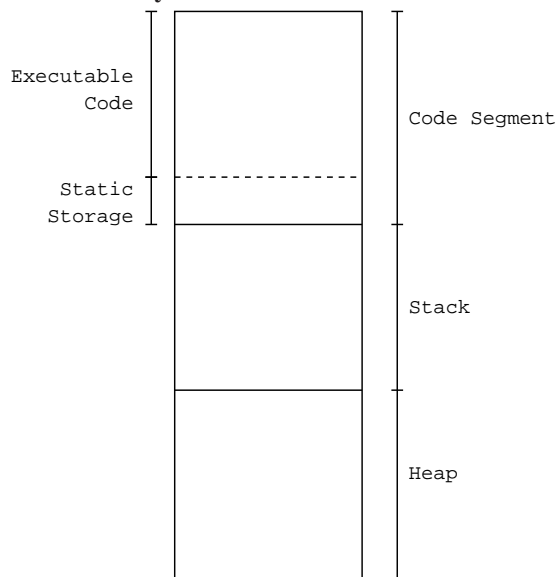


11-0: Memory

- Three places in memory that a program can store variables
 - Call stack
 - Heap
 - Code segment

11-1: Memory**11-2: Memory**

- Three places in memory that a program can store variables
 - Call stack
 - Local Variables
 - Heap
 - Dynamically allocated variables
 - (Most of the variables in Java)
 - Code segment
 - Static variables

11-3: Static Storage

- If a variable is declared static, there is only one instance of the variable
- Variable is typically stored in the code segment, not the stack or the heap
 - Why?

11-4: Static Storage

- If a variable is declared static, there is only one instance of the variable

- Variable is typically stored in the code segment, not the stack or the heap
 - Stack storage is too transient
 - Using the code segment guarantees a single instance of the variable

11-5: Static Storage

```
class StaticVars {
    int x;
    static int y;
}
void main() {
    StaticVars SV1 = new StaticVars();
    StaticVars SV2 = new StaticVars();

    SV1.x = 1;
    SV1.y = 2;
    SV2.x = 3;
    SV2.y = 4;

    print(SV1.x);
    print(SV1.y);
    print(SV2.x);
    print(SV2.y);
}
```

11-6: Static Storage

```
class StaticVars {
    int x;
    static int y;
}
void main() {
    StaticVars SV1 = new StaticVars();
    StaticVars SV2 = new StaticVars();

    SV1.x = 1;
    SV1.y = 2;
    SV2.x = 3;
    SV2.y = 4;

    print(SV1.x);
    print(SV1.y);
    print(SV2.x);
    print(SV2.y);
}
```

Output: 1 4 3 4 11-7: **simpleJava Static Storage**

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11-8: simpleJava Static Storage

- What do we need to do to implement static storage in simpleJava?
- Looking at each portion of the compiler in turn:
 - Lexical Analysis – what needs to be done?

11-9: simpleJava Static Storage

- Lexical Analysis
 - Add a new keyword “static” to the language
 - – Add “static” token

11-10: simpleJava Static Storage

- Parsing & Building AST

11-11: simpleJava Static Storage

- Parsing & Building AST
 - Add a “static” tag to the AST for variable declarations (for both statements, and class instance variables)

11-12: **simpleJava Static Storage**

- Semantic Analysis

11-13: **simpleJava Static Storage**

- Semantic Analysis
 - No changes are necessary (apart from changes needed to implement building Abstract Assembly Tree)

11-14: **simpleJava Static Storage**

- Abstract Assembly Tree Generation

11-15: **simpleJava Static Storage**

- Abstract Assembly Tree Generation
 - Add a new field to variable entries – “static” bit
 - Generate code for static variables
 - Need to access variables in the code segment
 - Need to be able to access a “direct address”

11-16: **simpleJava Static Storage**

- Need to access a “direct address”
 - Add an “AddressExp” node to our AAT
 - Single child – assembly language label
 - Represents the memory location at that address

11-17: **simpleJava Static Storage**

```
static int x;
```

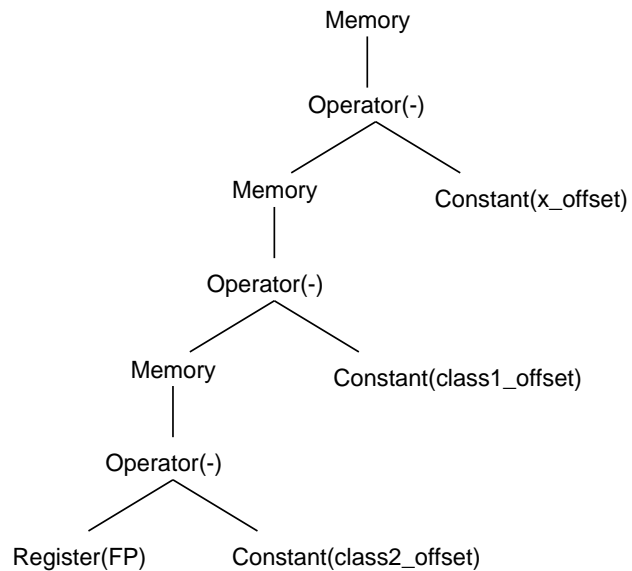
```
Memory
|
AddressExp
|
Label("x001")
```

11-18: **simpleJava Static Storage**

```
class C1 {
    static int y;
    int x;
}
class C2 {
    int a;
    C1 class1;
}
...
C2 class2;
```

AAT for `class2.class1.x?`

11-19: simpleJava Static Storage



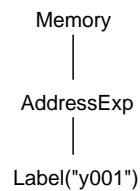
11-20: simpleJava Static Storage

```

class C1 {
    static int y;
    int x;
}
class C2 {
    int a;
    C1 class1;
}
...
C2 class2;
  
```

AAT for `class2.class1.y?`

11-21: simpleJava Static Storage



11-22: simpleJava Static Storage

- Code Generation

11-23: simpleJava Static Storage

- Code Generation
 - Add space to code segment to store static variables
 - Make sure the labels match!!

11-24: Heap-based storage

- There are 2 main memory-allocation dangers associated with heap-based storage
 - Dangling References
 - Memory leaks

11-25: Dangling References

```
int main() {  
    int *a;  
    int *b;  
    a = (int *) malloc(sizeof(int));  
    (*a) = 4;  
    b = a;  
    free b;  
    ...  
}
```

- What happens if we change `(*a)` [`(*a) = ...`]?

11-26: Memory Leaks

```
int main() {  
    int *intPtr;  
    intPtr = (int *) malloc(sizeof(int));  
    intPtr = NULL;  
    ...  
}
```

- Allocated memory that we can't get to – *garbage*
- Eventually, use up heap memory

11-27: Managing the Heap

- Manage the heap to avoid memory leaks and dangling references
 - Give all decisions to the programmer
 - Automatic memory management

11-28: Programmer Controlled

- Advantages
 - Memory management system is less complicated
 - Lower run-time overhead for the memory manager
 - Can manage the memory needs for a specific program more efficiently than a general-purpose memory manager (at least in theory)

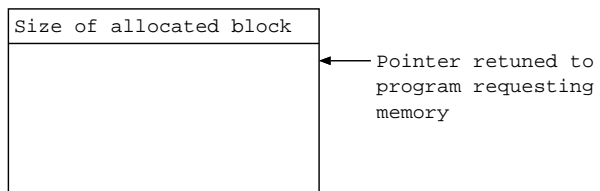
11-29: Free List

- List of all available blocks of memory

- When a request for a block of memory is made, it is removed from the free list
- Deallocated memory is returned to the free list

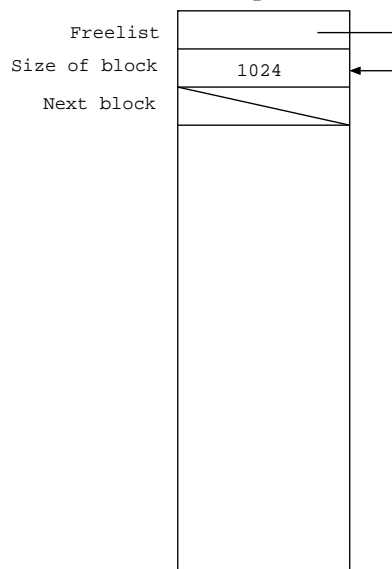
11-30: Free List

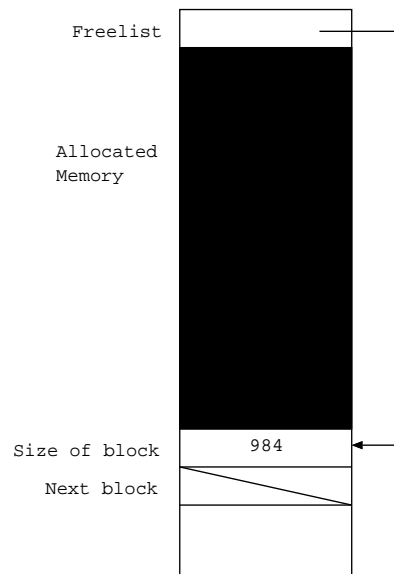
- Housekeeping
 - When a block is requested, allocated slightly more memory than requested.
 - Extra space is used to store header information (for now, just the size of the allocated block)
 - Return a pointer to just *after* the header information

**11-31: Free List Example**

```
class oneElem {
    int x;
}
class twoElem {
    int x;
    int y;
}
```

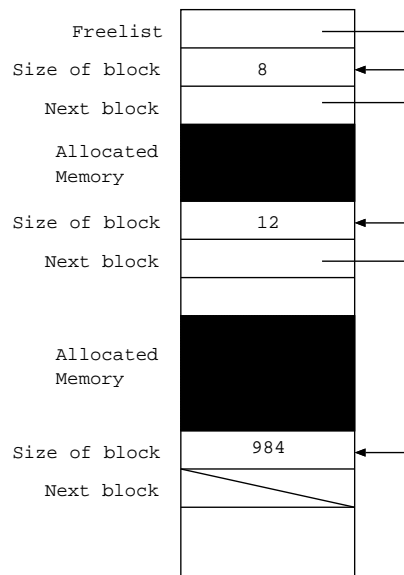
```
oneElem A = new oneElem();
oneElem B = new oneElem();
twoElem C = new twoElem();
twoElem D = new twoElem();
```

11-32: Free List Example

11-33: Free List Example**11-34: Free List Example**

```
class oneElem {  
    int x;  
}  
class twoElem {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
}  
  
oneElem A = new oneElem();  
oneElem B = new oneElem();  
twoElem C = new twoElem();  
twoElem D = new twoElem();  
delete A;  
delete C;
```

11-35: Free List Example



11-36: Free List Example

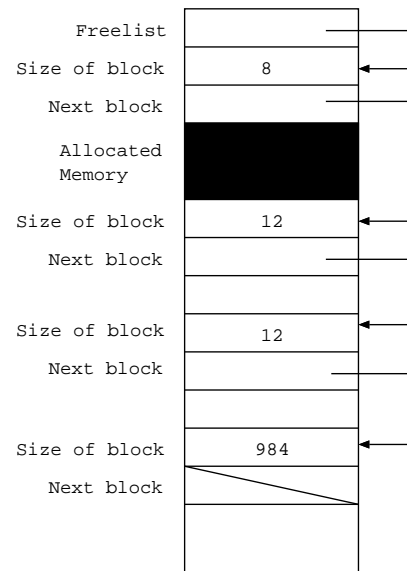
```

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}
class twoElem {
    int x;
    int y;
}

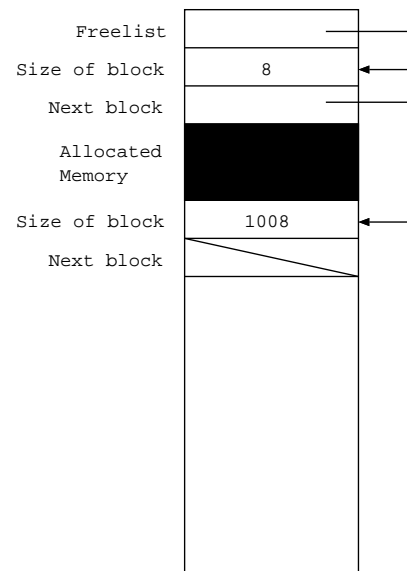
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twoElem C = new twoElem();
twoElem D = new twoElem();
delete A;
delete C;
delete D;

```

11-37: Free List Example



11-38: Free List Example



11-39: First Fit

- When there are several blocks to choose from on the free list, which do we use to fulfill a memory request?
- First Fit
 - Return the first block that is large enough

11-40: First Fit

```

class smallClass {
    int x;
}
void main() {
    int i;
    smallClass A[] = new smallClass[3000];
    smallClass B[] = new smallClass[3000];
    for (i=0; i<3000; i++)
        B[i] = new smallClass();
    for (i=0; i<3000; i = i + 2)

```

```
        delete B[i];  
        delete A;  
  
        /* Point A */  
        for (i=0; i<3000; i = i + 2)  
            B[i] = new smallClass();  
  
        /* Point B */  
    }
```

11-41: First Fit

- At Point A:

**11-42: First Fit**

- At Point B:

**11-43: First Fit**

- Plenty of space on the heap
- Divided into small blocks – can't service a request for a large block of memory
- Memory *fragmentation*

11-44: **Best Fit**

- When there are several blocks to choose from on the free list, which do we use to fulfill a memory request?
 - First Fit
 - Return the first block that is large enough
 - Best Fit
 - Return the *smallest* block that is large enough

11-45: **Best Fit**

- At Point B (using Best Fit):

11-46: **Best Fit**

- Best Fit will usually lead to less memory fragmentation than first fit
 - Don't "waste" large memory blocks on small requests
 - Large blocks should then be available when needed
- Will Best Fit *always* lead to less memory fragmentation?

11-47: **Best Fit vs First Fit**

```
for (i=0; i<100;i++)
    A[i] = malloc(4);
for (i=0;i<100;i++)
    B[i] = malloc(3);

for (i=0;i<100;i+=2)
    free(A[i]);
for (i=0;i<100;i+=2)
    free(B[i]);

for (i=0; i<100; i++)
    C[i] = malloc(2);
```

11-48: **Segregated Free List**

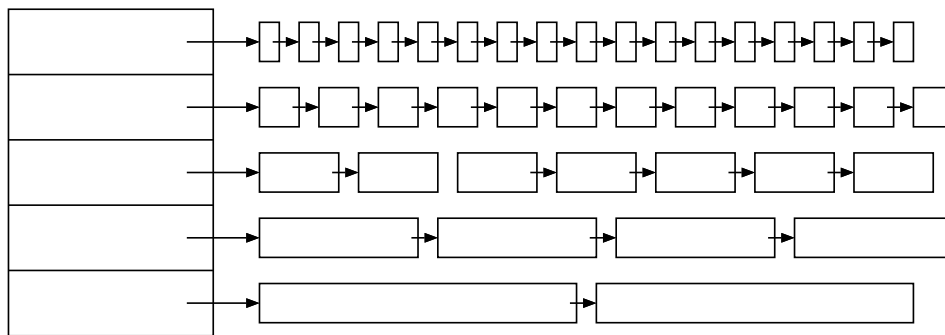
- Fragmentation problems caused by differing block sizes
- Remove the problem by having all blocks be the same size (like lisp)
 - Can't make all blocks the same size
 - Can use a limited # of standard block sizes

11-49: **Segregated Free List**

- Memory can only be allocated in set block sizes
 - Typically powers of 2 – 2 words, 4 words, 8 words, etc
- Separate free list maintained for each block size
- When a request is made, the smallest block that can service the request is returned.

11-50: **Segregated Free List**

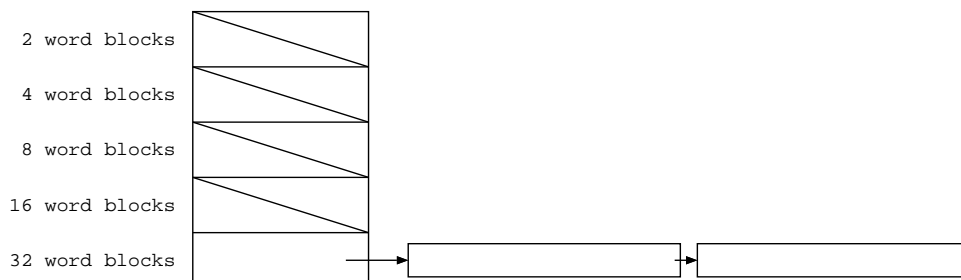
Free List Array

11-51: **Segregated Free List**

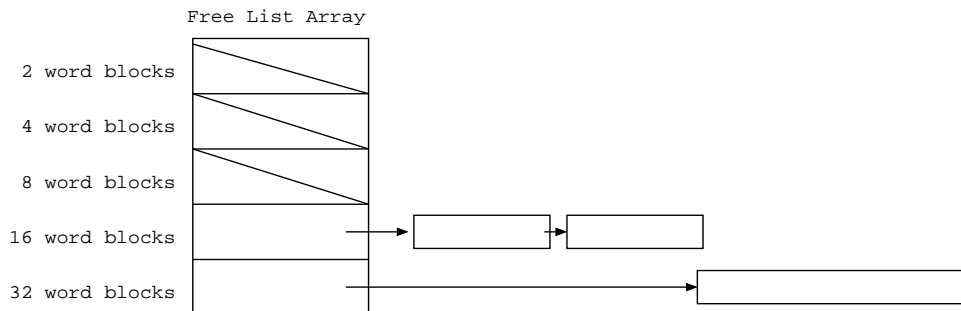
- Initially, all heap memory is placed in the largest block list
- If a request is made for a block of memory of size 2^k , and list k is empty:
 - Split a block from list $k + 1$ into two blocks of size 2^k
 - Add these two blocks to list k
 - List k is no longer empty – can service the request

11-52: **Segregated Free List**

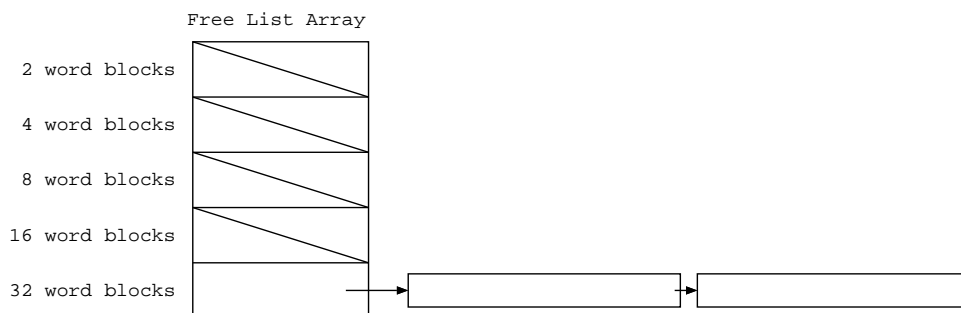
Free List Array



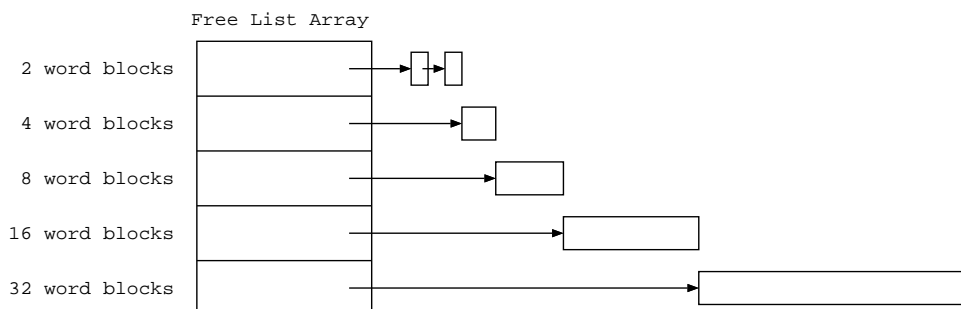
A request for a block of size 16 is made 11-53: **Segregated Free List**



11-54: **Segregated Free List**



A request for a block of size 2 is made 11-55: **Segregated Free List**



11-56: **Garbage Collection**

- Giving the user control of deallocation has problems:
 - Writing programs that properly deallocate memory is *hard*
 - Often, there are many pointers to the same block of memory (much like your current project!)
 - It can be difficult to determine when a block of memory should be freed
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- Solution – don't let programmer control deallocation!

11-58: Garbage Collection

- Don't allow programmer to deallocate any memory
- Garbage will collect
- Periodically collect the accumulated garbage, and return it to the free list

11-59: Mark & Sweep

- When Garbage Collection routine is invoked:
 - Mark all heap memory that is reachable by the program
 - Need to add a “mark” bit to each block of memory – can use the header
 - Sweep through the entire block of memory, moving unmarked blocks to the free list

11-60: Mark Phase

```
for each pointer P on the stack
  mark(P)
```

```
mark(P) {
  if ((P is not null) and (mark bit of Mem[P] is not set))
    set mark bit of Mem[P]
  for each pointer Q in the block Mem[p]
    mark(Q)
}
```

11-61: Mark & Sweep

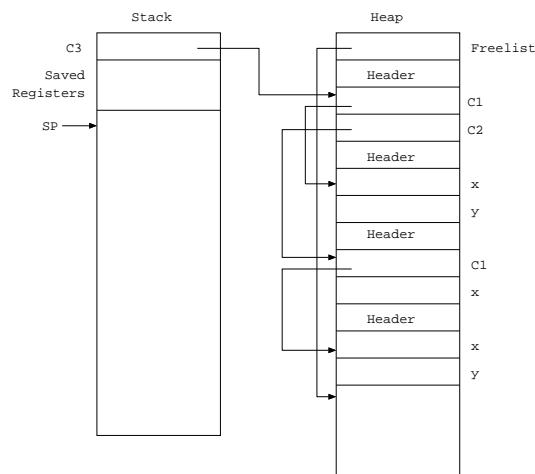
```
class Class1 {
  int x;
  int y;
}

class Class2 {
  Class1 C1;
  int x;
}

class Class3 {
  Class1 C1;
  Class2 C2;
}

Class3 C3 = new Class3();
C3.C1 = new Class1();
C3.C2 = new Class2();
C3.C2.C1 = new Class1();
```

11-62: Mark & Sweep



11-63: Mark & Sweep

```

class Class1 {
    int x;
    int y;
}

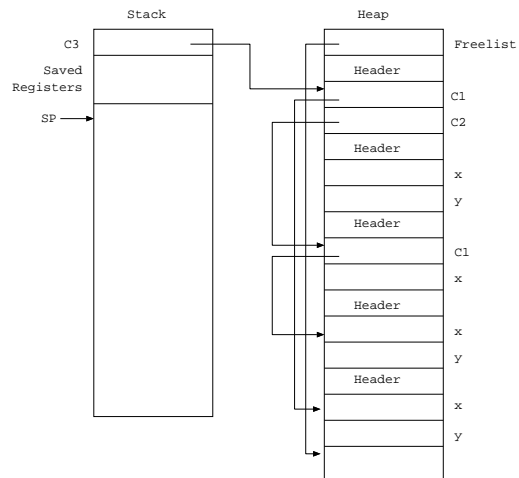
class Class2 {
    Class1 C1;
    int x;
}

class Class3 {
    Class1 C1;
    Class2 C2;
}

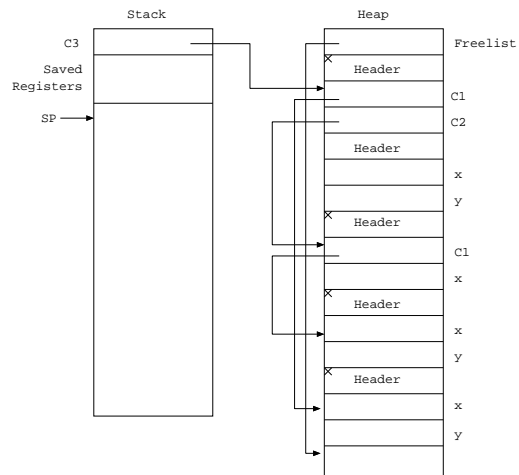
Class3 C3 = new Class3();
C3.C1 = new Class1();
C3.C2 = new Class2();
C3.C2.C1 = new Class1();
C3.C1 = new Class1();

```

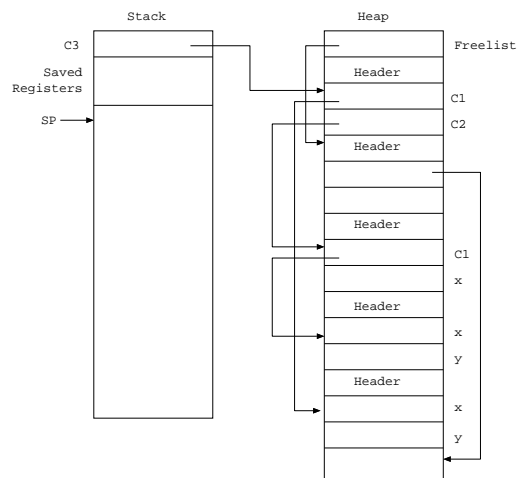
11-64: Mark & Sweep



11-65: Mark & Sweep



11-66: Mark & Sweep



11-67: Whither Pointers?

- In order for the Mark phase to work correctly, we need to know which memory locations are pointers, and which are not
 - Tag pointers
 - Assume that any value that *might* be a pointer *is* a pointer (*Conservative* garbage collection)
 - Create tables that store memory locations of all pointers

11-68: Tagging Pointers

- If we wish to tag pointers themselves, we have two options:
 - Tag the pointer itself (high order bits)
 - Store tag in preceding word

11-69: Tagging Pointers

- Tag the pointer itself (high order bits)
 - If the high order bits are 11, then the memory location represents a pointer
 - If the high order bits are 00, 01, or 10, then the memory location represents an integer or boolean value
- Using 32-bit words, only 30 bits will be available for pointer values
 - Need to strip the tag before pointers can be dereferenced
- Using 32-bit words, slightly more than 31 bits are available for integer values (very large negative values prohibited)

11-70: Tagging Pointers

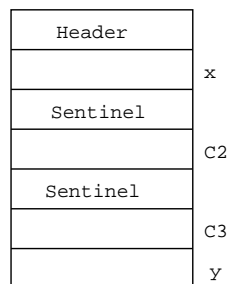
- Store tag in preceding word
 - Set aside a specific bit pattern as a sentinel value (something like -MAXINT)
 - Every pointer requires 2 words of storage – word for the sentinel, and a word for the pointer itself

11-71: Tagging Pointers


```

class Class1 {
    int x;
    Class2 C2;
    Class3 C3;
    boolean y;
}

```



11-72: Conservative GC

- Assume that every memory location that *could* be a pointer *is* a pointer
- The integer y will be considered a pointer if:
 - Heap addresses are in the range LOW .. HIGH, and $\text{LOW} \leq y \leq \text{HIGH}$
 - The memory location y is the beginning of an allocated block

11-73: Conservative GC

- Every memory block on the heap that is pointed to by something on the stack will be marked
 - No dangling references
- Some memory blocks on the heap that are *not* pointed to by something on the stack *may* be marked
 - May have some uncollected garbage
- Since no extra information (tagged pointers, etc.) is needed, Conservative Garbage Collectors can be run on languages not designed with garbage collection in mind (i.e., C)

11-74: Pointer Tables

- Create a table for each function & class, which keeps track of where the pointers are in that function or class
 - This can be done at compile time
- Each function & class will need a “kind” field, to store what kind of function or class it is (classes will need a “kind” field anyway, if we want instanceof to work)

11-75: Pointer Tables

```

class ClassA {
    int w;
    int x;
}
class ClassB {
    int y;
    ClassA C1;
    ClassA C2;
    int z;
}
void main() {
    int a;
}

```

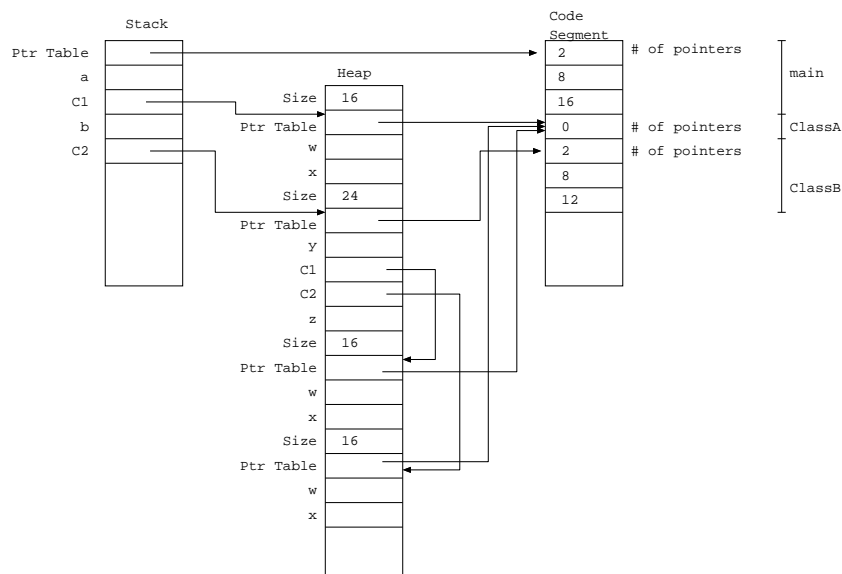
```

ClassA C1;
int b;
ClassB C2;
C1 = new ClassA();
C2 = new ClassB();
C2.C1 = new ClassA();
C2.C2 = new ClassA();

/* Body of main */
}

```

11-76: Pointer Tables



11-77: Reference Counts

- Each block of allocated memory contains a count of how many pointers point to it
- Each time a pointer appears on the LHS of an assignment:
 - Count of what the pointer *used* to point to is decremented
 - Count of what the pointer *now* points to is incremented
- When a count hits zero, add block back to free list

11-78: Reference Count Problems

From the *Jargon File*: (aka *Hacker's Dictionary*)

One day a student came to Moon and said: "I understand how to make a better garbage collector. We must keep a reference count of the pointers to each cons (block of memory)."

Moon patiently told the student the following story:

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