If statements

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The general format of an if statement is

```
if(condition)
{
  do-stuff-here
}
else if(condition) //this is an optional condition
{
  do-stuff-here
}
Else
{
  do-stuff-here
}
```

If statements use 3 important instructions in assembly:

- *cmpq source2, source1:* it is like computing a-b without setting destination
- *testq source2, source1*: it is like computing a&b without setting destination

Jump instructions are used to transfer control to different instructions, and there are different types of jumps:

Jump Type	Description
jmp	Unconditional
je	Equal/Zero
jne	Not Equal/Not Zero
js	Negative

jns	Nonnegative
jg	Greater
jge	Greater or Equal
jl	Less
jle	Less or Equal
ja	Above(unsigned)
jb	Below(unsigned)

The last 2 values of the table refer to unsigned integers. Unsigned integers cannot be negative while signed integers represent both positive and negative values. SInce the computer needs to differentiate between them, it uses different methods to interpret these values. For signed integers, it uses something called the two's complement representation and for unsigned integers it uses normal binary calculations.

Start r2 with
r2 -d if1

Remember to run
e asm.syntax=att

And run the following commands
aaa
afl
pdf @main
This analyses the program, lists the functions and disassembles the main function.

```
[0x7f374d371090]> pdf @main
/ (fcn) main 43
|   int main (int argc, char **argv, char **envp);
|           ; var int32_t var_8h @ rbp-0x8
|           ; var int32_t var_4h @ rbp-0x4
|           ; DATA XREF from entry0 (0x55ae5283650d)
|           0x55ae528365fa      55             pushq %rbp
|           0x55ae528365fb      4889e5         movq %rsp, %rbp
|           0x55ae528365fe      c745f8030000.  movl $3, var_8h
|           0x55ae52836605      c745fc040000.  movl $4, var_4h
|           0x55ae5283660c      8b45f8         movl var_8h, %eax
|           0x55ae5283660f      3b45fc         cmpl var_4h, %eax
|       ,=< 0x55ae52836612      7d06           jge 0x55ae5283661a
|       |   0x55ae52836614      8345f805       addl $5, var_8h
|      ,==< 0x55ae52836618      eb04           jmp 0x55ae5283661e
|      |`-> 0x55ae5283661a      8345fc03       addl $3, var_4h
|      |    ; CODE XREF from main (0x55ae52836618)
|      `--> 0x55ae5283661e      b800000000     movl $0, %eax
|           0x55ae52836623      5d             popq %rbp
\           0x55ae52836624      c3             retq
```

We'll then start by setting a break point on the jge and the jmp instruction by using the command:
db 0x55ae52836612(which is the hex address of the jge instruction)
db 0x55ae52836618(which is the hex address of the jmp instruction)
We've added breakpoints to stop the execution of the program at those points so we can see the state of the program
Doing so will show the following:

We now run *dc* to start execution of the program and the program will start execution and stop at the break point. Let's examine what has happened before hitting the breakpoint:

- The first 2 lines are about pushing the frame pointer onto the stacker and saving it(this is about how functions are called, and will be examined later)
- The next 3 lines are about assigning values 3 and 4 to the local arguments/variables var_8h and var_4h. It then stores the value in var_8h in the %eax register.
- The cmpl instruction compares the value of eax with that of the var_8h argument

To view the value of the registers, type in
dr

```
[0x55ae52836612]> dr
rax = 0x00000003
rbx = 0x00000000
rcx = 0x55ae52836630
rdx = 0x7fff92f40058
r8 = 0x7f374d36bd80
r9 = 0x7f374d36bd80
r10 = 0x00000000
r11 = 0x00000000
r12 = 0x55ae528364f0
r13 = 0x7fff92f40040
r14 = 0x00000000
r15 = 0x00000000
rsi = 0x7fff92f40048
rdi = 0x00000001
rsp = 0x7fff92f3ff60
rbp = 0x7fff92f3ff60
rip = 0x55ae52836612
rflags = 0x00000297
orax = 0xffffffffffffffff
```

We can see that the value of rax, which is the 64 bit version of eax contains 3. We saw that the jge instruction is jumping based on whether value of eax is greater than var_4h. To see what’s in var_4h, we can see that at the top of the main function, it tells us the position of var_4h. Run the command:

px @rbp-04x

And that shows the value of 4.

We know that eax contains 3, and 3 is not greater than 4, so the jump will not execute. Instead it will move to the next instruction. To check this, run the *ds* command which seeks/moves onto the next instruction.

```
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|           0x55ae5283660c      8b45f8         movl var_8h, %eax
|           0x55ae5283660f      3b45fc         cmpl var_4h, %eax
|       ,=< 0x55ae52836612 b    7d06           jge 0x55ae5283661a
|       |   ;-- rip:
|       |   0x55ae52836614      8345f805       addl $5, var_8h
|      ,==< 0x55ae52836618 b    eb04           jmp 0x55ae5283661e
|      |`-> 0x55ae5283661a      8345fc03       addl $3, var_4h
|      |    ; CODE XREF from main (0x55ae52836618)
|      `--> 0x55ae5283661e      b800000000     movl $0, %eax
|           0x55ae52836623      5d             popq %rbp
\           0x55ae52836624      c3             retq
```

The rip(which is the current instruction pointer) shows that it moves onto the next instruction - which shows we are correct. The current instruction then adds 5 to var_8h which is a local argument. To see that this actually happens, first check the value of var_8h, run *ds* and check the value again. This will show it increments by 5.

```
[0x55ae52836612]> px @rbp-0x8
- offset -       0 1  2 3  4 5  6 7  8 9  A B  C D  E F  0123456789ABCDEF
0x7fff92f3ff58  0300 0000 0400 0000 3066 8352 ae55 0000  ........0f.R.U..
0x7fff92f3ff68  970b fa4c 377f 0000 0100 0000 0000 0000  ...L7...........
0x7fff92f3ff78  4800 f492 ff7f 0000 0080 0000 0100 0000  H...............
0x7fff92f3ff88  fa65 8352 ae55 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  .e.R.U..........
0x7fff92f3ff98  976f 608c 8d2f efdf f064 8352 ae55 0000  .o`../...d.R.U..
0x7fff92f3ffa8  4000 f492 ff7f 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  @...............
0x7fff92f3ffb8  0000 0000 0000 0000 976f e0be 6caf 4c8b  .........o..l.L.
0x7fff92f3ffc8  976f 9e56 7f13 dd8a 0000 0000 ff7f 0000  .o.V............
0x7fff92f3ffd8  0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  ................
0x7fff92f3ffe8  3307 384d 377f 0000 3866 364d 377f 0000  3.8M7...8f6M7...
0x7fff92f3fff8  3161 0700 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  1a..............
0x7fff92f40008  0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  ................
0x7fff92f40018  f064 8352 ae55 0000 4000 f492 ff7f 0000  .d.R.U..@.......
0x7fff92f40028  1a65 8352 ae55 0000 3800 f492 ff7f 0000  .e.R.U..8.......
0x7fff92f40038  1c00 0000 0000 0000 0100 0000 0000 0000  ................
0x7fff92f40048  9417 f492 ff7f 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  ................
[0x55ae52836612]> ds
[0x55ae52836612]> px @rbp-0x8
- offset -       0 1  2 3  4 5  6 7  8 9  A B  C D  E F  0123456789ABCDEF
0x7fff92f3ff58  0800 0000 0400 0000 3066 8352 ae55 0000  ........0f.R.U..
0x7fff92f3ff68  970b fa4c 377f 0000 0100 0000 0000 0000  ...L7...........
0x7fff92f3ff78  4800 f492 ff7f 0000 0080 0000 0100 0000  H...............
0x7fff92f3ff88  fa65 8352 ae55 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  .e.R.U..........
0x7fff92f3ff98  976f 608c 8d2f efdf f064 8352 ae55 0000  .o`../...d.R.U..
0x7fff92f3ffa8  4000 f492 ff7f 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  @...............
0x7fff92f3ffb8  0000 0000 0000 0000 976f e0be 6caf 4c8b  .........o..l.L.
0x7fff92f3ffc8  976f 9e56 7f13 dd8a 0000 0000 ff7f 0000  .o.V............
0x7fff92f3ffd8  0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  ................
0x7fff92f3ffe8  3307 384d 377f 0000 3866 364d 377f 0000  3.8M7...8f6M7...
0x7fff92f3fff8  3161 0700 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  1a..............
0x7fff92f40008  0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  ................
0x7fff92f40018  f064 8352 ae55 0000 4000 f492 ff7f 0000  .d.R.U..@.......
0x7fff92f40028  1a65 8352 ae55 0000 3800 f492 ff7f 0000  .e.R.U..8.......
0x7fff92f40038  1c00 0000 0000 0000 0100 0000 0000 0000  ................
0x7fff92f40048  9417 f492 ff7f 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000  ................
```

Note that because we are checking the exact address, we only need to check to 0 offset. The value stored in memory is stored as hex.

The next instruction is an unconditional jump and it just jumps to clearing the eax register. The popq instruction involves popping a value of the stack and reading it, and the return instruction sets this popped value to the current instruction pointer. In this case, it shows the execution of the program has been completed. To understand better about how an if statement work, you can check the corresponding C file in the same folder.