

**Understand
arrays in
memory**

**Understand
how to access
array's
element**

**Understand
fixed and
variable-size
array**



Arrays

- ① Array
- ② Nested Array
- ③ Fixed-size Array
- ④ Variable-size Array

Array Allocation

T A[N];

char A[12];



int B[6];



double C[3];



char* D[3];



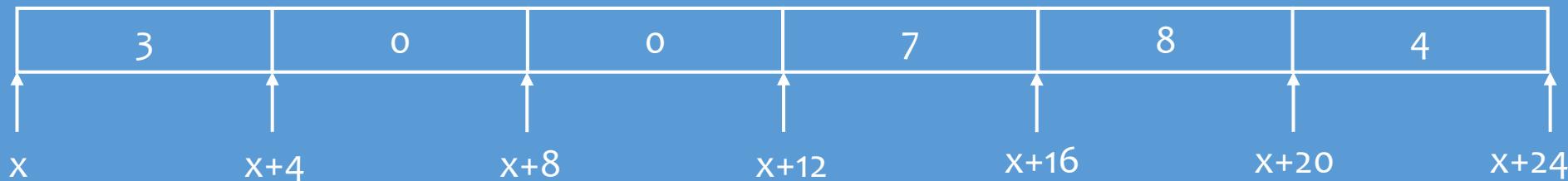
double* E[3];



Array Allocation

T A[N];

```
int val[6];
```



Reference	Type	Value
val[4]	int	?
val	int*	?
val+1	int*	?
&val[2]	int*	?
val[6]	int	?
*(val+1)	int	?
val+i	int*	?

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short   S[7];
short   *T[3];
short   **U[6];
int    V[8];
double *W[4];

```

Array	Element size	Total size	Start address	Element i
S	?	?	x_S	?
T	?	?	x_T	?
U	?	?	x_U	?
V	?	?	x_V	?
W	?	?	x_W	?

Integer array E
 Address in %rdx
 Index in %rcx
 Result in %eax (data), %rax (pointer)

Expression	Type	Value	Assembly Code
E	int*	x_E	?
E[0]	int	$M[x_E]$?
E[i]	int	$M[x_E + 4i]$?
&E[2]	int*	$x_E + 8$?
E+i-1	int*	$x_E + 4i - 4$?
*(E+i-3)	int	$M[x_E + 4i - 12]$?
&E[i]-E	long	i	?

Short integer array S

Address in %rdx

Index in %rcx

Result in %ax (data), %rax (pointer)

Expression	Type	Value	Assembly Code
S+1	?	$x_S + 2$?
S[3]	?	$M[x_S + 6]$?
&S[i]	?	$x_S + 2i$?
S[4*i+1]	?	$M[x_S + 8i + 2]$?
S+i-5	?	$x_S + 2i - 10$?

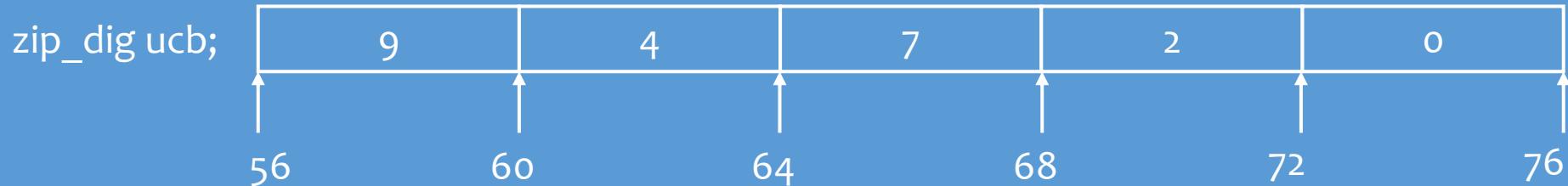
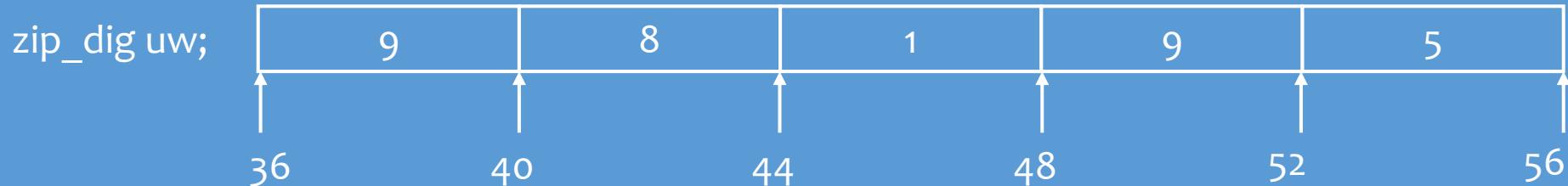
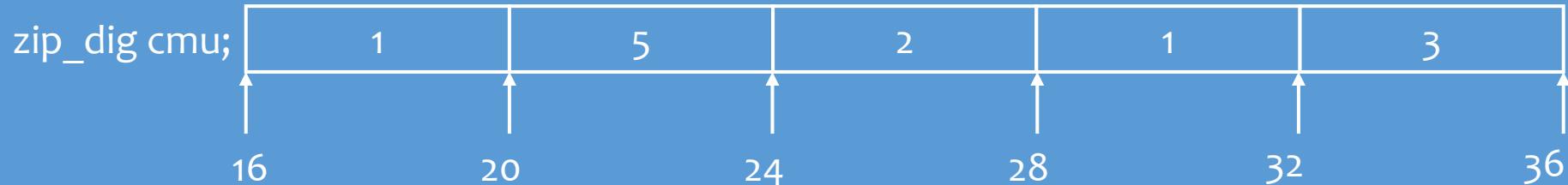
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typedef int zip_dig[5];
```

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zip_dig cmu = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };
```

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zip_dig uw = { 9, 8, 1, 9, 5 };
```

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zip_dig ucb = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```

uw[3] = ?
uw[6] = ?
uw[-1] = ?
cmu[15] = ?

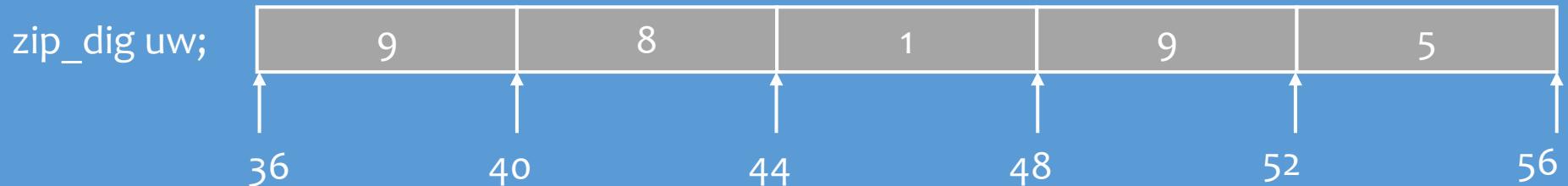


```
int get_digit  
  (zip_dig z, int dig)  
{  
    return z[dig];  
}
```

```
# %edx = z  
# %eax = dig  
movl (%edx,%eax,4),%eax
```

Register %edx contains starting address of array

Register %eax contains array index



```
int zd2int(zip_dig z)
{
    int i;
    int zi = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
        zi = 10 * zi + z[i];
    }
    return zi;
}
```

```
xorl %eax,%eax
leal 16(%ecx),%ebx
.L59:
    leal (%eax,%eax,4),%edx
    movl (%ecx),%eax
    addl $4,%ecx
    leal (%eax,%edx,2),%eax
    cmpl %ebx,%ecx
    jle .L59
```

```
int zd2int(zip_dig z)
{
    int zi = 0;
    int *zend = z + 4;
    do {
        zi = 10 * zi + *z;
        z++;
    } while (z <= zend);
    return zi;
}
```

Registers
%ecx z
%eax zi
%ebx zend

```
#define PCOUNT 4
zip_dig sea[PCOUNT] =
{{ 9, 8, 1, 9, 5 },
{ 9, 8, 1, 0, 5 },
{ 9, 8, 1, 0, 3 },
{ 9, 8, 1, 1, 5 }};
```

Address

$$\begin{aligned} A + i * (C * K) + j * K \\ = A + (i * C + j) * K \end{aligned}$$

sea[3][2];



sea[3][3] =
sea[2][5] =
sea[2][-1] =
sea[4][-1] =
sea[0][19] =
sea[0][-1] =

Nested array

T D[R][C];

D[i][j]

&D[i][j]=x_D+L(Ci+j)

int A[5][3];

Address x_A in %rdi

i in %rsi

j in %rdx

Copy A[i][j] to %eax:

leaq (%rsi,%rsi,2),%rax

leaq (%rdi,%rax,4),%rax

movl (%rax,%rdx,4),%eax

```
#define:  
long P[M][N];  
long Q[N][M];  
  
long sum_element(long i, long j) {  
    return P[i][j] + Q[j][i];  
}
```

M=5
N=7

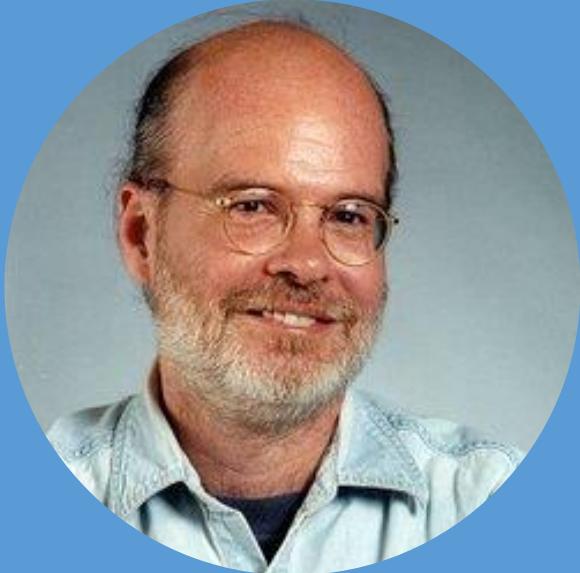
&D[i][j]
=x_D+L(Ci+j)

i in %rdi
j in %rsi

```
sum_element:  
    leaq  0(%rdi,8),%rdx  
    subq  %rdi,%rdx  
    addq  %rsi,%rdx  
    leaq  (%rsi,%rsi,4),%rax  
    addq  %rax,%rdi  
    movq  Q(%rdi,8),%rax  
    addq  P(%rdx,8),%rax  
    ret
```

Summary

- Array
- Nested Array
- Multi-level Array



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“ Programming in machine code is like eating with a toothpick.”