Diff.txt contains side-by-side comparison of mystery.c (unoptimized vs. optimized).

Mystery

Basic functionality:

Computes the nth Fibonacci number.

Optimization:

Two things. First, uses a global array, *num*, to store previous calculations. Second, places -1 in *num[k]* to indicate that the kth Fibonacci number has not been calculated yet. This avoids calculating the same Fibonacci number twice.

Comparison: Un-optimized vs. Optimized

Note: un-optimized is on the left, optimized is on the right.

Main():

```
.section
                                               .rodata
                                                                                                                                                                   .section
                                                                                                                                                                                                 .rodata.str1.1, "aMS", @progbits, 1
                 .string "Value: %d\n"
                                                                                                                                                                   .string "Value: %d\n"
                .text
.globl main
.type main, @function
                                                                                                                                                                  .text
.globl main
.type main, @function
                 .cfi_startproc
                                                                                                                                                                 .cfi_startproc
              .cfi_startproc
pushq %rbp
Cri_def_cfa_offset 16
.cfi_offset 6, -16
movq %rsp, %rbp
.cfi_def_cfa_register 6
subq $32, %rsp
mov1 %edi, -20(%rbp)
movq %rsi, -32(%rbp), %rax
addq $8, %rax
movq %rax, %rdi
mov1 %0, %eax
call atoi
mov1 %0, eax
call atoi
mov1 %0, -4(%rbp)
mov1 $0, -4(%rbp)
mov1 $0, -4(%rbp)
mov1 $0, -4(%rbp)
                                                                                                                                                                subq $8, %rsp
.cfi_def_cfa_offset 16
movq 8(%rsi), %rdi
                                                                                                                                                                movl $0, %eax
call atoi
movl $num, %edx
movl $num+1600, %esi
movq $-1, %rcx
.L11:
                                                                                                                                                .L11:
                                                                                                                                                                movq %rcx, (%rdx)
addq $8, %rdx
cmpq %rsi, %rdx
jne .Ll1
movslq %eax, %rdi
                movl -4(%rbp), %eax
.L10:
                                $199, -4(%rbp)
                                 -8(%rbp), %eax
                movq
call
                                                                                                                                                                 call dothething
                                 %rax, %rsi
$.LCO, %edi
$0, %eax
printf
$0, %eax
                                                                                                                                                                                  %rax, %rsi
$.LCO, %edi
$0, %eax
printf
$0, %eax
$8, %rsp
                                                                                                                                                                 addq
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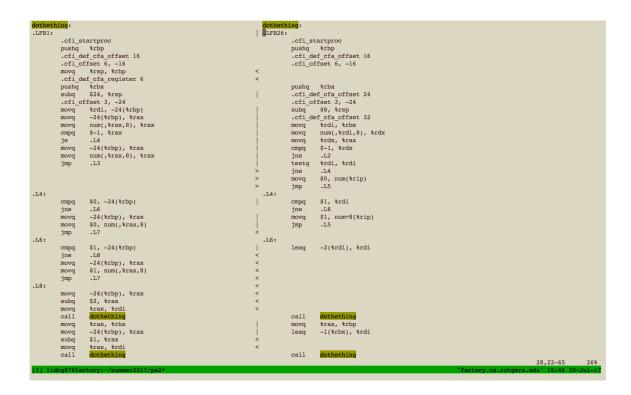
Prefers registers to using the stack (less overhead). Directly addresses *num* array instead of loading its address into *rax*.

Add():

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| Mode: | .LFD5: | .L
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Prefers registers to using the stack (less overhead). Uses *leaq* for addition instead of copying registers. Dramatic decrease from 9 lines to 2 lines.

Dothething():





Prefers registers to using the stack (less overhead). One exception is *push rbx*.

Formula

Design:

Used a *struct* to represent each term in the expansion. Three fields: *coefficient*, *variable*, *exponent*. Iterate for each power, calculate nCr. nCr() is by far most expensive operation in loop, so efficiency is limited by that of nCr().