X86_64

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Announcements

- Homework 5 **due Monday at 11:59pm** on Gradescope

hello.s example

Instructions (short acronyms for what we want to do, like mov, add, and, or, xor, neg)

Instructions have different versions depending on number of bits to use

- `movq` - 64-bit move (similar for addq, subq)
  - `q` = quad word
- `movl` - 32-bit move
  - `l` = long

The instruction followed by how wide of the thing we want to do.

- There are encodings for shorter things, but we will mostly see 32- and 64-bit

More powerful than our ISA

Instructions can move/operate between memory and register

- `movq %rax, %rcx` - register to register
  - Remember our icode 0
- `movq (%rax), %rcx` - memory to register
  - Remember our icode 3
- `movq %rax, (%rcx)` - register to memory
  - Remember our icode 4
- `movq $21, %rax` - Immediate to register
  - Remember our icode 6 (b=0)

Note: at most one memory address per instruction

We cannot do memory to memory calculations.

Other Instructions

Other instructions work the same way

- `addq %rax, %rcx` — rcx += rax
  (src, dest)
- `subq (%rbx), %rax` — rax -= M[rbx]
  (going to memory and get the value)
- xor, and, and others work the same way!
- Assembly has virtually no 3-argument instructions
  - All will be modifying something (i.e., +=, &=, ...)
    (modify one of the inputs directly, doesn't have a seperate output.)

Load Effective Address

I'm not going to the memory, "lea" is a special instruction that calculates the memory address and store the memory address itself in a register.

Load effective address: `leaq 4(%rcx), %rax`

- Performs memory address calculation
- Stores address, not value at the address in memory

%rax = %rcx + 4.

Jumps

`jmp foo`

- Unconditional jump to `foo`
- `foo` is a label or memory address
- Need `jmp*` to use register value (jump to a value in a register)

Conditional jumps

- `jl`, `jle`, `je`, `jne`, `jg`, `jge`, `ja`, `jb`, `js`, `jo`
  - `jl` <, `jle` <=, `je` ==, `jne` !=, `jg` >, `jge` >=, `ja` above, `jb` below
  - `ja`, `jb`: unsigned
  - `js`: If the signed bit is set.
  - `jo`: If there's a overflow

Unlike our Toy ISA, these do not compare given register to 0

Jumps

We jump based on the result of some special registers called condition codes.

Condition codes - 4 1-bit registers set by every math operation, `cmp`, and `test`

- Result for the operation compared to 0 (if no overflow)
- Example:

```
addq $-5, %rax
// ...code that doesn't set condition codes...
je foo
```

They don't have to be back to back.

→ You can do something like move things around.

jump will be based on the most recent thing that set the condition code.

  - Sets condition codes from doing math (subtract 5 from rax)
  - Tells whether result was positive, negative, 0, if there was overflow, …
  - Then jump if the result of operation should have been = 0

Jumps: compare…

`cmpq %rax, %rdx`

- Compare checks result of -= and sets condition codes
- How `rdx - rax` compares with 0
- Be aware of ordering!
  - if `rax` is bigger, sets < flag
  - if `rdx` is bigger, sets > flag

Jumps: … and test

`testq %rax, %rdx`

- Sets the condition codes based on `rdx & rax`
- Less common

Neither save their result, just set condition codes!

test could be used to check if a register has 0 in it.

```
testq %rax, %rax
je zero_case    // if rax==0
jne nonzero_case // if rax!=0
```

Example: Loops

```
while (i < 10)
    i += 1
```

top: ← lable
// check !condition, jump out
if(i>=10) goto end
    i+=1;
// jump back to condition
go to top;
end: ← lable

```
main:                          → lable
    movq $0, %rax              // we set rax=0 for int i=0;
loop:
    cmp $10, %rax              // rax-10 = ?  { if rax<10, we got negtive, then do loop body.
                                             { if rax >=10, we got positive or 0, then jump out the loop.
    jge after
    addq $1, %rax
    jmp loop
after:
    retq                       // return with a "q" because we're working with a 64 bit thing. (pop a 8-byte address and jump back to caller)
```

Function Calls: Calling Conventions

`callq myfun`

- Push return address, then jump to myfun
- Convention: Store arguments in registers and stack before call
  - First 6 arguments (in order): `rdi`, `rsi`, `rdx`, `rcx`, `r8`, `r9`
  - If more arguments, pushed onto stack (last to first)

`retq`

- Pop return address from stack and jump back
- Convention: store return value in `rax` before calling `retq`

This is similar to our Toy ISA's function calls in homework 4

More conventions, check readings.

Calling Conventions: Registers

The function I'm running currently and the function that I call are both sharing the same registers.

Calling conventions - recommendations for making function calls

Why? Caller and callee share the same registers.

- Where to put arguments/parameters for the function call?
- Where to put return value? in `rax` before calling `retq`
- What happens to values in the registers?
  - **Callee-save** - The function should ensure the values in these registers are unchanged when the function returns
    - `rbx`, `rsp`, `rbp`, `r12`, `r13`, `r14`, `r15`
  - **Caller-save** - Before making a function call, save the value, since the function may change it

① push the old values before calling ② pop the values before returning.