

Brief Assembly Refresher

Learn AT&T syntax

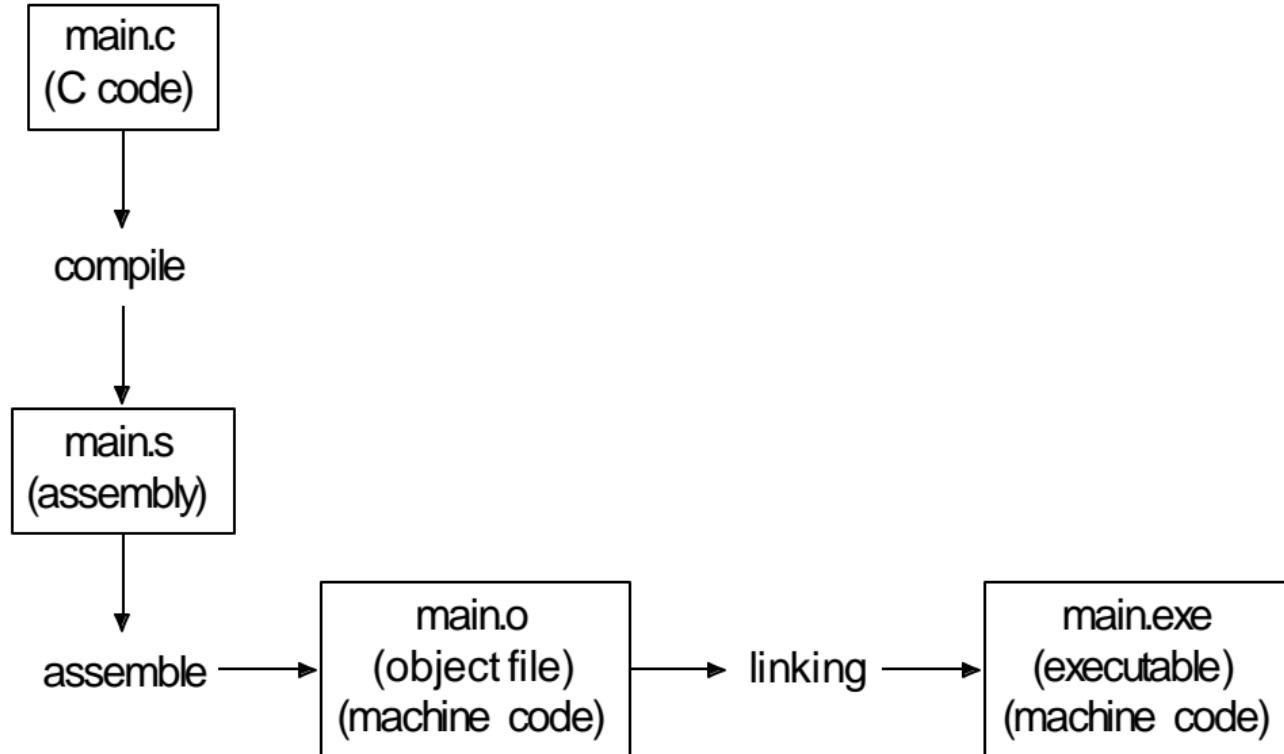
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- ❑ processors \leftrightarrow memory, I/O devices
 - ❑ processor: send addresses (or memory values)
 - ❑ memory: reply with stores value or retrieves at address.
- ❑ endianness:
 - ❑ little = least address is least significant
 - ❑ little endian: 0x1234 : **0x34** at address $x + 0$
 - ❑ big endian: 0x1234 : **0x12** at address $x + 0$
- ❑ object files and linking
 - ❑ relocations: “fill in the blank” with final addresses symbol table: location of labels within file like main
 - ❑ We will review in more detail.

Overview/ Learning Goals

- Generally understand the compilation pipeline
- Learn how to read and write AT&T syntax assembly
- Review x86 registers and condition codes .
- Be able to translate from C to AT&T syntax assembly

compilation pipeline



what's in those files?

hello.c

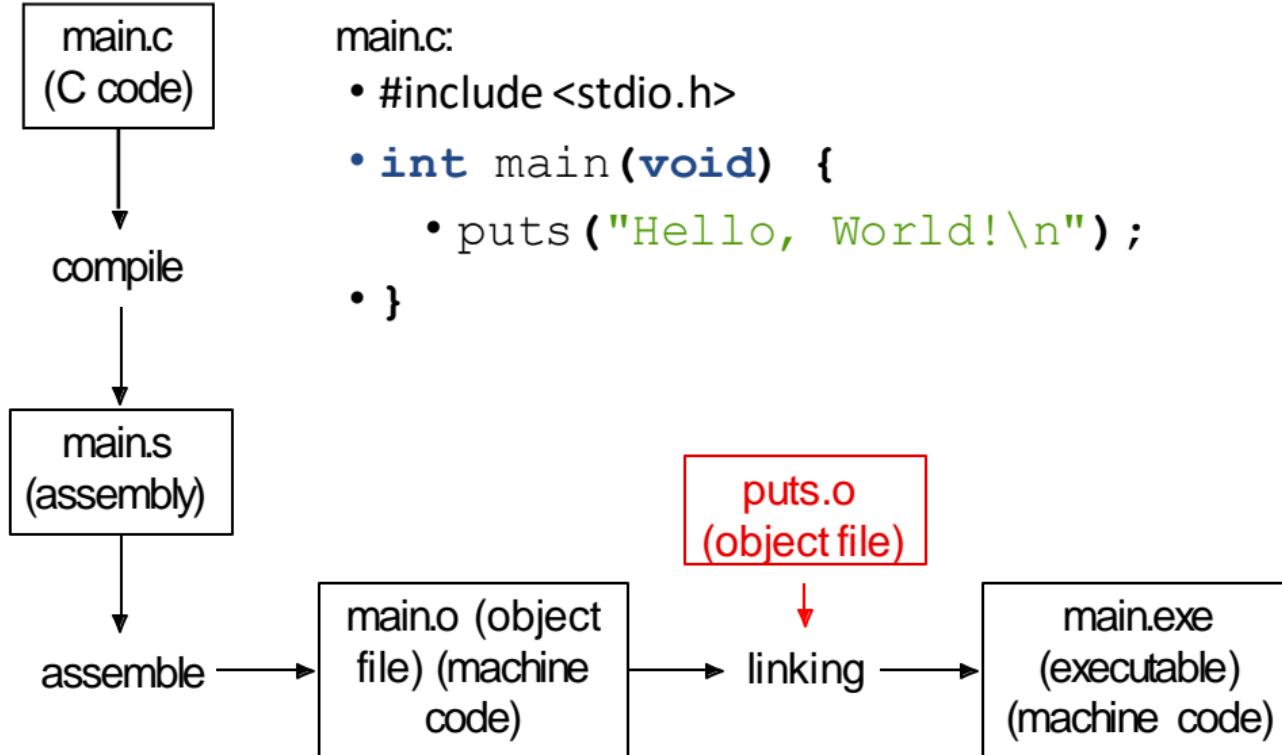
```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void) {
    puts("Hello, World!");
    return 0;
}
```

Assembly — dgg6b@portal02:~/public_html/ComputerNetworks/Website/CourseS...

```
[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dgg6b$ cat file.c
#include <stdio.h>
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    printf("Hello, World!\n");
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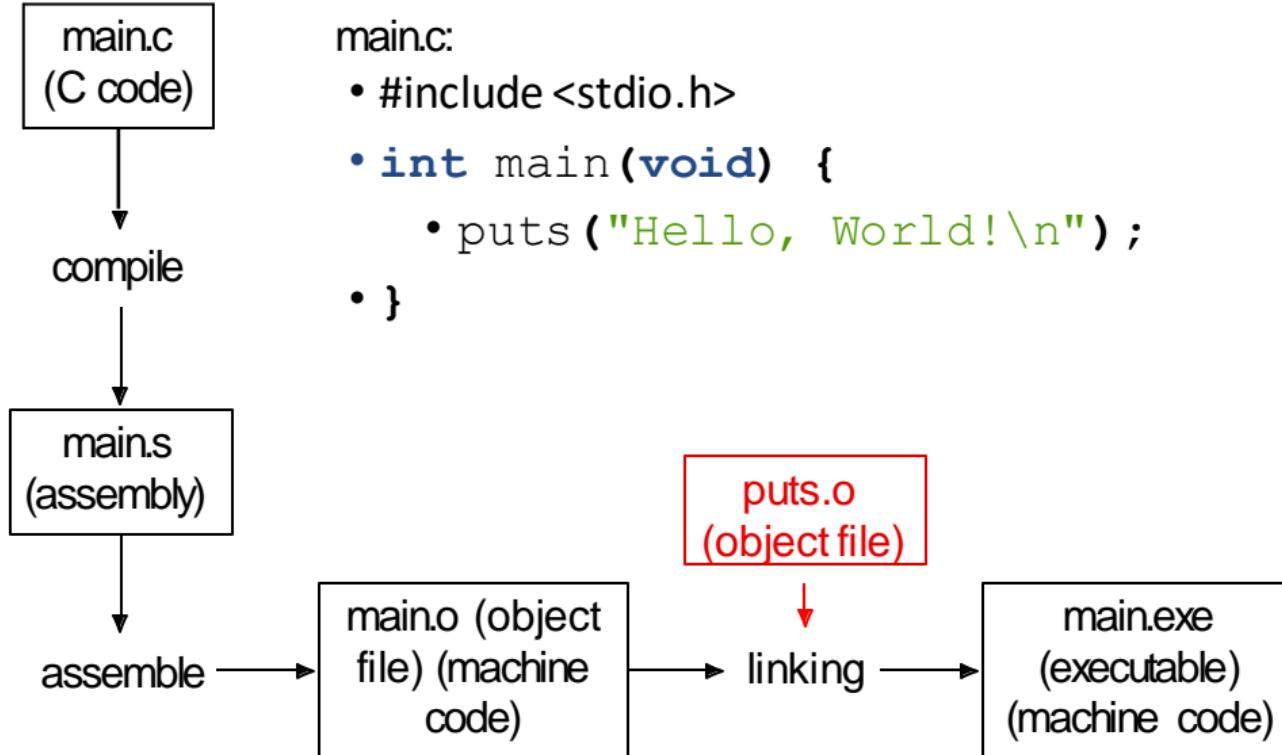
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main:
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    call puts
    xor %eax, %eax
    add $8, %rsp
    ret

.data
.Lstr: .string "Hello,World!"
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```
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[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dgg6b$ gcc -Os -S file.c
[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dgg6b$ ls
file.c file.s
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    .section      __TEXT,__text,regular,pure_instructions
    .macosx_version_min 10, 13
    .globl _main                                ## -- Begin function main
_main:                                     ## @main
    .cfi_startproc
## BB#0:
    pushq %rbp
.Lcfi0:
    .cfi_offset %rbp, 16
.Lcfi1:
    .cfi_offset %rbp, -16
    movq %rsp, %rbp
.Lcfi2:
    .cfi_offset %rbp, 16
    .cfi_def_cfa_register %rbp
    leaq L_str(%rip), %rdi
    callq _puts
    xorl %eax, %eax
    popq %rbp
    retq
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hello.o

text (code) segment:

```
48 83 EC 08 BF 00 00 00 00 E8 00 00
00 00 31 C0 48 83 C4 08 C3
```

data segment:

```
48 65 6C 6C 6F 2C 20 57 6F 72 6C 00
```

relocations:

take 0s at and replace with
text, byte 6() data segment, byte 0
text, byte 10() address of puts

symbol table:

main text byte 0

+ stdio.o

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```
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[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dg6b$ ls
file.c  file.o  file.s
[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dg6b$ otool -t file.o
file.o:
Contents of (__TEXT,__text) section
0000000000000000      55 48 89 e5 48 8d 3d 09 00 00 00 e8 00 00 00 00
0000000000000010      31 c0 5d c3
[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dg6b$ otool -r file.o
RELOCATION RECORDS FOR [__text]:
0000000000000c X86_64_RELOC_BRANCH _puts
00000000000007 X86_64_RELOC_SIGNED __cstring

RELOCATION RECORDS FOR [__compact_unwind]:
0000000000000000 X86_64_RELOC_UNSIGNED __text

[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dg6b$ nm file.o
0000000000000000 T _main
                      U _puts
[d-172-27-99-171:Assembly dg6b$
```

0xc = 12

Unwind section is
for exception
handling

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+ stdio.o

hello.exe

(actually binary, but shown as hexadecimal) ...

```
48 83 EC 08 BF A7 02 04 00
```

```
E8 08 4A 04 00 31 C0 48
```

```
83 C4 08 C3 ...
```

...(code from stdio.o) ...

```
48 65 6C 6C 6F 2C 20 57 6F
```

```
72 6C 00 ...
```

...(data from stdio.o) ...

compilation commands

compile: `gcc -S file.c` \Rightarrow `file.s` (**assembly**)

assemble: `gcc -c file.s` \Rightarrow `file.o` (**object file**)

link: `gcc -o file file.o` \Rightarrow `file` (**executable**)

c+a: `gcc -c file.c` \Rightarrow `file.o`

c+a+l: `gcc -o file file.c` \Rightarrow `file`

...

exercise (1) Visit [Kahoot.it](https://kahoot.it)

hello.o

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    ret  
  
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.Lstr: .string "Hello, World"
```

Which files contain the **memory address** of
“Hello World”?

- A. main.s (assembly)
- B. main.o (object)
- C. main.exe (executable)
- E. something else

exercise (2). Kahoot.it

main.c:

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 void sayHello(void) {
3     puts("Hello, World!");
4 }
5 int main(void) {
6     sayHello();
7 }
```

Which files contain the **literal ASCII string** of Hello, World!?

- A. main.s (assembly)
- B. main.o (object)
- C. main.exe (executable)
- D. A, B and C

Relocation types

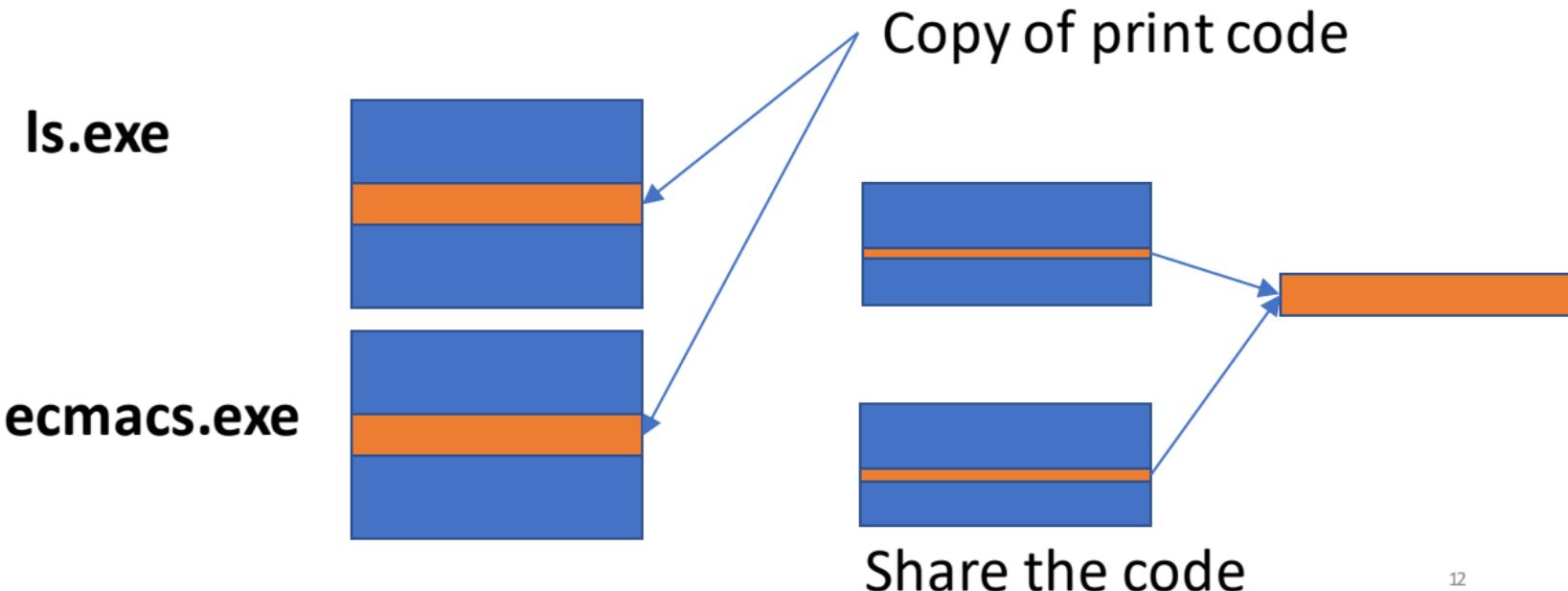
- machine code doesn't always use direct addresses
 - The address is sometime computed relative example relative to the program counter
 - “call function 4303 bytes later”
 - linker needs to compute “4303”
 - extra field on relocation list

dynamic linking (very briefly)

dynamic linking — done **when application is loaded**

idea: don't have N copies of printf

other type of linking: *static* (gcc -static)



View a list of dynamic libraries that get loaded at run time

ldd /bin/ls. (linux)

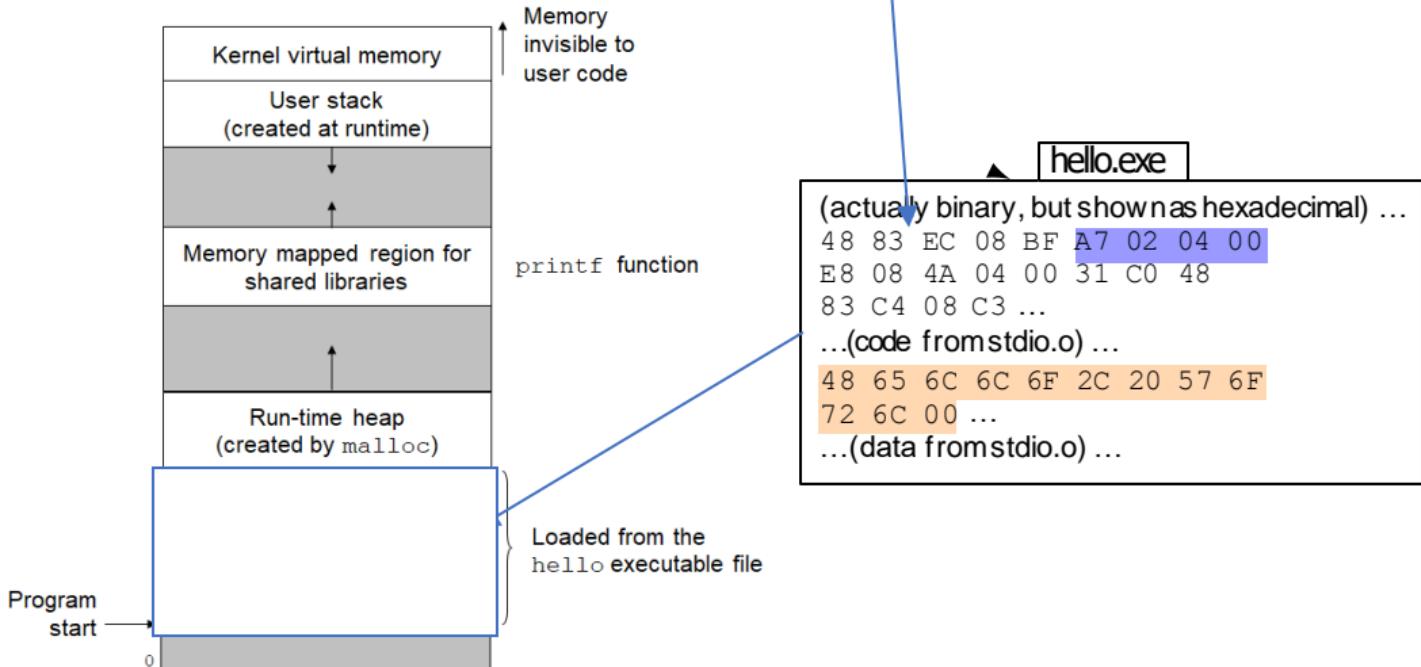
```
$ ldd /bin/ls
    linux-vdso.so.1 => (0x00007ffcc9d8000)
    libselinux.so.1 => /lib/x86_64-linux-
    gnu/libselinux.so.1
                           (0x00007f851756f000)
    libc.so.6 => /lib/x86_64-linux-
    gnu/libc.so.6   (0x00007f85171a5000)
    libpcre.so.3 => /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libpcre.so.3
                           (0x00007f8516f35000)
    libdl.so.2 => /lib/x86_64-linux-
    gnu/libdl.so.2  (0x00007f8516d31000)
    /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2 (0x00007f8517791000)
    libpthread.so.0 => /lib/x86_64-linux-
    gnu/libpthread.so.0 (0x00007f8516b14000)
```

Shared
Object file

Great so now does the program
get laid out in memory?

Memory

These bytes correspond to instructions



Great I get how program get turned into binary.
But I need a quick assembly refresh so that I can start reading assembly code again.

hello.s

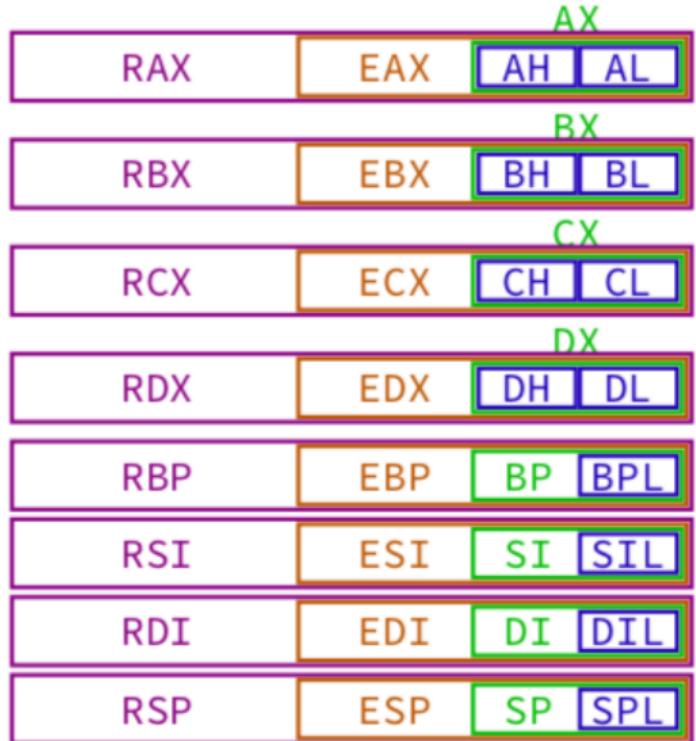
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Let's start by reviewing registers and the syntax

Does the RDI register represent

Reminder of registers



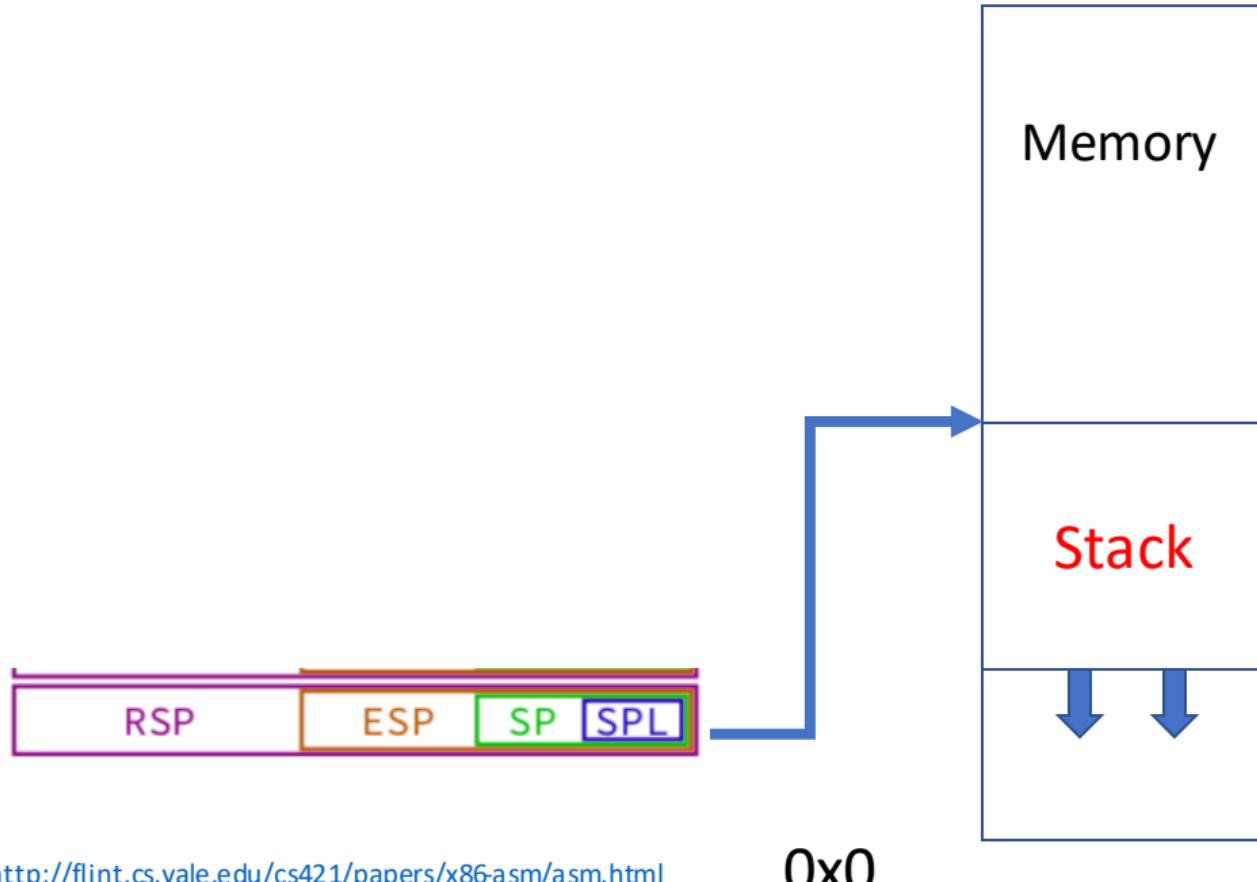
R8	R8D	R8W	R8B
R9	R9D	R9W	R9B
R10	R10D	R10W	R10B
R11	R11D	R11W	R11B
R12	R12D	R12W	R12B
R13	R13D	R13W	R13B
R14	R14D	R14W	R14B
R15	R15D	R15W	R15B

Key Registers Review

%rax	Return value	%r8	Argument #5
%rbx	Callee saved	%r9	Argument #6
%rcx	Argument #4	%r10	Caller saved
%rdx	Argument #3	%r11	Caller Saved
%rsi	Argument #2	%r12	Callee saved
%rdi	Argument #1	%r13	Callee saved
%rsp	Stack pointer	%r14	Callee saved
%rbp	Callee saved	%r15	Callee saved

Callee-saved registers (AKA non-volatile registers) are used to hold long-lived values that should be preserved across calls

Key Registers Review



AT&T syntax vs Intel Syntax

AT&T syntax	Intel Syntax
movq \$42, (%rbx)	mov QWORD PTR [rbx], 42

We will be using AT&T
syntax in this class

effect (pseudo-C):
memory[rbx] <- 42

destination last

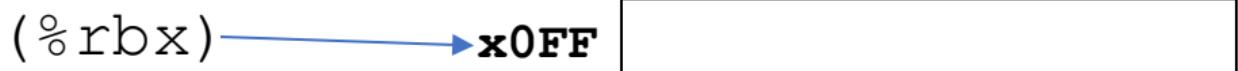
Key Points for AT&T syntax

- registers start with %

%rax	Return value
%rbx	Callee saved
%rcx	Argument #4
%rdx	Argument #3
%rsi	Argument #2
%rdi	Argument #1
%rsp	Stack pointer
%rbp	Callee saved

Key Points for AT&T syntax

- () s represent value in memory



Key Points for AT&T syntax

- constants start with **\$**

\$42 → 0000000000002A

$16^1, 16^0$

$$2 * 16 + 1 * 10(A) = 42$$

Hex	Decimal	Binary
0	0	0000
1	1	0001
2	2	0010
3	3	0011
4	4	0100
5	5	0101
6	6	0110
7	7	0111
8	8	1000
9	9	1001
A	10	1010
B	11	1011
C	12	1100
D	13	1101
E	14	1110
F	15	1111

AT&T syntax example (1)

```
movq $42, (%rbx)  
// memory[rbx] ← 42
```

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()s represent value in memory

constants start with \$

registers start with %

value 42 in hex

0000000000002A

rbx

000000000000FF

x0FF

0000000000002A

AT&T syntax example (1)

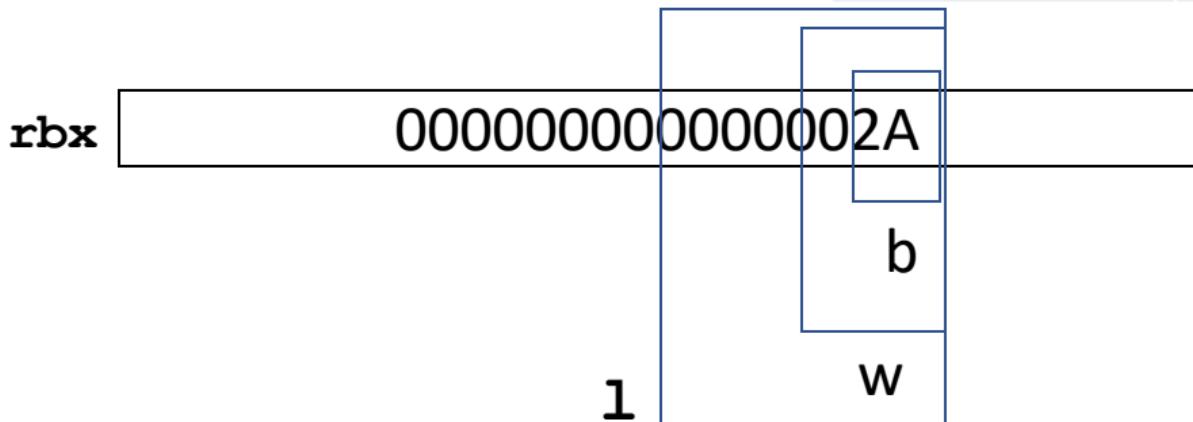
```
movq $42, (%rbx)  
// memory[rbx] ← 42
```

q ('quad') indicates length (8 bytes)

l: 4; w: 2; b: 1

sometimes can be omitted

suffix	Meaning
b	"Byte": 1 byte
w	"Word": 2 bytes
l	"Long": 4 bytes
q	"Quad": 8 bytes (4 words)

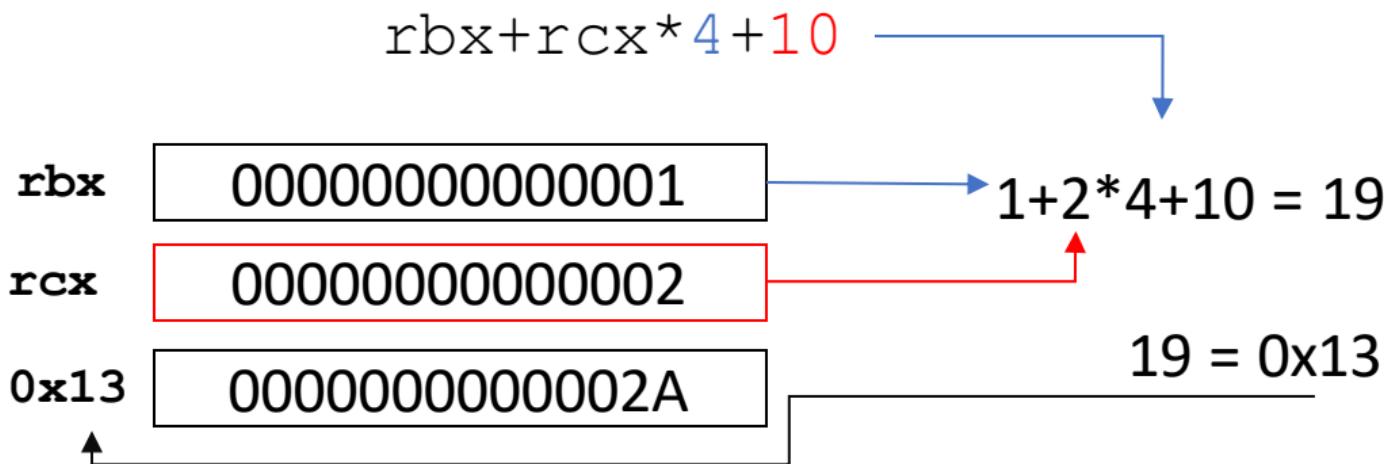


Other was to compute addresses

AT&T syntax:

movq \$42, 10(%rbx,%rcx,4)

\$42 = 0x2A



AT&T versus Intel syntax (2)

AT&T syntax:

movq \$42, 100(%rbx,%rcx,4)

Intel syntax:

mov QWORD PTR [rbx+rcx*4+100], 42

effect (pseudo-C):

memory[rbx + rcx * 4 + 100] <- 42

AT&T syntax: addressing

There are several variations

movq \$42, **100(%rbx,%rcx,4)**

AT&T Syntax	Pseudo code
100(%rbx,%rcx,4)	memory[rbx+rcx*4 + 100]
100(%rbx)	memory[rbx + 100]
100(%rbx,8)	memory[rbx * 8 + 100]
100(,%rbx,8):	memory[rbx * 8 + 100]
100(%rbx,%rcx):	memory[rbx+rcx+100]
100	memory[100]

Subtraction

```
r8 ← r8 - rex
```



AT&T Syntax	Intel syntax
subq %rax, %r8	sub r8, rax

same for cmpq %rax, %r8

Remember that is the destination

AT&T syntax: addresses

AT&T Syntax	Description
addq 0x1000, %rax	<i>Intel syntax:</i> <i>add rax, QWORD PTR [0x1000]</i> <i>rax ← rax + memory [0x1000]</i>
addq \$0x1000, %rax	<i>Intel syntax:</i> <i>add rax, 0x1000</i> <i>rax ← rax + 0x1000</i>

no \$ → memory address

AT&T syntax in one slide (Summary)

- destination **last**
- () means value **in memory**
- disp(base, index, scale) **same as**
- memory[disp + base + index * scale]
 - omit disp (defaults to 0)
 - omit base (defaults to 0)
 - scale (defualts to 1)
- \$ means constant
- plain number/label means value **in memory**

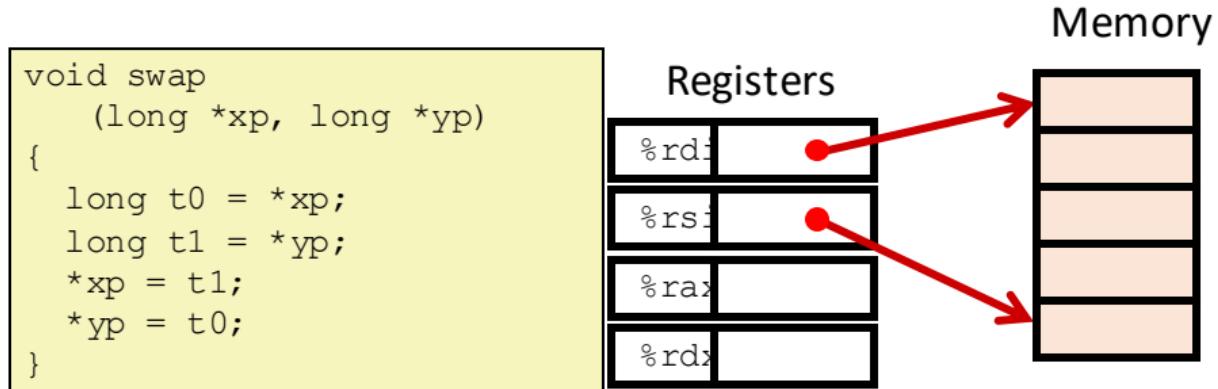
Example of Simple Addressing Modes

```
void swap  
    (long *xp, long *yp)  
{  
    long t0 = *xp;  
    long t1 = *yp;  
    *xp = t1;  
    *yp = t0;  
}
```

swap:

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

Understanding Swap()

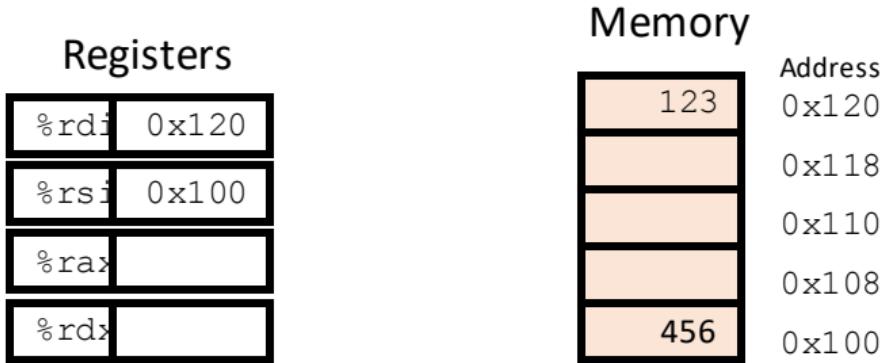


Register	Value
%rdi	xp
%rsi	yp
%rax	t0
%rdx	t1

swap:

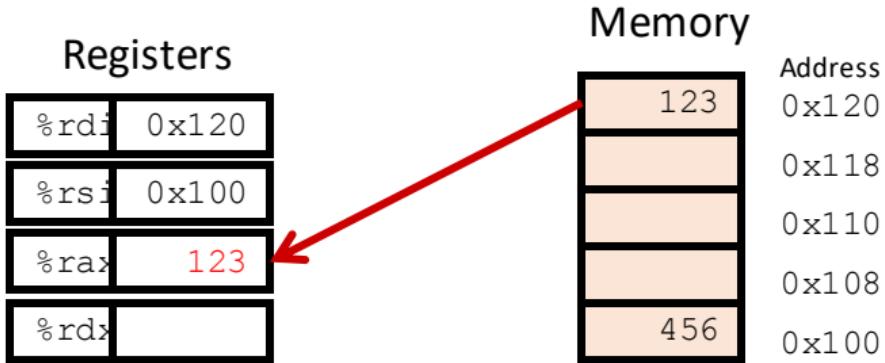
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    movq    (%rdi), %rax    # t0 = *xp
    movq    (%rsi), %rdx    # t1 = *yp
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    ret
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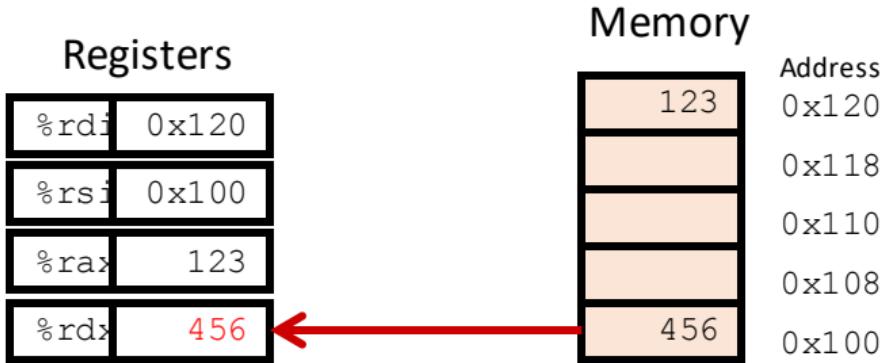
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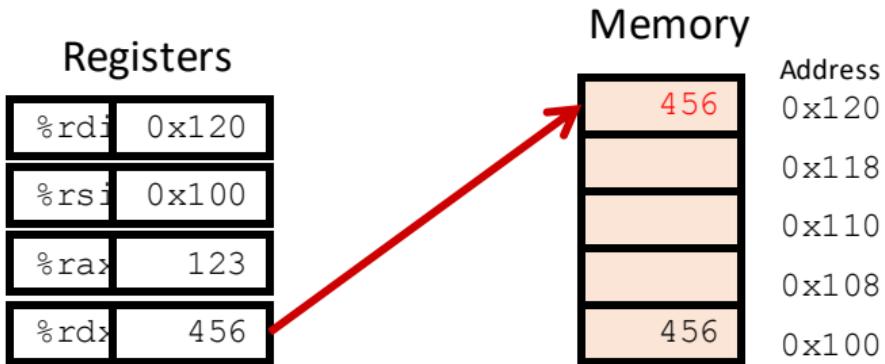
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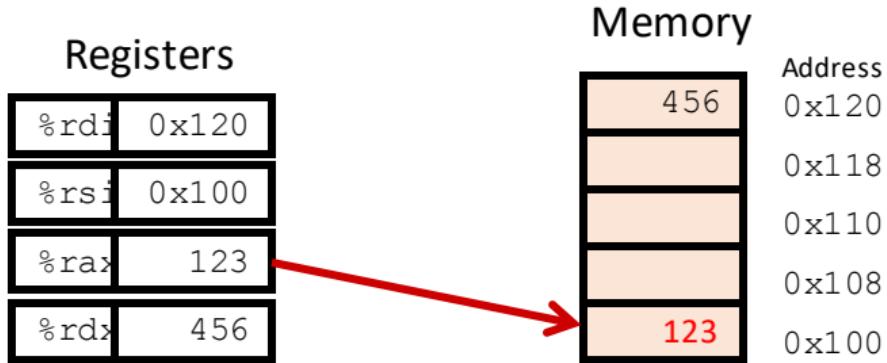
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Let's look at some more
instructions

Assembly Continued

- Overlapping registers
- Lea (load effective address)
- Labels
- Condition codes
- Jmp (Computed Jumps)
- Translating from C to assembly

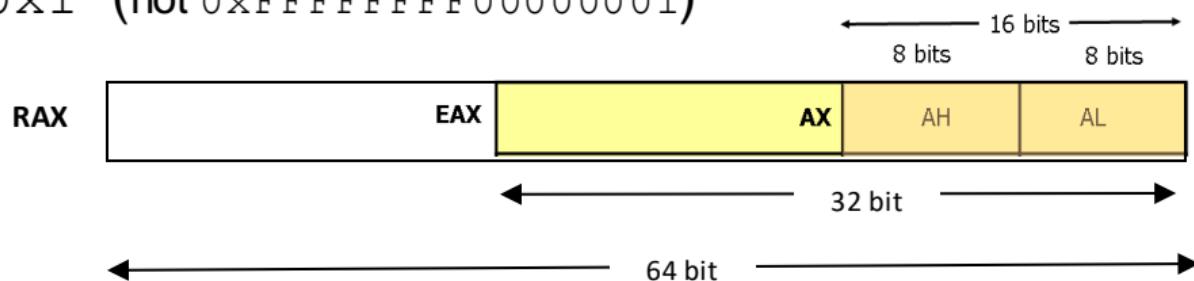
Overlapping Registers

overlapping registers (1)

setting 32-bit registers—**clears** corresponding 64-bit register

```
movq $0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF, %rax  
movl $0x1, %eax
```

%rax is 0x1 (not 0xFFFFFFFF00000001)

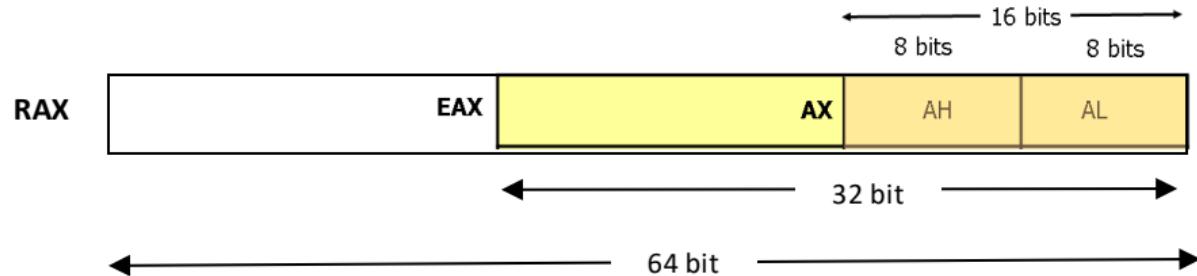


overlapping registers (2)

setting 8/16-bit registers: don't clear 64-bit register

```
movq $0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFF, %rax  
movb $0x1, %al
```

%rax is 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFF01 not 0x01



Labels

Labels represent addresses

labels

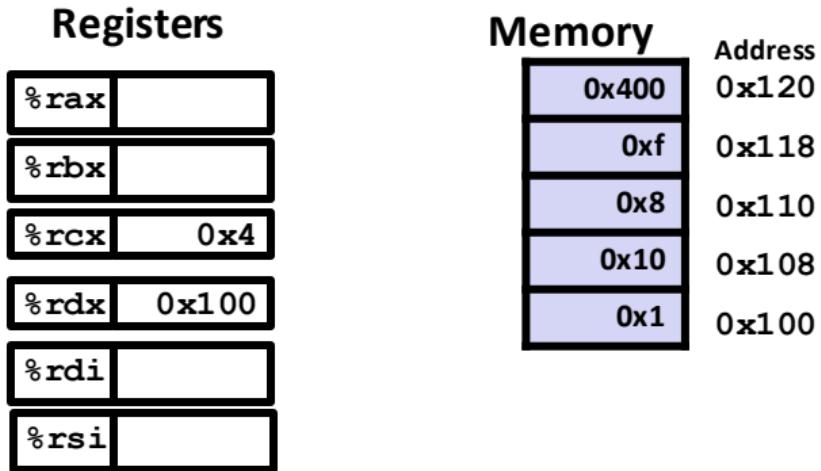
```
addq string, %rax
// intel syntax: add rax, QWORD PTR [label]
// rax ← rax + memory[address of "a string"]
addq $string, %rax
// intel syntax: add rax, OFFSET label
// rax ← rax + address of "a string"
string: .ascii "a_string"
```

addq label: read value at the address

addq \$label: use address as an integer constant

What's the different between
lea and mov

leaq vs. movq example



```
leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax
```

```
movq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rbx
```

```
leaq (%rdx), %rdi
```

```
movq (%rdx), %rsi
```

leaq vs. movq example

Registers	
%rax	0x110
%rbx	
%rcx	0x4
%rdx	0x100
%rdi	
%rsi	

Memory	
Address	
0x120	0x400
0x118	0xf
0x110	0x8
0x108	0x10
0x100	0x1

leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax

%rdx + %rcx * 4 -> %rax

movq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rbx

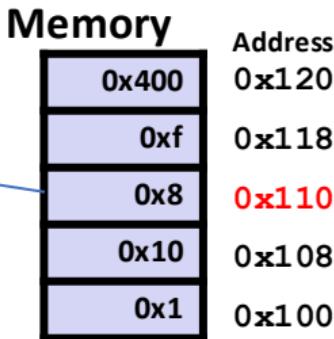
$0x100 + (0x4 * 4) = 0x110$

leaq (%rdx), %rdi

movq (%rdx), %rsi

leaq vs. movq example

Registers	
%rax	0x110
%rbx	0x8
%rcx	0x4
%rdx	0x100
%rdi	
%rsi	



Takes the
value at
address

Memory
value at
rbx

Leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax

%rdx + %rcx * 4 -> %rbx

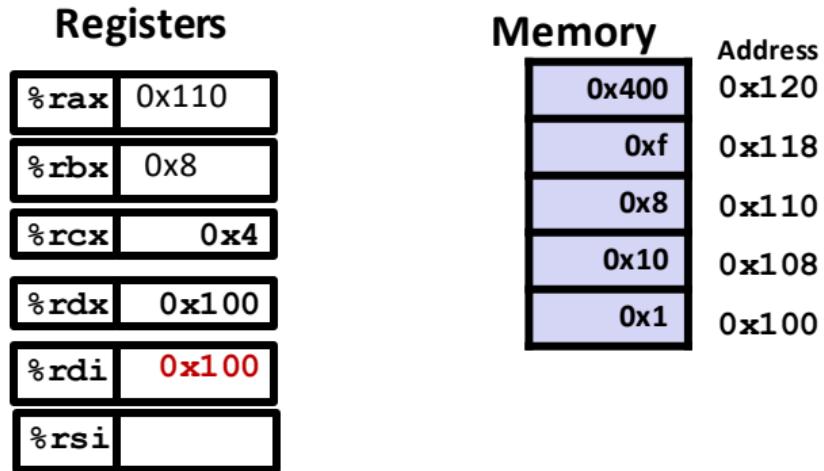
Movq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rbx

$0x100 + (0x4 * 4) = 0x110$

leaq (%rdx), %rdi

movq (%rdx), %rsi

leaq vs. movq example



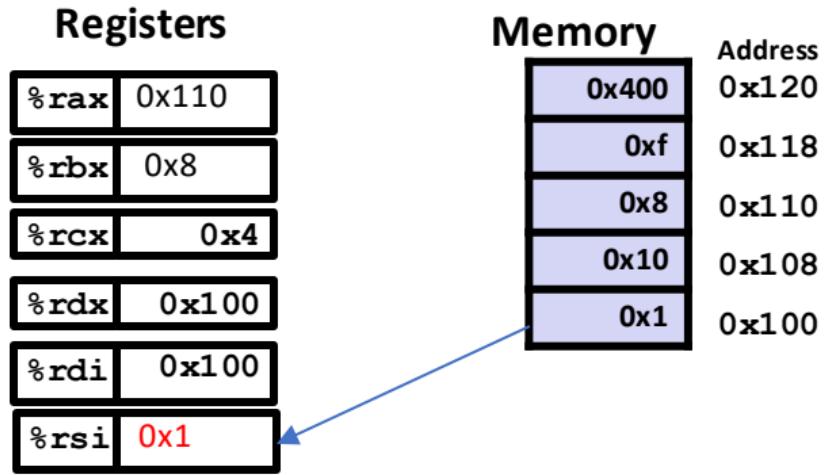
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`Movq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rbx`

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leaq vs. movq example



Leaq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rax

Movq (%rdx,%rcx,4), %rbx

leaq (%rdx), %rdi

movq (%rdx), %rsi

Address Computation Instruction

- ***leaq Src, Dst***
 - *Src* is address mode expression
 - Set *Dst* to address denoted by expression
- Uses
 - Computing arithmetic expressions of the form
 - $x + k*y$
 - $k = 1, 2, 4, \text{ or } 8$

LEA tricks

```
leaq (%rax,%rax,4), %rax
```

rax \leftarrow **rax** \times 5

rax \leftarrow address-of(memory[rax + **rax** * 4])

```
leaq (%rbx,%rcx), %rdx
```

rdx \leftarrow **rbx** + **rcx**

rdx \leftarrow address-of(memory[**rbx** + **rcx**])

exercise: what is this function?

mystery:

```
leal 0(,%rdi,8), %eax  
subl %edi, %eax  
ret
```

```
int mystery(int arg) { return ...; }
```

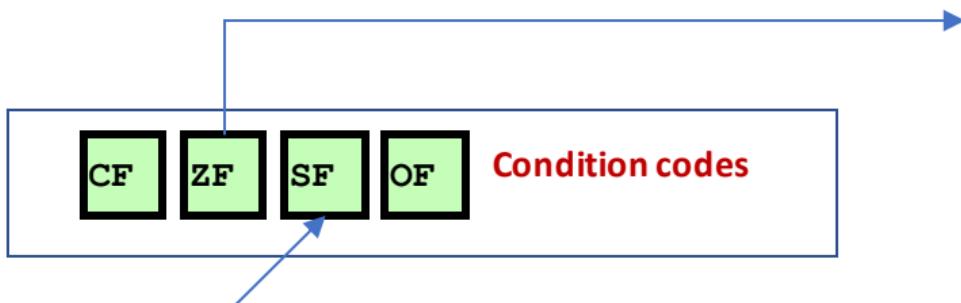
- A. $\text{arg} * 9$
- B. $-\text{arg} * 9$
- C. none of these
- D. $\text{arg} * 8$

Condition Codes (Implicit Setting)

- Single bit registers
 - **CF** Carry Flag (for unsigned) **SF** Sign Flag (for signed)
 - **ZF** Zero Flag **OF** Overflow Flag (for signed)
- Implicitly set (think of it as side effect) by arithmetic operations
 - Example: **addq Src,Dest** $\leftrightarrow t = a+b$
 - **CF set** if carry out from most significant bit (unsigned overflow)
 - **ZF set** if $t == 0$
 - **SF set** if $t < 0$ (as signed)
 - **OF set** if two's-complement (signed) overflow
 $(a>0 \ \&\& \ b>0 \ \&\& \ t<0) \ || \ (a<0 \ \&\& \ b<0 \ \&\& \ t>=0)$
- Not set by **leaq** instruction

Condition codes and jumps

- `jg`, `jle`, etc. read condition codes
- named based on interpreting **result of subtraction** 0: equal; negative: less than; positive: greater than



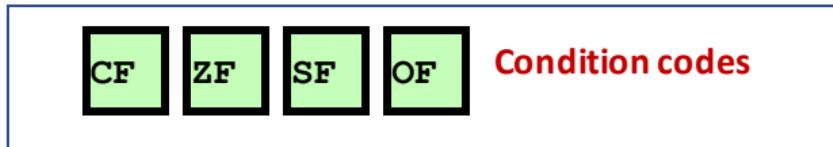
Set 1 if result
was zero.

Set 1 if negative 0 if positive

JUMP instruction and their associated [x86-guide](#)

Instruction	Description	Condition Code
jle	Jump if less or equal	$(SF \wedge OF) \mid ZF$
jg	Jump if greater (signed)	$\sim(SF \wedge OF) \wedge \sim ZF$
je	Jump if equal	ZF

Why set the overflow flag



NOT

XOR

$$\sim(SF \wedge OF) \wedge \sim ZF$$

ZF

condition codes example (1)

```
movq $-10, %rax  
movq $20, %rbx  
subq %rax, %rbx // %rbx - %rax = 30  
    // result > 0: %rbx was > %rax  
jle foo // not taken; 30 > 0
```

jle

Jump if less or
equal

(SF ^ OF) | ZF

CF

ZF

SF

OF

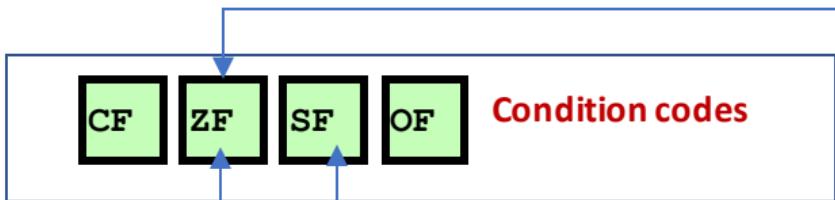
Condition codes

condition codes and cmpq

cmp does subtraction (but doesn't store result)

cmp %rax, %rdi -> rdi - rax

Set zero flag if equal



0101 (decimal 5)

AND 0011 (decimal 3)

= 0001 (decimal 1)

similarly test does bitwise-and
testq %rax, %rax — result is %rax

Set zero flag if result of bitwise and is zero

Also sets the SF flag with most significant bit of the result

Computed Jumps

Computed jumps

Instruction	Description
<code>jmpq *%rax</code>	Intel syntax: <code>jmp RAX</code> goto address <code>RAX</code>
<code>jmpq *1000(%rax,%rbx,8)</code>	Intel syntax: <code>jmp QWORD PTR[RAX+RBX*8+1000]</code> read address from memory at <code>RAX + RBX * 8 + 1</code> // go to that address

From C to Assembly

goto

```
for (...) {  
    for (...) {  
        if (thingAt(i, j)) {  
            goto found;  
        }  
    }  
}  
printf("not found! \n");  
return;  
found:  
printf("found! \n");
```

goto

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    for (...) {  
        if (thingAt(i, j)) {  
            goto found;  
        }  
    }  
}  
printf("not found! \n");  
return;  
found:  
printf("found! \n");
```

assembly:
jmp found

assembly:
found:

if-to-assembly (1)

```
if (b >= 42) {  
    a += 10;  
} else {  
    a *= b;  
}
```

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```
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} else {  
    a *= b;  
}
```

```
        if (b < 42) goto after_then;  
        a += 10;  
        goto after_else;  
after_then: a *= b;  
after_else:
```

if-to-assembly (2)

```
if (b >= 42) {  
    a += 10;  
} else {  
    a *= b;  
}
```

```
// a is in %rax, b is in %rbx  
    cmpq $42, %rbx    // computes rbx - 42  
    jl after_then      // jump if rbx - 42 < 0  
                      // AKA rbx < 42  
    addq $10, %rax     // a += 1  
    jmp after_else  
after_then:  
    imulq %rbx, %rax // rax = rax * rbx  
after_else:
```

x86-64 calling convention example

```
int foo(int x, int y, int z) { return 42; }
...
    foo(1, 2, 3);
...


---


...
// foo(1, 2, 3)
movl $1, %edi
movl $2, %esi
movl $3, %edx
call foo // call pushes address of next instruction
          // then jumps to foo
...
foo:
    movl $42, %eax
    ret
```

call/ret

call:

push address of **next instruction** on the stack

ret:

pop address from stack; jump

callee-saved registers

functions **must preserve** these

`%rsp` (stack pointer),

`%rbx, %rbp` (frame pointer, maybe)

`%r12-%r15`

caller/callee-saved

foo:

```
    pushq %r12 // r12 is callee-saved
    ... use r12 ...
    popq %r12
    ret
```

...

other_function:

```
    ...
    pushq %r11 // r11 is caller-saved
    callq foo
    popq %r11
```

Question

```
pushq $0x1  
pushq $0x2  
addq $0x3, 8(%rsp)  
popq %rax  
popq %rbx
```

What is value of %rax and %rbx after this?

- a. %rax = 0x2, %rbx = 0x4
- b. %rax = 0x5, %rbx = 0x1
- c. %rax = 0x2, %rbx = 0x1
- d. the snippet has invalid syntax or will crash

On %rip

%rip (**I**nstruction **P**ointer) = address of next instruction

`movq 500(%rip), %rax`

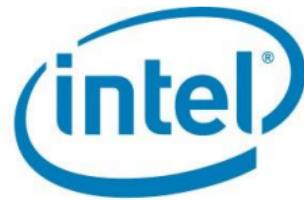
$\text{rax} \leftarrow \text{memory}[\text{next instruction address} + 500]$

$\text{label}(\%rip) \approx \text{label}$

different ways of writing address of label in machine code
(with %rip — relative to next instruction)

Appendix

authoritative source (1)



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