

Lecture #12 – part 2 or L13

Complex Data and Control Structures: Single/Multi-Dimensional Arrays + structs and alignment Sections 3.8 and 3.9

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Learning objectives

- ▶ Describe how are arrays stored and accessed. Practice access to arrays in assembly code. The arrays include one-dimensional, fixed length, multi-dimensional (nested), fixed and variable size. (Section 3.8, 19 slides)
- ▶ Describe how are structures stored and accessed. (section 3.9)
- ▶ Describe alignment principles and their application to structures. (Subsection 3.9.3)

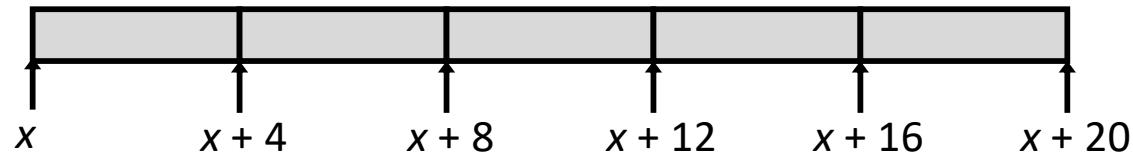
Array Allocation

- ▶ Basic Principle: $T \text{ } \mathbf{A}[L] ;$
 - Array of data type T and length L
 - Contiguously allocated region of $L * \text{sizeof}(T)$ bytes in memory
 - x is beginning address (of 1st byte) of array

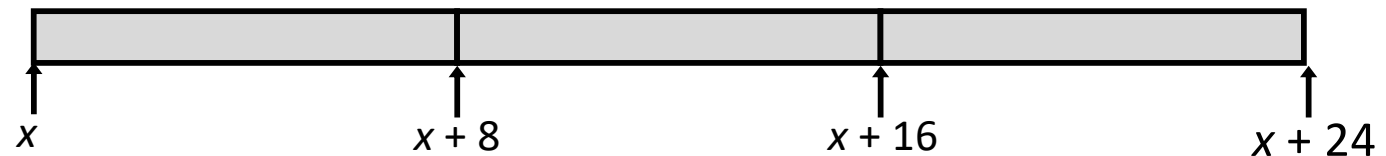
`char string[12];`



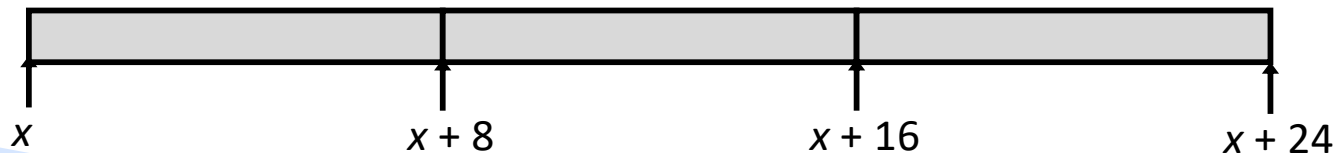
`int val[5];`



`double a[3];`



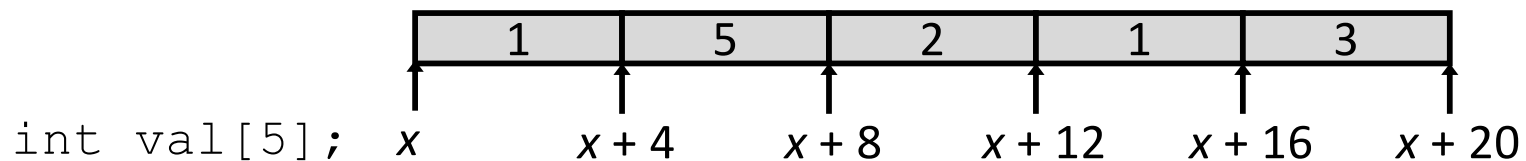
`char *p[3];`



Array Access

► Basic Principle: $T \ A[L];$

- Array of data type T and length L
- Identifier **A** can be used as a pointer to array element 0: Type T^*



Reference	Type	Value
<code>val[4]</code>	<code>int</code>	3 (the value at index 4 of array <code>val</code>)
<code>val</code>	<code>int *</code>	x
<code>val+1</code>	<code>int *</code>	$x + 4$ ($x + 1 * L$)
<code>&val[2]</code>	<code>int *</code>	$x + 8$ (the address of element at index 2)
<code>val[5]</code>	<code>int</code>	??
<code>*(val+1)</code>	<code>int</code>	5 (content of address <code>val + 1</code>)
<code>val + i</code>	<code>int *</code>	$x + 4 i$ (address <code>val + i * L</code>)

Practice exercises

- ▶ Problem 3.36, p. 256: to understand the size of the array and how to access each element.
- ▶ Problem 3.37, p. 258: to practice pointer arithmetic.
- ▶ Follow assembly code examples for subsection 3.8.4 p.261
- ▶ Follow examples in subsection 3.8.5

Problem 3.36

Array	Elem.size	Total size	Start add.	element i
short S[7]	2 bytes	14	x_s	$x_s + 2*i$
short *T[3]				
short **U[6]				
int V[8]				
double *W[4]				

Problem 3.36

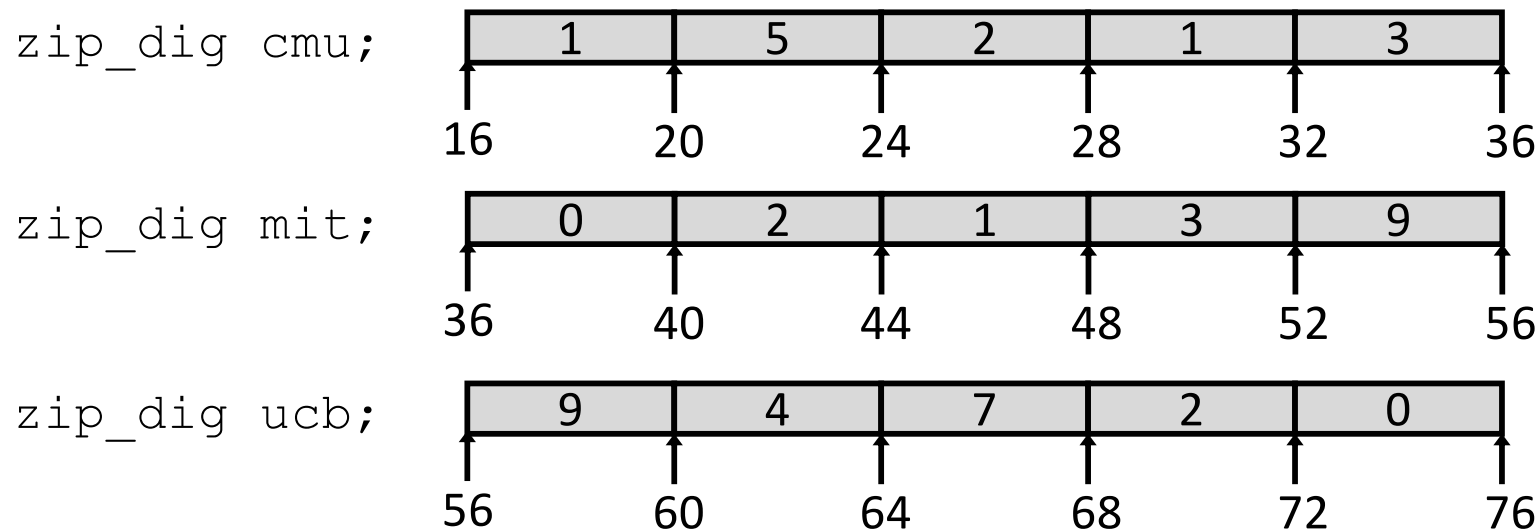
Array	Elem.size	Total size	Start add.	element i
short S[7]	2 bytes	14	x_s	$x_s + 2*i$
short *T[3]	8	24	x_T	$x_T + 8*i$
short **U[6]	8	48	x_U	$x_U + 8*i$
int V[8]	4	32	x_V	$x_V + 4*i$
double *W[4]	8	32	x_W	$x_W + 8*i$

Array Example

```
#define ZLEN 5
typedef int zip_dig[ZLEN];

zip_dig cmu = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };
zip_dig mit = { 0, 2, 1, 3, 9 };
zip_dig ucb = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```

Each is one array of 5 integers



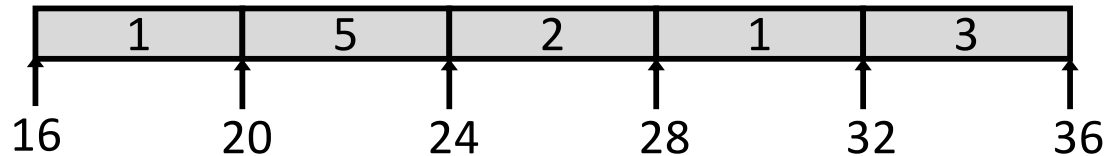
- ▶ Declaration “zip_dig cmu” equivalent to “int cmu[5]”
- ▶ Example arrays were allocated in successive 20 byte blocks
 - Not guaranteed to happen in general

Simple homework exercise

- ▶ Write a C program that declares these 3 arrays of any type, make them same size, and check which addresses are used to store them.
- ▶ It is very likely that they will not be assigned contiguous blocks, but check the addresses of each array and all its elements.
- ▶ Which function can you use to see the address?
 - of each array
 - of each element of an array (notice datatype size)

Array Accessing Example

zip_dig cmu;



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

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```
# %rdi = z      (in book xz )
# %rsi = digit
movl (%rdi,%rsi,4), %eax # z[digit]
```

Pointer Arithmetic

- Register `%rdi` contains starting address of array
- Register `%rsi` contains array index
- Desired digit at $\text{\%rdi} + 4 * \text{\%rsi}$
- Use memory reference $(\text{\%rdi}, \text{\%rsi}, 4)$

Array Loop Example (study on your own)

```
void zincr(zip_dig z) {  
    size_t i;  
    for (i = 0; i < ZLEN; i++)  
        z[i]++;  
}
```

```
# %rdi = z  
movl    $0, %eax           # i = 0  
jmp     .L3                # goto middle  
.L4:                        # loop:  
    addl    $1, (%rdi,%rax,4) # z[i]++  
    addq    $1, %rax        # i++  
.L3:                        # middle  
    cmpq    $4, %rax        # i:4  
    jbe     .L4             # if <=, goto loop  
rep; ret
```

Multidimensional (Nested) Arrays

▶ Declaration

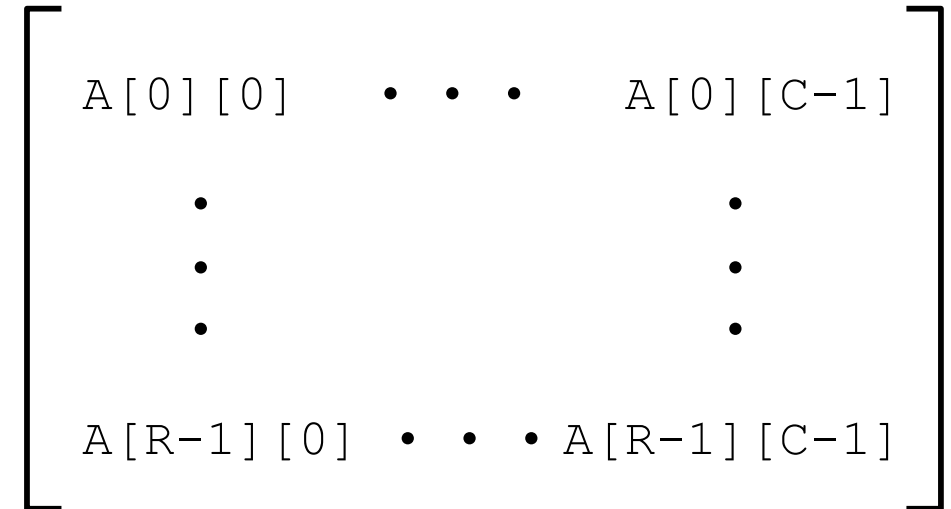
$T \text{ } \mathbf{A}[R][C];$

- 2D array of data type T
- R rows, C columns
- Type T element requires K bytes

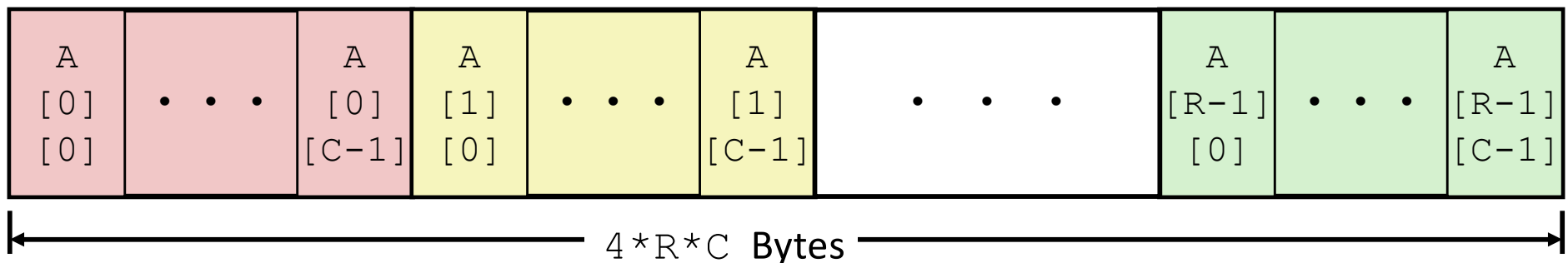
▶ Array Size

- $R * C * K$ bytes

▶ Arrangement: Row-Major Ordering



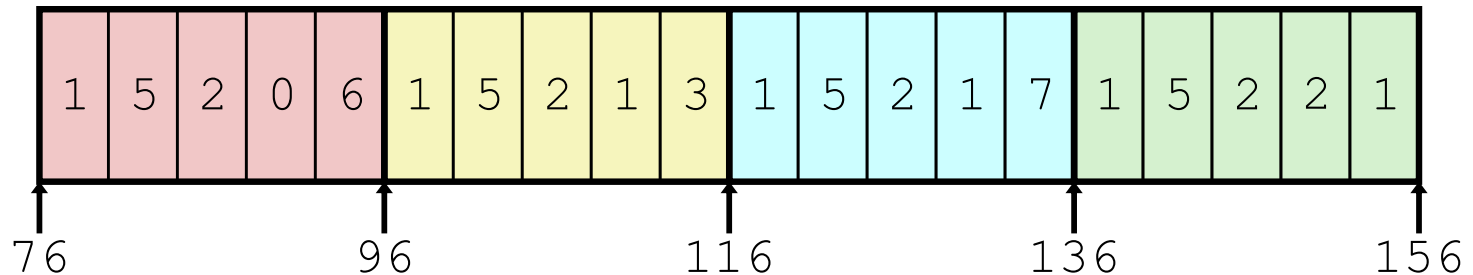
`int A[R][C];`



Nested Array Example (study on your own)

```
#define PCOUNT 4
zip_dig pgh[PCOUNT] =
    {{1, 5, 2, 0, 6},
     {1, 5, 2, 1, 3 },
     {1, 5, 2, 1, 7 },
     {1, 5, 2, 2, 1 }};
```

zip_dig
pgh[4];



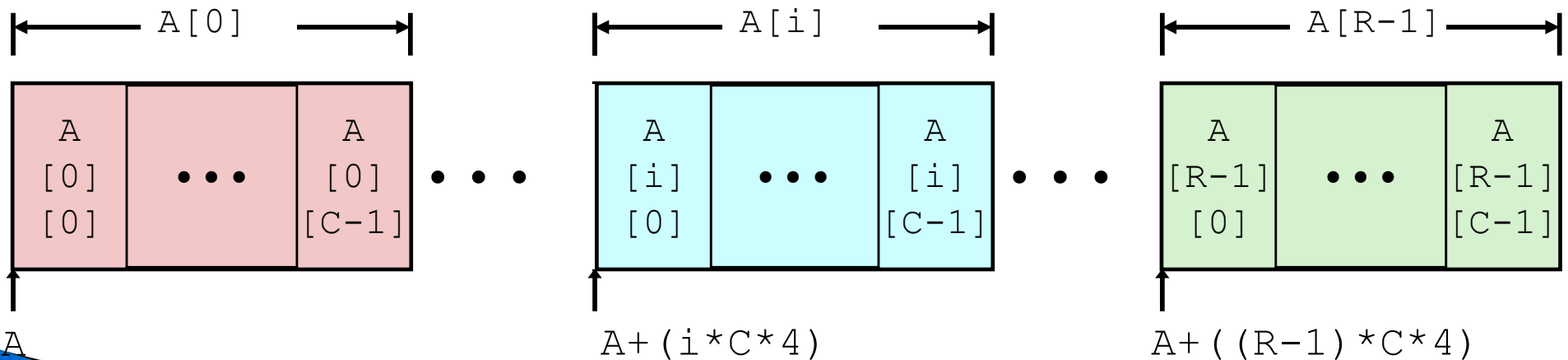
- ▶ “zip_dig pgh[4]” equivalent to “int pgh[4][5]”
 - Variable **pgh**: array of 4 elements, allocated contiguously
 - Each element is an array of 5 **int**’s, allocated contiguously
- ▶ “Row-Major” ordering of all elements in memory

Nested Array Row Access

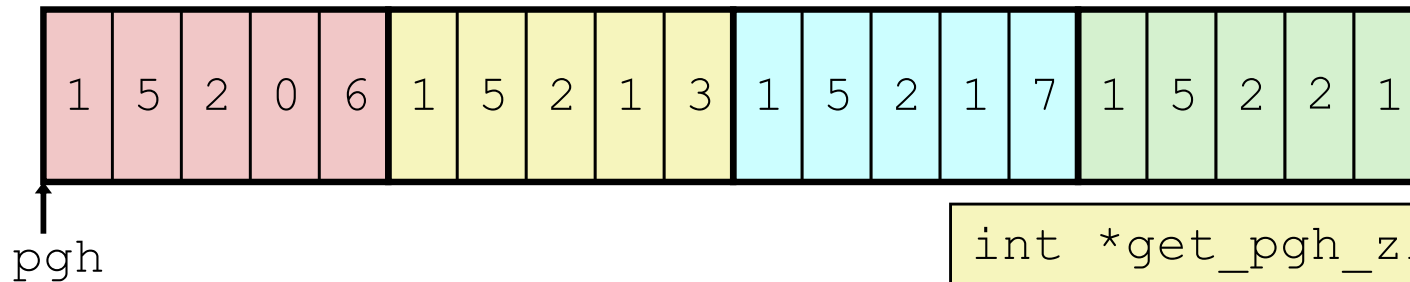
▶ Row Vectors

- $\mathbf{A}[i]$ is array of C elements
- Each element of type T requires K bytes
- Starting address $\mathbf{A} + i * (C * K)$

```
int A[R][C];
```



Nested Array **Row Access** assembly code



```
int *get_pgh_zip(int index)
{
    return pgh[index];
}
```

```
# %rdi = index
leaq (%rdi,%rdi,4),%rax # 5 * index
leaq pgh(,%rax,4),%rax  # pgh + (20 * index)
```

- ▶ Row Vector
 - `pgh[index]` is array of 5 `int`'s
 - Starting address `pgh+20*index`
- ▶ Machine Code (understand with `leaq`)
 - Computes and returns address
 - Compute as `pgh + 4*(index+4*index)`

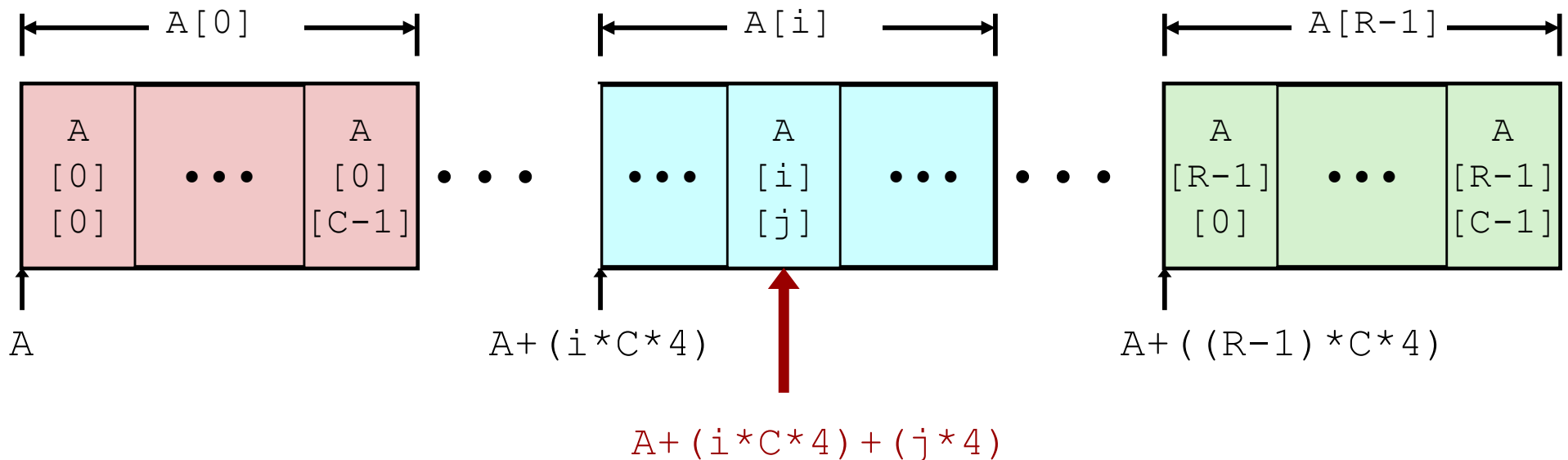
Nested Array Element Access

(derivation of how to access each)

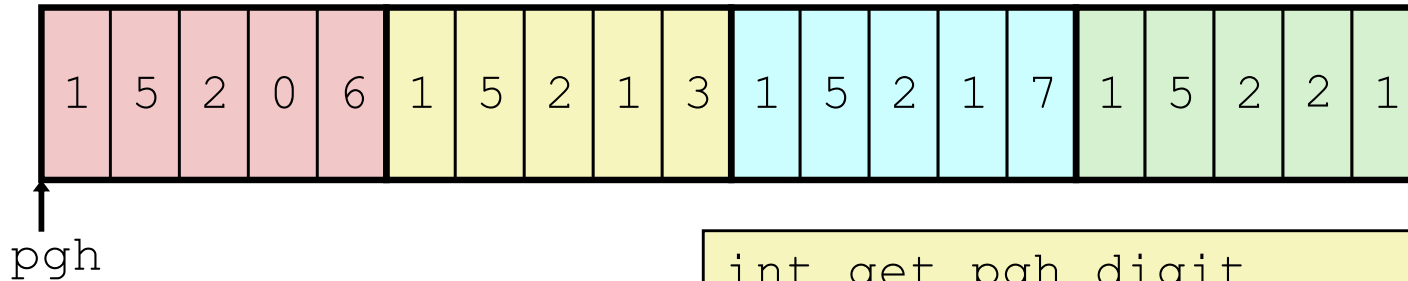
▶ Array Elements

- $A[i][j]$ is element of type T , which requires K bytes
- Address $A + i * (C * K) + j * K = A + (i * C + j) * K$

```
int A[R][C];
```



Nested Array **Element Access** assembly code



```
int get_pgh_digit
(int index, int dig)
{
    return pgh[index][dig];
}
```

```
leaq    (%rdi,%rdi,4), %rax    # 5*index
addl    %rax, %rsi             # 5*index+dig
movl    pgh(,%rsi,4), %eax     # M[pgh + 4*(5*index+dig)]
```

► Array Elements

- **pgh[index][dig]** is **int** (each array has 5 elements)
- Address: **pgh + 20*index + 4*dig**
 - = **pgh + 4*(5*index + dig)**

Alternative representation

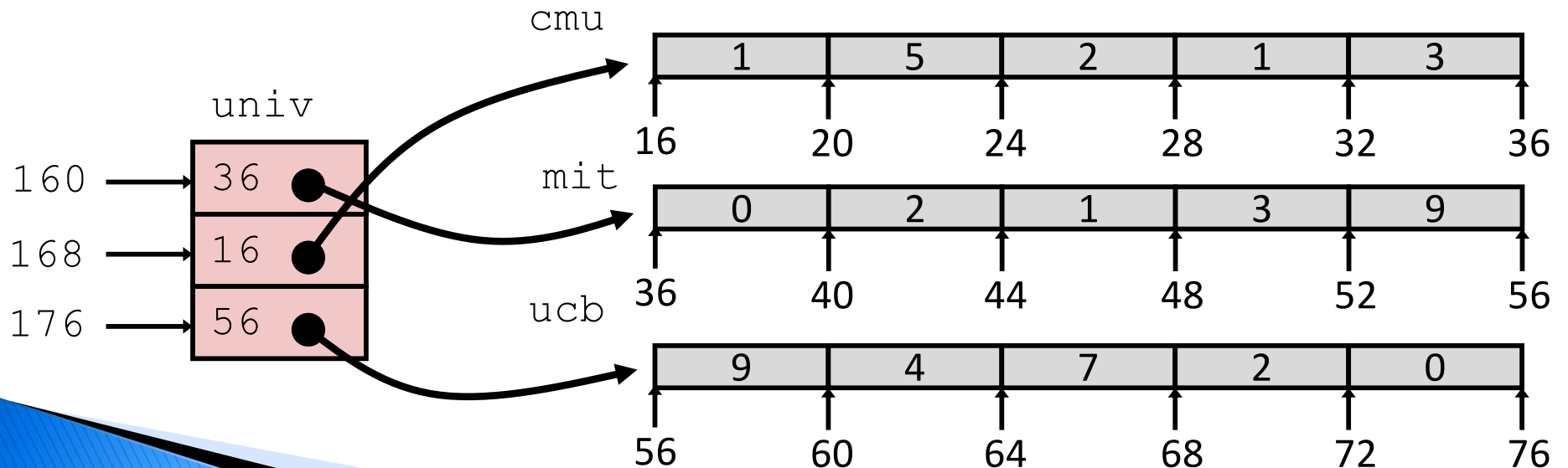
- ▶ Before: The vector of zip codes, each of which is an array of 5 elements
- ▶ Now: (on the next 3 slides) Multilevel array representation:
 - one vector of pointers
 - each pointer points to an array of 5 elements (zip code digits)
- ▶ Study these slides on your own: further practice on how to represent the addresses in the arrays in assembly code
- ▶ JUMP to slide 22

Multi-Level Array Example

```
zip_dig cmu = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };  
zip_dig mit = { 0, 2, 1, 3, 9 };  
zip_dig ucb = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```

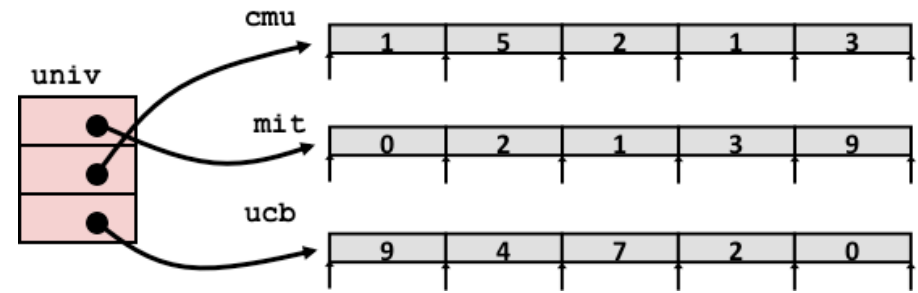
```
#define UCOUNT 3  
int *univ[UCOUNT] = {mit, cmu, ucb};
```

- ▶ Variable `univ` denotes array of 3 elements
- ▶ Each element is a pointer
 - 8 bytes
- ▶ Each pointer points to array of `int`'s



Element Access in Multi-Level Array

```
int get_univ_digit
(size_t index, size_t digit)
{
    return univ[index][digit];
}
```



```
salq    $2, %rsi          # 4*digit
addq    univ(,%rdi,8), %rsi # p = univ[index] + 4*digit
movl    (%rsi), %eax       # return *p
ret
```

► Computation

- Element access

Mem[Mem[univ+8*index]+4*digit]

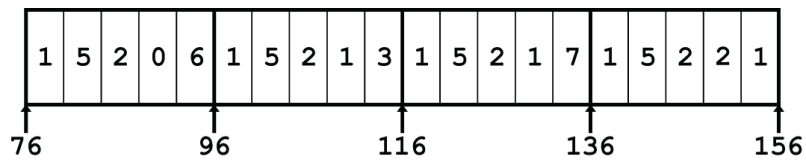
- Must do two memory reads

- First get pointer to row array
- Then access element within array

Array Element Accesses

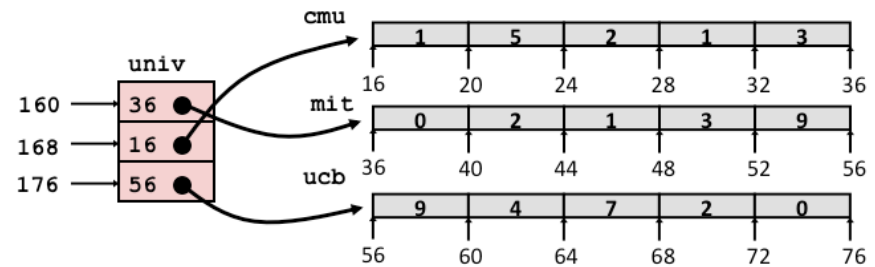
Nested array

```
int get_pgh_digit
(size_t index, size_t digit)
{
    return pgh[index][digit];
}
```



Multi-level array

```
int get_univ_digit
(size_t index, size_t digit)
{
    return univ[index][digit];
}
```



Accesses looks similar in C, but address computations very different:

$\text{Mem}[\text{pgh} + 20 * \text{index} + 4 * \text{digit}]$ $\text{Mem}[\text{Mem}[\text{univ} + 8 * \text{index}] + 4 * \text{digit}]$