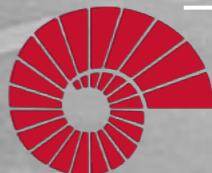


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Lecture #17 – More Control Flow



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Good news, everyone!

- Assg 3 is out this week
- Lab 6 on machine programming with Assembly this Friday.



Recap

- Assembly Execution and %rip
- Control Flow Mechanics
 - Condition Codes
 - Assembly Instructions

Recap: Executing Instructions

So far:

- Program values can be stored in memory or registers.
- Assembly instructions read/write values back and forth between registers (on the CPU) and memory.
- Assembly instructions are also stored in memory.

Last time:

- **Who controls the instructions?**
How do we know what to do now or next?

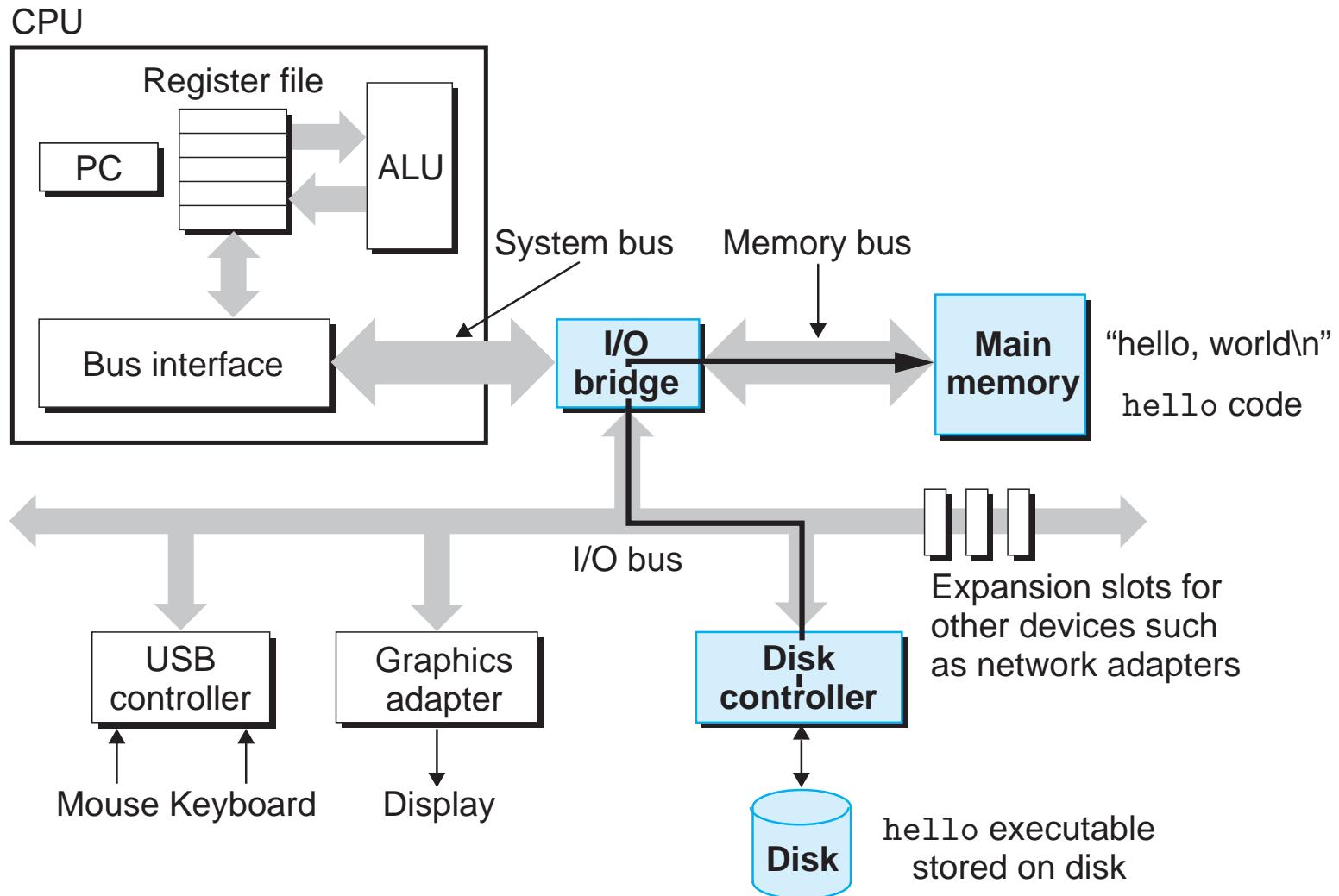
Answer:

- The **program counter (PC), %rip.**

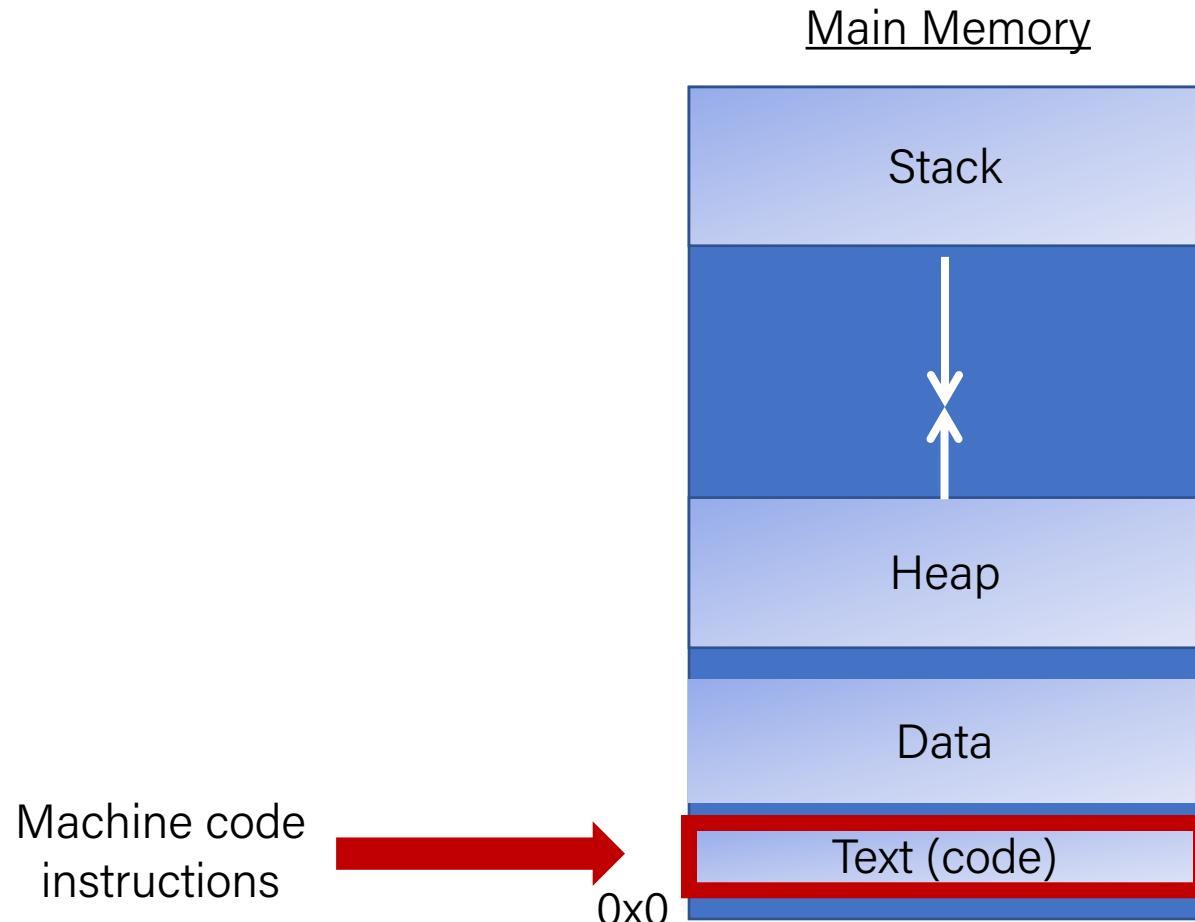
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|--------|----|
| 4004fd | fa |
| 4004fc | eb |
| 4004fb | 01 |
| 4004fa | fc |
| 4004f9 | 45 |
| 4004f8 | 83 |
| 4004f7 | 00 |
| 4004f6 | 00 |
| 4004f5 | 00 |
| 4004f4 | 00 |
| 4004f3 | fc |
| 4004f2 | 45 |
| 4004f1 | c7 |
| 4004f0 | e5 |
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| 4004ee | 48 |
| 4004ed | 55 |



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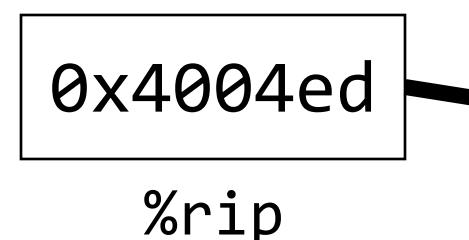
Recap: %rip

00000000004004ed <loop>:

4004ed: 55
4004ee: 48 89 e5
4004f1: c7 45 fc 00 00 00 00
4004f8: 83 45 fc 01
4004fc: eb fa

push %rbp
mov %rsp,%rbp
movl \$0x0,-0x4(%rbp)
addl \$0x1,-0x4(%rbp)
jmp 4004f8 <loop+0xb>

The **program counter** (PC), known as %rip in x86-64, stores the address in memory of the *next instruction* to be executed.



| | |
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Recap: `jmp`

The `jmp` instruction jumps to another instruction in the assembly code (“Unconditional Jump”).

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <code>jmp Label</code> | (Direct Jump) |
| <code>jmp *Operand</code> | (Indirect Jump) |

The destination can be hardcoded into the instruction (direct jump):

```
jmp 404f8 <loop+0xb> # jump to instruction at 0x404f8
```

The destination can also be one of the usual operand forms (indirect jump):

```
jmp *%rax      # jump to instruction at address in %rax
```

Recap: Control

```
if (x > y) {  
    // a  
}  
else {  
    // b  
}
```

In Assembly:

1. Calculate the condition result
2. Based on the result, go to a or b

Recap: Conditional Jumps

There are also variants of **jmp** that jump only if certain conditions are true ("Conditional Jump"). The jump location for these must be hardcoded into the instruction.

| Instruction | Synonym | Set Condition |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| <code>je Label</code> | <code>jz</code> | Equal / zero |
| <code>jne Label</code> | <code>jnz</code> | Not equal / not zero |
| <code>js Label</code> | | Negative |
| <code>jns Label</code> | | Nonnegative |
| <code>jg Label</code> | <code>jnle</code> | Greater (signed >) |
| <code>jge Label</code> | <code>jnl</code> | Greater or equal (signed >=) |
| <code>jl Label</code> | <code>jnge</code> | Less (signed <) |
| <code>jle Label</code> | <code>jng</code> | Less or equal (signed <=) |
| <code>ja Label</code> | <code>jnbe</code> | Above (unsigned >) |
| <code>jae Label</code> | <code>jnb</code> | Above or equal (unsigned >=) |
| <code>jb Label</code> | <code>jnae</code> | Below (unsigned <) |
| <code>jbe Label</code> | <code>jna</code> | Below or equal (unsigned <=) |

Recap: Condition Codes

Alongside normal registers, the CPU also has single-bit condition code registers. They store the results of the most recent arithmetic or logical operation.

Most common condition codes:

- **CF:** Carry flag. The most recent operation generated a carry out of the most significant bit. Used to detect overflow for unsigned operations.
- **ZF:** Zero flag. The most recent operation yielded zero.
- **SF:** Sign flag. The most recent operation yielded a negative value.
- **OF:** Overflow flag. The most recent operation caused a two's-complement overflow-either negative or positive.

Recap: Setting Condition Codes

The **cmp** instruction is like the subtraction instruction, but it does not store the result anywhere. It just sets condition codes. (**Note** the operand order!)

CMP S1, S2

$S2 - S1$

| Instruction | Description |
|-------------|---------------------|
| cmpb | Compare byte |
| cmpw | Compare word |
| cmpl | Compare double word |
| cmpq | Compare quad word |

Recap: Setting Condition Codes

The **test** instruction is like **cmp**, but for AND. It does not store the & result anywhere. It just sets condition codes.

TEST S1, S2

S2 & S1

| Instruction | Description |
|-------------|------------------|
| testb | Test byte |
| testw | Test word |
| testl | Test double word |
| testq | Test quad word |

Cool trick: if we pass the same value for both operands, we can check the sign of that value using the **Sign Flag** and **Zero Flag** condition codes!

Exercise 1: Conditional jump

je target

jump if ZF is 1

Let %edi store 0x10. Will we jump in the following cases? %edi 0x10

1. cmp \$0x10,%edi
je 40056f
add \$0x1,%edi

S2 - S1 == 0, so jump



Exercise 1: Conditional jump

je target jump if ZF is 1

Let %edi store 0x10. Will we jump in the following cases? %edi 0x10

1. cmp \$0x10,%edi
je 40056f
add \$0x1,%edi S2 - S1 == 0, so jump
2. test \$0x10,%edi
je 40056f
add \$0x1,%edi S2 & S1 != 0, so don't jump



Exercise 2: Conditional jump

```
00000000004004d6 <if_then>:  
 4004d6: 83 ff 06    cmp    $0x6,%edi  
 4004d9: 75 03        jne    4004de <if_then+0x8>  
 400rdb: 83 c7 01     add    $0x1,%edi  
 4004de: 8d 04 3f     lea    (%rdi,%rdi,1),%eax  
 4004e1: c3            retq
```

%edi

0x5

- What is the value of %rip after executing the jne instruction?

- A. 4004d9
- B. 4004db
- C. 4004de
- D. Other





What is the value of %rip after executing the jne instruction?

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- B. 0x2
- C. 0xa
- D. 0xc
- E. Other





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Plan for Today

- If statements
- Loops
- Other Instructions That Depend On Condition Codes

Disclaimer: Slides for this lecture were borrowed from
—Nick Troccoli's Stanford CS107 class

Lecture Plan

- If statements
- Loops
- Other Instructions That Depend On Condition Codes

Practice: Fill In The Blank

```
int if_then(int param1) {  
    if ( _____ ) {  
        _____;  
    }  
    return _____;  
}
```

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4004e1:    retq
```



Practice: Fill In The Blank

```
int if_then(int param1) {  
    if (param1 == 6) {  
        param1++;  
    }  
    return param1 * 2;  
}
```

```
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4004d6:    cmp    $0x6,%edi  
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```



Practice: Fill In The Blank

If-Else In C

```
if (                ) {  
                    ;  
} else {  
                    ;  
}  
  
                ;
```

If-Else In Assembly pseudocode

Test
Jump to else-body if test fails
If-body
Jump to past else-body
Else-body
Past else body

Practice: Fill In The Blank

If-Else In C

```
if ( _____ ) {  
    _____;  
} else {  
    _____;  
}  
_____;
```

| | | |
|---------------|-----|-----------------------|
| 400552 <+0>: | cmp | \$0x3,%edi |
| 400555 <+3>: | jle | 0x40055e <if_else+12> |
| 400557 <+5>: | mov | \$0xa,%eax |
| 40055c <+10>: | jmp | 0x400563 <if_else+17> |
| 40055e <+12>: | mov | \$0x0,%eax |
| 400563 <+17>: | add | \$0x1,%eax |

If-Else In Assembly pseudocode

Test

Jump to else-body if test **fails**

If-body

Jump to past else-body

Else-body

Past else body



Practice: Fill In The Blank

If-Else In C

```
if ( arg > 3 ) {  
    _____;  
} else {  
    _____;  
}  
_____;
```

| | | |
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If-Else In Assembly pseudocode

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Jump to past else-body

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Past else body



Practice: Fill In The Blank

If-Else In C

```
if ( arg > 3 ) {  
    ret = 10;  
} else {  
    _____;  
}  
_____;
```

| | | |
|---------------|-----|-----------------------|
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Practice: Fill In The Blank

If-Else In C

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    ret = 0;  
}  
_____;
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If-Else In Assembly pseudocode

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Else-body

Past else body



Practice: Fill In The Blank

If-Else In C

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} else {  
    ret = 0;  
}  
ret++;
```

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Else-body

Past else body



Lecture Plan

- If statements (cont'd.)
- Loops
 - While loops
 - For loops
- Other Instructions That Depend On Condition Codes

Loops and Control Flow

```
void loop() {  
    int i = 0;  
    while (i < 100) {  
        i++;  
    }  
}
```

| | | |
|---------------------------|------|--------------------|
| 0x0000000000400570 <+0>: | mov | \$0x0,%eax |
| 0x0000000000400575 <+5>: | jmp | 0x40057a <loop+10> |
| 0x0000000000400577 <+7>: | add | \$0x1,%eax |
| 0x000000000040057a <+10>: | cmp | \$0x63,%eax |
| 0x000000000040057d <+13>: | jle | 0x400577 <loop+7> |
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Set %eax (i) to 0.

Loops and Control Flow

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```

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Jump to another instruction.

Loops and Control Flow

```
void loop() {  
    int i = 0;  
    while (i < 100) {  
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    }  
}
```

| | | |
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Compare %eax (i) to 0x63 (99)
by calculating %eax – 0x63.
This is 0 – 99 = -99, so it sets
the Sign Flag to 1.

Loops and Control Flow

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```

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jle means “jump if less than or equal”. This jumps if `%eax <= 0x63`. The flags indicate this is true, so we jump.

Loops and Control Flow

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Add 1 to %eax (i).

Loops and Control Flow

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Compare %eax (i) to 0x63 (99)
by calculating %eax - 0x63.
This is $1 - 99 = -98$, so it sets
the Sign Flag to 1.

Loops and Control Flow

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Loops and Control Flow

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We continue in this pattern until we do not make this conditional jump. When will that be?

Loops and Control Flow

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We will stop looping when this comparison says that %eax – 0x63 > 0!

Loops and Control Flow

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    int i = 0;  
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    }  
}
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Then, we return from the function.

Common While Loop Construction

C

```
while (test) {  
    body  
}
```

Assembly

Jump to test

Body

Test

Jump to body if success

From Previous Slide:

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Lecture Plan

- Loops
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Common While Loop Construction

C For loop

```
for (init; test; update) {  
    body  
}
```

Assembly pseudocode

→ **Init**
 Jump to test
Body
→ **Update**
Test
Jump to body if success

C Equivalent While Loop

```
init  
while(test) {  
    body  
    update  
}
```

for loops and while loops are treated (essentially) the same when compiled down to assembly.

Back to Our First Assembly

```
int sum_array(int arr[], int nelems) {  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < nelems; i++) {  
        sum += arr[i];  
    }  
    return sum;  
}
```

0000000004005b6 <sum_array>:

| | | |
|--------------|--------|-----------------------|
| 4005b6: | mov | \$0x0,%edx |
| 4005bb<+5>: | mov | \$0x0,%eax |
| 4005c0<+10>: | jmp | 4005cb <sum_array+21> |
| 4005c2<+12>: | movslq | %edx,%rcx |
| 4005c5<+15>: | add | (%rdi,%rcx,4),%eax |
| 4005c8<+18>: | add | \$0x1,%edx |
| 4005cb<+21>: | cmp | %esi,%edx |
| 4005cd<+23>: | j1 | 4005c2 <sum_array+12> |
| 4005cf<+25>: | repz | retq |

1. Which register is C code's sum?
2. Which register is C code's i?
3. Which assembly instruction is C code's `sum += arr[i]`?
4. What are the `cmp` and `j1` instructions doing?
(`j1`: jump less; signed <>)



Lecture Plan

- If Statements
- Loops
- Other Instructions That Depend On Condition Codes

Condition Code-Dependent Instructions

There are three common instruction types that use condition codes:

- **jmp** instructions conditionally jump to a different next instruction
- **set** instructions conditionally set a byte to 0 or 1
- new versions of **mov** instructions conditionally move data

set: Read condition codes

set instructions conditionally set a byte to 0 or 1.

- Reads current state of flags
- Destination is a single-byte register (e.g., %al) or single-byte memory location
- Does not perturb other bytes of register
- Typically followed by `movzbl` to zero those bytes

```
int small(int x) {  
    return x < 16;  
}
```

```
cmp $0xf,%edi  
setle %al  
movzbl %al, %eax  
retq
```

set: Read condition codes

| Instruction | Synonym | Set Condition (1 if true, 0 if false) |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| sete D | setz | Equal / zero |
| setne D | setnz | Not equal / not zero |
| sets D | | Negative |
| setns D | | Nonnegative |
| setg D | setnle | Greater (signed >) |
| setge D | setnl | Greater or equal (signed \geq) |
| setl D | setnge | Less (signed <) |
| setle D | setng | Less or equal (signed \leq) |
| seta D | setnbe | Above (unsigned >) |
| setae D | setnb | Above or equal (unsigned \geq) |
| setb D | setnae | Below (unsigned <) |
| setbe D | setna | Below or equal (unsigned \leq) |

cmov: Conditional move

cmove src,dst conditionally moves data in src to data in dst.

- Mov src to dst if condition x holds; no change otherwise
- src is memory address/register, dst is register
- May be more efficient than branch (i.e., jump)
- Often seen with C ternary operator: `result = test ? then: else;`

```
int max(int x, int y) {  
    return x > y ? x : y;  
}
```

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <code>cmp</code> | <code>%edi,%esi</code> |
| <code>mov</code> | <code>%edi, %eax</code> |
| cmove | <code>%esi, %eax</code> |
| <code>retq</code> | |

Ternary Operator

The ternary operator is a shorthand for using if/else to evaluate to a value.

condition ? expressionIfTrue : expressionIfFalse

```
int x;
if (argc > 1) {
    x = 50;
} else {
    x = 0;
}
```

// equivalent to
int x = argc > 1 ? 50 : 0;

cmove: Conditional move

| Instruction | Synonym | Move Condition |
|-------------|-----------|---|
| cmove S,R | cmovez | Equal / zero (ZF = 1) |
| cmovne S,R | cmovenz | Not equal / not zero (ZF = 0) |
| cmove S,R | | Negative (SF = 1) |
| cmove S,R | | Nonnegative (SF = 0) |
| cmoveg S,R | cmovele | Greater (signed >) (SF = 0 and SF = OF) |
| cmovege S,R | cmovenl | Greater or equal (signed >=) (SF = OF) |
| cmove l S,R | cmovege | Less (signed <) (SF != OF) |
| cmovele S,R | cmoveng | Less or equal (signed <=) (ZF = 1 or SF != OF) |
| cmovea S,R | cmovefbe | Above (unsigned >) (CF = 0 and ZF = 0) |
| cmoveae S,R | cmovefb | Above or equal (unsigned >=) (CF = 0) |
| cmoveb S,R | cmovefabe | Below (unsigned <) (CF = 1) |
| cmovebe S,R | cmovefna | Below or equal (unsigned <=) (CF = 1 or ZF = 1) |

Practice: Conditional Move

```
int signed_division(int x) {  
    return x / 4;  
}
```

```
signed_division:  
    leal 3(%rdi), %eax  
    testl %edi, %edi  
    cmovns %edi, %eax  
    sarl $2, %eax  
    ret
```

-14/4 should yield -3 rather than -4
(See Sec. 2.3.7)

Put $x + 3$ into **%eax** (add appropriate bias, $2^2 - 1$)
To see whether x is negative, zero, or positive
If x is positive, put x into **%eax**
Divide **%eax** by 4

Extra Practice

Practice: Fill In The Blank

Note: *.L2/.L3* are “labels” that make jumps easier to read.

C Code

```
long loop(long a, long b) {  
    long result = _____;  
    while (_____) {  
        result = _____;  
        a = _____;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

Common while loop construction:

Jump to test

Body

Test

Jump to body if success

What does this assembly code translate to?

```
// a in %rdi, b in %rsi  
loop:  
    movl $1, %eax  
    jmp .L2  
.L3  
    leaq (%rdi,%rsi), %rdx  
    imulq %rdx, %rax  
    addq $1, %rdi  
.L2  
    cmpq %rsi, %rdi  
    jl .L3  
rep; ret
```

Practice: Fill In The Blank

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C Code

```
long loop(long a, long b) {  
    long result = 1;  
    while (a < b) {  
        result = result*(a+b);  
        a = a + 1;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

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Practice: “Escape Room”

escapeRoom:

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cmpl $5, %eax
jg .L3
cmpl $1, %edi
jne .L4
movl $1, %eax
ret
```

.L3:

```
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```

.L4:

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First param > 2 or == 1.

Recap

- Assembly Execution and %rip
- Control Flow Mechanics
 - Condition Codes
 - Assembly Instructions
- If statements
- Loops
 - While loops
 - For loops
- Other Instructions That Depend On Condition Codes

Next time: *Function calls in assembly*