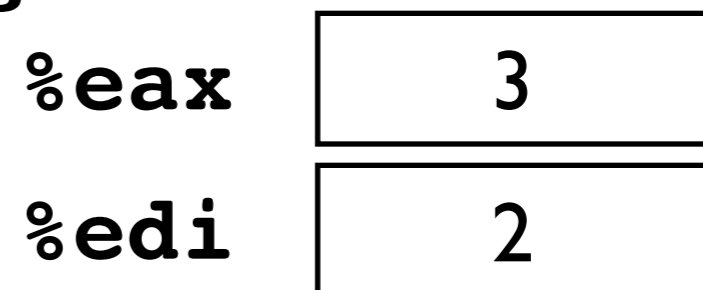
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%eax has the return value!

The Stack



Registers



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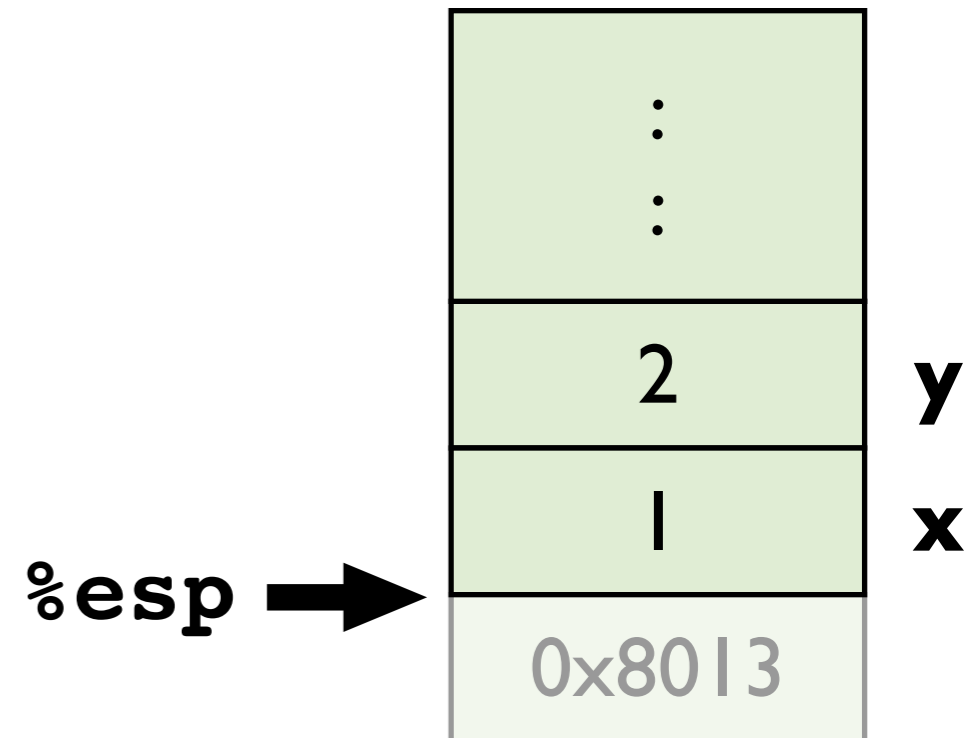
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→ ret
```

↑
%eax has the return value!

The Stack



Registers

%eax	3
%edi	2
%eip	0x8013

←

Procedure Call Example

(IA32/Linux)

Caller

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int z = sum(1, 2);
```

Caller in assembly

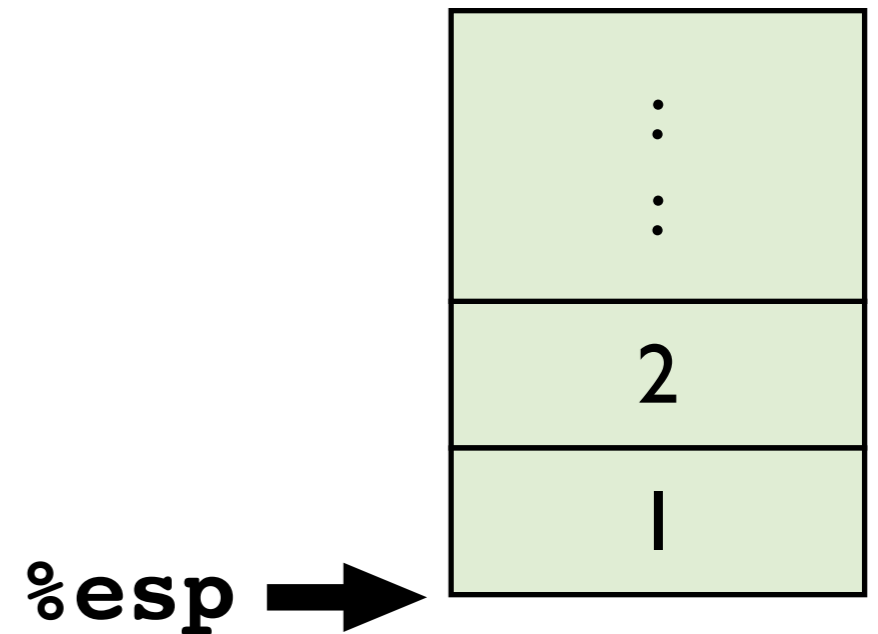
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The Stack



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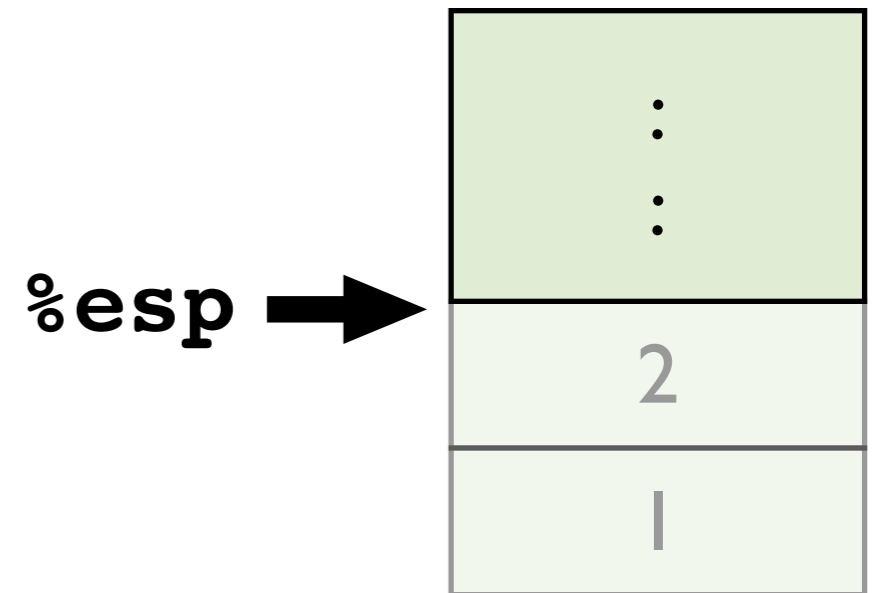
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Procedure Call Example

(IA32/Linux)

Caller

```
int d = 5;  
int z = sum(1, 2);
```

Problem:

- What if **Caller** used **%edi** before making the call?

Caller in assembly

```
0x7fff movl $5, %edi  
0x8001  pushl $2  
0x8005  pushl $1  
0x8009  call  sum  
➔ 0x8013  addl $8, %esp
```

sum() overwrote %edi!
Need to save ...

Registers

%eax

%edi

%eip




2

0x8013

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Saving Registers

- Some are **caller save**
 - IA32: `%eax`, `%edx`, `%ecx`
 - These are very commonly used
(caller should expect they will be clobbered)
 - Some are **callee save**
 - IA32: `%ebx`, `%edi`, `%esi`
 - These are less commonly used
- from prior example**
- 

Procedure Call Example

(IA32/Linux)

Callee

```
int sum(int x, int y) {  
    return x + y;  
}
```

Callee in assembly (better version)

```
setup      pushl %ebp  
            movl  %esp, %ebp  
            pushl %edi  

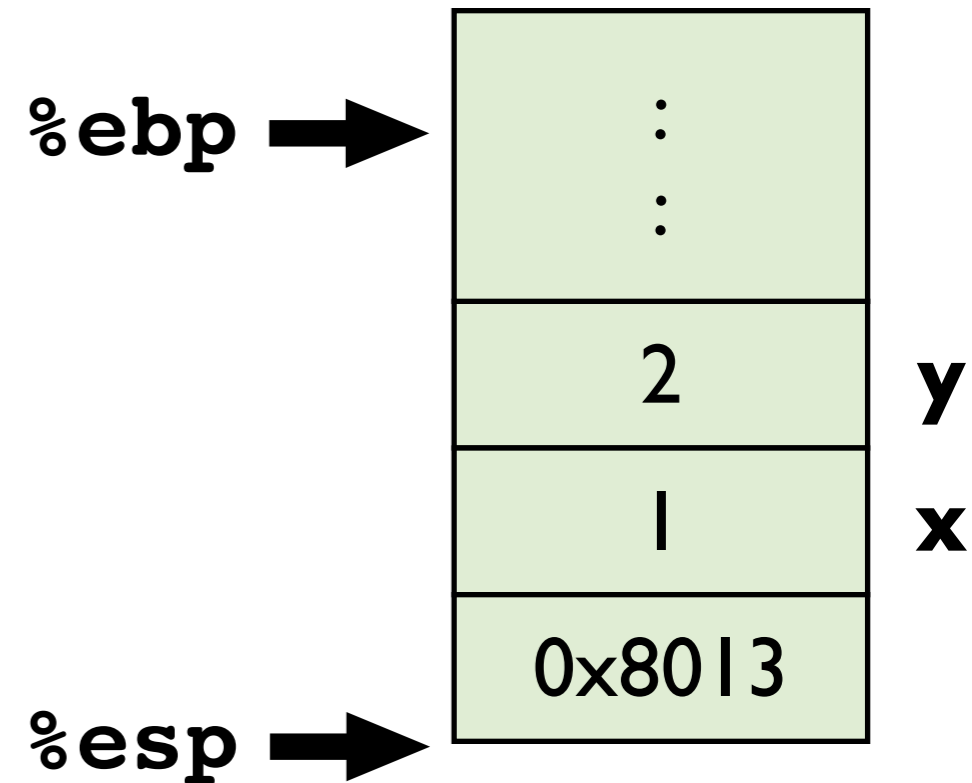

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body      movl  12(%ebp), %edi  
            movl  8(%ebp), %eax  
            addl  %edi, %eax  


---

cleanup   movl  (%esp), %edi  
            movl  %ebp, %esp  
            popl  %ebp  
            ret
```

The Stack



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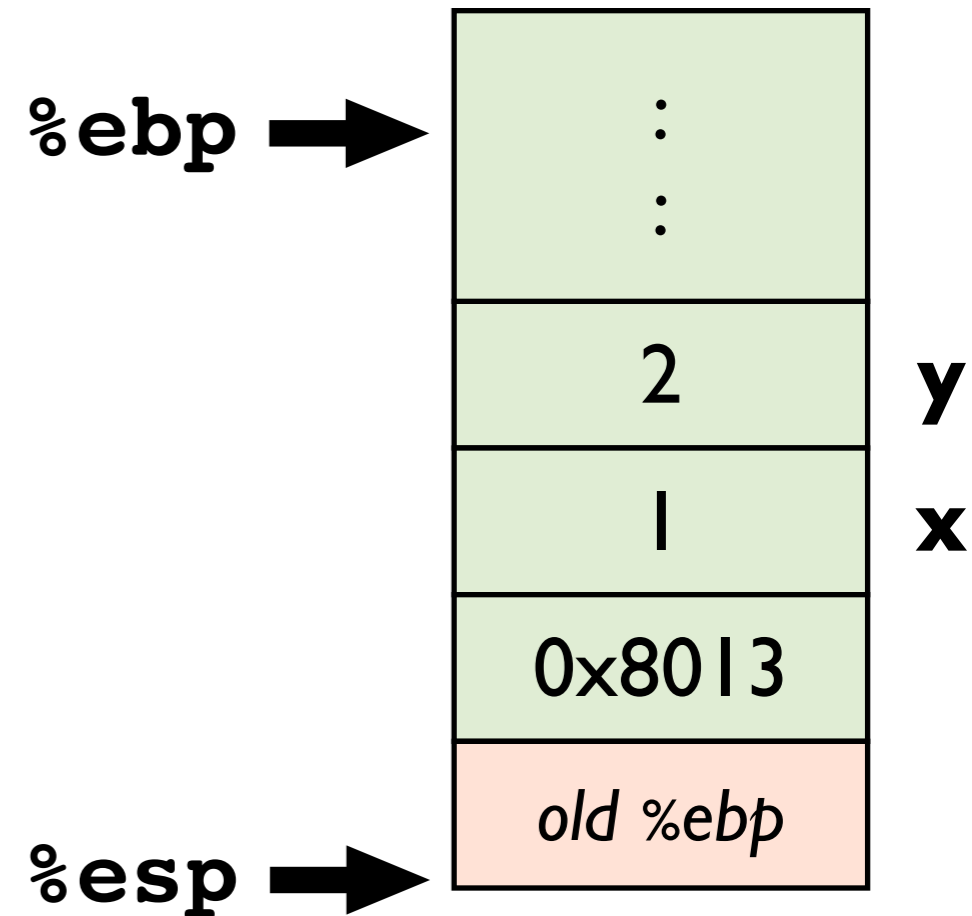

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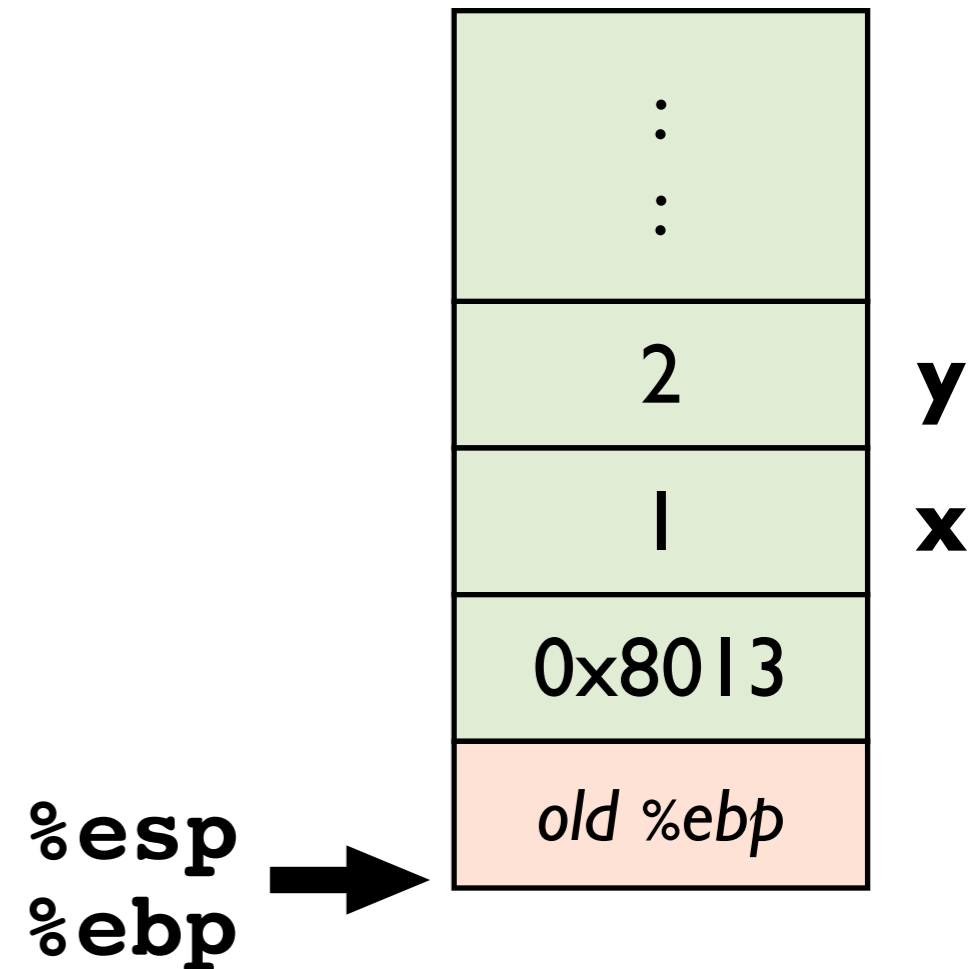
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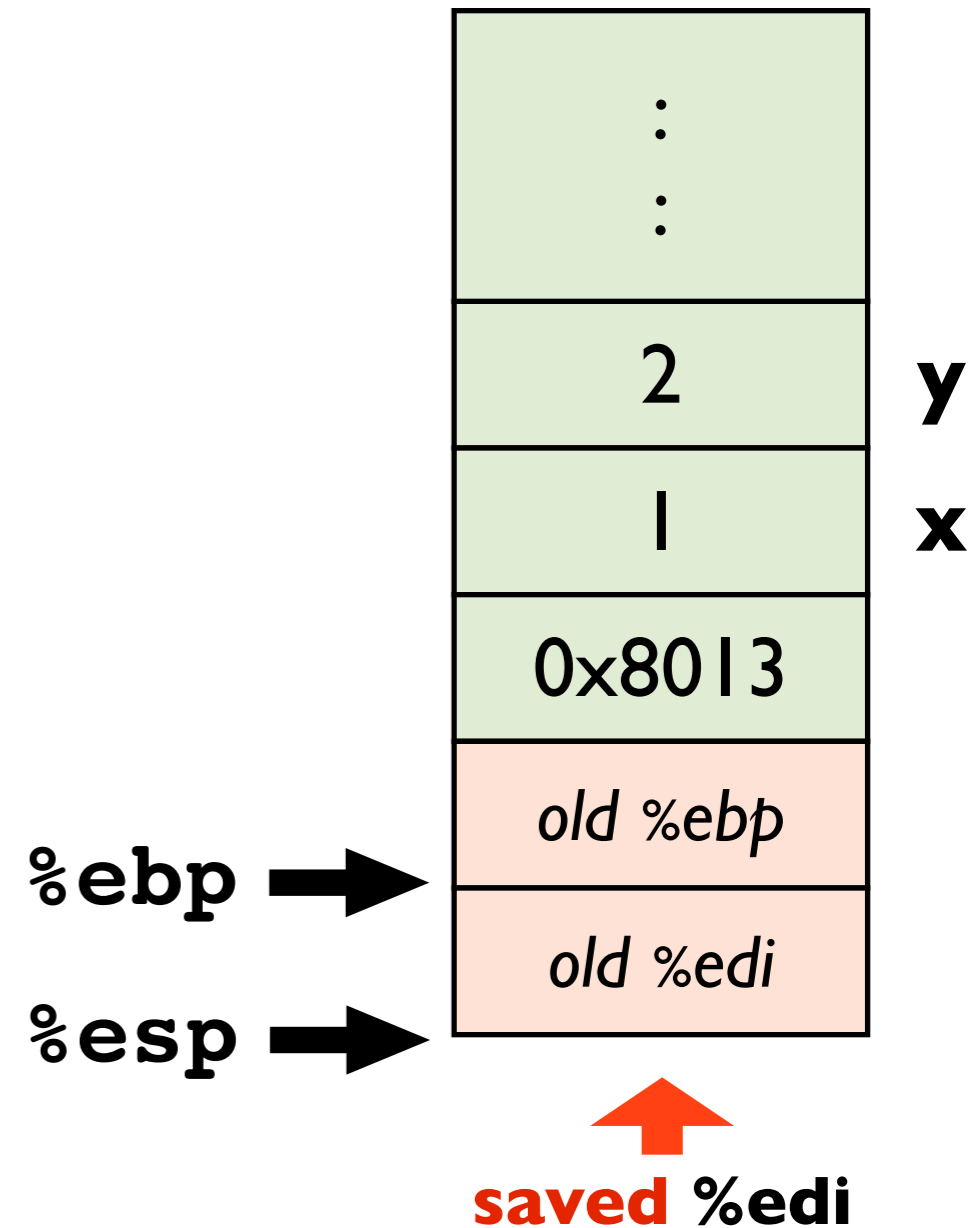
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The Stack



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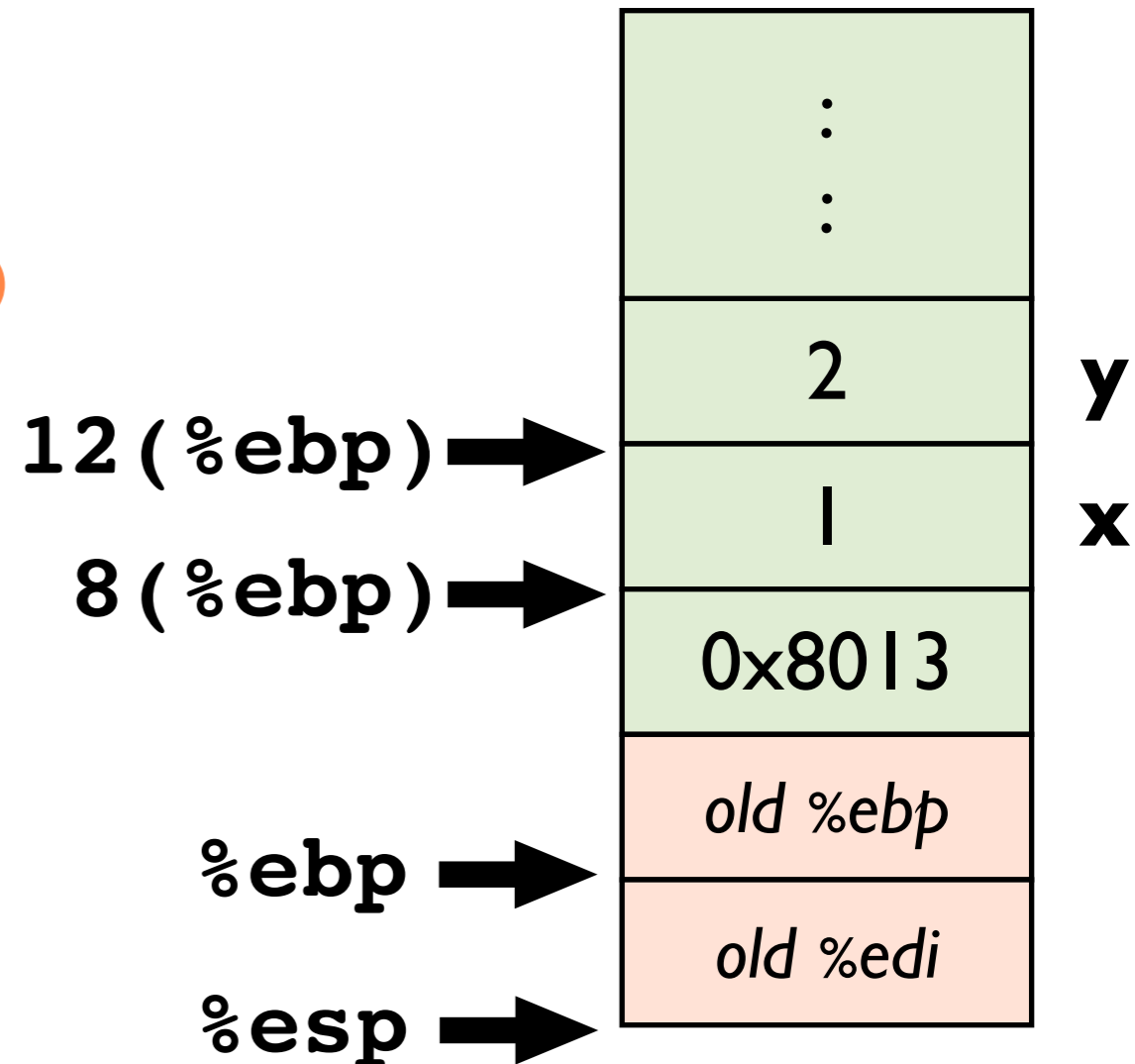
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```

The Stack



Key: %ebp is fixed for the entire function

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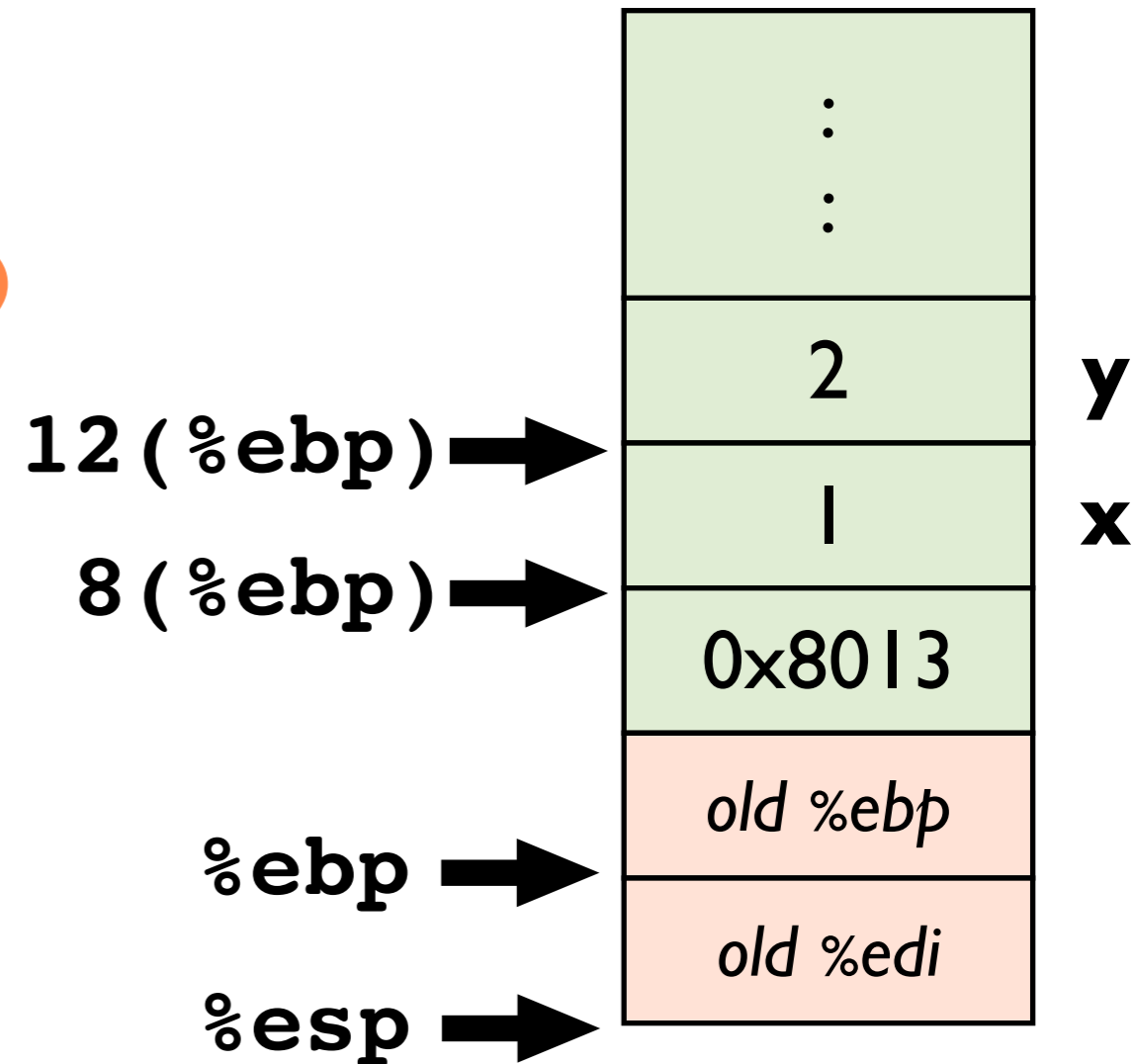
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The Stack



restoring %edi

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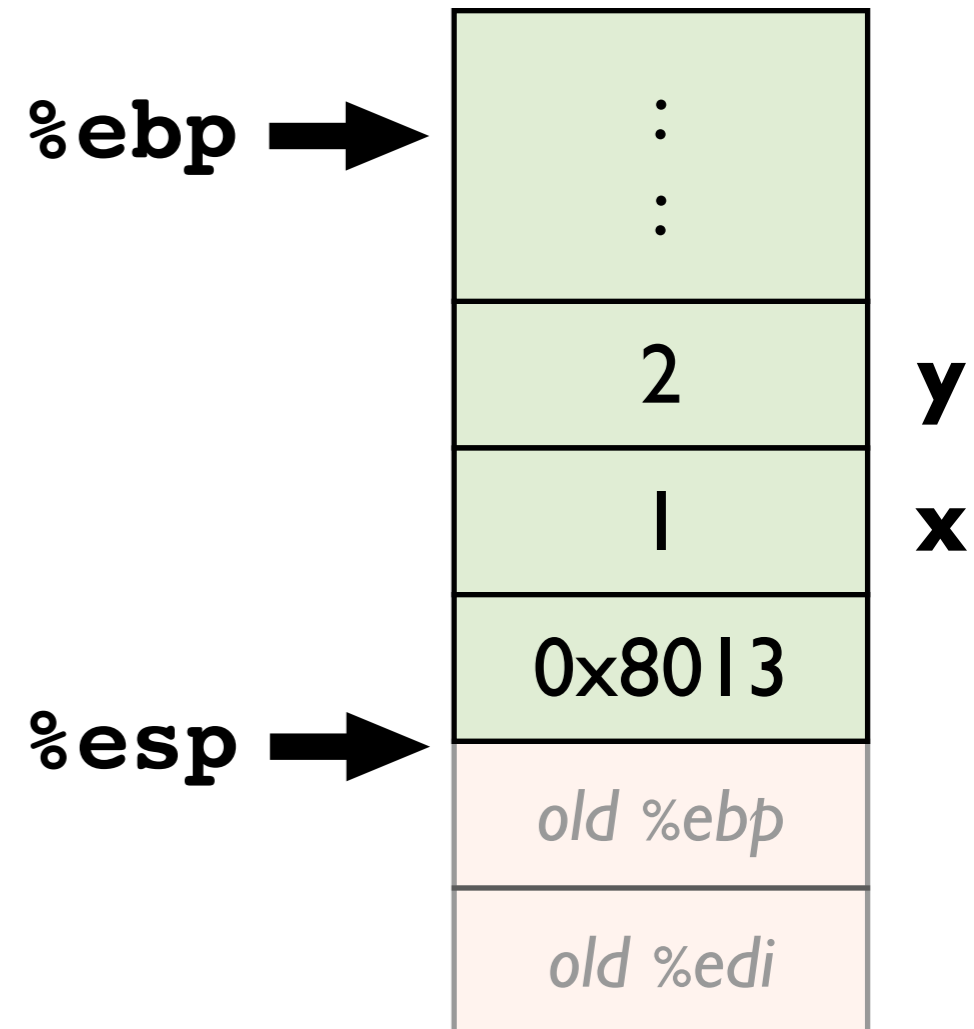
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           → popl  %ebp  
           ret
```

The Stack



restoring %ebp

Why use a frame pointer? (%ebp)

Callee

```
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    return x + y;  
}
```

To make debugging easier

- %esp may move
- %ebp is fixed

Your compiler emits a symbol map

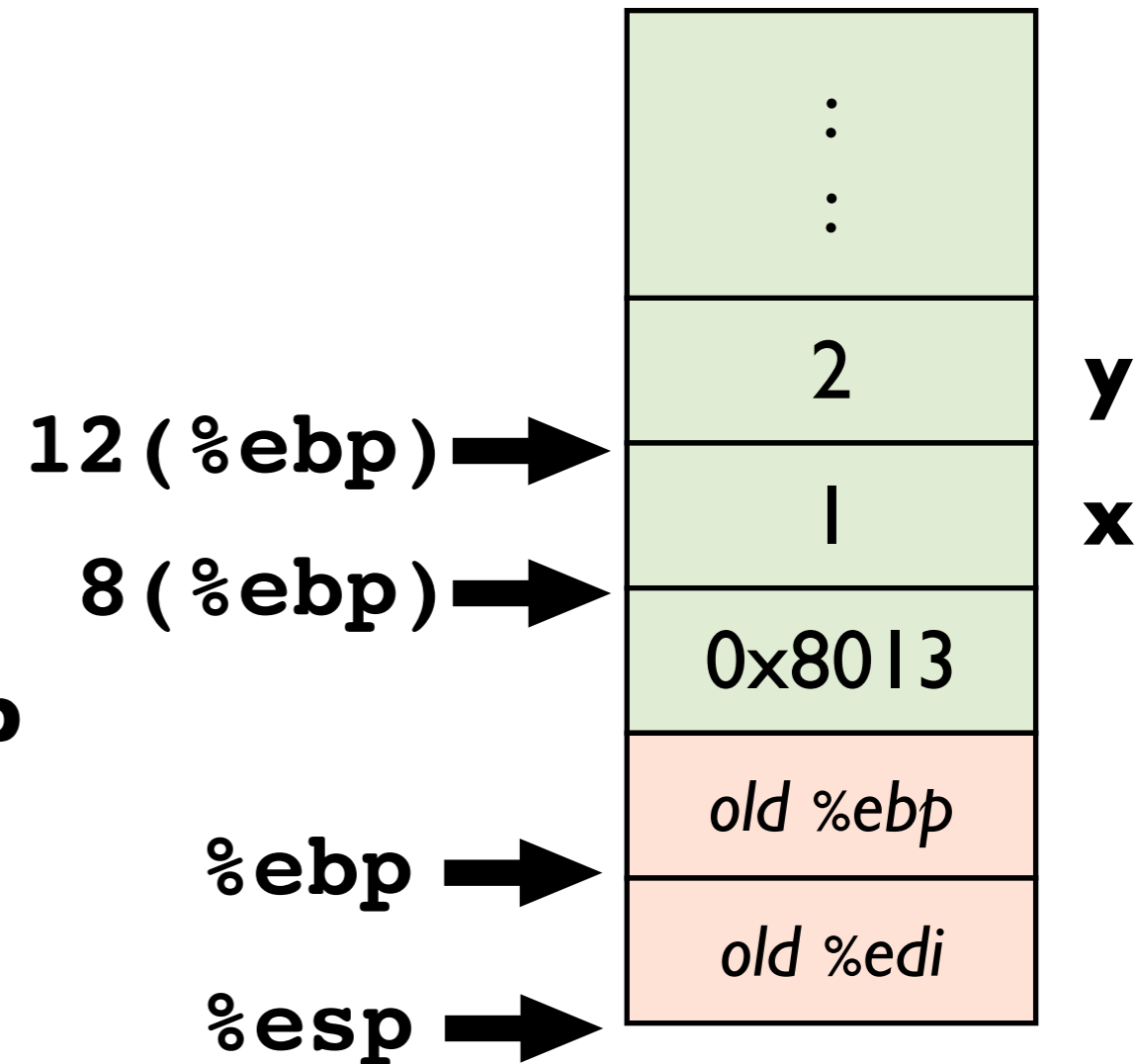
`y` → 12(%ebp)

`x` → 8(%ebp)

`gdb` uses this map when you write

```
print x
```

The Stack



Aside: how does gdb's "backtrace" work?

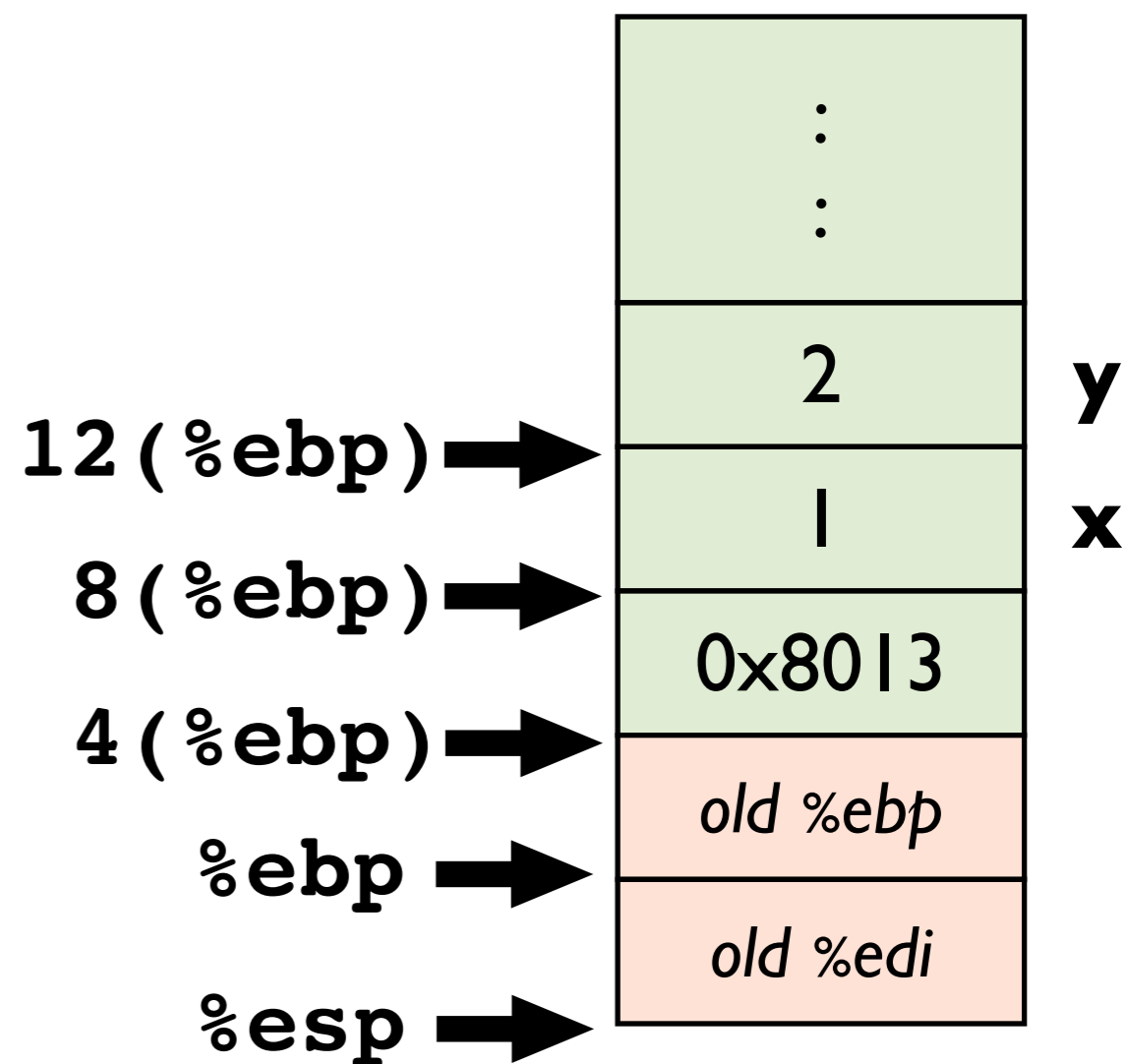
Follow return addresses!

- use *old %ebp* to find prior frame

Pseudocode:

```
while (pc is not in "main") {  
    pc = 4(%ebp)  
    %ebp = (%ebp)  
}
```

The Stack



How is x86-64 different?

- Pass the first six arguments in registers
 - In this order: `%rdi, %rsi, %rdx, %rcx, %r8, %r9`
- New register save convention
 - *Callee save*: `%rbx, %rbp, %r12, %r13, %r14, %r15`
 - Others are *caller save*
- By default, gcc omits the frame pointer
 - It has to emit more complex debug info
(e.g., the location of argument x relative to `%esp` can change)

Procedure Call Example

(x86-64/Linux)

Caller

```
int z = sum(1, 2);
```

Caller in assembly

```
movl $1, %edi  
movl $2, %esi  
call sum
```

edi not rdi
← because int is
32-bits

Callee

```
int sum(int x, int y) {  
    return x + y;  
}
```

Callee in assembly

```
addl %esi, %edi  
movl %edi, %eax  
ret
```

x86-64 with gcc
← does not use a
frame pointer

Tip: you can force gcc to emit code with a frame pointer using `gcc -fno-omit-frame-pointer`