CSCI 2021: Assembly Basics and x86-64

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Logistics

Reading Bryant/O'Hallaron

- Now Ch 3.1-7: Assembly, Arithmetic, Control
- Later Ch 3.8-11: Arrays, Structs, Floats
- Any overview guide to x86-64 assembly instructions such as Brown University's x64 Cheat Sheet

Goals

- Assembly Basics
- x86-64 Overview

Lab / HW

- Lab06: GDB Basics
- HW06: Assembly Basics

Project 2: Due Tue 3/2

- Problem 1: Bit shift operations (50%)
- Problem 2: Puzzlebox via debugger (50% + makeup)
- Update Testing files for Problem 1: `test_prob1.org`, `test_batt_update.c`, `batt_sim.c`

NOTE: Line on Count Limits

GDB: The GNU Debugger

- Overview for C and Assembly Programs here:
  https://www-users.cs.umn.edu/~kauffman/2021/gdb
- Most programming environments feature a Debugger
  - Java, Python, OCaml, etc.
- GDB works well C and Assembly programs
- Features in P2 (C programs) and P3 (Assembly Programs)
- P2 Demo has some basics for C programs including
  - TUI Mode
  - Breakpoint / Continue
  - Next / Step

The Many Assembly Languages

- Most **microprocessors** are created to understand a **binary machine language**
- Machine Language provides means to manipulate internal memory, perform arithmetic, etc.
- The Machine Language of one processor is **not understood** by other processors

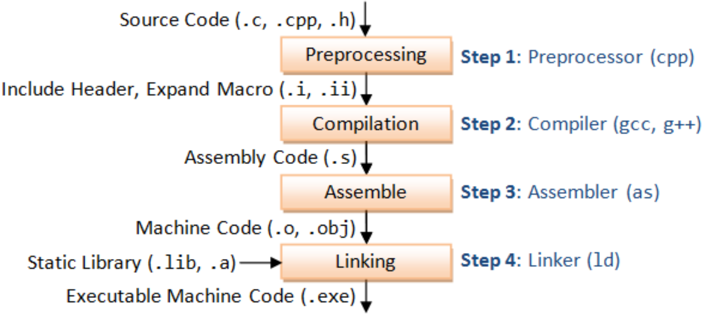
MOS Technology 6502

- 8-bit operations, limited addressable memory, **1 general purpose register**, powered notable gaming systems in the 1980s
- Apple IIe, Atari 2600, Commodore
- Nintendo Entertainment System / Famicom

IBM Cell Microprocessor

- Developed in early 2000s, many cores (execution elements), many registers, large addressable space, fast multimedia performance, is a **pain** to program
- Playstation 3 and Blue Gene Supercomputer

Assemblers and Compilers



- **Compiler**: chain of tools that translate high level languages to lower ones, may perform optimizations
- **Assembler**: translates text description of the machine code to binary, formats for execution by processor, late compiler stage
- Consequence: The compiler can **generate assembly code**
- Generated assembly is a pain to read but is often quite fast
- Consequence: A compiler on an Intel chip can generate assembly code for a different processor, **cross compiling**

Our focus: The x86-64 Assembly Language

- x86-64 Targets Intel/AMD chips with 64-bit word size
  Reminder: 64-bit "word size" ≈ size of pointers/addresses
- Descended IA32: Intel Architecture 32-bit systems
- IA32 descended from earlier 16-bit systems like Intel 8086
- There is a **LOT** of cruft in x86-64 for backwards compatibility
  - Can run compiled code from the 70's / 80's on modern processors without much trouble
  - x86-64 is not the assembly language you would design from scratch today
- Will touch on evolution of Intel Assembly as we move forward
- Warning: Lots of information available on the web for Intel assembly programming **BUT** some of it is dated, IA32 info which may not work on 64-bit systems

x86-64 Assembly Language Syntax(es)

- Different assemblers understand different syntaxes for the same assembly language
- GCC use the GNU Assembler (GAS, command `'as file.s'`)
- GAS and Textbook favor AT&T syntax so **we will too**
- NASM assembler favors Intel, may see this online

AT&T Syntax (Our Focus)

```
multstore:
        pushq   %rbx
        movq    %rdx, %rbx
        call    mult2@PLT
        movq    %rax, (%rbx)
        popq    %rbx
        ret
```

- Use of % to indicate registers
- Use of `q/l/w/b` to indicate 64 / 32 / 16 / 8-bit operands

Intel Syntax

```
multstore:
        push    rbx
        mov     rbx, rdx
        call    mult2@PLT
        mov     QWORD PTR [rbx], rax
        pop     rbx
        ret
```

- Register names are bare
- Use of `QWORD` etc. to indicate operand size

Generating Assembly from C Code

- `gcc -S file.c` will stop compilation at assembly generation
- Leaves assembly code in `file.s`
  - `file.s` and `file.S` conventionally assembly code though sometimes `file.asm` is used
- By default, compiler performs lots of optimizations to code
- `gcc -Og file.c`: disable optimizations to make it easier to debug, generated assembly is slightly more readable assembly

gcc -Og -S mstore.c

```
> cat mstore.c                              # show a C file
long mult2(long a, long b);
void multstore(long x, long y, long *dest){
  long t = mult2(x, y);
  *dest = t;
}

> gcc -Og -S mstore.c                       # Compile to show assembly
                                            # -Og: debugging level optimization
                                            # -S: only output assembly

> cat mstore.s                              # show assembly output
        .file   "mstore.c"
        .text
        .globl  multstore                   # function symbol for linking
        .type   multstore, @function
multstore:                                  # beginning of mulstore function
.LFB0:
        .cfi_startproc                      # assembler directives
        pushq   %rbx                        # assembly instruction
        .cfi_def_cfa_offset 16              # directives
        .cfi_offset 3, -16
        movq    %rdx, %rbx                  # assembly instructions
        call    mult2@PLT                   # function call
        movq    %rax, (%rbx)
        popq    %rbx
        .cfi_def_cfa_offset 8
        ret                                 # function return
        .cfi_endproc
```

Every Programming Language

Look for the following as it should almost always be there

- ☐ Comments
- ☐ Statements/Expressions
- ☐ Variable Types
- ☐ Assignment
- ☐ Basic Input/Output
- ☐ Function Declarations
- ☐ Conditionals (if-else)
- ☐ Iteration (loops)
- ☐ Aggregate data (arrays, structs, objects, etc)
- ☐ Library System

Exercise: Examine `col_simple_asm.s`

Take a simple sample problem to demonstrate assembly:

Computes Collatz Sequence starting at n=10:
*if n is ODD n=n*3+1; else n=n/2.*
*Return the number of steps to converge to 1 as the **return code** from `main()`*

The following codes solve this problem

Code	Notes
`col_simple_asm.s`	Hand-coded assembly for obvious algorithm
	Straight-forward reading
`col_unsigned.c`	Unsigned C version
	Generated assembly is reasonably readable
`col_signed.c`	Signed C vesion
	Generated assembly is … interesting

- Kauffman will Compile/Run code
- Students should study the code and predict what lines do
- Illustrate tricks associated with `gdb` and assembly

Exercise: col_simple_asm.s

```
### Compute Collatz sequence starting at 10 in assembly.
.section .text
.globl  main
main:
        movl    $0,  %r8d       # int steps = 0;
        movl    $10, %ecx       # int n = 10;
.LOOP:
        cmpl    $1,  %ecx       # while(n > 1){ // immediate must be first
        jle     .END            #   n <= 1 exit loop
        movl    $2,  %esi       #   divisor in esi
        movl    %ecx,%eax       #   prep for division: must use edx:eax
        cqto                    #   extend sign from eax to edx
        idivl   %esi            #   divide edx:eax by esi
                                #   eax has quotient, edx remainder
        cmpl    $1,%edx         #   if(n % 2 == 1) {
        jne     .EVEN           #     not equal, go to even case
.ODD:
        imull   $3, %ecx        #     n = n * 3
        incl    %ecx            #     n = n + 1 OR n++
        jmp     .UPDATE         #   }
.EVEN:                          #   else{
        sarl    $1,%ecx         #     n = n / 2; via right shift
.UPDATE:                        #   }
        incl    %r8d            #   steps++;
        jmp     .LOOP           # }
.END:
        movl    %r8d, %eax      # r8d is steps, move to eax for return value
        ret
```

Answers: x86-64 Assembly Basics for AT&T Syntax

- *Comments* are one-liners starting with #
- *Statements*: each line does ONE thing, frequently text representation of an assembly instruction

```
movq    %rdx, %rbx      # move rdx register to rbx
```

- Assembler directives and labels are also possible:

```
        .globl  multstore   # notify linker of location multstore
  multstore:                # beginning of multstore section
        blah blah blah
```

- *Variables*: **registers** and memory, maybe some named locations
- *Assignment*: instructions that put bits in registers/memory
- *Functions*: code locations that are **labeled** and global
- *Conditionals/Iteration*: assembly instructions that jump to code locations
- *Aggregate data*: none, use the stack/multiple registers
- *Library System*: link to other code

So what *are* these Registers?

- Memory locations directly wired to the CPU
- Usually *very* fast memory, on-chip memory (not RAM)
- Most instructions involve changes to registers

Example: Adding Together Integers

- Ensure registers have desired values in them
- Issue an `add` instruction involving the two registers
- Result will be stored in a register

```
addl %eax, %ebx
# add ints in eax and ebx,  store result in ebx

addq %rcx, %rdx
# add longs in rcx and rdx, store result in rdx
```

- Note instruction and register names indicate whether 32-bit `int` or 64-bit `long` are being added

Register Naming Conventions

- AT&T syntax identifies registers with prefix %
- Naming convention is a historical artifact
- Originally 16-bit architectures in x86 had
  - General registers `ax,bx,cx,dx`,
  - Special Registers `si,di,sp,bp`
- *Extended* to 32-bit: `eax,ebx,...,esi,edi,...`
- Grew again to 64-bit: `rax,rbx,...,rsi,rdi,...`
- Added additional 64-bit regs `r8,r9,...,r14,r15` with 32-bit `r8d,r9d,...` and 16-bit `r8w,r8w...`
- Instructions must match registers sizes:

```
addw %ax,  %bx  #      words (16-bit)
addl %eax, %ebx # long word (32-bit)
addq %rax, %rbx # quad-word (64-bit)
```

- When hand-coding assembly, easy to mess this up, assembler will error out

x86-64 "General Purpose" Registers

Many "general purpose" registers have special purposes and conventions associated such as

- `%rax | %eax | %ax` contains return value from functions
- `%rdi,%rsi,%rdx`, `%rcx,%r8, %r9` contain first 6 arguments in function calls
- `%rsp` is top of the stack
- `%rbp` (base pointer) may be the beginning of current stack but is often optimized away by the compiler

64-bit	32-bit	16-bit	8-bit	Notes
%rax	%eax	%ax	%al	Return Val
%rbx	%ebx	%bx	%bl	
%rcx	%ecx	%cx	%cl	Arg 4
%rdx	%edx	%dx	%dl	Arg 3
%rsi	%esi	%si	%sil	Arg 2
%rdi	%edi	%di	%dil	Arg 1
%rsp	%esp	%sp	%spl	Stack Ptr
%rbp	%ebp	%bp	%bpl	Base Ptr?
%r8	%r8d	%r8w	%r8b	Arg 5
%r9	%r9d	%r9w	%r9b	Arg 6
%r10	%r10d	%r10w	%r10b	
%r11	%r11d	%r11w	%r11b	
%r12	%r12d	%r12w	%r12b	
%r13	%r13d	%r13w	%r13b	
%r14	%r14d	%r14w	%r14b	
%r15	%r15d	%r15w	%r15b	
Caller Save:	Restore after calling func			
Callee Save:	Restore before returning			

Hello World in x86-64 Assembly

- Non-trivial in assembly because **output is involved**
  - Try writing `helloworld.c` without `printf()`
- Output is the business of the **operating system**, always a request to the almighty OS to put something somewhere
  - **Library call**: `printf("hello");` mangles some bits but eventually results with a ...
  - **System call**: Unix system call directly implemented in the OS **kernel**, puts bytes into files / onto screen as in

    ```
    write(1, buf, 5);  // file 1 is screen output
    ```

This gives us several options for hello world in assembly:

1. `hello_printf64.s`: via calling `printf()` which means the C standard library must be (painfully) linked
2. `hello64.s` via direct system `write()` call which means no external libraries are needed: OS knows how to write to files/screen. Use the 64-bit Linux calling convention.
3. `hello32.s` via direct system call using the older 32 bit Linux calling convention which "traps" to the operating system.

The OS Privilege: System Calls

- Most interactions with the outside world happen via Operating System Calls (or just "system calls")
- User programs indicate what service they want performed by the OS via making system calls
- System Calls differ for each language/OS combination
  - x86-64 Linux: set `%rax` to system call number, set other args in registers, issue `syscall`
  - IA32 Linux: set `%eax` to system call number, set other args in registers, issue an **interrupt**
  - C Code on Unix: make system calls via `write()`, `read()` and others (studied in CSCI 4061)
  - Tables of Linux System Call Numbers
    - 64-bit (328 calls)
    - 32-bit (190 calls)
  - Mac OS X: very similar to the above (it's a Unix)
  - Windows: use OS wrapper functions
- OS executes **priveleged** code that can manipulate any part of memory, touch internal data structures corresponding to files, do other fun stuff discussed in CSCI 4061 / 5103

Basic Instruction Classes

- x86 Assembly Guide from Yale summarizes well though is 32-bit only, function calls different
- **Remember:** Goal is to understand assembly as a *target* for higher languages, not become expert "assemblists"
- Means we won't hit all 5,038 pages of the Intel x86-64 Manual

Kind	Assembly Instructions
Fundamentals	
- Memory Movement	`mov`
- Stack manipulation	`push,pop`
- Addressing modes	`(%eax),$12(%eax,%ebx)...`
Arithmetic/Logic	
- Arithmetic	`add,sub,mul,div,lea`
- Bitwise Logical	`and,or,xor,not`
- Bitwise Shifts	`sal,sar,shr`
Control Flow	
- Compare / Test	`cmp,test`
- Set on result	`set`
- Jumps (Un)Conditional	`jmp,je,jne,jl,jg,...`
- Conditional Movement	`cmove,cmovg,...`
Procedure Calls	
- Stack manipulation	`push,pop`
- Call/Return	`call,ret`
- System Calls	`syscall`
Floating Point Ops	
- FP Reg Movement	`vmov`
- Conversions	`vcvts`
- Arithmetic	`vadd,vsub,vmul,vdiv`
- Extras	`vmins,vmaxs,sqrts`

Data Movement: `movX` instruction

```
movX SOURCE, DEST    # move source value to destination
```

Overview

- Moves data…
  - Reg to Reg
  - Mem to Reg
  - Reg to Mem
  - Imm to …
- Reg: register
- Mem: main memory
- Imm: "immediate" value (constant) specified like
  - `$21` : decimal
  - `$0x2f9a` : hexadecimal
  - **NOT** `1234` (mem adder)
- More info on operands next

Examples

```
## 64-bit quadword moves
movq $4,  %rbx     # rbx = 4;
movq %rbx,%rax     # rax = rbx;
movq $10, (%rcx)   # *rcx = 10;

## 32-bit longword moves
movl $4,  %ebx     # ebx = 4;
movl %ebx,%eax     # eax = ebx;
movl $10, (%ecx)   # *ecx = 10; >:-(
```

Note variations

- `movq` for 64-bit (8-byte)
- `movl` for 32-bit (4-byte)
- `movw` for 16-bit (2-byte)
- `movb` for 8-bit (1-byte)

Operands and Addressing Modes

In many instructions like `movX`, operands can have a variety of forms called **addressing modes**, may include constants and memory addresses

Style	Address Mode	C-like	Notes
`$21`	immediate	21	value of constant like 21
`$0xD2`			or `0xD2 = 210`
`%rax`	register	`rax`	to/from register contents
`(%rax)`	indirect	`*rax`	reg holds memory address, deref
`8(%rax)`	displaced	`*(rax+2)`	base plus constant offset,
`-4(%rax)`		`*(rax-1)`	C examples presume `sizeof(..)=4`
`(%rax,%rbx)`	indexed	`*(rax+rbx)`	base plus offset in given reg actual value of `rbx` is used, NOT multiplied by `sizeof()`
`(%rax,%rbx,4)`	scaled index	`rax[rbx]`	like array access with `sizeof(..)=4`
`(%rax,%rbx,8)`		`rax[rbx]`	“” with `sizeof(..)=8`
`1024`	absolute	...	Absolute address #1024 **Rarely used**

Exercise: Show movX Instruction Execution

Code movX_exercise.s

```
movl $16, %eax
movl $20, %ebx
movq $24, %rbx
## POS A

movl %eax,%ebx
movq %rcx,%rax
## POS B

movq $45,(%rdx)
movl $55,16(%rdx)
## POS C

movq $65,(%rcx,%rbx)
movq $3,%rbx
movq $75,(%rcx,%rbx,8)
## POS D
```

Registers/Memory

```
INITIAL
|-----+-------+-------|
| REG | %rax  |     0 |
|     | %rbx  |     0 |
|     | %rcx  | #1024 |
|     | %rdx  | #1032 |
|-----+-------+-------|
| MEM | #1024 |    35 |
|     | #1032 |    25 |
|     | #1040 |    15 |
|     | #1048 |     5 |
|-----+-------+-------|
```

Lookup...

May need to look up addressing conventions for things like...

```
movX %y,%x     # reg y to reg x
movX $5,(%x)   # 5 to address in %x
```

Answers Part 1/2: `movX` Instruction Execution

```
                    movl $16, %eax
                    movl $20, %ebx       movl %eax,%ebx
                    movq $24, %rbx       movq %rcx,%rax #WARNING!
INITIAL             ## POS A             ## POS B
|-------+-------|   |-------+-------|    |-------+-------|
| REG   | VALUE |   | REG   | VALUE |    | REG   | VALUE |
| %rax  |     0 |   | %rax  |    16 |    | %rax  | #1024 |
| %rbx  |     0 |   | %rbx  |    24 |    | %rbx  |    16 |
| %rcx  | #1024 |   | %rcx  | #1024 |    | %rcx  | #1024 |
| %rdx  | #1032 |   | %rdx  | #1032 |    | %rdx  | #1032 |
|-------+-------|   |-------+-------|    |-------+-------|
| MEM   | VALUE |   | MEM   | VALUE |    | MEM   | VALUE |
| #1024 |    35 |   | #1024 |    35 |    | #1024 |    35 |
| #1032 |    25 |   | #1032 |    25 |    | #1032 |    25 |
| #1040 |    15 |   | #1040 |    15 |    | #1040 |    15 |
| #1048 |     5 |   | #1048 |     5 |    | #1048 |     5 |
|-------+-------|   |-------+-------|    |-------+-------|
```

`#!`: On 64-bit systems, ALWAYS use a 64-bit `movq` move for memory addresses; using smaller `movl` will miss half the memory addressing leading to major memory problems

Answers Part 2/2: `movX` Instruction Execution

```
movl %eax,%ebx
movq %rcx,%rax #!
 ## POS B
|-------+-------|
| REG   | VALUE |
| %rax  | #1024 |
| %rbx  |    16 |
| %rcx  | #1024 |
| %rdx  | #1032 |
|-------+-------|
| MEM   | VALUE |
| #1024 |    35 |
| #1032 |    25 |
| #1040 |    15 |
| #1048 |     5 |
|-------+-------|
```

```
movq $45,(%rdx)
movq $55,16(%rdx)
## POS C
|-------+-------|
| REG   | VALUE |
| %rax  | #1024 |
| %rbx  |    16 |
| %rcx  | #1024 |
| %rdx  | #1032 |
|-------+-------|
| MEM   | VALUE |
| #1024 |    35 |
| #1032 |    45 |
| #1040 |    15 |
| #1048 |    55 |
|-------+-------|
```

```
movq $65,(%rcx,%rbx)
movq $3,%rbx
movq $75,(%rcx,%rbx,8)
## POS D
|-------+-------|
| REG   | VALUE |
| %rax  | #1024 |
| %rbx  |     3 |
| %rcx  | #1024 |
| %rdx  | #1032 |
|-------+-------|
| MEM   | VALUE |
| #1024 |    35 |
| #1032 |    45 |
| #1040 |    65 |
| #1048 |    75 |
|-------+-------|
```

gdb Assembly: Examining Memory

gdb commands `print` and `x` allow one to print/examine memory memory of interest. Try on `movX_exercises.s`

```
(gdb) tui enable              # TUI mode
(gdb) layout asm              # assembly mode
(gdb) layout reg              # show registers
(gdb) stepi                   # step forward by single Instruction
(gdb) print $rax              # print register rax
(gdb) print *($rdx)           # print memory pointed to by rdx
(gdb) print (char *) $rdx     # print as a string (null terminated)
(gdb) x $r8                   # examine memory at address in r8
(gdb) x/3d $r8                # same but print as 3 4-byte decimals
(gdb) x/6g $r8                # same but print as 6 8-byte decimals
(gdb) x/s  $r8                # print as a string (null terminated)
(gdb) print *((int*) $rsp)    # print top int on stack (4 bytes)
(gdb) x/4d $rsp               # print top 4 stack vars as ints
(gdb) x/4x $rsp               # print top 4 stack vars as ints in hex
```

Many of these tricks are needed to debug assembly.

Register Size and Movement

- Recall `%rax` is 64-bit register, `%eax` is lower 32 bits of it
- Data movement involving small registers **may NOT overwrite** higher bits in extended register
- Moving data to low 32-bit regs automatically zeros high 32-bits

```
movabsq $0x1122334455667788, %rax  # 8 bytes to %rax
movl $0xAABBCCDD, %eax             # 4 bytes to %eax
## %rax is now 0x00000000AABBCCDD
```

- Moving data to other small regs DOES NOT ALTER high bits

```
movabsq $0x1122334455667788, %rax  # 8 bytes to %rax
movw $0xAABB, %ax                  # 2 bytes to %ax
## %rax is now 0x112233445566AABB
```

- Gives rise to two other families of movement instructions for moving little registers (`X`) to big (`Y`) registers, see `movz_examples.s`

```
## movzXY move zero extend, movsXY move sign extend
movabsq $0x112233445566AABB,%rdx
movzwq %dx,%rax       # %rax is 0x000000000000AABB
movswq %dx,%rax       # %rax is 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFAABB
```

Exercise: movX differences in Memory

Instr	# bytes
movb	1 byte
movw	2 bytes
movl	4 bytes
movq	8 bytes

Show the result of each of the following copies to main memory in sequence.

```
movl   %eax,  (%rsi) #1
movq   %rax,  (%rsi) #2
movb   %cl,   (%rsi) #3
movw   %cx,  2(%rsi) #4
movl   %ecx, 4(%rsi) #5
```

```
INITIAL
|-------+--------------------|
| REG   |                    |
| rax   | 0x00000000DDCCBBAA |
| rcx   | 0x000000000000FFEE |
| rsi   |              #1024 |
|-------+--------------------|
| MEM   |                    |
| #1024 |               0x00 |
| #1025 |               0x11 |
| #1026 |               0x22 |
| #1027 |               0x33 |
| #1028 |               0x44 |
| #1029 |               0x55 |
| #1030 |               0x66 |
| #1031 |               0x77 |
| #1032 |               0x88 |
| #1033 |               0x99 |
|-------+--------------------|
```

Answers: movX to Main Memory 1/2

```
|-----+--------------------|  movl   %eax,  (%rsi) #1 4 bytes rax -> #1024
| REG |                    |  movq   %rax,  (%rsi) #2 8 bytes rax -> #1024
| rax | 0x00000000DDCCBBAA |  movb   %cl,   (%rsi) #3 1 byte  rcx -> #1024
| rcx | 0x000000000000FFEE |  movw   %cx,  2(%rsi) #4 2 bytes rcx -> #1026
| rsi |              #1024 |  movl   %ecx, 4(%rsi) #5 4 bytes rcx -> #1028
|-----+--------------------|
```

```
                            #1                         #2                         #3
INITIAL                     movl %eax,(%rsi)           movq %rax,(%rsi)           movb %cl,(%rsi)
|-------+------|            |-------+------|           |-------+------|           |-------+------|
| MEM   |      |            | MEM   |      |           | MEM   |      |           | MEM   |      |
| #1024 | 0x00 |            | #1024 | 0xAA |           | #1024 | 0xAA |           | #1024 | 0xEE |
| #1025 | 0x11 |            | #1025 | 0xBB |           | #1025 | 0xBB |           | #1025 | 0xBB |
| #1026 | 0x22 |            | #1026 | 0xCC |           | #1026 | 0xCC |           | #1026 | 0xCC |
| #1027 | 0x33 |            | #1027 | 0xDD |           | #1027 | 0xDD |           | #1027 | 0xDD |
| #1028 | 0x44 |            | #1028 | 0x44 |           | #1028 | 0x00 |           | #1028 | 0x00 |
| #1029 | 0x55 |            | #1029 | 0x55 |           | #1029 | 0x00 |           | #1029 | 0x00 |
| #1030 | 0x66 |            | #1030 | 0x66 |           | #1030 | 0x00 |           | #1030 | 0x00 |
| #1031 | 0x77 |            | #1031 | 0x77 |           | #1031 | 0x00 |           | #1031 | 0x00 |
| #1032 | 0x88 |            | #1032 | 0x88 |           | #1032 | 0x88 |           | #1032 | 0x88 |
| #1033 | 0x99 |            | #1033 | 0x99 |           | #1033 | 0x99 |           | #1033 | 0x99 |
|-------+------|            |-------+------|           |-------+------|           |-------+------|
```

Answers: movX to Main Memory 2/2

```
|-----+--------------------|  movl   %eax,   (%rsi) #1 4 bytes rax -> #1024
| REG |                    |  movq   %rax,   (%rsi) #2 8 bytes rax -> #1024
| rax | 0x00000000DDCCBBAA |  movb   %cl,    (%rsi) #3 1 byte  rcx -> #1024
| rcx | 0x000000000000FFEE |  movw   %cx,   2(%rsi) #4 2 bytes rcx -> #1026
| rsi |              #1024 |  movl   %ecx,  4(%rsi) #5 4 bytes rcx -> #1028
|-----+--------------------|
```

```
#3                   #4                    #5
movb %cl,(%rsi)      movw %cx,2(%rsi)      movl %ecx,4(%rsi)
|-------+------|     |-------+------|      |-------+------|
| MEM   |      |     | MEM   |      |      | MEM   |      |
| #1024 | 0xEE |     | #1024 | 0xEE |      | #1024 | 0xEE |
| #1025 | 0xBB |     | #1025 | 0xBB |      | #1025 | 0xBB |
| #1026 | 0xCC |     | #1026 | 0xEE |      | #1026 | 0xEE |
| #1027 | 0xDD |     | #1027 | 0xFF |      | #1027 | 0xFF |
| #1028 | 0x00 |     | #1028 | 0x00 |      | #1028 | 0xEE |
| #1029 | 0x00 |     | #1029 | 0x00 |      | #1029 | 0xFF |
| #1030 | 0x00 |     | #1030 | 0x00 |      | #1030 | 0x00 |
| #1031 | 0x00 |     | #1031 | 0x00 |      | #1031 | 0x00 |
| #1032 | 0x88 |     | #1032 | 0x88 |      | #1032 | 0x88 |
| #1033 | 0x99 |     | #1033 | 0x99 |      | #1033 | 0x99 |
|-------+------|     |-------+------|      |-------+------|
```

addX : A Quintessential ALU Instruction

```
 addX  B, A    # A = A+B

OPERANDS
 addX <reg>, <reg>
 addX <mem>, <reg>
 addX <reg>, <mem>
 addX <con>, <reg>
 addX <con>, <mem>

No mem+mem or con+con
```

- Addition represents most 2-operand ALU instructions well
- Second operand `A` is modified by first operand `B`, No change to `B`
- Variety of register, memory, constant combinations honored
- `addX` has variants for each register size: `addq`, `addl`, `addw`, `addb`

```
EXAMPLES
 addq %rdx,  %rcx      # rcx = rcx + rdx
 addl %eax,  %ebx      # ebx = ebx + eax
 addq $42,   %rdx      # rdx = rdx + 42
 addl (%rsi),%edi      # edi = edi + *rsi
 addw %ax,  (%rbx)     # *rbx = *rbx + ax
 addq $55,  (%rbx)     # *rbx = *rbx + 55

 addq (%rsi,%rax,4),%rdi    # rdi = rdi+rsi[rax] (int)
```

Exercise: Addition

Show the results of the following addX/movX ops at each of the specified positions

```
addq $1,%rcx          # con + reg
addq %rbx,%rax        # reg + reg
## POS A

addq (%rdx),%rcx      # mem + reg
addq %rbx,(%rdx)      # reg + mem
addq $3,(%rdx)        # con + mem
## POS B

addl $1,(%r8,%r9,4)       # con + mem
addl $1,%r9d              # con + reg
addl %eax,(%r8,%r9,4)     # reg + mem
addl $1,%r9d              # con + reg
addl (%r8,%r9,4),%eax     # mem + reg
## POS C
```

```
INITIAL
|-------+-------|
| REGS  |       |
| %rax  |    15 |
| %rbx  |    20 |
| %rcx  |    25 |
| %rdx  | #1024 |
| %r8   | #2048 |
| %r9   |     0 |
|-------+-------|
| MEM   |       |
| #1024 |   100 |
| ...   |   ... |
| #2048 |   200 |
| #2052 |   300 |
| #2056 |   400 |
|-------+-------|
```

Answers: Addition

```
INITIAL            POS A              POS B              POS C
|-------+-------|  |-------+-------|  |-------+-------|  |-------+-------|
| REG   |       |  | REG   |       |  | REG   |       |  | REG   |       |
| %rax  |    15 |  | %rax  |    35 |  | %rax  |    35 |  | %rax  |   435 |
| %rbx  |    20 |  | %rbx  |    20 |  | %rbx  |    20 |  | %rbx  |    20 |
| %rcx  |    25 |  | %rcx  |    26 |  | %rcx  |   126 |  | %rcx  |   126 |
| %rdx  | #1024 |  | %rdx  | #1024 |  | %rdx  | #1024 |  | %rdx  | #1024 |
| %r8   | #2048 |  | %r8   | #2048 |  | %r8   | #2048 |  | %r8   | #2048 |
| %r9   |     0 |  | %r9   |     0 |  | %r9   |     0 |  | %r9   |     2 |
|-------+-------|  |-------+-------|  |-------+-------|  |-------+-------|
| MEM   |       |  | MEM   |       |  | MEM   |       |  | MEM   |       |
| #1024 |   100 |  | #1024 |   100 |  | #1024 |   123 |  | #1024 |   123 |
| ...   |   ... |  | ...   |   ... |  | ...   |   ... |  | ...   |   ... |
| #2048 |   200 |  | #2048 |   200 |  | #2048 |   200 |  | #2048 |   201 |
| #2052 |   300 |  | #2052 |   300 |  | #2052 |   300 |  | #2052 |   335 |
| #2056 |   400 |  | #2056 |   400 |  | #2056 |   400 |  | #2056 |   400 |
|-------+-------|  |-------+-------|  |-------+-------|  |-------+-------|

addq $1,%rcx       addq (%rdx),%rcx   addl $1,(%r8,%r9,4)
addq %rbx,%rax     addq %rbx,(%rdx)   addl $1,%r9d
                   addq $3,(%rdx)     addl %eax,(%r8,%r9,4)
                                      addl $1,%r9d
                                      addl (%r8,%r9,4),%eax
```

The Other ALU Instructions

- Most ALU instructions follow the same patter as `addX`: two operands, second gets changed.
- Some one operand instructions as well.

Instruction	Name	Effect	Notes
`addX B, A`	Add	`A = A + B`	Two Operand Instructions
`subX B, A`	Subtract	`A = A - B`	
`imulX B, A`	Multiply	`A = A * B`	*Has a limited 3-arg variant*
`andX B, A`	And	`A = A & B`	
`orX B, A`	Or	`A = A | B`	
`xorX B, A`	Xor	`A = A ^ B`	
`salX B, A`	Shift Left	`A = A << B`	
`shlX B, A`		`A = A << B`	
`sarX B, A`	Shift Right	`A = A >> B`	Arithmetic: Sign carry
`shrX B, A`		`A = A >> B`	Logical: Zero carry
`incX A`	Increment	`A = A + 1`	One Operand Instructions
`decX A`	Decrement	`A = A - 1`	
`negX A`	Negate	`A = -A`	
`notX A`	Complement	`A = ~A`	

leaX: Load Effective Address

- Memory addresses must often be loaded into registers
- Often done with a `leaX`, usually `leaq` in 64-bit platforms
- Sort of like "address-of" op & in C but a bit more general

```
INITIAL
|-------+-------|
| REG   |   VAL |
| rax   |     0 |
| rcx   |     2 |
| rdx   | #1024 |
| rsi   | #2048 |
|-------+-------|
| MEM   |       |
| #1024 |    15 |
| #1032 |    25 |
| ...   |       |
| #2048 |   200 |
| #2052 |   300 |
| #2056 |   400 |
|-------+-------|
```

```
## leaX_examples.s:
movq  8(%rdx),%rax        # rax = *(rdx+1) = 25
leaq  8(%rdx),%rax        # rax = rdx+1    = #1032
movl  (%rsi,%rcx,4),%eax # rax = rsi[rcx]    = 400
leaq  (%rsi,%rcx,4),%rax # rax = &(rsi[rcx]) = #2056
```

Compiler sometimes uses `leaX` for multiplication as it is usually faster than `imulX` but less readable.

```
# Odd Collatz update n = 3*n+1
#READABLE with imulX   #OPTIMIZED with leaX:
imul $3,%eax           leal 1(%eax,%eax,2),%eax
addl $1,%eax
# eax = eax*3 + 1      # eax = eax + 2*eax + 1,
# 3-4 cycles           # 1 cycle
                       # gcc, you are so clever...
```

Division: It's a Pain (1/2)

- Unlike other ALU operations, `idivX` operation has some special rules
- Dividend must be in the `rax / eax / ax` register
- Sign extend to `rdx / edx / dx` register with `cqto`
- `idivX` takes one **register** argument which is the divisor
- At completion
  - `rax / eax / ax` holds quotient (integer part)
  - `rdx / edx / dx` holds the remainder (leftover)

```
### division.s:
movl     $15, %eax   # set eax to int 15
cqto                 # extend sign of eax to edx
## combined 64-bit register %edx:%eax is
## now 0x00000000 0000000F = 15
movl    $2, %esi     # set esi to 2
idivl   %esi         # divide combined register by 2
## 15 div 2 = 7 rem 1
## %eax == 7, quotient
## %edx == 1, remainder
```

Compiler avoids division whenever possible: compile `col_unsigned.c` and `col_signed.c` to see some tricks.

Division: It's a Pain (2/2)

- When performing division on 8-bit or 16-bit quantities, use instructions to sign extend small reg to all `rax` register

```
### division with 16-bit shorts from division.s
movq $0,%rax          # set rax to all 0's
movq $0,%rdx          # set rdx to all 0's
                      # rax = 0x00000000 00000000
                      # rdx = 0x00000000 00000000
movw $-17, %ax        # set ax to short -17
                      # rax = 0x00000000 0000FFEF
                      # rdx = 0x00000000 00000000
cwtl                  # "convert word to long" sign extend ax to eax
                      # rax = 0x00000000 FFFFFFEF
                      # rdx = 0x00000000 00000000
cltq                  # "convert long to quad" sign extend eax to rax
                      # rax = 0xFFFFFFFF FFFFFFEF
                      # rdx = 0x00000000 00000000
cqto                  # sign extend rax to rdx
                      # rax = 0xFFFFFFFF FFFFFFEF
                      # rdx = 0xFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF
movq $3, %rcx         # set rcx to long 3
idivq %rcx            # divide combined rax/rdx register by 3
                      # rax = 0xFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFB = -5 (quotient)
                      # rdx = 0xFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFE = -2 (remainder)
```