

# Homework 5

## 1. JUMP INSTRUCTIONS

In the following excerpts from a disassembled binary, some of the information has been replaced by `xs`. Answer the following questions about these instructions.

- A. What is the target of the `je` instruction below? (You don't need to know anything about the `callq` instruction here.)

```
4003fa: 74 02                je  xs
4003fc: ff d0                callq *%rax
```

- B. What is the target of the `je` instruction below?

```
40042f: 74 f4                je  xs
400431: 5d                    pop  %rbp
```

- C. What is the address of the `ja` and `pop` instructions?

```
xxxxxx: 77 02                ja  400547
xxxxxx: 5d                    pop  %rbp
```

- D. In the code that follows, the jump target is encoded in PC-relative form as a 4-byte, two's complement number. The bytes are listed from least significant to most, reflecting the littleendian byte ordering of x86-64. What is the address of the jump target?

```
4005e8: e9 73 ff ff ff      jmp  xs
4005ed: 90                    nop
```

## 2. CONDITIONAL MOVES

In the following C function, we have left the definition of operation `OP` incomplete:

```
#define OP ____ /* Unknown operator */
long arith(long x)
{
    return x OP 8;
}
```

When compiled, GCC generates the following assembly code:

```
long arith(long x)
x in %rdi
arith:
    leaq    7(%rdi), %rax
    testq   %rdi, %rdi
    cmovns  %rdi, %rax
    sarq    $3, %rax
    ret
```

What operation is OP (only one operation) and explain how it works.

### 3. LOOPS

Executing a `continue` statement in C causes the program to jump to the end of the current loop iteration. The stated rule for translating a `for` loop into a `while` loop needs some refinement when dealing with `continue` statements. For example, consider the following code:

```
/* Example of for loop using a continue statement */
/* Sum even numbers between 0 and 9 */
long sum = 0; long i; for (i = 0; i <
10; i++) {      if (i & 1)
continue;      sum += i;
}
```

- A. What would we get if we naively applied our rule for translating the `for` loop into a `while` loop? What would be wrong with this code?
- B. How could you replace the `continue` statement with a `goto` statement to ensure that the `while` loop correctly duplicates the behavior of the `for` loop?