### Integers

• Example of storing 0x1234567 at 0x100

	0x100	0x101	0x102	0x103
Big endian	01	23	45	67
Little endian	67	45	23	01

- $\lceil x/2^k \rceil$  is given by  $(x + (1 \ll k) 1) \gg k$
- $x/2^k$  is given by (x<0 ? x+(1<<k)-1 : x) >> k

# **Bitwise Operations**

- Logical shift Fills left end with zeros (unsigned)
- Arithmetic shift Sign-extends left end (signed)

# Floating Point

- Contains 3 parts sign, exp, frac
- 3 parts of float: 1+8+23=32; double: 1+11+52=64
- Lacks common +\*rules a\*b\*c != a\*(b\*c), a+b+c != a+(b+c), a\*(b+c) != a\*b + a\*c
- $V = (-1)^s \times M \times 2^E$
- Sign bit s 1-bit, 0 for V >= 0, 1 for V <= 0
- Exponent E, k-bit exp field
- Significand (mantissa)  $M-0 \le M < 1$  or  $1 \le M < 2$ , represented by n-bit frac field  $(f_{n-1} \cdots f_1 f_0)$
- Normalized values
  - exp is neither all zeros nor all ones
  - -E = e-Bias where e is the unsigned number in exp and Bias  $= 2^{k-1} 1$
  - frac represents  $0 \le f < 1$  with  $0.f_{n-1} \cdots f_1 f_0$  and M = 1 + f

	1	10000000	10101010101010101010101
_	(	$-1) \times 2^{1} \times 1$	.10101010101010101010101

- Denormalized values
  - exp all zeros
  - Exponent value is E = 1 Bias, M = f (no leading 1)

	00000000	10101010101010101010101
1 >	$< 2^{1-011111111}$	$\times 0.1010101010101010101010101$

- Special values
  - Exponent field is all ones
  - Fraction field all zeros can represent  $\pm \infty$ , depending on sign bit
  - Nonzero fraction field is NaN

  - every conditional expression with  ${\tt NaN}$  is 0
  - NaN == NaN is 0
  - every arithmetic expression with NaN is NaN
  - NaN \* 0 is NaN
  - forcibly trans  $\inf$  or NaN to  $\inf$  gets  $int_{min}$
- Rounding
  - Rounds to the nearest even
  - BBGRXXXX can round to BBG or BBG+1
  - G Guard bit; least significant bit of result
  - R Round bit; first bit removed
  - XXXX Sticky bit; OR of remaining bits
  - Round up conditions:
    - \* Round = 1, Sticky = 1  $\rightarrow$  BBG+1
    - \* Round =  $0 \rightarrow BBG$
    - \* Guard = 1, Round = 1, Sticky =  $0 \rightarrow BBG+1$
    - \* Guard = 0, Round = 1, Sticky =  $0 \rightarrow BBG$
- Multiplication
  - $-(-1)^{s_1}M_12^{E_1}\times (-1)^{s_2}M_22^{E_2}$ 
    - $= (-1)^{s_1 \hat{s}_2} (M_1 \times M_2) 2^{E_1 + E_2}$
  - If  $M_1 \times M_2 \ge 2$ ,  $M = M_1 \times M_2/2$ ,  $E = E_1 + E_2 + 1$ - If E out of range, overflow to inf
  - Round M to fit frac precision

# **Assembly Basics**

- "word" refers to 16-bit data type, "double word" refers to 32-bit (int) and 'quad words" refers to 64-bit
- On 64-bit machines pointers are 8-byte quad words
- In operands, scaling factor s must be either 1, 2, 4, or 8
- $\bullet$  mov S, D has the effect of  $S \to D$

movq Src, Dest	C Analog
movq \$0x4, %rax	tmp = 0x4
movq \$-147, (%rax)	*p = -147
movq %rax, %rdx	tmp2 = tmp1
movq %rax, (%rdx)	*p = tmp
movq (%rax), %rdx	tmp = *p

- movzbq moves from byte to quad with zero-extended whereas movsbq does the same but sign-extended
- leaq S, D has the effect of  $\&S \to D$
- ullet subq S, D has the effect of D-S o D
- salq S, D has the effect of  $D \cdot 2^S \to D$

Opcodes of arithmetic operations

	operates of arithmetic operations						
addq	+	xorq	$\oplus$	salq	als	so shlq	<<
subq	-	andq	&	sarq	Ari	thmetic	>>
imulq	×	orq		shrq	L	ogical >	·>
incq	++	decq		negq	_	notq	>

Operands (3 types)

operation (5 types)					
$\mathbf{Type}$	Form	Operand value			
Immediate	\$Imm	Imm			
Register	$r_a$	$R[r_a]$			
Memory	$Imm(r_b, r_i, s)$	$M[Imm + R[r_b] + R[r_i] \cdot s]$			

16 general purpose registers storing 64-bit values

Type	64-bits	32-bits	16-bits	8-bits
Re	gisters belo	w are call	er saved	
Return val	%rax	%eax	%ax	%al
1st arg	%rdi	%edi	%di	%dil
2nd arg	%rsi	%esi	%si	%sil
3rd arg	%rdx	%edx	%dx	%dl
4th arg	%rcx	%ecx	%cx	%cl
5th arg	%r8	%r8d	%r8w	%r8b
6th arg	%r9	%r9d	%r9w	%r9b
Caller	%r10	%r10d	%r10w	%r10b
Caller	%r11	%r11d	%r11w	%r11b
Registers below are callee saved				
Callee	%rbx	%ebx	%bx	%bl
Callee	%r12	%r12d	%r12w	%r12b
Callee	%r13	%r13d	%r13w	%r13b
Callee	%r14	%r14d	%r14w	%r14b
Callee	%r15	%r15d	%r15w	%r15b
Callee	%rbp	%ebp	%bp	%bpl
Stack ptr	%rsp	%esp	%sp	%spl

%rsp is the top of the stack and %rbp is the bottom

### **Conditional Control**

- Carry flag (CF) most recent op generated carry of most significant bit, detects overflow for unsigned
- Zero flag (ZF) most recent op yielded zero
- Sign flag (SF) most recent op yielded negative value
- Overflow flag (OF) most recent op caused two's complement overflow
- test instruction behaves like and instructions but sets condition codes without altering source or destination often see testq %rax, %rax to check if return val is neg, zero, or pos
- cmp instruction behaves like sub but sets condition codes without altering source or destination.
- Switch statement: jump table stores the address of the target label in an array. jtab[i] → codeblock (x==i)

set D and jmp suffixes

Instruction	Alias.	Cond.	Desc.
-е	-z	ZF	= /0
-ne	-nz	~ZF	! =/not zero
-s		SF	Neg
-ns		~SF	Nonneg
-g	-nle	~(SF^OF)&~ZF	signed >
-ge	-nl	~(SF^OF)	signed =>
-1	-nge	SF^OF	signed <
-le	-ng	(SF^OF) ZF	signed <=
-a	-nbe	~CF&~ZF	unsigned >
-ae	-nb	~CF	unsigned >=
-b	-nae	CF	unsigned <
-be	-na	CF   ZF	unsigned <=

cmpq B, A, jg L1 equals to if (A > B) goto L1; setne %al sets %al to 1 if not equal, 0 otherwise

	Arguments 7+	Return Addr	Saved	Registers	+ Local	Variables	Argument Build
Caller		rhn *	(Optional)				%rsb

### Machine Data

Data Alignment: K-byte object at addr multiple of K

Size (bytes)	Types
1	char
2	short
4	int, float
8	long, double, char *

Arrays: Element i at address &A[0] + i \* sizeof(type)

- 1D array access: movl (%rdx,%rcx,4),%eax gets A[%rcx] for int A[]
- 2D row-major: A[i][j] at &A + i\*C\*s + j\*s for A[R][C] with size s
- Multi-level arrays: Array of pointers e.g., int \*A[R] for jagged arrays

Structs: Fields stored with alignment padding

- K-byte field must be at addr multiple of K
- Field alignment may require padding between fields
- Struct alignment = max alignment of any field
- Struct size = multiple of largest alignment requirement
- Nested structs: inner struct follows its own alignment rules
- Access field at offset d: movq d(%rdi), %rax

Unions: All fields share same memory location

- Size = largest member size
- $\bullet$  All fields have offset 0 from base address
- Example: union {int i; float f; char c[4];}

- Access any member using base address: movl (%rdi), %eax
- Used for type punning (e.g., u.f = 1.0f; bits = u.i) or memory optimization

# GNU Debugger

#### Running

- run: Run the program
- kill: Kill the program
- step: Go to next line (Source C code)
- next: Go to next line (Source C code) but step over function calls
- stepi: Go to next instruction (Assembly code)
- continue: Continue running
- finish: Continue until current function returns

#### **Breakpoints**

- break <where>:
  - break <function name>
  - break <file>:<line number>
  - break \*<address>
- delete <num>: eg: delete 2 to delete breakpoint 2
- clear: Delete all breakpoints
- enable / disable <num>: Enable or disable
- info breakpoints / registers / functions / locals / args / displays

#### Variables and memory

- print/format <what>:
  - print \$register print register
  - print \$variable print variable
  - print \*(0x<address>) print memory
- x/nfu <address>:
  - n: Number of items to print (default 1)
  - f: Format (see below)
  - u: Size of each item:
    - \* b: Byte
    - \* h: Halfword (2 bytes)
    - \* w: Word (4 bytes)
    - \* g: Giant (8 bytes)

#### Format for printing

- a: Pointer
- c: Read as integer, print as character
- d: Integer, signed decimal (10)
- f: Floating point number
- o: Integer, Octal (8)
- s: Try to treat as C string
- t: Integer, binary (2)
- u: Integer, unsigned decimal (10)
- x: Integer, hexadecimal (16)

### Initialize for Bomb Lab

- # Compiling into asm (sum.s)
  gcc -Og -S sum.c
- # Disassembling Object Code
  objdump -d sum > sum.asm

# .gdbinit

break phase\_1

break initialize\_bomb (send\_msg / explode\_bomb)
command

jump \*(0x4014b9)

end

run ans.txt

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