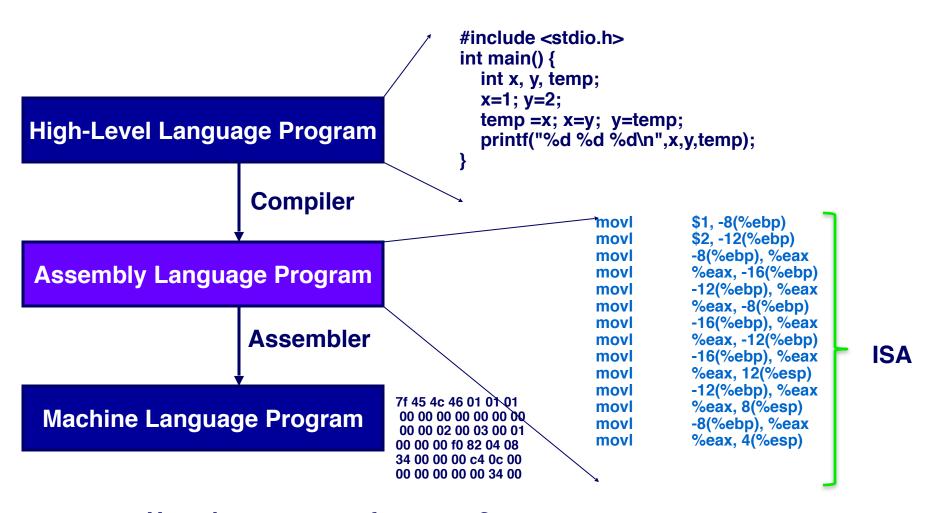
211: Computer Architecture Fall 2021

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Topics:

- Hardware-Software Interface
- Assembly Programming
 - Reading: Chapter 3

Programming Meets Hardware



How do you get performance?

Performance with Programs

(1) Program: Data structures + algorithms

(2) Compiler translates code

(3) Instruction set architecture

(4) Hardware Implementation

Instruction Set Architecture

- (1) Set of instructions that the CPU can execute
 - (1) What instructions are available?
 - (2) How the instructions are encoded? Eventually everything is binary.
- (2) State of the system (Registers + memory state + program counter)
 - (1) What instruction is going to execute next
 - (2) How many registers? Width of each register?
 - (3) How do we specify memory addresses?
 - Addressing modes
- (3) Effect of instruction on the state of the system

IA32 (X86 ISA)

There are many different assembly languages because they are processor-specific

- IA32 (x86)
 - x86-64 for new 64-bit processors
 - IA-64 radically different for Itanium processors
 - Backward compatibility: instructions added with time
- PowerPC
- MIPS

We will focus on IA32/x86-64 because you can generate and run on iLab machines (as well as your own PC/laptop)

 IA32 is also dominant in the market although smart phone, eBook readers, etc. are changing this

X86 Evolution

8086 – 1978 – 29K transistors – 5-10MHz

1386 - 1985 - 275K transistors - 16-33 MHz

Pentium4 – 2005 – 230M transistors – 2800-3800 MHz

Haswell -2013 -> 2B transistors -3200-3900 MHz

Added features

- Large caches
- Multiple cores
- Support for data parallelism (SIMD) eg AVX extensions

CISC vs RISC

CISC: complex instructions : eg X86

- Instructions such as strcpy/AES and others
- Reduces code size
- Hardware implementation complex?

RISC: simple instructions: eg Alpha

- Instructions are simple add/ld/st
- Increases code size
- Hardware implementation simple?

Aside About Implementation of x86

About 30 years ago, the instruction set actually reflected the processor hardware

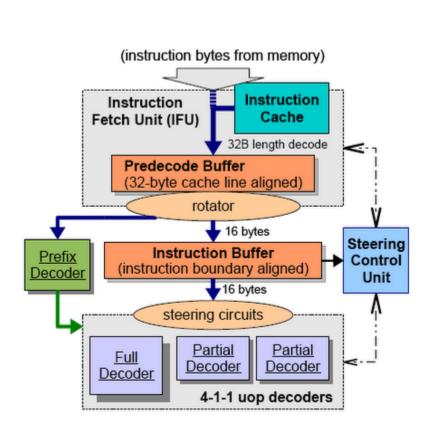
• E.g., the set of registers in the instruction set is actually what was present in the processor

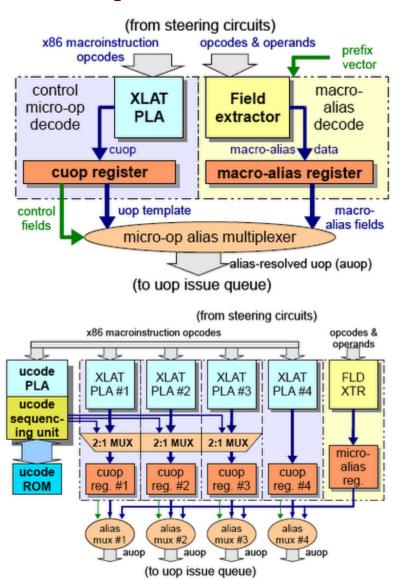
As hardware advanced, industry faced with choice

- Change the instruction set: bad for backward compatibility
- Keep the instruction set: harder to exploit hardware advances
 - Example: many more registers but only small set introduced circa 1980

Starting with the P6 (PentiumPro), IA32 actually got implemented by Intel using an "interpreter" that translates IA32 instructions into a simpler "micro" instruction set

P6 Decoder/Interpreter





Assembly Programming

Brief tour through assembly language programming

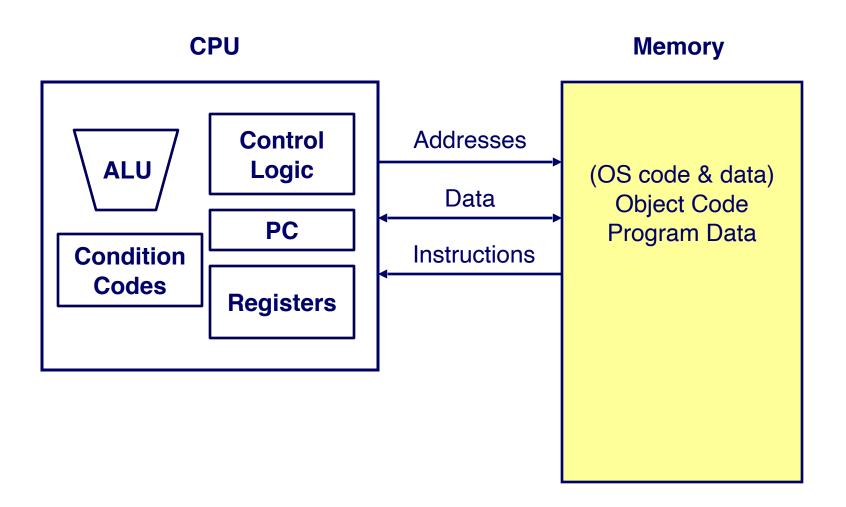
Why?

- Machine interface: where software meets hardware
- To understand how the hardware works, we have to understand the interface that it exports

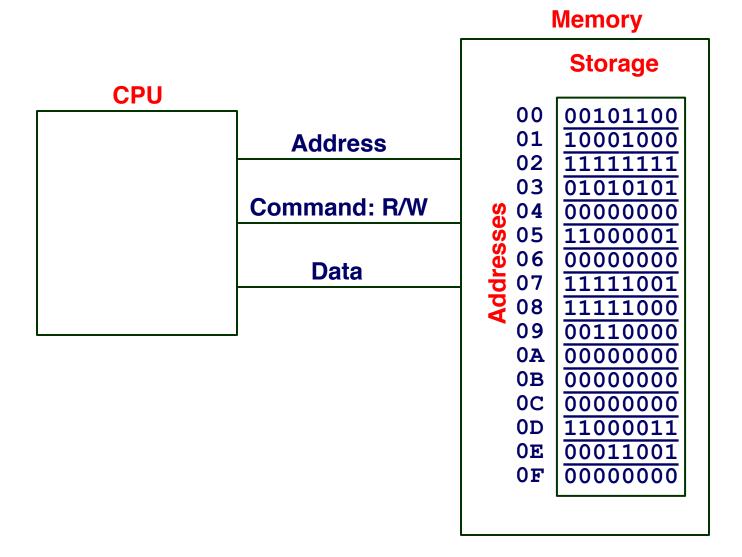
Why not binary language?

- Much easier for humans to read and reason about
- Major differences:
 - Human readable language instead of binary sequences
 - Relative instead of absolute addresses

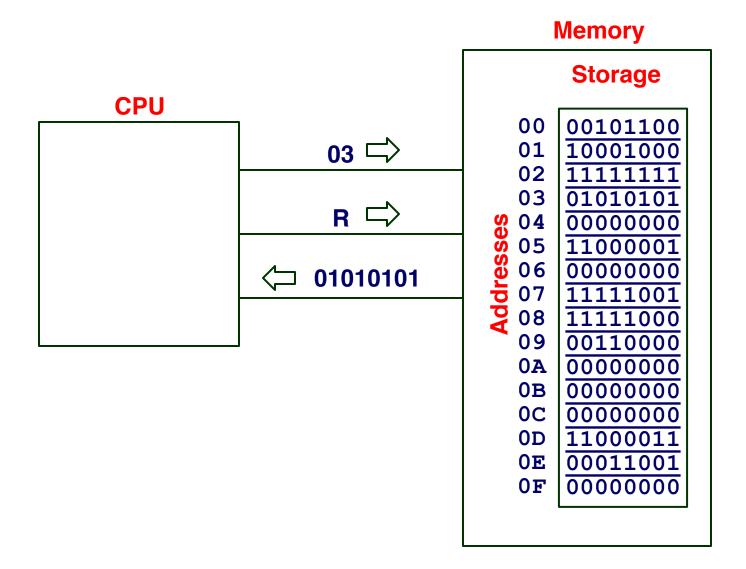
Assembly Programmer's View



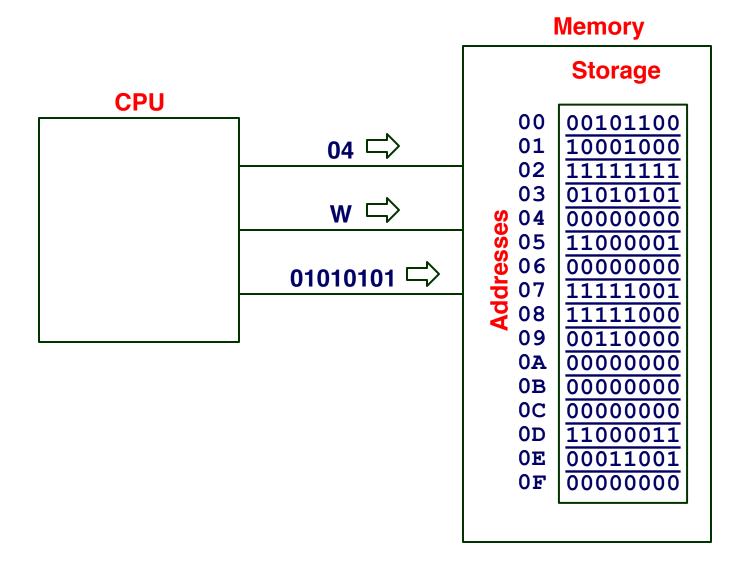
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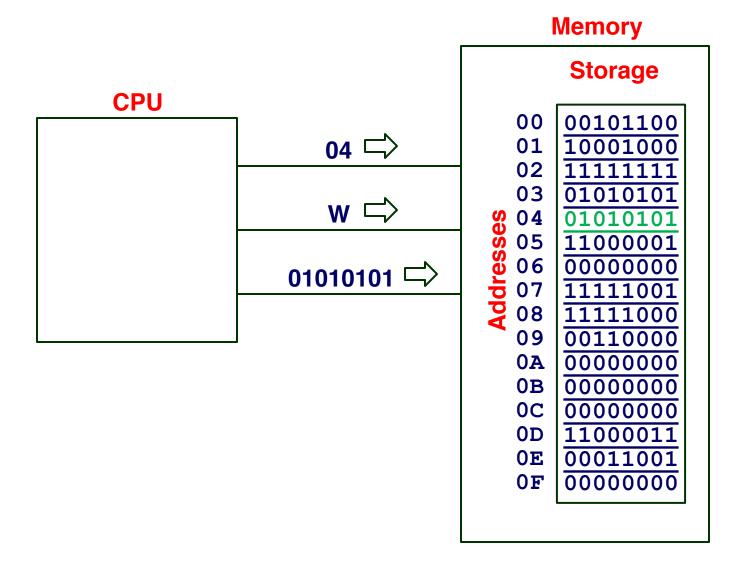
Memory Access: Read



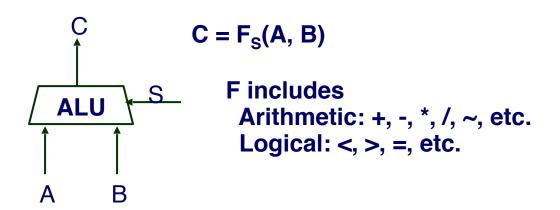
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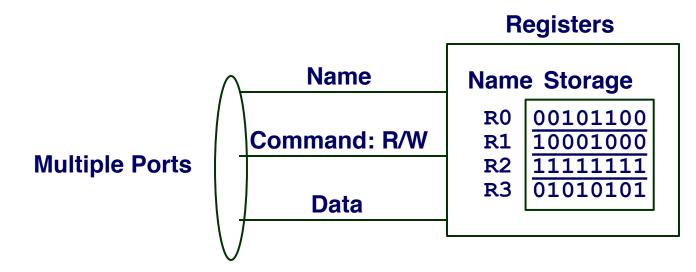


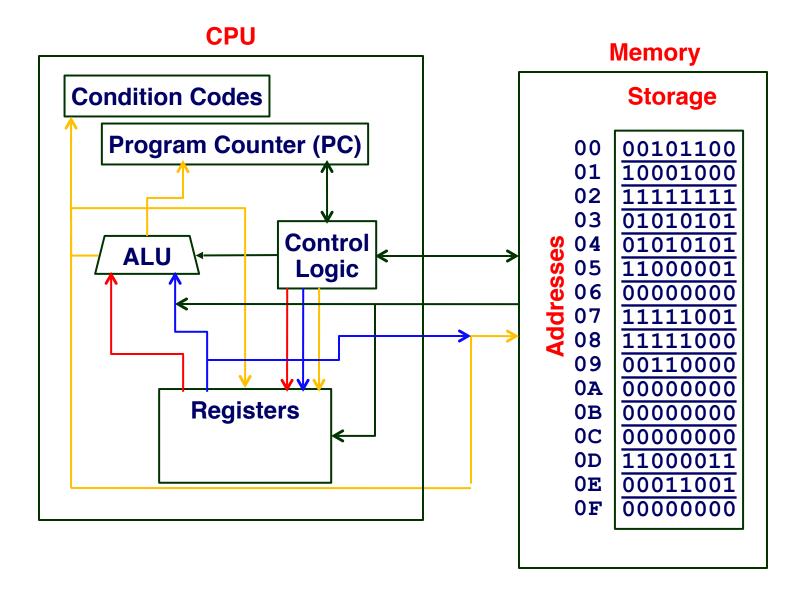
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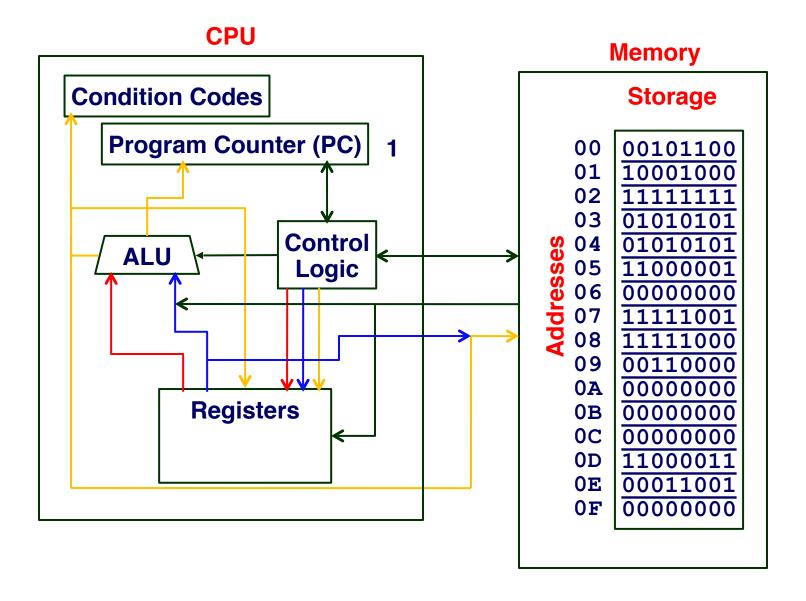


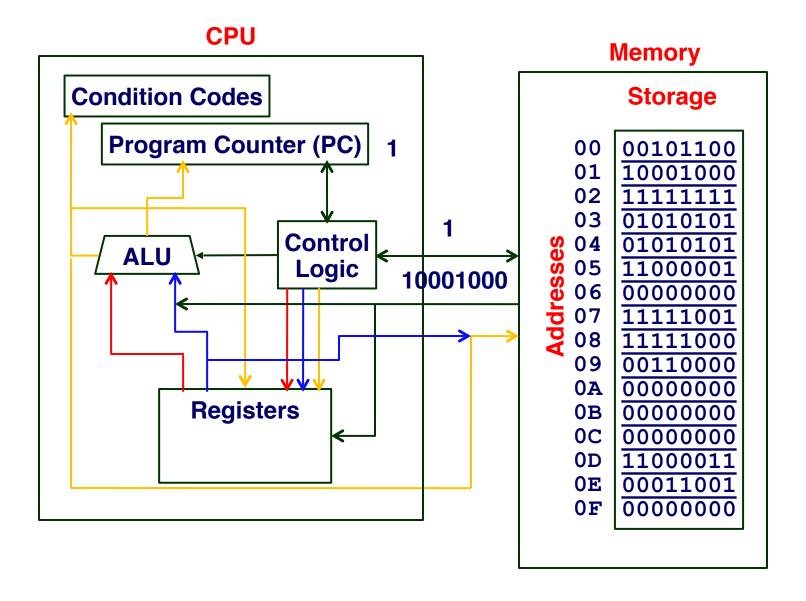
Processor: ALU & Registers

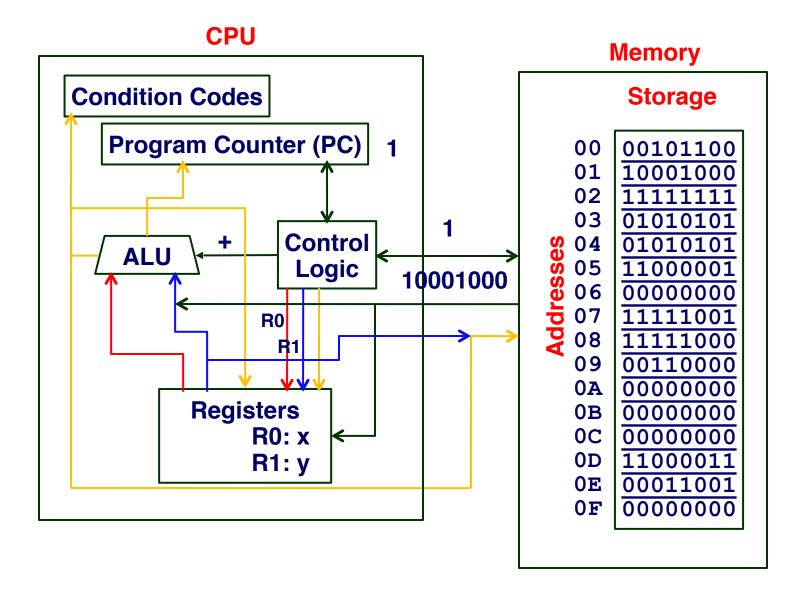


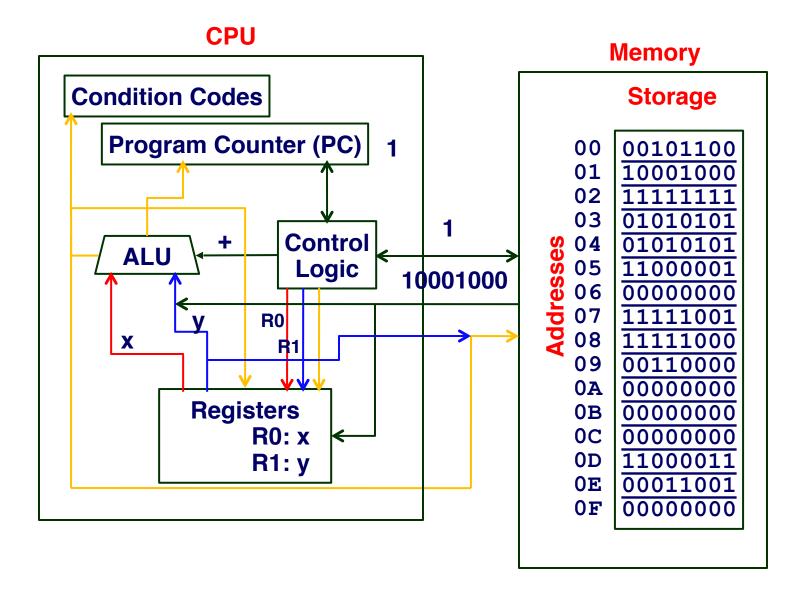


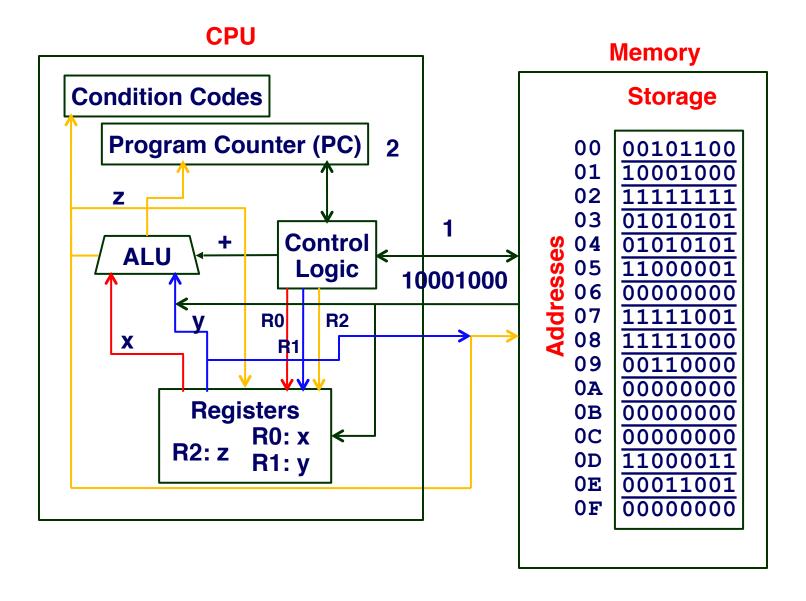












C & Assembly Code

Sample C Code

```
int accum;
int sum(int x, int y)
{
  int t = x + y;
  accum += t;
  return t;
}
```

```
gcc -O1 -m32 -S code.c
```

Generated Assembly

```
push %ebp

movl %esp, %ebp

movl 12(%ebp), %eax

addl 8(%ebp), %eax

addl %eax, accum

popl %ebp
```

ret

C & Machine Code

Sample C Code

objdump -d code.o

```
int accum;
                              0000000 <sum>:
int sum(int x, int y){
 int t = x + y;
                              0:
                                     55
                                                    push %ebp
 accum += t;
                                    89 e5
                               1:
                                                    mov %esp,%ebp
 return t;
                              3:
                                     8b 45 0c
                                                          0xc(%ebp),%eax
                                                    mov
 }
                              6:
                                     03 45 08
                                                          0x8(%ebp),%eax
                                                    add
gcc -O1 -m32 -c code.c 9:
                                     01 05 00 00 00 00 add %eax, accum
           qdb code.o
                                     5d
                                                          %ebp
                                                    pop
 (qdb) x/100xb sum
                              10:
                                     c3
                                                    ret
```

```
<sum>: 0x55 0x89 0xe5 0x8b 0x45 0x0c 0x03 0x45
9x9
      <sum+8>: 0x08 0x01 0x05 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x5d
0x10 < sum + 16 > : 0xc3
                          Cannot access memory at address 0x11
```

Assembly Characteristics

Sequence of simple instructions

Minimal Data Types

- "Integer" data of 1, 2, or 4 bytes
 - Data values
 - Addresses (untyped pointers)
- Floating point data of 4, 8, or 10 bytes
- No aggregate types such as arrays or structures
 - Just contiguously allocated bytes in memory

No type checking

- Interpretation of data format depends on instruction
- No protection against misinterpretation of data

Assembly Characteristics

3 types of Primitive Operations

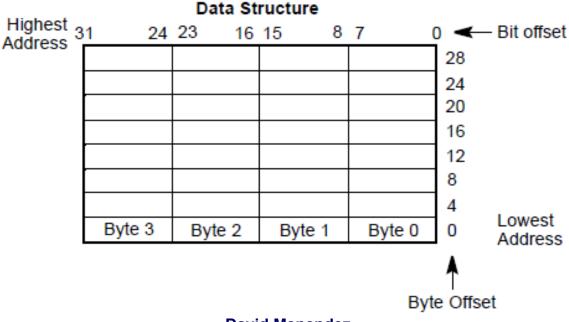
- Perform arithmetic function on register or memory data
- Transfer data between memory and register
 - Load data from memory into register
 - Store register data into memory
- Transfer control
 - Unconditional jumps to/from procedures
 - Conditional branches

x86 Characteristics

Variable length instructions: 1-15 bytes

Can address memory directly in most instructions

Uses Little-Endian format (Least significant byte in the lowest address)



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Instruction Format

General format:

opcode operands

Opcode:

- Short mnemonic for instruction's purpose
 - movb, addl, etc.

Operands:

- Immediate, register, or memory
- Number of operands command-dependent

Example:

movl %ebx, (%ecx)

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Machine Representation

Remember, each assembly instruction translated to a sequence of 1-15 bytes

First, the binary representation of the opcode

Second, instruction specifies the addressing mode

- The type of operands (registers or register and memory)
- How to interpret the operands

Some instructions can be single-byte because operands and addressing mode are implicitly specified by the instruction

E.g., pushl

x86 Registers

General purpose registers are 32 bit

Although operations can access 8-bits or 16-bits portions

Originally categorized into two groups with different functionality

- Data registers (EAX, EBX, ECX, EDX)
 - Holds operands
- Pointer and Index registers (EBP, ESP, EIP, ESI, EDI)
 - Holds references to addresses as well as indexes

Now, the registers are mostly interchangeable

Segment registers

- Holds starting address of program segments
 - CS, DS, SS, ES

x86 Registers

			16 BITS ————
EAX	AX	АН	AL
ECX	CX	СН	CL
EDX	DX	DH	DL
EBX	BX	ВН	BL
ESPStack	c Pointer		
EBP Base register of current stack frame			
ESI Source index for string operations			
EDI Destination index for string operations			

32 BITS

x86 Programming

- Mov instructions to move data from/to memory
 - Operands and registers
- Addressing modes
- Understanding swap
- Arithmetic operations
- Condition codes
- Conditional and unconditional branches
- Loops and switch statements

Data Format

Byte: 8 bits

• E.g., char

Word: 16 bits (2 bytes)

• E.g., short int

Double Word: 32 bits (4 bytes)

• E.g., int, float

Quad Word: 64 bits (8 bytes)

• E.g., double

Instructions can operate on any data size

- movl, movw, movb
 - Move double word, word, byte, respectively
- End character specifies what data size to be used

MOV instruction

Most common instruction is data transfer instruction

- Mov SRC, DEST: Move source into destination
- SRC and DEST are operands
- DEST is a register or a location
- SRC can be the contents of register, memory location, constant, or a label.
- If you use gcc, you will see movl <src>, <dest>
- All the instructions in x86 are 32-bit

Used to copy data:

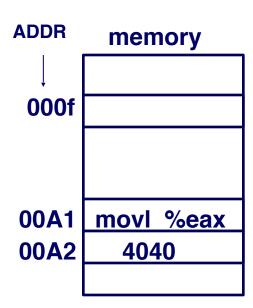
- Constant to register (immediate)
- Memory to register
- Register to memory
- Register to register

Cannot copy memory to memory in a single instruction

Immediate Addressing

Operand is immediate

- Operand value is found immediately following the instruction
- Encoded in 1, 2, or 4 bytes
- \$ in front of immediate operand
- E.g., movl \$0x4040, %eax



Register Mode Addressing

Use % to denote register

E.g., %eax

Source operand: use value in specified register

Destination operand: use register as destination for value

Examples:

- movl %eax, %ebx
 - Copy content of %eax to %ebx
- movl \$0x4040, %eax → immediate addressing
 - Copy 0x4040 to %eax
- movl %eax, 0x0000f → Absolute addressing
 - Copy content of %eax to memory location 0x0000f

Indirect Mode Addressing

Content of operand is an address

Designated as parenthesis around operand

Offset can be specified as immediate mode

Examples:

- movl (%ebp), %eax
 - Copy value from memory location whose address is in ebp into eax
- movl -4(%ebp), %eax
 - Copy value from memory location whose address is -4 away from content of ebp into eax

Indexed Mode Addressing

Add content of two registers to get address of operand

- movl (%ebp, %esi), %eax
 - Copy value at (address = ebp + esi) into eax
- movl 8(%ebp, %esi),%eax
 - Copy value at (address = 8 + ebp + esi) into eax

Useful for dealing with arrays

- If you need to walk through the elements of an array
- Use one register to hold base address, one to hold index
 - E.g., implement C array access in a for loop
- Index cannot be ESP

Scaled Indexed Mode Addressing

Multiply the second operand by the scale (1, 2, 4 or 8)

- movl 0x80 (%ebx, %esi, 4), %eax
 - Copy value at (address = ebx + esi*4 + 0x80) into eax

Where is it useful?

Address Computation Examples

%edx	0xf000
%есх	0x100

Expression	Computation	Address
0x8(%edx)	0xf000 + 0x8	0xf008
(%edx,%ecx)	0xf000 + 0x100	0xf100
(%edx,%ecx,4)	0xf000 + 4*0x100	0xf400
0x80(,%edx,2)	2*0xf000 + 0x80	0x1e080

mov1 Operand Combinations

Source Destination C Analog | Imm | Reg | mov1 \$0x4, %eax | temp = 0x4; |
Mem	mov1 \$-147, (%eax)	*p = -147;	
Reg	Reg	mov1 %eax, %edx	temp2 = temp1;
Mem	mov1 %eax, (%edx)	*p = temp;	
Mem	Reg	mov1 (%eax), %edx	temp = *p;

Cannot do memory-memory transfers with single instruction

Stack Operations

By convention, %esp is used to maintain a stack in memory

Used to support C function calls

%esp contains the address of top of stack

Instructions to push (pop) content onto (off of) the stack

- pushl %eax
 - \bullet esp = esp -4
 - Memory[esp] = eax
- popl %ebx
 - ebx = Memory[esp]
 - \bullet esp = esp + 4

Where does the stack start? We'll discuss later

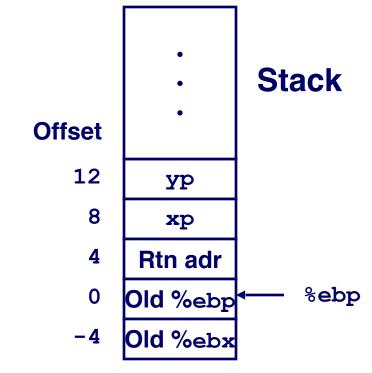
Using Simple Addressing Modes

```
void swap(int *xp, int *yp)
{
  int t0 = *xp;
  int t1 = *yp;
  *xp = t1;
  *yp = t0;
}
```

```
swap:
   pushl %ebp
                         Set
   movl %esp,%ebp
   pushl %ebx
   movl 12 (%ebp), %ecx
   mov1 8(%ebp), %edx
   movl (%ecx),%eax
   movl (%edx),%ebx
                         Body
   movl %eax, (%edx)
   movl %ebx, (%ecx)
   movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
   movl %ebp,%esp
   popl %ebp
                         Finish
   ret
```

Understanding Swap

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```
Register Variable
%ecx yp
%edx xp
%eax t1
%ebx t0
```

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movl 12(%ebp),%ecx # ecx = yp
movl 8(%ebp),%edx # edx = xp
movl (%ecx),%eax # eax = *yp (t1)
movl (%edx),%ebx # ebx = *xp (t0)
movl %eax,(%edx) # *xp = eax
movl %ebx,(%ecx) # *yp = ebx
```

Understanding Swap

123	0x124
456	0x120

0x11c

%ebx



12

-4

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 0×110

0x108

0x100

0x118

%esi

УP	12
αx	8

0x120

Rtn adr

%edi



%ebp

movl (
$$%edx$$
), $%ebx$ # $ebx = *xp$ (t0)

0x104

0x124

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Understanding Swap

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%edx

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%ebx

%esi

%edi

%esp

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%ebp -4

Offset

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0x120

0x1240x10c

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movl (%edx),%ebx # ebx = *xp (t0)

movl %eax, (%edx) # *xp = eax

*yp = ebxmovl %ebx, (%ecx)

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Understanding Swap

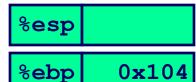
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Understanding Swap

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Understanding Swap

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Swap in x86-64: 64-bit Registers

rax	eax
rcx	ecx
rdx	edx
rbx	ebx
rsp	esp
rbp	ebp
rsi	esi
rdi	edi

r8	
r9	
r10	
r11	
r12	
r13	
r14	
r15	

Swap in x86-64 bit

```
void swap(int *xp, int *yp)
{
  int t0 = *xp;
  int t1 = *yp;
  *xp = t1;
  *yp = t0;
}
```

```
swap:
    movl (%rdi), %edx
    movl (%rsi), %eax
    movl %eax, (%rdi)
    movl %edx, (%rsi)
    retq
```

Arguments passed in registers

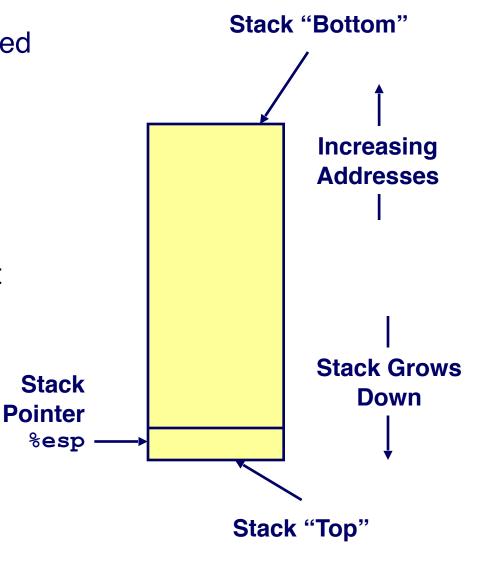
- First, xp in rdi and yp in rsi
- 64-bit pointers, data values are 32-bit ints, so uses eax/edx

No stack operations

What happens with long int?

IA32 Stack

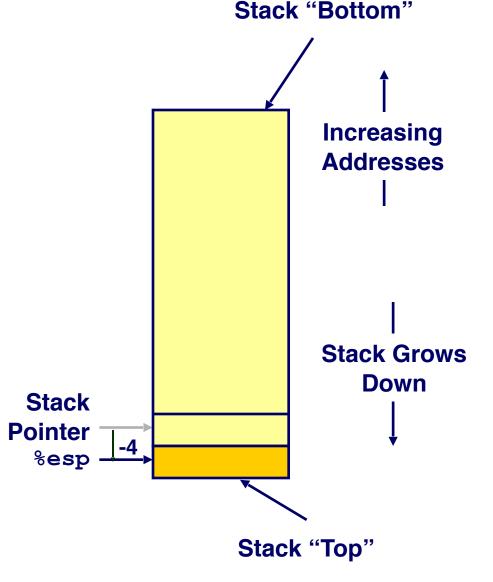
- Region of memory managed with stack discipline
- Grows toward lower addresses
- Register %esp indicates
 lowest stack address
 - address of top element



IA32 Stack Pushing

Pushing

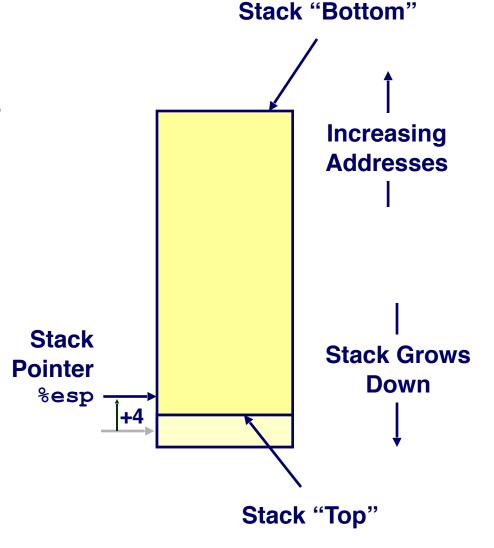
- pushl Src
- Fetch operand at Src
- Decrement %esp by 4
- Write operand at address given by %esp



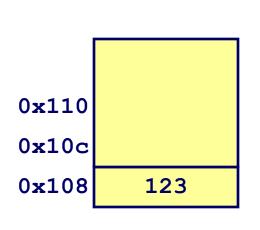
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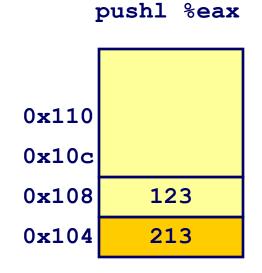
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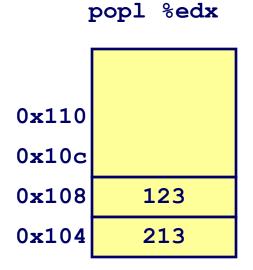
- popl Dest
- Read operand at address given by %esp
- Increment %esp by 4
- Write to Dest



Stack Operation Examples







%eax	213
%edx	555
%esp	0x108

%eax	213
%edx	555
%esp	0x104

%eax	213
%edx	213
%esp	0x108

Procedure Control Flow

Use stack to support procedure call and return

Procedure call:

call label Push return address on stack; Jump to label

Return address value

Address of instruction beyond call

Example from disassembly

804854e: e8 3d 06 00 00 call 8048b90 <main>

8048553: 50 pushl %eax

• Return address = 0×8048553

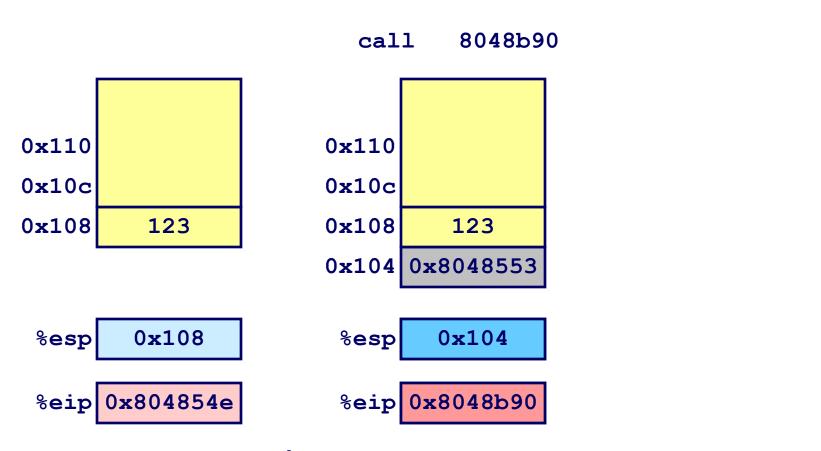
Procedure return:

retPop address from stack; Jump to address

Procedure Call Example

804854e: e8 3d 06 00 00 call 8048b90 <main>

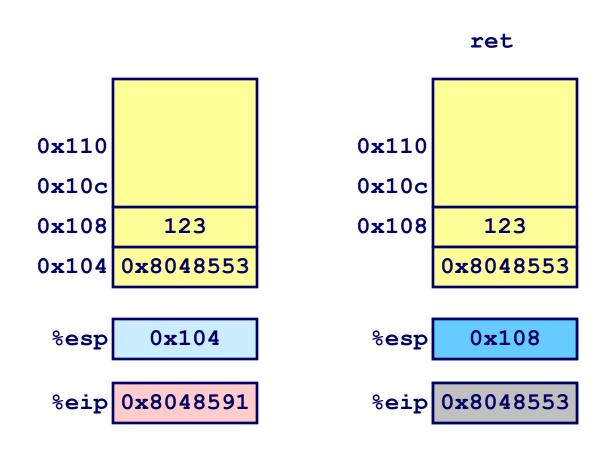
8048553: 50 pushl %eax



%eip is program counter

Procedure Return Example

8048591: c3 ret



%eip is program counter

Address Computation Instruction

leal: compute address using addressing mode without accessing memory

leal src, dest

- src is address mode expression
- Set dest to address specified by src

Use

- Computing address without doing memory reference
 - E.g., translation of p = &x[i];

Example:

- leal 7(%edx, %edx, 4), %eax
 - \bullet eax = 4*edx + edx + 7 = 5*edx + 7

Some Arithmetic Operations

```
Instruction
                 Computation
addl Src,Dest
                 Dest = Dest + Src
subl Src,Dest
                 Dest = Dest - Src
imull Src,Dest
                 Dest = Dest * Src
                 Dest = Dest << Src (left shift)
sall Src,Dest
                 Dest = Dest >> Src (right shift)
sarl Src,Dest
xorl Src,Dest
                 Dest = Dest ^ Src
andl Src,Dest
                 Dest = Dest & Src
orl Src, Dest
                 Dest = Dest | Src
```

Some Arithmetic Operations

Instruction Computation

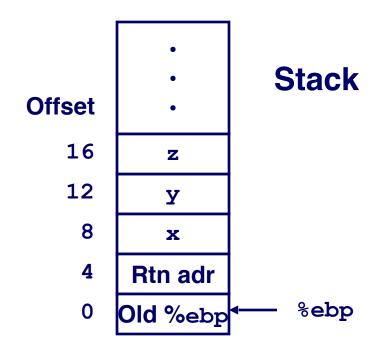
Using leal for Arithmetic Expressions

```
int arith
  (int x, int y, int z)
{
  int t1 = x+y;
  int t2 = z+t1;
  int t3 = x+4;
  int t4 = y * 48;
  int t5 = t3 + t4;
  int rval = t2 * t5;
  return rval;
}
```

```
arith:
   pushl %ebp
                                  Set
   movl %esp, %ebp
   mov1 8(%ebp),%eax
   movl 12 (%ebp), %edx
   leal (%edx, %eax), %ecx
   leal (%edx, %edx, 2), %edx
   sall $4,%edx
                                  Body
   addl 16(%ebp),%ecx
   leal 4(%edx,%eax),%eax
   imull %ecx,%eax
   movl %ebp, %esp
   popl %ebp
   ret
                                  Finish
```

Understanding arith

```
int arith
  (int x, int y, int z)
{
  int t1 = x+y;
  int t2 = z+t1;
  int t3 = x+4;
  int t4 = y * 48;
  int t5 = t3 + t4;
  int rval = t2 * t5;
  return rval;
}
```



```
movl 8(%ebp),%eax # eax = x
movl 12(%ebp),%edx # edx = y
leal (%edx,%eax),%ecx # ecx = x+y (t1)
leal (%edx,%edx,2),%edx # edx = 3*y
sall $4,%edx # edx = 48*y (t4)
addl 16(%ebp),%ecx # ecx = z+t1 (t2)
leal 4(%edx,%eax),%eax # eax = 4+t4+x (t5)
imull %ecx,%eax # eax = t5*t2 (rval)
```

Understanding arith

```
int arith
  (int x, int y, int z)
{
  int t1 = x+y;
  int t2 = z+t1;
  int t3 = x+4;
  int t4 = y * 48;
  int t5 = t3 + t4;
  int rval = t2 * t5;
  return rval;
}
```

```
\# eax = x
 mov1 8 (%ebp), %eax
\# edx = v
 movl 12 (%ebp), %edx
\# ecx = x+y (t1)
 leal (%edx, %eax), %ecx
\# edx = 3*v
 leal (%edx, %edx, 2), %edx
\# edx = 48*v (t4)
 sall $4,%edx
\# ecx = z+t1 (t2)
 addl 16(%ebp),%ecx
\# eax = 4+t4+x (t5)
 leal 4(%edx, %eax), %eax
\# eax = t5*t2 (rval)
 imull %ecx,%eax
```

Another Example

```
int logical(int x, int y)
{
  int t1 = x^y;
  int t2 = t1 >> 17;
  int mask = (1<<13) - 7;
  int rval = t2 & mask;
  return rval;
}</pre>
```

sarl \$17,%eax

andl \$8185,%eax

```
movl %ebp,%esp
popl %ebp
ret
```

logical:

pushl %ebp

movl %esp,%ebp

sarl \$17,%eax

eax = t1>>17 (t2)

eax = t2 & 8185

andl \$8185, %eax

movl 8(%ebp),%eax

xorl 12(%ebp),%eax

Set

Up

Body

Finish

```
ret

2<sup>13</sup> = 8192, 2<sup>13</sup> - 7 = 8185

movl 8(%ebp), %eax eax = x
xorl 12(%ebp), %eax eax = x^y (t1)
```

Mystery Function

What does the following piece of code do?

- Add two variables
- B. Subtract two variables
- c. Swap two variables
- D. No idea

```
movl 12(%ebp),%ecx
movl 8(%ebp),%edx
movl (%ecx),%eax
movl (%edx),%ebx
movl %eax,(%edx)
movl %ebx,(%ecx)
```

What does this function do?

```
.globl foo
    .type foo, @function
foo:
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp, %ebp
         16(%ebp), %eax
    movl
    imull 12(%ebp), %eax
          8(%ebp), %eax
    addl
    popl
         %ebp
    ret
```

Control Flow/Conditionals

How do we represent conditionals in assembly?

A conditional branch can implement all control flow constructs in higher level language

Examples: if/then, while, for

A unconditional branch for constructs like break/ continue

Condition Codes

Single Bit Registers

CF Carry Flag SF Sign Flag

ZF Zero Flag OF Overflow Flag

Can be set either implicitly or explicitly.

- Implicitly by almost all logic and arithmetic operations
- Explicitly by specific comparison operations

Not Set by leal instruction

Intended for use in address computation only

Jumping

jX Instructions

Jump to different part of code depending on condition codes

jX	Condition	Description
jmp	1	Unconditional
je	ZF	Equal / Zero
jne	~ZF	Not Equal / Not Zero
js	SF	Negative
jns	~SF	Nonnegative
jg	~(SF^OF) &~ZF	Greater (Signed)
jge	~(SF^OF)	Greater or Equal (Signed)
jl	(SF^OF)	Less (Signed)
jle	(SF^OF) ZF	Less or Equal (Signed)
ja	~CF&~ZF	Above (unsigned)
jb	CF	Below (unsigned)

Condition Codes

Implicitly Set By Arithmetic Operations

```
addl Src, Dest
```

```
C analog: t = a + b
```

- CF set if carry out from most significant bit
 - Used to detect unsigned overflow
- **ZF** set if t == 0
- **SF set if** t < 0
- OF set if two's complement overflow

```
(a>0 \&\& b>0 \&\& t<0) || (a<0 \&\& b<0 \&\& t>=0)
```

Setting Condition Codes (cont.)

Explicit Setting by Compare Instruction

```
cmpl Src2, Src1
```

- cmpl b, a like computing a-b without setting destination
- NOTE: The operands are reversed. Source of confusion
- CF set if carry out from most significant bit
 - Used for unsigned comparisons
- **ZF set if** a == b
- **SF set if** (a-b) < 0
- OF set if two's complement overflow

```
(a>0 \&\& b<0 \&\& (a-b)<0) || (a<0 \&\& b>0 \&\& (a-b)>0)
```

Setting Condition Codes (cont.)

Explicit Setting by Test instruction

```
testl Src2, Src1
```

- Sets condition codes based on value of Src1 & Src2
 - Useful to have one of the operands be a mask
- test1 b, a like computing a&b without setting destination
- **ZF set when** a & b == 0
- SF set when a&b < 0

Conditional Branch Example

```
max:
      pushl %ebp
      movl %esp,%ebp
      mov1 8(%ebp), %edx
      movl 12(%ebp), %eax
       cmpl %eax,%edx
       jle L9
      movl %edx,%eax
L9:
      movl %ebp,%esp
      popl %ebp
       ret
                              Finish
```

Conditional Branch Example

```
int max(int x, int y)
{
  if (x <= y)
    return y;
  else
    return x;
}</pre>
```

```
max:
       pushl %ebp
       movl %esp,%ebp
       movl 8(%ebp),%edx
       movl 12 (%ebp), %eax
       cmpl %eax, %edx
                               Body
       jle L9
       movl %edx,%eax
L9:
       movl %ebp, %esp
       popl %ebp
       ret
                              Finish
```

Conditional Branch Example (Cont.)

```
int goto_max(int x, int y)
{
  int rval = y;
  int ok = (x <= y);
  if (ok)
    goto done;
  rval = x;
done:
  return rval;
}</pre>
```

```
int max(int x, int y)
{
  if (x <= y)
    return y;
  else
    return x;
}</pre>
```

- C allows "goto" as means of transferring control
 - Closer to machinelevel programming style
- Generally considered bad coding style

```
movl 8(%ebp),%edx # edx = x
movl 12(%ebp),%eax # eax = y
cmpl %eax,%edx # x : y
jle L9 # if <= goto L9 bad co
movl %edx,%eax # eax = x
L9: # Done: Skipped when x ≤ y</pre>
```

Mystery Function

```
.LC0:
    .string "%d"
    .text
.globl foo
    .type foo, @function
foo:
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp, %ebp
    subl $40, %esp
    leal -12(%ebp), %eax
    movl %eax, 4(%esp)
    movl $.LC0, (%esp)
    call scanf
    cmpl $4, -12(%ebp)
    je
        .L3
    call explode_bomb
.L3:
    leave
    .p2align 4,,3
    ret
```

"Do-While" Loop Example

C Code

```
int fact_do(int x)
{
  int result = 1;
  do {
    result *= x;
    x = x-1;
  } while (x > 1);
  return result;
}
```

"Do-While" Loop Example

C Code

```
int fact_do(int x)
{
  int result = 1;
  do {
    result *= x;
    x = x-1;
  } while (x > 1);
  return result;
}
```

Goto Version

```
int fact_goto(int x)
{
  int result = 1;
loop:
  result *= x;
  x = x-1;
  if (x > 1)
     goto loop;
  return result;
}
```

- Use backward branch to continue looping
- Only take branch when "while" condition holds

"Do-While" Loop Compilation

Goto Version

```
int fact_goto(int x)
{
  int result = 1;
loop:
  result *= x;
  x = x-1;
  if (x > 1)
     goto loop;
  return result;
}
```

Registers

```
%edx x
%eax result
```

Assembly

```
fact goto:
  pushl %ebp
                    # Setup
  movl %esp, %ebp # Setup
  movl $1,%eax # eax = 1
  mov1 8(%ebp), %edx \# edx = x
L11:
  imull %edx,%eax # result *= x
  decl %edx
                    # x--
  cmpl $1,%edx
                    # Compare x : 1
                    # if > goto loop
  jg L11
                   # Finish
  movl %ebp,%esp
  popl %ebp
                    # Finish
                    # Finish
  ret
```

General "Do-While" Translation

C Code

```
do

Body

while (Test);
```

Goto Version

```
loop:
   Body
   if (Test)
     goto loop
```

- Body can be any C statement
 - Typically compound statement:

```
{
    Statement<sub>1</sub>;
    Statement<sub>2</sub>;
    ...
    Statement<sub>n</sub>;
}
```

- Test is expression returning integer
 - = 0 interpreted as false ≠0 interpreted as true

"While" Loop Example #1

C Code

```
int fact_while(int x)
{
   int result = 1;
   while (x > 1) {
     result *= x;
     x = x-1;
   };
   return result;
}
```

Actual "While" Loop Translation

C Code

```
int fact_while(int x)
{
  int result = 1;
  while (x > 1) {
    result *= x;
    x = x-1;
  };
  return result;
}
```

- Uses same inner loop as do-while version
- Guards loop entry with extra test

Goto Version

```
int fact while goto2
  (int x)
  int result = 1;
  if (!(x > 1))
    goto done;
loop:
  result *= x;
  x = x-1;
  if (x > 1)
    goto loop;
done:
  return result;
```

General "While" Translation

C Code

```
while (Test)
Body
```

Do-While Version

```
if (! Test)
    goto done;
    do
        Body
    while(Test);
done:
```

Goto Version

```
if (!Test)
    goto done;
loop:
    Body
    if (Test)
        goto loop;
done:
```

```
typedef enum
 {ADD, MULT, MINUS, DIV, MOD, BAD}
    op type;
char unparse symbol(op type op)
  switch (op) {
  case ADD :
    return '+';
  case MULT:
    return '*';
  case MINUS:
    return '-';
  case DIV:
    return '/';
  case MOD:
    return '%';
  case BAD:
    return '?';
```

Switch Statements

Implementation Options

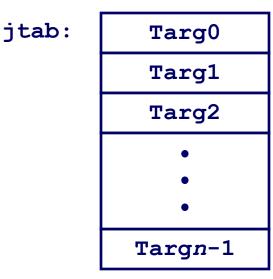
- Series of conditionals
 - Good if few cases
 - Slow if many
- Jump Table
 - Lookup branch target
 - Avoids conditionals
 - Possible when cases are small integer constants
- GCC
 - Picks one based on case structure
- Bug in example code
 - No default given

Jump Table Structure

Switch Form

```
switch(op) {
  case val_0:
    Block 0
  case val_1:
    Block 1
    • • •
  case val_n-1:
    Block n-1
}
```

Jump Table



Jump Targets

```
Targ0: Code Block
0
Targ1: Code Block
```

1

Targ2: Code Block 2

Approx. Translation

```
target = JTab[op];
goto *target;
```

Targn-1: Code Block n-1

Switch Statement Example

Branching Possibilities

```
typedef enum
  {ADD, MULT, MINUS, DIV, MOD, BAD}
    op_type;

char unparse_symbol(op_type op)
{
    switch (op) {
        . . .
    }
}
```

Enumerated Values

```
ADD 0
MULT 1
MINUS 2
DIV 3
MOD 4
BAD 5
```

Setup:

```
unparse_symbol:
  pushl %ebp  # Setup
  movl %esp,%ebp  # Setup
  movl 8(%ebp),%eax # eax = op
  cmpl $5,%eax  # Compare op : 5
  ja .L49  # If > goto done
  jmp *.L57(,%eax,4) # goto Table[op]
```

Assembly Setup Explanation

Table Structure

- Each target requires 4 bytes
- Base address at .L57

Jumping

```
jmp .L49
```

Jump target is denoted by label . ⊥49

```
jmp *.L57(, %eax, 4)
```

- Start of jump table denoted by label .L57
- Register %eax holds op
- Must scale by factor of 4 to get offset into table
- Fetch target from effective Address . L57 + op*4

Jump Table

Table Contents

```
.section .rodata
    .align 4
.L57:
    .long .L51 #Op = 0
    .long .L52 #Op = 1
    .long .L53 #Op = 2
    .long .L54 #Op = 3
    .long .L55 #Op = 4
    .long .L56 #Op = 5
```

Enumerated Values

```
ADD 0
MULT 1
MINUS 2
DIV 3
MOD 4
BAD 5
```

Targets & Completion

```
.L51:
   movl $43,%eax # '+'
   jmp .L49
.L52:
   mov1 $42,%eax # '*'
   jmp .L49
.L53:
   movl $45,%eax # '-'
   jmp .L49
.L54:
   movl $47,%eax # '/'
   jmp .L49
.L55:
   movl $37,%eax # '%'
   jmp .L49
.L56:
   movl $63,%eax # '?'
   # Fall Through to .L49
```

Switch Statement Completion

```
.L49: # Done:

movl %ebp,%esp # Finish

popl %ebp # Finish

ret # Finish
```

Puzzle

■ What value returned when op is invalid?

Answer

- Register %eax set to op at beginning of procedure
- This becomes the returned value

Advantage of Jump Table

Can do k-way branch in O(1) operations

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Reading Condition Codes

SetX Instructions

Set single byte based on combinations of condition codes

SetX	Condition	Description
sete	ZF	Equal / Zero
setne	~ZF	Not Equal / Not Zero
sets	SF	Negative
setns	~SF	Nonnegative
setg	~(SF^OF) &~ZF	Greater (Signed)
setge	~(SF^OF)	Greater or Equal (Signed)
setl	(SF^OF)	Less (Signed)
setle	(SF^OF) ZF	Less or Equal (Signed)
seta	~CF&~ZF	Above (unsigned)
setb	CF	Below (unsigned)

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Reading Condition Codes (Cont.)

SetX Instructions

- Set single byte based on combinations of condition codes
- One of 8 addressable byte registers
 - Embedded within first 4 integer registers
 - Does not alter remaining 3 bytes
 - Typically use movzbl to finish job

```
int gt (int x, int y) {
  return x > y;
}
```

Body

```
movl 12(%ebp),%eax # eax = y
cmpl %eax,8(%ebp) # Compare x : y
setg %al # al = x > y
movzbl %al,%eax # Zero rest of %eax
```

```
%eax
           %ah
                 %al
%edx
           %dh
                 %d1
%ecx
           %ch
                 %cl
%ebx
           용bh
                 %bl
%esi
%edi
%esp
%ebp
```

Note inverted ordering!

Can you write the C code for this assembly?

```
.globl test
      .type test, @function
test:
   pushl %ebp
   movl %esp, %ebp
   pushl %ebx
   movi 8(%ebp), %edx
   movl 12(%ebp), %ecx
   movl $1, %eax
   cmpl %ecx, %edx
   ige .L3
.L6:
   leal
        (%edx,%ecx), %ebx
   imull %ebx, %eax
   addl $1, %edx
   cmpl %edx, %ecx
   jg .L6
.L3:
   popl %ebx
   popl %ebp
   ret
```

What does this function do?

What is the C code?

Stack-Based Languages

Languages that Support Recursion

- e.g., C, Pascal, Java
- Code must be "Reentrant"
 - Multiple simultaneous instantiations of single procedure
- Need some place to store state of each instantiation
 - Arguments, local variables, return pointer

Stack Discipline

- State for given procedure needed for limited time
 - From when called to when return
- Callee returns before caller does

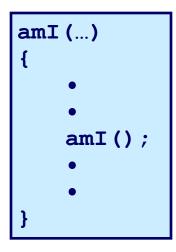
Stack Allocated in *Frames (Activation records)*

state for single procedure instantiation

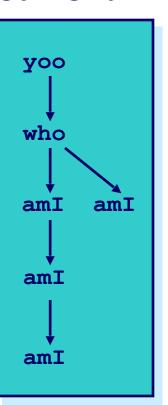
Call Chain Example

Code Structure

Procedure amI recursive



Call Chain



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Stack Frames

Contents

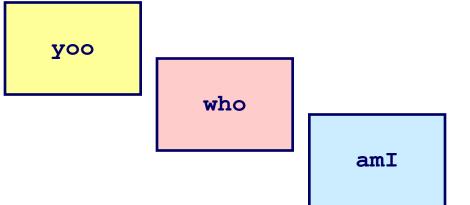
- Local variables, return value
- Temporary space

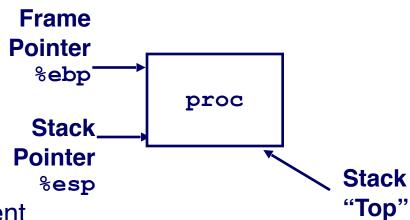
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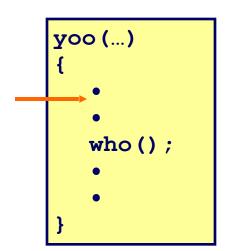
- Space allocated when enter procedure
 - "Set-up" code
- Deallocated when return
 - "Finish" code

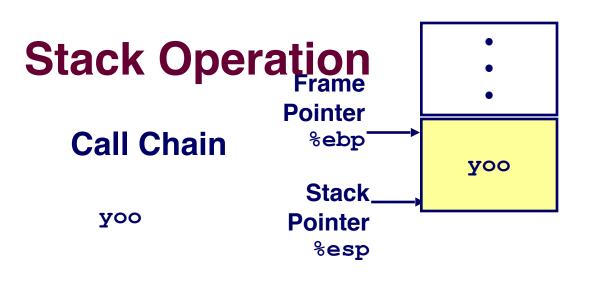
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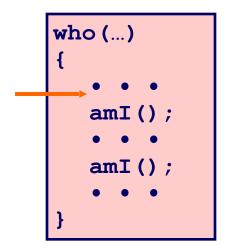
- Stack pointer %esp: stack top
- Frame pointer %ebp : start of current frame

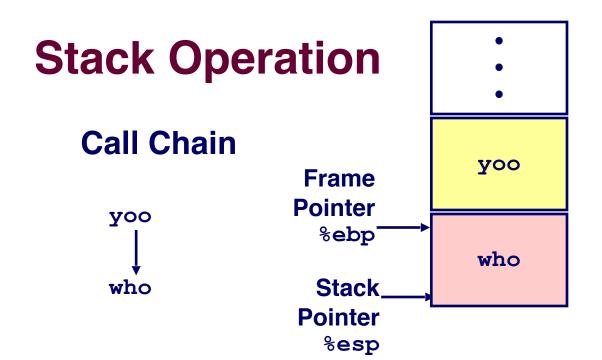


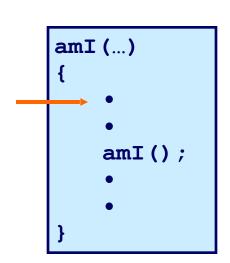


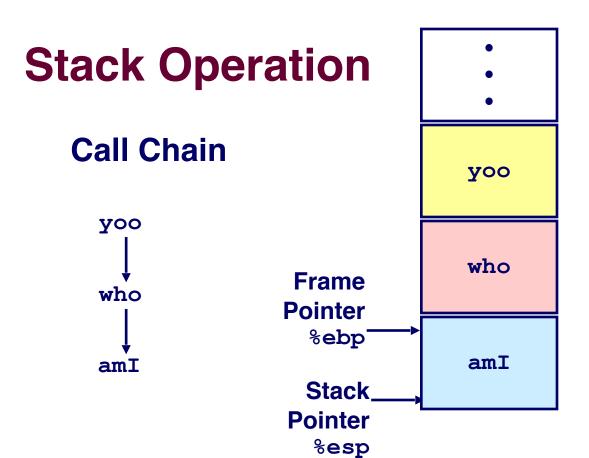


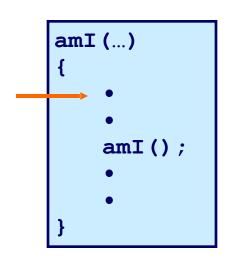


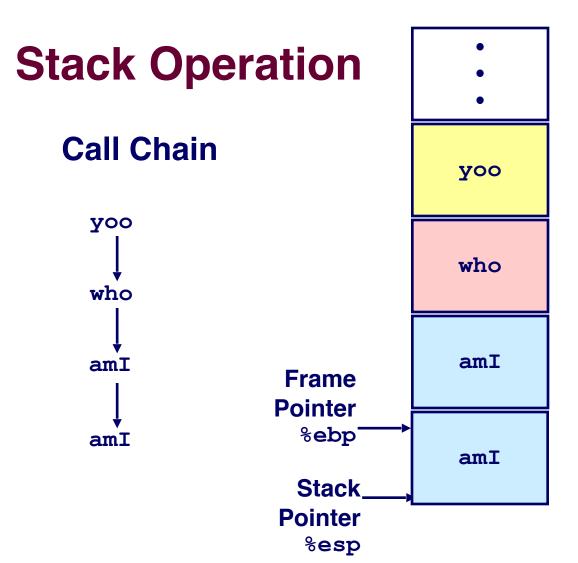


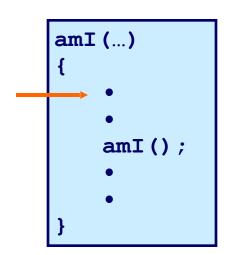


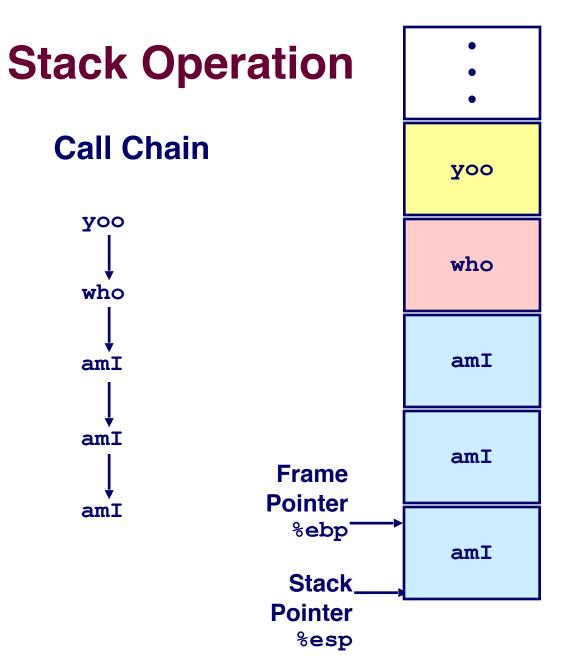


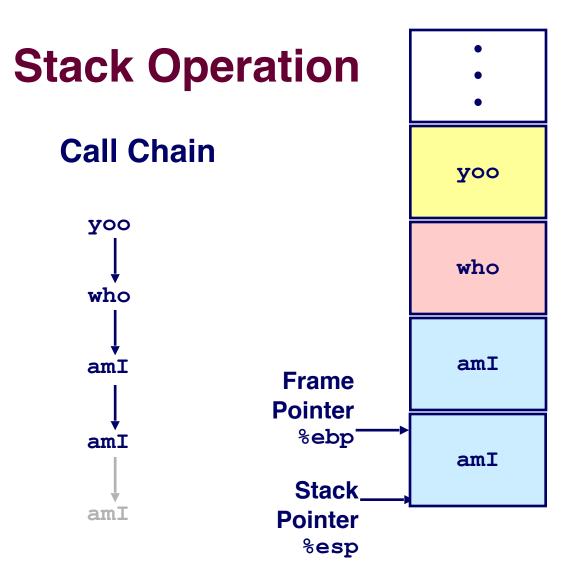


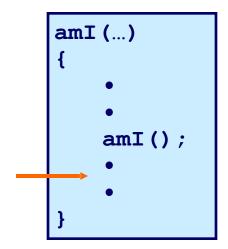


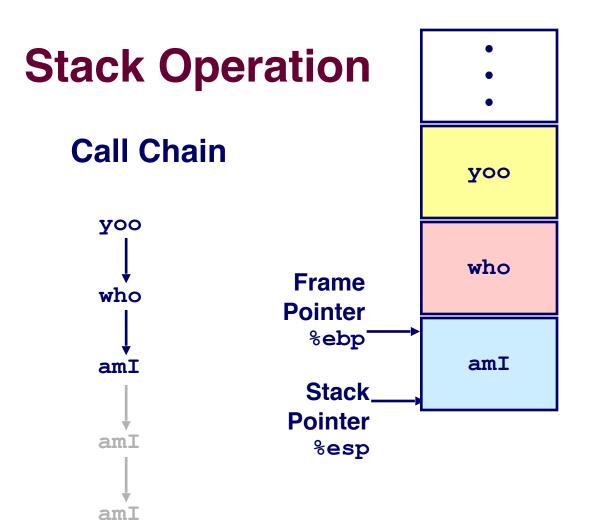


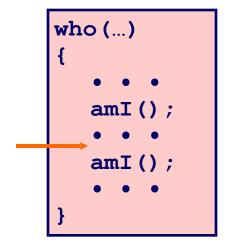


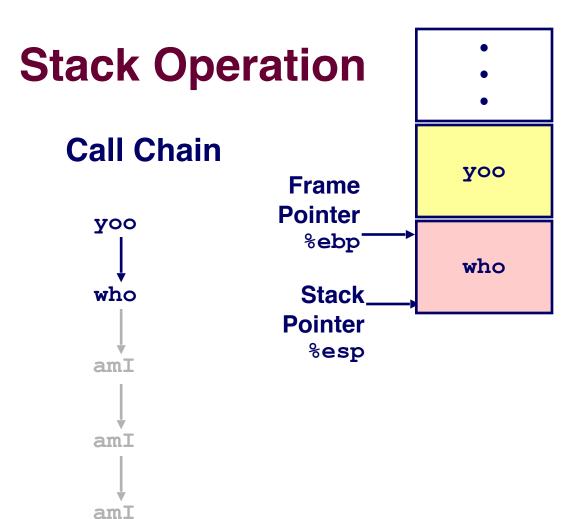


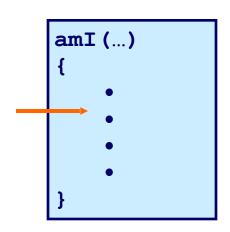


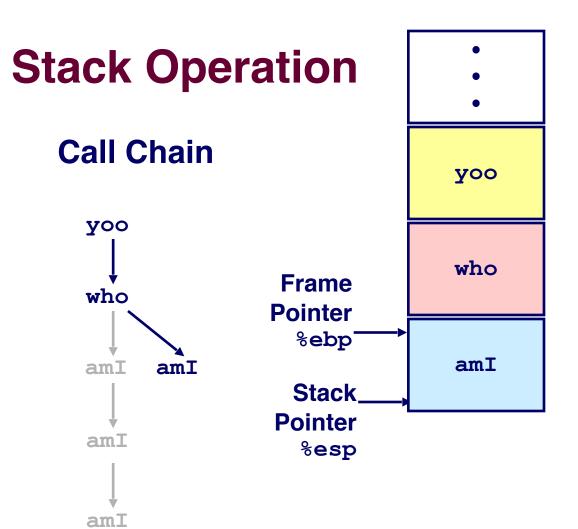


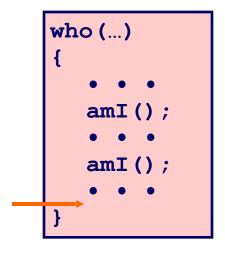


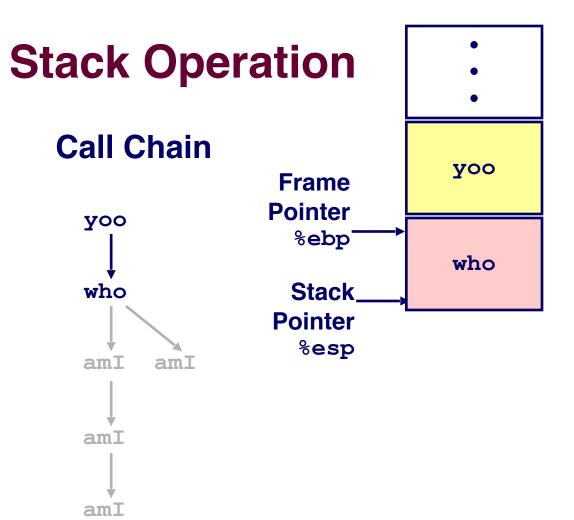


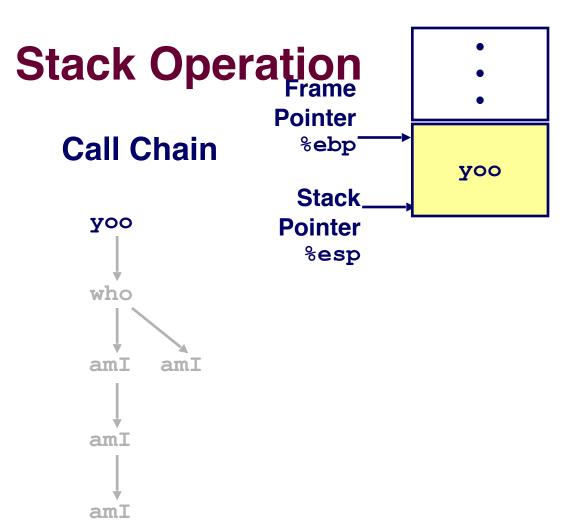




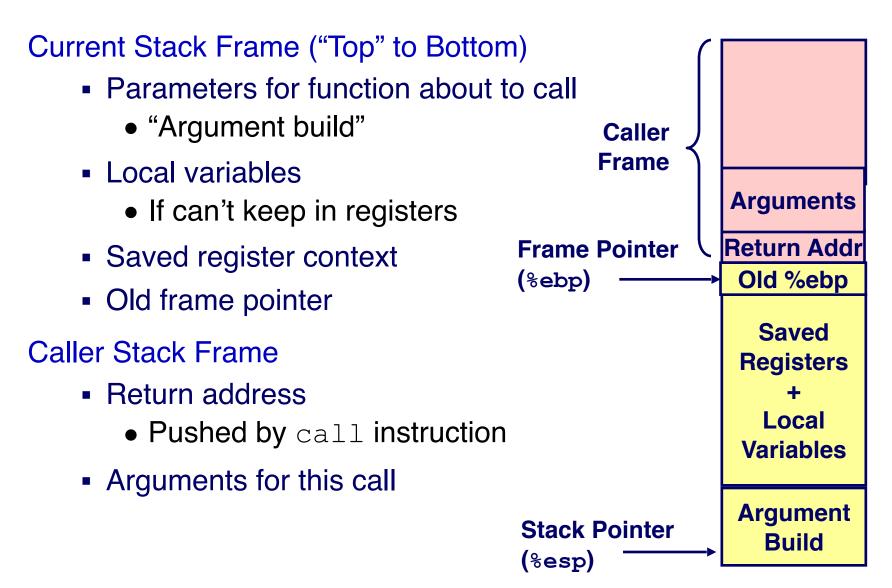








IA32/Linux Stack Frame



Revisiting swap

```
int zip1 = 15213;
int zip2 = 91125;

void call_swap()
{
   swap(&zip1, &zip2);
}
```

```
void swap(int *xp, int *yp)
{
  int t0 = *xp;
  int t1 = *yp;
  *xp = t1;
  *yp = t0;
}
```

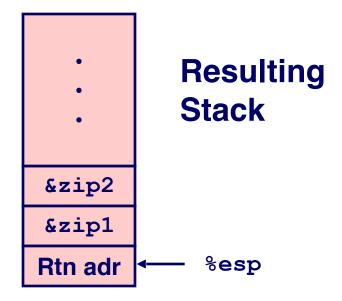
Calling swap from call swap

```
call_swap:
    • • •

pushl $zip2  # Global Var

pushl $zip1  # Global Var

call swap
    • • •
```



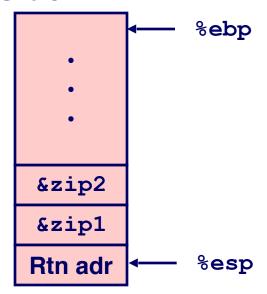
Revisiting swap

```
void swap(int *xp, int *yp)
{
  int t0 = *xp;
  int t1 = *yp;
  *xp = t1;
  *yp = t0;
}
```

```
swap:
   pushl %ebp
                         Set
   movl %esp,%ebp
   pushl %ebx
   movl 12(%ebp),%ecx
   movl 8(%ebp),%edx
   movl (%ecx),%eax
   movl (%edx),%ebx
                         Body
   movl %eax, (%edx)
   movl %ebx, (%ecx)
   movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
   movl %ebp,%esp
   popl %ebp
                         Finish
   ret
```

swap Setup #1

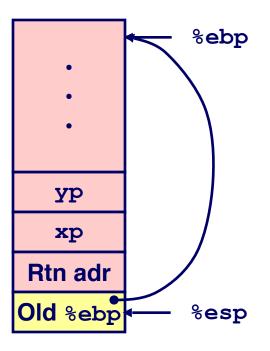
Entering Stack



swap:

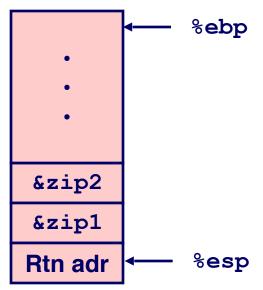
```
pushl %ebp
movl %esp,%ebp
pushl %ebx
```

Resulting Stack



swap Setup #2

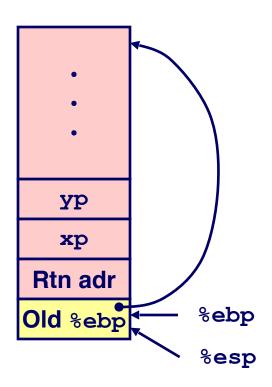
Entering Stack



swap:

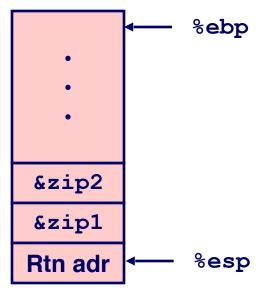
pushl %ebp
movl %esp,%ebp
pushl %ebx

Resulting Stack



swap Setup #3

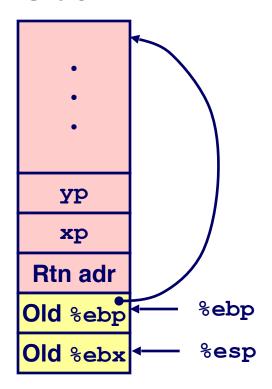
Entering Stack



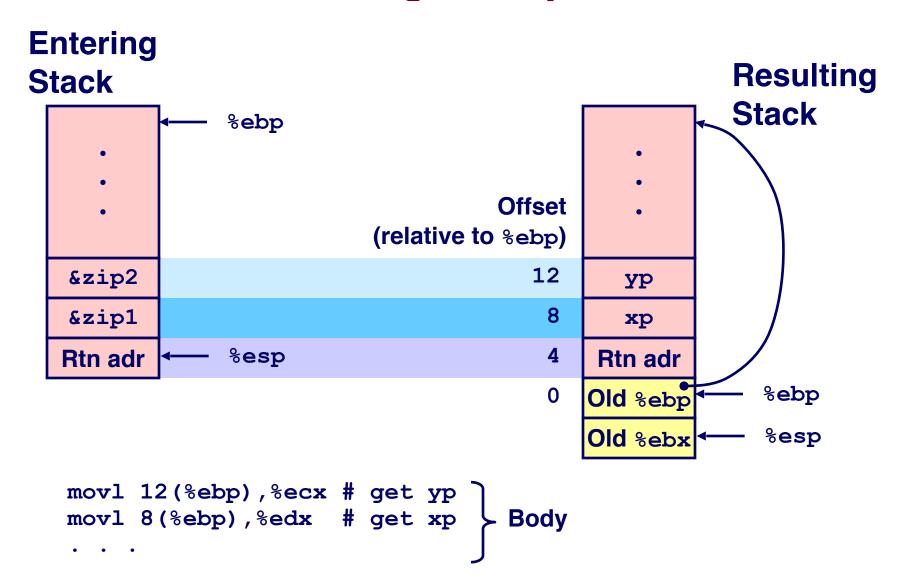
swap:

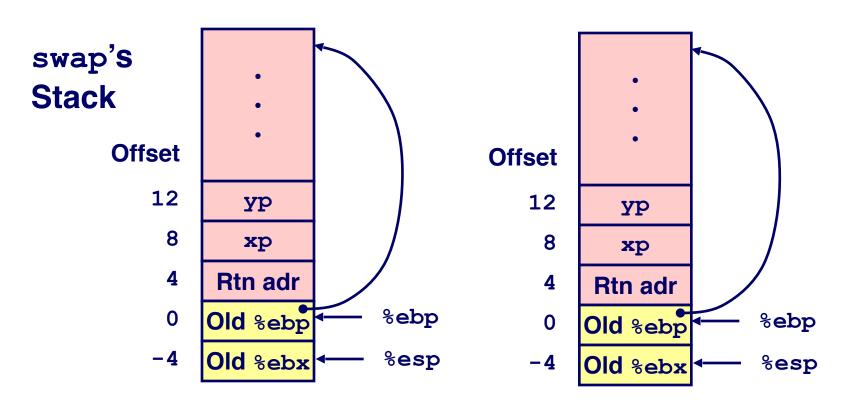
pushl %ebp
movl %esp,%ebp
pushl %ebx

Resulting Stack



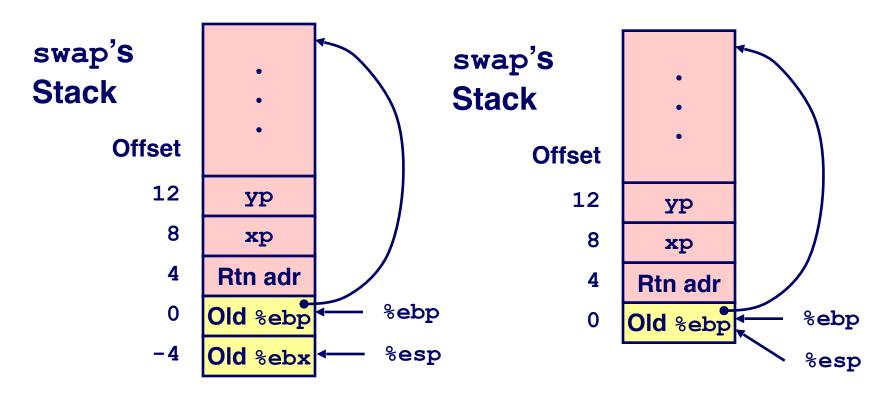
Effect of swap Setup



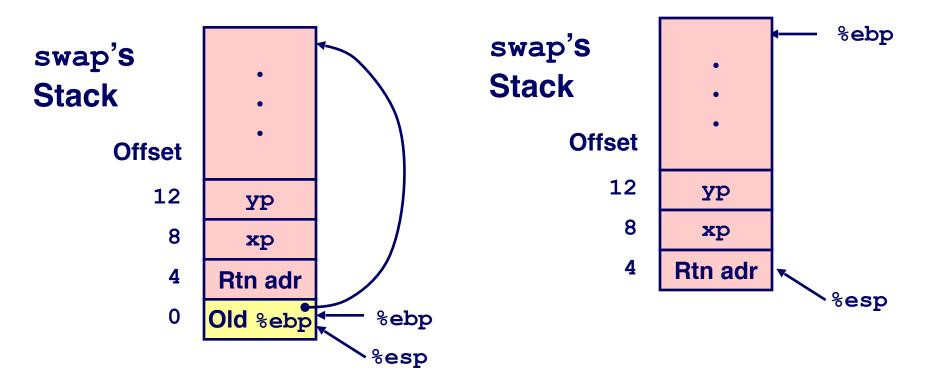


Observation

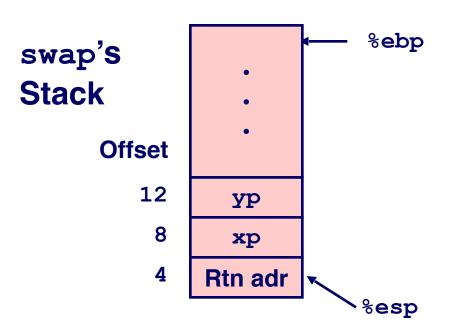
Saved & restored register %ebx

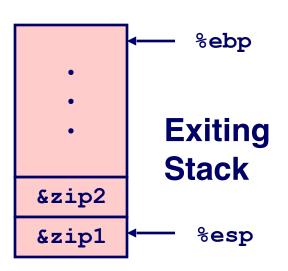


```
movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
movl %ebp,%esp
popl %ebp
ret
```



```
movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
movl %ebp,%esp
popl %ebp
ret
```





Observation

- Saved & restored register %ebx
- Didn't do so for %eax, %ecx, or %edx

```
movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
movl %ebp,%esp
popl %ebp
ret
```

Register Saving Conventions

When procedure yoo calls who:

yoo is the caller, who is the callee

Can Register be Used for Temporary Storage?

```
yoo:

movl $15213, %edx
call who
addl %edx, %eax

ret
```

```
who:

movl 8(%ebp), %edx
addl $91125, %edx

ret
```

Contents of register %edx overwritten by who

Register Saving Conventions

When procedure yoo calls who:

yoo is the caller, who is the callee

Can Register be Used for Temporary Storage?

Conventions

- "Caller Save"
 - Caller saves temporary in its frame before calling
- "Callee Save"
 - Callee saves temporary in its frame before using

IA32/Linux Register Usage

Two have special uses

%ebp, %esp

Three managed as callee-save

• %ebx, %esi, %edi

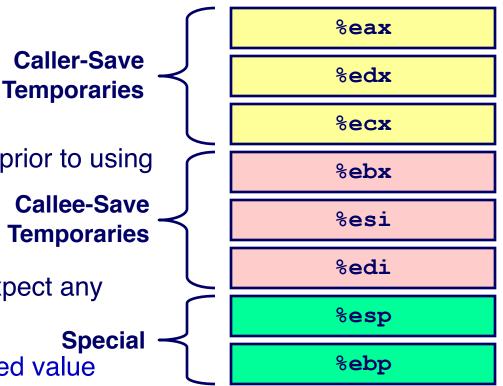
Old values saved on stack prior to using

Three managed as caller-save

• %eax, %edx, %ecx

 Do what you please, but expect any callee to do so, as well

Register %eax also stores returned value



Recursive Function

```
.globl rfact
    .type
rfact,@function
rfact:
   pushl %ebp
   movl %esp,%ebp
   pushl %ebx
   movl 8(%ebp), %ebx
    cmpl $1,%ebx
    jle .L78
    leal -1(%ebx), %eax
   pushl %eax
    call rfact.
    imull %ebx, %eax
    jmp .L79
    .align 4
.L78:
   movl $1, %eax
.L79:
   movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
   movl %ebp, %esp
   popl %ebp
    ret
```

Recursive Factorial

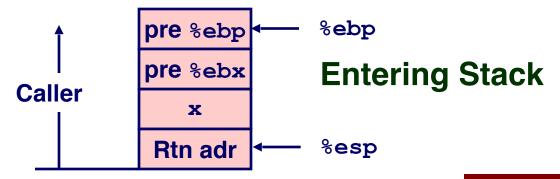
```
int rfact(int x)
{
  int rval;
  if (x <= 1)
    return 1;
  rval = rfact(x-1);
  return rval * x;
}</pre>
```

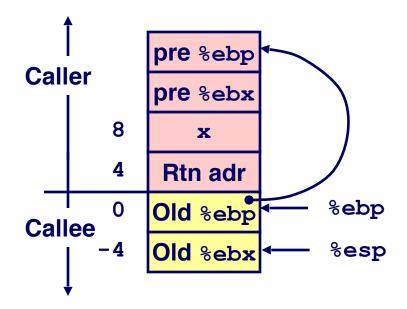
Registers

- %eax used without first saving
- %ebx used, but save at beginning & restore at end

```
.globl rfact
    .type
rfact,@function
rfact:
   pushl %ebp
   movl %esp,%ebp
   pushl %ebx
   movl 8(%ebp), %ebx
    cmpl $1,%ebx
    ile .L78
    leal -1(%ebx), %eax
   pushl %eax
    call rfact
    imull %ebx, %eax
    jmp .L79
    .align 4
.L78:
   movl $1, %eax
.L79:
   movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
   movl %ebp,%esp
   popl %ebp
    ret
```

Rfact Stack Setup





rfact: pushl %ebp movl %esp,%ebp pushl %ebx

Rfact Body



```
movl 8(%ebp),%ebx
                    \# ebx = x
 cmpl $1,%ebx
                    # Compare x : 1
                    # If <= goto Term
 jle .L78
 leal -1(\%ebx), \%eax # eax = x-1
 pushl %eax
                    # Push x-1
 call rfact
                    # rfact(x-1)
 imull %ebx,%eax # rval * x
 jmp .L79
                    # Goto done
                 # Term:
.L78:
 movl $1,%eax
                    # return val = 1
.L79:
                  # Done:
```

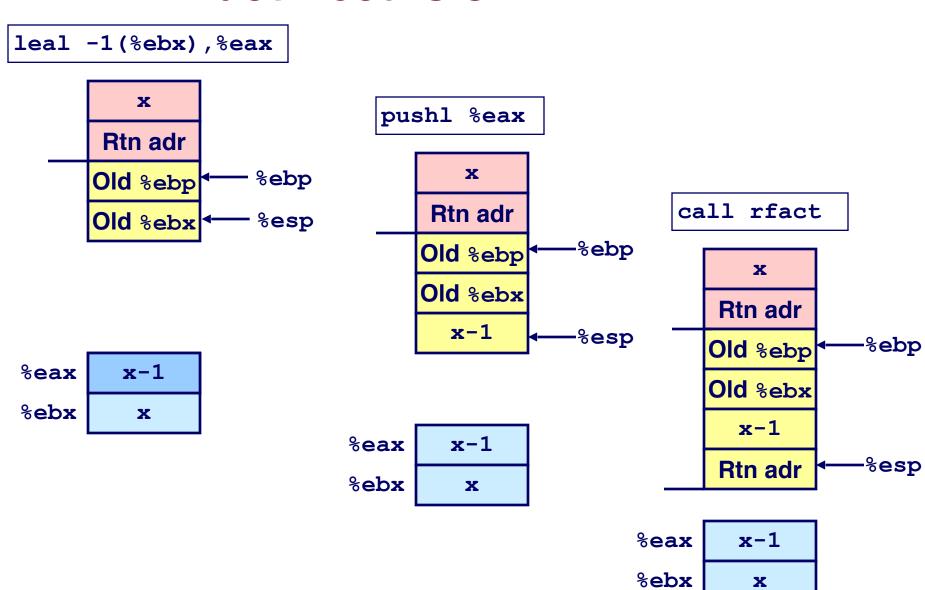
```
int rfact(int x)
{
  int rval;
  if (x <= 1)
    return 1;
  rval = rfact(x-1);
  return rval * x;
}</pre>
```

Registers

%ebx Stored value of x %eax

- Temporary value of x-1
- Returned value from rfact (x−1)
- Returned value from this call

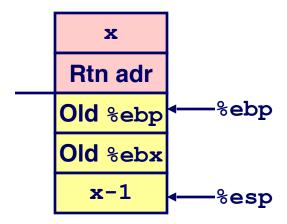
Rfact Recursion

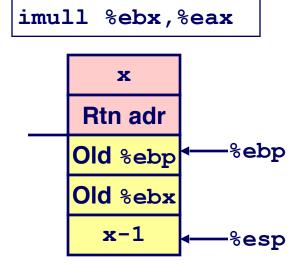


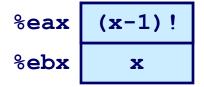
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Rfact Result

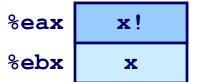
Return from Call





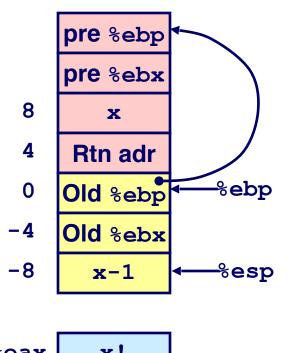


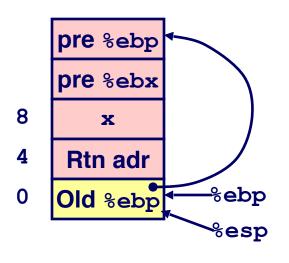
Assume that rfact (x-1) returns (x-1)! in register %eax

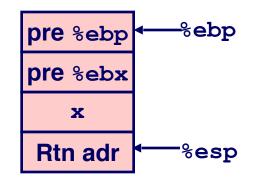


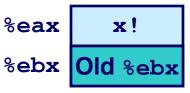
Rfact Completion

movl -4(%ebp),%ebx
movl %ebp,%esp
popl %ebp
ret













Basic Data Types

Integral

- Stored & operated on in general registers
- Signed vs. unsigned depends on instructions used

Intel	GAS	Bytes	С	
byte	b	1	[unsigned]	char
word	W	2	[unsigned]	short
double word	1	4	[unsigned]	int

Floating Point

Stored & operated on in floating point registers

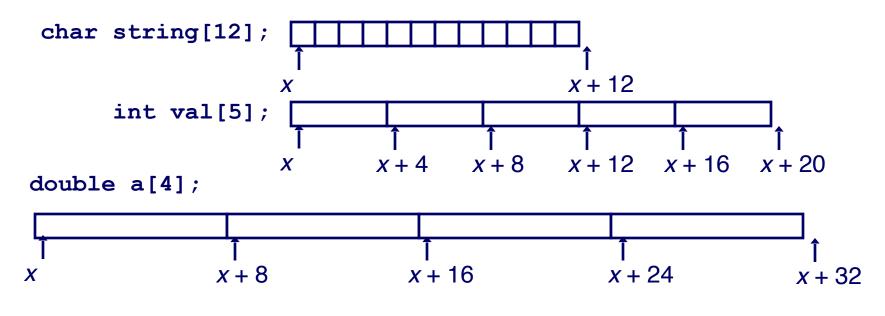
Intel	GAS	Bytes	С
Single	S	4	float
Double	1	8	double
Extended	t	10/12	long double

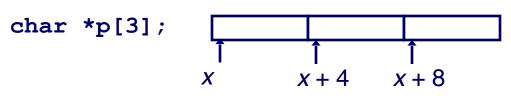
Array Allocation

Basic Principle

```
T A[L];
```

- Array of data type T and length L
- Contiguously allocated region of L * sizeof (T) bytes



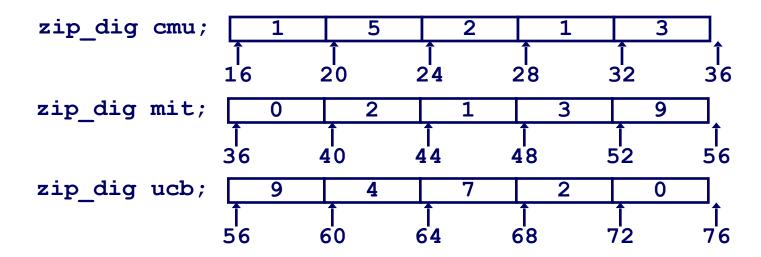


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Array Example

```
typedef int zip_dig[5];

zip_dig cmu = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };
zip_dig mit = { 0, 2, 1, 3, 9 };
zip_dig ucb = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```



Notes

- Declaration "zip_dig cmu" equivalent to "int cmu[5]"
- Example arrays were allocated in successive 20 byte blocks
 - Not guaranteed to happen in general

Array Accessing Example

Computation

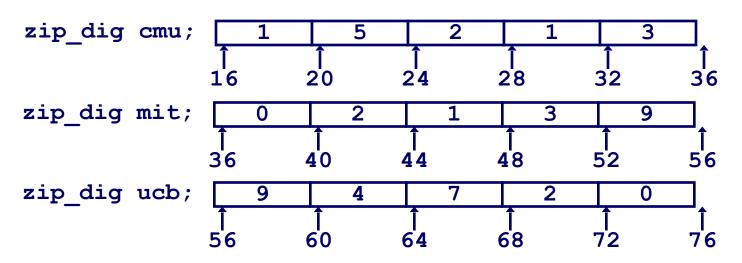
- Register %edx contains starting address of array
- Register %eax contains array index
- Desired digit at 4*%eax + %edx
- Use memory reference (%edx, %eax, 4)

```
int get_digit
  (zip_dig z, int dig)
{
  return z[dig];
}
```

Memory Reference Code

```
# %edx = z
# %eax = dig
movl (%edx,%eax,4),%eax # z[dig]
```

Referencing Examples



Code Does Not Do Any Bounds Checking!

Reference	Address	Value	Guaranteed?
mit[3]	36 + 4* 3 =	48 3	Yes
mit[5]	36 + 4*5 =	56 9	No
mit[-1]	36 + 4*-1 =	32 3	No
cmu[15]	16 + 4*15 =	76 ??	No

- Out of range behavior implementation-dependent
 - No guaranteed relative allocation of different arrays

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Array Loop Example

Original Source

Transformed Version

- As generated by GCC
- Eliminate loop variable i
- Convert array code to pointer code
- Express in do-while form
 - No need to test at entrance

```
int zd2int(zip_dig z)
{
  int i;
  int zi = 0;
  for (i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
    zi = 10 * zi + z[i];
  }
  return zi;
}</pre>
```

```
int zd2int(zip_dig z)
{
  int zi = 0;
  int *zend = z + 4;
  do {
    zi = 10 * zi + *z;
    z++;
  } while(z <= zend);
  return zi;
}</pre>
```

Array Loop Implementation

Registers

```
%ecx z
%eax zi
%ebx zend
```

Computations

- 10*zi + *z implemented as *z + 2*(zi+4*zi)
- z++ increments by 4

```
int zd2int(zip_dig z)
{
  int zi = 0;
  int *zend = z + 4;
  do {
    zi = 10 * zi + *z;
    z++;
  } while(z <= zend);
  return zi;
}</pre>
```

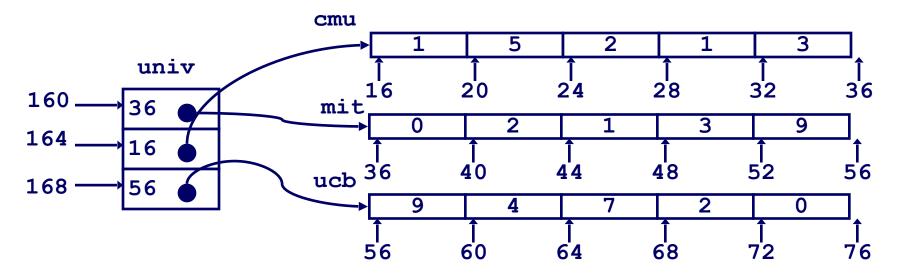
```
# %ecx = z
xorl %eax,%eax  # zi = 0
leal 16(%ecx),%ebx  # zend = z+4
.L59:
    leal (%eax,%eax,4),%edx # 5*zi
    movl (%ecx),%eax  # *z
    addl $4,%ecx  # z++
    leal (%eax,%edx,2),%eax # zi = *z + 2*(5*zi)
    cmpl %ebx,%ecx  # z : zend
    jle .L59  # if <= goto loop</pre>
```

Multi-Level Array Example

- Variable univ denotes array of 3 elements
- Each element is a pointer
 - 4 bytes
- Each pointer points to array of int's

```
zip_dig cmu = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };
zip_dig mit = { 0, 2, 1, 3, 9 };
zip_dig ucb = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```

```
#define UCOUNT 3
int *univ[UCOUNT] = {mit, cmu, ucb};
```



Element Access in Multi-Level Array

```
int get_univ_digit
  (int index, int dig)
{
  return univ[index][dig];
}
```

Computation

Element access

```
Mem[Mem[univ+4*index]+4*dig]
```

- Must do two memory reads
 - First get pointer to row array
 - Then access element within array

```
# %ecx = index
# %eax = dig
leal 0(,%ecx,4),%edx # 4*index
movl univ(%edx),%edx # Mem[univ+4*index]
movl (%edx,%eax,4),%eax # Mem[...+4*dig]
```

Structures

Concept

- Contiguously-allocated region of memory
- Refer to members within structure by names
- Members may be of different types

```
struct rec {
  int i;
  int a[3];
  int *p;
};
```

Memory Layout



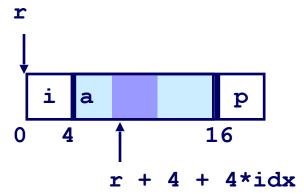
Accessing Structure Member

Assembly

```
# %eax = val
# %edx = r
movl %eax,(%edx) # Mem[r] = val
```

Generating Pointer to Struct. Member

```
struct rec {
  int i;
  int a[3];
  int *p;
};
```



Generating Pointer to Array Element

 Offset of each structure member determined at compile time

```
int *
find_a
  (struct rec *r, int idx)
{
  return &r->a[idx];
}
```

```
# %ecx = idx
# %edx = r
leal 0(,%ecx,4),%eax # 4*idx
leal 4(%eax,%edx),%eax # r+4*idx+4
```

Structure Referencing (Cont.)

C Code

```
struct rec {
  int i;
  int a[3];
  int *p;
};
```

```
void
set_p(struct rec *r)
{
   r->p =
   &r->a[r->i];
}
```

```
i a p
0 4 16
i a 16
Element i
```

```
# %edx = r
movl (%edx),%ecx  # r->i
leal 0(,%ecx,4),%eax # 4*(r->i)
leal 4(%edx,%eax),%eax # r+4+4*(r->i)
movl %eax,16(%edx) # Update r->p
```

Alignment

Aligned Data

- Primitive data type requires K bytes
- Address must be multiple of K
- Required on some machines; advised on IA32
 - treated differently by Linux and Windows!

Motivation for Aligning Data

- Memory accessed by (aligned) double or quad-words
 - Inefficient to load or store datum that spans quad word boundaries

Compiler

Inserts gaps in structure to ensure correct alignment of fields

Specific Cases of Alignment

Size of Primitive Data Type:

- <u>1 byte</u> (e.g., char)
 - no restrictions on address
- <u>2 bytes</u> (e.g., short)
 - lowest 1 bit of address must be 0₂
- 4 bytes (e.g., int, float, char *, etc.)
 - lowest 2 bits of address must be 00₂
- 8 bytes (e.g., double)
 - Windows (and most other OS's & instruction sets):
 - » lowest 3 bits of address must be 000₂
 - Linux:
 - » lowest 2 bits of address must be 00₂
 - » i.e., treated the same as a 4-byte primitive data type
- 12 bytes (long double)
 - Linux:
 - » lowest 2 bits of address must be 00₂
 - » i.e., treated the same as a 4-byte primitive data type

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Satisfying Alignment with Structures

Offsets Within Structure

Must satisfy element's alignment requirement

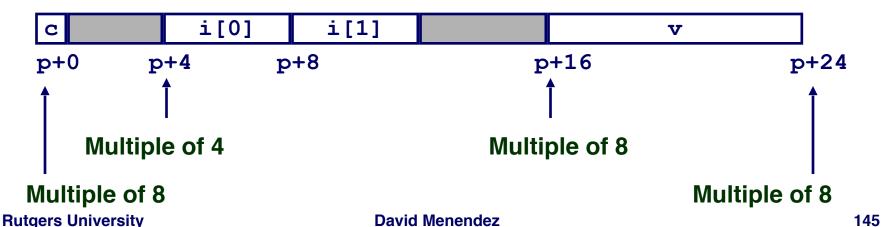
Overall Structure Placement

- Each structure has alignment requirement K
 - Largest alignment of any element
- Initial address & structure length must be multiples of K

```
struct S1 {
  char c;
  int i[2];
  double v;
} *p;
```

Example (under Windows):

■ K = 8, due to double element

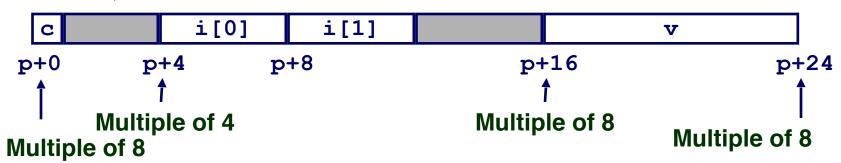


Linux vs. Windows

```
struct S1 {
  char c;
  int i[2];
  double v;
} *p;
```

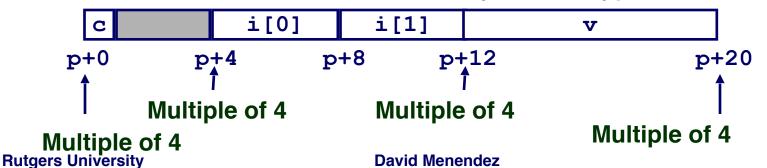
Windows (including Cygwin):

• K = 8, due to double element



Linux:

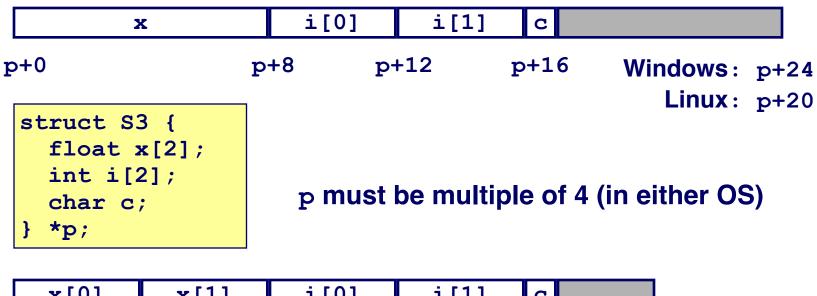
■ K = 4; double treated like a 4-byte data type



Overall Alignment Requirement

```
struct S2 {
  double x;
  int i[2];
  char c;
} *p;
```

p must be multiple of:8 for Windows4 for Linux





Ordering Elements Within Structure

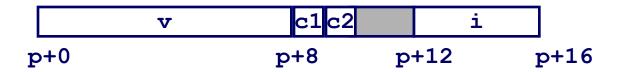
```
struct S4 {
  char c1;
  double v;
  char c2;
  int i;
} *p;
```

10 bytes wasted space in Windows



```
struct S5 {
  double v;
  char c1;
  char c2;
  int i;
} *p;
```

2 bytes wasted space

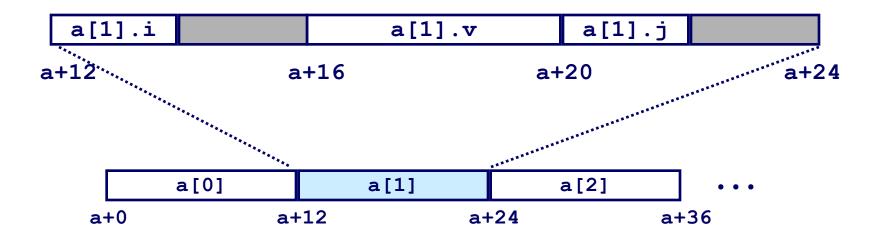


Arrays of Structures

Principle

- Allocated by repeating allocation for array type
- In general, may nest arrays & structures to arbitrary depth

```
struct S6 {
   short i;
   float v;
   short j;
} a[10];
```



Satisfying Alignment within Structure

struct S6 {

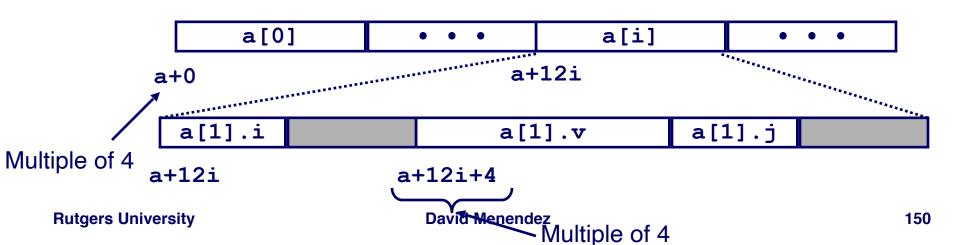
short i;
float v;

short j;

a[10];

Achieving Alignment

- Starting address of structure array must be multiple of worst-case alignment for any element
 - a must be multiple of 4
- Offset of element within structure must be multiple of element's alignment requirement
 - v's offset of 4 is a multiple of 4
- Overall size of structure must be multiple of worst-case alignment for any element
 - Structure padded with unused space to be 12 bytes



Summary

Arrays in C

- Contiguous allocation of memory
- Pointer to first element
- No bounds checking

Compiler Optimizations

- Compiler often turns array code into pointer code (zd2int)
- Uses addressing modes to scale array indices
- Lots of tricks to improve array indexing in loops

Structures

- Allocate bytes in order declared
- Pad in middle and at end to satisfy alignment