

# Control flow

Condition codes

Conditional and unconditional jumps

Loops

Switch statements

# Conditionals and Control Flow

## Familiar C constructs

- `if else`
- `while`
- `do while`
- `for`
- `break`
- `continue`

## Two key pieces

1. Comparisons and tests: check conditions
2. Transfer control: choose next instruction

# Processor Control-Flow State

## Condition codes (a.k.a. *flags*)

1-bit registers hold flags set by last ALU operation

ZF	Zero Flag	result == 0
SF	Sign Flag	result < 0
CF	Carry Flag	carry-out/unsigned overflow
OF	Overflow Flag	two's complement overflow

`%eip` **Instruction pointer**  
(a.k.a. *program counter*)  
register holds address of next instruction to execute

# 1. *compare* and *test*: conditions

`cmpl b,a` computes  $a - b$ , sets flags, discards result

*Which flags indicate that  $a < b$ ? (signed? unsigned?)*

`testl b,a` computes  $a \& b$ , sets flags, discards result

Common pattern:

```
testl %eax, %eax
```

*What do **ZF** and **SF** indicate?*

# Aside: save conditions

**setg**: set if greater

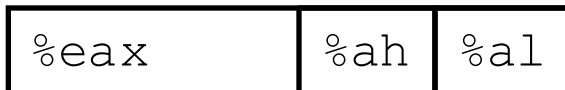
stores byte:

0x01 if  $\sim(SF \wedge OF) \ \& \ \sim ZF$

0x00 otherwise

```
int gt (int x, int y) {  
    return x > y;  
}
```

```
movl 12(%ebp), %eax # eax = y  
cmpl %eax, 8(%ebp) # compare: x - y  
setg %al # al = x > y  
movzbl %al, %eax # zero rest of %eax
```



Zero-extend from **B**yte (8 bits) to **L**ongword (32 bits)

## 2. *jump*: choose next instruction

*Jump/branch* to different part of code by setting `%eip`.

	<b>jX</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Description</b>
Always jump	<code>jmp</code>	<b>1</b>	<b>Unconditional</b>
	<code>je</code>	<b>ZF</b>	<b>Equal / Zero</b>
	<code>jne</code>	$\sim ZF$	Not Equal / Not Zero
	<code>js</code>	SF	Negative
	<code>jns</code>	$\sim SF$	Nonnegative
Jump iff <i>condition</i>	<code>jg</code>	$\sim (SF \wedge OF) \ \& \ \sim ZF$	Greater (Signed)
	<code>jge</code>	$\sim (SF \wedge OF)$	Greater or Equal (Signed)
	<code>jl</code>	$(SF \wedge OF)$	Less (Signed)
	<code>jle</code>	$(SF \wedge OF) \   \ ZF$	Less or Equal (Signed)
	<code>ja</code>	$\sim CF \ \& \ \sim ZF$	Above (unsigned)
	<code>jb</code>	CF	Below (unsigned)

# Jump for control flow

Jump immediately follows comparison/test.

Together, they make a decision:  
"if %eax = %ebx , jump to *label*."

```
    cmpl %eax,%ebx  
    je label  
    ...  
    ... ← Executed only if  
    ...      %eax ≠ %ebx  
  
label: addl %edx,%eax
```

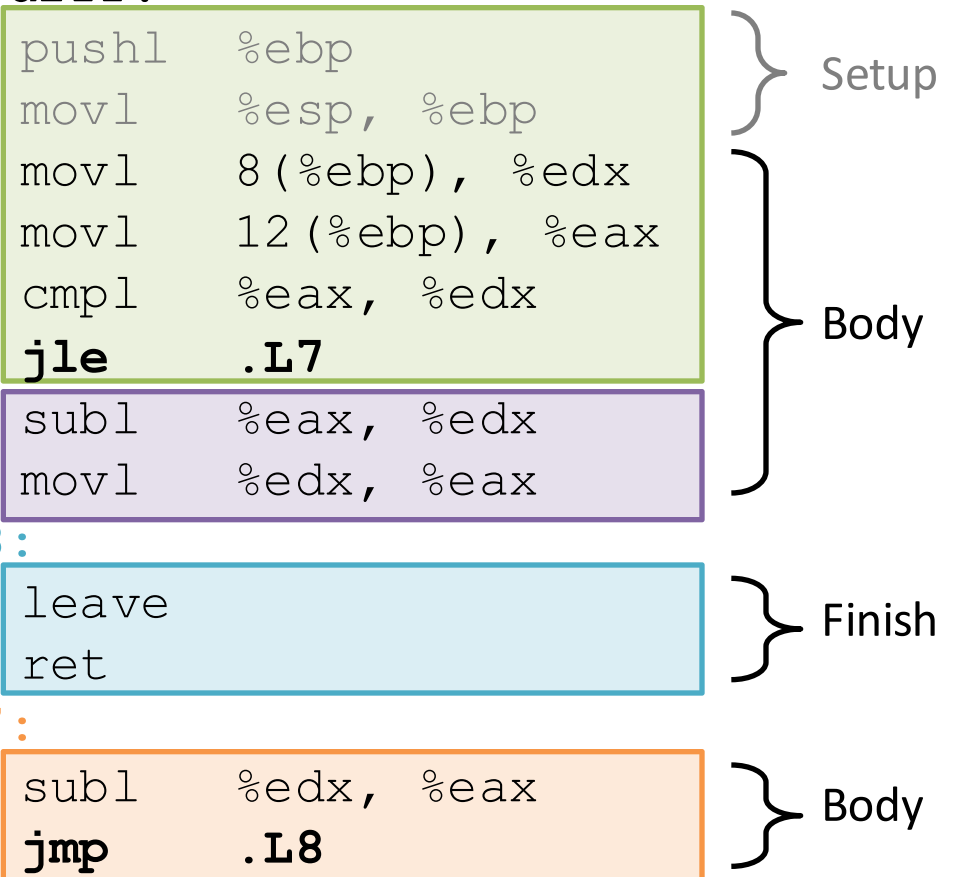
**Label**

Name for address of  
following instruction.

# Conditional Branch Example

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

absdiff:



**Labels**

Name for address of following instruction.

**How did the compiler create this?**



# Control-Flow Graph

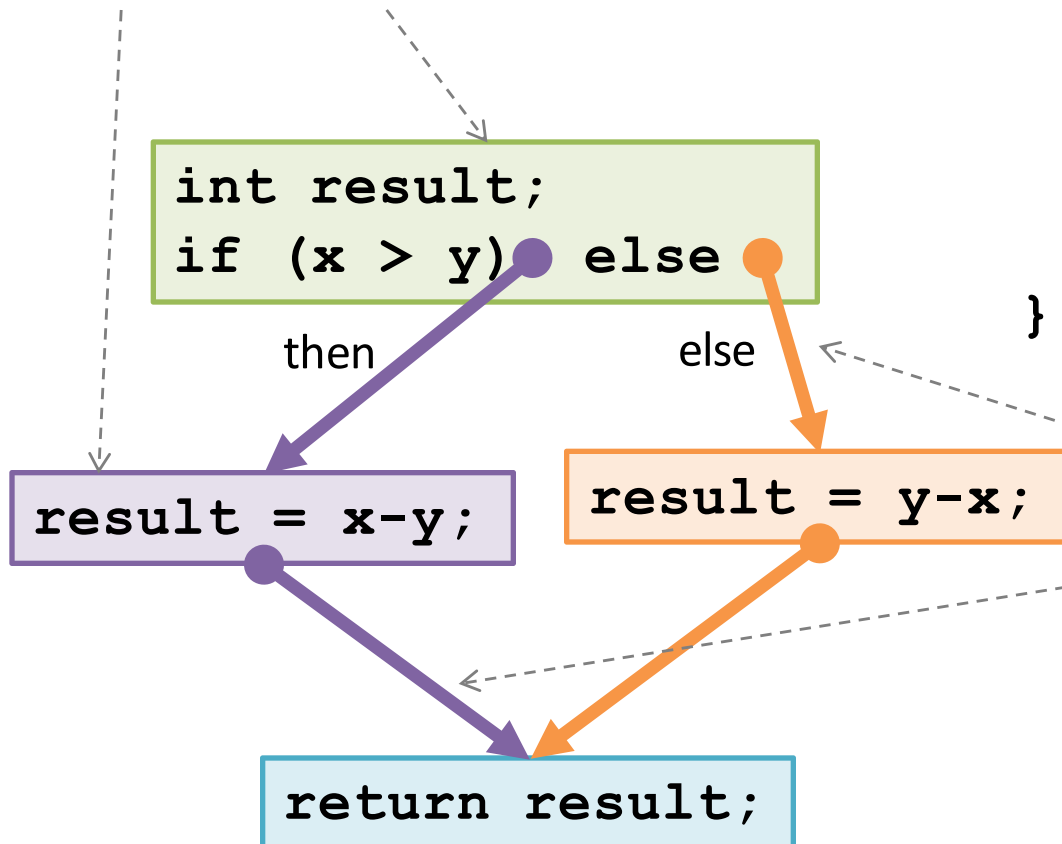
Code flowchart/directed graph.

Introduced by Fran Allen, et al.  
Won the 2006 Turing Award  
for her work on compilers.



Nodes = **Basic Blocks**:

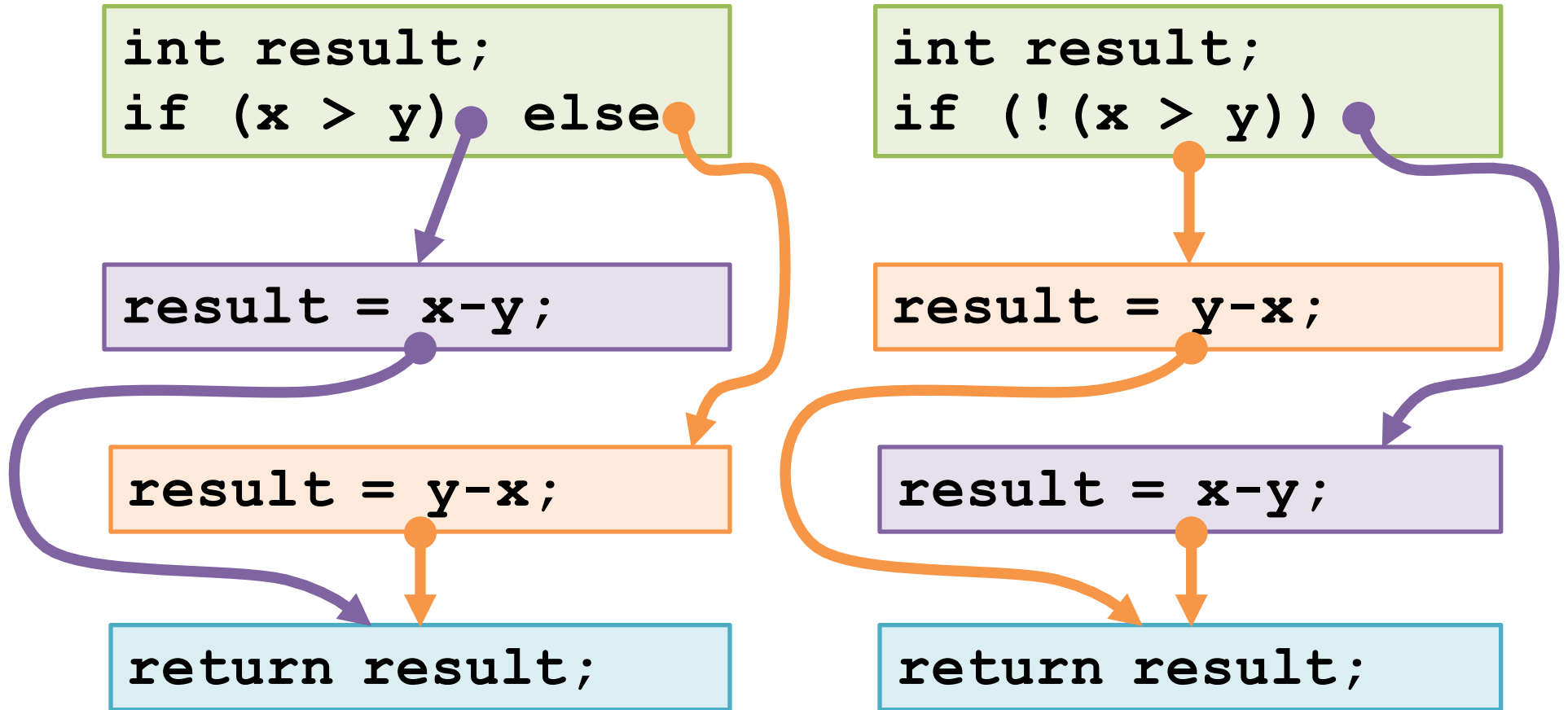
Straight-line code always  
executed together in order.



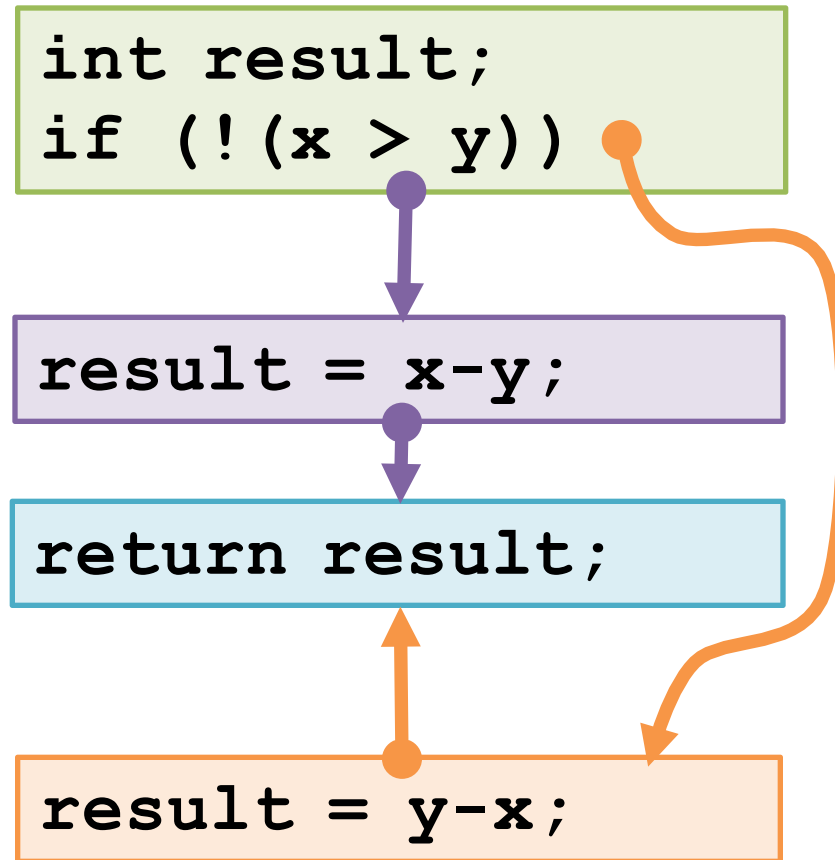
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    int result;  
    if (x > y) {  
        result = x-y;  
    } else {  
        result = y-x;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

Edges = **Control Flow**:  
Which basic block executes  
next (under what condition).

# Choose a linear order of basic blocks.

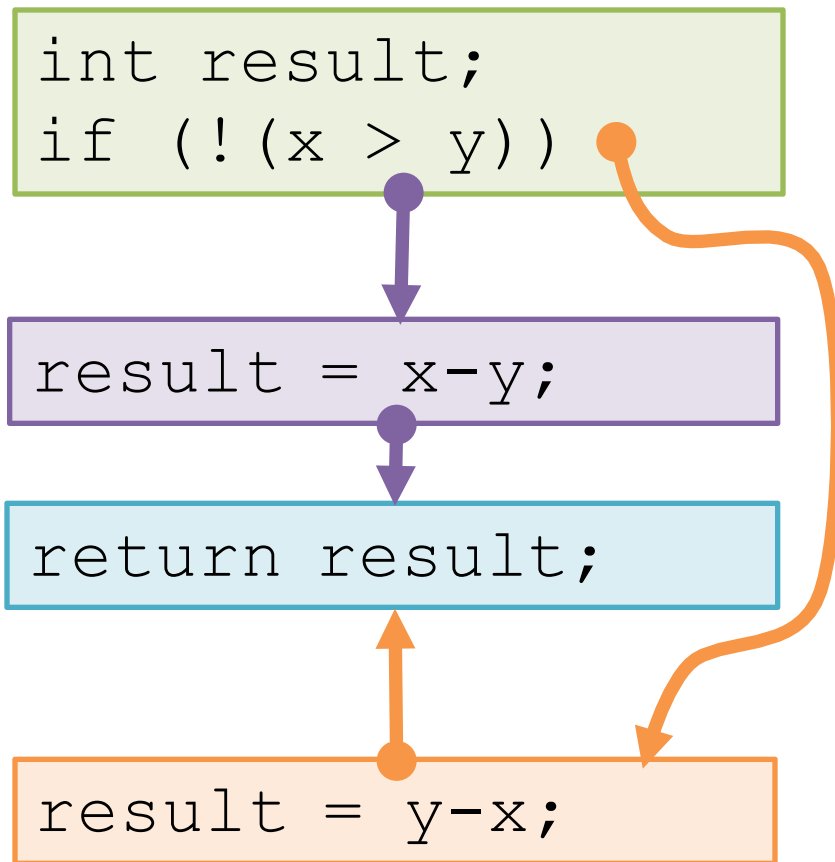


# Choose a linear order of basic blocks.



Why might the compiler choose this basic block order instead of another valid order?

# Translate basic blocks with jumps + labels



```
pushl   %ebp
movl    %esp, %ebp
movl    8(%ebp), %edx
movl    12(%ebp), %eax
cmpl   %eax, %edx
jle   Else
```

```
subl    %eax, %edx
movl    %edx, %eax
```

**End:**

```
leave
ret
```

**Else:**

```
subl    %edx, %eax
jmp   End
```

Why might the compiler choose this basic block order instead of another valid order?

# Execute absdiff

```

pushl   %ebp
movl    %esp, %ebp
movl    8(%ebp), %edx
movl    12(%ebp), %eax
cmpl   %eax, %edx
jle Else

```

Start here.

```

subl   %eax, %edx
movl   %edx, %eax

```

## Registers

%eax	
%edx	
%esp	
%ebp	0x104

## End:

```

leave ← Stop here.
ret    What is in %eax?

```

## Else:

```

subl   %edx, %eax
jmp   End

```

## Memory (Address)

Offset from %ebp	Memory	(Address)
	...	0x118
	...	0x114
12	123	0x110
8	456	0x10c
4	Return addr	0x108
0	...	0x104
-4	...	0x100

%ebp →

# Note: CSAPP shows translation with goto

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

```
int goto_ad(int x, int y) {  
    int result;  
    if (x <= y) goto Else;  
    result = x-y;  
End:  
    return result;  
Else:  
    result = y-x;  
    goto End;  
}
```

# Note: CSAPP shows translation with goto

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int goto_ad(int x, int y) {  
    int result;  
    if (x <= y) goto Else;  
    result = x-y;  
End:  
    return result;  
Else:  
    result = y-x;  
    goto End;  
}
```

Close to assembly code.

absdiff:

```
pushl   %ebp  
movl    %esp, %ebp  
movl    8(%ebp), %edx  
movl    12(%ebp), %eax  
cmpl    %eax, %edx  
jle     .L7  
subl    %eax, %edx  
movl    %edx, %eax  
.L8:  
leave  
ret  
.L7:  
subl    %edx, %eax  
jmp     .L8
```

Setup

Body

Finish

Body

# But never use goto in your source code!





# compile if-else

```
int wacky(int x, int y) {  
    int result;  
    if (x + y > 7) {  
        result = x;  
    } else {  
        result = y + 2;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

Assume x available in 8(%ebp),  
y available in 12(%ebp).

Place result in %eax.

# PC-relative addressing

0x100	cmp	%eax, %ebx	0x1000
0x102	<b>je</b>	<b>0x70</b>	0x1002
<b>0x104</b>	...	↓	0x1004
...	...		...
<b>0x174</b>	<b>add</b>	<b>%eax, %ebx</b>	0x1074

- **Jump instruction encodes *offset* from next instruction to destination PC.**
  - (Not the absolute address of the destination.)
  - PC relative branches are relocatable
  - Absolute branches are not (or they take a lot work to relocate)

# PC-relative addressing

objdump output:

```
00000000 <absdiff>:
0: 55                push    %ebp
1: 89 e5             mov     %esp,%ebp
3: 83 ec 10          sub     $0x10,%esp
6: 8b 45 08          mov     0x8(%ebp),%eax
9: 3b 45 0c          cmp     0xc(%ebp),%eax
c: 7e 0b             jle    19 <absdiff+0x19>
e: 8b 45 08          mov     0x8(%ebp),%eax
11: 2b 45 0c          sub     0xc(%ebp),%eax
14: 89 45 fc          mov     %eax,-0x4(%ebp)
17: eb 09             jmp    22 <absdiff+0x22>
19: 8b 45 0c          mov     0xc(%ebp),%eax
1c: 2b 45 08          sub     0x8(%ebp),%eax
1f: 89 45 fc          mov     %eax,-0x4(%ebp)
22: 8b 45 fc          mov     -0x4(%ebp),%eax
25: c9                leave
26: c3                ret
```

**How are the jump targets encoded? Why?**

# Compiling Loops

C/Java code:

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

Machine code:

```
loopTop:    cmpl    $0, %eax  
            je      loopDone  
            <loop body code>  
            jmp     loopTop  
loopDone:
```

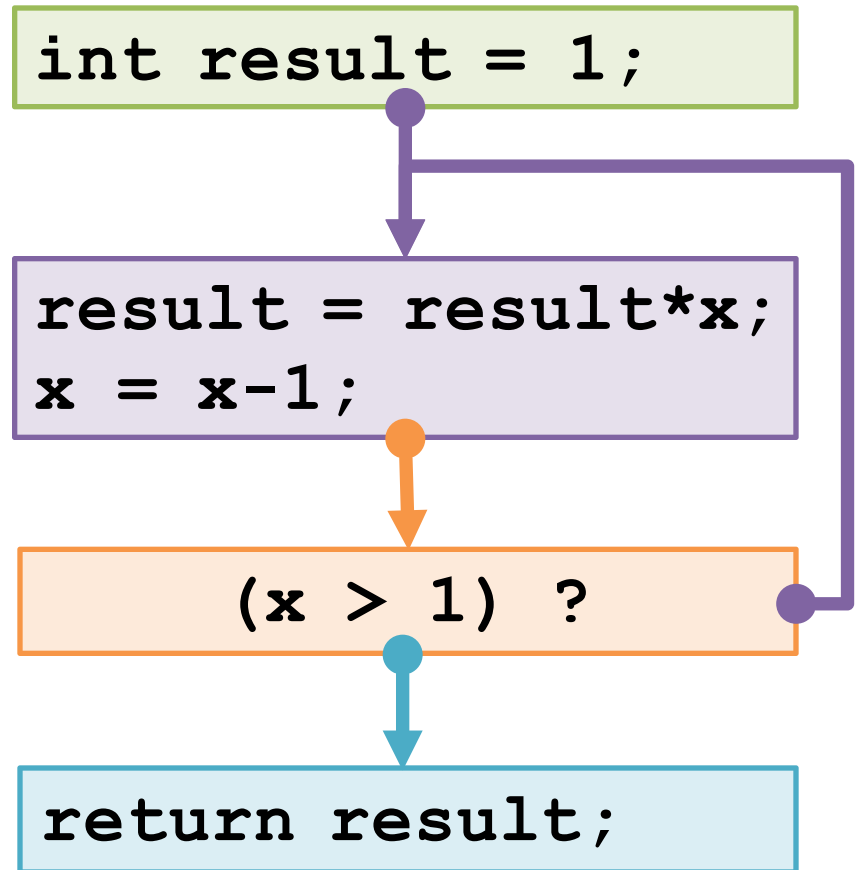
## How to compile other loops should be straightforward

The only slightly tricky part is to where to put the conditional branch:  
top or bottom of the loop

# “Do-While” Loop Example

## C Code

```
int fact_do(int x) {  
    int result = 1;  
    do {  
        result = result * x;  
        x = x-1;  
    } while (x > 1);  
    return result;  
}
```



## Keys:

- Use backward branch to continue looping
- Only take branch when “while” condition holds

# “Do-While” Loop Example

## C Code

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int fact_do(int x) {  
    int result = 1;  
    do {  
        result = result * x;  
        x = x-1;  
    } while (x > 1);  
    return result;  
}
```

## Goto Version

```
int fact_goto(int x) {  
    int result = 1;  
    loop:  
        result = result * x;  
        x = x-1;  
        if (x > 1) goto loop;  
    return result;  
}
```

## Keys:

- Use backward branch to continue looping
- Only take branch when “while” condition holds

# “Do-While” Loop Compilation

## Goto Version

```
int fact_goto(int x) {  
    int result = 1;  
  
loop:  
    result = result * x;  
    x = x-1;  
    if (x > 1)  
        goto loop;  
  
    return result;  
}
```

## Assembly

```
fact_goto:  
    pushl %ebp  
    movl %esp,%ebp  
    movl $1,%eax  
    movl 8(%ebp),%edx  
  
.L11:  
    imull %edx,%eax  
    decl %edx  
    cmpl $1,%edx  
    jg .L11  
  
    movl %ebp,%esp  
    popl %ebp  
    ret
```

Register	Variable
%edx	
%eax	

Why?

Why put the loop condition at the end?

Translation?

# General “Do-While” Translation

## C Code

```
do  
  Body  
while (Test);
```

## Goto Version

```
loop:  
  Body  
  if (Test)  
    goto loop
```

**Body:** {  
    *Statement*<sub>1</sub>;  
    *Statement*<sub>2</sub>;  
    ...  
    *Statement*<sub>n</sub>;  
}

## **Test** returns integer

= 0 interpreted as false

≠ 0 interpreted as true



# “While” Loop Translation

Why?

C Code

```
int fact_while(int x) {  
    int result = 1;  
    while (x > 1) {  
        result = result * x;  
        x = x-1;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

```
int result = 1;
```

```
(x > 1) ?
```

```
result = result*x;  
x = x-1;
```

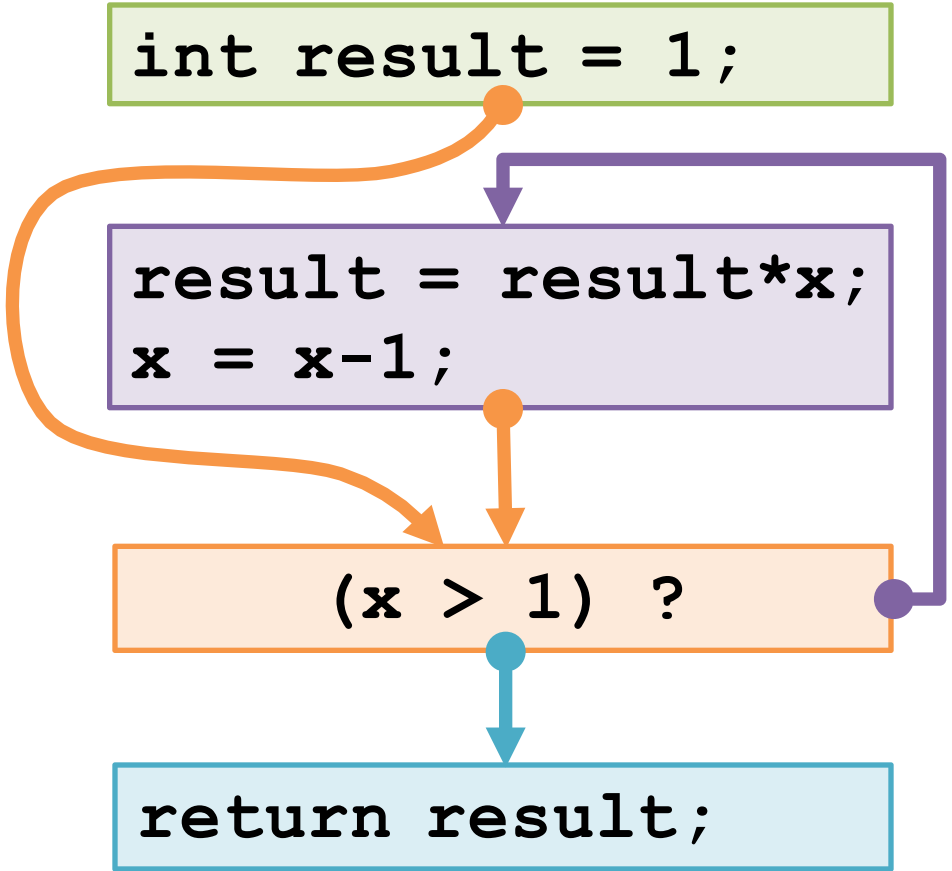
```
return result;
```

```
int result = 1;
```

```
result = result*x;  
x = x-1;
```

```
(x > 1) ?
```

```
return result;
```



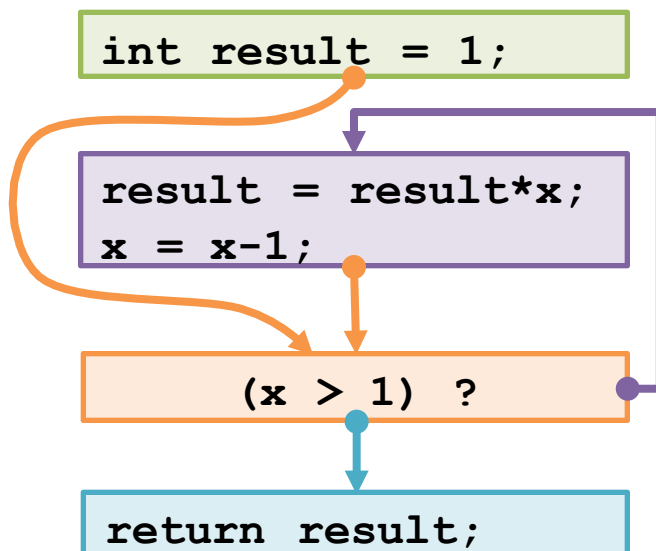
# “While” Loop Translation

## C Code

```
int fact_while(int x) {
    int result = 1;
    while (x > 1) {
        result = result * x;
        x = x-1;
    }
    return result;
}
```

## Goto Version

```
int fact_while_goto(int x) {
    int result = 1;
    goto middle;
loop:
    result = result * x;
    x = x-1;
middle:
    if (x > 1)
        goto loop;
    return result;
}
```

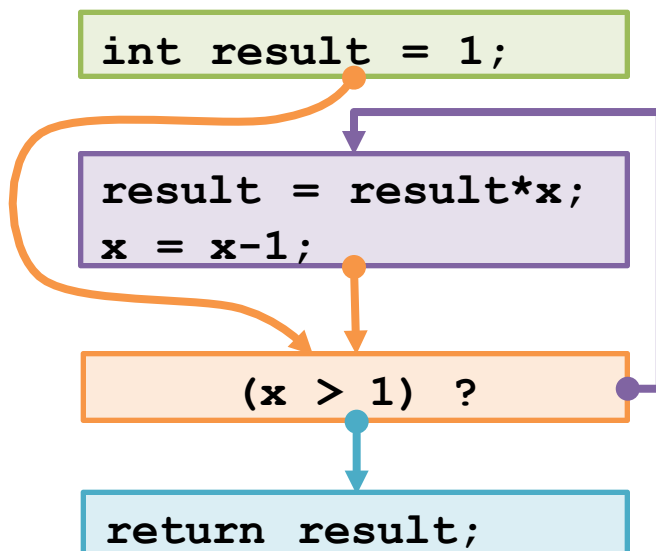


This order is used by GCC for both IA32 and x86-64  
Test at end, first iteration jumps over body to test.

# “While” Loop Example

```
int fact_while(int x) {
    int result = 1;
    while (x > 1) {
        result = result * x;
        x = x - 1;
    };
    return result;
}
```

```
# x in %edx, result in %eax
    jmp     .L34      # goto Middle
.L35:      # Loop:
    imull  %edx, %eax # result *= x
    decl  %edx      # x--
.L34:      # Middle:
    cmpl  $1, %edx  # x:1
    jg    .L35      # if >, goto
                    # Loop
```



# “For” Loop Example: Square-and-Multiply

```

/* Compute x raised to nonnegative power p */
int power(int x, unsigned int p) {
    int result;
    for (result = 1; p != 0; p = p>>1) {
        if (p & 0x1) {
            result = result * x;
        }
        x = x*x;
    }
    return result;
}

```

$$x^m * x^n = x^{m+n}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc}
 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & = 13 \\
 1^{2^{31}} * & \dots * & 1^{16} * & x^8 * & x^4 * & 1^2 * & x^1 & = x^{13} \\
 & & 1 = x^0 & x = x^1 & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

## Algorithm

Exploit bit representation:  $p = p_0 + 2p_1 + 2^2p_2 + \dots + 2^{n-1}p_{n-1}$

Gives:  $x^p = z_0 \cdot z_1^2 \cdot (z_2^2)^2 \cdot \dots \cdot \underbrace{(\dots((z_{n-1}^2)^2)\dots)^2}_{n-1 \text{ times}}$

$$z_i = 1 \text{ when } p_i = 0$$

$$z_i = x \text{ when } p_i = 1$$

Complexity  $O(\log p) = O(\text{sizeof}(p))$

### Example

$$3^{10} = 3^2 * 3^8$$

$$= 3^2 * ((3^2)^2)^2$$

# power Computation

```

/* Compute x raised to nonnegative power p */
int power(int x, unsigned int p) {
    int result;
    for (result = 1; p != 0; p = p>>1) {
        if (p & 0x1) {
            result = result * x;
        }
        x = x*x;
    }
    return result;
}

```

before iteration	result	x=3	p=10
<b>1</b>	1	3	10=1010 <sub>2</sub>
<b>2</b>	1	9	5= 101 <sub>2</sub>
<b>3</b>	9	81	2= 10 <sub>2</sub>
<b>4</b>	9	6561	1= 1 <sub>2</sub>
<b>5</b>	59049	43046721	0 <sub>2</sub>

# “For” Loop Example

```
for (int result = 1; p != 0; p = p>>1) {  
    if (p & 0x1) {  
        result = result * x;  
    }  
    x = x*x;  
}
```

## General Form

```
for (Initialize; Test; Update)  
    Body
```

*Init*

```
result = 1
```

*Test*

```
p != 0
```

*Update*

```
p = p >> 1
```

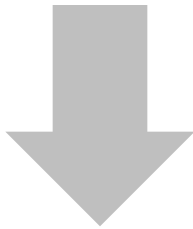
*Body*

```
{  
    if (p & 0x1) {  
        result = result*x;  
    }  
    x = x*x;  
}
```

# “For” → “While”

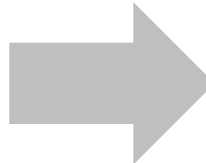
## For Version

```
for (Initialize; Test; Update )  
    Body
```



## While Version

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



## Goto Version

```
Initialize ;  
    goto middle ;  
loop:  
    Body  
    Update ;  
middle:  
    if (Test)  
        goto loop ;  
done:
```

# For-Loop: Compilation

## For Version

```
for (Initialize; Test; Update )  
  
    Body
```

```
for (result = 1; p != 0; p = p>>1) {  
    if (p & 0x1) {  
        result = result * x;  
    }  
    x = x*x;  
}
```

## Goto Version

```
Initialize;  
goto middle;  
loop:  
    Body  
    Update ;  
middle:  
    if (Test)  
        goto loop;  
done:
```

```
result = 1;  
goto middle;  
loop:  
    if (p & 0x1)  
        result *= x;  
    x = x*x;  
    p = p >> 1;  
middle:  
    if (p != 0)  
        goto loop;  
done:
```



# Review

## Processor State



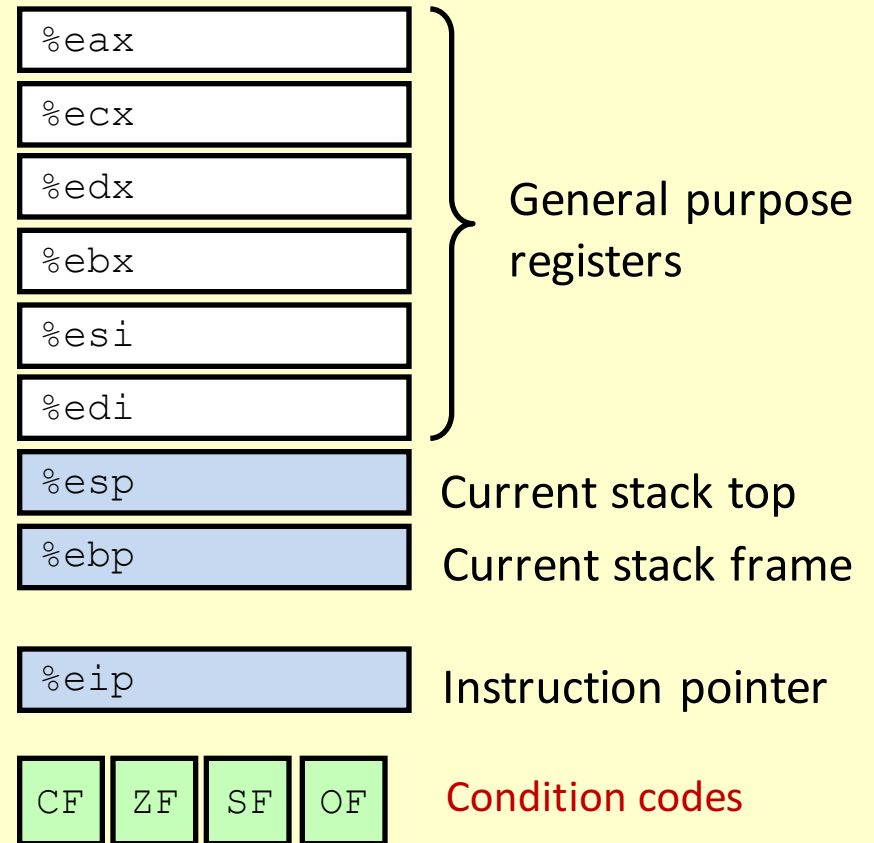
## Memory addressing modes

`(%eax)`

`17(%eax)`

`12(%edx, %eax)`

`2(%ebx, %ecx, 8)`



## Immediate (constant), Register, and Memory Operands

`subl %eax, %ecx`

`# ecx = ecx + eax`

`sall $4, %edx`

`# edx = edx << 4`

`addl 16(%ebp), %ecx`

`# ecx = ecx + Mem[16+ebp]`

`imull %ecx, %eax`

`# eax = eax * ecx`

# Review

## Control

1-bit condition code/flag registers

carry	zero	sign	overflow
CF	ZF	SF	OF

Set by arithmetic instructions (`addl, shll, etc.`), `cmp`, `test`

Access flags with `setg`, `setle`, ... instructions

**Conditional jumps** use flags for decisions (`jle .L4`, `je .L10`, ...)

**Unconditional jumps** always jump: `jmp`

Direct or indirect jumps

## Standard Techniques

Loops converted to do-while form

Large switch statements use jump tables

# Review

## Do-While loop

## While-Do loop

### C Code

```
do  
  Body  
while (Test);
```

### Goto Version

```
loop:  
  Body  
  if (Test)  
    goto loop
```

### Do-While Version

```
if (!Test)  
  goto done;  
do  
  Body  
  while(Test);  
done:
```

### Goto Version

```
if (!Test)  
  goto done;  
loop:  
  Body  
  if (Test)  
    goto loop;  
done:
```

### While version

```
while (Test)  
  Body
```

or

```
goto middle;  
loop:  
  Body  
middle:  
  if (Test)  
    goto loop;
```

```
long switch_eg (unsigned
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 Statements

## Multiple case labels

Here: 5, 6

## Fall through cases

Here: 2

## Missing cases

Here: 4

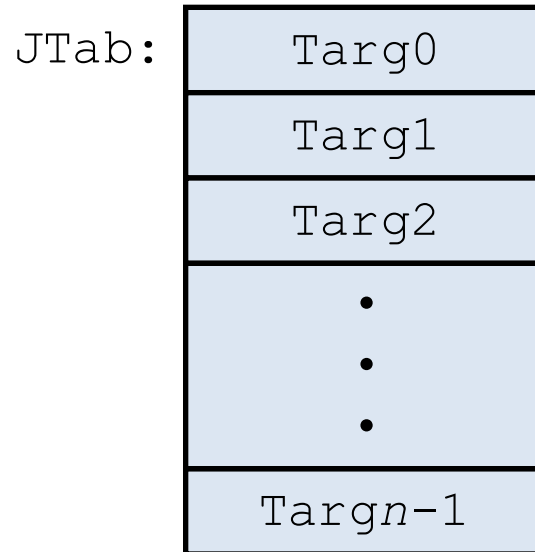
**Lots to manage,  
we need a *jump table***

# 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

Targ0:

Code Block  
0

Targ1:

Code Block  
1

Targ2:

Code Block  
2

•  
•  
•

Targn-1:

Code Block  
n-1

## Approximate Translation

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

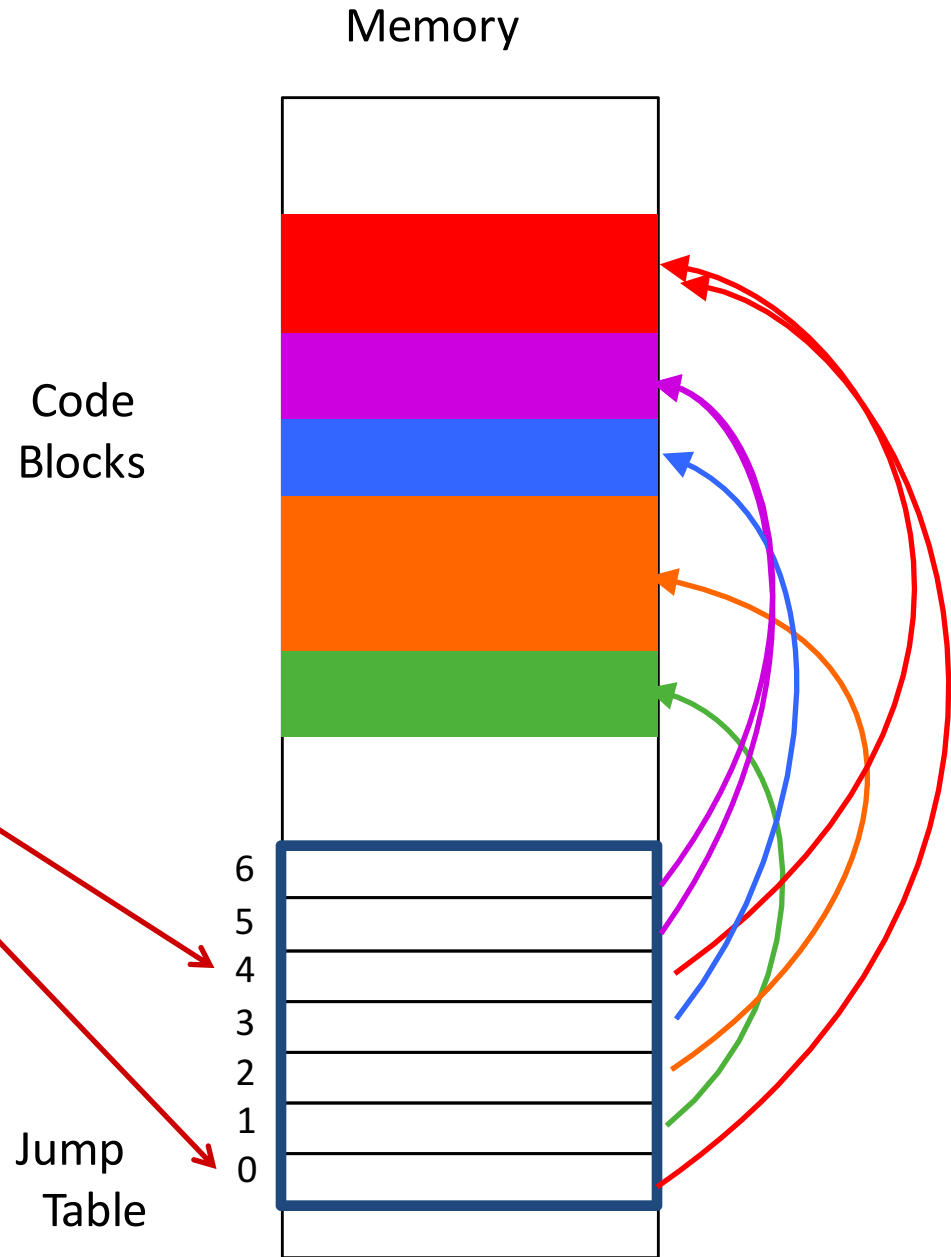
# Jump Table Structure

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>  
}
```

We can use the jump table when  $x \leq 6$ :

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



# Jump Table (IA32)

declaring data, not instructions

Jump table

4-byte memory alignment

```
.section .rodata
    .align 4
.L62:
    .long    .L61    # x = 0
    .long    .L56    # x = 1
    .long    .L57    # x = 2
    .long    .L58    # x = 3
    .long    .L61    # x = 4
    .long    .L60    # x = 5
    .long    .L60    # x = 6
```

```
switch(x) {
case 1:      // .L56
    w = y*z;
    break;
case 2:      // .L57
    w = y/z;
    /* Fall Through */
case 3:      // .L58
    w += z;
    break;
case 5:
case 6:      // .L60
    w -= z;
    break;
default:    // .L61
    w = 2;
}
```

“long” as in movl: 4 bytes

# Switch Statement Example (IA32)



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

Jump table

```
.section .rodata  
    .align 4  
.L62:  
    .long    .L61    # x = 0  
    .long    .L56    # x = 1  
    .long    .L57    # x = 2  
    .long    .L58    # x = 3  
    .long    .L61    # x = 4  
    .long    .L60    # x = 5  
    .long    .L60    # x = 6
```

```
Setup:    switch_eg:  
    pushl   %ebp                # Setup  
    movl   %esp, %ebp          # Setup  
    pushl   %ebx                # Setup  
    movl   $1, %ebx            # w = 1  
    movl   8(%ebp), %edx        # edx = x  
    movl   16(%ebp), %ecx       # ecx = z  
    cmpl   $6, %edx  
    ja     .L61  
    jmp    *.L62(, %edx, 4)
```

Translation?



# Switch Statement Example (IA32)

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

## Jump table

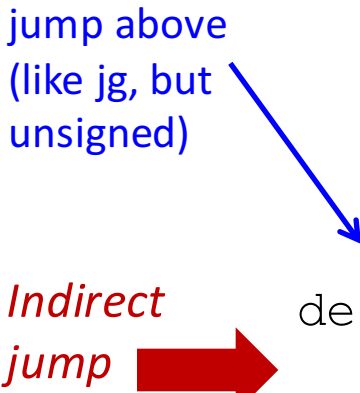
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    .align 4  
.L62:  
    .long    .L61    # x = 0  
    .long    .L56    # x = 1  
    .long    .L57    # x = 2  
    .long    .L58    # x = 3  
    .long    .L61    # x = 4  
    .long    .L60    # x = 5  
    .long    .L60    # x = 6
```

Setup: switch\_eg:

```
    pushl   %ebp                # Setup  
    movl   %esp, %ebp          # Setup  
    pushl   %ebx                # Setup  
    movl   $1, %ebx            # w = 1  
    movl   8(%ebp), %edx        # edx = x  
    movl   16(%ebp), %ecx       # ecx = z  
    cmpl   $6, %edx            # x:6  
    ja     .L61                 # if > 6 goto  
default  
    jmp    *.L62(, %edx, 4)     # goto JTab[x]
```

jump above  
(like `ja`, but  
unsigned)

Indirect  
jump



# Assembly Setup Explanation (IA32)

## Table Structure

Each target requires 4 bytes

Base address at `.L62`

## Jump target address modes

**Direct:** `jmp .L61`

Jump target is denoted by label `.L61`

**Indirect:** `jmp *.L62(, %edx, 4)`

Start of jump table: `.L62`

Must scale by factor of 4 (labels are 32-bits = 4 bytes on IA32)

Fetch target from effective address `.L62 + edx*4`

`target = JTab[x]; goto target; (only for  $0 \leq x \leq 6$ )`

Jump table

```
.section .rodata
    .align 4
.L62:
    .long    .L61    # x = 0
    .long    .L56    # x = 1
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    .long    .L58    # x = 3
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    .long    .L60    # x = 5
    .long    .L60    # x = 6
```

# Code Blocks (Partial)

```
switch(x) {
    . . .
    case 2:      // .L57
        w = y/z;
        /* Fall Through */
    case 3:      // .L58
        w += z;
        break;
    . . .
    default:     // .L61
        w = 2;
}
return w;
```

```
.L61: // Default case
    movl $2, %ebx    # w = 2
    jmp .L63
.L57: // Case 2:
    movl 12(%ebp), %eax # y
    cld                # Div prep
    idivl %ecx         # y/z
    movl %eax, %ebx   # w = y/z
# Fall through - no jmp
.L58: // Case 3:
    addl %ecx, %ebx  # w+= z
    jmp .L63
...
.L63
    movl %ebx, %eax  # return w
    popl %ebx
    leave
    ret
```

# Code Blocks (Rest)

```
switch(x) {
case 1:      // .L56
    w = y*z;
    break;
    . . .
case 5:
case 6:      // .L60
    w -= z;
    break;
    . . .
}
return w;
```

```
.L60: // Cases 5&6:
    subl %ecx, %ebx # w -= z
    jmp .L63
.L56: // Case 1:
    movl 12(%ebp), %ebx # w = y
    imull %ecx, %ebx # w*= z
    jmp .L63

...
.L63
    movl %ebx, %eax # return w
    popl %ebx
    leave
    ret
```

# Code Blocks (Partial, return inlined)

```
switch(x) {  
    . . .  
    case 2:      // .L57  
        w = y/z;  
        /* Fall Through */  
    case 3:      // .L58  
        w += z;  
        break;  
    . . .  
    default:     // .L61  
        w = 2;  
}
```

The compiler might choose to pull the return statement in to each relevant case rather than jumping out to it.

```
.L61: // Default case  
    movl $2, %ebx    # w = 2  
    movl %ebx, %eax  # Return w  
    popl %ebx  
    leave  
    ret  
  
.L57: // Case 2:  
    movl 12(%ebp), %eax # y  
    cld                # Div prep  
    idivl %ecx         # y/z  
    movl %eax, %ebx   # w = y/z  
# Fall through - no jmp  
.L58: // Case 3:  
    addl %ecx, %ebx   # w+= z  
    movl %ebx, %eax  # Return w  
    popl %ebx  
    leave  
    ret
```

# Code Blocks (Rest, return inlined)

```
switch(x) {  
  case 1:      // .L56  
    w = y*z;  
    break;  
    . . .  
  case 5:  
  case 6:      // .L60  
    w -= z;  
    break;  
    . . .  
}
```

```
.L60: // Cases 5&6:  
  subl  %ecx, %ebx  # w -= z  
  movl  %ebx, %eax  # Return w  
  popl  %ebx  
  leave  
  ret  
.L56: // Case 1:  
  movl  12(%ebp), %ebx # w = y  
  imull %ecx, %ebx    # w*= z  
  movl  %ebx, %eax  # Return w  
  popl  %ebx  
  leave  
  ret
```

The compiler might choose to pull the return statement in to each relevant case rather than jumping out to it.

# Switch machine code

## Setup

Label `.L61` will mean address `0x08048630`

Label `.L62` will mean address `0x080488dc`

## Assembly Code

```
switch_eg:
    . . .
    ja     .L61          # if > goto default
    jmp   *.L62(, %edx, 4) # goto JTab[x]
```

## Disassembled Object Code

```
08048610 <switch_eg>:
    . . .
08048622:  77 0c          ja     8048630
08048624:  ff 24 95 dc 88 04 08  jmp   *0x80488dc(, %edx, 4)
```

# Switch machine code

## Jump Table

Doesn't show up in disassembled code

Can inspect using GDB if we know its address.

```
(gdb) x/7xw 0x080488dc
```

Examine 7 hexadecimal format "words" (4 bytes each)

Use command "**help x**" to get format documentation

```
0x080488dc:
```

```
0x08048630
```

```
0x08048650
```

```
0x0804863a
```

```
0x08048642
```

```
0x08048630
```

```
0x08048649
```

```
0x08048649
```



# Matching Disassembled Targets

**0x080488dc:**

0x08048630

0x08048650

0x0804863a

0x08048642

0x08048630

0x08048649

0x08048649

<i>8048630:</i>	bb 02 00 00 00	mov
8048635:	89 d8	mov
8048637:	5b	pop
8048638:	c9	leave
8048639:	c3	ret
<i>804863a:</i>	8b 45 0c	mov
804863d:	99	cltd
804863e:	f7 f9	idiv
8048640:	89 c3	mov
<i>8048642:</i>	01 cb	add
8048644:	89 d8	mov
8048646:	5b	pop
8048647:	c9	leave
8048648:	c3	ret
<i>8048649:</i>	29 cb	sub
804864b:	89 d8	mov
804864d:	5b	pop
804864e:	c9	leave
804864f:	c3	ret
<i>8048650:</i>	8b 5d 0c	mov
8048653:	0f af d9	imul
8048656:	89 d8	mov
8048658:	5b	pop
8048659:	c9	leave
804865a:	c3	ret

# Question

- **Would you implement this with a jump table?**

```
switch(x) {  
  case 0:      <some code>  
              break;  
  case 10:     <some code>  
              break;  
  case 52000:  <some code>  
              break;  
  default:    <some code>  
              break;  
}
```