Assembly Language Lecture Series: X86-64 Rotate Instructions

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x86-64 Rotate Instructions

- **1. ROL** rotate left
- **2. RCL** rotate left thru carry

- **3. ROR** rotate right
- **4. RCR** rotate right thru carry

x86-64 Rotate Instructions: ROL

ROL (Rotate Left)

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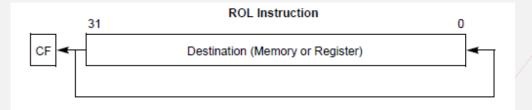
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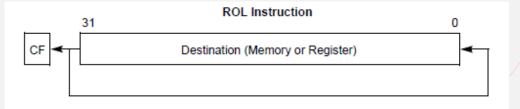
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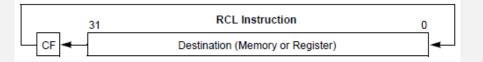
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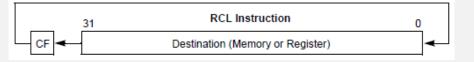
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CF=1
```



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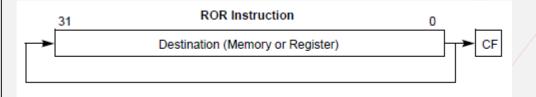
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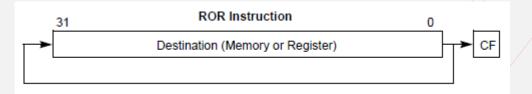
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RCR (Rotate Right thru Carry)

Syntax: RCR dst, count

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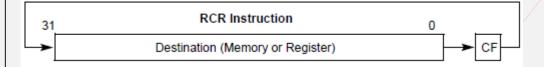
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```
RAX=2123_4567_8876_5432
CF=0
```

