

x86-64 Programming III

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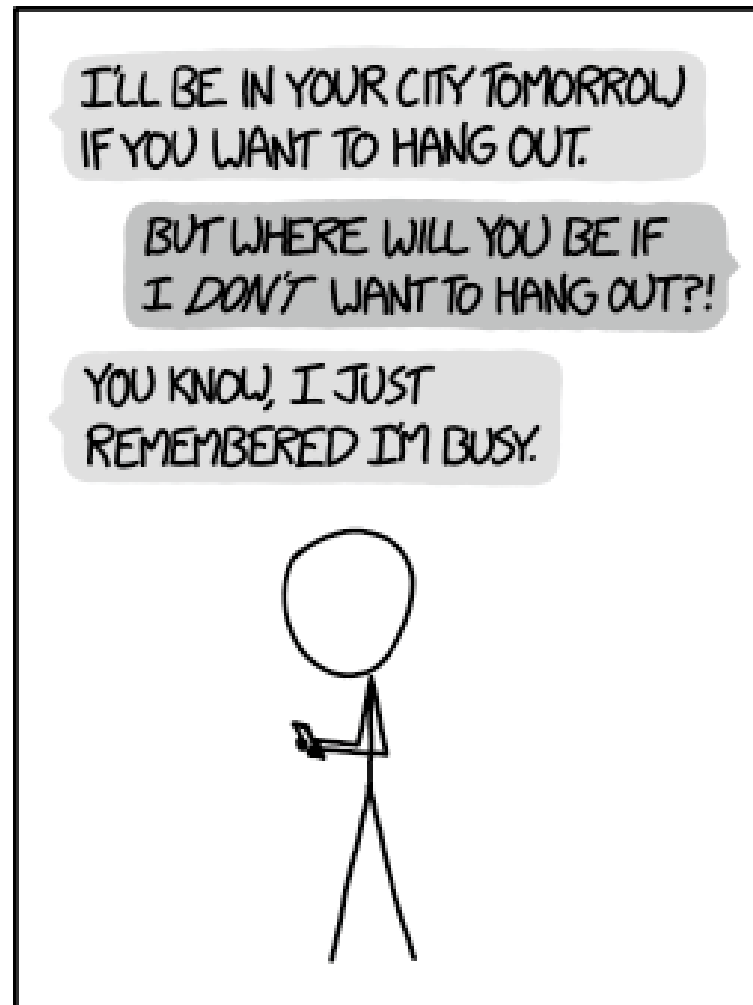
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WHY I TRY NOT TO BE
PEDANTIC ABOUT CONDITIONALS.

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

Administrivia

- ❖ Lab 2 due next Friday (10/30)
- ❖ Section tomorrow on Assembly
 - Use the midterm reference sheet!
 - Optional GDB Tutorial slides and Lab 2 phase 1 walkthrough
- ❖ Midterm (take home, 10/31–11/2)
 - Find groups of 5 for the group stage
 - Make notes and use the [midterm reference sheet](#)
 - Form study groups and look at past exams!

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`movs __ src, regDest` # Move with sign extension

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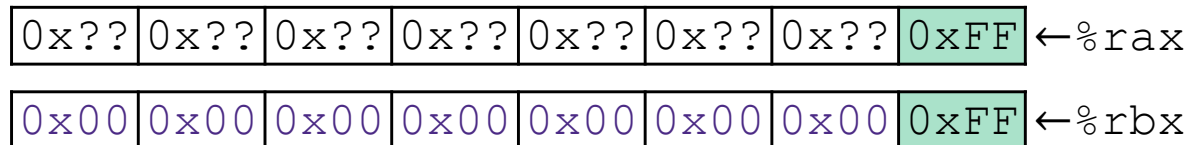
`movz`*SD* / `movs`*SD*:

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

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

Example:

`movzbq %al, %rbx`



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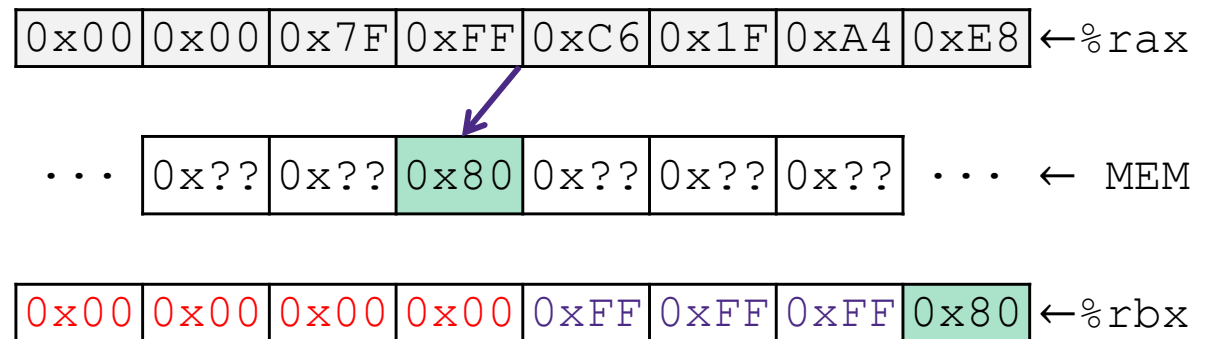
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Note: In x86-64, any instruction that generates a 32-bit (long word) value for a register also sets the high-order portion of the register to 0. Good example on p. 184 in the textbook.

Example:

`movsbl (%rax), %ebx`

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



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`)

Reading Review

- ❖ Terminology:
 - Label, jump target
 - Program counter
 - Jump table, indirect jump
- ❖ Questions from the Reading?

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

	<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>
<code>jge</code> "Greater or equal"	<code>b >= a</code>	<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 >_U a</code>	<code>b&a > 0U</code>
<code>jb</code> "Below" (unsigned <)	<code>b <_U 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

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<code>js</code> "Sign" (negative)	<code>b-a < 0</code>	<code>b&a < 0</code>
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Register	Use(s)
<code>%rdi</code>	argument x
<code>%rsi</code>	argument y
<code>%rax</code>	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
    
```

Practice Question 1

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`
`jle .L4`
- B. `cmpq %rsi, %rdi`
`jg .L4`
- C. `testq %rsi, %rdi`
`jle .L4`
- D. `testq %rsi, %rdi`
`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
```

Choosing instructions for conditionals

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❖ <https://godbolt.org/z/Tfrv33>

```
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 instruction 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

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*

Practice Question 2

- ❖ The following is assembly code for a for-loop; identify the corresponding parts (Init, Test, Update)
 - $i \rightarrow \%eax$, $x \rightarrow \%rdi$, $y \rightarrow \%esi$

```
        movl    $0, %eax
.L2:    cmpl    %esi, %eax
        jge    .L4
        movslq  %eax, %rdx
        leaq   (%rdi,%rdx,4), %rcx
        movl   (%rcx), %edx
        addl   $1, %edx
        movl   %edx, (%rcx)
        addl   $1, %eax
        jmp    .L2
.L4:
```