

# Introduction to Computer Systems

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# Last Time

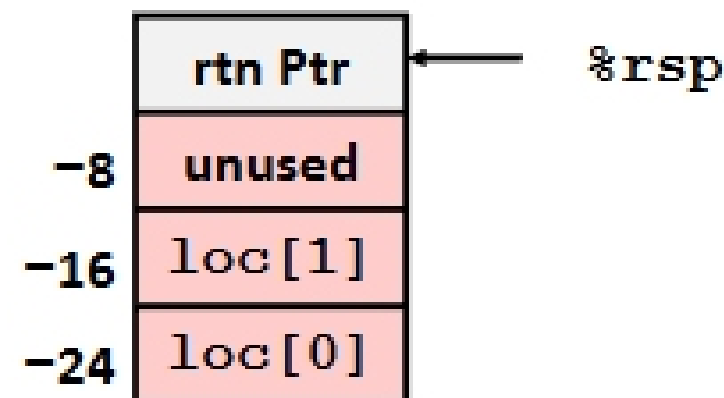
<code>%rax</code>	Return value
<code>%rbx</code>	Callee saved
<code>%rcx</code>	Argument #4
<code>%rdx</code>	Argument #3
<code>%rsi</code>	Argument #2
<code>%rdi</code>	Argument #1
<code>%rsp</code>	Stack pointer
<code>%rbp</code>	Callee saved

<code>%r8</code>	Argument #5
<code>%r9</code>	Argument #6
<code>%r10</code>	Callee saved
<code>%r11</code>	Used for linking
<code>%r12</code>	C: Callee saved
<code>%r13</code>	Callee saved
<code>%r14</code>	Callee saved
<code>%r15</code>	Callee saved

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## ■ Procedures (x86-64): Optimizations

- No base/frame pointer
- Passing arguments to functions through registers (if possible)
- Sometimes: Writing into the “red zone” (below stack pointer)



- Sometimes: Function call using `jmp` (instead of `call`)
- **Reason: Performance**
  - use stack as little as possible
  - while obeying rules (e.g., caller/callee save registers)