

Chapter 14

Functions

Function

- **Smaller, simpler, subcomponent of program**
- **Provides abstraction**
 - hides low-level details
 - gives high-level structure to program and makes it easier to understand overall program flow
 - enables separable, independent development

C functions

- zero or multiple arguments passed in
- single result returned (optional)
- return value is always a particular type

In other languages, called procedures, subroutines, ...

Functions in C

(1) Declaration (also called prototype)

```
int Factorial (int n) ;
```

type of
return value

name of
function

types of all
arguments

(2) Function call -- used in expression

```
a = x + Factorial (f + g) ;
```

1. evaluate arguments

2. execute function

3. use return value in expression

Functions in C

(3) Function Definition

State type, name, types of arguments

- must match function declaration
- give name to each argument (doesn't have to match declaration but why not?)

```
int Factorial(int n)
{
    int i;
    int result = 1;
    for (i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        result = result * i;
    return result;
}
```

gives control back to
calling function and
returns value



Why Declaration?

Since function definition also includes return and argument types, why is declaration needed?

- **can use a function before its definition.**
Compiler needs to know return and arg types and number of arguments.
- **Definition might be in a different file, written by a different programmer.**
 - include a "header" file with function declarations only
 - compile separately, link together to make executable

Another Example

```
double ValueInDollars(double amount, double rate);
```

 **declaration**

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
...
```

```
dollars = ValueInDollars(francs,  
                        DOLLARS_PER_FRANC);
```

```
printf("%f francs equals %f dollars.\n",  
       francs, dollars);
```

```
...
```

```
}
```

 **function call (invocation)**

 **definition**

```
double ValueInDollars(double amount, double rate)
```

```
{
```

```
    return amount * rate;
```

```
}
```

A Complete Example (1)

```
#include <stdio.h>

/* Function declarations */
double AreaOfCircle(double radius);

int main()
{
    double outer;           /* Outer radius */
    double inner;          /* Inner radius */
    double areaOfRing;     /* Area of ring */

    printf("Enter outer radius: ");
    scanf("%lf", &outer);

    printf("Enter inner radius: ");
    scanf("%lf", &inner);

    areaOfRing = AreaOfCircle(outer) - AreaOfCircle(inner);
    printf("The area of the ring is %f\n", areaOfRing);
}

/* Calculate area of circle given a radius */
double AreaOfCircle(double radius)
{
    double pi = 3.14159265;

    return pi * radius * radius;
}
```

A Complete Example (2-1)

```
#include <stdio.h>

/* Function declaration */
char ToUpper(char inchar);

/* Function main: */
/* Prompt for a line of text, Read one character, */
/* convert to uppercase, print it out, then get another */
int main()
{
    char echo = 'A';          /* Initialize input character */
    char upcase;             /* Converted character */

    while (echo != '\n') {
        scanf("%c", &echo);
        upcase = ToUpper(echo);
        printf("%c", upcase);
    }
}
```


A Complete Example (2-2)

```
/* Function ToUpper:                                     */
/* If the parameter is lower case return                */
/* its uppercase ASCII value                             */
char ToUpper(char inchar)                               */
{
    char outchar;

    if ('a' <= inchar && inchar <= 'z')
        outchar = inchar - ('a' - 'A');
    else
        outchar = inchar;

    return outchar;
}
```

A Complete Example (3)

```
#include <stdio.h>

int Squared(int x);

int main()
{
    int sideA;
    int sideB;
    int sideC;
    int maxC;

    printf("Enter the maximum length of hypotenuse: ");
    scanf("%d", &maxC);

    for (sideC = 1; sideC <= maxC; sideC++) {
        for (sideB = 1; sideB <= maxC; sideB++) {
            for (sideA = 1; sideA <= maxC; sideA++) {
                if (Squared(sideC) == Squared(sideA) + Squared(sideB))
                    printf("%d %d %d\n", sideA, sideB, sideC);
            }
        }
    }

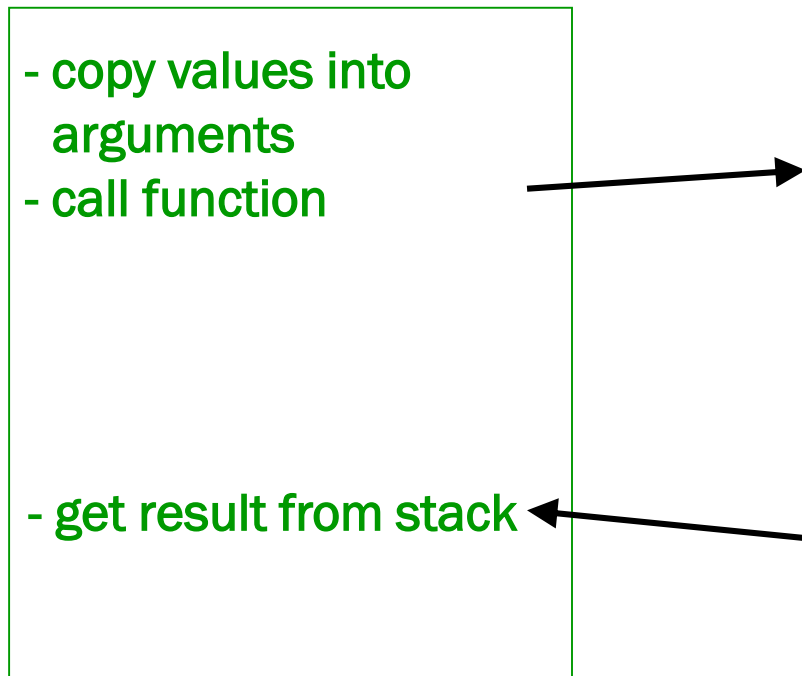
    /* Calculate the square of a number */
    int Squared(int x)
    {
        return x * x;
    }
}
```

Implementing Functions: Overview

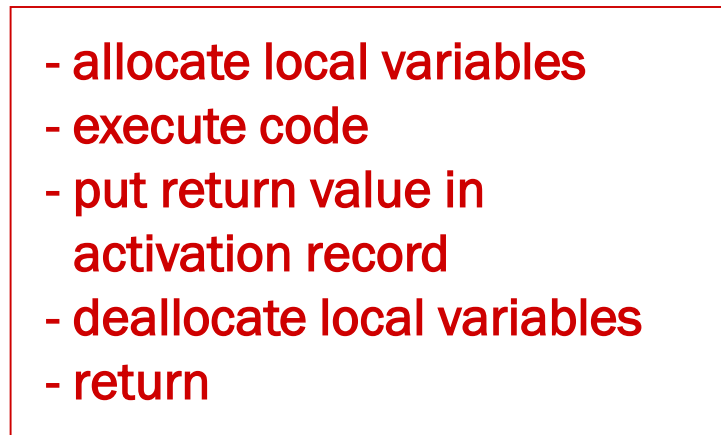
Activation record

- information about each function, including arguments, return value, local variables
- stored on run-time stack

Calling function (caller)



Called function (callee)



Run-Time Stack

Recall that local variables are stored on the run-time stack in an *activation record*

Frame pointer (R5) points to the beginning of a region of activation record that stores local variables for the current function

When a new function is **called**, its activation record is **pushed** on the stack;

when it **returns**, its activation record is **popped** off of the stack.

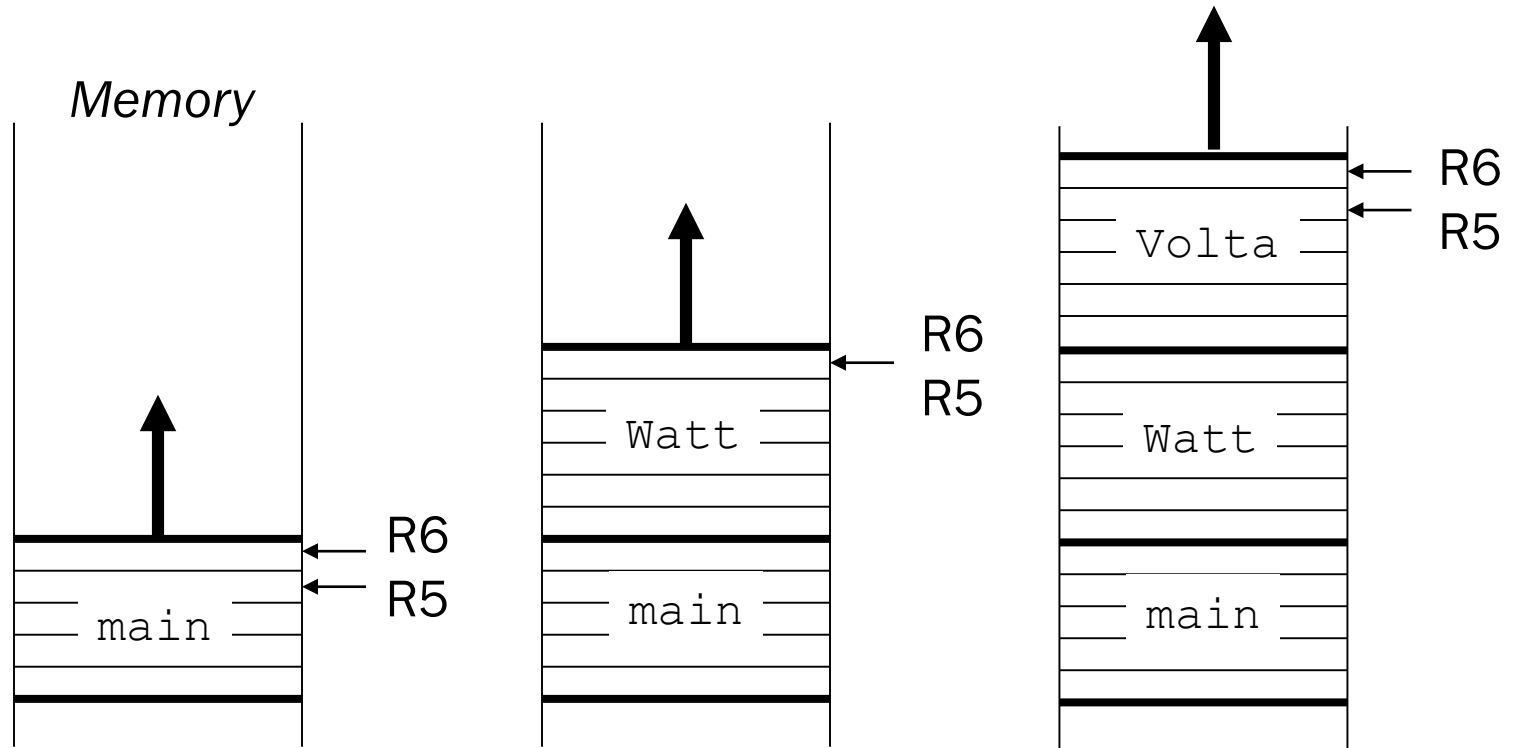
Example

```
int main()
{
    int a;
    int b;
    ...
    b = Watt(a);
    b = Volta(a, b);
}

int Watt(int a)
{
    int w;
    ...
    w = Volta(w,10);
    ...
    return w;
}

int Volta(int q, int r)
{
    int k;
    int m;
    ...
    return k;
}
```

Run-Time Stack

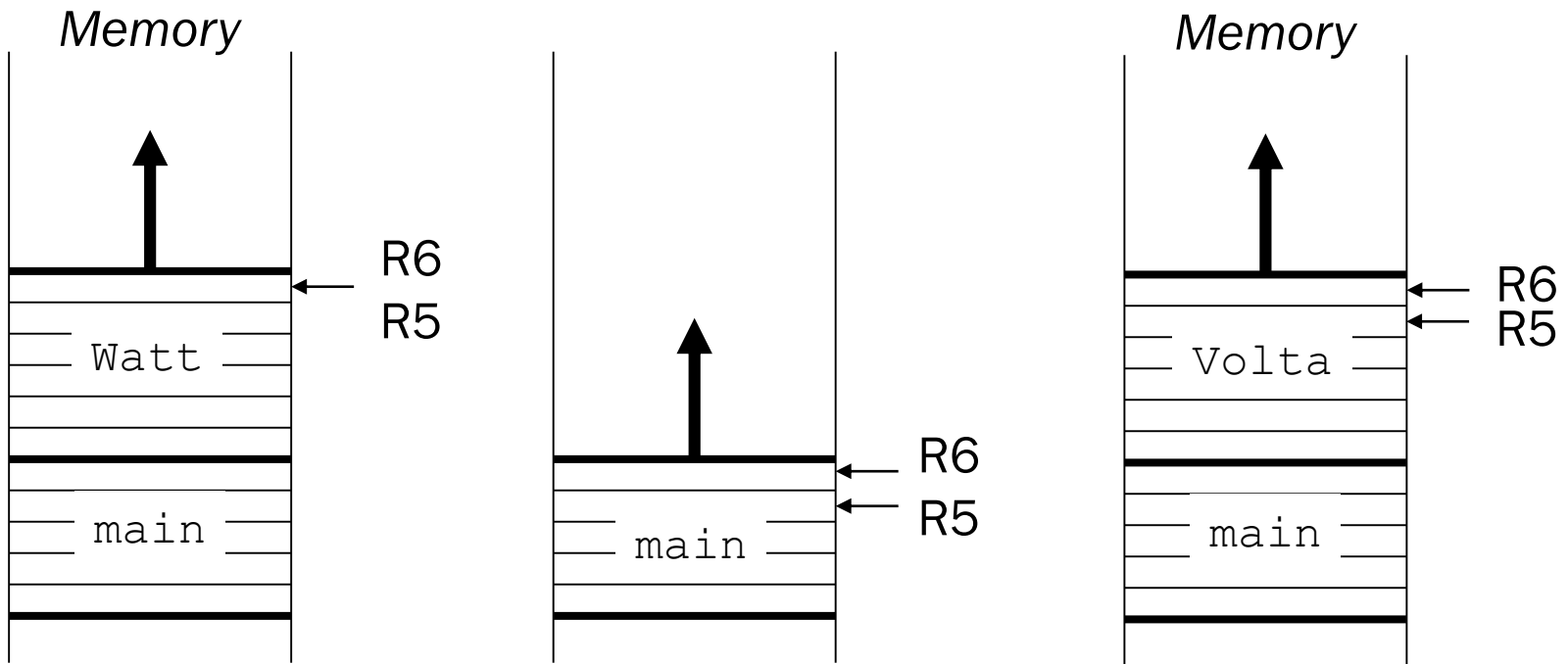


When execution starts

When Watt executes

When Volta executes

Run-Time Stack



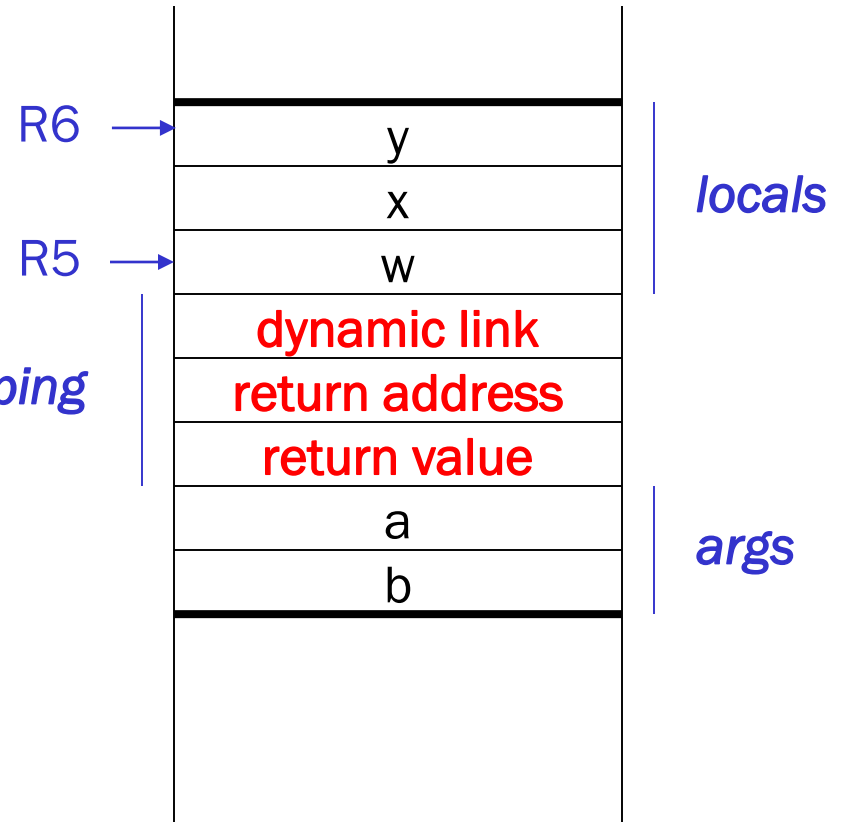
When Volta completes

When Watt completes

When Volta executes

Activation Record

```
int FName(int a, int b)
{
    int w, x, y;
    .
    .
    .
    return y;
}
```



Name	Type	Offset	Scope
a	int	4	FName
b	int	5	FName
w	int	0	FName
x	int	-1	FName
y	int	-2	FName

Activation Record Bookkeeping

Return value

- space for value returned by function
- allocated even if function does not return a value

Return address

- save pointer to next instruction in calling function
- convenient location to store R7 in case another function (JSR) is called

Dynamic link

- caller's frame pointer
- used to pop this activation record from stack

Example Function Call

```
int Volta(int q, int r)
{
    int k;
    int m;
    ...
    return k;
}
```

```
int Watt(int a)
{
    int w;
    ...
    w = Volta(w, 10);
    ...
    return w;
}
```

Calling the Function

```
w = Volta(w, 10);
```

```
; push second arg
```

```
AND R0, R0, #0
```

```
ADD R0, R0, #10
```

```
ADD R6, R6, #-1
```

```
STR R0, R6, #0
```

```
; push first argument
```

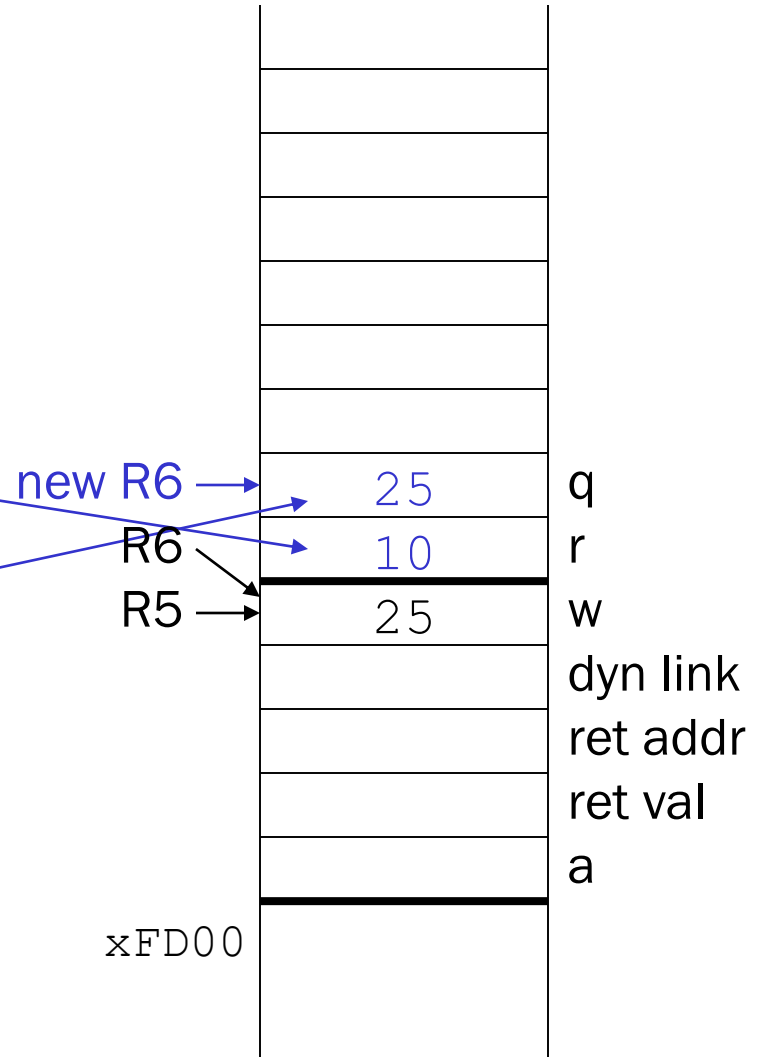
```
LDR R0, R5, #0
```

```
ADD R6, R6, #-1
```

```
STR R0, R6, #0
```

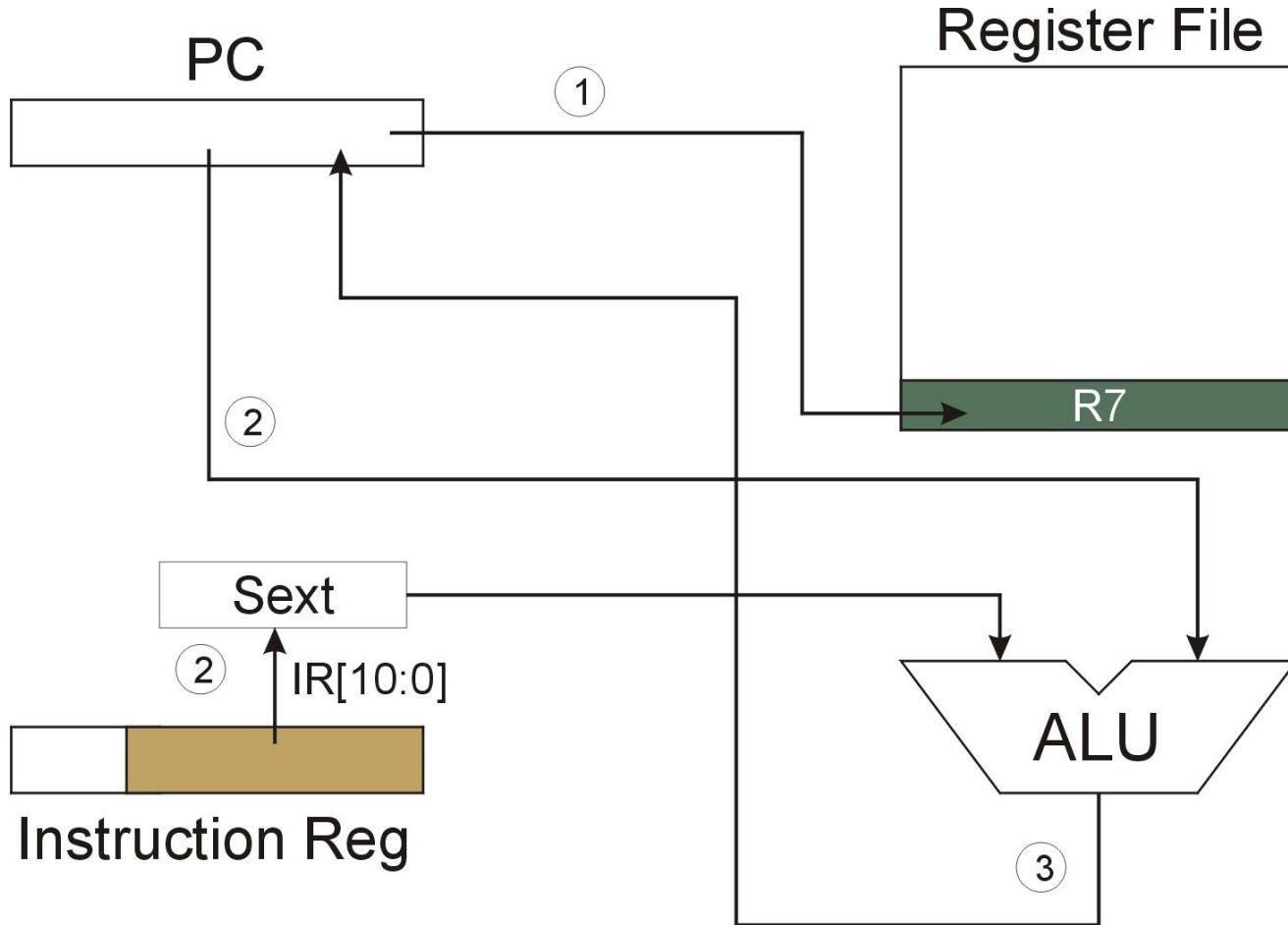
```
; call subroutine
```

```
JSR Volta
```



Note: Caller needs to know number and type of arguments, doesn't know about callee's local variables.

JSR

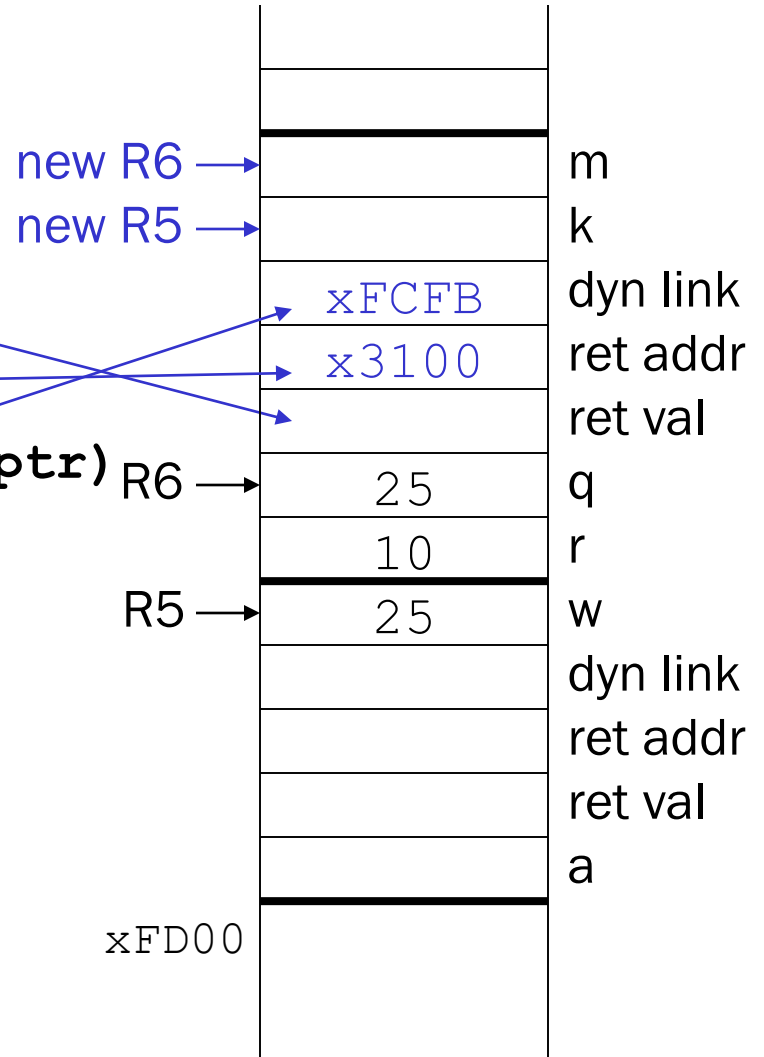


NOTE: PC has already been incremented during instruction fetch stage.

Starting the Callee Function

```

; leave space for return value
ADD R6, R6, #-1
; push return address
ADD R6, R6, #-1
STR R7, R6, #0
; push dyn link (caller's frame ptr)
ADD R6, R6, #-1
STR R5, R6, #0
; set new frame pointer
ADD R5, R6, #-1
; allocate space for locals
ADD R6, R6, #-2
    
```



Ending the Callee Function

return k;

; copy k into return value

LDR R0, R5, #0

STR R0, R5, #3

; pop local variables

ADD R6, R5, #1

; pop dynamic link (into R5)

LDR R5, R6, #0

ADD R6, R6, #1

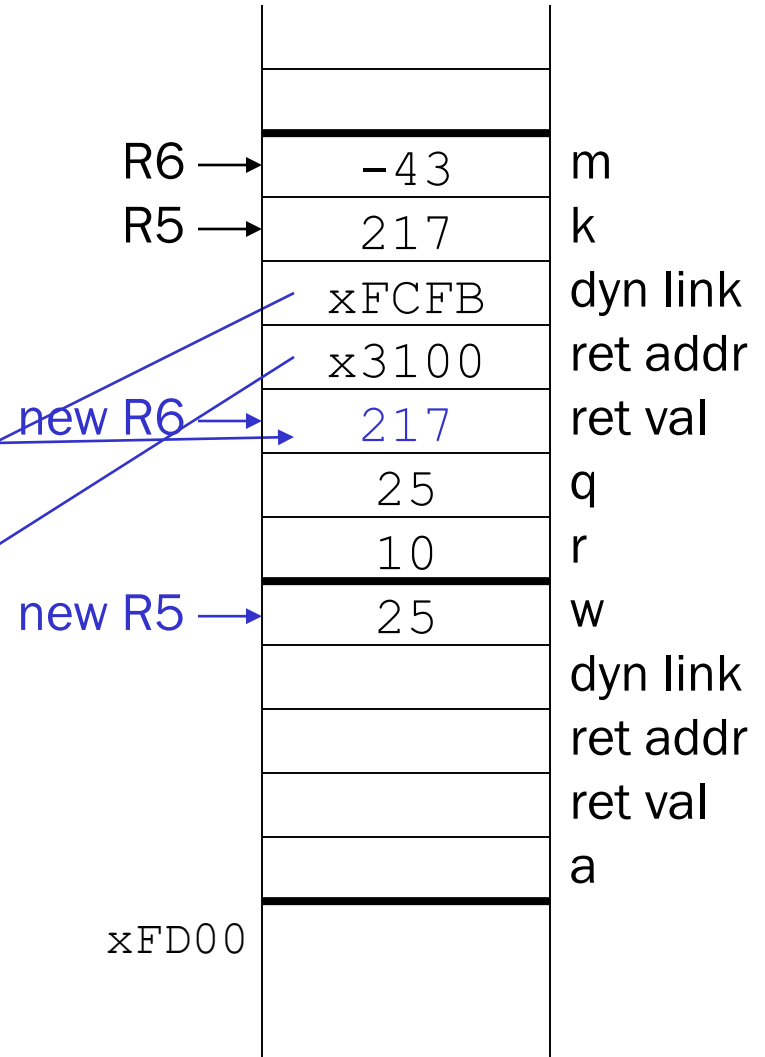
; pop return addr (into R7)

LDR R7, R6, #0

ADD R6, R6, #1

; return control to caller

RET



Summary of LC-3 Function Call Implementation

1. **Caller** pushes arguments (last to first).
2. **Caller** invokes subroutine (JSR).
3. **Callee** allocates return value, pushes R7 and R5.
4. **Callee** allocates space for local variables.
5. **Callee** executes function code.
6. **Callee** stores result into return value slot.
7. **Callee** pops local vars, pops R5, pops R7.
8. **Callee** returns (JMP R7).
9. **Caller** loads return value and pops arguments.
10. **Caller** resumes computation...

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- Function
 - Declaration
 - Invocation
 - Definition
- Activation Record on the stack contains
 - Argument values (allocated & set up & deallocated by caller)
 - return value (allocated & set up by callee and used & deallocated by caller)
 - return address (allocated & set up & deallocated by callee)
 - dynamic link – caller's R5 (allocated & set up & deallocated by callee)
 - local variables - more precisely automatic variables (allocated & set up and deallocated by callee)

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217	k
xFCFB	dyn link
x3100	ret addr
217	ret val
25	q
10	r
25	w
	dyn link
	ret addr
	ret val
	a
	14-25