

x86-64 Programming III

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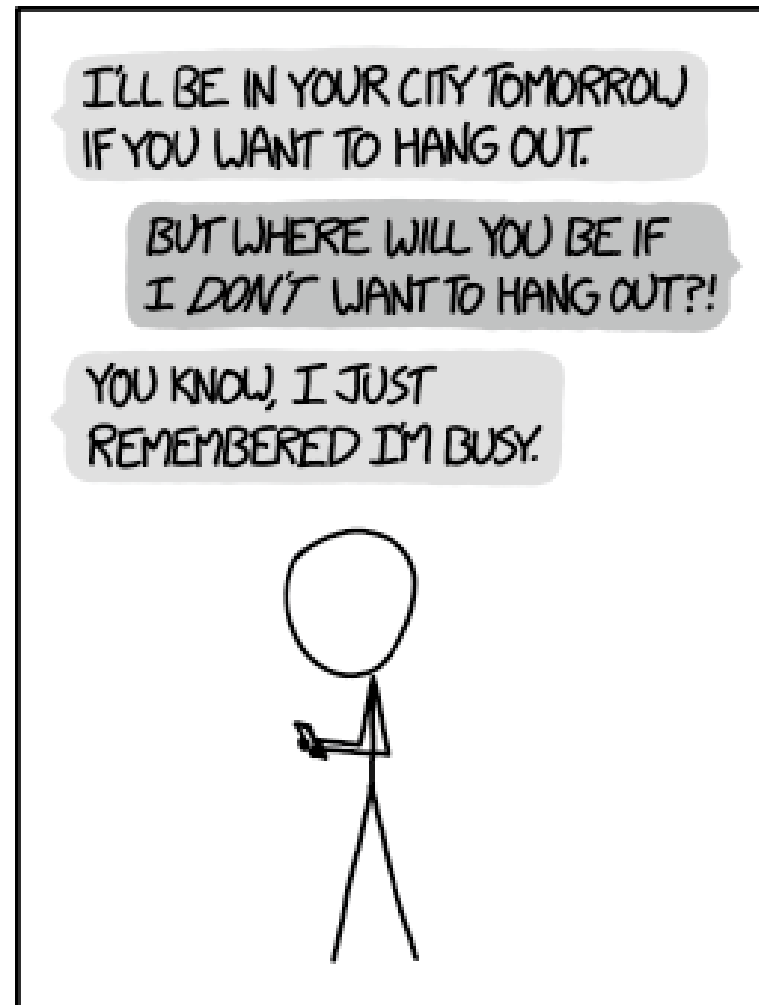
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WHY I TRY NOT TO BE
PEDANTIC ABOUT CONDITIONALS.

<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:

`movsbl (%rax), %ebx`

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

0x00 0x00 0x7F 0xFF 0xC6 0x1F 0xA4 0xE8 ← %rax

... 0x?? 0x?? 0x80 0x?? 0x?? 0x?? ... ← MEM

0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0xFF 0xFF 0xFF 0x80 ← %rbx

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*

```

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

```

```

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

```

		(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
jl	"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

		cmp a,b	test a,b
j_e	"Equal"	<code>b == a</code>	<code>b&a == 0</code>
j_{ne}	"Not equal"	<code>b != a</code>	<code>b&a != 0</code>
j_s	"Sign" (negative)	<code>b-a < 0</code>	<code>b&a < 0</code>
j_{ns}	(non-negative)	<code>b-a >= 0</code>	<code>b&a >= 0</code>
j_g	"Greater"	<code>b > a</code>	<code>b&a > 0</code>
j_{ge}	"Greater or equal"	<code>b >= a</code>	<code>b&a >= 0</code>
j_l	"Less"	<code>b < a</code>	<code>b&a < 0</code>
j_{le}	"Less or equal"	<code>b <= a</code>	<code>b&a <= 0</code>
j_a	"Above" (unsigned >)	<code>b > a</code>	<code>b&a > 0U</code>
j_b	"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

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

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

```

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

```

```

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

```

Question

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

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

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

absdiff:

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


Choosing instructions for conditionals

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jbe	"Equal"	b == a	b&a == 0
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❖ <https://godbolt.org/z/j72AEn>

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

```
cmpq $3, %rdi
setl %al
cmpq %rsi, %rdi
sete %bl
testb %al, %bl
je T2
```

```
T1: # x < 3 && x == y:
    movq $1, %rax
    ret
T2: # else
    movq $2, %rax
    ret
```

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

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

```
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;
}
```

- ❖ 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 != 0 ) {  
    <loop body>  
}
```

Assembly code:

```
loopTop:    testq %rax, %rax  
            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
- For loop: Init, Test, Update, and Body

Compiling Loops

While Loop:

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

x86-64:

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

loopDone:
```

Do-while Loop:

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

x86-64:

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

loopDone:
```

While Loop (ver. 2):

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

x86-64:

```

            testq %rax, %rax
            je     loopDone
loopTop:    <loop body code>
            testq %rax, %rax
            jne    loopTop

loopDone:
```

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  
}
```

Approximate Translation

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

Jump Table

JTab:	Targ0
	Targ1
	Targ2
	•
	•
	•
	Targn-1

Jump Targets

Targ0:	Code Block 0
Targ1:	Code Block 1
Targ2:	Code Block 2
	•
	•
	•
Targn-1:	Code Block n-1

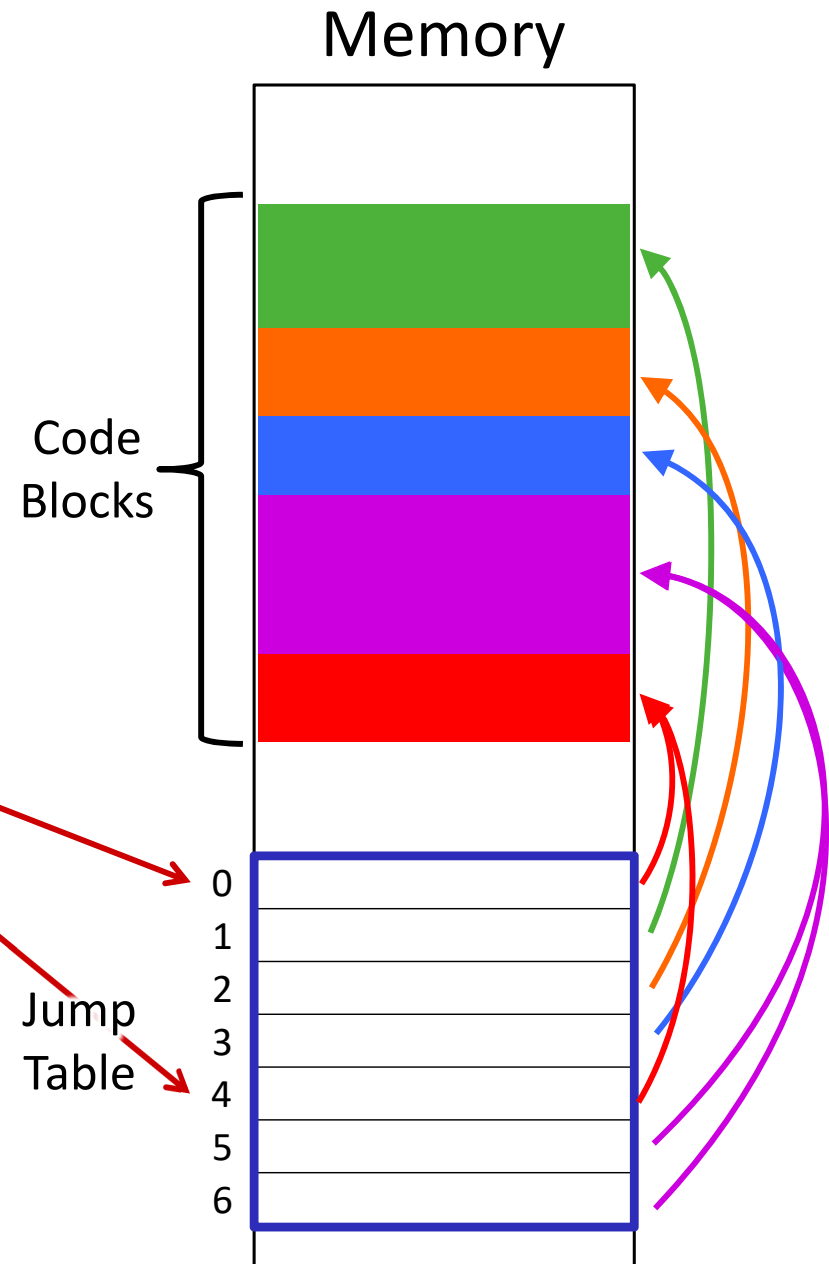
Jump Table Structure

C code:

```
switch (x) {  
    case 1: <some code>  
        break;  
    case 2: <some code>  
    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        # x:6
    ja     .L8              # default
    jmp     *.L4(, %rdi, 8)  # jump table
```

Take a look!

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

jump above – unsigned > catches negative default cases

Switch Statement Example

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

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

*Indirect
jump*



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
```

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`

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
```

❖ 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

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;
. . .
}

```

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

```

.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

```

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
```