



Representing Data Structures

Multidimensional arrays

C structs

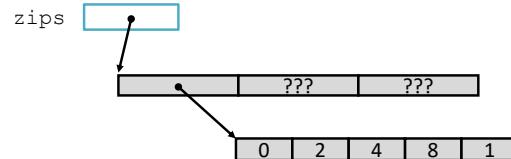
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C: Arrays of pointers to arrays of ... reminder

```
int** zips = (int**)malloc(sizeof(int*)*3);
...
zips[0] = (int*)malloc(sizeof(int)*5);
...
int* zip0 = zips[0];
zip0[0] = 0;
zips[0][1] = 2;
zips[0][2] = 4;
zips[0][3] = 8;
zips[0][4] = 1;
```

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```
int[][] zips = new int[3][];
zips[0] = new int[5] {0, 2, 4, 8, 1};
```

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C: Array layout and indexing

```
int val[5];
```

Write x86 code to load val[i] into %eax.

1. Assume:

- Base address of val is in %rdi
- i is in %rsi

2. Assume:

- Base address of val is 28(%rsp)
- i is in %rcx

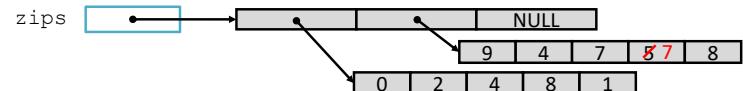
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C: Translate to x86

```
void copyleft(int** zipCodes, long i, long j) {
    zipCodes[i][j] = zipCodes[i][j - 1];
}
```

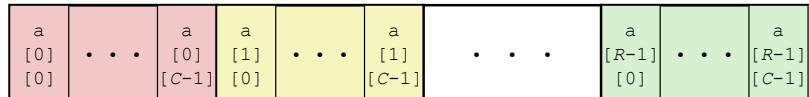
copyleft(zips, 1, 3)



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C: Row-major nested arrays

```
int a[R][C];
```



Suppose a's base address is A.

$\&a[i][j]$ is $A + C \times \text{sizeof}(int) \times i + \text{sizeof}(int) \times j$
(regular unscaled arithmetic)

```
int* b = (int*)a; // Treat as larger 1D array
```

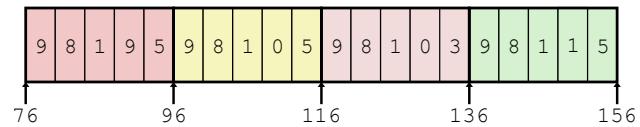
```
&a[i][j] == &b[C*i + j]
```

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C: Strange array indexing examples

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```
int sea[4][5];
```



Reference	Address	Value
sea[3][3]	76+20*3+4*3 = 148	1
sea[2][5]		
sea[2][-1]		
sea[4][-1]		
sea[0][19]		
sea[0][-1]		

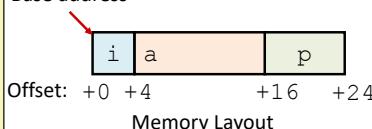
C does not do any bounds checking.

Row-major array layout is guaranteed.

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```
struct rec {
    int i;
    int a[3];
    int* p;
};
```

Base address



```
struct rec x;
struct rec y;
x.i = 1;
x.a[1] = 2;
x.p = &(x.i);

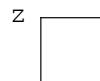
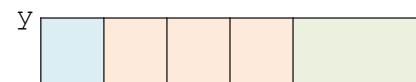
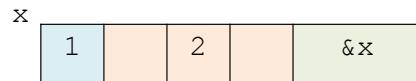
// copy full struct
y = x;
```

```
struct rec* z;
z = &y;
(*z).i++;
// same as:
z->i++
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C structs

Like Java class/object without methods.

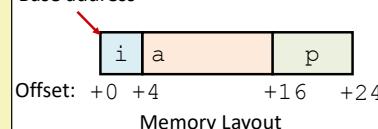
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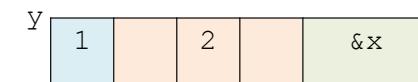
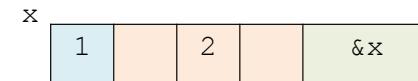
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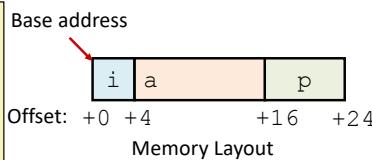
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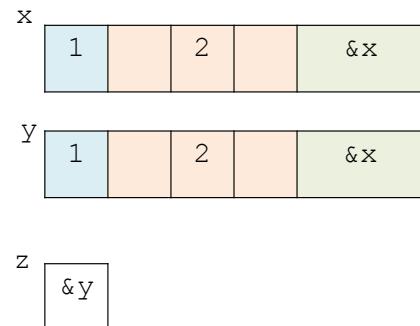
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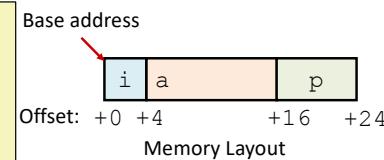
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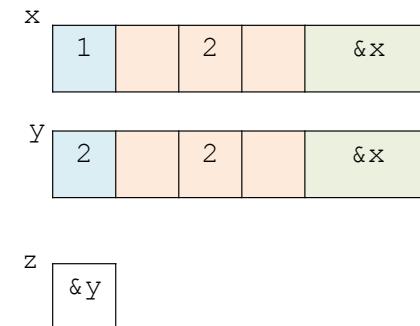
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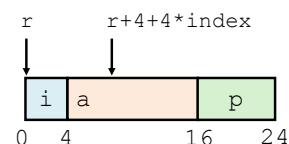
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C: Accessing struct field

```

struct rec {
    int i;
    int a[3];
    int* p;
};

```



```

int get_i_plus_elem(struct rec* r, int index) {
    return r->i + r->a[index];
}

```

```

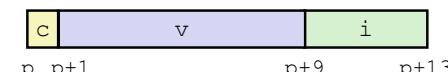
movl 0(%rdi),%eax      # Mem[r+0]
addl 4(%rdi,%rsi,4),%eax  # Mem[r+4+index+4]
retq

```

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C: Struct field alignment

Unaligned Data



```

struct S1 {
    char c;
    double v;
    int i;
} * p;

```

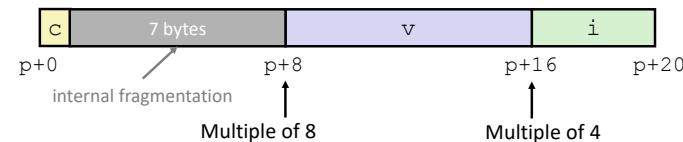
Defines new struct type
and declares variable p
of type struct S1*

Aligned Data

Primitive data type requires K bytes

Address must be multiple of K

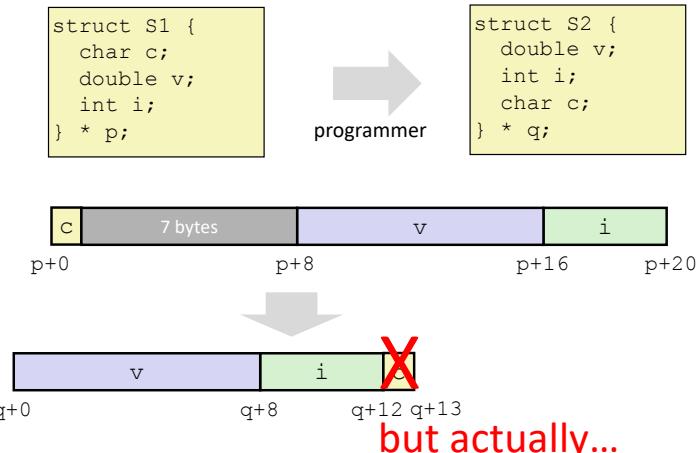
C: align every struct field accordingly.



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C: Struct packing

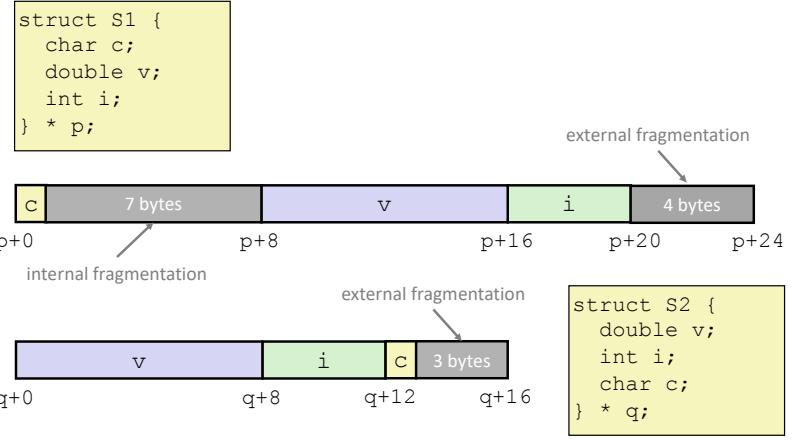
Put large data types first:



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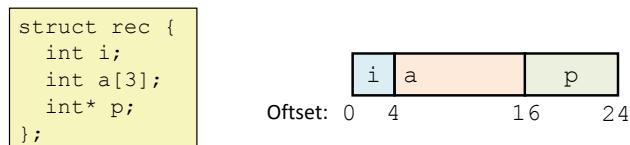
C: Struct alignment (full)

Base *and total size* must align largest internal primitive type.
Fields must align their type's largest alignment requirement.



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Array in struct



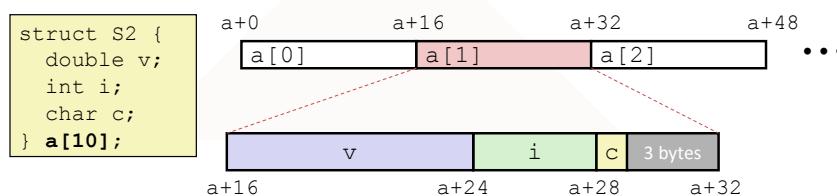
C: typedef

// give type T another name: U
typedef T U;

// struct types can be verbose
struct Node { ... };
...
struct Node* n = ...;

// typedef can help
typedef struct Node {
 ...
} Node;
...
Node* n = ...;

Struct in array



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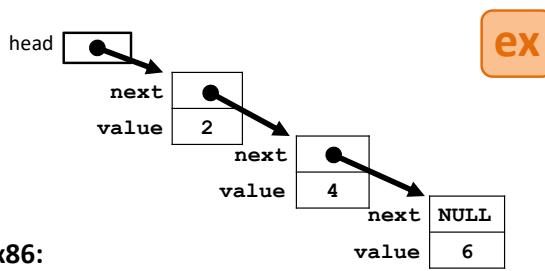
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Linked Lists

```
typedef struct Node {  
    struct Node* next;  
    int value;  
} Node;
```

Implement append in x86:

```
void append(Node* head, int x) {  
    // assume head != NULL  
    Node* cursor = head;  
    // find tail  
    while (cursor->next != NULL) {  
        cursor = cursor->next;  
    }  
    Node* n = (Node*)malloc(sizeof(Node));  
    // error checking omitted  
    // for x86 simplicity  
    cursor->next = n;  
    n->next = NULL;  
    n->value = x;  
}
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ex

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append:

```
pushq %rbp  
movl %esi, %ebp  
pushq %rbx  
movq %rdi, %rbx  
subq $8, %rsp  
jmp .L3  
.L6:  
    movq %rax, %rbx  
.L3:  
    movq (%rbx), %rax  
    testq %rax, %rax  
    jne .L6  
    movl $16, %edi  
    call malloc  
    movq %rax, (%rbx)  
    movq $0, (%rax)  
    movl %ebp, 8(%rax)  
    addq $8, %rsp  
    popq %rbx  
    popq %rbp  
    ret
```

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