

Sécurité des logiciels

Assembly language, part 3

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Indirect memory accesses

Memory accesses

```
int i = 42;
```



```
i:  
.long 42
```

```
int j = 43;
```



```
j:  
.long 43
```

```
main() {  
    i = 1;
```

```
main:  
    movl $1, i
```

```
    j = i;
```

```
    —movl i, j  
    movl i, %eax  
    movl %eax, j  
    incl j
```

```
    j++;
```

```
ret
```

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```

```
    int *x = &i;
```

```
    movl $i, %eax
```

```
*x = 0;
```

```
    movl $0, (%eax)
```

```
(*x)++;
```

```
    incl (%eax)
```

```
}
```

```
ret
```

Indirect memory accesses

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int i = 42;  
int *x;
```

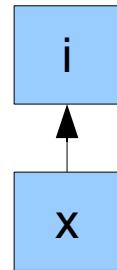
```
main() {  
    i = 1;
```

```
    x = &i;
```

```
*x = 0;
```

```
(*x)++;
```

```
}
```



i:

.long 42

x:

.long 0

main:

movl \$1, i

movl \$i, x

~~movl \$0, (%x)~~

movl x, %eax

movl \$0, (%eax)

incl (%eax)

ret

Indirect memory accesses

```
int t[2] = {1,2};
```



t:

```
.long 1  
.long 2
```

```
main() {  
    t[0] = 3;  
    t[1] = 4;
```

```
main:  
    movl $3, t  
    movl $4, t+4
```

```
    int *x = &t[1];
```

```
    movl $t+4, %eax
```

```
    *x = 0;
```

```
    movl $0, (%eax)
```

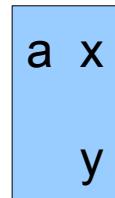
```
    (*x)++;
```

```
    incl (%eax)  
    ret
```

```
}
```

Indirect memory accesses

```
struct {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
} a = {.x = 1, .y = 2};
```



```
a:  
.long 1  
.long 2
```

```
main() {  
    a.x = 3;  
    a.y = 4;
```

```
main:  
    movl $3, a  
    movl $4, a+4
```

```
int *x = &a.y;
```

```
movl $a+4, %eax
```

```
*x = 0;
```

```
movl $0, (%eax)
```

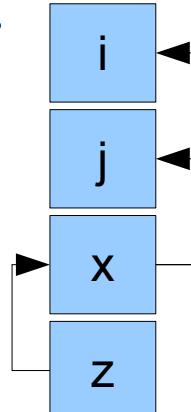
```
(*x)++;
```

```
incl (%eax)  
ret
```

Indirect memory accesses

```
int i = 42, j = 43;
int *x;
int **z;

main() {
    x = &i;
    z = &x;
    [...]
    *z = &j;
}
```



The diagram illustrates the memory layout for the variables defined in the code. It shows four memory locations represented as blue boxes:

- The top box contains the value `i:.long 42`.
- The second box contains the value `j:.long 43`.
- The third box contains the value `x:.long 0`.
- The bottom box contains the value `z:.long 0`.

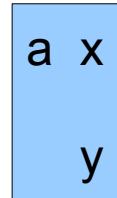
Pointers `x` and `z` are shown pointing to the memory locations of `i` and `x` respectively. Specifically, `x` points to the `i` location, and `z` points to the `x` location.

`main:`

```
    movl $i, x
    movl $x, z
    [...]
    movl z, %eax
    movl $j, (%eax)
    ret
```

Indirect memory accesses

```
struct foo{  
    int x;  
    int y;  
} a = { .x = 1, .y = 2 };  
struct foo *b = ...;
```



```
a: .long 1  
.long 2  
  
b: .long ...
```

```
main() {  
  
    b->x = 41;  
    b->y = 42;  
  
    b->y++;  
}
```

```
main:  
    movl b, %eax  
  
    movl $41, 0(%eax)  
    movl $42, 4(%eax)  
  
    incl 4(%eax)  
    ret
```

Indirect memory accesses

```
int t[10] = {0};
```

```
int *x = ...;
```

```
int i = ...;
```



```
t: .long 0
```

```
...
```

```
x: .long ...
```

```
i: .long ...
```

```
main() {
```

```
    int *p;
```

```
    t[i] = 41;
```

```
    x[2] = 42;
```

```
    x[i] = 43;
```

```
    x[1]++;
}
```

```
    p = &t[i];
}
```

```
    p = &x[i];
}
```

```
main:
```

```
    movl x, %eax
```

```
    movl i, %ebx
```

```
    movl $41, t(,%ebx,4)
```

```
    movl $42, 8(%eax)
```

```
    movl $42, (%eax,%ebx,4)
```

```
    incl 4(%eax)
```

```
    leal t(,%ebx,4), %ecx
```

```
    leal (%eax,%ebx,4), %ecx
```

```
ret
```

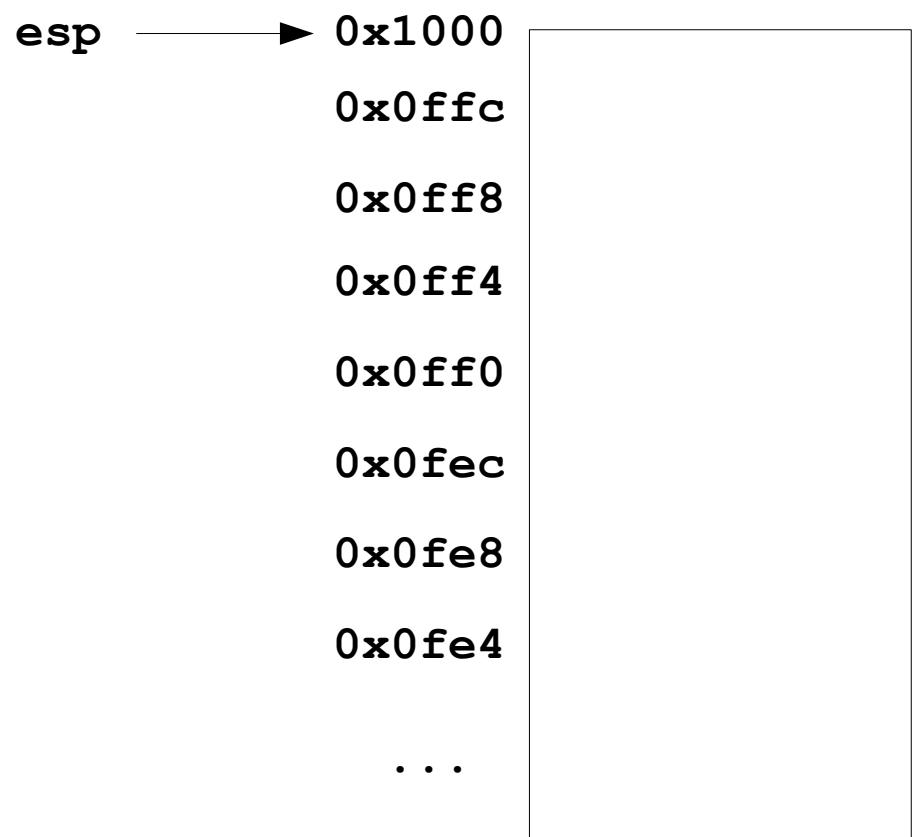
Stack

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LIFO (Last In First Out)

- push
- pop

```
pushl $1  
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popl %eax  
popl %eax  
pushl $333
```

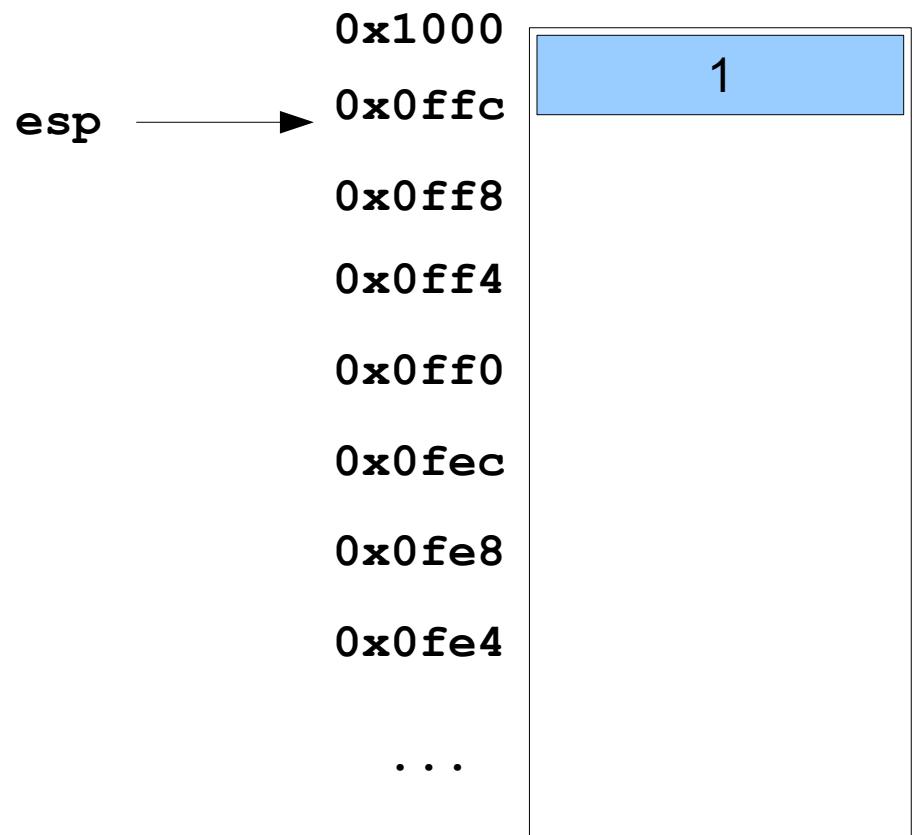


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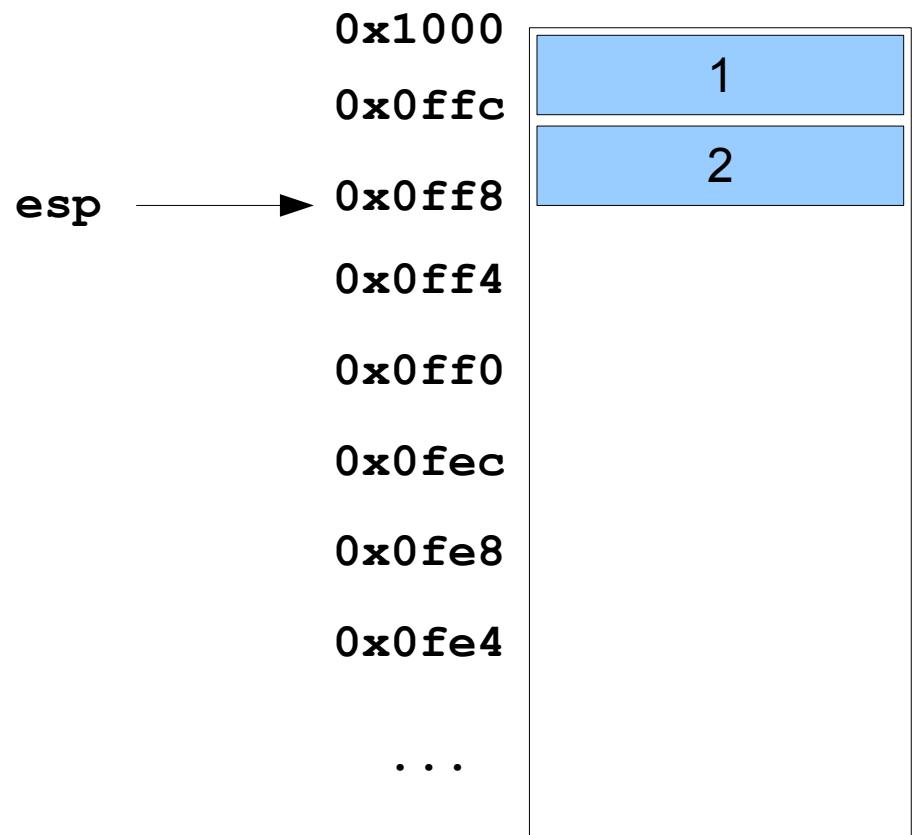


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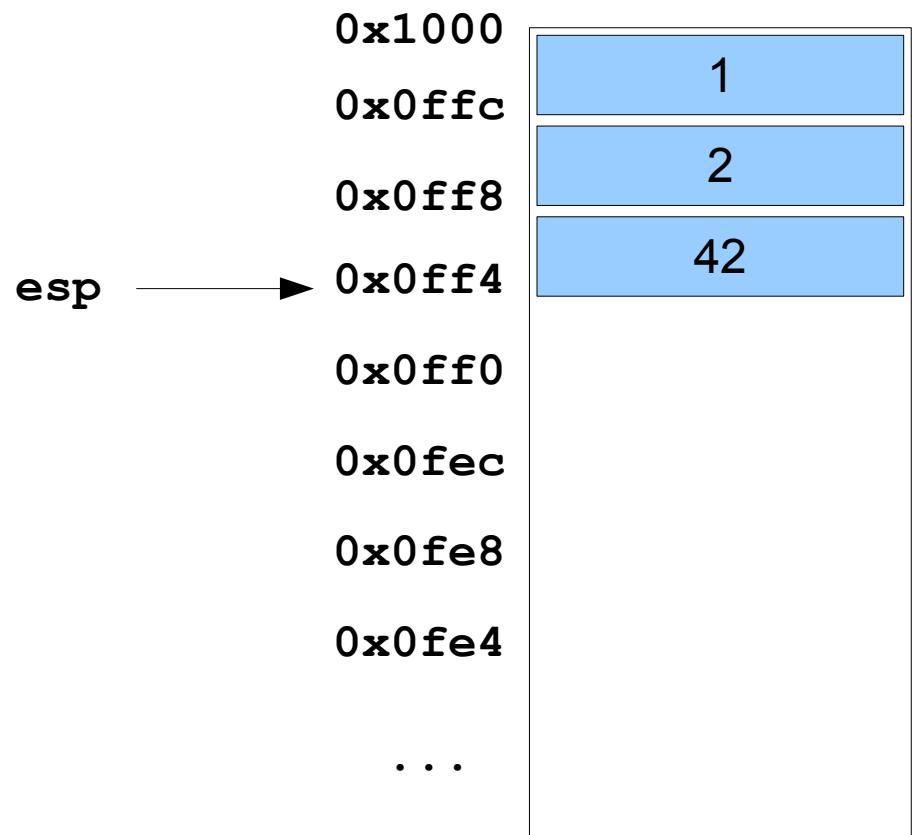


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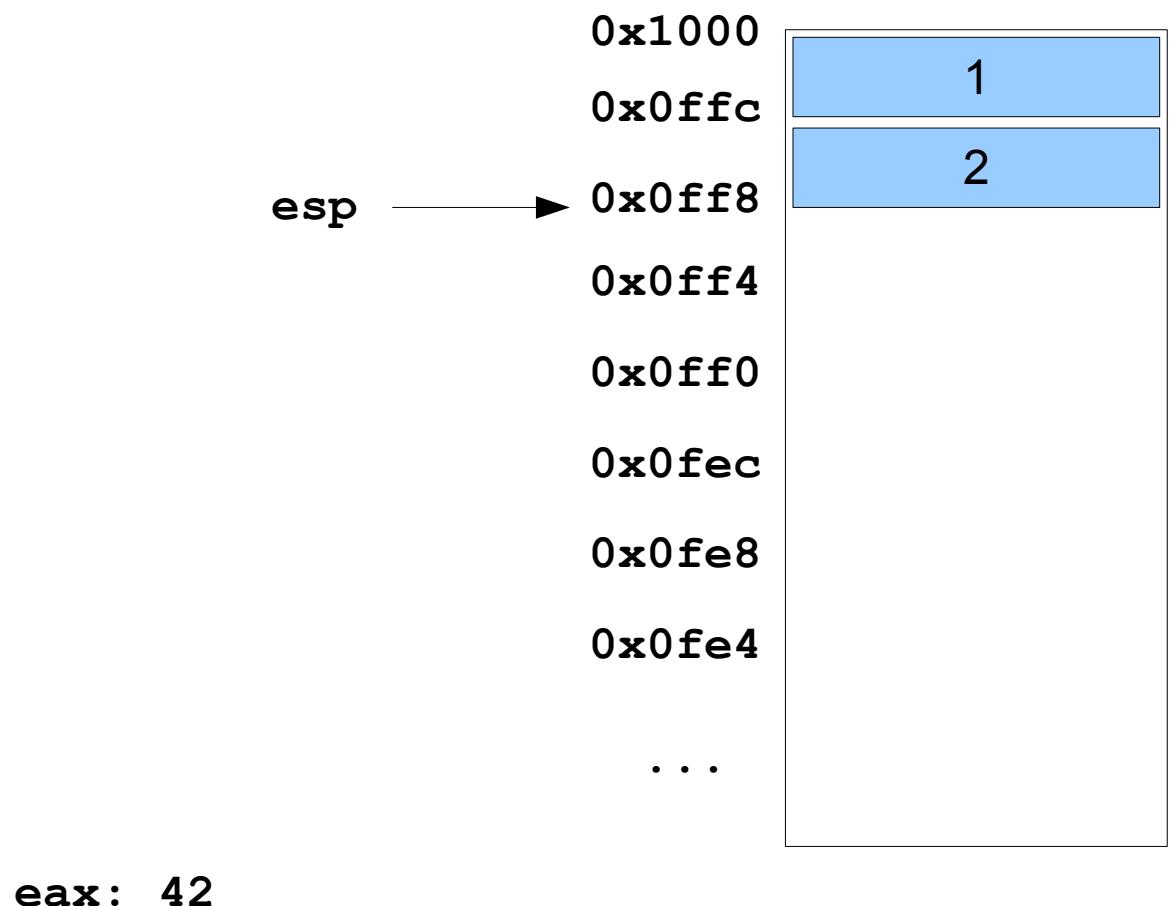


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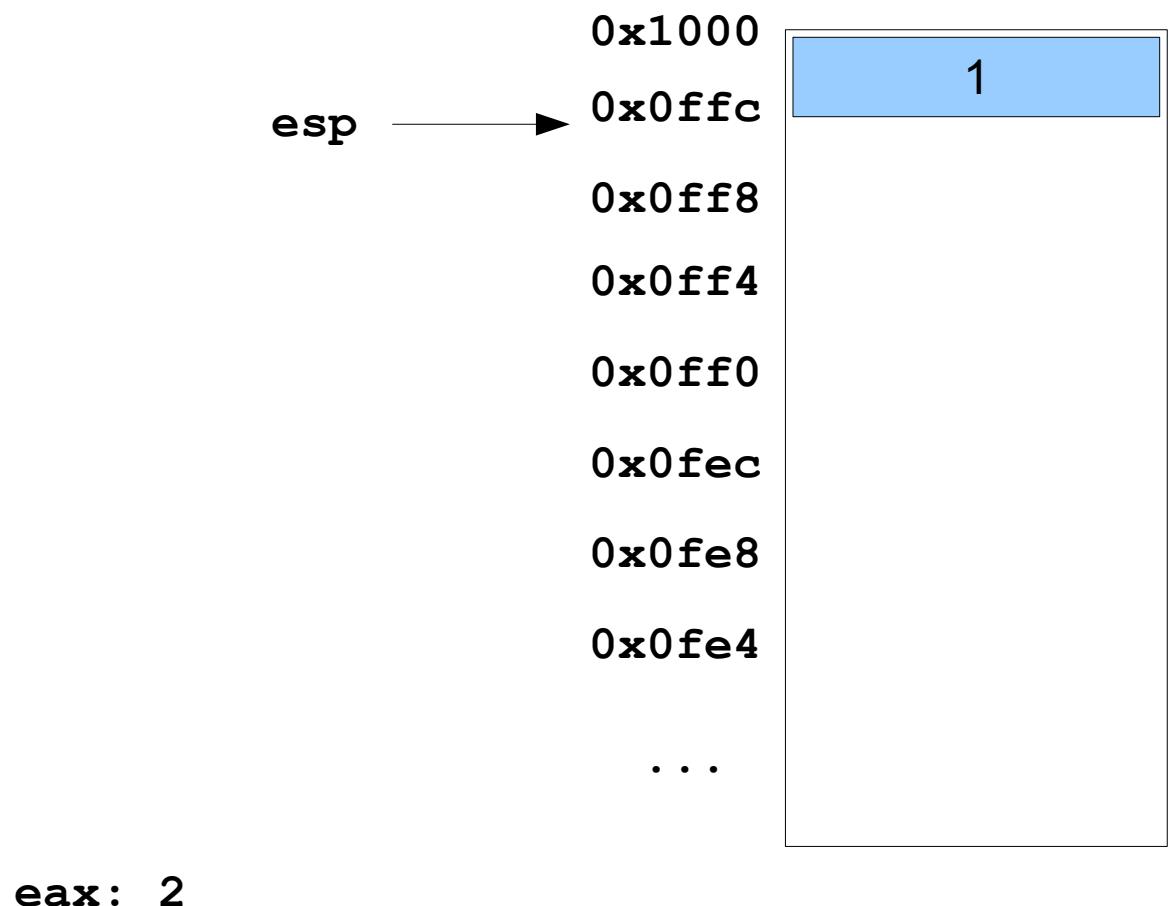


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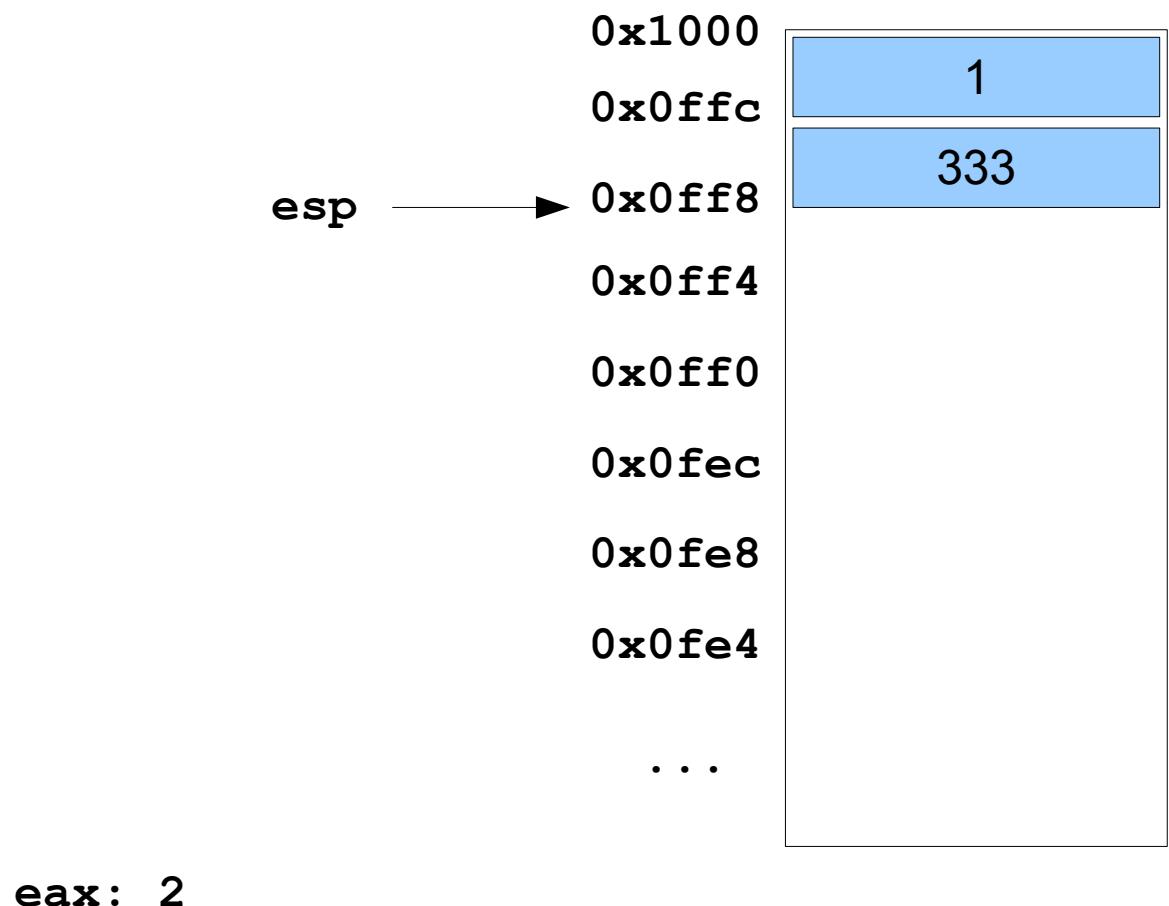


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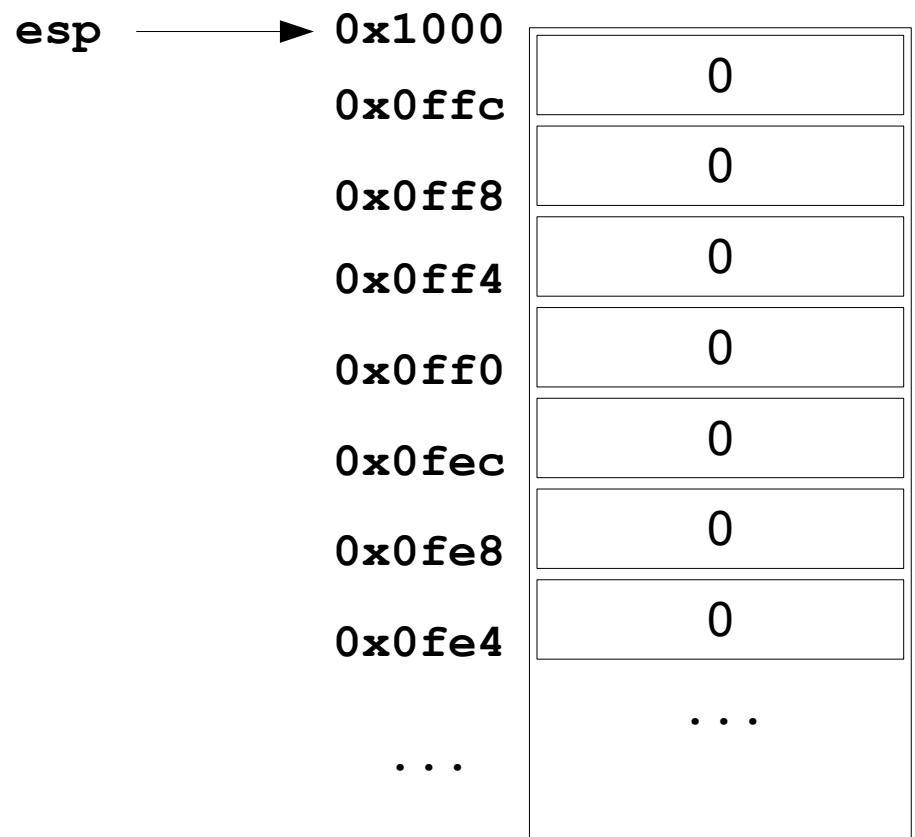


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For real

- initially 0 memory
- no cleanup

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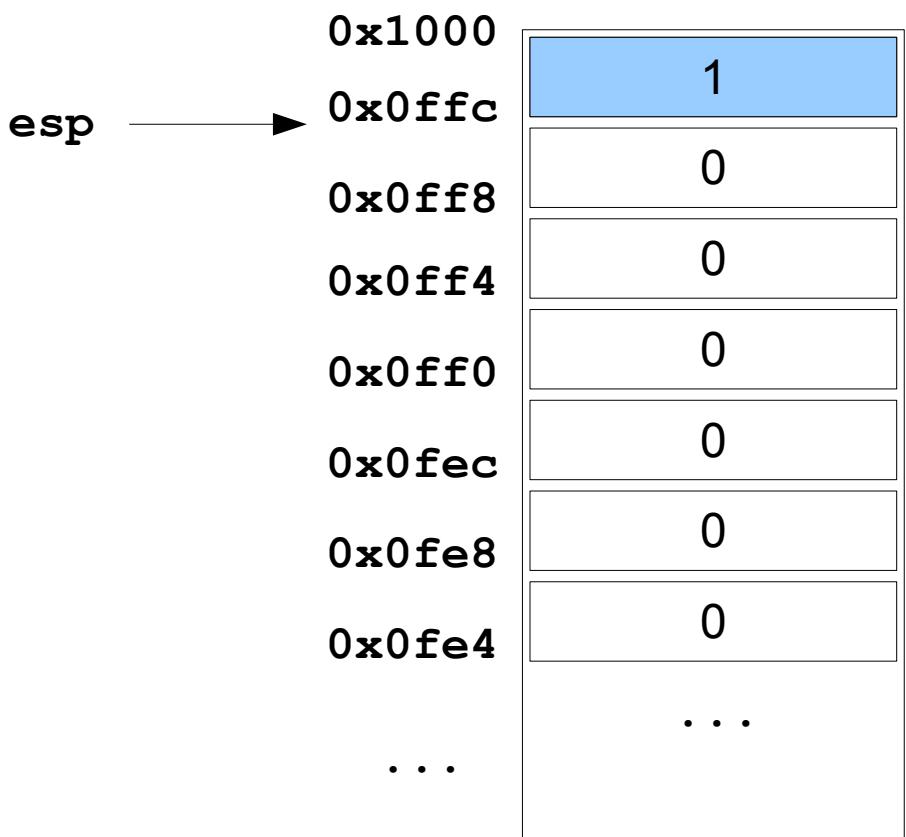


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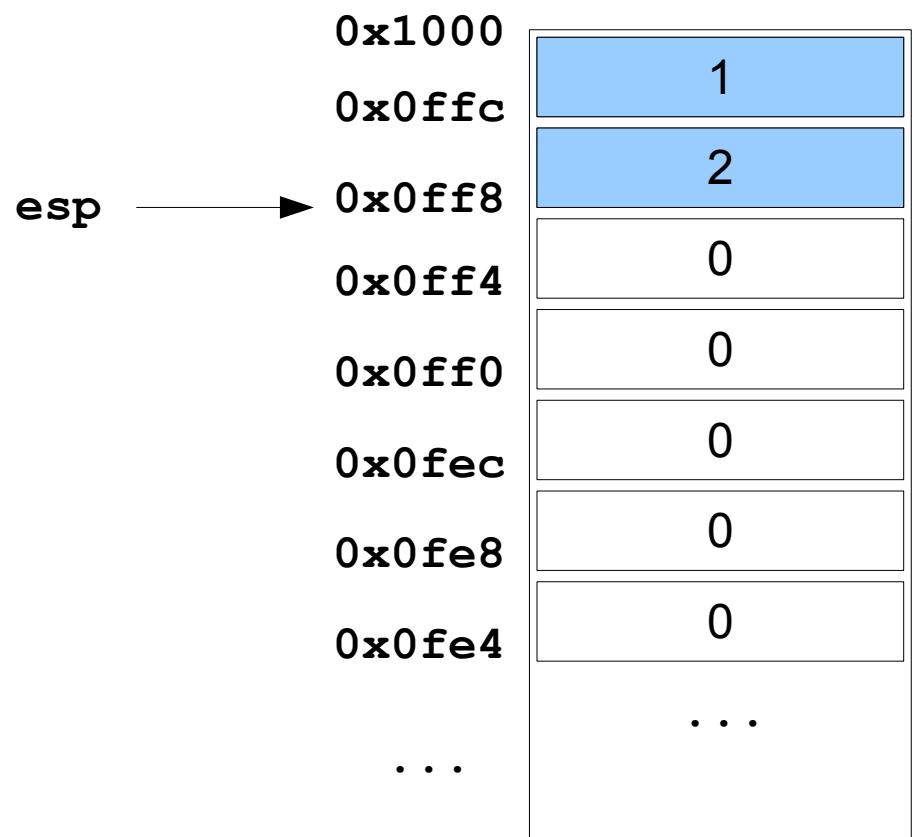


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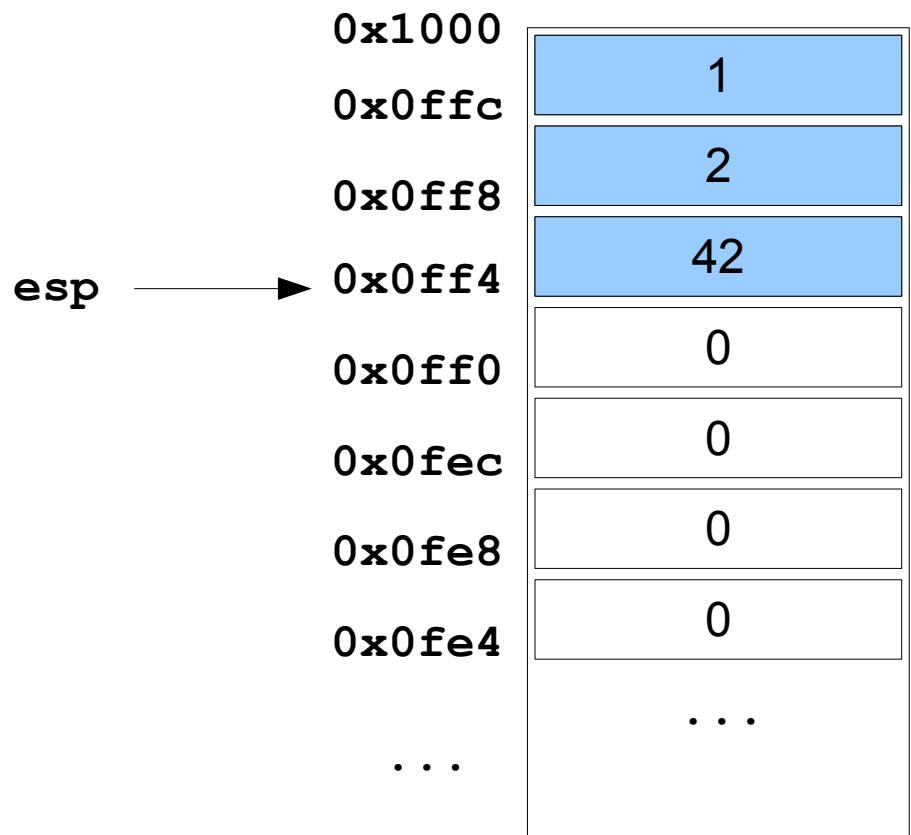


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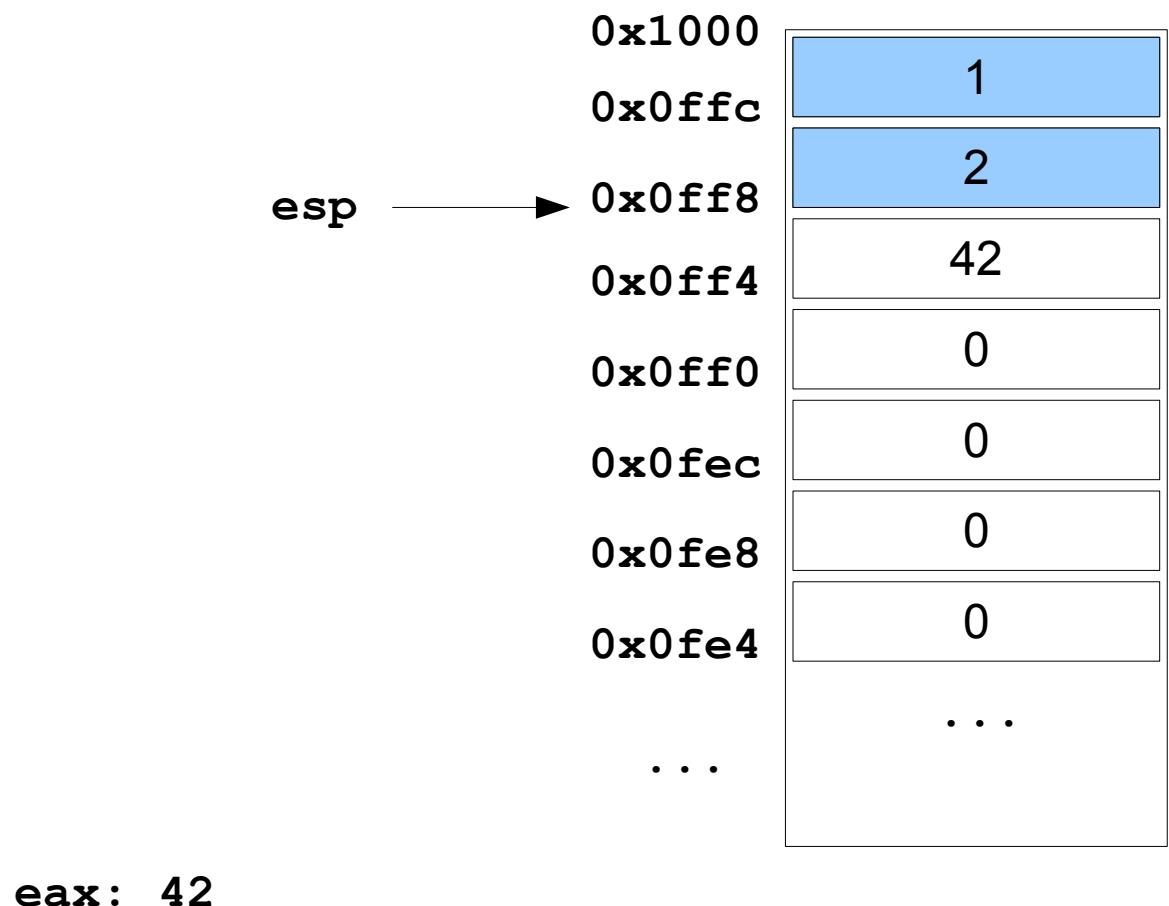


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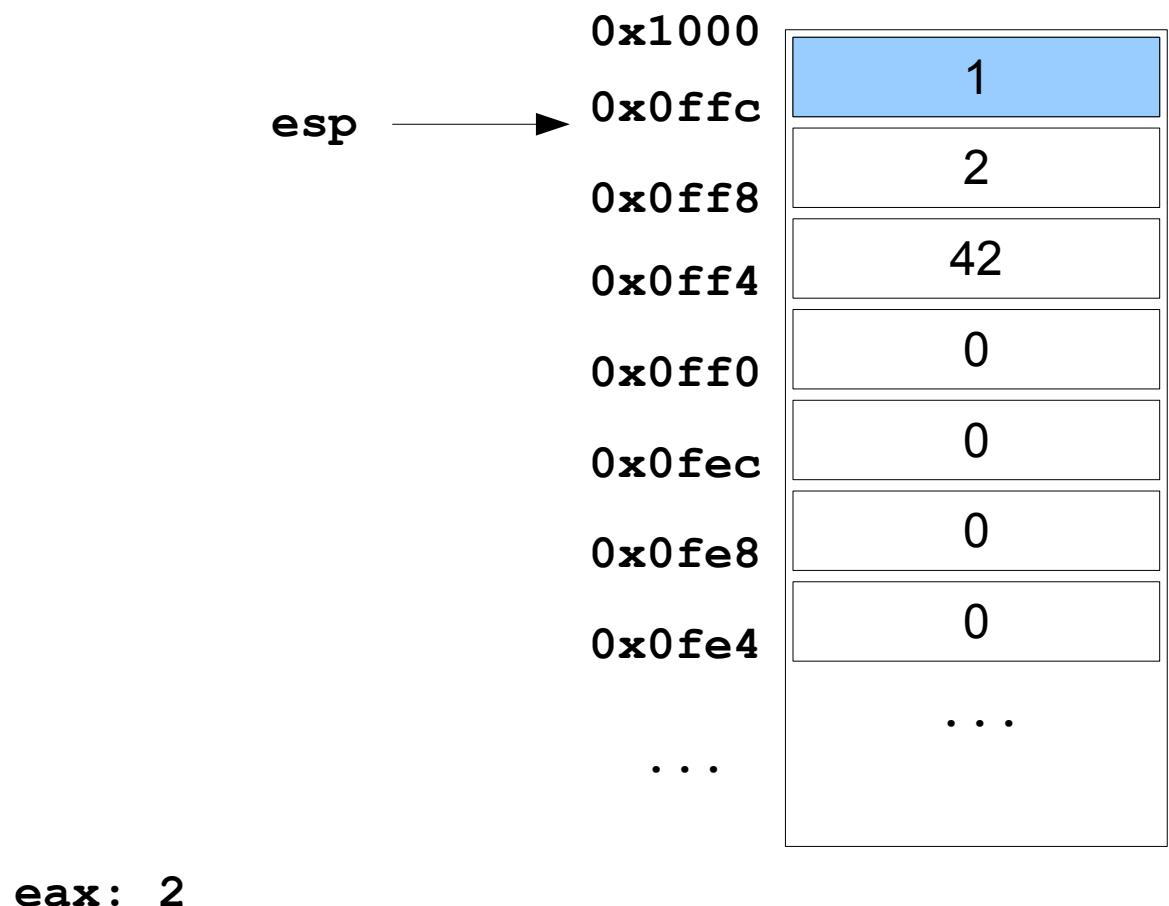


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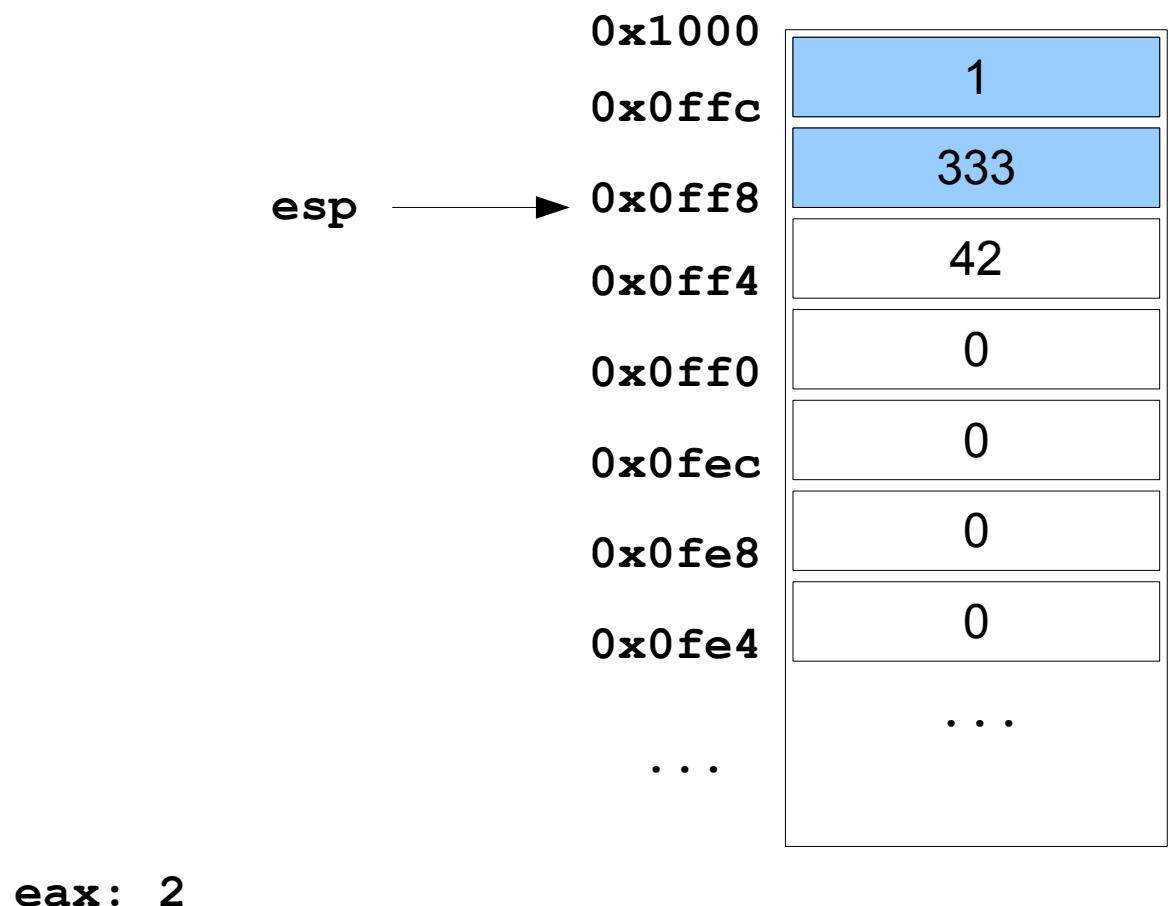


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Indirect indexing

From there

`movl %esp, %eax`

-> 0xff4

`movl (%esp), %eax`

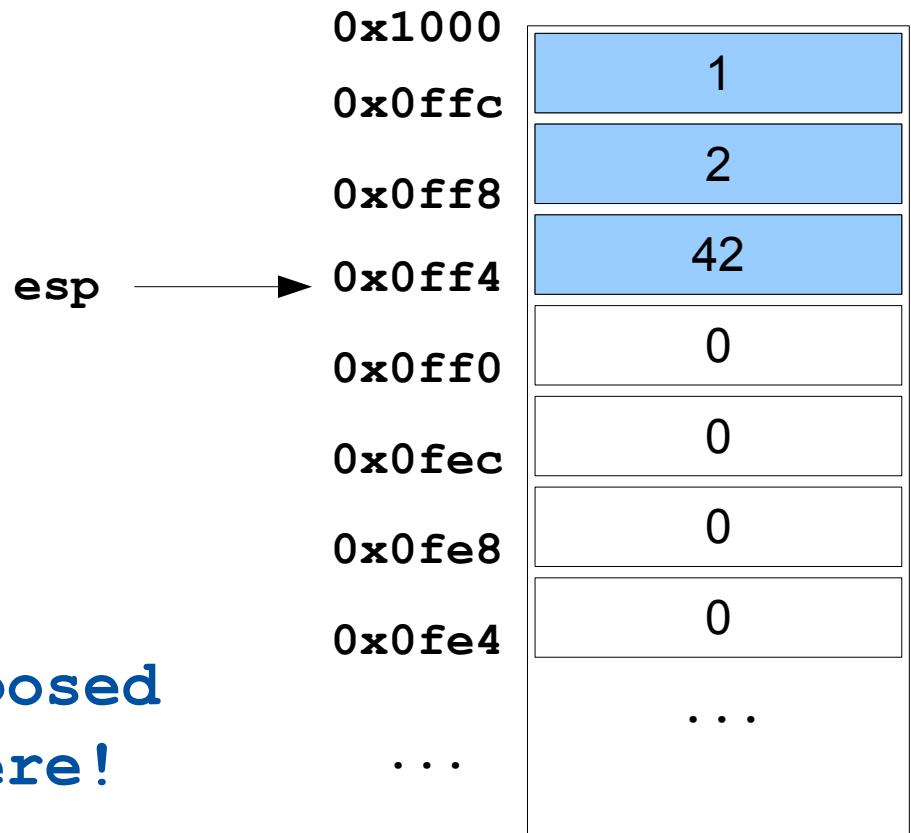
-> 42

`movl 4(%esp), %eax`

-> 2

`movl -4(%esp), %eax`

-> 0 # but not supposed
to access here!



Indirect indexing

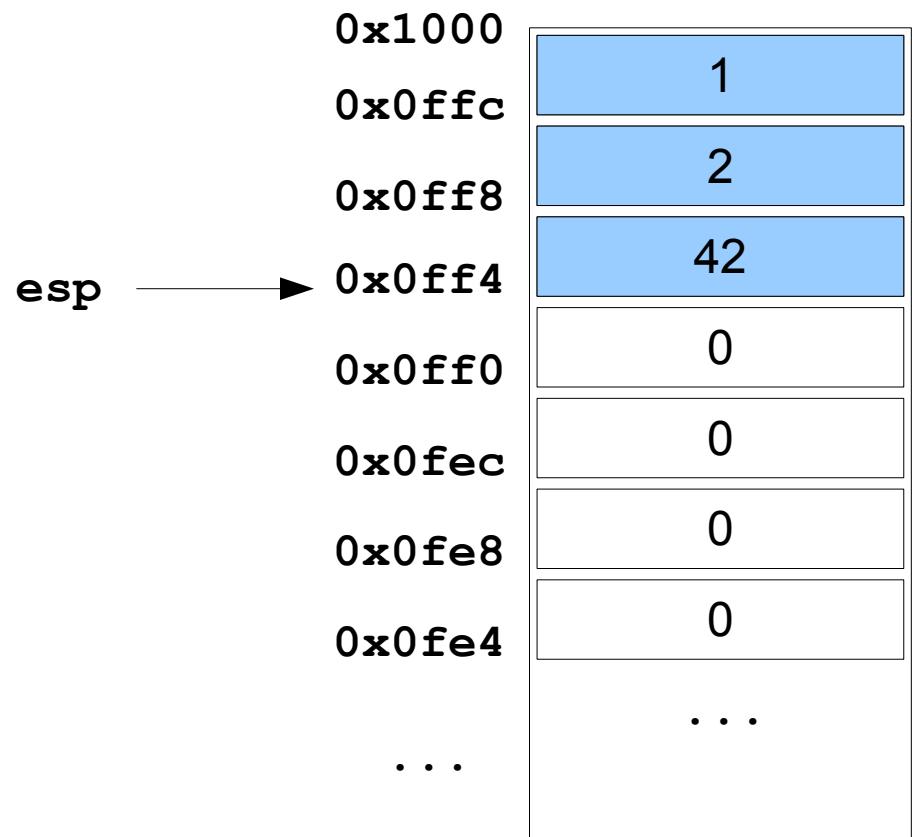
i.e.

pushl \$333

<=>

subl \$4,%esp

movl \$333,(%esp)



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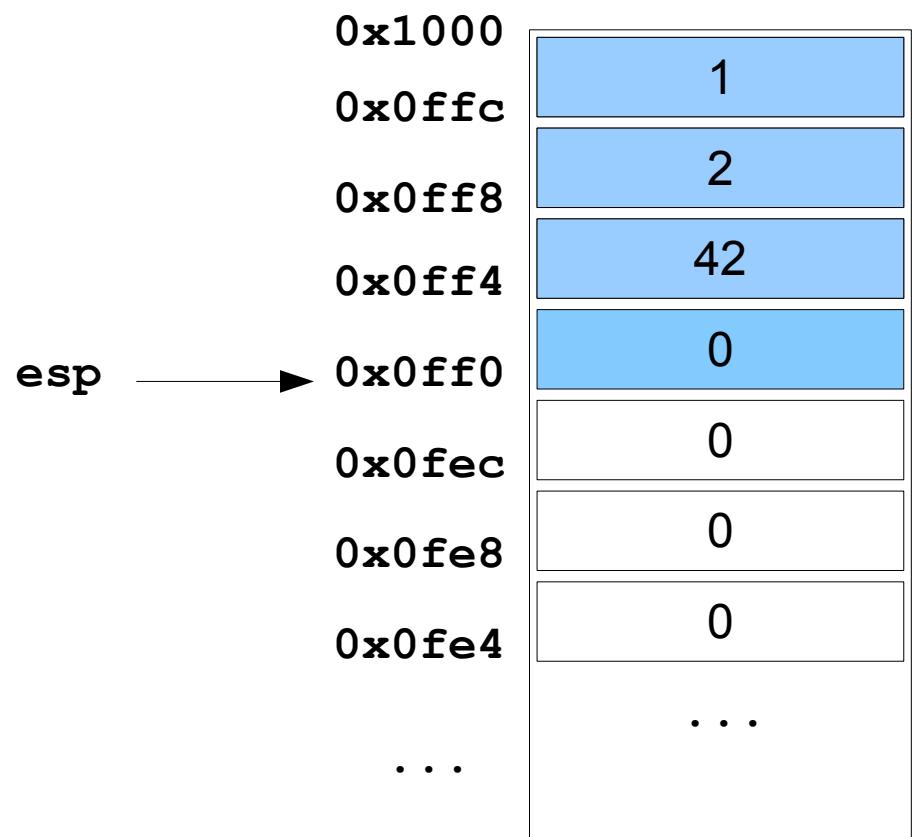
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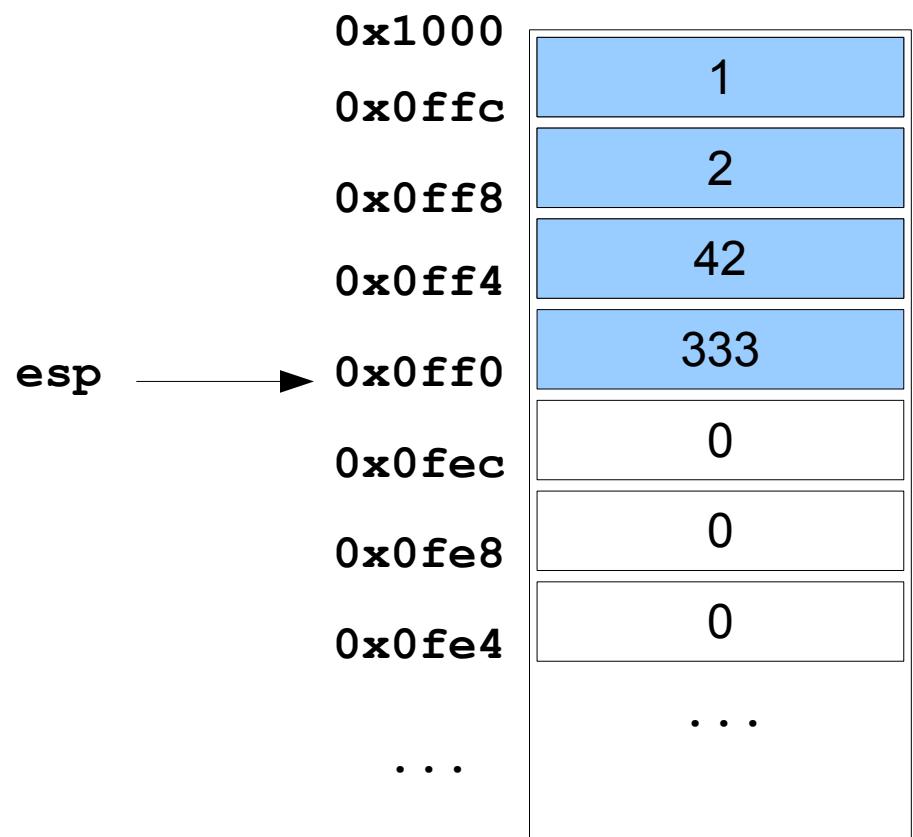
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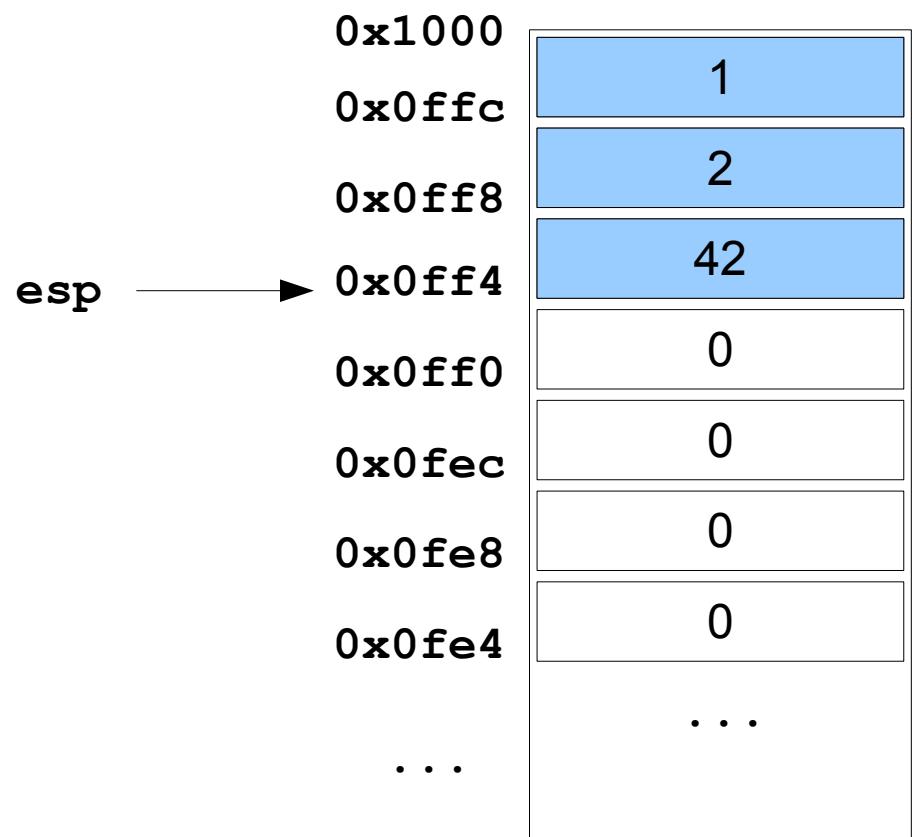
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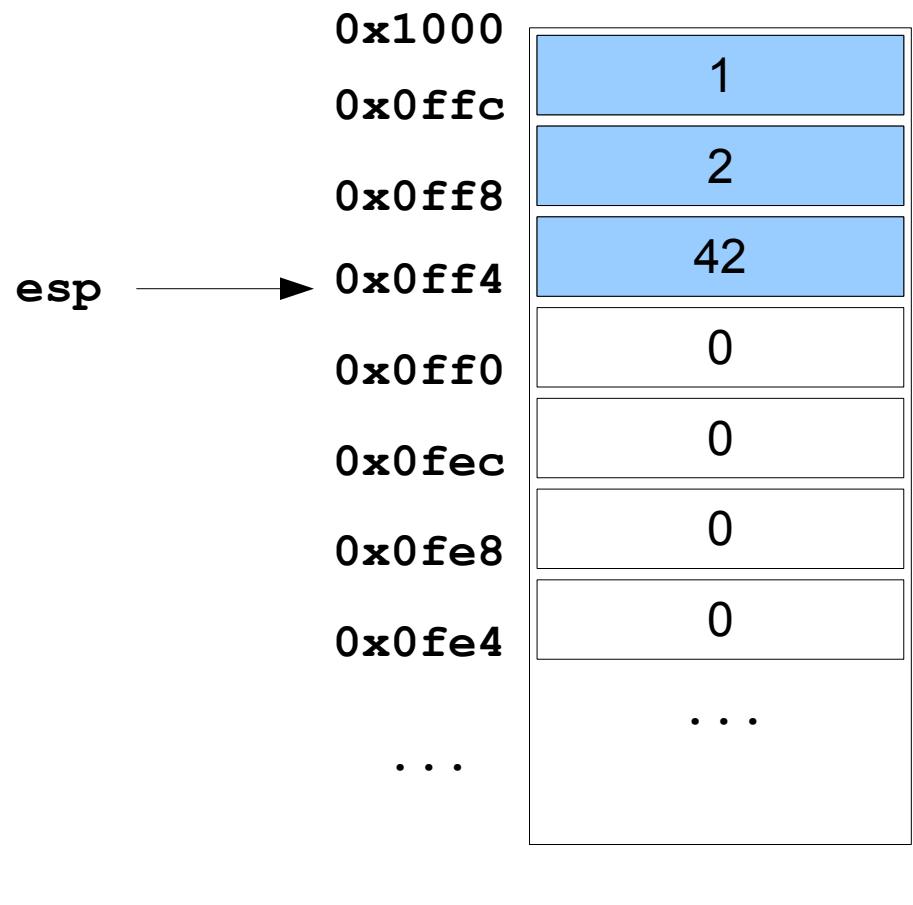
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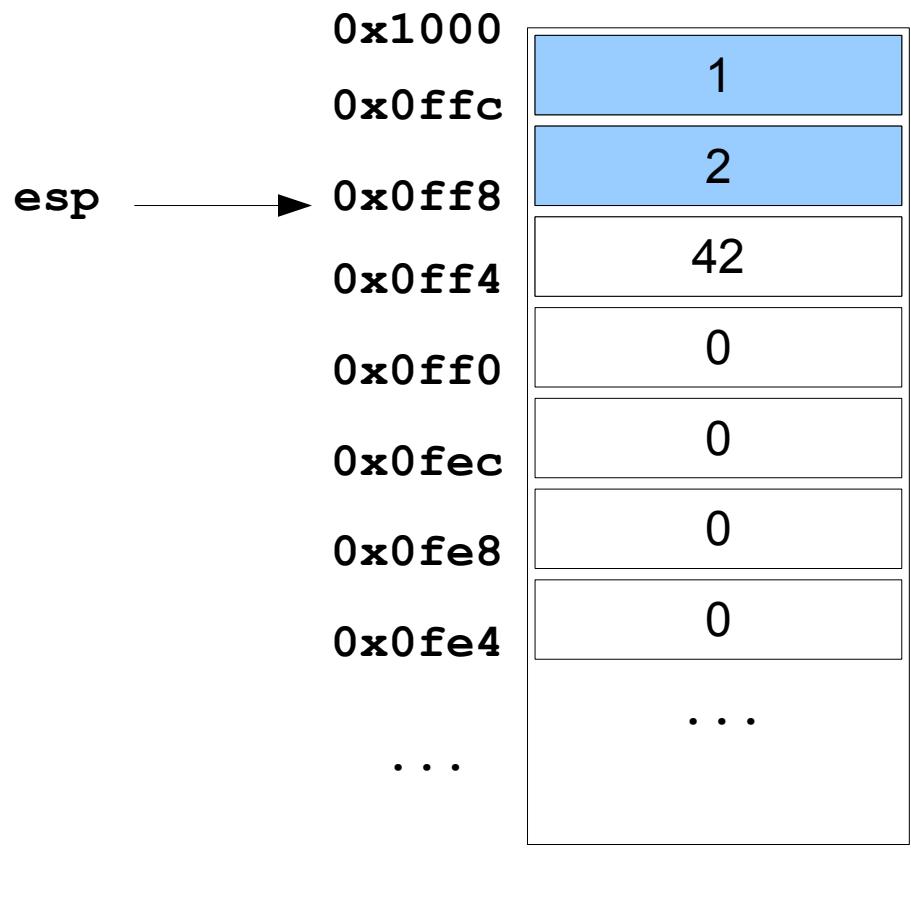
Indirect indexing

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movl (%esp),%eax
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Indirect indexing

And with ebp

```
movl %ebp, %eax  
-> 0xff8  
  
movl (%ebp), %eax  
-> 2  
  
movl 4(%ebp), %eax  
-> 1  
  
movl -4(%ebp), %eax  
-> 42
```

