

System Programming

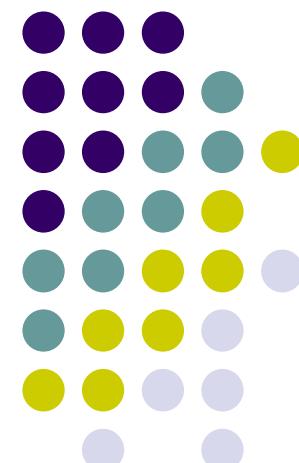
06. Machine-Level Programming I: Basics (ch 3.1-3.5)-part2

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Roadmap

C:

```
car *c = malloc(sizeof(car));
c->miles = 100;
c->gals = 17;
float mpg = get_mpg(c);
free(c);
```

Java:

```
Car c = new Car();
c.setMiles(100);
c.setGals(17);
float mpg =
    c.getMPG();
```

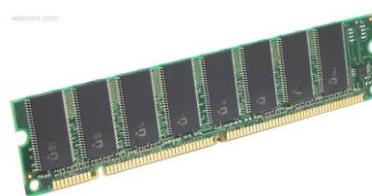
Assembly language:

```
get_mpg:
    pushq    %rbp
    movq    %rsp, %rbp
    ...
    popq    %rbp
    ret
```

Machine code:

```
0111010000011000
100011010000010000000010
1000100111000010
110000011111101000011111
```

Computer system:



- Memory & data
- Integers & floats
- x86 assembly
- Procedures & stacks
- Executables
- Arrays & structs
- Memory & caches
- Processes
- Virtual memory
- Memory allocation
- Java vs. C

OS:



Three Basic Kinds of Instructions



1) Transfer data between memory and register

- *Load* data from memory into register
 - $\%reg = \text{Mem}[address]$
- *Store* register data into memory
 - $\text{Mem}[address] = \%reg$

Remember: Memory
is indexed just like an
array of bytes!

2) Perform arithmetic operation on register or memory data

- $c = a + b;$ $z = x << y;$ $i = h \& g;$

3) Control flow: what instruction to execute next

- Unconditional jumps to/from procedures
- Conditional branches



Operand types

- **Immediate:** Constant integer data
 - Examples: `$0x400`, `$-533`
 - Like C literal, but prefixed with ‘\$’
 - Encoded with 1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes
depending on the instruction
- **Register:** 1 of 16 integer registers
 - Examples: `%rax`, `%r13`
 - But `%rsp` reserved for special use
 - Others have special uses for particular instructions
- **Memory:** Consecutive bytes of memory at a computed address
 - Simplest example: (`%rax`)
 - Various other “address modes”

`%rax`

`%rcx`

`%rdx`

`%rbx`

`%rsi`

`%rdi`

`%rsp`

`%rbp`

`%rN`

Moving Data



- General form: `mov_ source, destination`
 - Missing letter (_) specifies size of operands
 - Note that due to backwards-compatible support for 8086 programs (16-bit machines!), “word” means 16 bits = 2 bytes in x86 instruction names
 - Lots of these in typical code

- ❖ `movb src, dst`
 - Move 1-byte “byte”
- ❖ `movw src, dst`
 - Move 2-byte “word”
- ❖ `movl src, dst`
 - Move 4-byte “long word”
- ❖ `movq src, dst`
 - Move 8-byte “quad word”⁵

movq Operand Combinations



Source	Dest	Src, Dest	C Analog
movq	Imm	Reg movq \$0x4, %rax Mem movq \$-147, (%rax)	var_a = 0x4; *p_a = -147;
	Reg	Reg movq %rax, %rdx Mem movq %rax, (%rdx)	var_d = var_a; *p_d = var_a;
	Mem	Reg movq (%rax), %rdx	var_d = *p_a;

Cannot do memory-memory transfer with a single instruction

How would you do it?

Machine Programming I: Basics



- History of Intel processors and architectures
- C, assembly, machine code
- Assembly Basics: Registers, operands, move
- **Arithmetic & logical operations**
- Memory addressing modes
 - swap example
- Address computation instruction (`lea`)

Some Arithmetic Operations



● Binary (two-operand) Instructions:

Maximum of one
memory operand

- Beware argument order!
- No distinction between signed and unsigned
 - Only arithmetic vs. logical shifts
- How do you implement “r3 = r1 + r2”?

Format	Computation
addq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst + src$ <i>(dst += src)</i>
subq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst - src$
imulq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst * src$ signed mult
sarq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst >> src$ Arithmetic
shrq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst >> src$
shlq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst << src$ Logical (same as salq)
xorq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst ^ src$
andq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst \& src$
orq <i>src, dst</i>	$dst = dst src$

↑ operand size specifier

Some Arithmetic Operations



- Unary (one-operand) Instructions:

Format	Computation	
incq <i>dst</i>	$dst = dst + 1$	increment
decq <i>dst</i>	$dst = dst - 1$	decrement
negq <i>dst</i>	$dst = -dst$	negate
notq <i>dst</i>	$dst = \sim dst$	bitwise complement

- See CSPP Section 3.5.5 for more instructions:
`mulq`, `cqto`, `idivq`, `divq`



Arithmetic Example

```
long simple_arith(long x, long y)
{
    long t1 = x + y;
    long t2 = t1 * 3;
    return t2;
}
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	1 st argument (x)
%rsi	2 nd argument (y)
%rax	return value

```
y += x;
y *= 3;
long r = y;
return r;
```

```
simple_arith:
    addq    %rdi, %rsi
    imulq   $3, %rsi
    movq    %rsi, %rax
    ret
```

Example of Basic Addressing Modes



```
void swap(long *xp, long *yp)
{
    long t0 = *xp;
    long t1 = *yp;
    *xp = t1;
    *yp = t0;
}
```

Register	Use(s)
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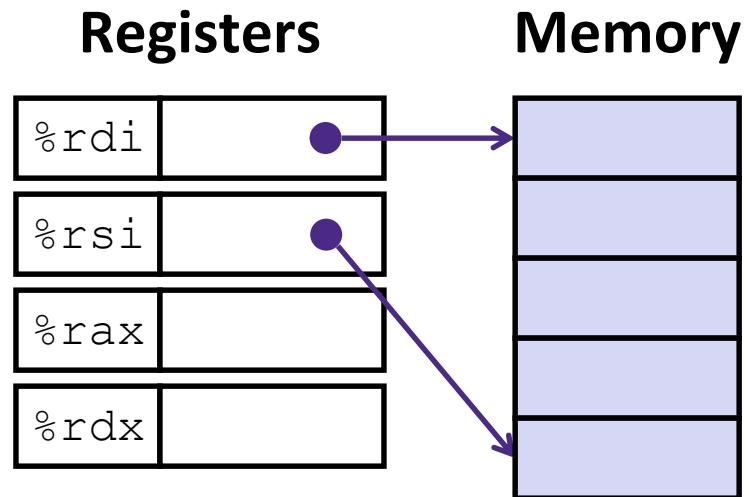
```
swap:
    movq (%rdi), %rax
    movq (%rsi), %rdx
    movq %rdx, (%rdi)
    movq %rax, (%rsi)
    ret
```

Understanding swap() (1)



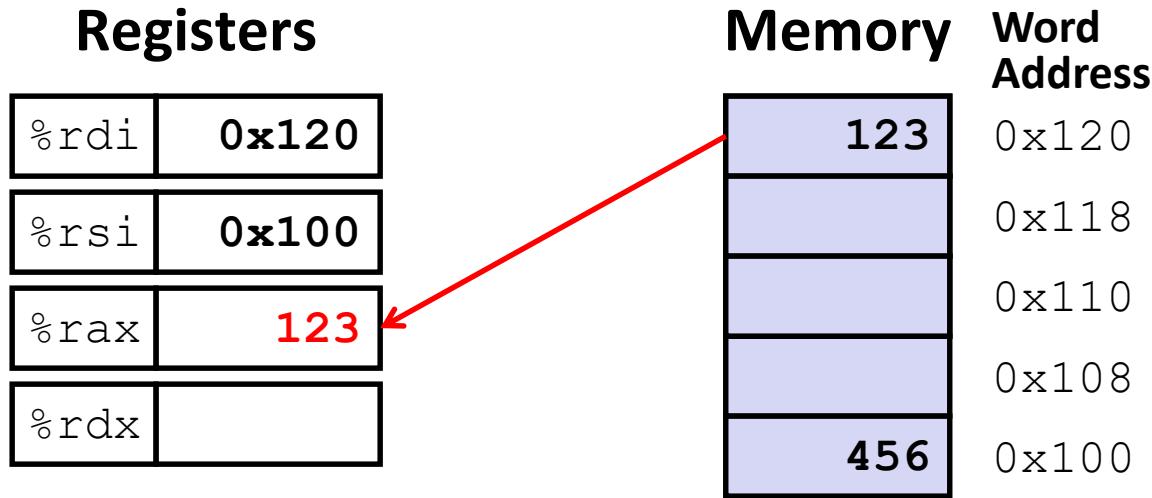
```
void swap(long *xp, long *yp)
{
    long t0 = *xp;
    long t1 = *yp;
    *xp = t1;
    *yp = t0;
}
```

```
swap:
    movq (%rdi), %rax
    movq (%rsi), %rdx
    movq %rdx, (%rdi)
    movq %rax, (%rsi)
    ret
```



<u>Register</u>	<u>Variable</u>
%rdi	↔ xp
%rsi	↔ yp
%rax	↔ t0
%rdx	↔ t1

Understanding swap() (2)



Swap:

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

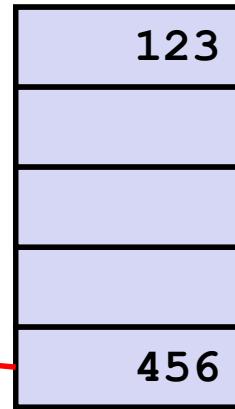


Understanding swap() (3)

Registers

%rdi	0x120
%rsi	0x100
%rax	123
%rdx	456

Memory



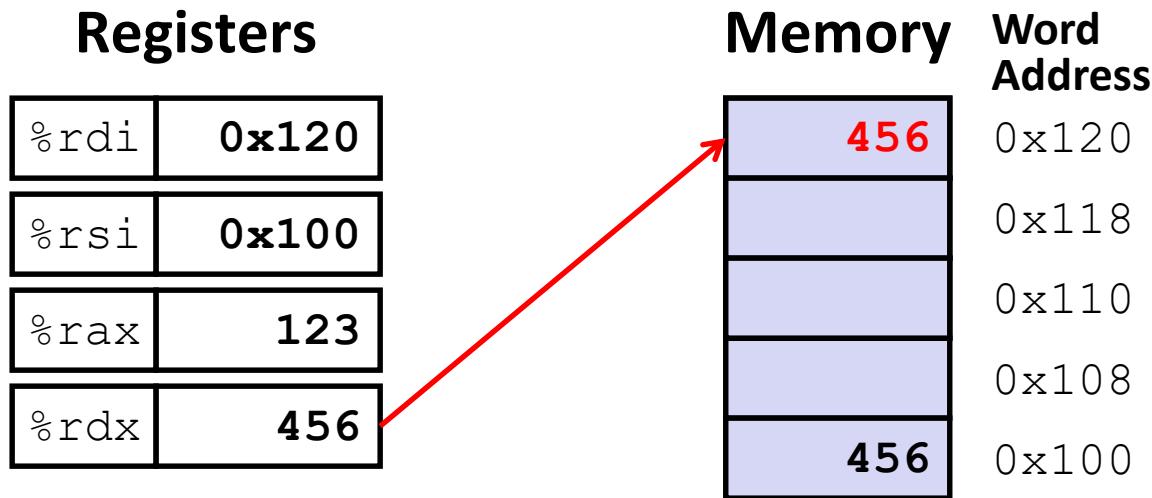
Word Address

0x120
0x118
0x110
0x108
0x100

Swap:

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

Understanding swap() (4)



Swap:

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

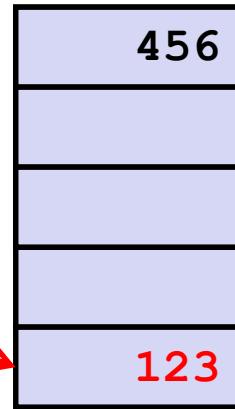


Understanding swap() (5)

Registers

%rdi	0x120
%rsi	0x100
%rax	123
%rdx	456

Memory



Word Address

0x120
0x118
0x110
0x108
0x100



Swap:

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

Memory Addressing Modes: Basic



- **Indirect:** (R) $\text{Mem}[R]$
 - Data in register R specifies the memory address
 - Like pointer dereference in C
 - Example: $\text{movq} (\%rcx), \%rax$
- **Displacement:** $D(R)$ $\text{Mem}[R+D]$
 - Data in register R specifies the *start* of some memory region
 - Constant displacement D specifies the offset from that address
 - Example: $\text{movq} 8(\%rbp), \%rdx$

Complete Memory Addressing Modes



● General:

- $D(Rb, Ri, S) \text{ Mem}[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]*S+D]$
 - Rb : Base register (any register)
 - Ri : Index register (any register except $\%rsp$)
 - S : Scale factor (1, 2, 4, 8) – *why these numbers?*
 - D : Constant displacement value (a.k.a. immediate)

● Special cases (see CSPP Figure 3.3 on p.181)

- $D(Rb, Ri) \text{ Mem}[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]+D] \quad (S=1)$
- $(Rb, Ri, S) \text{ Mem}[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]*S] \quad (D=0)$
- $(Rb, Ri) \text{ Mem}[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]] \quad (S=1, D=0)$
- $(, Ri, S) \text{ Mem}[Reg[Ri]*S] \quad (Rb=0, D=0)$

Address Computation Examples



%rdx	0xf000
%rcx	0x0100

$D(Rb, Ri, S) \rightarrow$
 $\text{Mem}[\text{Reg}[Rb] + \text{Reg}[Ri] * S + D]$

Expression	Address Computation	Address
0x8(%rdx)		
(%rdx, %rcx)		
(%rdx, %rcx, 4)		
0x80(, %rdx, 2)		

Address Computation Examples



%rdx	0xf000
%rcx	0x0100

$D(Rb, Ri, S) \rightarrow$
 $\text{Mem}[\text{Reg}[Rb] + \text{Reg}[Ri] * S + D]$

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

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Address Computation Instruction



- **leaq Src, Dst**
 - “lea” stands for *load effective address*
 - Src is address expression (any of the formats we’ve seen)
 - dst is a register
 - Sets dst to the *address* computed by the src expression (**does not go to memory!** – it just does math)
 - Example: leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax
- **Uses:**
 - Computing addresses without a memory reference
 - e.g. translation of p = &x[i];
 - Computing arithmetic expressions of the form **x+k*i+d**
 - Though k can only be 1, 2, 4, or 8

The leaq Instruction



- “lea” stands for load effective address
- Example: leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax

Does the leaq instruction go to memory?

NO

“leaq– it just does math”



Example: lea vs. mov

Registers

%rax	
%rbx	
%rcx	0x4
%rdx	0x100
%rdi	
%rsi	

Memory

0x400
0xF
0x8
0x10
0x1

Word Address

0x120
0x118
0x110
0x108
0x100

```
leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax
movq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rbx
leaq (%rdx), %rdi
movq (%rdx), %rsi
```

Example: lea vs. mov (solution)



Registers

%rax	0x110
%rbx	0x8
%rcx	0x4
%rdx	0x100
%rdi	0x100
%rsi	0x1

Memory

0x400
0xF
0x8
0x10
0x1

Word Address

0x120
0x118
0x110
0x108
0x100

```
leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax
movq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rbx
leaq (%rdx), %rdi
movq (%rdx), %rsi
```

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;
}
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	1 st argument (x)
%rsi	2 nd argument (y)
%rdx	3 rd argument (z)

```
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
```

- Interesting Instructions
 - **leaq**: address computation
 - **salq**: shift
 - **imulq**: multiplication
 - But, only used once



Understanding arith

```
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;
}
```

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

arith:

```
leaq    (%rdi,%rsi), %rax      # rax/t1      = x + y
addq    %rdx, %rax            # rax/t2      = t1 + z
leaq    (%rsi,%rsi,2), %rdx   # rdx          = 3 * y
salq    $4, %rdx              # rdx/t4      = (3*y) * 16
leaq    4(%rdi,%rdx), %rcx   # rcx/t5      = x + t4 + 4
imulq   %rcx, %rax            # rax/rval   = t5 * t2
ret
```

Question



- Which of the following x86-64 instructions correctly calculates $\%rax = 9 * \%rdi$?
 - A. `leaq (,%rdi,9), %rax`
 - B. `movq (,%rdi,9), %rax`
 - C. `leaq (%rdi,%rdi,8), %rax`
 - D. `movq (%rdi,%rdi,8), %rax`

Machine Programming I: Summary



- **Memory Addressing Modes:** The addresses used for accessing memory in `mov` (and other) instructions can be computed in several different ways
 - *Base register, index register, scale factor, and displacement* map well to pointer arithmetic operations
- `lea` is address calculation instruction
 - Does NOT actually go to memory
 - Used to compute addresses or some arithmetic expressions

Q&A

