

CS 354 - Machine Organization & Programming

Tuesday Nov 14, Thursday Nov 16, 2023

Exam Results expected by Friday Nov 17

Homework hw5DUE Monday 11/13**Homework hw6:** DUE on or before Monday 11/20

Homework hw7: DUE on or before Monday 11/27

Project p5: DUE on or before Friday Nov 24

Learning Objectives

- able to trace function call and its stack frame
- able to access parameters and local variables based on location from %ebp and %esp
- able to trace recursive function calls through their stack frame
- identify and describe effects of ASM **call**, **ret**, **leave** instructions
- able to access 1D array element using ASM instructions and memory operand types
- able to access multidimensional array via ASM instructions and memory operand types
- describe, compute, and use alignment requirements of elements in structs and unions
- understand the difference and use of structs and unions in C.

This Week

Function Call-Return Example (L20 p7) Recursion Stack Allocated Arrays in C Stack Allocated Arrays in Assembly Stack Allocated Multidimensional Arrays	Stack Allocated Structs Alignment Alignment Practice Unions
Next Week: Pointers in Assembly, Stack Smashing, and Exceptions B&O 3.10 Putting it Together: Understanding Pointers 3.12 Out-of-Bounds Memory References and Buffer Overflow 8.1 Exceptions 8.2 Processes 8.3 System Call Error Handling 8.4 Process Control through p719	

Recursion

Use a stack trace to determine the result of the call `fact(3)`:

```
int fact(int n) {
    int result;
    if (n <= 1) result = 1;
    else      result = n * fact(n - 1);
    return result;
}
```

direct recursion when func calls itself

recursive case calls recursive func

base case stops recursive

"infinite" recursion similar to infinite loop

$$\begin{array}{c|cccccc} \text{eax} & \cancel{42} & \times & 2 & \times & \times & \times & 6 \\ \text{ebx} & 42 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 42 \end{array}$$
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rand

Assembly Trace

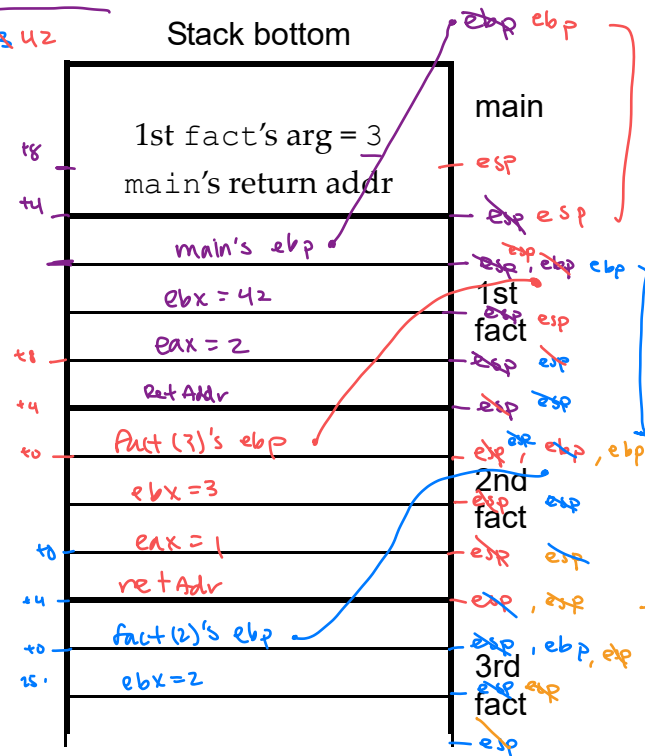
fact:

```

23.12. 1. pushl %ebp
24.13. 2. movl %esp, %ebp
25.14. 3. pushl %ebx
26.15. 4. subl $4, %esp
27.16. 5. movl 8(%ebp), %ebx
28.17. 6. movl $1, %eax
29.18. 7. [ cmpl $1, %ebx      SUB S,D = D-S = ebx-1
30.19. 8. [ jle .L1
           // true/fall thru if ebx > 1
20.9. 9. leal -1(%ebx), %eax // eax --
21.10. 10. movl %eax, (%esp)
22.11. 11. call fact
           // push ret, jmp
RetA → 20.35. imull %ebx, %eax = eax * ebx
           .L1:
41.36. 31. addl $4, %esp
42.37. 32. popl %ebx
43.38. 33. popl %ebp
44.39. 34. ret      pop top of stack to eip
    
```

set up

Stack bottom



* "Infinite" recursion causes

* When tracing functions in assembly code

Stack Allocated Arrays in C

Recall Array Basics

$T \ A[N];$ where T is the element datatype of size L bytes and N is the number of elements

$L = \text{size of } (T)$



A:

1. contiguous region of stack $L * N$ bytes
2. identifier is associated w/ start addr of array

* The elements of A are accessed using arithmetic
expressed as mem type operands in Asm

Recall Array Indexing and Address Arithmetic

$$\&A[i] \equiv A + i \equiv \underset{\substack{\text{starting} \\ \text{addr}}}{X_A} + \underset{\substack{\text{elt size}}}{L} * \underset{\substack{\text{index}}}{i}$$

→ For each array declarations below, what is L (element size), the address arithmetic for the i th element, and the total size of the array?

C code	L	address of i th element	total array size
1. <code>int I[11]</code>	4 bytes	$X_I + (4 * i)$	$4 * 11 = 44$ bytes
2. <code>char C[7]</code>			
3. <code>double D[11]</code>			
* 4. <code>short S[42]</code>	2 bytes	$X_S + (2 * i)$	84 bytes
5. <code>char *C[13]</code>			
* 6. <code>int **I[11]</code>	4 bytes	$X_I + (4 * i)$	44 bytes
7. <code>double *D[7]</code>			

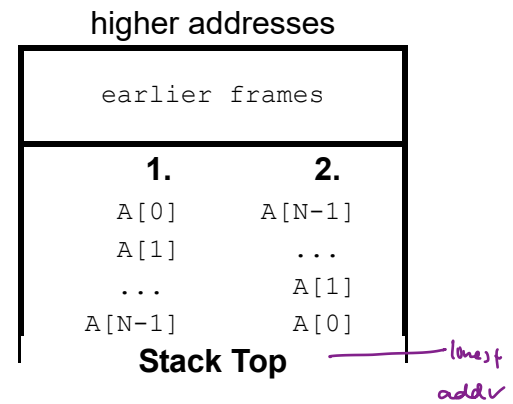
Stack Allocated Arrays in Assembly

Arrays on the Stack

→ How is an array laid out on the stack? Option 1 or 2:

* The first element (index 0) of an array

is the closest elt to "top" of stack



Accessing 1D Arrays in Assembly

IA-32 are designed to simplify array access

Assume array's start address in %edx and index is in %ecx

$\text{movl } (\%edx, \%ecx, 4), \%eax \equiv M[X_A + 4 * i] \equiv * (A + i) \equiv A[i]$

in C

→ Assume I is an int array, S is a short int array, for both, the array's start address is in %edx, and the index i is in %ecx. Determine the element type and instruction for each:

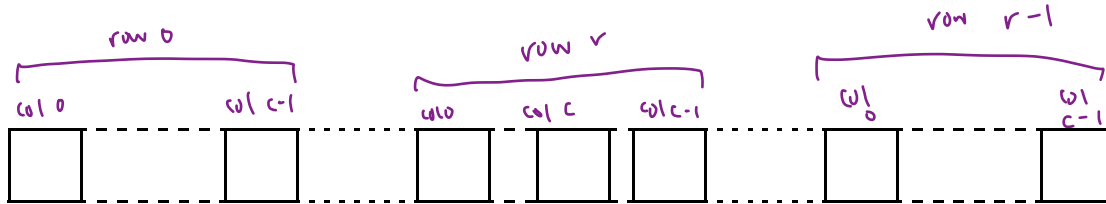
C code	type	assembly instruction to move C code's value into %eax	
1. I	int *	X_A	<code>movl %edx, %eax</code>
2. I[0]	int	$M[X_A]$	<code>movl (%edx), %eax</code>
3. *I			
4. I[i]			
5. &I[2]			
* 6. I+i-1	int *	$X_I + (4 * i) - (4 * 1)$	<code>leal -4(%edx, %ecx, 4), %eax</code>
7. *(I+i-3)			
8. S[3]			
9. S+1			
10. &S[i]			
* 11. S[4*i+1]	short	$M[X_S + 2 * (4 * i + 1)]$	<code>movw 2(%edx, %ecx, 8), %eax</code>
12. S+i-5			<code>movswl 2(%edx, %ecx, 8), %eax</code>

Stack Allocated Multidimensional Arrays

Recall 2D Array Basics

T A[R][C]; where T is the element datatype of size L bytes,
 R is the number of rows and C is the number of columns

L identifiers



* Recall that 2D arrays are stored on the stack in row major order

```
int A[5][3];          typedef int row_t[3];
                      row_t A[5];
```



Accessing 2D Arrays in Assembly

$\&A[i][j] \equiv \text{start addr} + \text{offset to row } i + \text{offset to col } j$

$$X_A + (L * C * i) + (L * j)$$

cols

Given array A as declared above, if X_A in %eax, i in %ecx, j in %edx
 then $A[i][j]$ in assembly is:

```
leal (%ecx, %ecx, 2), %ecx      3i → %ecx
sall $2, %edx                  4j → %edx
addl %eax, %edx                X_A + 4j → %edx
movl (%edx, %ecx, 4), %eax      m [ X_A + 4j + 3i * 4 ] → %eax
```

Compiler Optimizations

- ♦ If only accessing part of array

Compiler makes a ptr to that part of array

addr
↑
ptr to that
part of array

- ♦ If taking a fixed stride through the array

then compiler uses stride * elt size as offset

Stack Allocated Structures

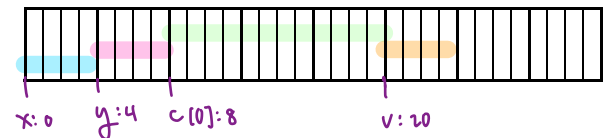
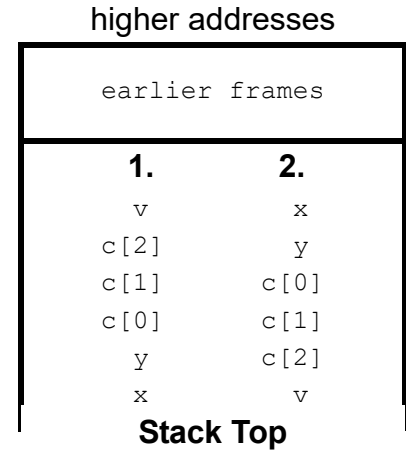
Structures on the Stack

```
struct iCell {
    int x;      : 0
    int y;      : 4
    int c[3];    : 8
    int *v;
};
```

→ How is a structure laid out on the stack? Option 1 or 2:

The compiler

- ◆ assoc. data member name w/ its offset from start of struct
- ◆ uses addr arith. w/ offset to access data member



* The first data member of a structure is closest to "top" of stack (%esp)

Accessing Structures in Assembly

Given:

```
struct iCell ic = //assume ic is initialized
void function(iCell *ip) {
```



→ Assume *ic* is at the top of the stack, *%edx* stores *ip* and *%esi* stores *i*. Determine for each the assembly instruction to move the C code's value into *%eax*:

- | C code | assembly |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| * 1. <i>ic.v</i> | <i>movl 20(%esp), %eax</i> |
| 2. <i>ic.c[i]</i> | |
| * 3. <i>ip->x</i> | <i>movl (%edx), %eax</i> |
| 4. <i>ip->y</i> | |
| * 5. <i>&ip->c[i]</i> | <i>leal 8(%edx, %esi, 4), %eax</i> |

* Assembly code to access a structure does not have data member names + types

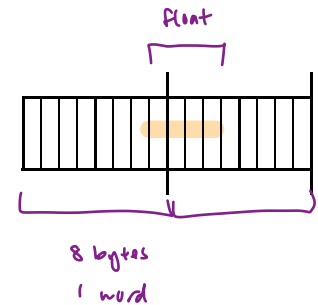
Alignment

What? most computers restrict addr values where prim can be stored

Why? better memory performance

Example: Assume cpu reads 8 byte words
f is a misaligned float

- slow: requires 2 reads, extract bits, recombine



Restrictions

IA-32: has no alignment req.

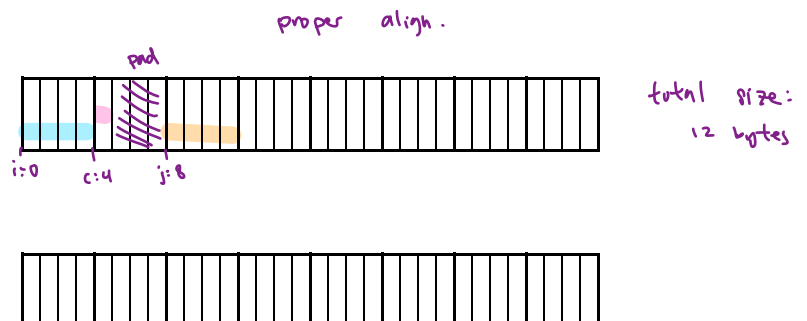
Linux: short addr must be mult of 2, lsb = 0
int, float, pointer, double " " " " " 4, lsb 2bits = 00

Windows: same as Linux except double
addr must be mult of 8

Implications padding might be inserted by compiler into structs to keep data aligned

Structure Example

```
struct s1 {
    int i;      : 0
    char c;     : 4
    int j;      : 8
};
```

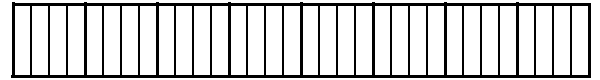


* The total size of a structure is typically a multiple of its longest data member size

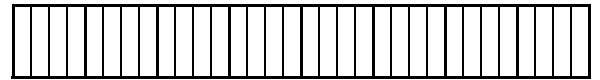
Alignment Practice

→ For each structure below, complete the memory layout and determine the total bytes allocated.

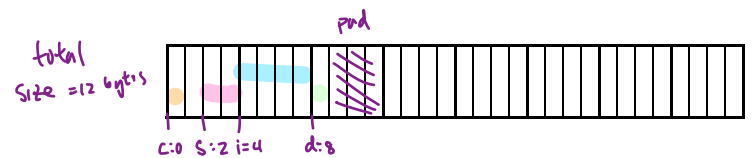
```
1) struct sA {
    int i;
    int j;
    char c;
};
```



```
2) struct sB {
    char a;
    char b;
    char c;
};
```



```
3) struct sC {
    char c;      : 0
    short s;     : 2
    int i;       : 4
    char d;      : 8
};
```



```
4) struct sD {
    short s;
    int i;
    char c;
};
```



```
5) struct sE {
    int i;
    short s;
    char c;
};
```



* The order that a structure's data members are listed can affect mem

until b/c of padding for alignment

Unions

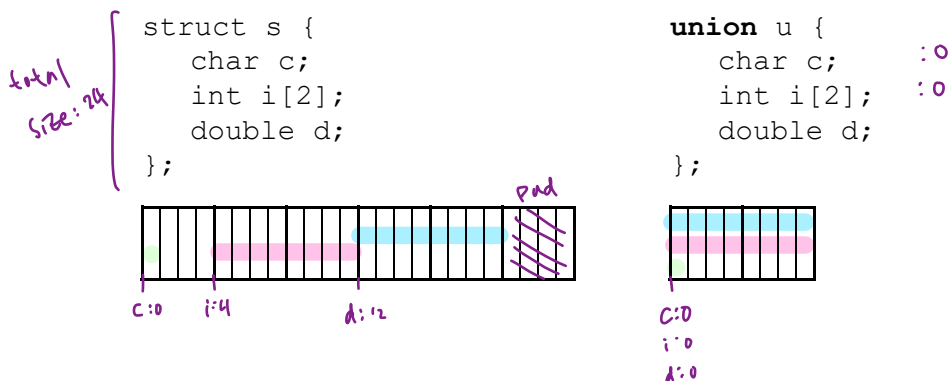
What? A union is

- ♦ like a struct, except fields share the same memory
bypassing C's type checking
- ♦ allocates only enough mem for the largest fields

Why?

- ♦ allows data to be accessed as different types
- ♦ used to access hardware
- ♦ low level = "poly morphism"

How?



Example

```
typedef union {
    unsigned char cntlrByte; :0 // all 8 bits as one char
    struct {
        unsigned char playbutn : 1; : 0
        unsigned char pausebutn : 1; : 1
        unsigned char ctrlbutn : 1; : 2
        unsigned char fire1butn : 1; : 3
        unsigned char fire2butn : 1; : 4
        unsigned char direction : 3; : 5-7
    } bits;
} CntlrReg;
```