

x86-64 Programming III

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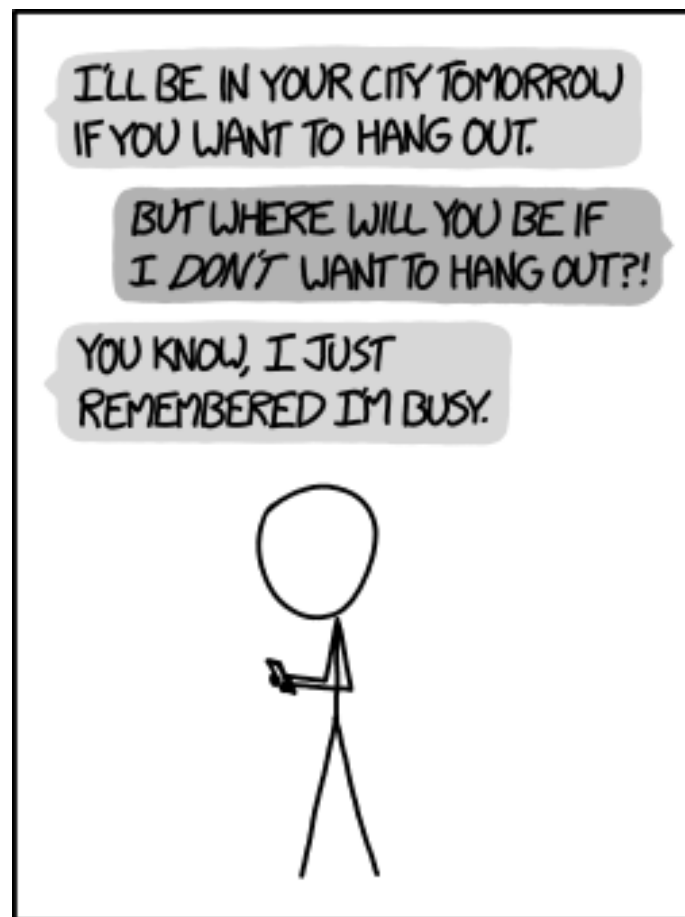
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WHY I TRY NOT TO BE
PEDANTIC ABOUT CONDITIONALS.

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

Administrivia

- ❖ Study Guide 1 due Friday (1/29)
 - may use late days if needed
- ❖ hw9 due Friday, hw10 due Monday
- ❖ Lab 2 due next Friday (2/5)

- ❖ Section tomorrow on Assembly
 - turn in worksheet by Friday 11:59pm PST

Reading Review

- ❖ Terminology:
 - Label, jump target
 - Program counter
 - Jump table, indirect jump
- ❖ Any questions from reading?
 - can also post reading questions to Ed Discussion

Aside: movz and movs

^{width specifiers}
 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)

Example:

movzbq %al, %rbx

0x??	0x??	0x??	0x??	0x??	0x??	0x??	0xFF	←%rax
0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0xFF	←%rbx

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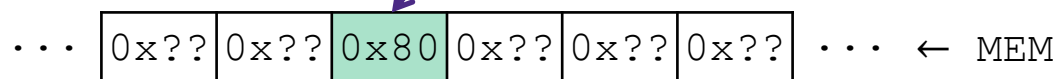
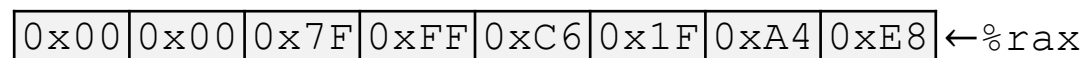
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Note: In x86-64, any instruction that generates a 32-bit (long word) value for a register also sets the high-order portion of the register to 0. Good example on p. 184 in the textbook.

Example:

`movsbl (%rax), %ebx`



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

Using Condition Codes: Jumping

ZF: (r == 0)

SF: (r < 0), MSB == 1

CF: unsigned overflow

OF: signed overflow

❖ j^* Instructions

- Jumps to **target** (an address) based on condition codes

Instruction	Condition	Description
<code>jmp target</code>	1	Unconditional
<code>jje target</code>	ZF	Equal / Zero
<code>jne target</code>	$\sim ZF$	Not Equal / Not Zero
<code>js target</code>	SF	Negative
<code>jns target</code>	$\sim SF$	Nonnegative
<code>jg target</code>	$\sim (SF \wedge OF) \ \& \ \sim ZF$	Greater (Signed)
<code>jge target</code>	$\sim (SF \wedge OF)$	Greater or Equal (Signed)
<code>jle target</code>	$(SF \wedge OF) \ \ ZF$	Less or Equal (Signed)
<code>ja target</code>	$\sim CF \ \& \ \sim ZF$	Above (unsigned ">")
<code>jb target</code>	CF	Below (unsigned "<")

Using Condition Codes: Setting

ZF: (r == 0)
 SF: (r < 0), MSB == 1
 CF: unsigned overflow
 OF: signed overflow

❖ set* Instructions

- Set low-order byte of `dst` to 0 or 1 based on condition codes
- Does not alter remaining 7 bytes → ~~MOV Z~~
MOV S

Instruction	Condition	Description
<code>sete dst</code>	ZF	Equal / Zero
<code>setne dst</code>	~ZF	Not Equal / Not Zero
→ <code>sets dst</code>	SF	Negative
<code>setns dst</code>	~SF	Nonnegative
<code>setg dst</code>	~(SF^OF) & ~ZF	Greater (Signed)
<code>setge dst</code>	~(SF^OF)	Greater or Equal (Signed)
<code>setl dst</code>	(SF^OF)	Less (Signed)
<code>setle dst</code>	(SF^OF) ZF	Less or Equal (Signed)
<code>seta dst</code>	~CF & ~ZF	Above (unsigned ">")
<code>setb dst</code>	CF	Below (unsigned "<")

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
jle:  *p+5 <= 0
    
```

```

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

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

es. with, cmp, test

result

Choosing instructions for conditionals

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

		<i>sub</i> <code>cmp a,b</code>	<i>and</i> <code>test a,b</code>
<code>je</code>	"Equal"	<i>b-a==0</i> <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 } some source
je:  a == 0
jne: a != 0
jg:  a > 0
jl:  a < 0
    
```

a & a = a

```

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

		cmp a,b	test a,b
je	"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
jle	"Less or equal"	b <= a	b&a <= 0
jl	"Less"	b < a	b&a < 0
ja	"Above" (unsigned >)	b > _U a	b&a > 0U
jb	"Below" (unsigned <)	b < _U a	b&a < 0U

```

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

Handwritten notes: cmpq 3, x

```

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

Handwritten notes: (x < 3) !True True branch False branch

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

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

*Jump when not (x > y)
== when x <= y*

Choosing instructions for conditionals

		cmp a,b	test a,b
③ je	"Equal"	② b == a	③ 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
j1	"Less"	① b < a	b&a < 0
jle	"Less or equal"	b <= a	b&a <= 0
ja	"Above" (unsigned >)	b > _u a	b&a > 0U
jb	"Below" (unsigned <)	b < _u a	b&a < 0U

```

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

```

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

if either %al or %bl is false → jump to T2 (else)

return = %rax

<https://godbolt.org/zTfrv33>

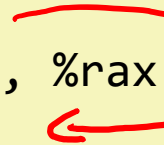
Labels

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?

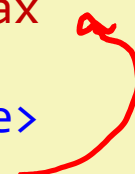
Compiling Loops

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 )
```

*first iteration
unconditionally
execute*

x86-64:

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

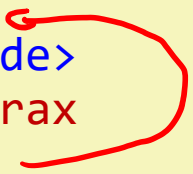
While Loop (ver. 2):

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

x86-64:

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

initial comp.



For-Loop → While-Loop

For-Loop:

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



While-Loop Version:

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

L2:

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;
        case 7:
            w = y%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

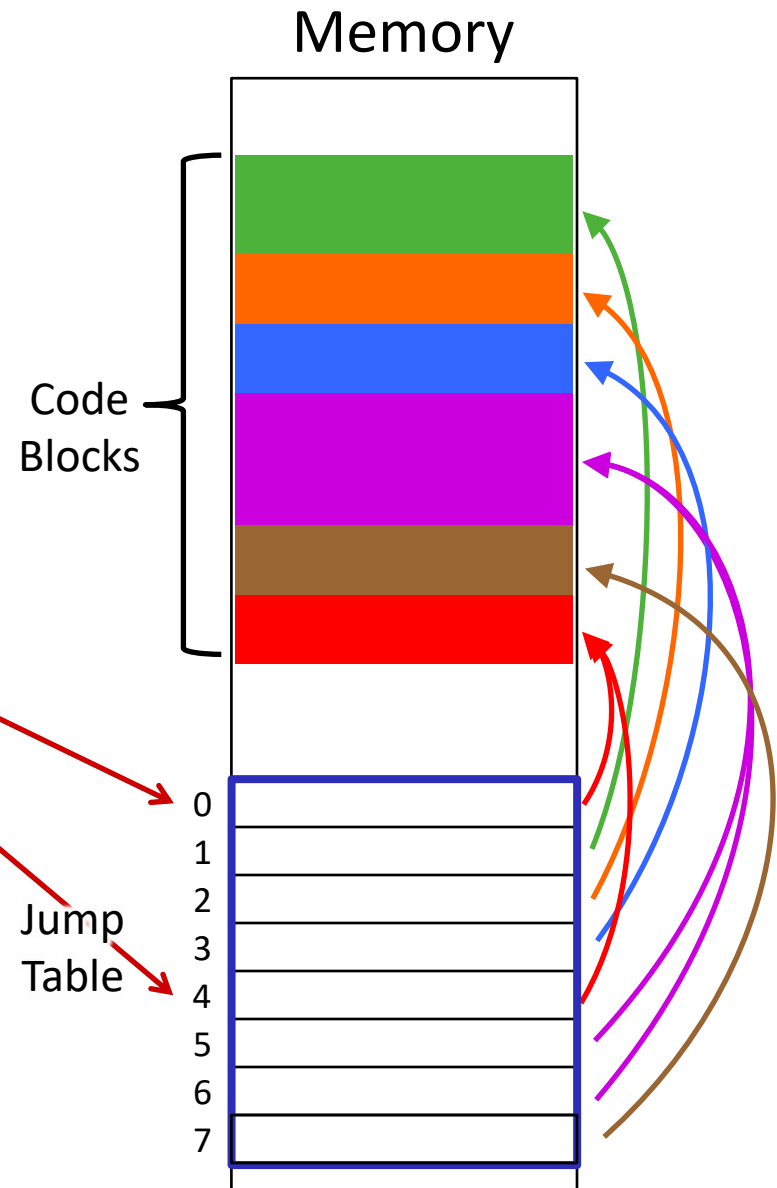
Jump Table Structure

C code:

```
switch (x) {  
  case 1: <code> break;  
  case 2: <code>  
  case 3: <code> break;  
  case 5:  
  case 6: <code> break;  
  case 7: <code> break;  
  default: <code>  
}
```

Use the jump table when $x \leq 7$:

```
if (x <= 7)  
  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;
}

```

```

switch_ex:
    movq    %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq    $7, %rdi      # x:7
    ja     .L9            # default
    jmp     *.L4(,%rdi,8) # jump table

```

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

Take a look!

<https://godbolt.org/z/Y9Kerb>

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_ex:
    movq    %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq    $7, %rdi    # x:7
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    jmp     *.L4(,%rdi,8) # jump table
```

**Indirect
jump**



Jump table

```
.section    .rodata
    .align 8
.L4:
    .quad   .L9    # x = 0
    .quad   .L8    # x = 1
    .quad   .L7    # x = 2
    .quad   .L10   # x = 3
    .quad   .L9    # x = 4
    .quad   .L5    # x = 5
    .quad   .L5    # x = 6
    .quad   .L3    # x = 7
```

Assembly Setup Explanation

❖ Table Structure

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

❖ **Direct jump:** `jmp .L9`

- Jump target is denoted by label .L9

❖ **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 $0 \leq x \leq 7$

Jump table

```
.section      .rodata
    .align 8
.L4:
    .quad     .L9    # x = 0
    .quad     .L8    # x = 1
    .quad     .L7    # x = 2
    .quad     .L10   # x = 3
    .quad     .L9    # x = 4
    .quad     .L5    # x = 5
    .quad     .L5    # x = 6
    .quad     .L3    # x = 7
```

GDB Demo

- ❖ The movz and movs examples on a real machine!
 - `movzbq %a1, %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`)