

# CS 271

# Computer Architecture &

# Assembly Language

Lecture 14

Array

Random Number

\*Local Variables

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# Odds and Ends

- Program 5 Clarifications
- Due Sunday 2/20 11:59 pm:
  - Weekly Summary 7

# Lecture Topics:

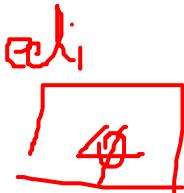
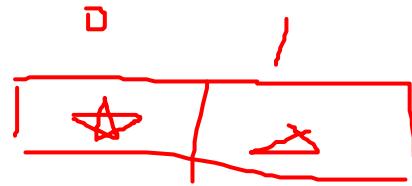
- Introduction to Arrays
- Arrays as Reference Parameters
- Display an Array Sequentially
- “Random” Numbers

# Recall: Introduction to Arrays

# Recall: Array References in MASM

- Several methods for accessing specific array elements
  - Indexed
  - Register indirect
  - Base-indexed

# Recall: Indexed Addressing



- Array name, with “distance” to element in a register
  - Used for global array references (not used in Program #5)
- Examples:

mov edi, 0 ;high-level notation

mov list[edi], eax ; is list[0]

add edi, 4 ;\* see note below index

mov list[edi], ebx ;list[1]

- This means “add the value in [] to address of list”
- \*Note: add 4 because these array elements are DWORD
  - If BYTE, add 1
  - If WORD, add 2
  - If QWORD, add 8
  - Etc.

# Recall: Register Indirect Addressing

- Actual address of array element in register
  - Used for referencing array elements in procedures
- Examples:
  - In calling procedure...

**push**                    **OFFSET list**

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- In called procedure... (example only)

**push** ebp

**mov** esi ebp

... ; set up stack frame

**mov esi, [ebp+8]**

; get address of list into esi

**mov eax, [esi]**

; get list[0] into eax

**add esi, 4**

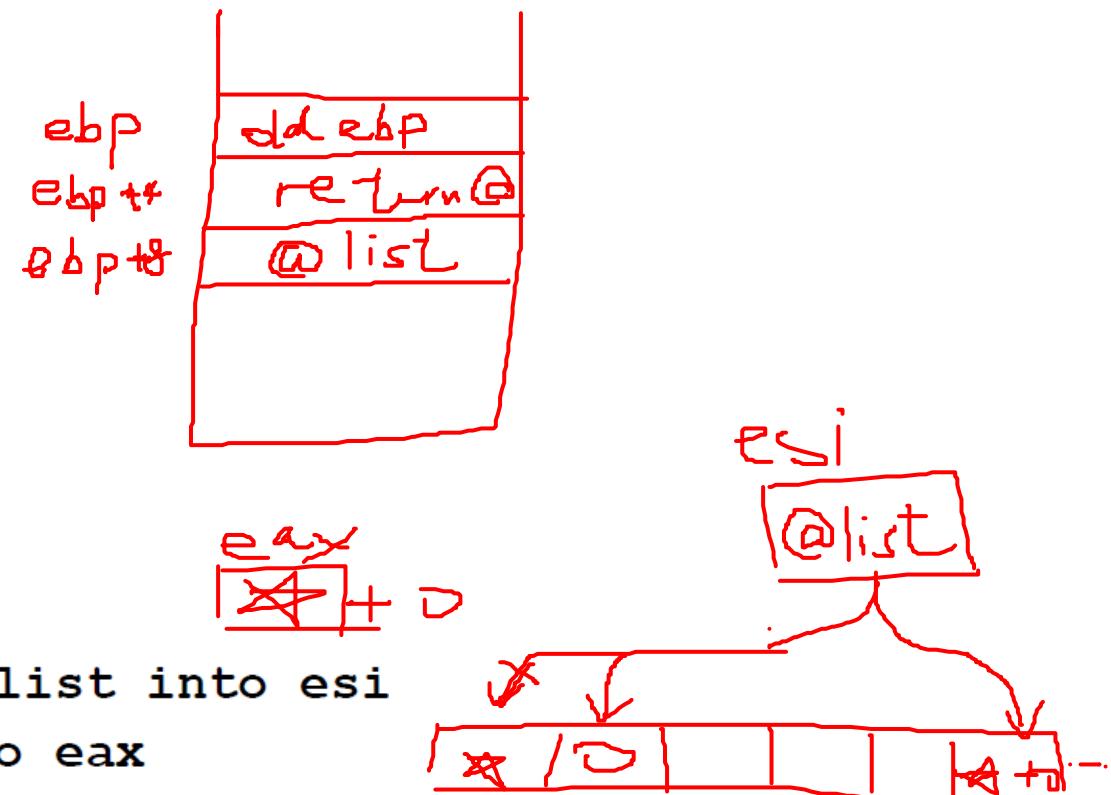
; add list[1] to eax

**add eax, [esi]**

; send result to list[5]

**add esi, 16**

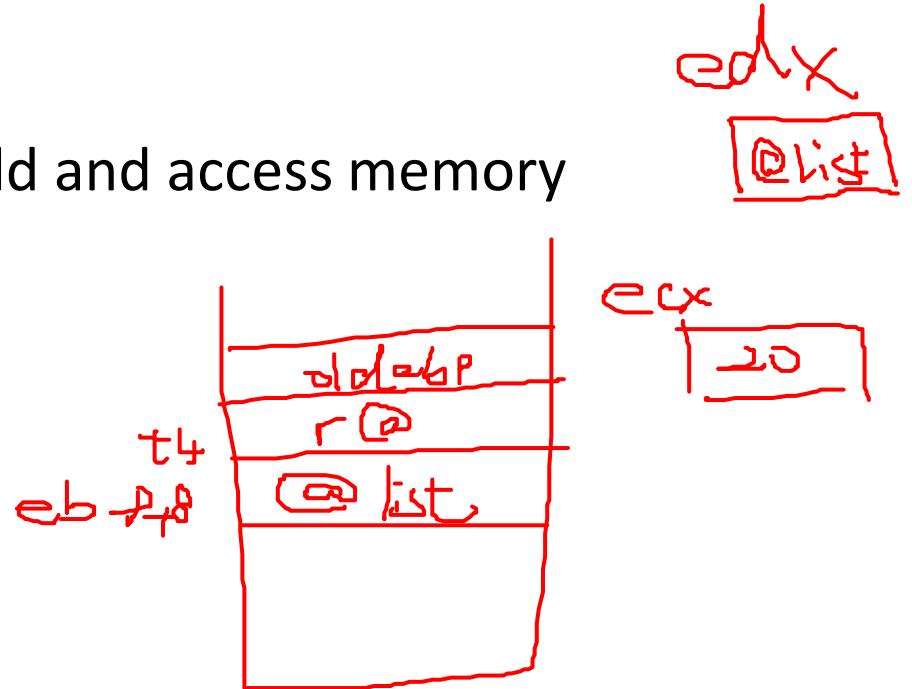
**mov [esi], eax**



$$\text{list}[5] = \text{list}[0] + \text{list}[1]$$

# Recall: Base-indexed Addressing

- Starting address in one register, offset in another; add and access memory
  - Used for referencing array elements in procedures
- Examples:
  - In calling procedure ...  
`push OFFSET list`
  - In called procedure ... (example only)



```
... ; set up stack frame  
mov edx, [ebp+8]           ; get address of list into edx  
mov ecx, 20  
mov eax, [edx+ecx] ; get list[5] into eax  
mov ebx, 4  
add eax, [edx+ebx] ; add list[1] to eax  
mov [edx+ecx], eax ; send result to list[5]
```

list[5] t = list[0]

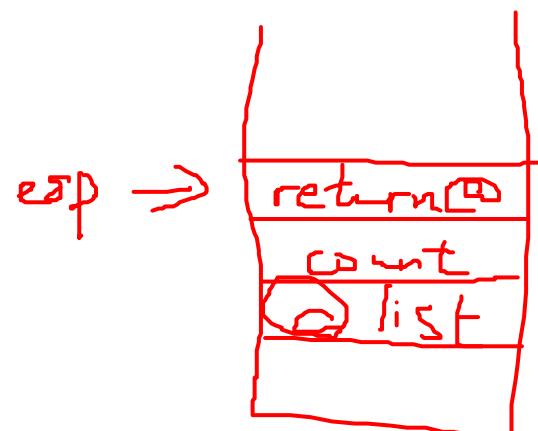
# Passing Arrays by Reference

ArrayFill (list, count);

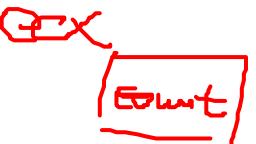
- Never pass an array by value!!!
- Suppose that an *ArrayFill* procedure fills an array with 32-bit integers
- The calling program passed the address of the array, along with count of the number of array elements:

```
COUNT = 100
.data
list DWORD COUNT DUP(?)
.code
...
push OFFSET list
push COUNT
call ArrayFill
```

void ArrayFill (int \*list, int num)



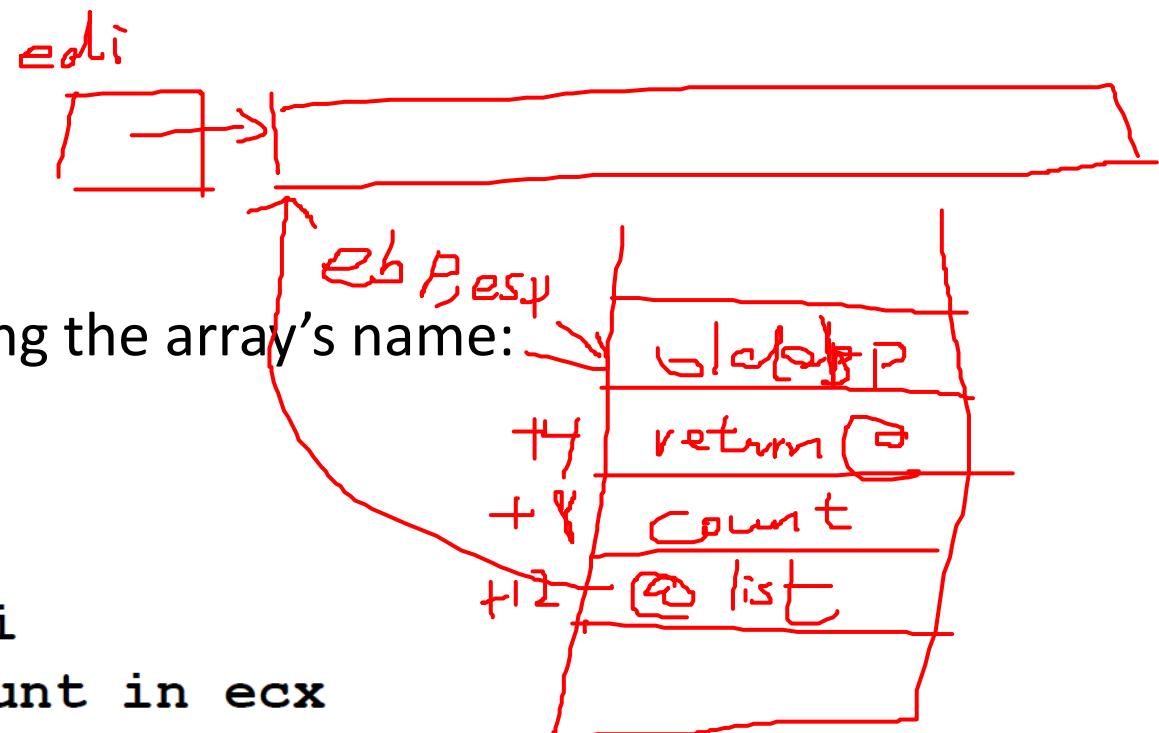
# Passing Arrays by Reference



- *ArrayFill* can reference an array without knowing the array's name:

**ArrayFill PROC**

```
push ebp
→ mov ebp, esp
    mov edi, [ebp+12] ;@list in edi
    mov ecx, [ebp+8] ;value of count in ecx
; ... etc.
```



- **edi** points to the beginning of the array, so it's easy to use a loop to access each array element.
- Style note: We use **edi** because the array is the “destination”

# Passing Arrays by Reference

- This *ArrayFill* uses register indirect addressing:

```
ArrayFill    PROC
    push    ebp
    mov     ebp,esp
    mov     edi,[ebp+12]      ;@list in edi
    mov     ecx,[ebp+8]        ;value of count in ecx
more:
    .
    ; Code to generate a random number in eax
    ; goes here.
    mov     [edi],eax
    add     edi,4
    loop   more

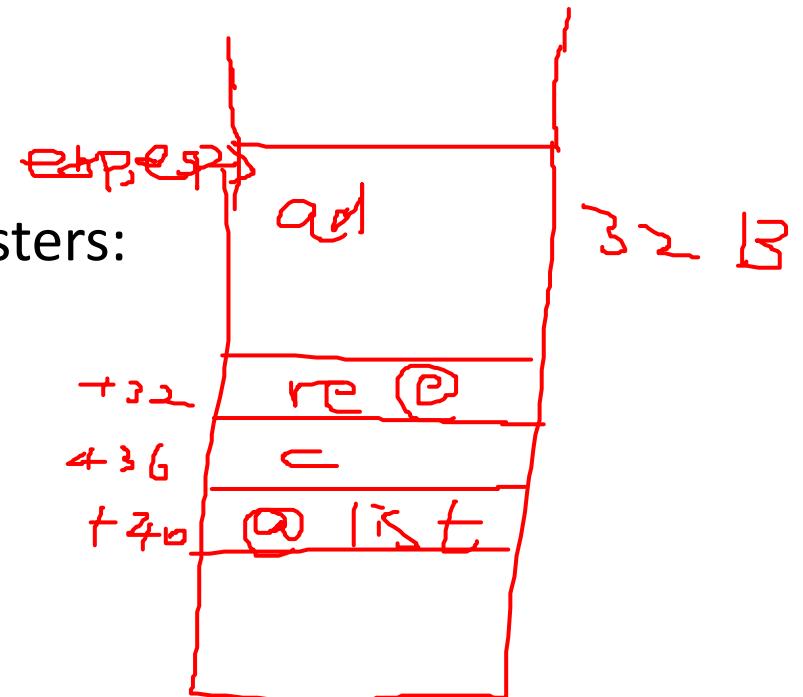
    pop    ebp
    ret    8
ArrayFill    ENDP
```

# Passing Arrays by Reference

- This *ArrayFill* uses base-indexed addressing, saves registers:

```
ArrayFill PROC
    pushad                      ; save all registers
    mov ebp,esp
    mov edx,[ebp+40]               ;@list in edx
    mov ebx,0                       ;"index" in ebx
    mov ecx,[ebp+36]               ;value of count in ecx
    more:
        ;
        ; Code to generate a random number in eax
        ; goes here.
    mov [edx+ebx],eax
    add ebx,4
    loop more

    popad                      ; restore all registers
    ret 8
ArrayFill ENDP
```



# Lecture Topics:

- Introduction to Arrays
- Arrays as Reference Parameters
- Display an Array Sequentially
- “Random” Numbers

# Setup in Calling Procedure

```
.data
list        DWORD      100 DUP (?)
count       DWORD      0

.code
;...
;code to initialize list and count
;...
;set up parameters and call display
push    OFFSET list      ;@list
push    count            ;number of elements
call    display
;...
```

# Display: version 0.1 (register indirect)

```
display    PROC
    push    ebp
    mov     ebp,esp
    mov     esi,[ebp+12]      ;@list
    mov     ecx,[ebp+8]        ;ecx is loop control
more:
    mov     eax,[esi]          ;get current element
    call    WriteDec
    call    Crlf
    add     esi,4              ;next element
    loop   more
endMore:
    pop    ebp
    ret    8
display   ENDP
```

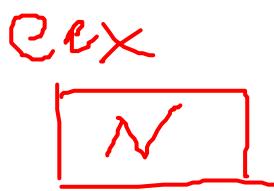
# Display: version 0.2 (base-indexed)

```
display    PROC
    push    ebp
    mov     ebp,esp
    mov     esi,[ebp+12]      ;@list
    mov     ecx,[ebp+8]       ;ecx is loop control
    mov     edx,0              ;edx is element "pointer"
more:
    mov     eax,[esi+edx]      ;get current element
    call    WriteDec
    call    Crlf
    add     edx,4              ;next element
    loop   more
endMore:
    pop    ebp
    ret    8
display    ENDP
```

# Random Numbers

- Irving library has random integer generator
  - “pseudo-random” numbers
- *Randomize* procedure      strand()
  - Initialize sequence based on system clock (random seed)
  - Call once at the beginning of the program
  - Without *Randomize*, program gets the same sequence every time it is executed

# Limiting Random Values



$\text{rand}() \% N$

$$(0 - (N-1))$$

- *RandomRange* procedure

- Accepts  $N > 0$  in **eax**
- Returns random integer in  $[0 \dots N-1]$  in **eax**

- To generate a random number in  $[lo \dots hi]$ :

- Find number of integer possible in  $[lo \dots hi]$ :  $\text{range} = \underline{hi - lo + 1}$
- Put range in **eax**, and call RandomRange
- Result in **eax** is in  $[0 \dots \text{range} - 1]$
- Add lo to **eax**.

$$0 \cup [lo \dots hi - 1]$$

low high

## RandomRange Example

0 ~ 13

- Get a random integer in range [18 ... 31]

call Randomize *call this once*

```
mov eax, hi ; 31
sub eax, lo ; 31 - 18 = 13
inc eax ; 14
call RandomRange ; eax in [0..13]
add eax, lo ; eax in [18..31]
```

+ *0 ~ 13*  
*18 ~ 31*

## \*Additional Topics:

- Local Variables in Assembly
- LEA instruction

\*will NOT be tested!

# Local Variables

- Local Variables: created, used, and destroyed within a single subroutine (function, control structure, or loops).
- Local Variables are allocated on the runtime stack, below EBP
- Cannot be assigned default values at assembly time, but can be initialized at runtime

# Local Variable Example

- In HLL:

```
void func() {  
    int x = 10;  
    int y = 20;  
}
```

- In Assembly

```
func PROC  
    push    ebp  
    mov     ebp, esp  
    sub     esp, 8  
    mov     DWORD PTR [ebp - 4], 10  
    mov     DWORD PTR [ebp - 8], 20  
    mov     esp, ebp  
    pop     ebp  
    ret  
Func ENDP
```

# Local Variable Visualization

- In HLL:

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void func() {  
    int x = 10;  
    int y = 20;  
}
```

- In Assembly

→ func PROC

```
push    ebp  
mov     ebp, esp  
sub     esp, 8  
mov     DWORD PTR [ebp - 4], 10  
mov     DWORD PTR [ebp - 8], 20  
mov     esp, ebp  
pop    ebp  
ret  
Func ENDP
```

System Stack	
[ESP]	return @
...	...

ESP →  
EBP →  
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# Local Variable Visualization

- In Assembly

```
func PROC
```

→ **push ebp**

```
    mov    ebp, esp
```

```
    sub    esp, 8
```

```
    mov    DWORD PTR [ebp - 4], 10
```

```
    mov    DWORD PTR [ebp - 8], 20
```

```
    mov    esp, ebp
```

```
    pop    ebp
```

```
    ret
```

```
Func ENDP
```

- In HLL:

```
void func() {  
    int x = 10;  
    int y = 20;  
}
```

## System Stack

ESP →

[ESP]	old EBP
[ESP + 4]	return @
...	...

EBP  
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# Local Variable Visualization

- In Assembly

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    sub     esp, 8  
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    pop     ebp  
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```

- In HLL:

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## System Stack

[EBP]	old EBP
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...	...

EBP, ESP →

# Local Variable Visualization

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    ret  
Func ENDP
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}
```

ESP →

EBP →

System Stack	
[EBP - 8]	
[EBP - 4]	
[EBP]	old EBP
[EBP + 4]	return @
...	...

# Local Variable Visualization

- In Assembly

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ESP →

EBP →

System Stack	
[EBP - 8]	
[EBP - 4]	10
[EBP]	old EBP
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...	...

# Local Variable Visualization

- In Assembly

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    mov     esp, ebp  
    pop     ebp  
    ret  
Func ENDP
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```

ESP →

EBP →

System Stack	
[EBP - 8]	20
[EBP - 4]	10
[EBP]	old EBP
[EBP + 4]	return @
...	...

# Local Variable Visualization

- In Assembly

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    mov     DWORD PTR [ebp - 8], 20  
    mov    esp, ebp  
    pop    ebp  
    ret  
Func ENDP
```

- In HLL:

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void func() {  
    int x = 10;  
    int y = 20;  
}
```

ESP, EBP →

System Stack	
[EBP - 8]	20
[EBP - 4]	10
[EBP]	old EBP
[EBP + 4]	return @
...	...

# Local Variable Visualization

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    mov     esp, ebp  
    pop    ebp  
    ret  
Func ENDP
```

- In HLL:

```
void func() {  
    int x = 10;  
    int y = 20;  
}
```

System Stack	
	20
	10
	old EBP
[ESP]	return @
...	...

ESP →

EBP  
30 →

# Local Variable Visualization

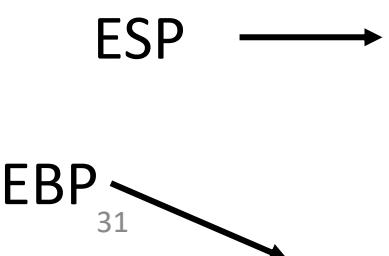
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    mov     esp, ebp  
    pop     ebp  
    ret  
Func ENDP
```

- In HLL:

```
void func() {  
    int x = 10;  
    int y = 20;  
}
```

**System Stack**



EBP  
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# Local Variable Example

- In HLL:

```
void func() {  
    int x = 10;  
    int y = 20;  
}
```

What if this step  
is omitted?

Ebp - return to initial  
order!

- In Assembly

```
func PROC  
    push ebp  
    mov ebp, esp  
    sub esp, 8  
    mov DWORD PTR [ebp - 4], 10  
    mov DWORD PTR [ebp - 8], 20  
    mov esp, ebp  
    pop ebp  
    ret  
Func ENDP
```

## \*Additional Topics:

- Local Variables in Assembly
- LEA instruction

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# LEA: Load Effective Address

*caldr*

- LEA: returns the address of an indirect operand (offset calculated during runtime)

# LEA Example

- In HLL:

```
void create_arr() {  
    char arr[30];  
    for (int i = 0; i < 30; i++)  
        arr[i] = '*';  
}
```

- In Assembly

```
create_arr PROC  
    push    ebp  
    mov     ebp, esp  
    sub     esp, 32  
    lea     esi, [ebp-30]  
    mov     ecx, 30  
  
L1:  
    mov     BYTE PTR [esi], '*'  
    inc     esi  
    loop    L1  
    add     esp, 32  
    pop     ebp  
    ret  
create_arr ENDP
```

# LEA Visualization

- In Assembly

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    pop     ebp  
    ret  
create_arr ENDP
```



- In HLL:

```
void create_arr(){  
    char arr[30];  
    for (int i = 0; i < 30; i++)  
        arr[i] = '*';  
}
```

ESP, EBP →

System Stack	
[EBP]	old EBP
[EBP + 4]	return @
...	...

# LEA Visualization

- In Assembly

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    inc    esi  
    loop   L1  
    add    esp, 32  
    pop    ebp  
    ret  
create_arr ENDP
```

- In HLL:

```
void create_arr(){  
    char arr[30];  
    for (int i = 0; i < 30; i++)  
        arr[i] = '*';
```

Why 32  
instead of 30?

ESP →

EBP →

System Stack	
[EBP - 32]	
....	....
[EBP]	old EBP
[EBP + 4]	return @
...	...

# LEA Visualization

- In Assembly

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create_arr PROC  
    push    ebp  
    mov     ebp, esp  
    sub     esp, 32  
    lea     esi, [ebp-30] →  
    mov     ecx, 30  
  
L1:  
    mov     BYTE PTR [esi], '*'  
    inc     esi  
    loop    L1  
    add     esp, 32  
    pop     ebp  
    ret  
create_arr ENDP
```

- In HLL:

```
void create_arr() {  
    char arr[30];  
    for (int i = 0; i < 30; i++)  
        arr[i] = '*';
```

ESI

EBP - 30

Can we do: error!  
~~mov esi, OFFSET [ebp-30]~~

ESP →

EBP →

System Stack

[EBP - 32]

....

[EBP]

old EBP

[EBP + 4]

return @

...

# LEA Visualization

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```

ESI

EBP - 30

Can we do:  
mov esi, ebp-30?

ESP →

EBP →

System Stack

[EBP - 32]

\* \* \* \*

....

[EBP]

old EBP

[EBP + 4]

return @

...

...

# LEA: Another Example

```
struct Point {  
    int xcoord; four  
    int ycoord; six  
};
```

```
ebx      eax  
     ↕  
int y = points[i].ycoord;
```

```
int *p = &points[i].ycoord;
```

; right side is "effective address"  
mov edx, [ebx + 8 \* eax + 4]  
  
lea esi, [ebx + 8 \* eax + 4] ;addr in esi