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#### PAC II

#### Lecture 4: x86\_64 Assembly Language

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### Intel x86 Processors

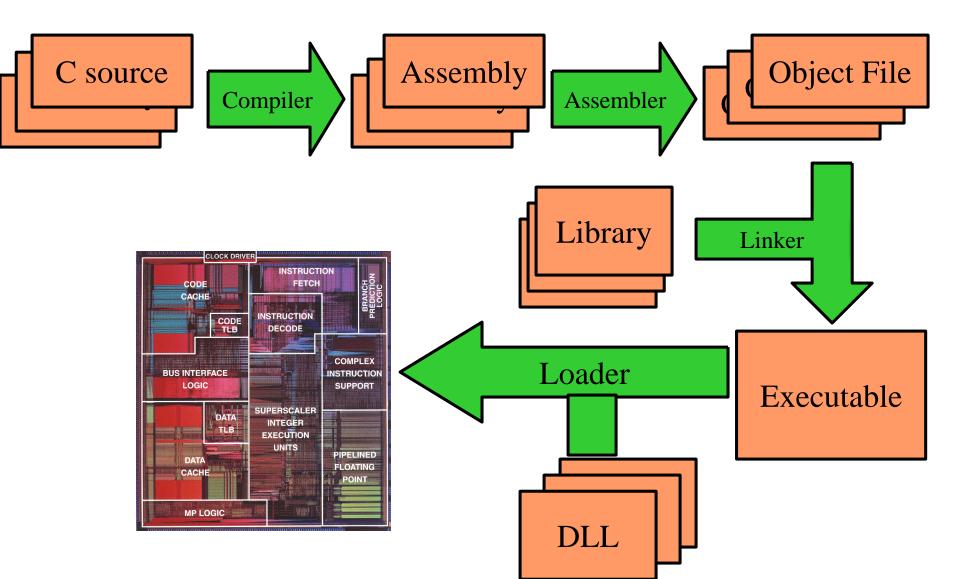
- Evolutionary design
  - Backwards compatible up until 8086, introduced in 1978

- Complex instruction set computer (CISC)
  - Many instructions, many formats
  - By contrast, ARM architecture (in most cell phones) is RISC

#### Intel x86 Evolution: Milestones

Name	Transistors	MHz
• 8086 <sub>(1978)</sub>	29K	5-10
-First 16-bit	processor. Basis	for IBM PC & DOS
-1MB address	space	
• 386 <sub>(1985)</sub>	275K	16-33
-First 32 bit	processor , referi	red to as IA32
-Capable of r	unning Unix	
• Pentium 4 (200	125M	2800-3800
-First 64-bit	processor, referr	red to as <b>x86-64</b>
• Core i7 (2008)	731M	2667-3333
<ul> <li>Xeon E7 (2011)</li> </ul>	2.2B	~2400

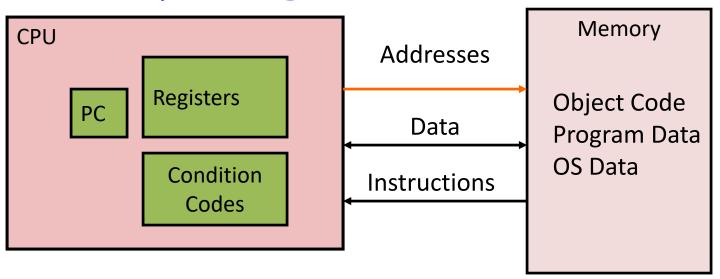
### Source Code to Execution



### Outline

- Assembly primer
- Moving data
- Arithmetic and logic operations
- Control
- Procedures and the stack
- Register saving convention
- Manipulating data
  - Arrays
  - Structures
  - Alignment

## Assembly Programmer's View



- Execution context
  - PC: Program counter
    - Address of next instruction
    - Called "RIP" (x86-64)
  - Registers
    - Heavily used program data
  - Condition code registers
    - Store status information about most recent arithmetic or logical operation
    - · Used for conditional branching

#### -Memory

- Byte addressable array
- Code and user data
- Stack to support procedures

### Assembly Data Types

- "Integer" data of 1, 2, or 4 bytes
  - Represent either data value
  - or address (untyped pointer)
- Floating point data of 4, 8, or 10 bytes
- Code: Byte sequences encoding series of instructions

No arrays or structures

### 3 Kind of Assembly Operations

- Perform arithmetic on register or memory data
  - Add, subtract, multiplication...
- 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

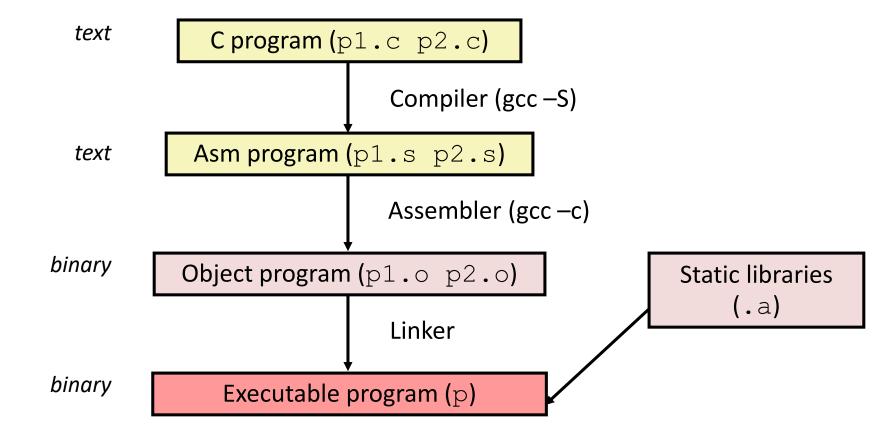
# Turning C into Object Code

-Code in files p1.c p2.c

Optimization level

Output file is p

-Compile with command: gcc -Og p1.c p2.c -o p



# Compiling Into Assembly C Code (sum.c) Generated vec 6

Generated x86-64 Assembly

```
long plus (long x, long y);
void sumstore(long x, long y,
              long *dest)
    long t = plus(x, y);
    *dest = t;
```

```
sumstore:
  pushq
         %rbx
  movq %rdx, %rbx
  call plus
  movq %rax, (%rbx)
  popq %rbx
  ret
```

#### Obtain with command

Produces file sum.s

Warning: Will get very different results on different machines due to different versions of gcc and different compiler settings.

# x86-64 Integer Registers

%rax	%eax	%r8	%r8d
%rbx	%ebx	%r9	%r9d
%rcx	%ecx	%r10	%r10d
%rdx	%edx	%r11	%r11d
%rsi	%esi	%r12	%r12d
%rdi	%edi	%r13	%r13d
%rsp	%esp	%r14	%r14d
%rbp	%ebp	%r15	%r15d

Can reference low-order 4 bytes (also low-order 1 & 2 bytes)

Some History: Integer Registers (IA32)

%eax %ax %ah %al %ecx %CX %cl %ch %edx %dx 용dh %dl %ebx %bx %bh %bl %esi %si %edi 용di %sp %esp %bp %ebp

general purpose

Origin (mostly obsolete)

accumulate

counter

data

base

source index

destination index

stack pointer base

pointer

16-bit virtual registers (backwards compatibility)

# Moving Data

# Moving Data

- Moving Data
   movg Source, Dest
- Operand Types
  - Immediate: Constant integer data
    - Example: \$0x400, \$-533
    - Like C constant, but prefixed with `\$'
  - Register: One of 16 integer registers
    - Example: %rax, %r13
    - But %rsp reserved for special use
    - Others have special uses for particular instructions (later on that)
  - Memory: 8 consecutive bytes of memory at address given by register
    - Simplest example: (%rax)
    - Various other "address modes"

%rax
%rcx
%rdx
%rbx
%rsi
%rdi
%rsp
%rbp

%rN

# movq Operand Combinations

```
Source Dest
        Src,Dest
             C Analog
```

No memory-to-memory instruction



C Declaration	Intel Data Type	Assembly code suffix	Size (bytes)
Char	Byte	b	1
Short	Word	W	2
Int	Double Word	I	4
Long	Quad Word	q	8
Pointer	Quad Word	q	8

If one of the operands is memory. How do we represent a memory address?

## Simple Memory Addressing Modes

- Normal  $(R) \rightarrow Mem[Reg[R]]$ 
  - -Register R specifies memory address

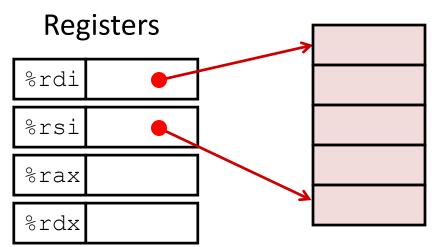
```
movq (%rcx),%rax
```

- Displacement  $D(R) \rightarrow Mem[Reg[R]+D]$ 
  - -Register R specifies start of memory region
  - Constant displacement D specifies offset

```
movq 8(%rbp),%rdx
```

#### Memory

Register	Value
%rdi	хp
%rsi	УР
%rax	t0
%rdx	t1



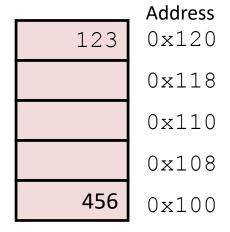
#### swap:

```
movq (%rdi), %rax # t0 = *xp
movq (%rsi), %rdx # t1 = *yp
movq %rdx, (%rdi) # *xp = t1
movq %rax, (%rsi) # *yp = t0
ret
```

#### Registers

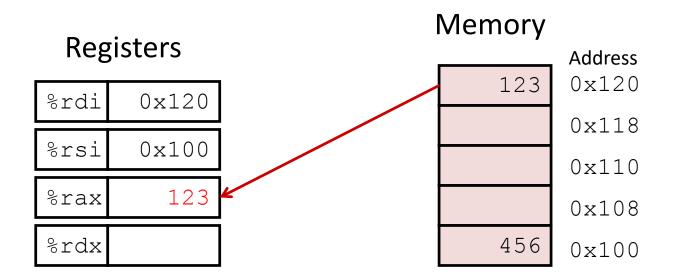
%rdi	0x120
%rsi	0x100
_	
%rax	

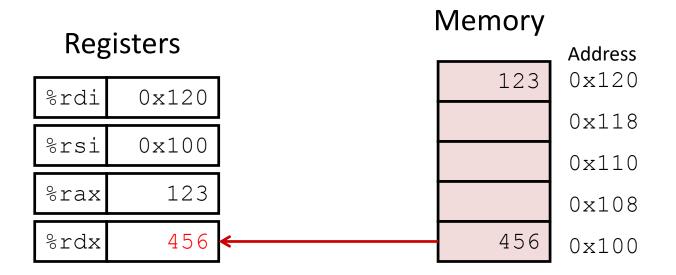
#### Memory

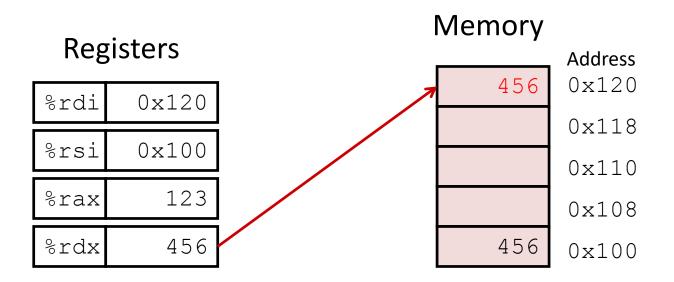


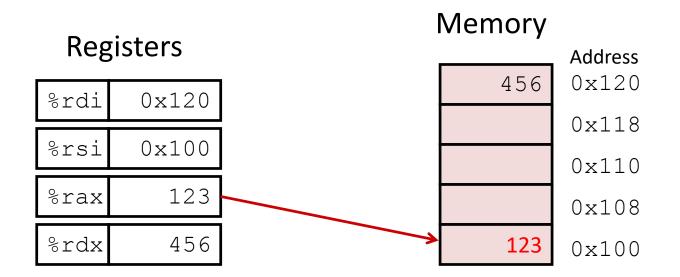
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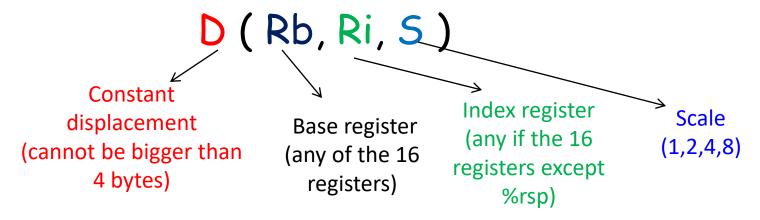






### General Memory Addressing Modes

Most General Form



Special Cases

(Rb,Ri) D(Rb,Ri) (Rb,Ri,S) Mem[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]]
Mem[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]+D]
Mem[Reg[Rb]+S\*Reg[Ri]]

### **Address Computation Examples**

%rdx	0xf000
%rcx	0x0100

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

### Address Computation Instruction

#### leaq Src, Dst

- Src is address mode expression
- Set Dst to address denoted by expression

#### Uses

- Computing addresses <u>without a memory access</u>
  - E.g., translation of p = &x[i];
- Computing arithmetic expressions of the form  $x + k^*y$ 
  - k = 1, 2, 4, or 8

#### Example

```
long m12(long x)
{
   return x*12;
}
```

#### Converted to ASM by compiler:

```
leaq (%rdi,%rdi,2), %rax # t <- x+x*2
salq $2, %rax # return t<<2</pre>
```

# Arithmetic & Logic Operations

# Some Arithmetic Operations

Two Operand Instructions:

```
Format
           Computation
                      Dest = Dest + Src
  addq
           Src,Dest
                      Dest = Dest - Src
           Src,Dest
  subq
                      Dest = Dest * Src
  imulq Src,Dest
                      Dest = Dest << Src < Also called ship
  salq Src,Dest
  sarq Src,Dest
                      Dest = Dest → Src ← Arithmetic
           Src,Dest
                      Dest = Dest → Src ← Logical
  shrq
                      Dest = Dest ^ Src
           Src,Dest
  xorq
                      Dest = Dest & Src
  andq
           Src,Dest
                      Dest = Dest | Src
  orq
           Src,Dest
```

- Watch out for argument order!
- No distinction between signed and unsigned int (why?)

# Some Arithmetic Operations

One Operand Instructions

```
incq Dest Dest = Dest + 1

decq Dest Dest = Dest - 1

negq Dest Dest = -Dest

notq Dest Dest = \sim Dest
```

### Arithmetic Expression Example

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

#### arith:

```
leaq (%rdi,%rsi), %rax
addq %rdx, %rax
leaq (%rsi,%rsi,2), %rdx
salq $4, %rdx
leaq 4(%rdi,%rdx), %rcx
imulq %rcx, %rax
ret.
```

#### Understanding Arithmetic Expression Example

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  long t5 = t3 + t4;
  long rval = t2 * t5;
  return rval;
```

#### arith:

```
leaq (%rdi,%rsi), %rax # t1
addq %rdx, %rax # t2
leaq (%rsi,%rsi,2), %rdx
salq $4, %rdx # t4
leaq 4(%rdi,%rdx), %rcx # t5
imulq %rcx, %rax # rval
ret
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument x
%rsi	Argument <b>y</b>
%rdx	Argument <b>z</b>
%rax	t1, t2, rval
%rdx	t4
%rcx	t5

#### Understanding Arithmetic Expression Example

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long arith
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addq %rdx, %rax # t2
leaq (%rsi,%rsi,2), %rdx
salq $4, %rdx # t4
leaq 4(%rdi,%rdx), %rcx # t5
imulq %rcx, %rax # rval
ret
```

- Instructions in different order from C code
- Some expressions require multiple instructions
- Some instructions cover multiple expressions

# Multiplication

#### Unsigned

- form 1: imulg s, d
  - d = s \* d
  - multiply two 64-bit operands and put the result in 64-bit operand
- form 2: mulq s
  - one operand is rax
  - The other operand given in the instruction
  - product is stored in rdx (high-order part) and rax (low order part)
     → full 128-bit result

#### Signed

- form 1: imulq s, d
  - d = s \* d
  - multiply two 64-bit operands and put the result in 64-bit operand
- form 2: imulq s
  - one operand is rax
  - The other operand given in the instruction
  - product is stored in rdx (high-order part) and rax (low order part)
     → full 128-bit result

### Division

#### Unsigned

- divq s
  - Dividend given in rdx (high order) and rax (low order)
  - Divisor is s
  - Quotient stored in rax
  - Remainder stored in rdx

#### Signed

- idivqs
  - Dividend given in rdx (high order) and rax (low order)
  - Divisor is s
  - Quotient stored in rax
  - Remainder stored in rdx

#### Useful Instruction for Division

#### cqto

- No operands
- Takes the sign bit from rax and replicates it in rdx

# Control

## Processor State (x86-64, Partial)

- Information about currently executing program
  - Temporary data (%rax, ...)
  - Location of
     runtime stack
     (%rsp)
  - Location of current code control point (%rip, ...)
  - Status of recent tests(CF, ZF, SF, OF)

### **Registers**

%rax	% <b>r8</b>
%rbx	%r9
%rcx	%r10
%rdx	% <b>r11</b>
%rsi	%r12
%rdi	%r13
%rsp	% <b>r14</b>
%rbp	%r15

%rip Instruction pointer



**Condition codes** 

## Setting Condition Codes Implicitly

· Can be implicitly set by arithmetic operations

```
Example: addq Src, Dest (t = a+b)
```

CF (Carry flag) set if carry out from most significant bit (unsigned overflow)

```
ZF (Zero flag) set if t == 0

SF (Sign flag) set if t < 0 (as signed)

OF (Overflow flag) set if two's complement overflow (signed)

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

Not set by lea instruction

# Effect of Logical Operations

- The carry and overflow flags are set to zero.
- For shift instructions:
  - The carry flag is set to the value of the last bit shifted out.
  - Overflow flag is set to zero.

## INC and DEC instructions

- Affect the overflow and zero flags
- Leave carry flag unchanged

## Setting Condition Codes Explicitly

Can also be explicitly set

cmpl b, a set condition codes based on a-b (computing a-b without storing the result in any destination)

CF set if carry out from most significant bit (used for unsigned comparisons)

ZF set if a == bSF set if (a-b) < 0 (as signed) OF set if (a-b) results in signed overflow

## Setting Condition Codes Explicitly

Can also be explicitly set

**testq b**, **a** set condition codes based on value of (**a** & **b**) without storing the result in any destination

```
ZF set if (a&b) = zero
SF set if (a&b) < 0</pre>
```

## Setting Condition Codes

### Important

The processor does not know if you are using signed or unsigned integers.

OF and CF are set for every arithmetic operation.

### What do we do with condition codes?

- 1. Setting a single byte to 0 or 1 based on some combination of the condition codes.
- 2. Conditionally jump to other parts of the program.
- 3. Conditionally transfer data.

## Reading Condition Codes

### SetX dest

Sets the lower byte of some register based on combinations of condition codes and does not alter remaining 7 bytes. Destination can also be memory location.

This set of instructions is usually used after a comparison.

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)

# Example

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

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument <b>x</b>
%rsi	Argument <b>y</b>
%rax	Return value

```
cmpq %rsi, %rdi # Compare x:y
setg %al # Set when >
movzbq %al, %rax # Zero rest of %rax
ret
```

x86-64 Integer Registers

%rax	%al	%r8	%r8b
%rbx	%bl	% <b>r9</b>	%r9b
%rcx	%cl	%r10	%r10b
%rdx	%dl	%r11	%r11b
%rsi	%sil	%r12	%r12b
%rdi	%dil	%r13	%r13b
%rsp	%spl	%r14	%r14b
%rbp	%bpl	%r15	%r15b

- Can reference low-order byte

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# 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)

### What do we do with condition codes?

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- 2. Conditionally jump to other parts of the program.
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## Conditional Moves

- Conditional Move Instructions
  - Instruction supports: if (Test) Dest ← Src
  - Supported in post-1995 x86 processors
  - GCC tries to use them
    - But, only when known to be safe
- · Why?
  - Branches are very disruptive to instruction flow through pipelines
  - Conditional moves do not require control transfer

### C Code

```
val = Test
? Then_Expr
: Else_Expr;
```

```
result = Then_Expr;
eval = Else_Expr;
nt = !Test;
if (nt) result = eval;
return result;
```

## Conditional Move Example

```
long absdiff
  (long x, long y)
{
    long result;
    if (x > y)
        result = x-y;
    else
        result = y-x;
    return result;
}
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument <b>x</b>
%rsi	Argument <b>y</b>
%rax	Return value

```
absdiff:
  movq %rdi, %rax # x
  subq %rsi, %rax # result = x-y
  movq %rsi, %rdx
  subq %rdi, %rdx # eval = y-x
  cmpq %rsi, %rdi # x:y
  cmovle %rdx, %rax # if <=, result = eval
  ret</pre>
```

# How to implement loops?

- · do-while
- · while
- for

# "Do-While" Loop Example

#### C Code

```
long pcount_do
  (unsigned long x) {
  long result = 0;
  do {
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
  } while (x);
  return result;
}
```

```
long pcount_goto
  (unsigned long x) {
  long result = 0;
  loop:
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
    if(x) goto loop;
    return result;
}
```

- Count number of 1's in argument  $\times$
- Use conditional branch to either continue looping or to exit loop

# "Do-While" Loop Compilation

```
long pcount_goto
  (unsigned long x) {
  long result = 0;
  loop:
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
    if(x) goto loop;
    return result;
}
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument <b>x</b>
%rax	result

```
$0, %rax # result = 0
  movl
.L2:
                  # loop:
         %rdi, %rdx
  movq
  andl
         $1, %rdx # t = x & 0x1
         %rdx, %rax # result += t
  addq
                   \# x >>= 1
  shrq
         %rdi
                   # if (x) goto loop
  jne
         . L2
  ret
```

### General "Do-While" Translation

#### C Code

```
do

Body

while (Test);
```

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

### General "While" Translation #1

- "Jump-to-middle" translation
- Used with -Og

### While version

while (Test)
Body



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

# While Loop Example #1

#### C Code

```
long pcount_while
  (unsigned long x) {
  long result = 0;
  while (x) {
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
  }
  return result;
}
```

### Jump to Middle

```
long pcount_goto_jtm
  (unsigned long x) {
  long result = 0;
  goto test;
  loop:
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
  test:
    if(x) goto loop;
    return result;
}
```

- Compare to do-while version of function
- Initial goto starts loop at test

### General "While" Translation #2

### While version

```
while (Test)
Body
```



### **Do-While Version**

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

- "Do-while" conversion
- Used with -01

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

# While Loop Example #2

#### C Code

```
long pcount_while
  (unsigned long x) {
  long result = 0;
  while (x) {
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
  }
  return result;
}
```

#### **Do-While Version**

```
long pcount_goto_dw
  (unsigned long x) {
  long result = 0;
  if (!x) goto done;
  loop:
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
    if(x) goto loop;
  done:
    return result;
}
```

- Compare to do-while version of function
- Initial conditional guards entrance to loop

## "For" Loop Form

#### **General Form**

```
for (Init; Test; Update)

Body
```

```
#define WSIZE 8*sizeof(int)
long prount for
  (unsigned long x)
 size t i;
  long result = 0;
  for (i = 0; i < WSIZE; i++)
   unsigned bit =
      (x >> i) & 0x1;
    result += bit;
  return result;
```

#### Init

```
i = 0
```

#### Test

```
i < WSIZE
```

### Update

```
i++
```

### Body

```
{
   unsigned bit =
      (x >> i) & 0x1;
   result += bit;
}
```

# "For" Loop -> While Loop

#### For Version

```
for (Init; Test; Update)

Body
```



### While Version

```
Init;
while (Test) {
    Body
    Update;
}
```

## For-While Conversion

```
Init

i = 0

Test

i < WSIZE

Update

i++
```

### Body

```
{
  unsigned bit =
    (x >> i) & 0x1;
  result += bit;
}
```

```
long pcount for while
  (unsigned long x)
  size t i;
  long result = 0;
  i = 0;
  while (i < WSIZE)
    unsigned bit =
      (x >> i) & 0x1;
    result += bit;
    i++;
  return result;
```

### Procedures and the Stack

### Suppose P calls Q

### Passing control

- To beginning of procedure code
- Back to return point

### Passing data

- Procedure arguments
- Return value

### Memory management

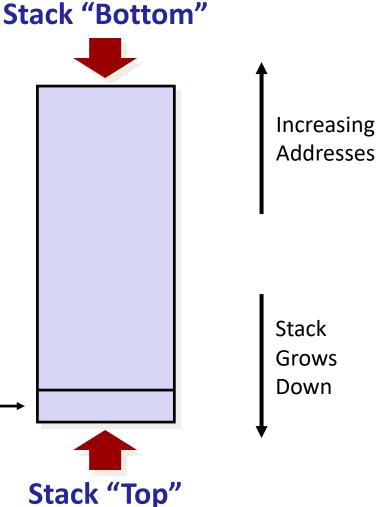
- Allocate during procedure execution
- Deallocate upon return

```
int Q(int i)
{
   int t = 3*i;
   int v[10];
   .
   return v[t];
}
```

## x86-64 Stack

- Region of memory managed with stack discipline
- Grows toward lower addresses
- Register %rsp contains lowest stack address
  - address of "top" element

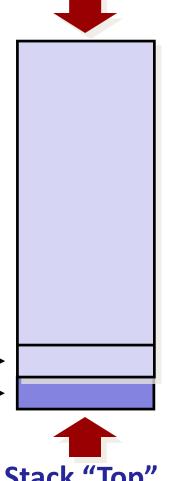
Stack Pointer: %rsp —



### x86-64 Stack: Push Stack "Bottom"

- pushq Src
  - Fetch operand at Src
  - Decrement %rsp by 8
  - Write operand at address given by %rsp

Stack Pointer: %rsp



Stack Down



### x86-64 Stack: Pop Stack "Bottom"

### ■ popq *Dest*

- Read value at address given by %rsp
- Increment %rsp by 8
- Store value at Dest (<u>must be register</u>)

Stack Pointer: %rsp

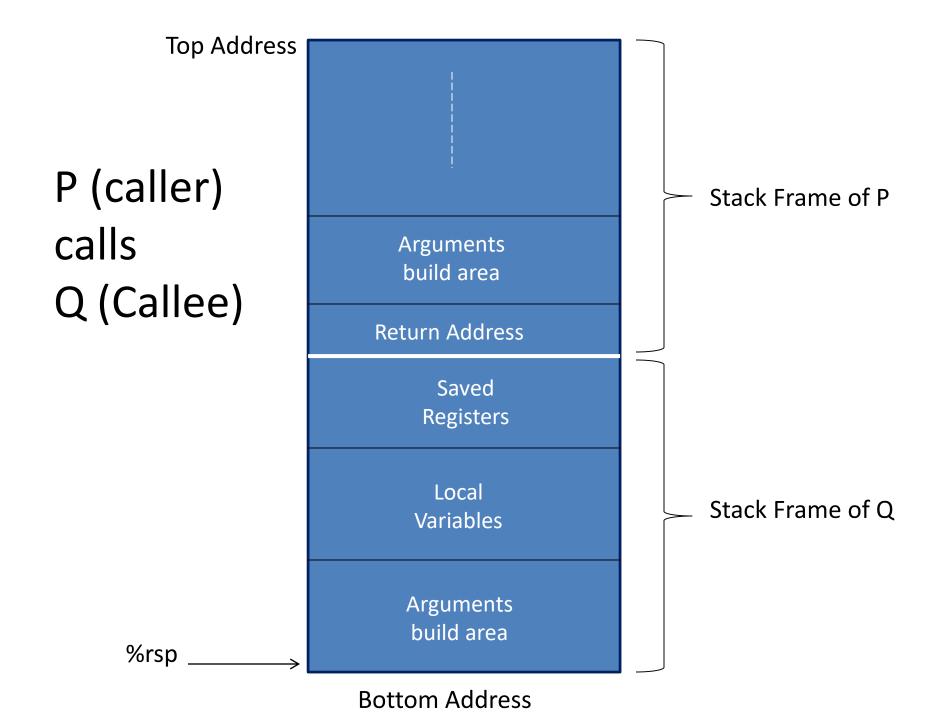
**Increasing** Stack Grows Down Stack "Top"

# Examples:

```
void multstore
  (long x, long y, long *dest)
{
    long t = mult2(x, y);
    *dest = t;
}
```

```
long mult2
  (long a, long b)
{
  long s = a * b;
  return s;
}
```

```
0000000000400550 <mult2>:
    400550: movq %rdi,%rax # a
    400553: imul %rsi,%rax # a * b
    400557: retq # Return
```



## When P calls Q

- · P is suspended and control moves to Q.
- A stack frame is setup on top of the stack for Q
- That stack frame contains:
  - saved registers
  - local variables
  - arguments if Q is calling another function
- Some procedures may not need a stack frame (why?).

## 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:
  - Address of the next instruction right after call
- Procedure return: ret
  - Pop address from stack
  - Jump to address

```
Example
                                   0x130
0000000000400540 <multstore>:
                                   0x128
                                   0x120
 400544: callq 400550 <mult2>
 400549: mov %rax, (%rbx)
                                         0x120
                                    %rsp
                                    %rip 0x400544
```

```
0000000000400550 <mult2>:
 400550: mov %rdi,%rax
 400557:
         retq
```

## Example

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```

### Procedure Data Flow

#### Registers

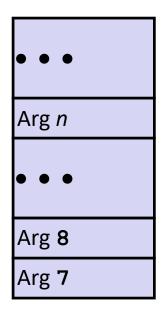
First 6 arguments

%rdi
%rsi
%rdx
%rcx
% <b>r8</b>
% <b>r9</b>

Return value



#### Stack



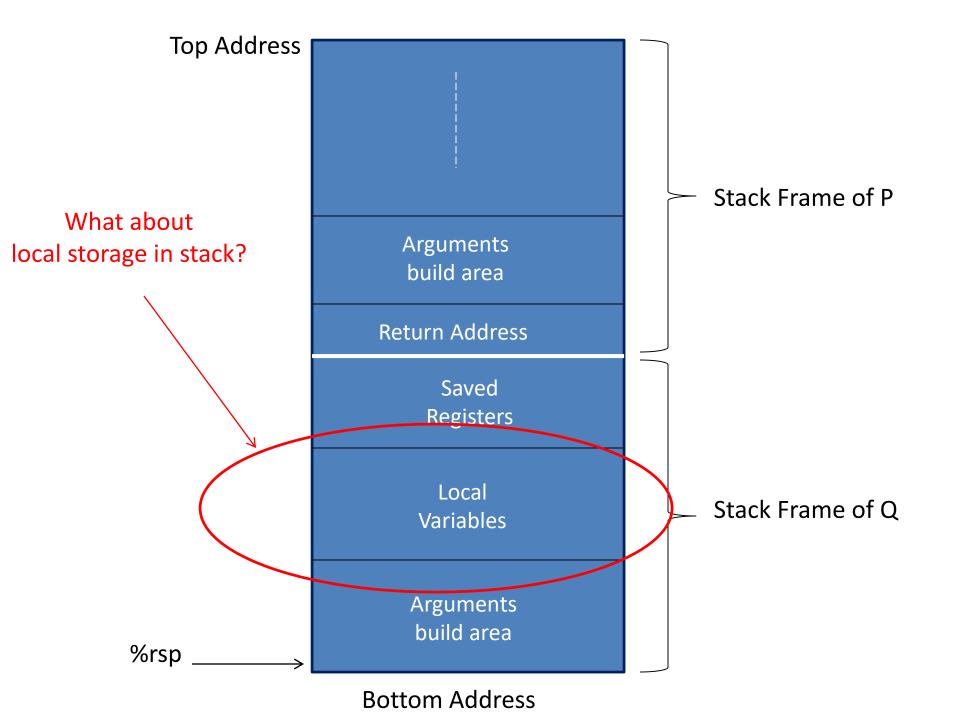
- Only allocate stack space when needed
- When passing parameters on the stack, all data sizes are rounded up to be multiple of eight.

## Example: multstore calls mult2

```
void multstore
  (long x, long y, long *dest)
{
    long t = mult2(x, y);
    *dest = t;
}
```

```
long mult2
  (long a, long b)
{
  long s = a * b;
  return s;
}
```

```
000000000000000000550 <mult2>:
    # a in %rdi, b in %rsi
400550: mov %rdi,%rax # a
400553: imul %rsi,%rax # a * b
# s in %rax
400557: retq # Return
```



## When is local storage needed?

- Not enough registers
- A variable in high-level language is referred by its ("&" in C) so needs to have address!
- Arrays, structures, ...

## Registers Usage Convention

## Register Saving Conventions

- When procedure yoo calls who:
  - yoo is the caller
  - who is the callee
- Can register be used for temporary storage?

```
yoo:

movq $15213, %rdx
call who
addq %rdx, %rax

ret
```

```
who:

• • •

subq $18213, %rdx
• • •

ret
```

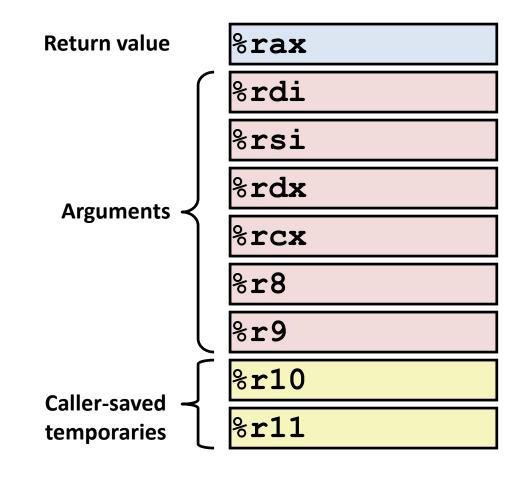
- Contents of register %rdx overwritten by who
- This could be trouble → something should be done!
  - Need some coordination

## 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 Saved"
    - Caller saves temporary values in its frame before the call
  - "Callee Saved"
    - · Callee saves temporary values in its frame before using
    - Callee restores them before returning to caller

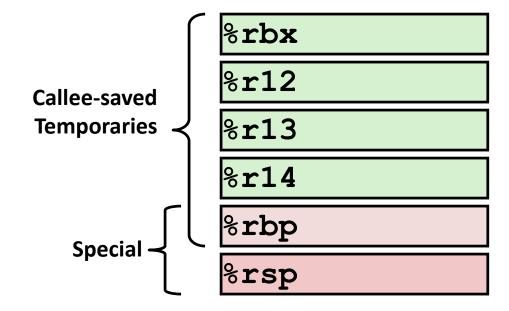
## x86-64 Linux Register Usage #1

- %rax
  - Return value
  - Also caller-saved
  - Can be modified by procedure
- %rdi, ..., %r9
  - Arguments
  - Also caller-saved
  - Can be modified by procedure
- %r10, %r11
  - Caller-saved
  - Can be modified by procedure



## x86-64 Linux Register Usage #2

- %rbx, %r12, %r13, %r14
  - Callee-saved
  - Callee must save & restore
- %rbp
  - Callee-saved
  - Callee must save & restore
  - May be used as frame pointer
  - Can mix & match
- %rsp
  - Special form of callee save
  - Restored to original value upon exit from procedure



## Callee-Saved Example #1

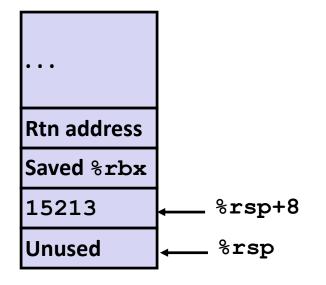
```
long call_incr2(long x) {
    long v1 = 15213;
    long v2 = incr(&v1, 3000);
    return x+v2;
}
```

#### **Initial Stack Structure**

```
...
Rtn address ←— %rsp
```

```
call incr2:
 pushq %rbx
 subq $16, %rsp
 movq %rdi, %rbx
 movq $15213, 8(%rsp)
 movl $3000, %esi
 leaq 8(%rsp), %rdi
 call incr
 addq %rbx, %rax
 addq $16, %rsp
 popq %rbx
 ret
```

#### **Resulting Stack Structure**

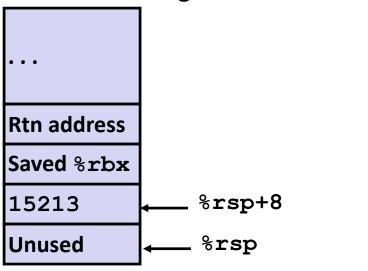


## Callee-Saved Example #2

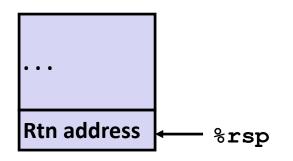
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  subq $16, %rsp
  movq %rdi, %rbx
  movq $15213, 8(%rsp)
  movl $3000, %esi
  leaq 8(%rsp), %rdi
  call incr
  addq %rbx, %rax
  addq $16, %rsp
  popq %rbx
  ret
```

#### **Resulting Stack Structure**



#### **Pre-return Stack Structure**



## Manipulating Data

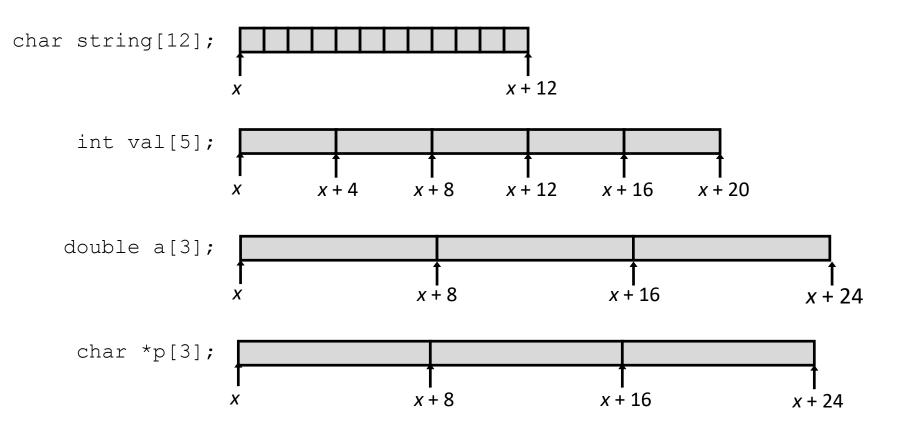
How are data structures, like arrays, presented and manipulated in assembly?

### **Array Allocation**

Basic Principle

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

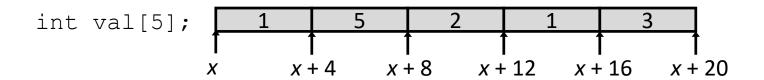
- Array of data type T and length L
- Contiguously allocated region of L \* sizeof(T) bytes in memory



#### **Array Access**

Basic Principle

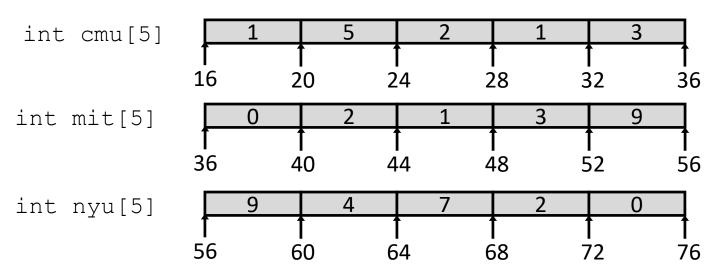
Array of data type T and length L



### **Array Example**

```
#define ZLEN 5
typedef int zip_dig[ZLEN];

int cmu[5] = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };
int mit[5] = { 0, 2, 1, 3, 9 };
int nyu[5] = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```



- Example arrays were allocated in successive 20 byte blocks
  - Not guaranteed to happen in general

### **Array Accessing Example**

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

#### **IA32**

```
# %rdi = z
# %rsi = digit
movl (%rdi,%rsi,4), %eax # z[digit]
```

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

### **Array Loop Example**

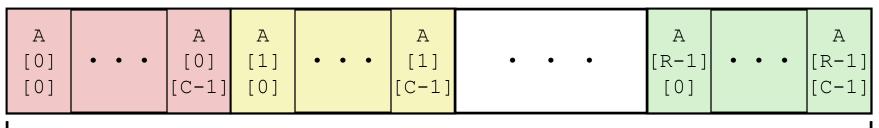
```
void zincr(int * z) {
  int i;
  for (i = 0; i < ZLEN; i++)
    z[i]++;
}</pre>
```

```
# %rdi = z
 # ZLEN is 5
                       # i = 0
 movl $0, %eax
                        # goto middle
 jmp .L3
                        # loop:
.L4:
 addl $1, (%rdi,%rax,4) # z[i]++
 addq $1, %rax
                  # i++
.L3:
                        # middle
                        # i:4
 cmpq $4, %rax
                        # if <=, goto loop</pre>
 jbe .L4
 rep; ret
```

### Multidimensional (Nested) Arrays

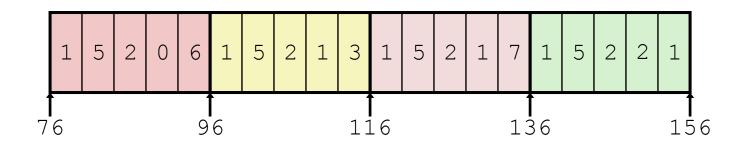
- Declaration
  - $T \mathbf{A}[R][C];$
  - 2D array of data type T
  - R rows, C columns
  - Type T element requires K bytes
- Array Size
  - -R\*C\*K bytes
- Arrangement
  - Row-Major Ordering

#### int A[R][C];



### **Nested Array Example**

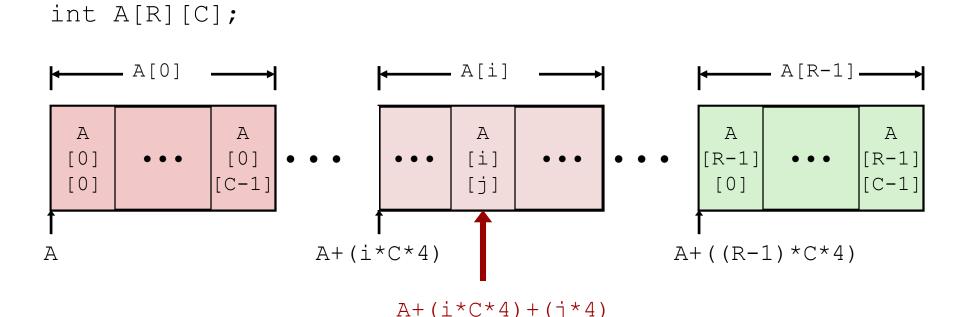
```
int pgh[4][5] =
  {{1, 5, 2, 0, 6},
   {1, 5, 2, 1, 3},
   {1, 5, 2, 1, 7},
   {1, 5, 2, 2, 1 }};
```



- Variable pgh: array of 4 elements, allocated contiguously
- Each element is an array of 5 int's, allocated contiguously
- "Row-Major" ordering of all elements in memory

### **Nested Array Element Access**

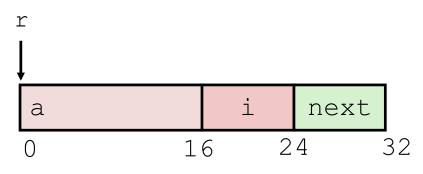
- Array Elements
  - A[i][j] is element of type T, which requires K bytes
  - Address **A** + i \* (C \* K) + j \* K = A + (i \* C + j) \* K



### How about structures?

### Structure Representation

```
struct rec {
   int a[4];
   size_t i;
   struct rec *next;
};
```



- Structure represented as block of memory
  - Big enough to hold all of the fields
- Fields ordered according to declaration
  - Even if another ordering could yield a more compact representation
- Compiler determines overall size + positions of fields
  - Machine-level program has no understanding of the structures in the source code

## Alignment

## Alignment Principles

- Aligned Data
  - Primitive data type requires K bytes
  - Address must be multiple of K
  - Required on some machines; advised on x86-64
- Motivation for Aligning Data
  - Memory accessed by (aligned) chunks of 4 or 8 bytes (system dependent)
    - Inefficient to load or store datum that spans quad word boundaries
- Compiler
  - Inserts gaps in structure to ensure correct alignment of fields

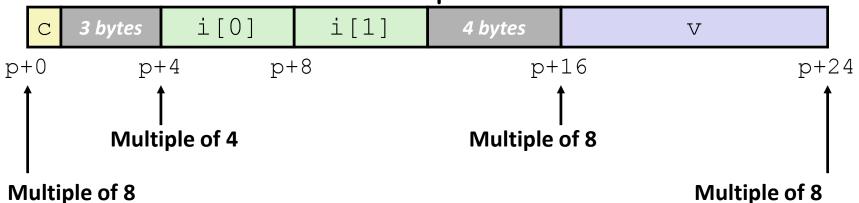
## Structures & Alignment

Unaligned Data

```
c i[0] i[1] v
p p+1 p+5 p+9 p+17
```

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

- Aligned Data
  - Primitive data type requires K bytes
  - Address must be multiple of K



## Specific Cases of Alignment • 1 byte: char, ... (x86-64)

- - no restrictions on address
- 2 bytes: short, ...
  - address must be multiple of 2
- 4 bytes: int, float, ...
  - address must be multiple of 4
- 8 bytes: double, long, char \*, ...
  - address must be multiple of 8
- 16 bytes: long double (GCC on Linux)
  - address must be multiple of 16

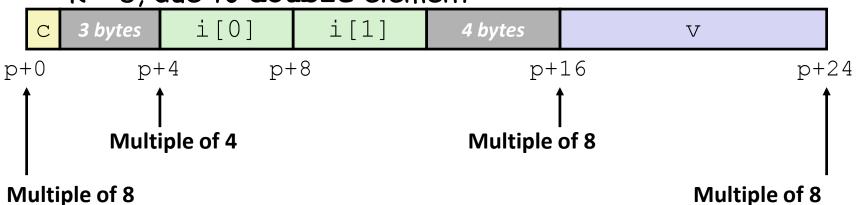
#### How about structures?

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  double v;
} *p;
```

- Within structure:
  - Must satisfy each element's alignment requirement
- Overall structure placement
  - Each structure has alignment requirement K
    - K = Largest alignment of any element
  - Initial address & structure length must be multiples of K

#### Example:

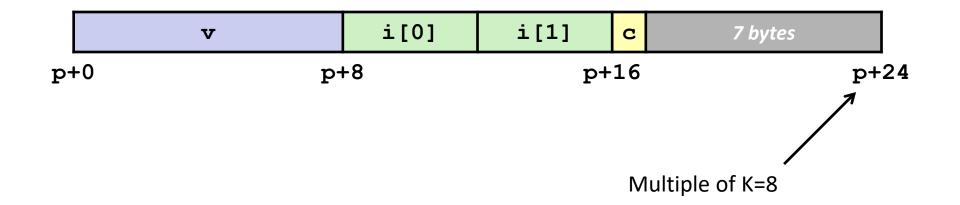
- K = 8, due to double element



# Meeting Overall Alignment Requirement

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

- For largest alignment requirement K
- Overall structure must be multiple of K



## Saving Space

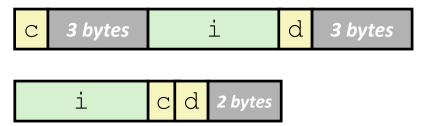
Put large data types first

```
struct S4 {
  char c;
  int i;
  char d;
} *p;
```



```
struct S5 {
   int i;
   char c;
   char d;
} *p;
```

Effect (K=4)

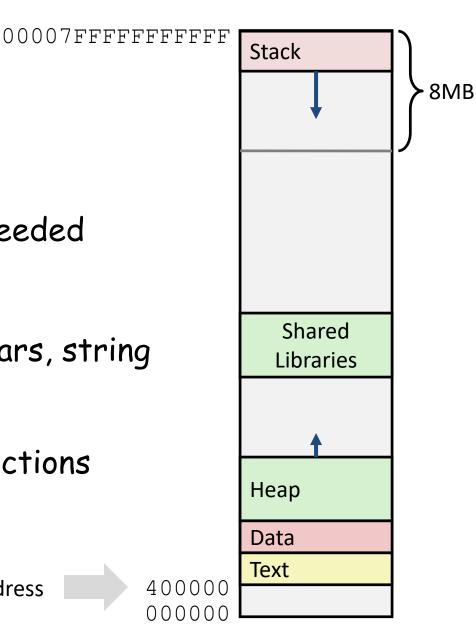


## Final Look at Memory Layout

#### x86-64 Linux Memory Layout

not drawn to scale

- Stack
  - Runtime stack (8MB limit)
- Heap
  - Dynamically allocated as needed
- Data
  - Statically allocated data
  - E.g., global vars, static vars, string constants
- Text / Shared Libraries
  - Executable machine instructions
  - Read-only



Hex Address



### Conclusions

- We have not covered everything in x86-64, just gave you a glimpse and a feel for it.
- Compiler does more than blind translating your HLL code:
  - It manages the stack.
  - It translates the sophisticated data structure access to assembly
  - It optimizes your code
- No matter how sophisticated your HLL language code, it will be translated to assembly with 16 registers and basic data types!