

Assembly Syntax

- The x86 assembly language has two main syntax branches (same instructions but different syntax):
 - Intel syntax is dominant in the DOS and Windows world,
 - AT&T syntax is dominant in the Unix world, since Unix was created at AT&T Bell Labs.

Example:

Factorial:

```
n=5;
prod=1;
for(i=0; i<=n;i++)
    prod*=i
```

We will use: %rdx for n
 %rax for prod
 %rcx for i

```
mov $5, %rdx      # n=5
mov $1, %rax      # prod=1
mov $1, %rcx      # i=1
TOP:              # top of the loop
    cmpq %rdx, %rcx #compare i to n
    jq DONE        # if i>n, end the loop
    imulq %rcx,%rax # prod*=i
    incq %rcx       # i++
    jmp TOP
DONE:
```

Note:

- Function name is declared using a label that must start with `_` in macos.
- Parameters of a function must go in order into: rdi, rsi, rdx, rcx, r8, r9 consequently.
- To run after calling the function from c:

```
gcc test.c fac.s
```

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./a.out
```