

x86-64 Programming III

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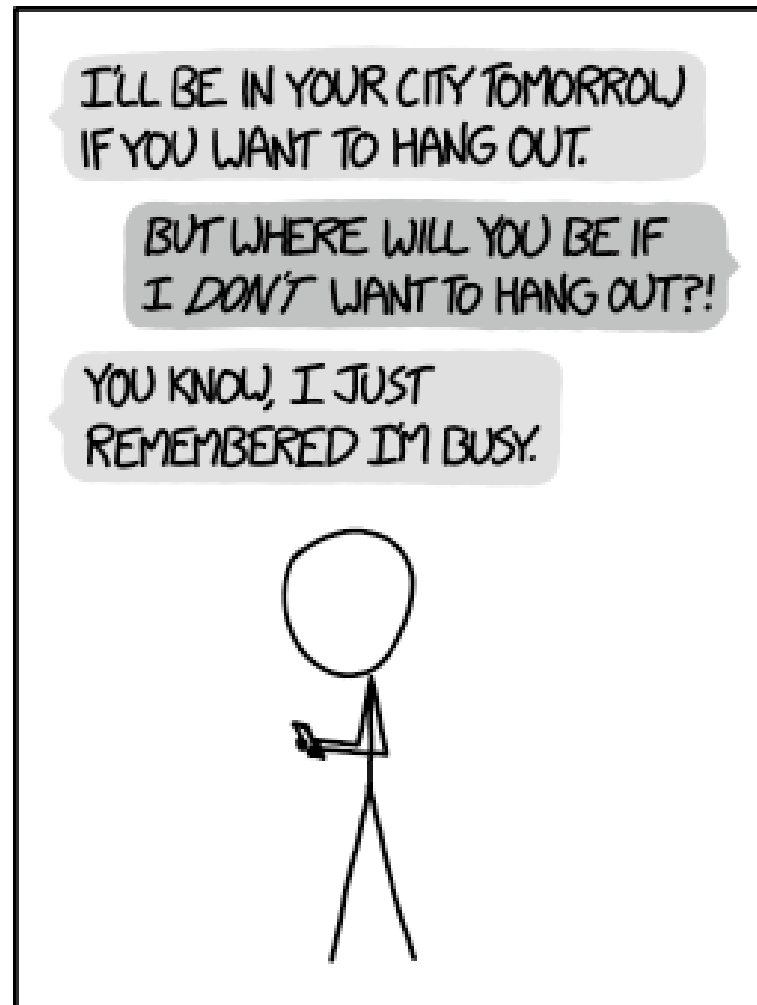
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WHY I TRY NOT TO BE
PEDANTIC ABOUT CONDITIONALS.

<http://xkcd.com/1652/>

Administrivia

- ❖ Homework 2 due Friday (10/19)
- ❖ Lab 2 due next Friday (10/26)

- ❖ Section tomorrow on Assembly and GDB
 - Bring your laptops!
 - GDB Tutorial Session: Thu 10/18, 5:30 pm, GUG 220

- ❖ Midterm: 10/29, 5 pm in KNE 210 & 220
 - You will be provided a fresh reference sheet
 - You get 1 *handwritten*, double-sided cheat sheet (letter)
 - Midterm Clobber Policy: replace midterm score with score on midterm portion of the final if you “do better”

Aside: movz and movs

movz __ src, regDest # Move with zero extension

movs __ src, regDest # Move with sign extension

- Copy from a *smaller* source value to a *larger* destination
- Source can be memory or register; Destination *must* be a register
- Fill remaining bits of dest with **zero** (movz) or **sign bit** (movs)

movzSD / movsSD:

S – size of source (**b** = 1 byte, **w** = 2)

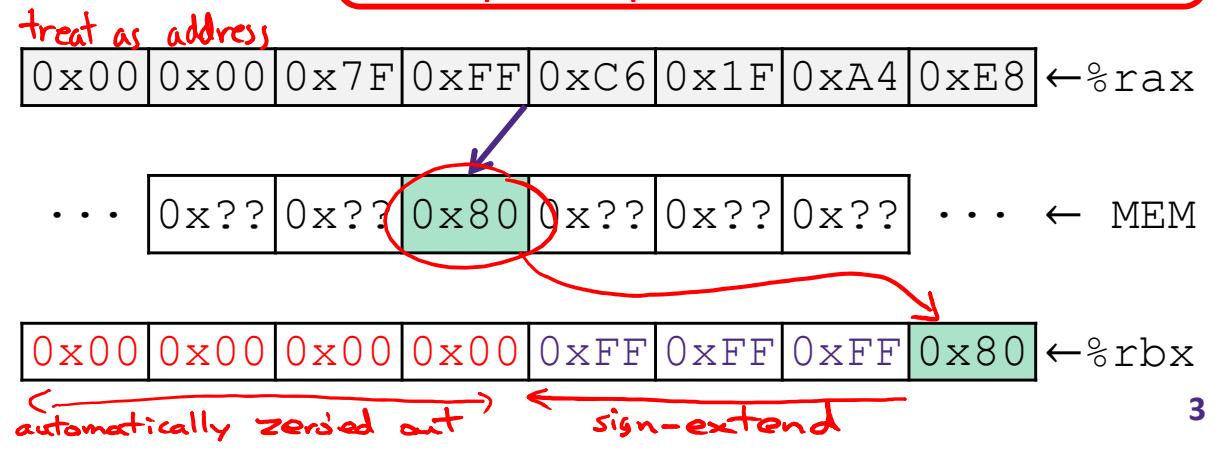
D – size of dest (**w** = 2 bytes, **l** = 4, **q** = 8)

Note: In x86-64, any instruction that generates a 32-bit (long word) value for a register also sets the high-order portion of the register to 0. Good example on p. 184 in the textbook.

Example: ^{1 byte}

movsbl (%rax), %ebx ^{4 bytes}

Copy 1 byte from memory into 8-byte register & sign extend it



GDB Demo

- ❖ The `movz` and `movs` examples on a real machine!
 - `movzbq %al, %rbx`
 - `movsbl (%rax), %ebx`
- ❖ You will need to use GDB to get through Lab 2
 - Useful debugger in this class and beyond!
- ❖ Pay attention to:
 - Setting breakpoints (`break`)
 - Stepping through code (`step/next` and `stepi/nexti`)
 - Printing out expressions (`print` – works with regs & vars)
 - Examining memory (`x`)

Choosing instructions for conditionals

- ❖ All arithmetic instructions set condition flags based on result of operation (op)
 - Conditionals are comparisons against 0
- ❖ Come in instruction *pairs*

```

    ① addq 5, (p)
    je:   *p+5 == 0
    ② jne: *p+5 != 0
    jg:   *p+5 > 0
    jl:   *p+5 < 0
    
```

```

    ① orq a, b
    je:   b|a == 0
    jne:  b|a != 0
    ② jg:   b|a > 0
    jl:   b|a < 0
    
```

		① (op) s, d
je	"Equal"	d (op) s == 0
jne	"Not equal"	d (op) s != 0
js	"Sign" (negative)	d (op) s < 0
jns	(non-negative)	d (op) s >= 0
jg	"Greater"	d (op) s > 0
jge	"Greater or equal"	d (op) s >= 0
② j1	"Less"	d (op) s < 0
jle	"Less or equal"	d (op) s <= 0
ja	"Above" (unsigned >)	d (op) s > 0U
jb	"Below" (unsigned <)	d (op) s < 0U

Choosing instructions for conditionals

- ❖ Reminder: `cmp` is like `sub`, `test` is like `and`
 - Result is not stored anywhere

	<code>cmp a, b</code>	<code>test a, b</code>
je "Equal"	<code>b == a</code>	<code>b&a == 0</code>
jne "Not equal"	<code>b != a</code>	<code>b&a != 0</code>
js "Sign" (negative)	<code>b-a < 0</code>	<code>b&a < 0</code>
jns (non-negative)	<code>b-a >= 0</code>	<code>b&a >= 0</code>
jg "Greater"	<code>b > a</code>	<code>b&a > 0</code>
jge "Greater or equal"	<code>b >= a</code>	<code>b&a >= 0</code>
jl "Less"	<code>b < a</code>	<code>b&a < 0</code>
jle "Less or equal"	<code>b <= a</code>	<code>b&a <= 0</code>
ja "Above" (unsigned >)	<code>b > a</code>	<code>b&a > 0U</code>
jb "Below" (unsigned <)	<code>b < a</code>	<code>b&a < 0U</code>

```

cmpq 5, (p)
je:   *p == 5
jne:  *p != 5
jg:   *p > 5
jl:   *p < 5
    
```

```

testq a, a
je:   a == 0
jne:  a != 0
jg:   a > 0
jl:   a < 0
    
```

```

testb a, 0x1
je:   aLSB == 0
jne:  aLSB == 1
    
```

Choosing instructions for conditionals

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	argument x
%rsi	argument y
%rax	return value

	<u>①</u> <code>cmp a,b</code>	<code>test a,b</code>
<code>je</code> "Equal"	<code>b == a</code>	<code>b&a == 0</code>
<code>jne</code> "Not equal"	<code>b != a</code>	<code>b&a != 0</code>
<code>js</code> "Sign" (negative)	<code>b-a < 0</code>	<code>b&a < 0</code>
<code>jns</code> (non-negative)	<code>b-a >= 0</code>	<code>b&a >= 0</code>
<code>jg</code> "Greater"	<code>b > a</code>	<code>b&a > 0</code>
<u>②</u> <code>jge</code> "Greater or equal"	<u><code>b >= a</code></u>	<code>b&a >= 0</code>
<code>jl</code> "Less"	<code>b < a</code>	<code>b&a < 0</code>
<code>jle</code> "Less or equal"	<code>b <= a</code>	<code>b&a <= 0</code>
<code>ja</code> "Above" (unsigned >)	<code>b > a</code>	<code>b&a > 0U</code>
<code>jb</code> "Below" (unsigned <)	<code>b < a</code>	<code>b&a < 0U</code>

```

if (x < 3) {
    return 1;
}
return 2;
    
```

do this if x ≥ 3

```

cmpq $3, %rdi
jge T2
T1: # x < 3: (if)
    movq $1, %rax
    ret
T2: # !(x < 3): (else)
    movq $2, %rax
    ret
    
```

labels

Question

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

```
long absdiff(long x, long y)
{
    long result;
    if (x > y)
        result = x-y;
    else
        result = y-x;
    return result;
}
```

- A. `cmpq %rsi, %rdi` *x-y*
`jle .L4`
- B. `cmpq %rsi, %rdi` *x-y*
`jg .L4`
- ~~C. `testq %rsi, %rdi` *x&y*
`jle .L4`~~
- ~~D. `testq %rsi, %rdi` *x&y*
`jg .L4`~~
- E. We're lost...

```
absdiff:
    _____
    _____
                                     # x > y:
    movq    %rdi, %rax
    subq    %rsi, %rax
    ret

.L4:                                     # x <= y:
    movq    %rsi, %rax
    subq    %rdi, %rax
    ret
```

x-y <= 0
 ↑
 less than or equal to
 (le)

Choosing instructions for conditionals

		cmp a,b	test a,b
je	"Equal"	$b^x == y^a$	$b \& a == 0$
jne	"Not equal"	$b \neq a$	$b \& a \neq 0$
js	"Sign" (negative)	$b - a < 0$	$b \& a < 0$
jns	(non-negative)	$b - a \geq 0$	$b \& a \geq 0$
jg	"Greater"	$b > a$	$b \& a > 0$
jge	"Greater or equal"	$b \geq a$	$b \& a \geq 0$
j1	"Less"	$b^x < 3^a$	$b \& a < 0$
jle	"Less or equal"	$b \leq a$	$b \& a \leq 0$
ja	"Above" (unsigned >)	$b > a$	$b \& a > 0U$
jb	"Below" (unsigned <)	$b < a$	$b \& a < 0U$

```

if (x < 3 && x == y) {
    return 1;
} else {
    return 2;
}
    
```

%al *%bl*

do this if either %al or %bl are False

```

1) cmpq $3, %rdi
   setl %al
2) cmpq %rsi, %rdi
   sete %bl
3) testb %al, %bl
   je T2
T1: # x < 3 && x == y:
    movq $1, %rax
    ret
T2: # else
    movq $2, %rax
    ret
    
```

%al = (x < 3)

%bl = (x == y)

jump to T2 if (%al & %bl) == 0

❖ <https://godbolt.org/z/j72AEn>

Labels

swap:

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

max:

```
movq %rdi, %rax
cmpq %rsi, %rdi
jg done
movq %rsi, %rax
```

done:

```
ret
```



- ❖ A jump changes the program counter (%rip)
 - %rip tells the CPU the *address* of the next instr to execute
- ❖ **Labels** give us a way to refer to a specific instruction in our assembly/machine code
 - Associated with the *next* instruction found in the assembly code (ignores whitespace)
 - Each *use* of the label will eventually be replaced with something that indicates the final address of the instruction that it is associated with

x86 Control Flow

- ❖ Condition codes
- ❖ Conditional and unconditional branches
- ❖ **Loops**
- ❖ Switches

Expressing with Goto Code

<pre> long absdiff(long x, long y) { long result; if (x > y) result = x-y; else result = y-x; return result; } </pre>	<p style="color: red; font-size: small;">conditional jump</p> <pre> long absdiff_j(long x, long y) { long result; int ntest = (x <= y); if (ntest) goto Else; result = x-y; goto Done; Else: result = y-x; Done: return result; } </pre> <p style="color: red; font-size: small;">cmp jle jmp</p>
<p style="color: red; font-size: small;">unconditional jump → goto</p> <p style="color: red; font-size: small;">labels (addresses)</p>	

- ❖ C allows goto as means of transferring control (jump)
 - Closer to assembly programming style
 - Generally considered bad coding style

Compiling Loops

C/Java code:

```
while ( sum Test != 0 ) {  
    <loop body>  
}
```

Assembly code:

```
loopTop: → testq %rax, %rax } !Test  
           je      loopDone  
           <loop body code>  
           jmp     loopTop  
loopDone:
```

- ❖ Other loops compiled similarly
 - Will show variations and complications in coming slides, but may skip a few examples in the interest of time
- ❖ Most important to consider:
 - When should conditionals be evaluated? (*while* vs. *do-while*)
 - How much jumping is involved?

Compiling Loops

C/Java code:

```
while ( Test ) {
    Body
}
```

Goto version

```
Loop: if ( !Test ) goto Exit;
      Body
      goto Loop;
Exit:
```

❖ What are the Goto versions of the following?

- Do...while: Test and Body *do { Body }while (Test);*
- For loop: Init, Test, Update, and Body *"i=0" "i<n" "i++" for (Init; Test; Update) { Body }*

Do...while

```
Loop: Body
      if (Test) goto Loop;
```

For loop

```
Init
Loop: if (!Test) goto Exit;
      Body
      Update
      goto Loop;
Exit:
```

Compiling Loops

all jump instructions
update the program counter (%rip)

While Loop:

```
C: while ( sum Test != 0 ) {
    <loop body>
}
```

x86-64:

```
loopTop:    testq %rax, %rax } ~Test
            je     loopDone
            <loop body code>
            jmp    loopTop

loopDone:
```

sum == 0

Do-while Loop:

```
C: do {
    <loop body>
} while ( sum Test != 0 )
```

x86-64:

```
loopTop:
    <loop body code>
    testq %rax, %rax } Test
    jne   loopTop

loopDone:
```

While Loop (ver. 2):

```
C: while ( sum Test != 0 ) {
    <loop body>
}
```

x86-64:

```
loopTop:    testq %rax, %rax } ~Test
            je     loopDone
            <loop body code>
            testq %rax, %rax } Test
            jne   loopTop

loopDone:
```

do-while loop

For-Loop → While-Loop

For-Loop:

```
for (Init; Test; Update) {  
    Body  
}
```



While-Loop Version:

```
Init ;  
while (Test) {  
    Body  
    Update ;  
}
```

Caveat: C and Java have `break` and `continue`

- Conversion works fine for `break`
 - Jump to same label as loop exit condition
- But not `continue`: would skip doing *Update*, which it should do with for-loops
 - Introduce new label at *Update*

x86 Control Flow

- ❖ Condition codes
- ❖ Conditional and unconditional branches
- ❖ Loops
- ❖ **Switches**

```
long switch_ex
(long x, long y, long z)
{
    long w = 1;
    switch ((x)) {
        case 1:
            w = y*z;
            break;
        case 2:
            w = y/z;
            /* Fall Through */
        case 3:
            w += z;
            break;
        case 5:
        case 6:
            w -= z;
            break;
        default:
            w = 2;
    }
    return w;
}
```

Switch Statement Example

- ❖ Multiple case labels
 - Here: 5 & 6
- ❖ Fall through cases
 - Here: 2
- ❖ Missing cases
 - Here: 4
- ❖ Implemented with:
 - Jump table
 - Indirect jump instruction ★

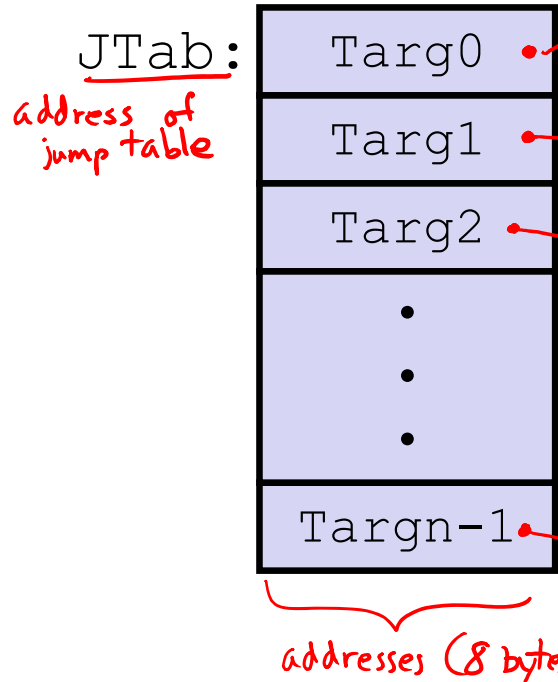
Jump Table Structure

Switch Form

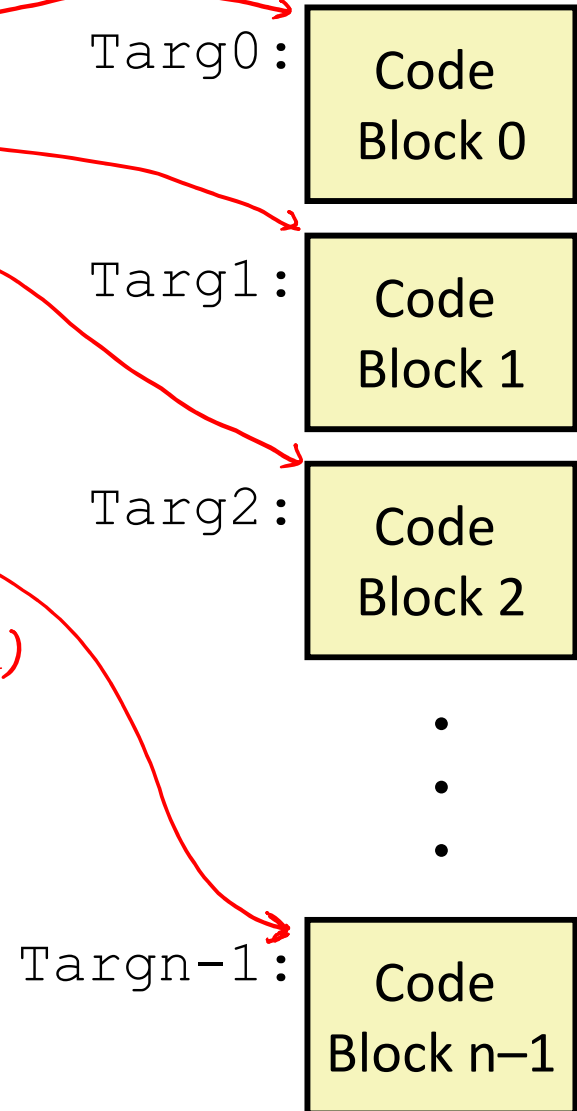
```

switch (x) {
  case val_0:
    Block 0
  case val_1:
    Block 1
    . . .
  case val_n-1:
    Block n-1
}
    
```

Jump Table



Jump Targets



Approximate Translation

```

target = JTab[x];
goto target;
    
```

like an array of pointers

Jump Table Structure

C code:

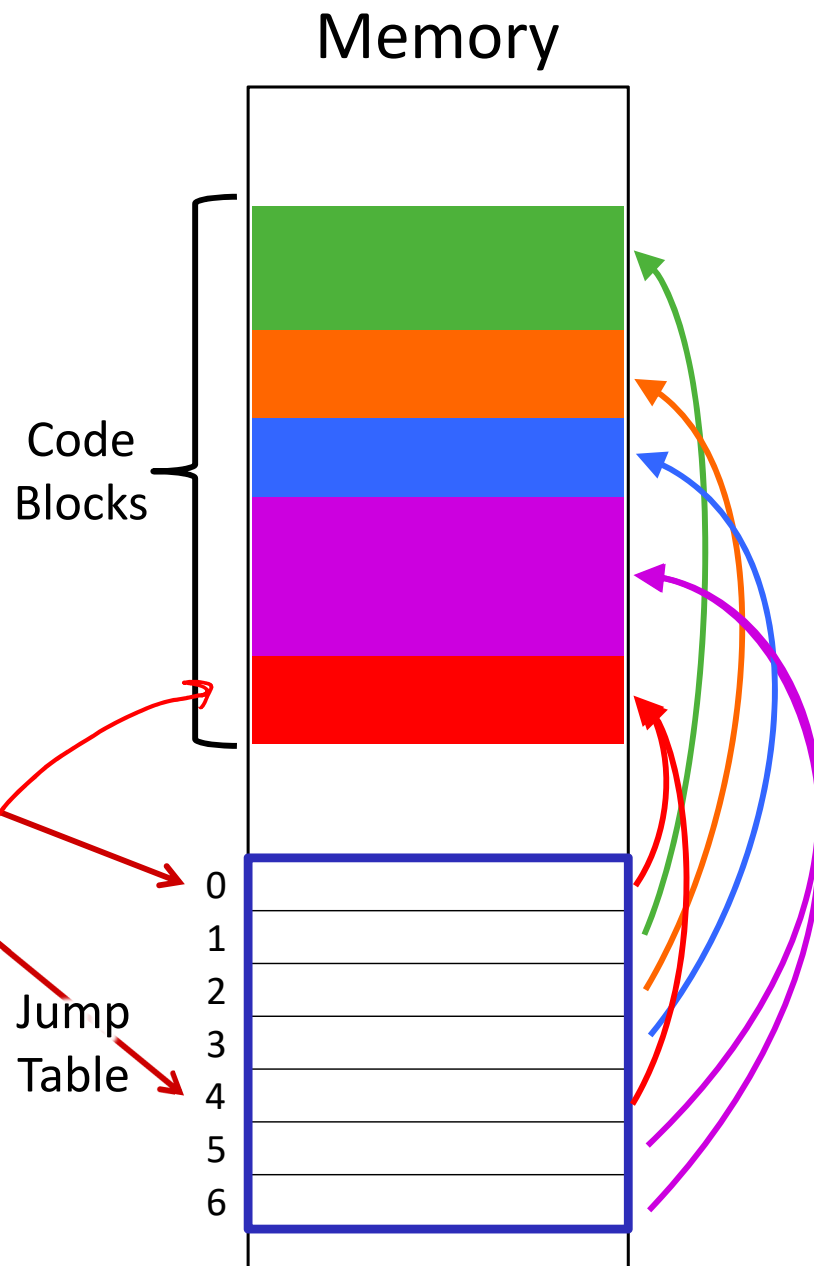
```

switch (x) {
  case 1: <some code>
    break;
  case 2: <some code>
    break;
  case 3: <some code>
    break;
  case 5:
  case 6: <some code>
    break;
  default: <some code>
}
    
```

Use the jump table when $x \leq 6$:

```

if (x <= 6)
  target = JTab[x];
goto target;
else
  goto default;
    
```



Switch Statement Example

```

long switch_ex(long x, long y, long z)
{
    long w = 1;
    switch (x) {
        . . .
    }
    return w;
}
    
```

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

Note compiler chose to not initialize w

```

switch_eg:
    movq    %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq    $6, %rdi
    ja     .L8
    jmp     *.L4(, %rdi, 8)
    
```

Take a look!

<https://godbolt.org/z/dOWSFR>

jump above – unsigned > catches negative default cases
 -1 > 6U → jump to default case

Switch Statement Example

```

long switch_ex(long x, long y, long z)
{
    long w = 1;
    switch (x) {
        . . .
    }
    return w;
}
    
```

Jump table

```

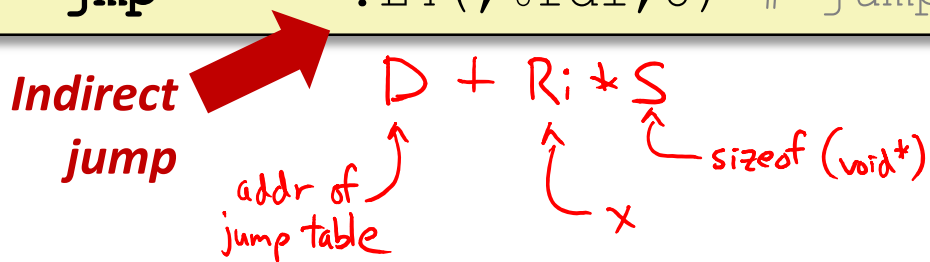
.section .rodata
    .align 8
.L4:
    .quad .L8 # x = 0
    .quad .L3 # x = 1
    .quad .L5 # x = 2
    .quad .L9 # x = 3
    .quad .L8 # x = 4
    .quad .L7 # x = 5
    .quad .L7 # x = 6
    
```

```

switch_eg:
    movq    %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq    $6, %rdi    # x:6
    ja     .L8          # default
    jmp     *.L4(, %rdi, 8) # jump table
    
```

following data is a "quad word" = 8 bytes

address



Assembly Setup Explanation

❖ Table Structure

- Each target requires 8 bytes (address)
- Base address at `.L4`

❖ Direct jump: `jmp .L8`

- Jump target is denoted by label `.L8`

`%rip` ←

❖ Indirect jump: `jmp *.L4(, %rdi, 8)`

- Start of jump table: `.L4`
- Must scale by factor of 8 (addresses are 8 bytes)
- Fetch target from effective address `.L4 + x * 8`
 - Only for $0 \leq x \leq 6$

Jump table

```
.section .rodata
.align 8
.L4:
.quad .L8 # x = 0
.quad .L3 # x = 1
.quad .L5 # x = 2
.quad .L9 # x = 3
.quad .L8 # x = 4
.quad .L7 # x = 5
.quad .L7 # x = 6
```

`Mem[D + Reg[Ri] * 5]`

Jump Table

declaring data, not instructions

8-byte memory alignment

```

Jump table
.section .rodata
    .align 8
.L4:
    .quad .L8 # x = 0
    .quad .L3 # x = 1
    .quad .L5 # x = 2
    .quad .L9 # x = 3
    .quad .L8 # x = 4
    .quad .L7 # x = 5
    .quad .L7 # x = 6
    
```

this data is 64-bits wide

```

switch(x) {
    case 1: // .L3
        w = y*z;
        break;
    case 2: // .L5
        w = y/z;
        /* Fall Through */
    case 3: // .L9
        w += z;
        break;
    case 5:
    case 6: // .L7
        w -= z;
        break;
    default: // .L8
        w = 2;
}
    
```


Code Blocks (x == 1)

```
switch(x) {  
  case 1:    // .L3  
    w = y*z;  
    break;  
  . . .  
}
```

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

```
.L3:  
  movq    %rsi, %rax    # y  
  imulq   %rdx, %rax    # y*z  
  ret
```

Handling Fall-Through

```
long w = 1;
. . .
switch (x) {
. . .
case 2: // .L5
    w = y/z;
    /* Fall Through */
case 3: // .L9
    w += z;
    break;
. . .
}
```

```
case 2:
    w = y/z;
    goto merge;
```

```
case 3:
    w = 1;
merge:
    w += z;
```

*More complicated choice than
“just fall-through” forced by
“migration” of `w = 1;`*

- Example compilation trade-off*

Code Blocks (x == 2, x == 3)

```

long w = 1;
. . .
switch (x) {
. . .
  case 2: // .L5
    w = y/z;
  /* Fall Through */
  case 3: // .L9
    w += z;
    break;
. . .
}

```

```

.L5:                                # Case 2:
  movq   %rsi, %rax                 # y in rax
  cqto                                     # Div prep
  idivq  %rcx                        # y/z
  jmp    .L6                          # goto merge
.L9:                                # Case 3:
  movl   $1, %eax                   # w = 1
.L6:                                # merge:
  addq   %rcx, %rax                 # w += z
  ret

```

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

Code Blocks (rest)

```
switch (x) {  
    . . .  
    case 5: // .L7  
    case 6: // .L7  
        w -= z;  
        break;  
    default: // .L8  
        w = 2;  
}
```

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

```
.L7: # Case 5,6:  
    movl    $1, %eax # w = 1  
    subq   %rdx, %rax # w -= z  
    ret  
.L8: # Default:  
    movl    $2, %eax # 2  
    ret
```