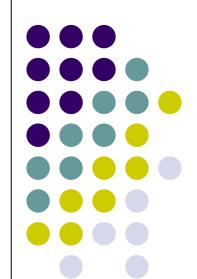
# Computer Organization: A Programmer's Perspective

Machine-Level Programming (4: Data Structures)



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### **Today**



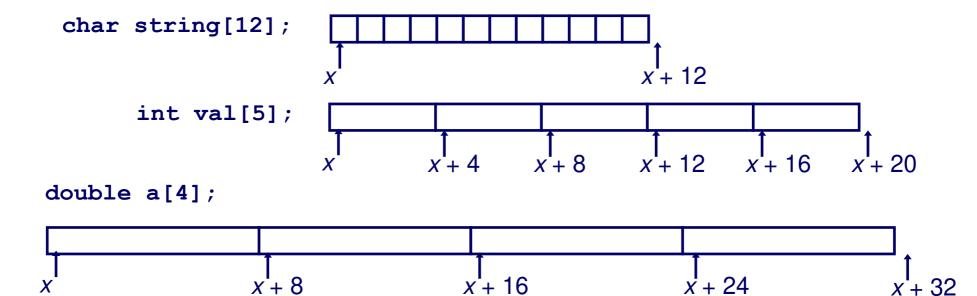
- Arrays
  - One-dimensional
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  - Multi-level
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  - Alignment
- Optional: Floating Point

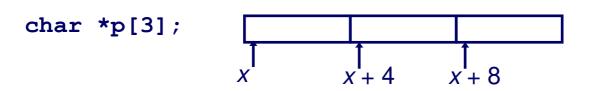
# **Array Allocation**

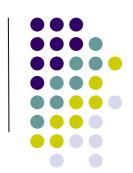
#### **Basic Principle**

T A[L];

- Array of data type T and length L
- Contiguously allocated region of L \* sizeof (T) bytes

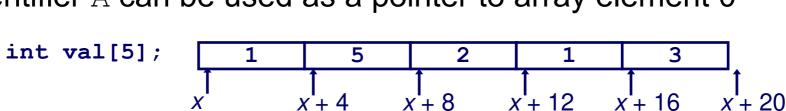






## **Array Access**

- 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



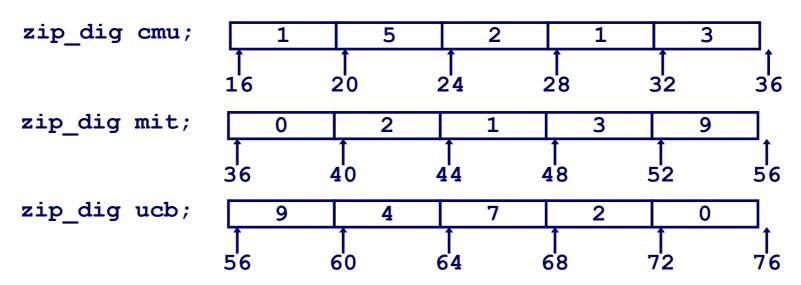
<ul><li>Reference</li></ul>	Type	Value
val[4]	int	3
val	int *	X
val+1	int *	x + 4
&val[2]	int *	x + 8
val[5]	int	??
* (val+1)	int	5
val + <i>i</i>	int *	x + 4i



# **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 };
```



#### **Notes**

- Declaration "zip\_dig cmu" equivalent to "int cmu[5]"
- Example arrays were allocated in successive 20 byte blocks
  - Not guaranteed to happen in general



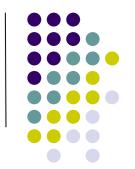
# **Array Accessing Example**

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

- Register %rdi: array starting address
- Register %rsi: array index
- Desired digit at: %rdi + 4\*%rsi
- Use memory reference:
  - (%rdi,%rsi,4)

```
# %rdi = z
# %rsi = dig
movl (%rdi,%rsi,4), %eax # z[dig]
```



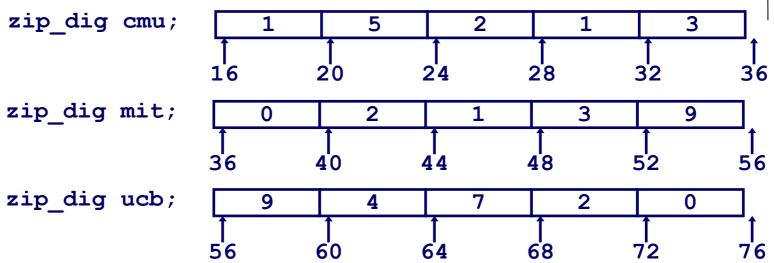


```
void zincr(zip_dig z) {
    size_t i;

for (i = 0; i < ZLEN; i++)
    z[i]++;
}</pre>
```

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

# Referencing Examples



Code Does Not Do Any Bounds Checking!

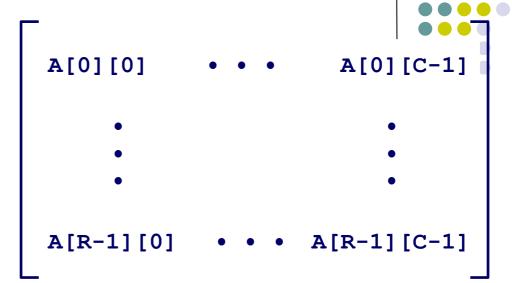
Reference	Address	Value	Guaranteed?
mit[3]	36 + 4* 3 = 48	3	Yes
mit[5]	36 + 4*5 = 56	9	No
mit[-1]	36 + 4*-1 = 32	3	No
cmu[15]	16 + 4*15 = 76	3.5	No

- Out of range behavior implementation-dependent
  - No guaranteed relative allocation of different arrays

# **Nested Array Allocation**

**Declaration** 

- Array of data type T
- R rows, C columns
- Type T element requires K bytes



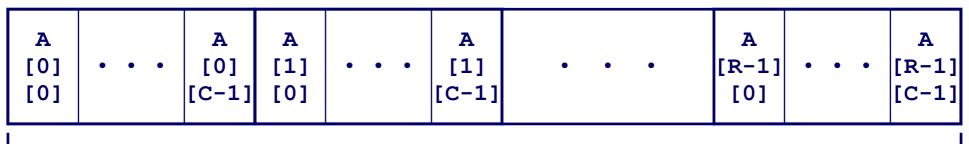
#### **Array Size**

R \* C \* K bytes

#### Arrangement

Row-Major Ordering

int A[R][C];

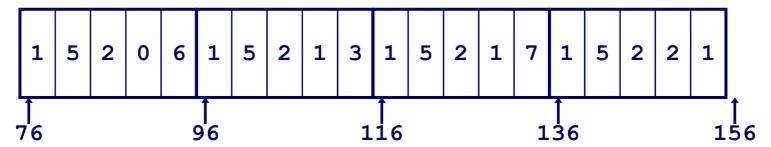


4\*R\*C Bytes

# **Nested Array Example**

```
#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];
```



- Declaration "zip\_dig pgh[4]" equivalent to "int pgh[4][5]"
- Variable pgh denotes array of 4 elements, allocated contiguously
  - Each element is an array of 5 int's, allocated contiguously
- "Row-Major" ordering of all elements guaranteed

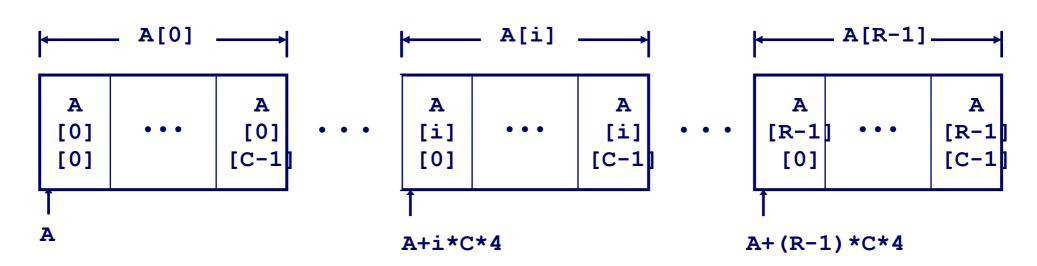
## **Nested Array Row Access**



#### **Row Vectors**

- A[i] is array of C elements
- Each element of type T
- Starting address A + i \* C \* K

int A[R][C];



# **Nested Array Row Access Code**

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

#### **Row Vector**

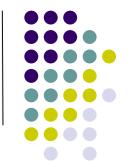
- pgh[index] is array of 5 int's
- Starting address pgh+20\*index

#### Code

- Computes and returns address
- Compute as pgh + 4\*(index+4\*index)

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

# **Nested Array Element Access**

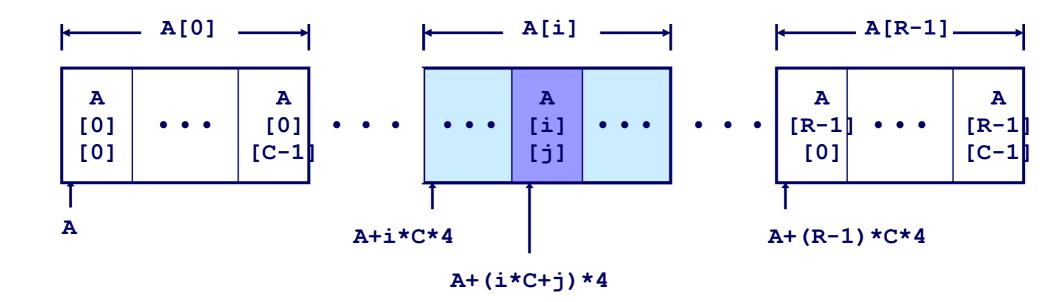


#### **Array Elements**

- A[i][j] is element of type T
- Address A + (i \* C + j) \* K

A [i] [j]

int A[R][C];



## **Nested Array Element Access Code**



#### **Array Elements**

- pgh[index][dig] is int
- Address: pgh+20\*index+4\*dig = pgh+4\*(5\*index + dig)

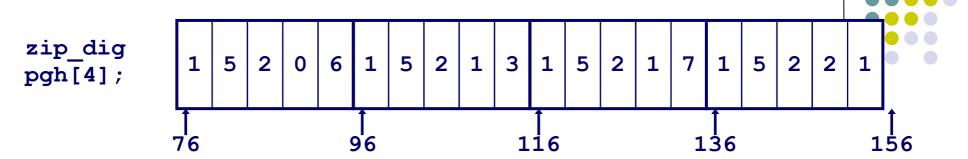
#### Code

- Computes address as: pgh + 4\*dig + 4\*(index+4\*index)
- movl performs memory reference

```
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)]
```

# Referencing Examples



#### Reference Address

#### Value

#### Guaranteed?

Pgh[3][3] 
$$76+20*3+4*3 = 148$$
 2 Yes  
Pgh[2][5]  $76+20*2+4*5 = 136$  1 Yes  
Pgh[2][-1]  $76+20*2+4*-1 = 112$  3 Yes  
Pgh[4][-1]  $76+20*4+4*-1 = 152$  1 Yes  
Pgh[0][19]  $76+20*0+4*19 = 152$  1 Yes  
Pgh[0][-1]  $76+20*0+4*-1 = 72$  ??

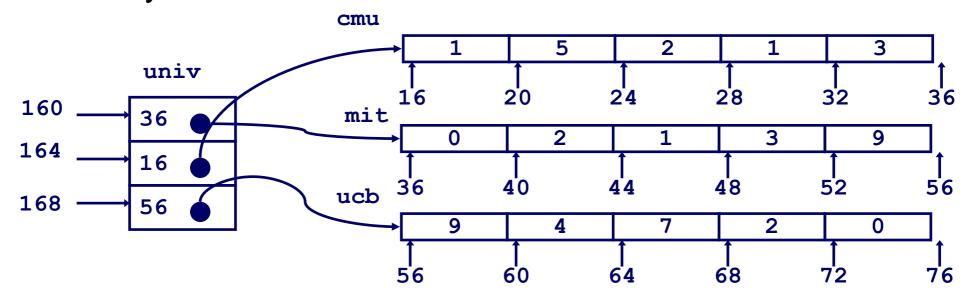
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- Ordering of elements within array guaranteed

# Multi-Level Array Example

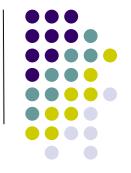
- Variable univ denotes array of 3 elements
- Each element is a pointer
  - 4 bytes
- Each pointer points to array of int's

```
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};
```



### **Element Access in Multi-Level Array**



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

#### 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

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

# **Array Element Accesses**

Similar C references

#### **Nested Array**

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

Element at

Mem[pqh+20\*index+4\*diq]

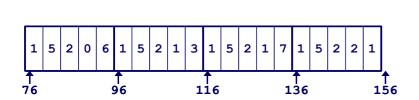
Different address computation

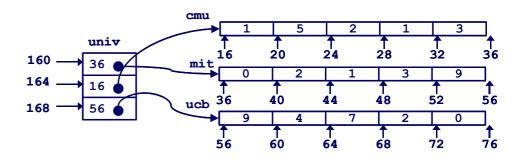
#### Multi-Level Array

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

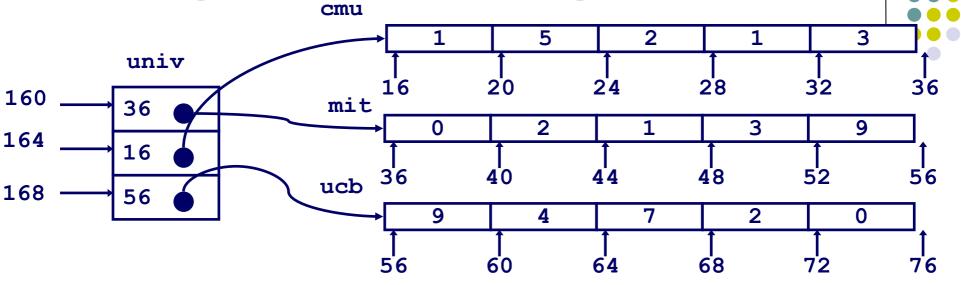
Element at

Mem[Mem[univ+8\*index]+4\*dig]





# Strange Referencing Examples



Guaranteed?	Value	Address	Reference
Yes	2	56+4*3 = 68	univ[2][3]
No	0	16+4*5 = 36	univ[1][5]
No	9	56+4*-1 = 52	univ[2][-1]
	3.5	3.5	univ[3][-1]
No	7	16+4*12 = 64	univ[1][12]
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- Code does not do any bounds checking
- Ordering of elements in different arrays not guaranteed



- Fixed dimensions
  - Know value of N at compile time
- Variable dimensions, explicit indexing
  - Traditional way to implement dynamic arrays
- Variable dimensions, implicit indexing
  - Now supported by gcc
  - ISO C99 standard
  - Try at your own risk







- Address **A** +  $i^*(C^*K) + j^*K$
- $\blacksquare$  C = 16, K = 4

```
/* Get element a[i][j] */
int fix_ele(fix_matrix a, size_t i, size_t j) {
  return a[i][j];
}
```

```
# a in %rdi, i in %rsi, j in %rdx
salq $6, %rsi # 64*i
addq %rsi, %rdi # a + 64*i
movl (%rdi,%rdx,4), %eax # M[a + 64*i + 4*j]
ret
```

#### n X n Matrix Access



- Address A + i\* (C\*K) + j\* K
- C = n, K = 4
- Must perform integer multiplication

```
/* Get element a[i][j] */
int var_ele(size_t n, int a[n][n], size_t i, size_t j) {
  return a[i][j];
}
```

```
# n in %rdi, a in %rsi, i in %rdx, j in %rcx
imulq %rdx, %rdi  # n*i
leaq (%rsi,%rdi,4), %rax # a + 4*n*i
movl (%rax,%rcx,4), %eax # a + 4*n*i + 4*j
ret
```

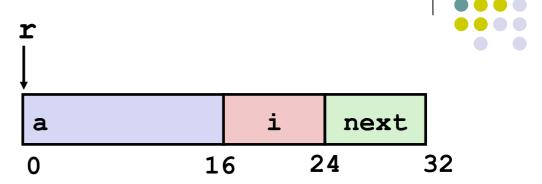
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### **Structure Representation**

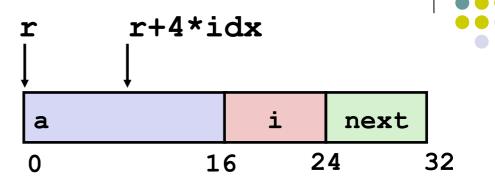
```
struct rec {
   int a[4];
   size_t i;
   struct rec *next;
};
```



- Structure represented as block of memory
  - Big enough to hold all of the fields
- Fields ordered according to declaration
  - Even if another ordering could yield a more compact representation
- Compiler determines overall size + positions of fields
  - Machine-level program has no understanding of the structures in the source code

### **Generating Pointer to Structure Member**

```
struct rec {
   int a[4];
   size_t i;
   struct rec *next;
};
```



#### Generating Pointer to Array Element

- Offset of each structure member determined at compile time
- Compute as r + 4\*idx

```
int *get_ap
  (struct rec *r, size_t idx)
{
   return &r->a[idx];
}
```

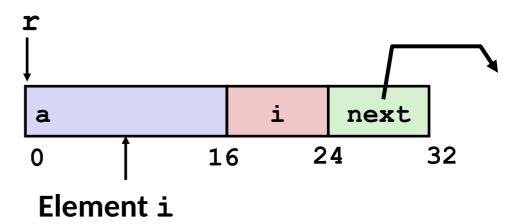
```
# r in %rdi, idx in %rsi
leaq (%rdi,%rsi,4), %rax
ret
```

### **Following Linked List**

C Code

```
void set_val
  (struct rec *r, int val)
{
  while (r) {
    int i = r->i;
    r->a[i] = val;
    r = r->next;
  }
}
```

```
struct rec {
   int a[4];
   int i;
   struct rec *next;
};
```

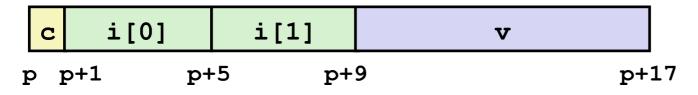


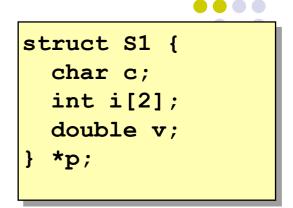
Register	Value
%rdi	r
%rsi	val

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### **Structures & Alignment**

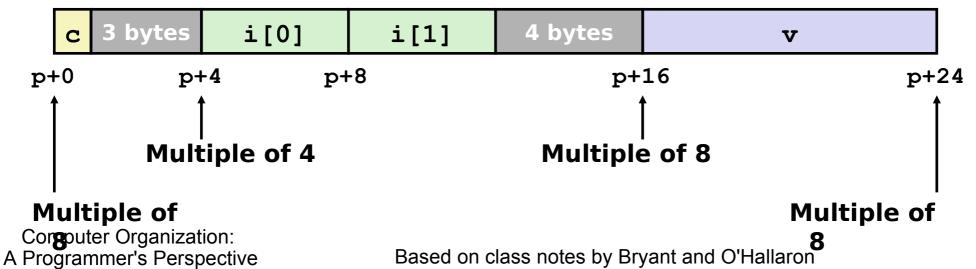
#### **Unaligned Data**





#### **Aligned Data**

- Primitive data type requires K bytes
- Address must be multiple of K



### **Alignment Principles**



#### Aligned Data

- Primitive data type requires K bytes
- Address must be multiple of K
- Required on some machines; advised on x86-64

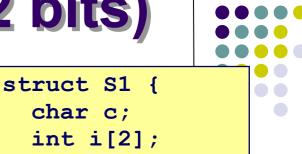
#### Motivation for Aligning Data

- Memory accessed by (aligned) chunks of 4 or 8 bytes (system dependent)
  - Inefficient to load or store datum that spans quad word boundaries
  - Virtual memory trickier when datum spans 2 pages

#### Compiler

Inserts gaps in structure to ensure correct alignment of fields

# Linux vs. Windows (IA32 bits)

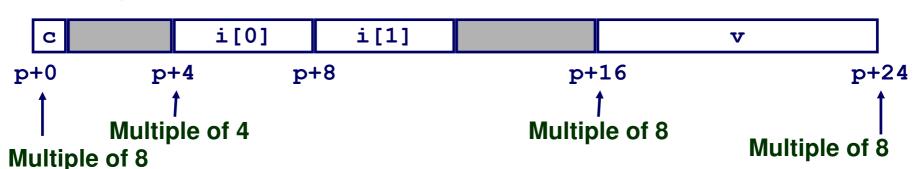


char c;

double v;

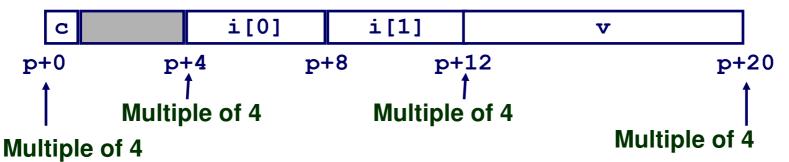
#### Windows (including Cygwin):

K = 8, due to double element



#### Linux:

K = 4; double treated like a 4-byte data type



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### **Specific Cases of Alignment (x86-64)**

- 1 byte: char, ...
  - no restrictions on address
- 2 bytes: short, ...
  - lowest 1 bit of address must be 02
- 4 bytes: int, float, ...
  - lowest 2 bits of address must be 00<sub>2</sub>
- 8 bytes: double, long, char \*, ...
  - lowest 3 bits of address must be 000<sub>2</sub>
- 16 bytes: long double (GCC on Linux)
  - lowest 4 bits of address must be 0000<sub>2</sub>

### **Satisfying Alignment with Structures**

# struct S1 { char c; int i[2]; double v; } \*p;

#### Within structure:

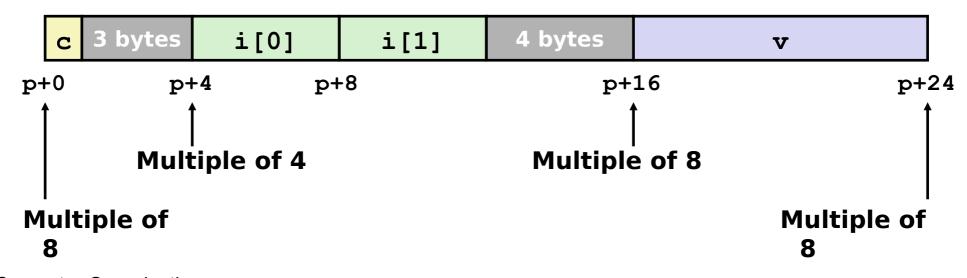
Must satisfy each element's alignment requirement

#### Overall structure placement

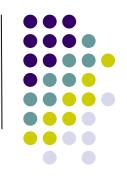
- Each structure has alignment requirement K
  - K = Largest alignment of any element
- Initial address & structure length must be multiples of K

#### Example:

K = 8, due to double element



### **Meeting Overall Alignment Requirement**



- For largest alignment requirement K
- Overall structure must be multiple of K

```
struct S2 {
  double v;
  int i[2];
  char c;
} *p;
```

	n+0 n							i[0]				i[1]				7	es				
p+0					p+8	8							p+	16						p+:	24
																		/		<i>i</i>	

Multiple of K=8

### **Arrays of Structures**

- Overall structure length multiple of K
- Satisfy alignment requirement for every element

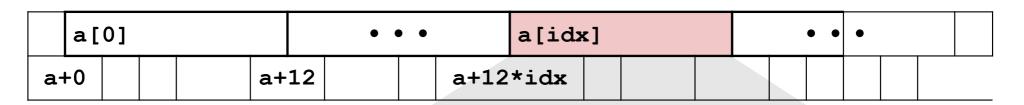
struct S2 {	
double v;	
int i[2];	
char c;	
} a[10];	

	a [	0]		a[1]				a[	2]		• • •					
a+0			a+2	4			a+48			a+72						

		v						i[0]				i[1]				c 7 bytes							
a+	24						a+3	32						a+	40							a+4	18

### **Accessing Array Elements**

- Compute array offset 12\*idx
  - sizeof(S3), including alignment spacers
- Element **j** is at offset 8 within structure
- Assembler gives offset a+8
  - Resolved during linking



			i	2 byt	es	1	J	j	2	byt	es	
		a+12	*idx				a+12*	idx+8				

```
short get_j(int idx)
{
   return a[idx].j;
}
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```

```
# %rdi = idx
leaq (%rdi,%rdi,2),%rax # 3*idx
movzwl a+8(,%rax,4),%eax
```

struct S3 {

short i:

float v;

short j;

a[10];

### **Saving Space**

- Put large data types first
- Effect (K=4)

```
struct S4 {
  char c;
  int i;
  char d;
} *p;
```



```
struct S5 {
  int i;
  char c;
  char d;
} *p;
```

```
c 3 bytes i d 3 bytes
```

