



Flare-On 5: Challenge 12 Solution - Suspicious Floppy Disk

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Background

This challenge is framed as spy tool. You are told that we found a suspicious floppy disk that we suspect was given to spies to transmit secret messages. The spies were given the password but you weren't. You need to figure out the hidden message.

Running the floopy disk

I recommend using the Bochs emulator for this challenge. You can start up a minimal x86 VM and add this disk image as a bootable floppy drive. Plus, the bochs image is directly loadable and debuggable with IDA Pro. If you load the floppy correctly with bochs you will see the screen shown in Figure 1 below.

```
Bochs for Windows - Display
Plex86/Bochs UGABios (PCI) current-cvs 08 Jul 2014
This UGA/UBE Bios is released under the GNU LGPL
Please visit :
   http://bochs.sourceforge.net
   http://www.nongnu.org/vgabios
Bochs UBE Display Adapter enabled
Bochs BIOS - build: 02/16/17
$Revision: 13073 $ $Date: 2017-02-16 22:43:52 +0100 (Do, 16. Feb 2017) $
Options: apmbios pcibios pnpbios eltorito rombios32
Press F12 for boot menu.
Booting from Floppy...
Starting...
A:\>infohelp.exe
Enter the password to receive the message:
CTRL + 3rd button enables mouse
                         IPS: 30.964M A: NUM CAPS SCRL
```





Figure 1: Bochs Initial Bootup

Before we attempt to look closer at the contents of the floopy disk we can determine that the program that is launched in the boot sequence that appears to be prompting for the password is named infohelp.exe. If you hit Ctrl-C here it will terminate the batch job (autoexec.bat) and return you to the command prompt. Using the DIR command here will show you the list of files as shown in Figure 2 below.

```
Volume in drive A has no label
Volume Serial Number is 2A87-6CE1
Directory of A:\
COMMAND
         COM
                     93,040
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
DISPLAY
         SYS
                     17,175
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
EGA
         CPI
                     58,870
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
EGA2
         CPI
                     58,870
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
EGA3
         CPI
                     58,753
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
KEYB
         COM
                     21,607
                              04-18-05
                                         3:04a
EYBOARD SYS
                     34,566
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
         SYS
EYBRD2
                     31,942
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
KEYBRD3
         SYS
                     31,633
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
KEYBRD4
                     13,014
                              04-18-05
         SYS
                                         5:54p
10DE
         COM
                     29,239
                              04-18-05
                                         5:54p
AUTOEXEC BAT
                          14
                              08-01-18
                                         9:02a
CONFIG
         SYS
                              06-25-18 11:20a
                           0
INFOHELP EXE
                     27,578
                              08-01-18
                                         8:57a
(EY
         DAT
                          13
                              08-01-18
                                         9:04a
1ESSAGE
         DAT
                          44
                              08-01-18
                                        9:03a
TMP
         DAT
                     40,960
                              08-13-18 11:57p
                            517,318 bytes
        17 file(s)
         0 dir(s)
                            649,728 bytes free
```

Figure 2: Floppy disk contents

You can see from the file timestamps that many of the files on this disk are old. This floopy disk was originally generated with WindowXP using a "format /s" command to create a bootable floppy. All of these files with the 2005 timestamp were placed by the format command and constitute the minimal DOS operating system standard to bootable floppy disks of that era. The files listed with the 2018





timestamps are all related to this challenge. Firstly, the autoexec.bat file which only contains one line, "infohelp.exe". This is what launches the infohelp program upon boot. The config.sys file is empty. We will examine infohelp.exe further in the next section. The file key.dat contains the string "key goes here". An interesting thing happens with the next file, if you attempt to inspect its contents from the DOS floppy environment. Using the command "type message.dat" draws the text shown in Figure 3 below conspicuously slow.

```
A:\>type message.dat
Welcome to FLARE spy messenger by Nick Harbour.
Your preferred covert communication tool since 1776.
Please wait while I check that password...
Incorrect Password.
You fail it. Please try harder.
This is not the message you are looking for.
A:\>_
```

Figure 3: Message.dat

If you examine this file with an external tool or disk editor you will see that the actual file contents are only the last line: "This is not the message you are looking for." The final file in the floppy is a 40 Kb file named "TMP.DAT" which does not show any printable text when we use the TYPE command against it. Lets examine the infohelp.exe program in more detail to determine how the challenge collects input and how it determines if the input is correct.

infohelp.exe

This program is a 16-bit DOS program written in C and compiled with the OpenWatcom compiler. IDA Pro does not contain the FLIRT signatures for this compiler, which may hinder your analysis. The first step is usually trying to identify the Main() function. With most C runtime environments, the code at the entry point of the program is not main() but rather a C runtime environment startup function. The main() function is usually one of the last functions called by this code and takes three arguments: argc, argv, and envp in c lingo. At the end of the startup function in this program you will see a call to a function at address 12F4C. The disassembly for this function is provided below in Figure 4.





```
00012F4C
00012F4C
00012F4C : Attributes: noreturn bp-based frame
00012F4C
00012F4C sub 12F4C proc far ; CODE XREF: start 0+178†p
00012F4C inc
00012F4D push
                bp
00012F4E mov
                bp. sp
00012F50 push
                bx
00012F51 push
                CX
00012F52 mov
                ax, seg dseg
00012F55 mov
                ds, ax
00012F57 mov
                bx, word 169E2
00012F5B mov
                cx. word_169E4
00012F5F mov
               ax, word_169E6
00012F62 mov
               word_1677C, 2000h
00012F68 push
                CS
00012F69 call near ptr sub_10000
00012F6C db
                36h
00012F6C push
                CS
00012F6E db
                3Eh
00012F6E call
                sub 14ED3
00012F6E sub 12F4C endp
```

Figure 4: Call to Main()

The function call at line 12F69 represents the call to Main() and the three register mov's starting at 12F57 represent are setting up the argc, argv, and envp arguments for the function. Analyzing the main() function code is the next step.

This function can be daunting because your disassembler may not be efficient at resolving the DOS style pointers. For example, the first printf function call encountered here, which will likely not be labeled as printf as I have shown in Figure 5, does not show the connection to the actual data being printed to the screen. Notice the three pushes on the stack before the printf, the first is a segment register, the second is the number 22h, and the third is a copy of the stack segment selector.

```
00010045 mov ax, ss
00010047 mov dx, 22h; '"'
0001004A push ax
0001004B push dx
0001004C push cs
0001004D call near ptr _printf
```

Figure 5: infohelp.exe printf() call

If we examine the data segment of this program we should see what the value 22h corresponds to. Figure 6 below shows the contents of the data segment and at offset 22h is the beginning of the





message "Enter the password to receive the message:". Similar lookups can be performed for the remainder of the main() function.

```
dseg:0000
                           ; Segment type: Pure data
dseg:0000
                          dseg
                                          segment para public 'DATA' use16
dseg:0000
                                          assume cs:dseg
dseg:0000 01
                          unk_15B80
                                                                 ; DATA XREF: start_0+183;o
db 'rb+'.0
dseg:0052 72 62 2B 00
                          aRb
                                          db 'key.dat'.0
dseg:0056 6B 65 79 2E 64 61+aKeyDat
dseg:005E 45 72 72 6F 72 20+aErrorOpeningKeyDat db 'Error opening key.dat'.0
dseg:005E 6F 70 65 6E 69 6E+
                                                                  DATA XREF: sub_12AB4:loc_12B40 to
dseg:0074 45 72 72 6F 72 20+aErrorWritingToKeyDat db 'Error writing to key.dat',0
                                         db 'r'.0
db 'message.dat'.0
dseg:008D 72 00
                          aR
dseg:008F 6D 65 73 73 61 67+aMessageDat
dseg:0098 45 72 72 6F 72 20+aErrorOpeningMessageDat db 'Error opening message.dat',0
dseg:0085 4D 65 73 73 61 67+aMessageS db 'Message: %s',0Ah,0
```

Figure 6: Data Segment Contents

The main() function original source code is provided below in Figure 7.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
       FILE *messagefile;
       FILE *keyfile;
       char messagebuf[512] = {0};
       char input_buf[512] = {0};
   printf("Enter the password to receive the message:");
       scanf("%79s", input_buf);
       keyfile = fopen("key.dat", "rb+");
       if (keyfile == NULL)
       {
              perror("Error opening key.dat");
              return -1;
       }
       if (0 == fwrite(input buf, sizeof(input buf), 1, keyfile))
              perror("Error writing to key.dat");
              return -1;
       fclose(keyfile);
       messagefile = fopen("message.dat", "r");
```





```
if (messagefile == NULL)
{
          perror("Error opening message.dat");
          return -1;
}
fread(messagebuf, 1, 512, messagefile);
fclose(messagefile);
printf("Message: %s\n", messagebuf);

return 0;
}
```

Figure 7: Main() Source

This program is nothing spectacular, it simply displays the prompts, reads your input and writes it to the key.dat file. After it writes the key.dat file, it reads the message.dat file and displays it to the screen. If you attempted to interact with this program you would have noticed the same slow text display that happened if you did the "type message.dat" command from the command line as shown in Figure 3. Clearly, this program is not responsible for the slow text display, nor is it responsible for determining the correct password input.

The fact that this was a bootable floppy disk should have raised suspicions about how this challenge was constructed. Another bootkit was introduced in challenge 8, which was not a difficult challenge but was positioned later in the contest to get the players comfortable and setup with bootkit analysis and debugging. This challenge will put those skills to the test. Let's first examine the boot sector of the floppy drive.

Boot Sector Analysis

The first instruction in the boot sector jumps to the sequence of instructions show in Figure 8 below, which simply copies the current boot sector to memory from address 7C00h (the standard boot sector location) to memory address 600h and jumps to it with a push/ret. This is a common feature of first stage boot sectors since all subsequent boot sectors will also be designed to execute at address 7C00h, it is the responsibility of each boot sector to move itself to another memory location and load and execute the next level boot sector at this address.





```
BOOT SECTOR: 7C3E xor
                         ax, ax
BOOT SECTOR:7C40 mov
                         ss, ax
BOOT SECTOR:7C42 assume ss:MEMORY
BOOT SECTOR: 7C42 mov
                         sp. 7BFEh
BOOT_SECTOR:7C45 mov
                         es, ax
BOOT SECTOR:7C47 assume es:MEMORY
BOOT SECTOR: 7C47 mov
                        ds, ax
BOOT_SECTOR:7C49 assume ds:MEMORY
BOOT SECTOR:7C49 mov si, 7C00h
BOOT_SECTOR:7C4C mov
                         di, 600h
BOOT SECTOR: 7C4F mov
                         cx, 200h
BOOT SECTOR:7C52 cld
BOOT SECTOR:7C53 rep movsb
BOOT SECTOR: 7C55 push
BOOT_SECTOR:7C58 retn
```

Figure 8: Boot Sector Memory Copy

Following the execution of the boot sector to memory address 662h will show the instructions listed in Figure 9 below.

```
00000662 sub 662 proc near
                                 : CODE XREF: sub 7C3E+1A11
00000662 mov
                 ax, 238fi
                 cx, 2201h
00000665 mov
00000668 mov
                 dh, 0
0000066A mov
                 bx. 800h
0000066D int
                 13h
                                 ; DISK - READ SECTORS INTO MEMORY
0000066D
                                 ; AL = number of sectors to read, CH = track, CL = sector
0000066D
                                 ; DH = head, DL = drive, ES:BX -> buffer to fill
0000066D
                                 ; Return: CF set on error, AH = status, AL = number of sectors read
                 bx ; unk 800
0000066F call
00000671 mov
                 ah, 2
                 al, 1
00000673 mov
00000675 mov
                 ch. 0
00000677 mov
                 cl, 6
                bx, 7C00h
00000679 mov
0000067C int
                                 ; DISK - READ SECTORS INTO MEMORY
                 13h
0000067C
                                 ; AL = number of sectors to read, CH = track, CL = sector
0000067C
                                 ; DH = head, DL = drive, ES:BX -> buffer to fill
0000067C
                                 ; Return: CF set on error, AH = status, AL = number of sectors read
                 word_204, 68Eh
0000067E mov
00000684 mov
                 word_206, 0
0000068A push
0000068D retn
0000068D sub_662 endp
```

Figure 9: Boot sector copied stage

The first int 13h instruction, as documented by IDA Pro here, is used to read sectors from disk into memory. It reads 48 sectors start at head 0, track 34, sector 1 from boot drive. If you examine the structure of the floppy disk you'd find these sectors in allocated space belonging to the file TMP.DAT. it





loads this data to memory address 800h then the call instruction at address 66Fh calls into that code. We will examine this next stage of code in the next section but for now we will proceed with examining the remainder of this boot sector.

The remainder of the boot sector contains another disk read operation (via BIOS interrupt 13h). This reads one sector from head 0, track 0, sector 6 to address 7C00h. This represents loading the next stage bootloader to memory and executing it. In this case, since the current boot sector was crafted by the malware author (me) this next operation is to load the original boot sector that was originally built for the floppy disk. If you look at sector 6 in the original floppy image though it will not look like a valid boot sector, though at this stage in the boot cycle a clean boot sector will be loaded into memory. The reason for that will be examined in more detail in the next section.

Boot Loader Stage 2

The second stage bootloader begins by fetching the available memory value from memory address 413h, this is a built-in value that contains the number of available KB of conventional memory. The program lowers this number by 32 with the instructions on lines 809 and 80C as shown in Figure 10 below.





```
00000800 sub_800 proc near ; CODE XREF: sub_662+D+p
00000800 pusha
00000801 push
                es
00000802 xor
                ebx, ebx
00000805 mov
               bx, ds:413h
00000809 sub
              bx, 20h;
               ds:413h, bx
0000080C mov
00000810 shl
               bx. 6
               word 66F3, bx
00000813 mov
00000817 mov
               es. bx
00000819 mov
               si, 843h
0000081C xor
               di, di
0000081E mov
               cx. 5EB0h
00000821 cld
00000822 rep movsb
                eax, dword 4C
00000824 mov
00000828 mov
                es:dword_5E5A, eax
0000082D mov
              es:byte_5E6F, dl
              dword 200, eax
00000832 mov
00000836 mov
              word ptr dword 4C, offset unk 12
0000083C mov
                word ptr dword 4C+2, es
00000840 pop
00000841 popa
00000842 retn
00000842 sub 800 endp
```

Figure 10: Beginning of Second Stage Bootloader

The reason this memory value was decremented is to "reserve" 32kb of upper conventional memory for use by the bootkit code. The instruction on line 810 shifts the available KB value left by 6, which is the same as multiplying the value by 2^6 to produce a segment value for addressing this memory. The new segment value is loaded into the ES segment register on line 817 and offset 843h is loaded into the SI register on line 819. The movsb instruction on line 822 will copy 24,240 bytes of memory from address 819 to this newly reserved area of upper conventional memory.

The instruction at line 824 is loading a 32-bit value from address 4Ch to the eax register. This address is part of the Interrupt Vector table and is the interrupt vector table entry for interrupt 13h, the primary BIOS interface. It then saves a copy of this handler value to memory, along with the DL register (which at this point is still the value of the boot device number). Line 832 saves the int 13h handler to the Interrupt Vector table but in position 80h. With this set, Int 80h would work as an unmodified Int 13h.

Lines 836 and 83C are perhaps the most critical of all lines in this fragment, it sets int interrupt vector table handler for Int 13h to a new value, the first stage in hooking this handler. In the setup used for this solution document, the ES segment was 97CO. After this hook is installed, any BIOS interrupt call will be handled by the function at address 97CO:12 instead of the original BIOS handler. This second





stage hook installation routine returns to the main boot sector code on line 842.

Int 13h Hook Handler

Error! Reference source not found. Error! Reference source not found. shows both the beginning of the data copied to upper memory as well as the Int 13h hook handler function at offset 12. The function call at line 97C25 is an unimplemented function that could perform pre-interrupt hook functionality. I ended up performing all the hook handling in this challenge with post interrupt hooking, i.e. performing the original interrupt code then examining and manipulating the data after the original interrupt code. The jmp instruction at line 97C46 will jump to the original interrupt handler in the BIOS. This value was saved to this memory location when the hook was originally installed in the previous function described.

```
debug002:97C00 aNickRules db 'NICK RULES'.0
debug002:97C0B db 90h, 90h, 90h, 90h, 90h, 90h, 90h
debug002:97C12
debug002:97C12 ; ========= S U B R O U T I N E
debug002:97C12
debug002:97C12
debug002:97C12 sub_97C12 proc near

        debug002:97C12 mov
        cs:word_5E66, ax

        debug002:97C16 mov
        cs:word_5E68, bx

        debug002:97C1B mov
        cs:word_5E6A, cx

        debug002:97C20 mov
        cs:word_5E6C, dx

        debug002:97C25 call
        near ptr unk_7C7E

debug002:97C28 push eax
debug002:97C2A mov eax, [esp+4]
debug002:97C30 mov cs:dword_5E5E, eax
debug002:97C35 mov ax, cs
debug002:97C37 shl eax, 10h
                                   ax, 48h ; 'K'
debug002:97C3B mov
debug002:97C3E mov
                                     [esp+4], eax
debug002:97C44 pop
                                 eax
cs:
debug002:97C46 jmp
                                      cs:dword 5E5A
debug002:97C46 sub_97C12 endp
```

Figure 11: Int 13h Hook Handler

In the event of an Int 13h, the jmp on line 97C46 will call the original BIOS int 13h handler. For example, if the operation was to read a sector from the disk, this is what will cause the sector to be read. The instructions including and leading up to line 97C3E will build a return pointer on the stack so that when the original BIOS int 13h handler returns it will return to a function in this upper memory region instead of the location that initiated the interrupt. This is how the program will gain control and





manipulate date post-interrupt.

The memory address of the post-interrupt handler code that it builds on the stack is the address immediately following the jmp instruction on line 97C46, in this case it is address 97C4B. This code is shown below in Figure 12.

```
short loc 7C55
97C4B jb
             cs:byte 5E6E, 0
97C4D mov
             short near ptr unk 7C5B
97C53 jmp
97C55 ; -----
97C55 mov cs:byte_5E6E, 1
97C5B sub
           esp, 6
97C5F call
           near ptr unk 7C7F
97C62 push
            eax, cs:dword 5E5E
97C64 mov
97C69 mov
            [esp+4], eax
           al, cs:byte_5E6E
97C6F mov
97C73 test
           al, al
97C75 pop
             eax
97C77 jz
             short near ptr unk 7C7C
97C79 stc
            short near ptr unk_7C7D
97C7A jmp
97C7C
97C7C clc
97C7D iret
```

Figure 12: Post-Interrupt return code

The first few lines of this code are simply to save the state of the carry flag so that it can be restored prior to returning to the original program. This is necessary because BIOS int 13h uses the carry flag as an error indicator. The call instruction at line 97C5F is where the post-interrupt hook handler is called. In this case IDA Pro lost track of the CS segment and erroneously lists address 7C7F as the function location but it is a relative call instruction and in this run the memory address of the function called at this point is 97C7F.

The post-interrupt handler is lengthy and instead of walking through it line-by-line I will summarize its behavior and provide the fragment of source assembler with comments in Figure 13 below. The post_request_handler function checks the AH register to see if it is 02h, 03h, 0Ah, or 42h which correspond to the Int13h functions it is interested in hooking (disk sector read, write, long read, extended read). If it is a write sector operation and the sector matches the key sector (absolute sector #1221, which is the sector behind the KEY.DAT file on disk) then it will call a function to process the key input which just makes a copy of the key input to memory for later use.





The handler has three special cases for handling reads. First case is when attempting to read the original MBR boot sector (stored at sector number 6). Before returning to the code that was requesting the sector it modifies the sector data in memory by performing a Roll Right by 1 bit on every byte in the sector. This is why the sector on disk did not appear to be a valid boot sector, it was ROL 1 encoded.

The second special case we will discuss for sector read handling is the sectors comprising the second stage bootloader code itself. This second stage bootloader does contain printable strings (such as "NICK RULES" at the start and end) but when we printed it to the console with the TYPE Command earlier it did not show anything. This is because this post-interrupt request handler is wiping the data from memory if those sectors are read from disk.

The third special case is reading the message sector. When we typed the MESSAGE.DAT file on the command line at the beginning of this solution it took a long time to print out text to the screen. That is because the code that is called in the post-request interrupt handler when that sector is read does a lot of work and it takes the computer a long time to work through all the code required to print out those messages. The message sector read handler will be covered in the next section of this document.

```
post_request_handler:
    pusha
            a1, byte byte [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_saved_cf)]
   mov
   test
            al, al
            error_occured
    jnz
            ax, word [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_saved_ax)]
   mov
    cmp
            ah, 02h
            case normal read sectors
    je
            ah. 03h
    cmp
            case normal write sectors
    jе
            ah, OAh
    cmp
            case long read sectors
    je
            ah, 42h
    cmp
            case_extended_read_sectors
    jе
    jmp
            cleanup and leave
    case_normal_write_sectors:
       mov
                cx, word [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_saved_cx)]
                dx, word [cs:CALC ADDR uppermemory( data saved dx)]
       mov
                bx, word [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_saved_bx)]
        ; bail if the read wasn't the boot drive
                d1, byte [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_boot_drive_number)]
        jne
                cleanup_and_leave
```





```
;*** check for special non-encoded sectors
    ; first check for key sector (1221)
            cx, 2110h
            not key sector
    ine
    cmp
            dh, 1
            not_key_sector
    ine
    cmp
            al, 1
    ine
            not key sector
    ; we got us a key sector request (write)
            process key input
    call
            cleanup_and_leave
    jmp
not_key_sector:
    jmp
            cleanup_and_leave
case_normal_read_sectors:
            cx, word [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_saved_cx)]
            dx, word [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_saved_dx)]
   mov
            bx, word [cs:CALC_ADDR_uppermemory(_data_saved_bx)]
   mov
    ; bail if the read wasn't the boot drive
            d1, byte [cs:CALC ADDR uppermemory( data boot drive number)]
            cleanup and leave
    jne
    ;*** check for special non-encoded sectors
    ; first check for encoded original boot sector
    cmp
            cx, 0006h
            not_original_mbr_sector
    jne
            dh, 00h
    cmp
    jne
            not_original_mbr_sector
    cmp
            not_original_mbr_sector
    jne
    ; we got us an original boot sector request
   mov
            cx, 200h
            original_mbr_decode
    call
            cleanup_and_leave
    jmp
    not_original_mbr_sector:
    ; check for the message sector (1222)
            cx, 2111h
    CMD
    ine
            not message sector
```





```
dh, 1
    cmp
            not_message_sector
    jne
            al, 1
    cmp
    ine
            not_message_sector
    ; we got us a message sector request
            handle_special_message_sector_read
    call
            cleanup_and_leave
    jmp
    not_message_sector:
    ; check for second stage bootloader sectors
    push
            ax
    push
            bx
    push
            dx
            ax, ch
    movzx
    shl
            ax, 1
            dx, 8
    shr
            ax, dx
    add
            bx, 18
    mov
            bx
    mul
            bx, cl
    movzx
    add
            ax, bx
    dec
            ax
            ax, 1224
    cmp
    jl
            not_stage2_sectors
            ax, 1427
    cmp
            not_stage2_sectors
    jge
    pop
            dx
            bx
    pop
            ax
    pop
            handle_stage2_sectors_read
    call
    jmp
            cleanup_and_leave
    not_stage2_sectors:
            dx
    pop
    pop
            bx
    pop
            ax
    normal_read_non_special_sectors:
            cleanup_and_leave
    jmp
case_long_read_sectors:
            cleanup_and_leave
case extended read sectors:
```





```
cmp dword [si+0Ch], 0
jne    cleanup_and_leave
cmp dword [si+08h], 7
jne    extended_read_non_special_sectors
; special sector read

jmp    cleanup_and_leave

extended_read_non_special_sectors:
jmp    cleanup_and_leave
```

Figure 13: Post-Interrupt Handler Source

Message Sector Read Handler

This is where this challenge starts to go off the rails in terms of difficulty. Posted below in Figure 14 below is the source for the handle_special_message_sector_read function, which is called when sector 1222h (the sector that holds the contents of the MESSAGE.DAT file) is read.

```
handle_special_message_sector_read:
    ; data read from the sector is stored in, ds:bx. lets mess with it!
    push
    push
             ds
    push
             CS
    pop
             es
    push
             CS
    pop
             ds
             BigVM
    call
    pop
             ds
    pop
             es
    test
             ax, ax
             end_of_handle_special_message_sector_read
    jΖ
    ;; mess with the read buffer
    push
             ds
    push
             es
    push
             si
             di
    push
    push
             \mathsf{C}\mathsf{X}
    mov
             cx, over_ovaltine-ovaltine
    call
             over ovaltine
ovaltine:
db 'BE SURE TO DRINK YOUR OVALTINE', 0
```





```
over ovaltine:
    pop
             si
             CS
    push
             ds
             di, bx
             movsb
    repne
             CX
             di
    pop
             si
    pop
             es
    pop
    pop
end of handle special message sector read:
```

Figure 14: Special Message Sector Read Handler

This function calls a single function named BigVM, then if that function returns a non-zero value in AX, it will overwrite the buffer that holds the contents of the sector read from disk with the string "BE SURE TO DRINK YOUR OVALTINE". This is a reference to the hit 1983 movie A Christmas Story. If you entered the correct key, the BigVM function would return true and this is the secret message that would be displayed to the "spy" in this scenario.

Subleq VM

The BigVM function mentioned in the assembler source in Figure 14 above was loaded at address 97DDA in the Bochs VM instance used for this solution. Reverse engineering this function you will see a series of calls, the bottom of which resides at offset 9D99D in this solution. It is a straightforward function that uses a BP based stack frame. If you participated in last year's challenge then you may recognize the construct represented by this function, which is called repeatedly over a large array by the BigVM function: A SUBLEQ one-instruction set computer mini-VM. Unlike last year's, this one is a 16-bit implementation and is implemented to run entirely in the interrupt handler.

The Subleq architecture is well described online, but to sum it up briefly it is built around only one instruction: "SUBtract and Branch if Less than or EQual to". Each 3 values in the array of 16-bit values represent one "instruction", though branching can branch to any value in the array so it isn't easily





disassemblable without some degree of tracing, emulation, or other analysis of the instructions as they are disassembled. To build a working program in this architecture I developed a macro assembler and a large set of macros to build logic and programs up from this humble instruction. The complete macro package is provided in Appendix A: macros.subleq and Appendix B: macros16.subleq. This is the same macro package that was used to build last year's challenge (#10). I am not providing the macro assembler I constructed but if you are interested in building your own subleq or rssb OISC programs it would be a straight-forward program to develop and the macro packages I've developed in these appendices are a significant step toward making these architectures usable for program development.

Figure 15 contains the entire Subleq program source code for the program executed by the subleq VM in the interrupt handler. Understanding the translation of this heavily macro-laden code to individual subleq instructions requires examining the individual macros in Appendix A: macros.subleqand Appendix B: macros16.subleq.

The Subleq program implements another one-instruction set computer architecture mini-vm: RSSB (Reverse Subtract and Skip if Borrow). The next section of this document will examine the RSSB VM instructions.

```
.include "macros16.subleg"
Z:
        dd 0
                     // do not change this
INPUT: dd 0
                    // do not change this
OUTPUT: dd 0
OUTPUT: dd 0 // do not change this INPUT_READY: dd 0 // do not change this
OUTPUT READY: dd 0 // do not change this
start:
    PUSH_LITERAL(rssb_progy_end-rssb_progy, sp)
    PUSH PTR REF(rssb progy, sp)
    CALL(rssb vm run, sp)
    POP IGNORE(2, sp)
    HALT()
stack: dd 0,0,0,0,0,0
        dd stack
sp:
```





```
FUNCTION(rssb_vm_run, sp)
        DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT(_program, -2)
        DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT( length, -3)
        DECLARE VARIABLE( ip, 0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_progptr, 0)
        DECLARE VARIABLE (currop, 0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_halt_code, -2)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_rssb_input, 3)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_rssb_output, 4)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_rssb_input_ready, 5)
        DECLARE VARIABLE (rssb output ready, 6)
        DECLARE VARIABLE( tmp, 0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_one, 1)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_zero, 0)
        DECLARE VARIABLE (original start, 0)
        // save start IP so code can be reentrant
        MOV(_program, _progptr)
        DEREF_SRC_MOV(_progptr, _original_start)
            while (program[RSSB_IP] < length && program[program[RSSB_IP]] !=</pre>
RSSB HALT)
        _vmloop_start:
            MOV( program, progptr)
            DEREF_SRC_MOV(_progptr, _ip)
            BGEQ(_ip, _length, _vmloop_end)
            ADD( ip, progptr)
            DEREF SRC_MOV(_progptr, _currop)
            BEQ(_currop, _halt_code, _vmloop_end)
            // rssb(program);
            PUSH(_program, sp)
            CALL(rssb insn, sp)
            POP_IGNORE(1, sp)
            // if (program[RSSB OUTPUT READY] == 1)
            MOV( program, _progptr)
            ADD(_rssb_output_ready, _progptr)
            DEREF_SRC_MOV(_progptr,
            BNEQ(_tmp, _one, _past_output)
                DEREF_DST_MOV(_zero, _progptr) // program[RSSB_OUTPUT_READY] = 0;
                MOV(_program, _progptr)
                ADD( rssb_output, _progptr)
                DEREF_SRC_MOV(_progptr, _tmp)
                OUT( tmp)
                DEREF_DST_MOV(_zero, _progptr) // program[RSSB_OUTPUT] = 0;
            _past_output:
            // if (program[RSSB INPUT READY] == 1)
```





```
MOV(_program, _progptr)
            ADD(_rssb_input_ready, _progptr)
            DEREF_SRC_MOV(_progptr, _tmp)
            BNEQ(_tmp, _one, _past_input)
                DEREF DST MOV( zero, progptr) // program[RSSB INPUT READY] = 0;
                IN( tmp)
                MOV(_program, _progptr)
                ADD(_rssb_input, _progptr)
                DEREF_DST_MOV(_tmp, _progptr) // program[RSSB_INPUT] = inputval;
            _past_input:
        JMP( vmloop start)
        vmloop end:
        // restore original rssb IP start
        MOV(_program, _progptr)
        DEREF_DST_MOV(_original_start, _progptr)
        RET(sp)
END FUNCTION()
FUNCTION(rssb_insn, sp)
        DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT(_program, -2)
        MOV(_program, _progptr)
        DEREF SRC MOV( progptr, ip) // ip = program[0]
        ADD(_ip, _progptr)
        DEREF SRC MOV( progptr, current operand) // curop = program[ip]
        // if (program[ip] == RSSB NOP)
        BNEQ( current operand, negone, not nop)
            MOV(_program, _progptr)
            INC(_ip)
DEREF_DST_MOV(_ip, _progptr)
            RET(sp)
        _not_nop:
        // program[RSSB_ACC] = program[program[ip]] - program[RSSB_ACC];
        MOV(_program, _progptr)
        INC( progptr)
        DEREF_SRC_MOV(_progptr, _acc)
        MOV(_program, _progptr)
        ADD(_current_operand, _progptr)
        DEREF_SRC_MOV(_progptr, _curop_cellval)
        MOV(_curop_cellval, _tmp)
        SUB(_acc, _tmp)
        MOV( tmp, _acc)
        MOV(_program, _progptr)
        INC(_progptr)
        DEREF_DST_MOV(_acc, _progptr)
```





```
// if (program[ip] != RSSB ZERO) { program[program[ip]] =
program[RSSB_ACC] }
        BEQ(_current_operand, _rssb_zero, _past_rssb_zero)
             MOV(_program, _progptr)
             ADD( current operand, progptr)
            DEREF_DST_MOV(_acc, _progptr)
        past rssb zero:
        DEREF_SRC_MOV(_program, _ip)
// if (program[RSSB_ACC] < 0) { program[RSSB_IP] += 2 } // skip insn</pre>
        BGEZ(_acc, _past_acc_neg)
             INC(_ip)
         _past_acc_neg: // else ip += 1
        INC(_ip)
        DEREF_DST_MOV(_ip, _program)
        RET(sp)
    _acc: dd 0
    _current_operand: dd 0
    curop cellval: dd 0
    _progptr: dd 0
    _negone: dd -1
    _rssb_zero: dd 2
    _tmp: dd \theta
     ip: dd 0
END FUNCTION()
rssb progy:
.include "rssbprogram bin.subleq"
rssb progy end:
```

Figure 15: Subleq Program Source Code

RSSB VM

The RSSB instruction only uses one operand per instruction unlike Subleq's three operands per instruction. This architecture makes use of an accumulator and only has built in branching to skip a single instruction. Appendix C: rssbmacros.subleq provides an implementation of the macros used to build functioning high-level programs in this obscure architecture. Unlike subleq, much less is code and implementations have been attempted with RSSB. Implementing conditional branching in this architecture drove me to the edge of insanity (see the implementation of the BLZ macro, from whence





all other conditional branching is then derived).

The source code for the RSSB Program is provided below in Figure 16. The x86 code in the BigVM function wrote a copy of the key data to the input buffer used by this program. It is surrounded by the words "Magic" and "Box" in memory. Some strings in the program specify letters in the string with single quotes and others use decimal numbers for each digit. This is not an attempt to be cryptic but rather I only added that feature to my assembler after the other strings were already placed in this source code in decimal format. This program performs a computation which is described in the next section of this document and sets the cell labeled "retval" to one if the key matched or not. For performace it first checks to see if the '@' symbol is in the correct place in the string before attempting to check each digit pair in the key. This also was a measure to slightly hinder brute-forcing. Another odd feature you may find in the code is that I injected fake but reasonable looking values after the valid values of the encoded key. These aren't used by the program at all but if you blindly extracted all they key-looking values from memory you may have accidentally grabbed some of these fake values.

```
.include "rssb macros.subleg"
IP:
        dd start
ACC:
        dd 0
ZERO:
        dd 0
INPUT:
        dd 0
OUTPUT: dd 0
INPUT READY:
                dd 0
OUTPUT READY:
                dd 0
// Welcome to FLARE spy messenger by Nick Harbour.
// Your preferred covert communication tool since 1776.
// Please wait while I check that password...
Prompt: dd 87, 101, 108, 99, 111, 109, 101, 32, 116, 111, 32, 70, 76, 65, 82, 69,
32, 115, 112, 121, 32, 109, 101, 115, 115, 101, 110, 103, 101, 114, 32, 98, 121,
32, 78, 105, 99, 107, 32, 72, 97, 114, 98, 111, 117, 114, 46, 13, 10, 89, 111, 117,
114, 32, 112, 114, 101, 102, 101, 114, 114, 101, 100, 32, 99, 111, 118, 101, 114,
116, 32, 99, 111, 109, 109, 117, 110, 105, 99, 97, 116, 105, 111, 110, 32, 116,
111, 111, 108, 32, 115, 105, 110, 99, 101, 32, 49, 55, 55, 54, 46, 13, 10, 80, 108,
101, 97, 115, 101, 32, 119, 97, 105, 116, 32, 119, 104, 105, 108, 101, 32, 73, 32,
```





```
99, 104, 101, 99, 107, 32, 116, 104, 97, 116, 32, 112, 97, 115, 115, 119, 111, 114,
100, 46, 46, 46, 0
// Password Matched.
// You win it. Congratulations!
Success: dd 13, 10, 80, 97, 115, 115, 119, 111, 114, 100, 32, 77, 97, 116, 99, 104,
101, 100, 46, 13, 10, 89, 111, 117, 32, 119, 105, 110, 32, 105, 116, 46, 32, 67,
111, 110, 103, 114, 97, 116, 117, 108, 97, 116, 105, 111, 110, 115, 33, 13, 10, 13,
10. 0
// Incorrect Password.
// You fail it. Please try harder.
Fail: dd 13, 10, 73, 110, 99, 111, 114, 114, 101, 99, 116, 32, 80, 97, 115, 115,
119, 111, 114, 100, 46, 13, 10, 89, 111, 117, 32, 102, 97, 105, 108, 32, 105, 116,
46, 32, 80, 108, 101, 97, 115, 101, 32, 116, 114, 121, 32, 104, 97, 114, 100, 101,
114, 46, 13, 10, 0
dd 'M', 'a', 'g', 'i', 'c'
special: dd 0
inputbuf: dd
{\color{red}0}, {\color{gray}0}, {\color{gr
end_of_inputbuf:
dd 0, 'B', 'o', 'x
stack: dd 0,0,0,0,0,0,0
                        dd stack
retval: dd 0
start:
                         PUSH PTR REF(Prompt, sp)
                         CALL(printstring, sp)
                         POP IGNORE(1,sp)
                         PUSH LITERAL(end of inputbuf-inputbuf, sp)
                         PUSH PTR_REF(inputbuf, sp)
                         CALL(checkinput,sp)
                         GET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE(sp, retval)
                         POP IGNORE(1,sp)
                         BNEZ(retval, correct_key)
             incorrect key:
                         PUSH PTR REF(Fail, sp)
                         CALL(printstring, sp)
                         POP IGNORE(1, sp)
                         HALT()
             correct_key:
                         PUSH PTR REF(Success, sp)
                         CALL(printstring, sp)
```





```
POP IGNORE(1, sp)
        HALT()
FUNCTION(printstring, sp)
        DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT( string, -2)
        DECLARE VARIABLE (char, 0)
        LOOP START(print_loop)
            DEREF_SRC_MOV(_string, _char)
            BNEZ(_char, _print_loop_continue)
            LOOP BREAK(print loop)
_print_loop_continue:
            OUT(char)
            INC(_string)
        LOOP_END(print_loop)
        RET(sp)
END FUNCTION()
encoded_key: dd 64639, 62223, 62305, 61777, 63622, 62417, 56151, 55765, 57966,
63693, 63849, 55564, 63521, 61825, 63583
end of encoded_key:
fake_data: dd 63619, 58017, 62588, 59995, 65019
FUNCTION(checkinput,sp)
        DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT(_string,-2)
        DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT( stringsize, -3)
        DECLARE VARIABLE( char,0)
        DECLARE VARIABLE (char2,0)
        //DECLARE VARIABLE( correct checksum, 53598)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_running_checksum, 0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_i, 0)
DECLARE_VARIABLE(_zero, 0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_tmp, 0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_tmp2, 0)
        DECLARE VARIABLE (all good, 0)
        DECLARE VARIABLE (success, 1)
        DECLARE VARIABLE( FAILURE, 0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_atsymbol, '@')
        DECLARE VARIABLE (neg 105, -105)
        SETZ(_all_good)
        SETZ(_i)
        SETZ( tmp)
        SETZ(_tmp2)
        SETZ( running checksum)
        FORLOOP_VAR_START(_i,_stringsize,checksum_loop)
                MOV(_string,_tmp)
                ADD(_i,_tmp)
                DEREF SRC_MOV(_tmp,_char)
```





```
//OUT( char)
        BEQ(_char,_atsymbol,_hit_the_atsymbol)
        BEQ(_char,_zero,_hit_null_byte)
        ADD( char, running checksum)
        JMP( checksum loop continue)
    _hit_the_atsymbol:
        FORLOOP_BREAK(checksum_loop)
    hit null byte:
        JMP( return false)
     _checksum_loop_continue:
FORLOOP_END(_i,checksum_loop)
DOUBLE( i) // 2
DOUBLE(_i) // 4
DOUBLE(_i) // 8
DOUBLE(_i) // 16
DOUBLE(_i) // 32
DOUBLE(_i) // 64
DOUBLE(_i) // 128
DOUBLE(_i) // 256
DOUBLE( i) // 512
DOUBLE(_i) // 1024
MOV(_i,_tmp)
DOUBLE(_i) // 2048
ADD( tmp, i) // 3072
ADD( i, running checksum)
//BEQ( running checksum, correct checksum, return true)
SETZ(i)
FORLOOP START(_i,end_of_encoded_key-encoded_key,_compute_input_pairs_loop)
    //OUT(plus)
    MOV(_string,_tmp)
    MOV(_i,_tmp2)
    ADD(_i,_tmp2)
    ADD(_tmp2,_tmp)
    DEREF_SRC_MOV(_tmp,_char)
    //0UT(_char)
    INC(_tmp)
    DEREF_SRC_MOV(_tmp,_char2)
    //OUT( char2)
    SUB LITERAL(32, _char)
    SUB LITERAL(32, char2)
    SHL(7,_char2)
    ADD( char,_char2)
    MOV(_i,_tmp)
DOUBLE(_tmp) // 2
    DOUBLE(_tmp) // 4
    DOUBLE( tmp) // 8
```





```
DOUBLE( tmp) // 16
            DOUBLE(_tmp) // 32
            ADD(_i,_tmp) // 33
            XOR( char2, tmp)
            ADD(_running_checksum,_tmp)
            PTR REF(encoded key, tmp2)
            ADD(_i, _tmp2)
            DEREF_SRC_MOV(_tmp2, _char)
            SUB(_char,_tmp)
            BEZ(_tmp, _good_pair)
        bad pair:
            ADD(_i,_all_good)
        _good_pair:
            SUB(_i,_all_good)
        FORLOOP_END(_i,_compute_input_pairs_loop)
        SETZ(special)
        BEQ(_all_good,_neg_105,_return_true)
    return false:
        SET_FUNCTION_RETURN_VALUE(_FAILURE)
        JMP(_return)
    _return_true:
        INC(special)
        SET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE( success)
        RET(sp)
END FUNCTION()
```

Figure 16: RSSB Program Source Code

Key Encoding Scheme

This program, like many Flare-On challenges, does not decode the correct key in memory but rather encodes your input and compares it to the correct key. It does the comparison by maintaining a running subtractive sum of the indices of each matching pair. In the end the sum should be -105 if each pair matched the encoded pair correctly.

The function to compute a value for each two bytes of key input also incorporates the index in the string that those two digits occur. The multiplication value of 3072 was the difficult part of this





algorithm to discover from the RSSB code, because due to performance I had to break it down into a series of doublings and additions. Multiplication is complex and expensive in a modern processor but in a ridiculous processor like RSSB running in Subleq built on macros written by an insane Flare Team member, it is apocalyptically slow. The relative simplicity of this key obfuscation technique and the extreme difficulty of reverse engineering it I hope shows some promise for this approach to anti-reverse engineering. Luckily for all the future contestants, will not be revisiting this technique in the coming years of Flare-On.

```
correct key = "Av0cad0 Love 2018@flare-on.com"
def obfuscate key(key):
    atplacement = key.index('@')
    pre domain portion = key[:atplacement]
    rolling sum = 0
    for c in pre_domain_portion:
        rolling sum += ord(c)
    juke = rolling sum + atplacement * 3072
    print juke
    i = 0
    while i < len(key):</pre>
        first = ord(key[i]) - 32
        if len(key) > i + 1:
            second = (ord(key[i+1]) - 32) << 7
        else:
            second = 0
        firstsecond = first+second
        imulti = (i/2) * 33
        firstsecond i product = firstsecond ^ imulti
        total = juke + firstsecond_i_product
        print "compute('%c','%c',%x) = (%x+(%x^{(%x/2*33=%x)=%x)=%x)" %
(key[i],key[i+1],i, juke, firstsecond, i, imulti, firstsecond_i_product, total),
        print '%d (0x%08X)' % (total, total)
        i += 2
    return
```

Figure 17: Key Obfuscation Python Script

Running this in a python shell yields the following output:

```
>>> obfuscate_key(correct_key)
53598
compute('A','v',0) = (d15e+(2b21^(0/2*33=0)=2b21)=fc7f) 64639 (0x0000FC7F)
compute('0','c',2) = (d15e+(2190^(2/2*33=21)=21b1)=f30f) 62223 (0x0000F30F)
```





```
compute('a','d',4) = (d15e+(2241^(4/2*33=42)=2203)=f361) 62305 (0x0000F361)
compute('0','_',6) = (d15e+(1f90^(6/2*33=63)=1ff3)=f151) 61777 (0x0000F151)
compute('L','o',8) = (d15e+(27ac^(8/2*33=84)=2728)=f886) 63622 (0x0000F886)
compute('v','e',a) = (d15e+(22d6^(a/2*33=a5)=2273)=f3d1) 62417 (0x0000F3D1)
compute('_','2',c) = (d15e+(93f^(c/2*33=c6)=9f9)=db57) 56151 (0x0000DB57)
compute('0','1',e) = (d15e+(890^(e/2*33=e7)=877)=d9d5) 55765 (0x0000D9D5)
compute('8','@',10) = (d15e+(1018^(10/2*33=108)=1110)=e26e) 57966 (0x0000E26E)
compute('f','1',12) = (d15e+(2646^(12/2*33=129)=276f)=f8cd) 63693 (0x0000F8CD)
compute('a','r',14) = (d15e+(2941^(14/2*33=14a)=280b)=f969) 63849 (0x0000F969)
compute('e','-',16) = (d15e+(6c5^(16/2*33=16b)=7ae)=d90c) 55564 (0x0000D90C)
compute('o','n',18) = (d15e+(274f^(18/2*33=1ad)=2023)=f181) 61825 (0x0000F821)
compute('.','c',1a) = (d15e+(218e^(1a/2*33=1ce)=2701)=f85f) 63583 (0x0000F85F)
```

Entering the correct key into the challenge binary running on Bochs emulator on a modern system will take several minutes to validate the input, but will yield the following victory screen shown in Figure 18.





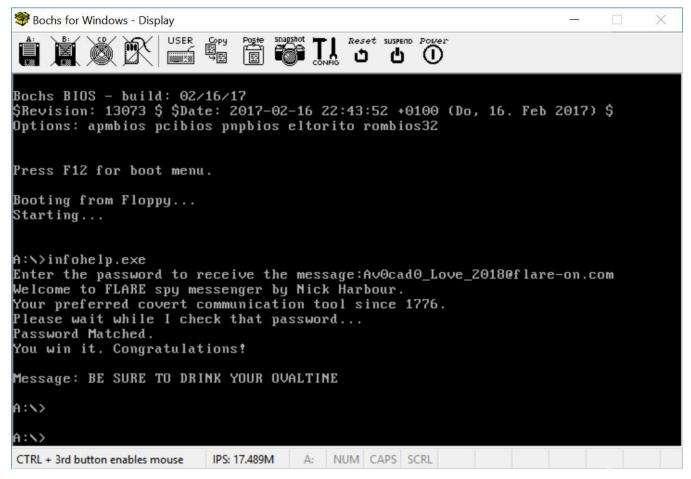


Figure 18: Sweet Victory





Appendix A: macros.subleq

```
// this file contains the generic forms of all subleq abstract instructions that
are abstract from the wordsize
// as such, this file should not be included directly. instead include macros32 or
macros16 depending on the
// target wordsize of the subleq VM you are building
       subleq a, b, c ; Mem[b] = Mem[b] - Mem[a]
                        ; if (Mem[b] \le 0) goto c
.macro HALT() // Terminate the program
        subleq Z, Z, -1
.macro JMP(%target) // Jump to %target
        subleq Z, Z, %target
.macro SETZ(%a) // Sets %a to 0
        subleq %a, %a, ⊖
.macro SETVALUE(%value,%b) // Sets %b to the value specified (direct)
.start_context
                MOV(_SETVALUE_tmp, %b)
                JMP( SETVALUE end)
SETVALUE tmp: dd %value
SETVALUE end:
.end context
.macro PTR REF(%a,%b) // set %b to the address of %a
        SETVALUE(%a,%b)
.macro INDIRECT JMP(%a) // jump to the location stored in %a
.start_context
            MOV(%a, _INDIRECT_JMP_tailjump+2)
_INDIRECT_JMP_tailjump: subleq Z, Z, Z
.end context
.macro LEA(%a, %b) // get the address of %a and store in %b
            SETVALUE(%a, %b)
.macro DEREF SRC MOV(%a,%b) // get the value pointed to by %a, store in %b
```





```
.start_context
                MOV(%a,_DEREF_target)
                subleq %b, %b
                subleq Z, Z
                                // First operand will be overwritten
 DEREF target:
                subleq Z, %b
                subleq Z, Z
.end context
.macro DEREF_DST_MOV(%a,%b) // put the value %a in the location pointed by %b
.start context
                MOV(%b, _DEREF_DST_MOV x)
                MOV(%b, _DEREF_DST_MOV_x+1)
                MOV(%b, _DEREF_DST_MOV_y+1)
                    subleq Z, \overline{Z}
 _DEREF_DST_MOV_x:
                                 // will both be overwritten
                subleq %a, Z
                    subleq Z, Z // second will be overwritten
_DEREF_DST_MOV_y:
                subleq Z, Z
.end context
.macro ADD(%a,%b) // Add %a to %b, store in %b
        subleq %a, Z
        subleq Z, %b
        subleq Z, Z
.macro ADD LITERAL(%value,%b) // add literal %value to %b, store in %b
.start_context
        ADD( ADD LITERAL val, %b)
        JMP(_ADD_LITERAL_end)
ADD LITERAL val:
                    dd %value
_ADD_LITERAL_end:
.end context
}
.macro INC(%a) // Increment %a
.start_context
            JMP(_INC_add)
_INC_ONE:
            dd 1
_INC_add:
            ADD(_INC_ONE,%a)
.end context
.macro SUB(%a,%b) // Subtract %a from %b, store in %b
{
        subleq %a, %b
.macro SUB LITERAL(%value, %b) // subtract %value from %b, store in %b
```





```
.start_context
        subleq _SUB_LITERAL_val, %b
        JMP( SUB LITERAL end)
SUB LITERAL val:
                     dd %value
_SUB_LITERAL_end:
.end_context
.macro DEC(%a) // Decrement %a
.start_context
            JMP( DEC sub)
DEC ONE:
            dd 1
_DEC_sub:
            SUB(_DEC_ONE,%a)
.end_context
.macro MOV(%a,%b) // Move %a to %b
        MOVJMP(%a,%b,Z)
.macro MOVJMP(%a,%b,%c) // Move %a to %b then jump to %c
        subleq %b, %b
        subleq %a, Z
        subleq Z, %b
        subleq Z, Z, %c
.macro BEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a = Zero
.start_context
            subleq %a, Z, _BEZ_true
subleq Z, Z, _BEZ_false
            subleq Z, Z
BEZ true:
            subleq Z, %a, %c
BEZ false:
.end_context
.macro BNEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a != 0
.start_context
            BEZ(%a,_BNEZ_false)
            JMP(%c)
BNEZ false:
.end_context
.macro BLEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a <= 0</pre>
{
        subleq Z, %a, %c
```





```
.macro BGEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a >= 0
.start_context
            subleq %a, Z, _BGEZ_true
            subleq Z, Z, _BGEZ_false
BGEZ_true: subleq Z, Z, \overline{\%}c
BGEZ false:
.end context
.macro BGZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a > 0
.start context
        subleq Z, %a, _BGZ_false
        subleq Z, Z, %c
BGZ false:
.end context
.macro BLZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a < 0</pre>
.start_context
            subleq %a, Z, _BLZ_false
            subleq Z, Z, %c
BLZ_false: subleq Z, Z
.end_context
.macro BEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a = %b
.start_context
            MOV(%a,_BEQ_tmp)
            SUB(%b,_BEQ_tmp)
            BNEZ(_BEQ_tmp,_BEQ_false)
            JMP (%c)
BEQ tmp:
            dd 0
_BEQ_false:
.end context
.macro BNEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a != %b
.start_context
        MOV(%a,_BNEQ_tmp)
        SUB(%b,_BNEQ_tmp)
        BEZ(_BNEQ_tmp,_BNEQ_false)
        JMP(%c)
BNEQ_tmp: dd 0
BNEQ false:
.end_context
.macro BLEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a <= %b</pre>
```





```
.start context
        MOV(%a,_BLEQ_tmp)
        SUB(%b,_BLEQ_tmp)
        BGZ(_BLEQ_tmp,_BLEQ_false)
        JMP(%c)
BLEQ_tmp: dd 0
BLEQ_false:
.end context
.macro BGEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a >= %b
.start context
        MOV(%a,_BGEQ_tmp)
        SUB(%b,_BGEQ_tmp)
        BLZ(_BGEQ_tmp,_BGEQ_false)
        JMP(%c)
_BGEQ_tmp: dd 0
_BGEQ_false:
.end_context
.macro BL(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a < %b</pre>
.start_context
        MOV(%a,_BL_tmp)
        SUB(%b,_BL_tmp)
        BGEZ(_BL_tmp,_BL_false)
        JMP(%c)
BL tmp: dd 0
BL false:
.end_context
.macro BG(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a > %b
.start_context
       MOV(%a,_BG_tmp)
        SUB(%b,_BG_tmp)
        BLEZ(_BG_tmp,_BG_false)
        JMP(%c)
BG_tmp: dd 0
_BG_false:
.end_context
.macro DOUBLE(%a) // double %a, store result in %a
        subleq %a, Z
        subleq %a, Z
        subleq %a, %a
        subleq Z, %a
```





```
subleq Z, Z
}
.macro MUL(%a,%b) // multiply %a by %b and store in %b
// loop %b number of times adding %a to a tmp var each time.
// two bodies depending on if b is pos or negative
.start context
            SETZ(_MUL_i)
            SETZ(_MUL_result)
            BLZ(%b, MUL b neg)
            JMP( MUL b pos)
            dd 0
MUL i:
_MUL_result: dd 0
_MUL_b_pos:
            BEQ(%b, _MUL_i, _MUL_finished)
ADD(%a,_MUL_result)
            INC(_MUL_i)
            JMP(_MUL_b_pos)
_MUL_b_neg: BEQ(%b,_MUL_i,_MUL_finished)
            SUB(%a,_MUL_result)
            DEC(_MUL_i)
            JMP(_MUL_b_neg)
MUL finished:
            MOV( MUL result,%b)
.end context
.macro DIV(%a,%b,%c) // Divide %a by %b and store quotient in %b and remainder in
%С
.start context
            SETZ(_DIV_i)
            SETZ( DIV sum)
            BLZ(%a, _DIV_a_neg)
            BLZ(%b, _DIV_a_pos_b_neg)
_DIV_a_pos_b_pos: // keep adding %b to sum until sum > a
            BG( DIV sum, %a, DIV sub finish)
            ADD(%b, _DIV_sum)
BG(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_a_pos_b_pos)
            INC(_DIV_i)
            JMP(_DIV_a_pos_b_pos)
_DIV_a_pos_b_neg:  // keep subtracting %b from sum until sum >= a
            BG(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_add_finish)
            SUB(%b, _DIV_sum)
            BG( DIV sum, %a, _DIV_a_pos_b_neg)
            DEC(_DIV_i)
            JMP(_DIV_a_pos_b_neg)
 DIV_a_neg: BLZ(%b,_DIV_a_neg_b_neg)
_DIV_a_neg_b_pos: // keep subtracting %b from sum until sum <= a
```





```
BL(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_add_finish)
            SUB(%b, _DIV_sum)
            BL(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_a_neg_b_pos)
            DEC( DIV i)
             JMP( DIV a neg b pos)
_DIV_a_neg_b_neg: // keep adding %b to sum until sum <= a
             BL(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_sub_finish)
            ADD(%b, _DIV_sum)
BL(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_a_neg_b_neg)
             INC(_DIV_i)
            JMP(_DIV_a_neg_b_neg)
 DIV i:
            dd 0
 DIV sum:
            dd 0
 DIV_tmp:
            dd 0
_DIV_sub_finish:
             SUB(%b, _DIV_sum)
             JMP(_DIV_finish)
_DIV_add_finish:
            ADD(%b, _DIV_sum)
DIV finish:
            MOV(%a, %c)
            SUB(_DIV_sum, %c)
            MOV(_DIV_i, %b)
.end_context
.macro NOT(%a) // invert bits in %a
.start context
        subleq %a, NOT tmp
        subleq _NOT_one, _NOT_tmp
//MOV(_NOT_tmp,%a)
        MOVJMP(_NOT_tmp,%a,_NOT_finished)
 NOT tmp: dd 0
NOT_one: dd 1
NOT finished:
.end context
.macro GETMSB(%a,%b) // get the most significant bit of %a, store in %b
.start_context
        BLZ(%a,_GETMSB_return1)
_GETMSB_return0:
        MOVJMP(_GETMSB_zero,%b,_GETMSB_finished)
GETMSB return1:
        MOVJMP( GETMSB one,%b, GETMSB finished)
 GETMSB_one: dd 1
_GETMSB__zero: dd 0
_GETMSB_finished:
.end context
```





```
.macro GETLSB_INNER(%a,%b,%wordsize) // get the least significant bit of %a, store
in %b
{
.start context
        DECLARE VARIABLE (GETLSB tmp,0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_GETLSB_bit,0)
       MOV(%a, _GETLSB_tmp)
        SHL(%wordsize-1, GETLSB tmp)
       GETMSB(_GETLSB_tmp,%b)
.end_context
.macro SHL1(%a) // shift the bits in %a left a bit, 0 enters right
   DOUBLE (%a)
.macro SHR1(%a,%wordmask) // shift the bits in %a right by 1. 0 enters from the
left
.start_context
        DECLARE VARIABLE( SHR1 quotient,2)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_SHR1_remainder,0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_SHR1_mask,%wordmask)
        DIV(%a,_SHR1_quotient,_SHR1_remainder)
       AND( SHR1 mask, SHR1 quotient)
       MOV( SHR1 quotient, %a)
.end context
.macro ROL1(%a) // ROL %a by one bit
.start context
        DECLARE VARIABLE (ROL1 tmp,0)
        GETMSB(%a,_ROL1_tmp)
        SHL1(%a)
       ADD( ROL1 tmp, %a)
.end_context
.macro ROR1_INNER(%a,%wordsize) // ROR %a by one bit. not a primitive function
        ROR_INNER(1,%a,%wordsize)
.macro SHL(%numbits,%b) // Shift %b left by LITERAL %numbits amount, store result
in %b
.start_context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_i,0)
        SETZ(i)
        FORLOOP_START(_i,%numbits,_SHL_loop)
            SHL1(%b)
```





```
FORLOOP END( i, SHL loop)
.end_context
.macro SHR(%numbits,%b) // Shift %b right by LITERAL %numbits amount, store
result in %b
.start context
        DECLARE VARIABLE( i,0)
       FORLOOP START( i, %numbits, SHR loop)
            SHR1(%b)
       FORLOOP_END(_i,_SHR_loop)
.end context
.macro ROL(%numbits,%b) // Roll %b left by LITERAL %numbits amount, store result
in %b
.start_context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_i,0)
        FORLOOP_START(_i,%numbits,_ROL_loop)
            ROL1(%b)
       FORLOOP_END(_i,_ROL_loop)
.end_context
.macro ROR_INNER(%numbits,%b,%wordsize) // Roll %b right by LITERAL %numbits
amount, store result in %b
       ROL(%wordsize-%numbits,%b)
.macro FORLOOP START(%i,%numloops,%loopID) // increment %i each time, max number of
loops %numloops, a unique loopID (in context) that a lebel will be built on
// note that this label is in the context of the "calling" code
FORLOOP START LOOPID %loopID:
.start_context
        JMP( FORLOOP START compare)
FORLOOP START numloops: dd %numloops
FORLOOP START compare:
        BGEQ(%i,_FORLOOP_START_numloops,_FORLOOP_END_LOOPID_%loopID)
.end context
.macro FORLOOP VAR START(%i,%numloops var,%loopID) // same as FORLOOP START but
%numloops is a variable not a literal
_FORLOOP_START_LOOPID_%loopID:
.start context
        JMP(_FORLOOP_START_compare)
FORLOOP START compare:
        BGEQ(%i,%numloops var, FORLOOP END LOOPID %loopID)
.end context
```





```
.macro FORLOOP_BREAK(%loopID) // early loop terminator
        JMP( FORLOOP END LOOPID %loopID)
.macro FORLOOP END(%i,%loopID) // use at the end of your loop
        INC(%i)
        JMP( FORLOOP START LOOPID %loopID)
FORLOOP_END_LOOPID_%loopID:
                              // Generic loop mechanism
.macro LOOP START(%loopID)
LOOP_START_LOOPID_%loopID:
                             // in outer context
.macro LOOP BREAK(%loopID)
                                // generic loop break
        JMP(_LOOP_END_LOOPID_%loopID)
.macro LOOP END(%loopID)
                                // generic loop ender
        JMP(_LOOP_START_LOOPID_%loopID)
 LOOP_END_LOOPID_%loopID:
                              // in outer context
.macro BITWISE JMP(%a,%b,%none target,%one target,%both target) // internal use.
jump to a different location based on if none, one, or both bits are set
.start context
        MOV(%a, BITWISE JMP tmp)
        ADD(%b, BITWISE JMP tmp)
        BEZ(_BITWISE_JMP_tmp,%none_target)
DEC(_BITWISE_JMP_tmp)
        BEZ( BITWISE JMP tmp,%one target)
        JMP(%both_target)
BITWISE JMP tmp:
                   dd 0
.end context
.macro BITWISE_OPERATOR(%a,%b,%none,%onlyone,%both)
.start_context
        MOV(%a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_a)
        MOV(%b,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_b)
        SETZ( BITWISE OPERATOR i)
        FORLOOP_START(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_i,32,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_loop)
            GETMSB( BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a)
            GETMSB(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_b,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_b)
BITWISE_JMP(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_b,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_none,
BITWISE OPERATOR onlyone, BITWISE OPERATOR both)
```





```
BITWISE OPERATOR tmp a: dd 0
 BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_b: dd 0
 BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a: dd 0
 BITWISE OPERATOR msb b: dd 0
 BITWISE OPERATOR result: dd 0
 BO ZERO: dd 0
                 // USE these in outer macro context for convenience
 BO ONE:
         dd 1
                 // same
 BITWISE OPERATOR i:
                        dd \theta
BITWISE OPERATOR none:
            MOVJMP(%none,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_insert_new_bit)
BITWISE OPERATOR onlyone:
MOVJMP(%onlyone, BITWISE OPERATOR msb a, BITWISE OPERATOR insert new bit)
BITWISE OPERATOR both:
            MOV(%both,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a)
BITWISE OPERATOR insert new bit:
            DOUBLE( BITWISE OPERATOR result)
            ADD(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_result)
            DOUBLE( BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_a)
            INC( BITWISE OPERATOR tmp a) // workaround for -INT MIN = INT MIN
            DOUBLE( BITWISE OPERATOR tmp b)
            INC(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_b)
        FORLOOP_END(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_i,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_loop)
        MOV( BITWISE OPERATOR result,%b)
.end context
.macro AND(%a,%b) // logical and %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ZERO, BO ZERO, BO ONE)
.macro OR(%a,%b) // logical OR %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ZERO, BO ONE, BO ONE)
.macro XOR(%a,%b) // logical XOR %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ZERO, BO ONE, BO ZERO)
.macro XNOR(%a,%b) // logical XNOR %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ONE, BO ZERO, BO ONE)
.macro NOR(%a,%b) // logical NOR %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ONE, BO ZERO, BO ZERO)
.macro NAND(%a,%b) // logical NAND %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ONE, BO ONE, BO ZERO)
```





```
.macro IN(%a) // receive input and store in %a
    SETVALUE(1, INPUT READY)
    MOV(INPUT,%a)
.macro OUT(%a) // send %a as output
    MOV (%a, OUTPUT)
    SETVALUE(1, OUTPUT READY)
.macro DECLARE VARIABLE(%name, %value) // declare a variable in your current
context
        subleq Z, Z, $+4
%name: dd %value
.macro PUSH(%a,%sp) // push %a on the stack pointed to by %sp
        // note that the stacks here work exactly backwards from x86
        // and provide no overrun protection
        DEREF_DST_MOV(%a,%sp)
        INC(%sp)
.macro PUSH PTR REF(%a,%sp) // push a pointer reference to %a on the stack pointed
to by %sp
.start context
        DECLARE VARIABLE (PTR REF tmp,0)
        PTR REF(%a, PTR REF tmp)
        PUSH( PTR REF tmp, %sp)
.end context
.macro PUSH LITERAL(%value,%sp) // push a LITERAL value %value on to the stack
pointed to by %sp
.start context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_PUSH_LITERAL_tmp,%value) // this works out to be the
same code as PUSH_PTR_REF.. probably best to use them seperately
        PUSH(_PUSH_LITERAL_tmp,%sp)
.end context
.macro POP(%sp, %b) // pop a value from the stack pointed to by %sp into %b
        // note that the stacks here work exactly backwards from x86
        // and provide no overrun protection
        DEC(%sp)
        DEREF SRC MOV(%sp,%b)
}
```





```
.macro POP IGNORE(%numargs,%sp) // remove %numargs items from the stack
    SUB_LITERAL(%numargs,%sp)
.macro CALL(%target, %sp)
.start context
        PUSH_PTR_REF(_CALL_retloc, %sp)
        JMP(%target)
_CALL_retloc:
.end_context
.macro SET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE(%a) // moves %a to frame position -2
.start_context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_SET_FUNCTION_RETURN_VALUE_tmp,0)
        MOV(_bp,_SET_FUNCTION_RETURN_VALUE_tmp)
        SUB_LITERAL(2,_SET_FUNCTION_RETURN_VALUE_tmp)
        DEREF_DST_MOV(%a,_SET_FUNCTION_RETURN_VALUE_tmp)
.end context
.macro GET_FUNCTION_RETURN_VALUE(%sp, %b) // get the return value from the
previous function called with stack pointer %sp, store in %b
        POP(%sp,%b)
.macro RET(%sp)
.start context
                POP(%sp, _RET_tailjump+2)
subleq Z, Z, Z // third operand will be overwritten
 RET tailjump:
.end context
.macro FUNCTION(%name,%sp)
%name:
.start context
        MAKE_FRAME_PTR(%sp,_bp)
.macro END_FUNCTION()
.end_context
.macro MAKE_FRAME_PTR(%sp,%bp) // make a stack frame pointer in %bp on the stack
pointed to by %sp
{
        DECLARE VARIABLE(%bp,0)
        MOV (%sp, %bp)
}
```





```
.macro DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT(%name,%bp_offset) // declare a funciton argument.
meant to be used in a FUNCTION() context. uses _bp . offsets start at -2 and work
their way lower
        DECLARE VARIABLE(%name,0) // In outer context
.start_context
        DECLARE VARIABLE( DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT bp offset, %bp offset)
        DECLARE VARIABLE ( DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT tmp,0)
       MOV(_DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT_bp_offset,_DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT_tmp)
       ADD(_bp,_DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT_tmp)
        DEREF SRC MOV( DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT tmp, %name)
.macro DEREF_OFFSET_SRC_MOV(%a, %offset, %b) // move %a[%offset] to %b
.start\_context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_tmpptr, 0)
       MOV(%a, _tmpptr)
       ADD(%offset, tmpptr)
       DEREF_SRC_MOV(_tmpptr, %b)
.end_context
.macro DEREF OFFSET DST MOV(%a, %b, %offset) // move %a to %b[%offset]
.start context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_tmpptr, 0)
        MOV(%b, tmpptr)
       ADD(%offset, _tmpptr)
        DEREF_DST_MOV(%a, _tmpptr)
.end_context
// EOF
```





Appendix B: macros16.subleq

```
.include "macros.subleq"
.macro GETLSB(%a,%b)
{
    GETLSB_INNER(%a,%b,16)
}
.macro ROR(%a,%b)
{
    ROR_INNER(%a,%b,16)
}
.macro ROR1(%a,%b)
{
    ROR1_INNER(%a,%b,16)
}
.macro SHR1(%a)
{
    SHR1_INNER(%a,0x7FFF)
}
```





Appendix C: rssbmacros.subleq

```
.macro HALT() // Terminate the program
{
       rssb -2
.macro NOP()
   rssb -1
.macro JMP(%target)
.start_context
          ACC
   rssb
            _JMP_TARGET_DELTA
   rssb
           ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
           ZERO // same, but for skipped
   rssb
   rssb
           ΙP
JMP TAIL:
.end context
.macro ADD(%a,%b) // add %a to %b and store result in %b
   rssb
           ACC
   rssb
           %a
           ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
           ZERO // same, but for skipped
   rssb
   rssb
           ACC // pad if result was zero
   rssb
   //rssb ACC
.macro SUB(%a,%b) // subtract %a from %b and store result in %b
.start_context
_SUB_start:
   rssb
           ACC
   rssb
   NOP()
   rssb
           ZERO // acc = -acc
   NOP()
           ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
   NOP()
```





```
rssb
    NOP() // pad if result was zero
    //rssb ACC
.end context
.macro DEC(%a) // Subtract 1 from %a, store result in %acc
.start_context
    SUB(_DEC_ONE,%a)
    JMP(_DEC_TAIL)
DEC ONE: dd 1
_DEC_TAIL:
.end_context
.macro INC(%a) // Add 1 to %a, store result in %acc
{
.start context
   ADD(_INC_ONE,%a)
    JMP(_INC_TAIL)
INC_ONE: dd 1
_INC_TAIL:
.end context
.macro SETZ(%a) // set %a to zero
    // clear out destination
    SUB (%a, %a)
.macro MOV(%a,%b) // move %a to %b
    SETZ(%b)
    ADD(%a,%b)
.macro PTR_REF(%a,%b) // set %b to the address of %a
        SETVALUE(%a,%b)
.macro DEREF_SRC_MOV(%a,%b) // get the value pointed to by %a, store in %b
.start context
```





```
SETZ(%b)
    MOV(%a,_DEREF_SRC_MOV_TAIL_ADD+1)
_DEREF_SRC_MOV_TAIL_ADD:
    // expanded ADD macro
    rssb
            ACC
            %a // << will be overwritten
    rssb
            ZERO // acc = -acc
    rssb
            ZERO // same, but for skipped
    rssb
    rssb
            ACC // pad if result was zero
    rssb
.end context
.macro DEREF_DST_MOV(%a,%b) // put the value %a in the location pointed to by %b
.start context
    MOV(%b,_DEREF_DST_MOV_SETZ_SUB+1)
    MOV(%b,_DEREF_DST_MOV_SETZ_SUB+5)
_DEREF_DST_MOV_SETZ_SUB:
    // expanded SUB(x,x)
            ACC
    rssb
    rssb
            %b
            ZER0
    rssb
    rssb
            ZER0
    rssb
            ZER0
    rssb
            %b
            ACC
    rssb
    MOV(%b, DEREF DST MOV TAIL ADD+4)
DEREF DST MOV TAIL ADD:
    // expanded ADD macro
    rssb
            ACC
    rssb
            %a
            ZERO // acc = -acc
    rssb
            ZERO // same, but for skipped
    rssb
            %b // << will be overwritten
    rssb
    rssb
            ACC // pad if result was zero
.end_context
.macro INDIRECT_JMP(%a) // jump to the location stored in %a
.start_context
    SETZ( INDIRECT JMP NEW TARGET)
   MOV(%a, _INDIRECT_JMP_NEW_TARGET)
SUB(_INDIRECT_JMP_TAIL_ADDR, _INDIRECT_JMP_NEW_TARGET)
_INDIRECT_JMP_tailjump:
    rssb
          ACC
```





```
INDIRECT JMP NEW TARGET
    rssb
            ZERO // acc = -acc
    rssb
            ZERO // same, but for skipped
    rssb
            ΙP
    rssb
INDIRECT JMP TAIL:
INDIRECT JMP TAIL ADDR: dd INDIRECT JMP TAIL
INDIRECT JMP NEW TARGET: dd 0
.end context
.macro BLZ(%a,%target) // Branch to %target if %a < 0</pre>
.start context
   SETZ( BLZ WILL BRANCH)
    SETZ( BLZ TMP)
           ACC // clear ACC
    rssb
    rssb
            %a
            ACC // skipped if a < 0, so ACC is either negative or 0 after this
    rssb
             BLZ WILL_BRANCH // will be positive number if branching, 0 if not
    rssb
   MOV( BLZ WILL BRANCH, BLZ TMP)
   MOV( BLZ NOT BRANCHING TARGET DELTA ORIGINAL, BLZ NOT BRANCHING TARGET DELTA)
   MOV(_BLZ_BRANCHING_TARGET_DELTA_ORIGINAL,_BLZ_BRANCHING_TARGET_DELTA)
   DEC(_BLZ_TMP)
    JMP(_BLZ_OVER_VARS)
BLZ TARGET: dd %target- BLZ TAIL
BLZ ONE: dd 1
BLZ NEGONE: dd -1
BLZ TMP: dd 0
BLZ INNER JUMP VAL: dd 0
BLZ WILL BRANCH: dd 0
BLZ BRANCHING TARGET DELTA ORIGINAL: dd %target- BLZ TAIL
BLZ_NOT_BRANCHING_TARGET_DELTA_ORIGINAL: dd _BLZ_TAIL - _BLZ_NOT_BRANCHING_TAIL
BLZ NOT BRANCHING TARGET DELTA: dd 0 // gets set from a MOV at the beginning of
the macro
BLZ BRANCHING TARGET DELTA: dd 0 // gets set from a MOV each time the macro is
executed
BLZ OVER VARS:
   rssb
           ACC
            BLZ TMP // tmp should be -1 if not branching or 0+ if branching
    rssb
            _BLZ_TMP
                     // skipped if not branching. should normalize branching
    rssb
values to 0
   INC( BLZ TMP)
    // at this point BLZ TMP should be 0 if not branching and 1 if branching)
    // I think what we want to do is repeatedly add BLZ TMP to determine which
tail to jump to
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD( BLZ TMP, BLZ INNER JUMP VAL)
```





```
ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD( BLZ TMP, BLZ INNER JUMP VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   ADD(_BLZ_TMP,_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
   // perform jump to $+INNER JUMP VAL
            ACC
   rssb
             _BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL
   rssb
            ZER0
   rssb
   rssb
            ZER0
   rssb
            IP // should jump forward _BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL instructions
BLZ NOT BRANCHING:
   //SETZ(_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
            ACC
   rssb
            _BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL
   rssb
   rssb
            ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
   rssb
            - 1
            ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
   rssb
            -1
             BLZ INNER JUMP VAL
   rssb
            -1 // pad if result was zero
   rssb
   // expanded JMP macro since we don't want this function to break if we change
the original JMP macro at all
            ACC
   rssb
             BLZ NOT BRANCHING TARGET DELTA
   rssb
   rssb
            ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
            ZERO // same, but for skipped
            ΙP
   rssb
BLZ NOT BRANCHING TAIL:
BLZ BRANCHING:
   //SETZ(_BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL)
            ACC
   rssb
            _BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL
   rssb
            - 1
   rssb
            ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
   rssb
            - 1
            ZERO // acc = -acc
   rssb
            - 1
   rssb
            _BLZ_INNER_JUMP_VAL
   rssb
   rssb
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    rssb
            BLZ BRANCHING TARGET DELTA
    rssb
    rssb
            ZERO // acc = -acc
            ZERO // same, but for skipped
    rssb
            ΙP
    rssb
BLZ TAIL:
.end context
.macro BEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a = Zero
.start_context
    MOV(%a,_BEZ_TMP)
    BLZ(_BEZ_TMP,_BEZ_NOT_BRANCHING)
    DEC(_BEZ_TMP)
    BLZ(_BEZ_TMP,_BEZ_BRANCHING)
    JMP( BEZ NOT BRANCHING)
BEZ BRANCHING:
    JMP(%c)
 BEZ_NOT_BRANCHING:
   JMP(_BEZ_TAIL)
BEZ_TMP: dd 0
_BEZ_TAIL:
.end context
.macro BNEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a != 0
.start_context
    BEZ(%a,_BNEZ_TAIL)
    JMP(%c)
BNEZ TAIL:
.end_context
.macro BLEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a <= 0</pre>
    BEZ(%a,%c)
    BLZ(%a,%c)
.macro BGEZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a >= 0
.start_context
    BLZ(%a,_BGEZ_TAIL)
    JMP(%c)
BGEZ_TAIL:
.end context
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.macro BGZ(%a,%c) // Branch to %c if %a > 0
.start context
   BLZ(%a,_BGZ_TAIL)
    BEZ(%a,_BGZ_TAIL)
   JMP(%c)
BGZ TAIL:
.end context
.macro BEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a = %b
.start_context
   MOV(%a,_BEQ_TMP)
SUB(%b,_BEQ_TMP)
    BEZ(_BEQ_TMP,%c)
    JMP(_BEQ_TAIL)
BEQ_TMP: dd 0
BEQ TAIL:
.end_context
.macro BNEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a != %b
.start context
   MOV(%a,_BNEQ_TMP)
    SUB(%b,_BNEQ_TMP)
    BNEZ(%a,%c)
    JMP(_BNEQ_ TAIL)
BNEQ TMP: dd 0
BNEQ_TAIL:
.end context
.macro BLEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a <= %b</pre>
.start context
   MOV(%a,_BLEQ_TMP)
    SUB(%b,_BLEQ_TMP)
    BLEZ(_BLEQ_TMP,%c)
   JMP(_BLEQ_TAIL)
BLEQ_TMP: dd 0
_BLEQ_TAIL:
.end_context
.macro BGEQ(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a >= %b
.start context
   MOV(%a,_BGEQ_TMP)
    SUB(%b, BGEQ TMP)
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BGEZ(_BGEQ_TMP,%c)
   JMP(_BGEQ_TAIL)
BGEQ_TMP: dd 0
BGEQ TAIL:
.end context
.macro BL(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a < %b</pre>
.start context
   MOV(%a,_BL_TMP)
   SUB(%b,_BL_TMP)
   BLZ(BL TMP,%c)
   JMP( BL TAIL)
BL TMP: dd 0
BL_TAIL:
.end_context
.macro BG(%a,%b,%c) // Branch to %c if %a > %b
.start_context
   MOV(%a,_BG_TMP)
   SUB(%b,_BG_TMP)
   BGZ(_BG_TMP,%c)
   JMP(_BG_TAIL)
BG TMP: dd 0
_BG_TAIL:
.end context
.macro MOVJMP(%a,%b,%c) // Move %a to %b then jump to %c
   MOV (%a, %b)
   JMP(%c)
.macro NOT(%a) // invert bits in %a
.start_context
        MOV(%a,_NOT_tmp)
        SUB(%a,_NOT_tmp)
        SUB(%a,_NOT_tmp)
        MOVJMP(_NOT_tmp,%a,_NOT_TAIL)
NOT tmp: dd 0
NOT TAIL:
.end context
.macro MUL(%a,%b) // multiply %a by %b and store in %b
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// loop %b number of times adding %a to a tmp var each time.
// two bodies depending on if b is pos or negative
.start_context
            SETZ( MUL i)
            SETZ( MUL result)
            BLZ(%b,_MUL_b_neg)
            JMP(_MUL_b_pos)
MUL_i:
            dd 0
MUL result: dd 0
_MUL_b_pos:
            BEQ(%b, _MUL_i, _MUL_finished)
            ADD(%a, MUL result)
            INC( MUL i)
            JMP( MUL b pos)
_MUL_b_neg: BEQ(%b,_MUL_i,_MUL_finished)
            SUB(%a,_MUL_result)
            DEC(_MUL_i)
            JMP(_MUL_b_neg)
_MUL_finished:
            MOV( MUL result,%b)
.end_context
.macro DIV(%a,%b,%c) // Divide %a by %b and store quotient in %b and remainder in
.start context
            SETZ( DIV i)
            SETZ(_DIV sum)
            BLZ(%a, _DIV_a_neg)
                     DIV a pos b neg)
BLZ(%b, _DIV_a_pos_b_neg)
DIV_a_pos_b_pos: // keep adding %b to sum until sum > a
            BG(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_sub_finish)
            ADD(%b, _DIV_sum)
            BG( DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_a_pos_b_pos)
            INC( DIV i)
            JMP( DIV a pos b pos)
_DIV_a_pos_b_neg: // keep subtracting %b from sum until sum >= a
            BG(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_add_finish)
            SUB(%b, _DIV_sum)
            BG(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_a_pos_b_neg)
            DEC(_DIV_i)
            JMP( DIV a pos b neg)
 _DIV_a_neg: BLZ(%b,_DIV_a_neg_b_neg)
DIV a neg b pos: // keep subtracting %b from sum until sum <= a
            BL(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_add_finish)
            SUB(%b, _DIV_sum)
BL(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_a_neg_b_pos)
            DEC( DIV i)
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JMP( DIV a neg b pos)
 DIV_a_neg_b_neg: // keep adding %b to sum until sum <= a
            BL(_DIV_sum, %a, _DIV_sub_finish)
            ADD(%b, _DIV_sum)
            BL( DIV sum, %a, DIV a neg b neg)
            INC( DIV i)
            JMP(_DIV_a_neg_b_neg)
 DIV i:
            dd 0
 DIV_sum:
            dd 0
 DIV_tmp:
            dd 0
DIV sub finish:
            SUB(%b, DIV sum)
            JMP( DIV finish)
_DIV_add_finish:
            ADD(%b, _DIV_sum)
DIV finish:
            MOV(%a, %c)
            SUB(_DIV_sum, %c)
            MOV(_DIV_i, %b)
.end context
.macro DECLARE_VARIABLE(%name,%value) // declare a variable in your current context
    JMP(%name+1)
%name: dd %value
.macro SETVALUE(%value,%b) // sets %b to the value specified (direct)
.start context
    MOVJMP(_SETVALUE_TMP,%b,_SETVALUE_TAIL)
 _SETVALUE_TMP: dd %value
_SETVALUE_TAIL:
.end context
.macro LEA(%a, %b) // get the address of %a and store in %b
            SETVALUE(%a, %b)
.macro ADD LITERAL(%value,%b) // add literal %value to %b, store in %b
.start context
        ADD(_ADD_LITERAL_val, %b)
        JMP(_ADD_LITERAL_end)
_ADD_LITERAL_val:
                    dd %value
ADD LITERAL end:
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.end context
.macro SUB LITERAL(%value, %b) // subtract %value from %b, store in %b
.start_context
        SUB( SUB LITERAL val, %b)
        JMP(_SUB_LITERAL_end)
SUB LITERAL_val:
                    dd %value
_SUB_LITERAL_end:
.end_context
.macro DOUBLE(%a) // double %a, store result in %a
.start context
   MOV(%a,_DOUBLE_TMP)
   ADD(%a,_DOUBLE_TMP)
   MOVJMP(_DOUBLE_TMP,%a,_DOUBLE_TAIL)
DOUBLE TMP: dd 0
DOUBLE TAIL:
.end_context
.macro GETMSB(%a,%b) // get the most significant bit of %a, store in %b
.start context
        BLZ(%a, GETMSB return1)
GETMSB return0:
        MOVJMP(_GETMSB_zero,%b,_GETMSB_finished)
GETMSB return1:
        MOVJMP(_GETMSB_one,%b,_GETMSB_finished)
GETMSB one: dd 1
_GETMSB_zero: dd 0
GETMSB finished:
.end context
.macro GETLSB_INNER(%a,%b,%wordsize) // get the least significant bit of %a, store
in %b
.start_context
        DECLARE VARIABLE (GETLSB tmp,0)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_GETLSB_bit,0)
       MOV(%a, GETLSB tmp)
        SHL(%wordsize-1,_GETLSB_tmp)
        GETMSB(_GETLSB_tmp,%b)
.end_context
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.macro SHL1(%a) // shift the bits in %a left a bit, 0 enters right
    DOUBLE (%a)
.macro SHL(%numbits,%b) // Shift %b left by LITERAL %numbits amount, store result
in %b
.start_context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_i,0)
        SETZ(i)
        FORLOOP START( i,%numbits, SHL loop)
            SHL1(%b)
        FORLOOP_END(_i,_SHL_loop)
.end context
.macro SHR1(%a, %wordmask) // shift the bits in %a right by 1. 0 enters from the
left
.start_context
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_SHR1_quotient,2)
        DECLARE_VARIABLE(_SHR1_remainder,0)
DECLARE_VARIABLE(_SHR1_mask,%wordmask)
        DIV(%a,_SHR1_quotient,_SHR1_remainder)
        AND( SHR1 mask, SHR1 quotient)
        MOV( SHR1 quotient, %a)
.end context
.macro SHR(%numbits,%b) // Shift %b right by LITERAL %numbits amount, store
result in %b
.start_context
        DECLARE VARIABLE( i,0)
        FORLOOP_START(_i,%numbits,_SHR_loop)
            SHR1(%b)
        FORLOOP_END(_i,_SHR_loop)
.end_context
.macro FORLOOP START(%i,%numloops,%loopID) // increment %i each time, max number of
loops %numloops, a unique loopID (in context) that a lebel will be built on
// note that this label is in the context of the "calling" code
_FORLOOP_START_LOOPID_%loopID:
.start context
        JMP( FORLOOP START compare)
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FORLOOP START numloops: dd %numloops
FORLOOP_START_compare:
        BGEQ(%i,_FORLOOP_START_numloops,_FORLOOP_END_LOOPID_%loopID)
.end context
.macro FORLOOP_VAR_START(%i,%numloops_var,%loopID) // same as FORLOOP_START but
%numloops is a variable not a literal
FORLOOP START LOOPID %loopID:
.start_context
       JMP(_FORLOOP_START_compare)
FORLOOP START_compare:
       BGEQ(%i,%numloops var, FORLOOP END LOOPID %loopID)
.end_context
.macro FORLOOP BREAK(%loopID) // early loop terminator
        JMP(_FORLOOP_END_LOOPID_%loopID)
.macro FORLOOP_END(%i,%loopID) // use at the end of your loop
        INC(%i)
        JMP(_FORLOOP_START_LOOPID_%loopID)
FORLOOP_END_LOOPID_%loopID:
.macro LOOP START(%loopID)
                               // Generic loop mechanism
LOOP START LOOPID %loopID:
                             // in outer context
.macro LOOP BREAK(%loopID)
                               // generic loop break
        JMP( LOOP END LOOPID %loopID)
.macro LOOP END(%loopID)
                                // generic loop ender
        JMP( LOOP START LOOPID %loopID)
LOOP END LOOPID %loopID:
                             // in outer context
.macro BITWISE_JMP(%a,%b,%none_target,%one_target,%both_target) // internal use.
jump to a different location based on if none, one, or both bits are set
.start context
        MOV(%a,_BITWISE_JMP_tmp)
        ADD(%b,_BITWISE_JMP_tmp)
        BEZ( BITWISE_JMP_tmp,%none_target)
       DEC(_BITWISE_JMP_tmp)
BEZ(_BITWISE_JMP_tmp,%one_target)
        JMP(%both_target)
BITWISE JMP tmp:
                    dd 0
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.end context
.macro BITWISE_OPERATOR(%a,%b,%none,%onlyone,%both)
.start context
        MOV(%a, BITWISE OPERATOR tmp a)
        MOV(%b, BITWISE OPERATOR tmp b)
        SETZ( BITWISE OPERATOR i)
        FORLOOP START( BITWISE OPERATOR i,16, BITWISE OPERATOR loop)
            GETMSB(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a)
            GETMSB(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_b,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_b)
BITWISE JMP( BITWISE OPERATOR msb a, BITWISE OPERATOR msb b, BITWISE OPERATOR none,
 BITWISE OPERATOR onlyone, BITWISE OPERATOR both)
 BITWISE OPERATOR tmp a: dd 0
 BITWISE OPERATOR tmp b: dd 0
 BITWISE OPERATOR msb a: dd 0
 BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_b: dd 0
 _BITWISE_OPERATOR_result: dd 0
BO ZERO: dd 0
                 // USE these in outer macro context for convenience
 BO ONE: dd 1
                 // same
 BITWISE OPERATOR i:
                        dd 0
 BITWISE OPERATOR none:
            MOVJMP(%none, BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_insert_new_bit)
BITWISE OPERATOR onlyone:
MOVJMP(%onlyone,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_insert_new_bit)
BITWISE OPERATOR both:
            MOV(%both, BITWISE OPERATOR msb a)
BITWISE OPERATOR insert new bit:
            DOUBLE( BITWISE_OPERATOR_result)
            ADD(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_msb_a,_BITWISE_OPERATOR_result)
            DOUBLE( BITWISE OPERATOR tmp a)
            INC( BITWISE_OPERATOR_tmp_a) // workaround for -INT_MIN = INT_MIN
            DOUBLE( BITWISE OPERATOR tmp b)
            INC( BITWISE OPERATOR tmp b)
        FORLOOP END( BITWISE OPERATOR i, BITWISE OPERATOR loop)
        MOV(_BITWISE_OPERATOR_result,%b)
.end context
.macro AND(%a,%b) // logical and %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ZERO, BO ZERO, BO ONE)
.macro OR(%a,%b) // logical OR %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE_OPERATOR(%a,%b,_BO_ZERO,_BO_ONE,_BO_ONE)
.macro XOR(%a,%b) // logical XOR %a and %b, store result in %b
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{
        BITWISE_OPERATOR(%a,%b,_BO_ZERO,_BO_ONE,_BO_ZERO)
.macro XNOR(%a,%b) // logical XNOR %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE OPERATOR(%a,%b, BO ONE, BO ZERO, BO ONE)
.macro NOR(%a,%b) // logical NOR %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE_OPERATOR(%a,%b,_BO_ONE,_BO_ZERO,_BO_ZERO)
.macro NAND(%a,%b) // logical NAND %a and %b, store result in %b
        BITWISE_OPERATOR(%a,%b,_BO_ONE,_BO_ONE,_BO_ZERO)
.macro IN(%a) // receive input and store in %a
    SETVALUE(1, INPUT READY)
   MOV(INPUT,%a)
.macro OUT(%a) // send %a as output
    MOV (%a, OUTPUT)
   SETVALUE(1, OUTPUT READY)
.macro PUSH(%a,%sp) // push %a on the stack pointed to by %sp
    // note that the stacks here work exactly backwards from x86
    // and provide no overrun protection
    DEREF DST MOV(%a, %sp)
    INC(%sp)
.macro PUSH_PTR_REF(%a,%sp) // push a pointer reference to %a on the stack pointed
to by %sp
.start context
   DECLARE_VARIABLE(_PTR_REF_tmp,0)
    PTR REF(%a, PTR REF tmp)
    PUSH(_PTR_REF_tmp,%sp)
.end context
.macro PUSH LITERAL(%value,%sp) // push a LITERAL value %value on to the stack
pointed to by %sp
.start context
    DECLARE_VARIABLE(_PUSH_LITERAL_tmp,%value) // this works out to be the same
code as PUSH_PTR_REF.. probably best to use them seperately
    PUSH ( PUSH LITERAL tmp, %sp)
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.end context
.macro POP(%sp, %b) // pop a value from the stack pointed to by %sp into %b
    // note that the stacks here work exactly backwards from x86
    // and provide no overrun protection
    DEC(%sp)
    DEREF SRC MOV(%sp,%b)
.macro POP IGNORE(%numargs,%sp) // remove %numargs items from the stack
    SUB LITERAL (%numargs, %sp)
.macro CALL(%target, %sp)
.start context
    PUSH_PTR_REF(_CALL_retloc, %sp)
    JMP(%target)
_CALL_retloc:
.end context
.macro SET_FUNCTION_RETURN_VALUE(%a) // moves %a to frame position -2
.start_context
    DECLARE VARIABLE ( SET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE tmp,0)
    MOV( bp, SET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE tmp)
    SUB LITERAL(2, SET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE tmp)
    DEREF DST MOV(%a, SET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE tmp)
.end context
.macro GET FUNCTION RETURN VALUE(%sp, %b) // get the return value from the
previous function called with stack pointer %sp, store in %b
{
    POP(%sp,%b)
.macro RET(%sp)
.start_context
    POP(%sp, _RET_ptr)
INDIRECT_JMP(_RET_ptr)
_RET_ptr: dd 0
.end_context
.macro FUNCTION(%name,%sp)
%name:
.start context
    MAKE_FRAME_PTR(%sp,_bp)
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.macro END FUNCTION()
.end_context
.macro MAKE FRAME PTR(%sp,%bp) // make a stack frame pointer in %bp on the stack
pointed to by %sp
    DECLARE VARIABLE(%bp,0)
   MOV(%sp,%bp)
.macro DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT(%name, %bp_offset) // declare a funciton argument.
meant to be used in a FUNCTION() context. uses bp . offsets start at -2 and work
their way lower
    DECLARE_VARIABLE(%name,0) // In outer context
.start context
    DECLARE_VARIABLE(_DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT_bp_offset, %bp_offset)
    DECLARE_VARIABLE(_DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT_tmp,0)
    MOV(_DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT_bp_offset,_DECLARE_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT_tmp)
    ADD( bp, DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT tmp)
   DEREF SRC MOV( DECLARE FUNCTION ARGUMENT tmp,%name)
.end_context
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