

Machine-Level Programming IV: x86-64 Procedures, Data

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Today

- **Procedures (x86-64)**
- **Arrays**
 - One-dimensional
 - Multi-dimensional (nested)
 - Multi-level
- **Structures**
 - Allocation
 - Access
 - Alignment

x86-64 Integer Registers

<code>%rax</code>	<code>%eax</code>
<code>%rbx</code>	<code>%ebx</code>
<code>%rcx</code>	<code>%ecx</code>
<code>%rdx</code>	<code>%edx</code>
<code>%rsi</code>	<code>%esi</code>
<code>%rdi</code>	<code>%edi</code>
<code>%rsp</code>	<code>%esp</code>
<code>%rbp</code>	<code>%ebp</code>

<code>%r8</code>	<code>%r8d</code>
<code>%r9</code>	<code>%r9d</code>
<code>%r10</code>	<code>%r10d</code>
<code>%r11</code>	<code>%r11d</code>
<code>%r12</code>	<code>%r12d</code>
<code>%r13</code>	<code>%r13d</code>
<code>%r14</code>	<code>%r14d</code>
<code>%r15</code>	<code>%r15d</code>

- Twice the number of registers
- Accessible as 8, 16, 32, 64 bits

x86-64 Integer Registers: Usage Conventions

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

<code>%r8</code>	Argument #5
<code>%r9</code>	Argument #6
<code>%r10</code>	Caller saved
<code>%r11</code>	Caller Saved
<code>%r12</code>	Callee saved
<code>%r13</code>	Callee saved
<code>%r14</code>	Callee saved
<code>%r15</code>	Callee saved

x86-64 Registers

- **Arguments passed to functions via registers**
 - If more than 6 integral parameters, then pass rest on stack
 - These registers can be used as caller-saved as well
- **All references to stack frame via stack pointer**
 - Eliminates need to update `%ebp/%rbp`
- **Other Registers**
 - 6 callee saved
 - 2 caller saved
 - 1 return value (also usable as caller saved)
 - 1 special (stack pointer)

x86-64 Long Swap()

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

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

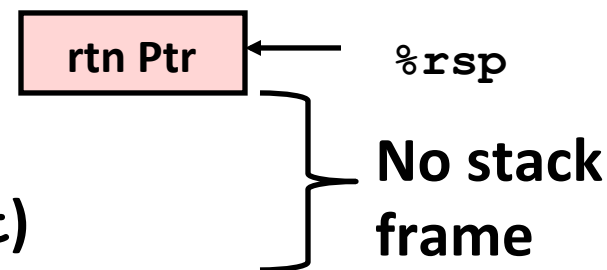
■ Operands passed in registers

- First (**xp**) in `%rdi`, second (**yp**) in `%rsi`
- 64-bit pointers

■ No stack operations required (except `ret`)

■ Avoiding stack

- `swap_l()` can hold all local information in caller-saved registers



More on x86-64 vs. IA32 stack use

■ Same

- Push/Pop to save/restore register values (e.g., callee saved)
- Sub/Add to create/delete space for local variables of function
 - when not all fit in registers
- May allocate extra/unused space to ensure 16-byte alignment of every stack frame

■ Different

- x86-64 does all stack references relative to `%rsp`
 - eliminates need to use `%ebp/%rbp` as base pointer
- x86-64 allocates entire stack frame (if any) at once, not little-by-little
- x86-64 has concept of usable “red zone” beyond `%rsp`

x86-64 Stack Frame Example #1

```

/* Swap a[i] and a[j]
   Compute difference */
void swap_ele_diff(long a[],
                  long i, long j) {
    long diff = a[j] - a[i];
    swap(&a[i], &a[j]);
    return diff;
}

```

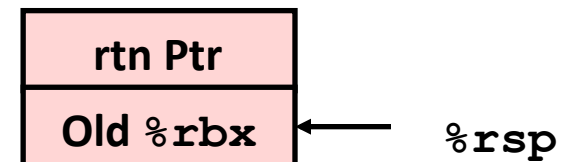
- Keeps `diff` in callee saved register
- Uses `push` & `pop` to save/restore

```
swap_ele_diff:
```

```

pushq   %rbx
leaq    (%rdi,%rdx,8), %rdx
leaq    (%rdi,%rsi,8), %rdi
movq    (%rdx), %rbx
subq    (%rdi), %rbx
movq    %rdx, %rsi
call    swap
movq    %rbx, %rax
popq    %rbx
ret

```



x86-64 Locals in the Red Zone

```

/* Swap, using local array */
void swap_a(long *xp, long *yp)
{
    volatile long loc[2];
    loc[0] = *xp;
    loc[1] = *yp;
    *xp = loc[1];
    *yp = loc[0];
}

```

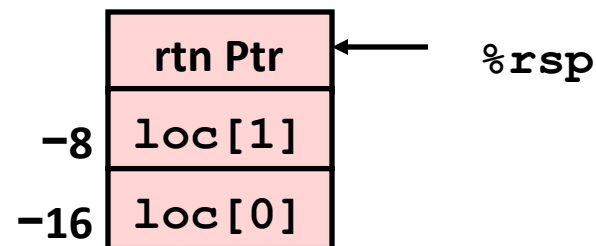
```

swap_a:
    movq    (%rdi), %rax
    movq    %rax, -16(%rsp)
    movq    (%rsi), %rax
    movq    %rax, -8(%rsp)
    movq    -8(%rsp), %rax
    movq    %rax, (%rdi)
    movq    -16(%rsp), %rax
    movq    %rax, (%rsi)
    ret

```

■ Avoiding Stack Pointer Change

- Can hold all information within small window beyond stack pointer



x86-64 Procedure Summary

■ Heavy use of registers

- Parameter passing
- More temporaries since more registers

■ Minimal use of stack

- Sometimes none
- Allocate/deallocate entire block

■ Many tricky optimizations

- What kind of stack frame to use
- Various allocation techniques

Today

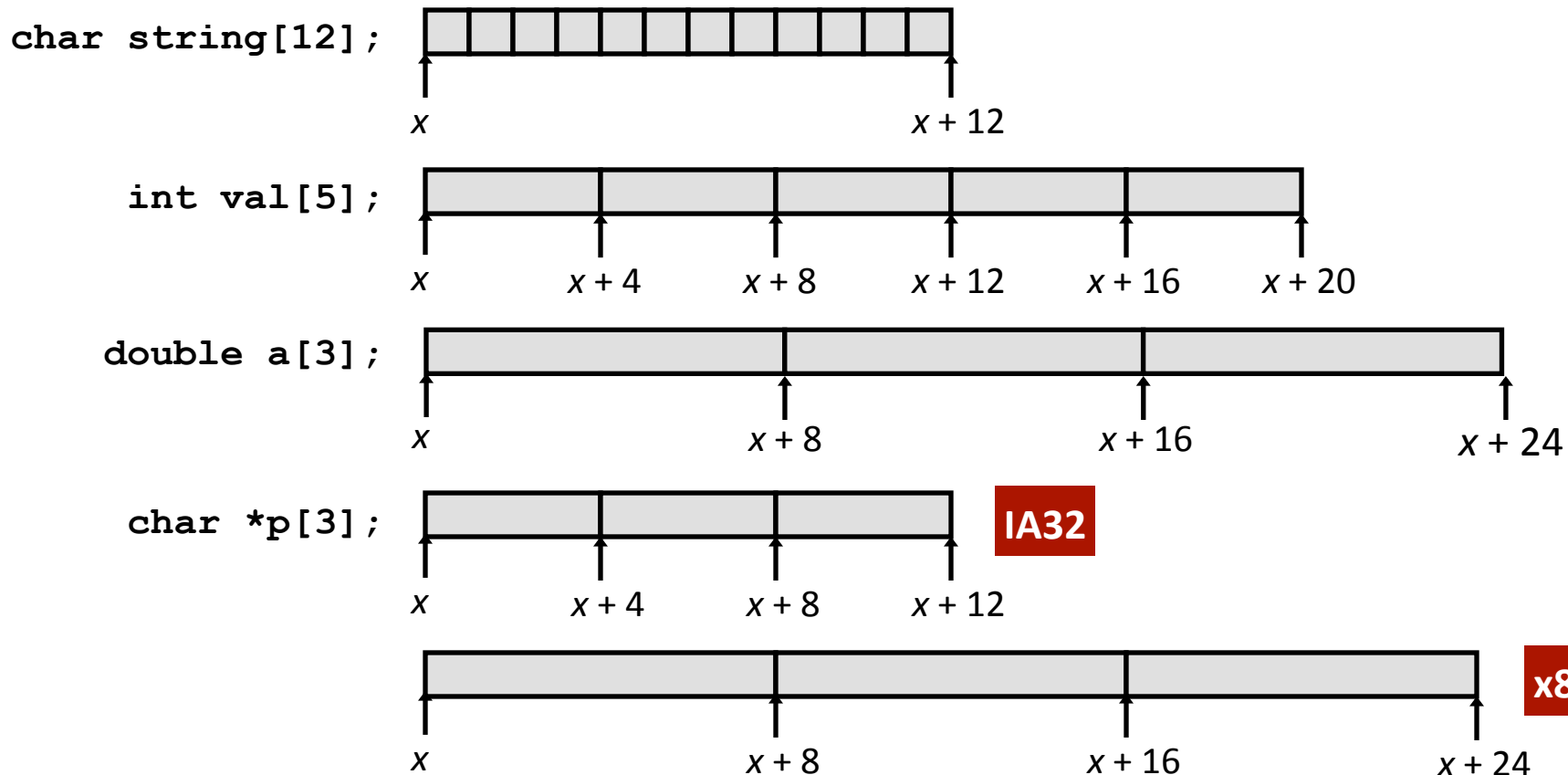
- Procedures (x86-64)
- **Arrays**
 - One-dimensional
 - Multi-dimensional (nested)
 - Multi-level
- Structures

Array Allocation

■ Basic Principle

T $A[L]$;

- Array of data type T and length L
- Contiguously allocated region of $L * \text{sizeof}(T)$ bytes in memory

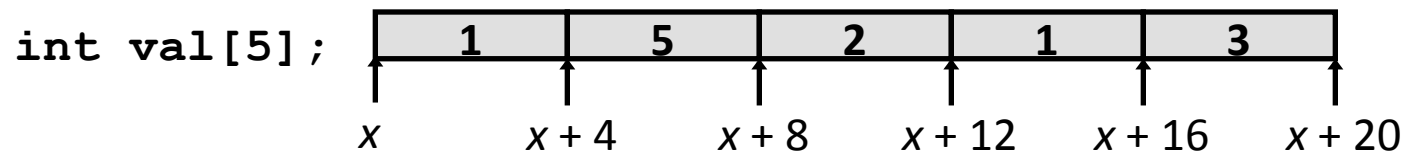


Array Access

■ Basic Principle

T $\mathbf{A}[L]$;

- Array of data type T and length L
- Identifier \mathbf{A} can be used as a pointer to array element 0: Type T^*

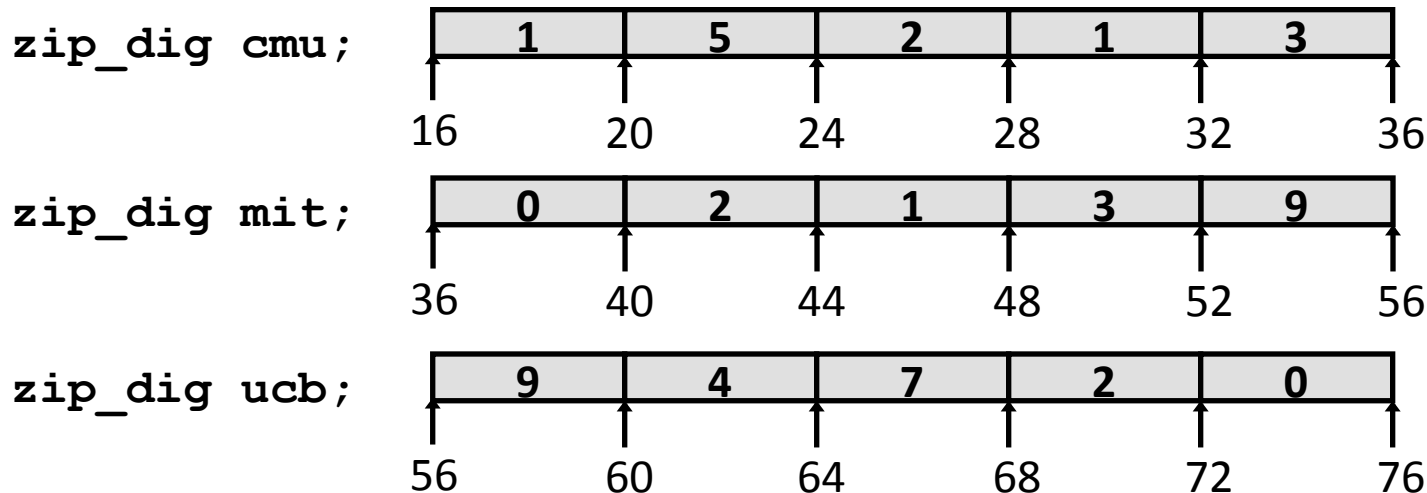


■ Reference	Type	Value
<code>val[4]</code>	<code>int</code>	3
<code>val</code>	<code>int *</code>	<code>x</code>
<code>val+1</code>	<code>int *</code>	<code>x + 4</code>
<code>&val[2]</code>	<code>int *</code>	<code>x + 8</code>
<code>val[5]</code>	<code>int</code>	??
<code>*(val+1)</code>	<code>int</code>	5
<code>val + i</code>	<code>int *</code>	<code>x + 4 i</code>

Array Example

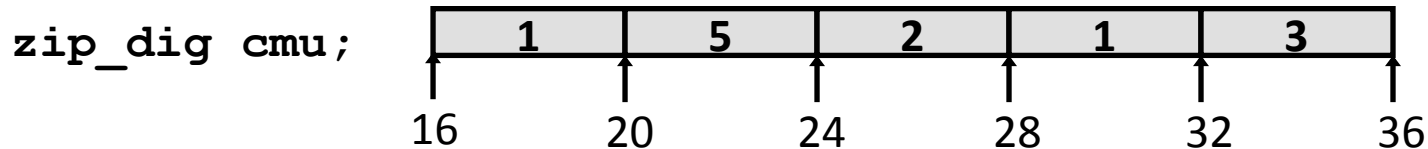
```
#define ZLEN 5
typedef int zip_dig[ZLEN];

zip_dig cmu = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };
zip_dig mit = { 0, 2, 1, 3, 9 };
zip_dig ucb = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```



- Declaration “`zip_dig cmu`” equivalent to “`int cmu[5]`”
- Example arrays were allocated in successive 20 byte blocks
 - Not guaranteed to happen in general

Array Accessing Example



```
int get_digit
  (zip_dig z, int digit)
{
  return z[digit];
}
```

IA32

```
# %edx = z
# %eax = digit
movl (%edx,%eax,4),%eax # z[digit]
```

- Register `%edx` contains starting address of array
- Register `%eax` contains array index
- Desired digit at $4 * \%eax + \%edx$
- Use memory reference $(\%edx, \%eax, 4)$

Array Loop Example (IA32)

```
void zincr(zip_dig z) {  
    int i;  
    for (i = 0; i < ZLEN; i++)  
        z[i]++;  
}
```

```
# edx = z  
movl    $0, %eax           # %eax = i  
.L4:    # loop:  
addl    $1, (%edx,%eax,4) # z[i]++  
addl    $1, %eax          # i++  
cmpl    $5, %eax         # i:5  
jne     .L4              # if !=, goto loop
```


Multidimensional (Nested) Arrays

■ Declaration

T $A[R][C];$

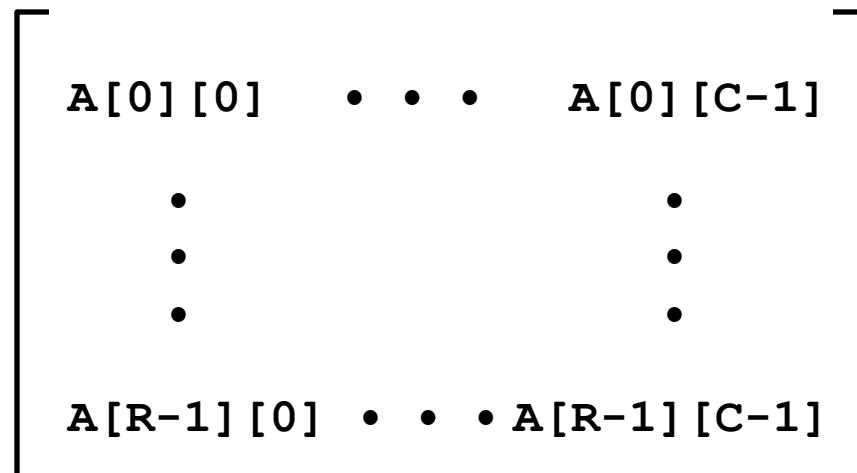
- 2D array of data type T
- R rows, C columns
- Type T element requires K bytes

■ Array Size

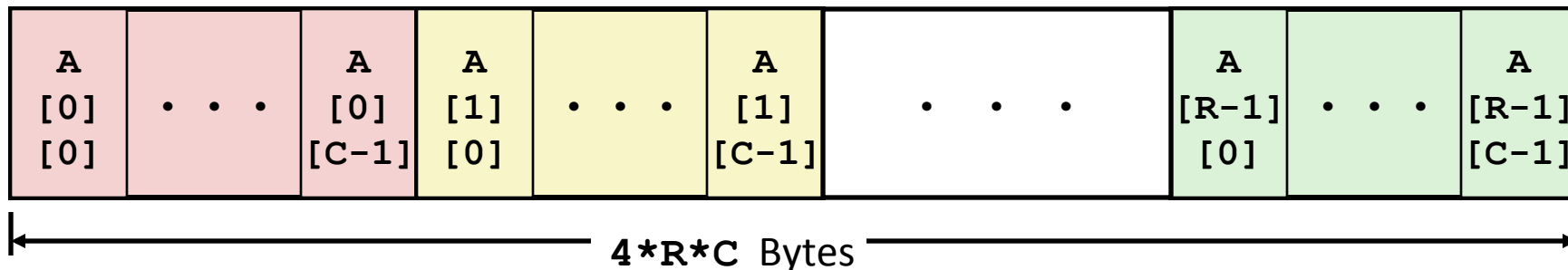
- $R * C * K$ bytes

■ Arrangement

- Row-Major Ordering

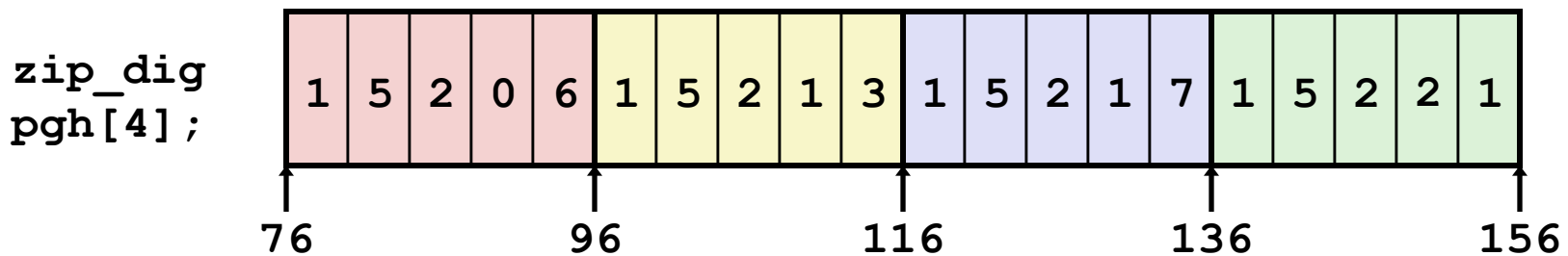


`int A[R][C];`



Nested Array Example

```
#define PCOUNT 4
zip_dig pgh[PCOUNT] =
  {{1, 5, 2, 0, 6},
   {1, 5, 2, 1, 3},
   {1, 5, 2, 1, 7},
   {1, 5, 2, 2, 1}};
```



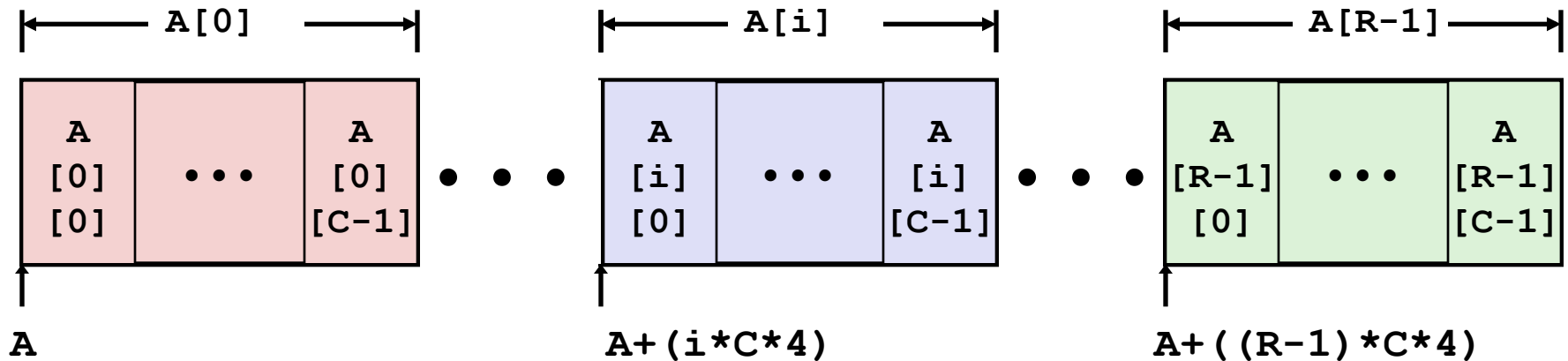
- **“zip_dig pgh[4]” equivalent to “int pgh[4][5]”**
 - Variable `pgh`: array of 4 elements, allocated contiguously
 - Each element is an array of 5 `int`'s, allocated contiguously
- **“Row-Major” ordering of all elements in memory**

Nested Array Row Access

■ Row Vectors

- $\mathbf{A}[i]$ is array of C elements
- Each element of type T requires K bytes
- Starting address $\mathbf{A} + i * (C * K)$

```
int A[R][C];
```

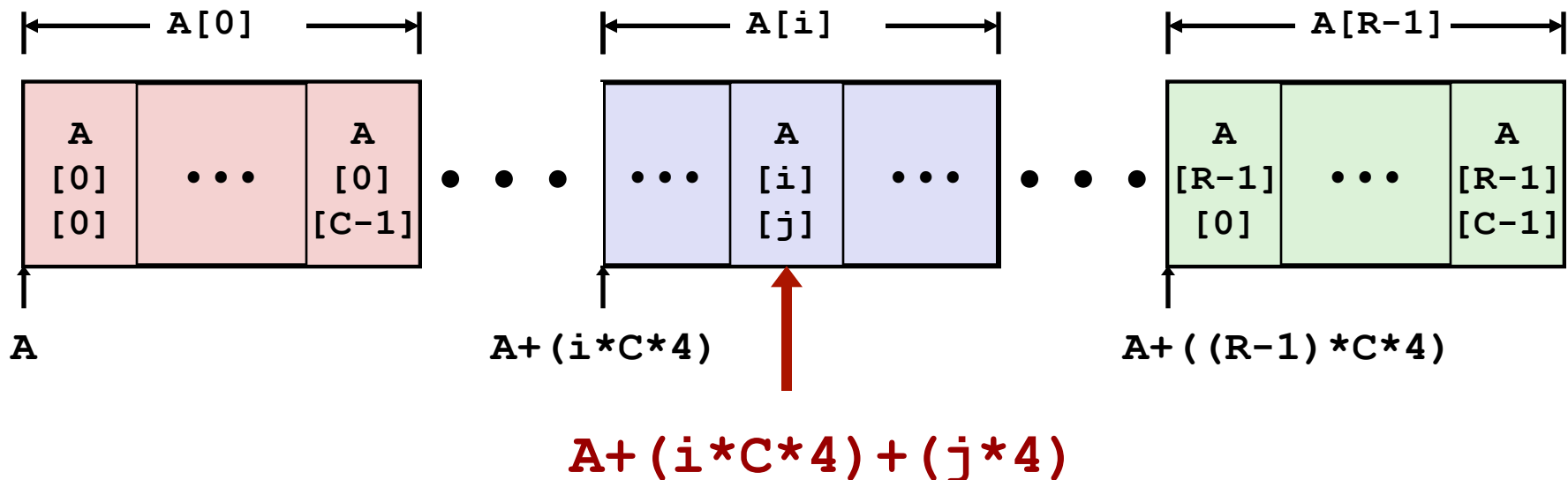


Nested Array Element Access

■ Array Elements

- $A[i][j]$ is element of type T , which requires K bytes
- Address $A + i * (C * K) + j * K = A + (i * C + j) * K$

```
int A[R][C];
```

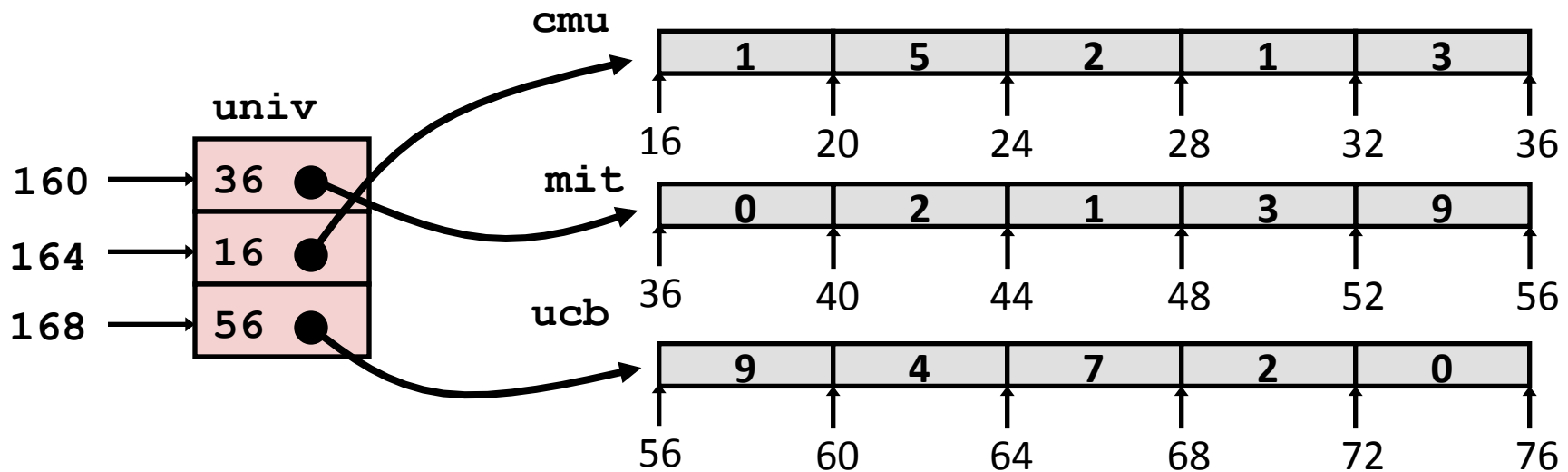


Multi-Level Array Example

```
zip_dig cmu = { 1, 5, 2, 1, 3 };
zip_dig mit = { 0, 2, 1, 3, 9 };
zip_dig ucb = { 9, 4, 7, 2, 0 };
```

```
#define UCOUNT 3
int *univ[UCOUNT] = {mit, cmu, ucb};
```

- Variable `univ` denotes array of 3 elements
- Each element is a pointer
 - 4 bytes
- Each pointer points to array of `int`'s



Element Access in Multi-Level Array

```
int get_univ_digit
(int index, int digit)
{
    return univ[index][digit];
}
```

```
movl    8(%ebp), %eax          # index
movl    univ(,%eax,4), %edx    # p = univ[index]
movl    12(%ebp), %eax        # digit
movl    (%edx,%eax,4), %eax    # p[digit]
```

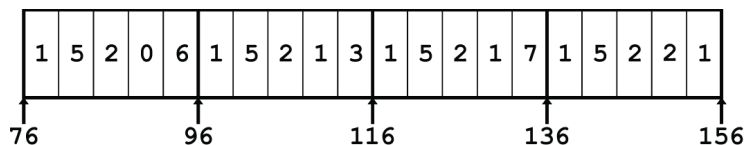
■ Computation (IA32)

- Element access `Mem[Mem[univ+4*index]+4*digit]`
- Must do two memory reads
 - First get pointer to row array
 - Then access element within array

Array Element Accesses

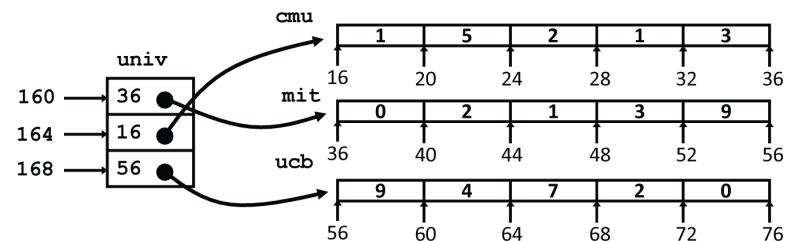
Nested array

```
int get_pgh_digit
(int index, int digit)
{
    return pgh[index][digit];
}
```



Multi-level array

```
int get_univ_digit
(int index, int digit)
{
    return univ[index][digit];
}
```



Accesses looks similar in C, but addresses very different:

$\text{Mem}[\text{pgh} + 20 * \text{index} + 4 * \text{digit}]$

$\text{Mem}[\text{Mem}[\text{univ} + 4 * \text{index}] + 4 * \text{digit}]$

N X N Matrix Code

■ Fixed dimensions

- Know value of N at compile time

```
#define N 16
typedef int fix_matrix[N][N];
/* Get element a[i][j] */
int fix_ele
    (fix_matrix a, int i, int j)
{
    return a[i][j];
}
```

■ Variable dimensions, explicit indexing

- Traditional way to implement dynamic arrays

```
#define IDX(n, i, j) ((i)*(n)+(j))
/* Get element a[i][j] */
int vec_ele
    (int n, int *a, int i, int j)
{
    return a[IDX(n,i,j)];
}
```

■ Variable dimensions, implicit indexing

- Now supported by gcc

```
/* Get element a[i][j] */
int var_ele
    (int n, int a[n][n], int i, int j)
{
    return a[i][j];
}
```


16 X 16 Matrix Access

■ Array Elements

- Address $\mathbf{A} + i * (\mathbf{C} * \mathbf{K}) + j * \mathbf{K}$
- $\mathbf{C} = 16, \mathbf{K} = 4$

```

/* Get element a[i][j] */
int fix_ele(fix_matrix a, int i, int j) {
    return a[i][j];
}

```

```

movl    12(%ebp), %edx    # i
sall    $6, %edx         # i*64
movl    16(%ebp), %eax    # j
sall    $2, %eax         # j*4
addl    8(%ebp), %eax     # a + j*4
movl    (%eax,%edx), %eax # *(a + j*4 + i*64)

```

n X n Matrix Access

■ Array Elements

- Address $\mathbf{A} + i * (\mathbf{C} * \mathbf{K}) + j * \mathbf{K}$
- $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{K} = 4$
- Must perform integer multiplication

```
/* Get element a[i][j] */
int var_ele(int n, int a[n][n], int i, int j) {
    return a[i][j];
}
```

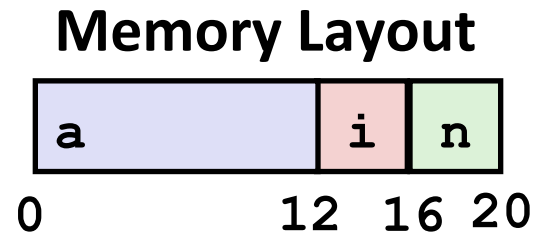
```
movl    8(%ebp), %eax    # n
sall    $2, %eax        # n*4
movl    %eax, %edx      # n*4
imull  16(%ebp), %edx  # i*n*4
movl    20(%ebp), %eax  # j
sall    $2, %eax        # j*4
addl    12(%ebp), %eax  # a + j*4
movl    (%eax,%edx), %eax # *(a + j*4 + i*n*4)
```

Today

- **Procedures (x86-64)**
- **Arrays**
 - One-dimensional
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- **Structures**
 - Allocation
 - Access
 - Alignment

Structure Allocation

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

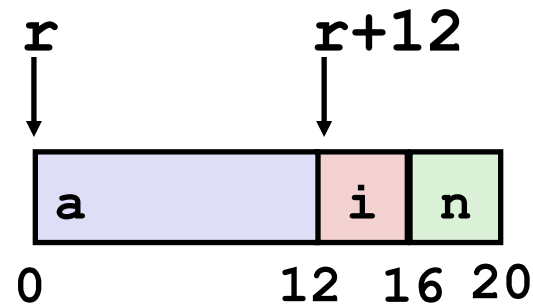


■ Concept of structures in C

- Contiguously-allocated region of memory
- Refer to members within structure by names
- Members may be of different types

Structure Access

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



■ Accessing Structure Member

- Pointer to structure is memory address of first byte of structure
- Access elements with offsets

```
void
set_i(struct rec *r,
      int val)
{
    r->i = val;
}
```

IA32 Assembly

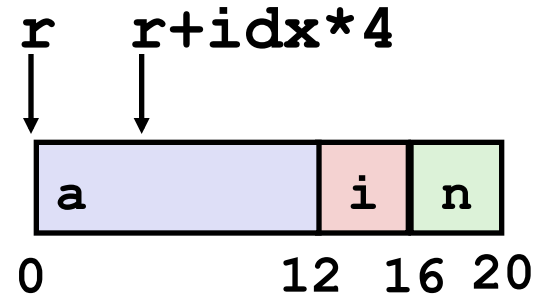
```
# %edx = val
# %eax = r
movl %edx, 12(%eax) # Mem[r+12] = val
```

Generating Pointer to Structure Member

```

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

```



■ Generating Pointer to Array Element

- Offset of each structure member determined at compile time
- Arguments
 - Mem[%ebp+8]: **r**
 - Mem[%ebp+12]: **idx**

```

int *get_ap
(struct rec *r, int idx)
{
    return &r->a[idx];
}

```

```

movl    12(%ebp), %eax    # Get idx
sall    $2, %eax         # idx*4
addl    8(%ebp), %eax    # r+idx*4

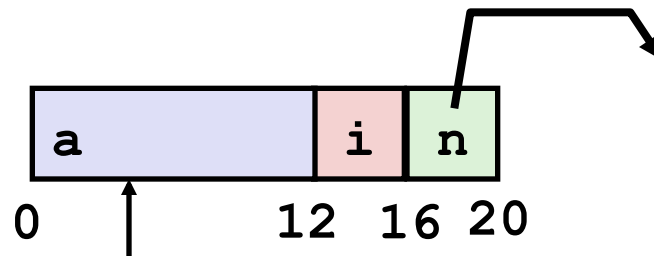
```

Following Linked List

■ C Code

```
void set_val
(struct rec *r, int val)
{
    while (r) {
        int i = r->i;
        r->a[i] = val;
        r = r->n;
    }
}
```

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



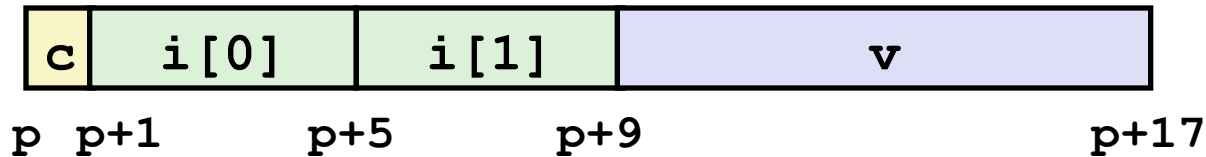
Element i

Register	Value
%edx	r
%ecx	val

```
.L17:                # loop:
    movl    12(%edx), %eax    # r->i
    movl    %ecx, (%edx,%eax,4) # r->a[i] = val
    movl    16(%edx), %edx    # r = r->n
    testl  %edx, %edx        # Test r
    jne     .L17             # If != 0 goto loop
```

Structures & Alignment

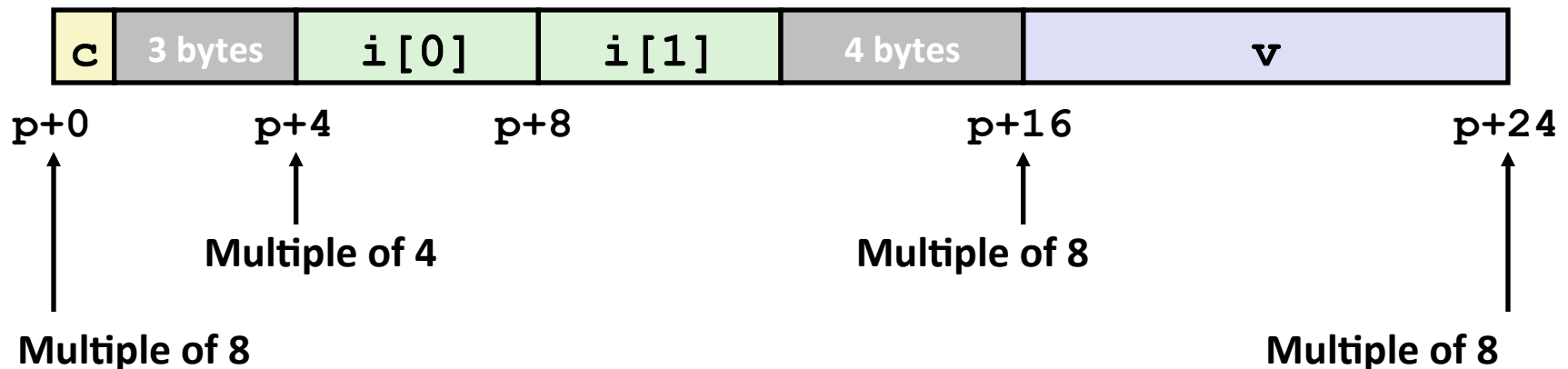
■ Unaligned Data



```
struct S1 {
    char c;
    int i[2];
    double v;
} *p;
```

■ Aligned Data

- Primitive data type requires K bytes
- Address must be multiple of K



Alignment Principles

■ Aligned Data

- Primitive data type requires K bytes
- Address must be multiple of K
- Required on some machines; advised on IA32
 - treated differently by IA32 Linux, x86-64 Linux, and Windows!

■ Motivation for Aligning Data

- Memory accessed by (aligned) chunks of 4 or 8 bytes (system dependent)
 - Inefficient to load or store datum that spans quad word boundaries
 - Virtual memory trickier when datum spans 2 pages

■ Compiler

- Inserts gaps in structure to ensure correct alignment of fields

Specific Cases of Alignment (IA32)

- **1 byte: char, ...**
 - no restrictions on address
- **2 bytes: short, ...**
 - lowest 1 bit of address must be 0_2
- **4 bytes: int, float, char *, ...**
 - lowest 2 bits of address must be 00_2
- **8 bytes: double, ...**
 - Windows (and most other OS's & instruction sets):
 - lowest 3 bits of address must be 000_2
 - Linux:
 - lowest 2 bits of address must be 00_2
 - i.e., treated the same as a 4-byte primitive data type
- **12 bytes: long double**
 - Windows (GCC), Linux:
 - lowest 2 bits of address must be 00_2
 - i.e., treated the same as a 4-byte primitive data type

Specific Cases of Alignment (x86-64)

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 - lowest 1 bit of address must be 0_2
- **4 bytes: int, float, ...**
 - lowest 2 bits of address must be 00_2
- **8 bytes: double, long, char *, ...**
 - lowest 3 bits of address must be 000_2
- **16 bytes: long double (GCC on Linux or Windows)**
 - lowest 4 bits of address must be 0000_2

Satisfying Alignment with Structures

■ Within structure:

- Must satisfy each element's alignment requirement

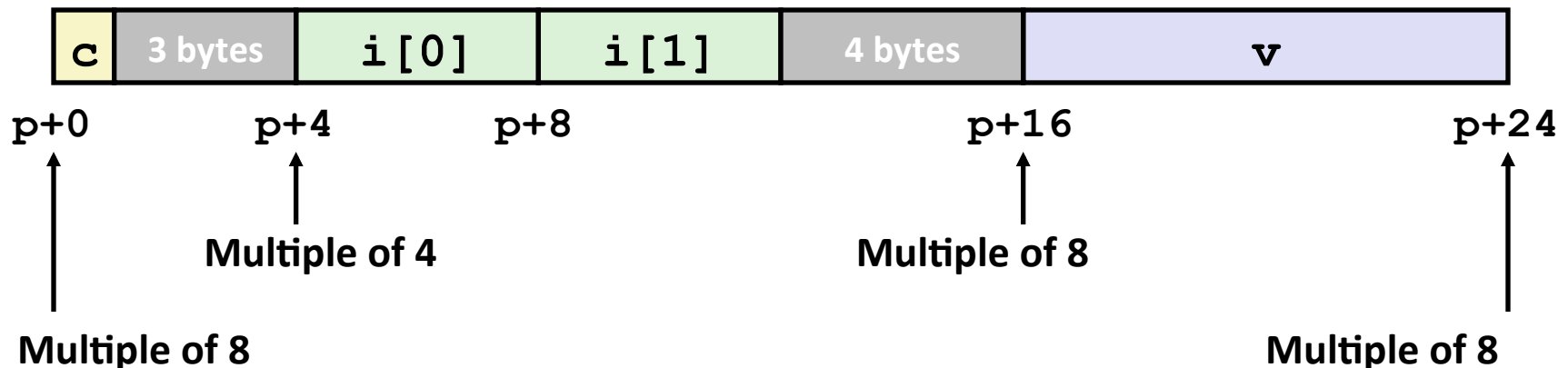
■ Overall structure placement

- Each structure has alignment requirement K
 - $K =$ Largest alignment of any element
- Initial address & structure length must be multiples of K

```
struct S1 {
    char c;
    int i[2];
    double v;
} *p;
```

■ Example (under Windows or x86-64):

- $K = 8$, due to `double` element

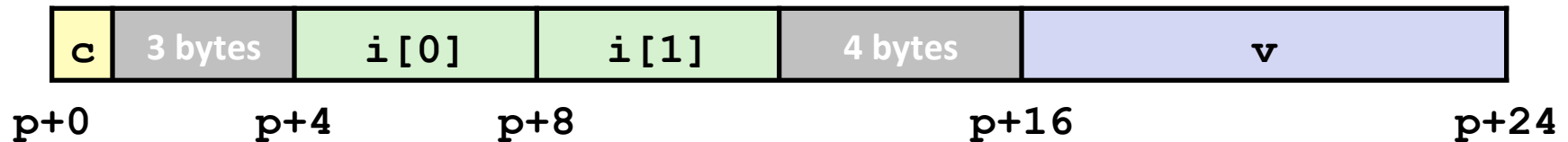


Different Alignment Conventions

■ Windows, x86-64

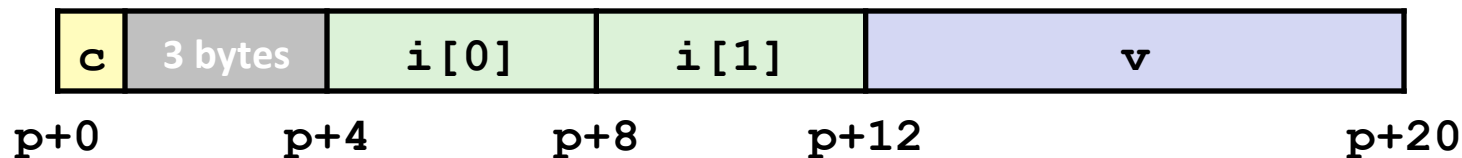
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■ IA32 Linux

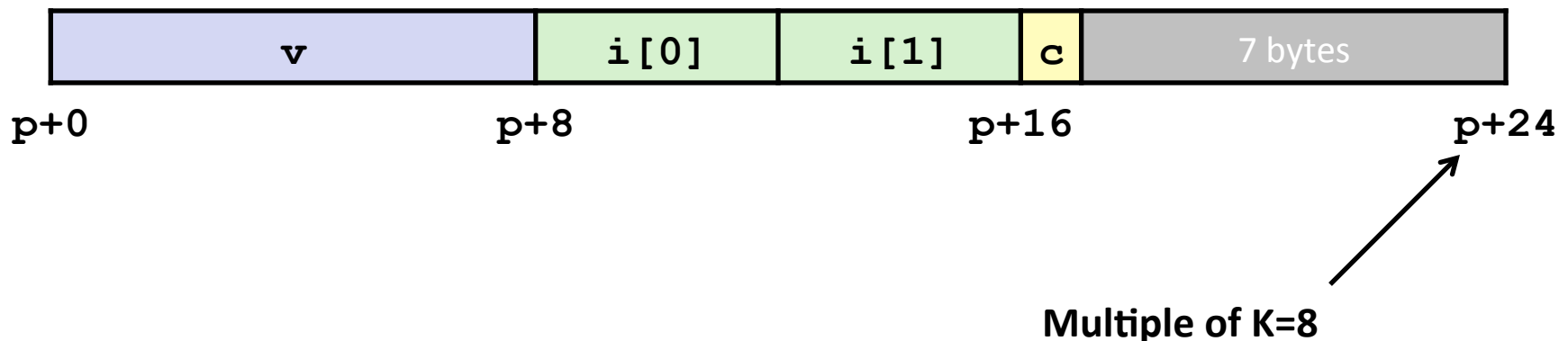
- $K = 4$; `double` treated like a 4-byte data type



Meeting Overall Alignment Requirement (Windows, x86-64)

- For largest alignment requirement K
- Overall structure must be multiple of K

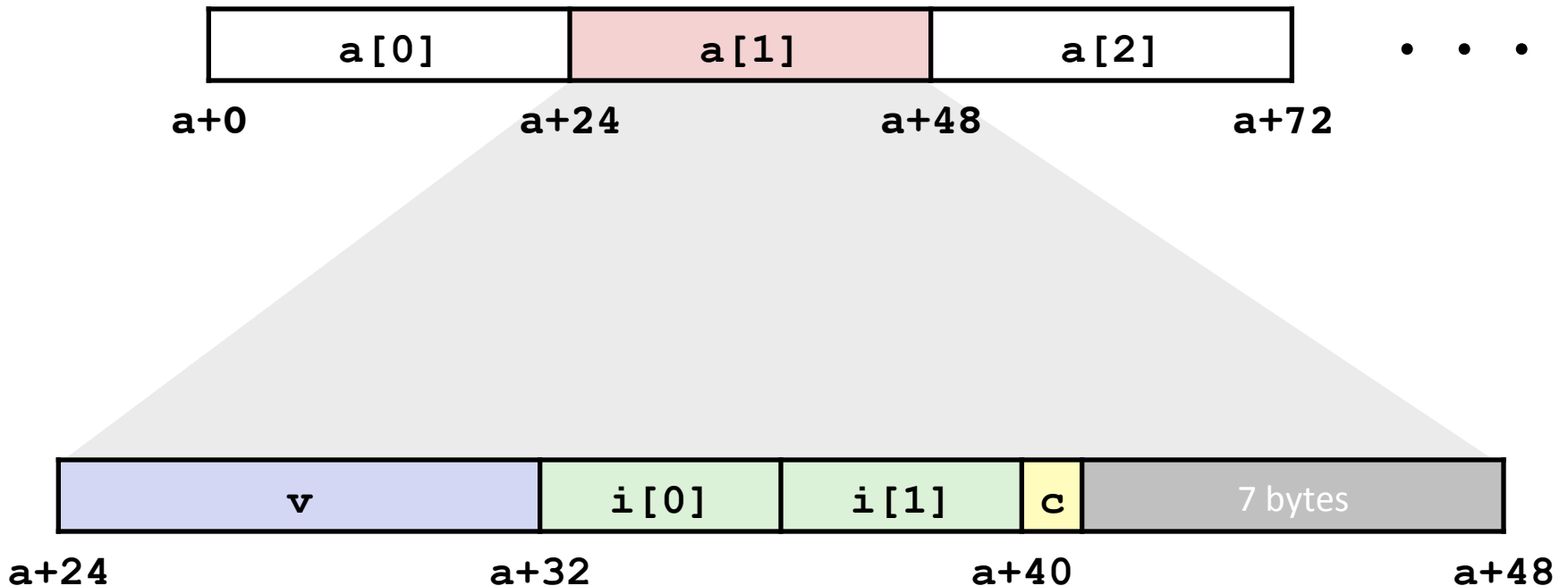
```
struct S2 {  
    double v;  
    int i[2];  
    char c;  
} *p;
```



Arrays of Structures (Windows, x86-64)

- Overall structure length multiple of K
- Satisfy alignment requirement for every element

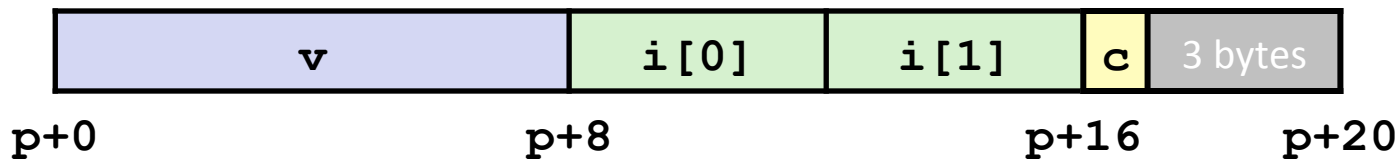
```
struct S2 {
    double v;
    int i[2];
    char c;
} a[10];
```



Meeting Overall Alignment Requirement (IA32 Linux)

- For largest alignment requirement K
- Overall structure must be multiple of K
 - Up to maximum of K=4

```
struct S2 {  
    double v;  
    int i[2];  
    char c;  
} *p;
```

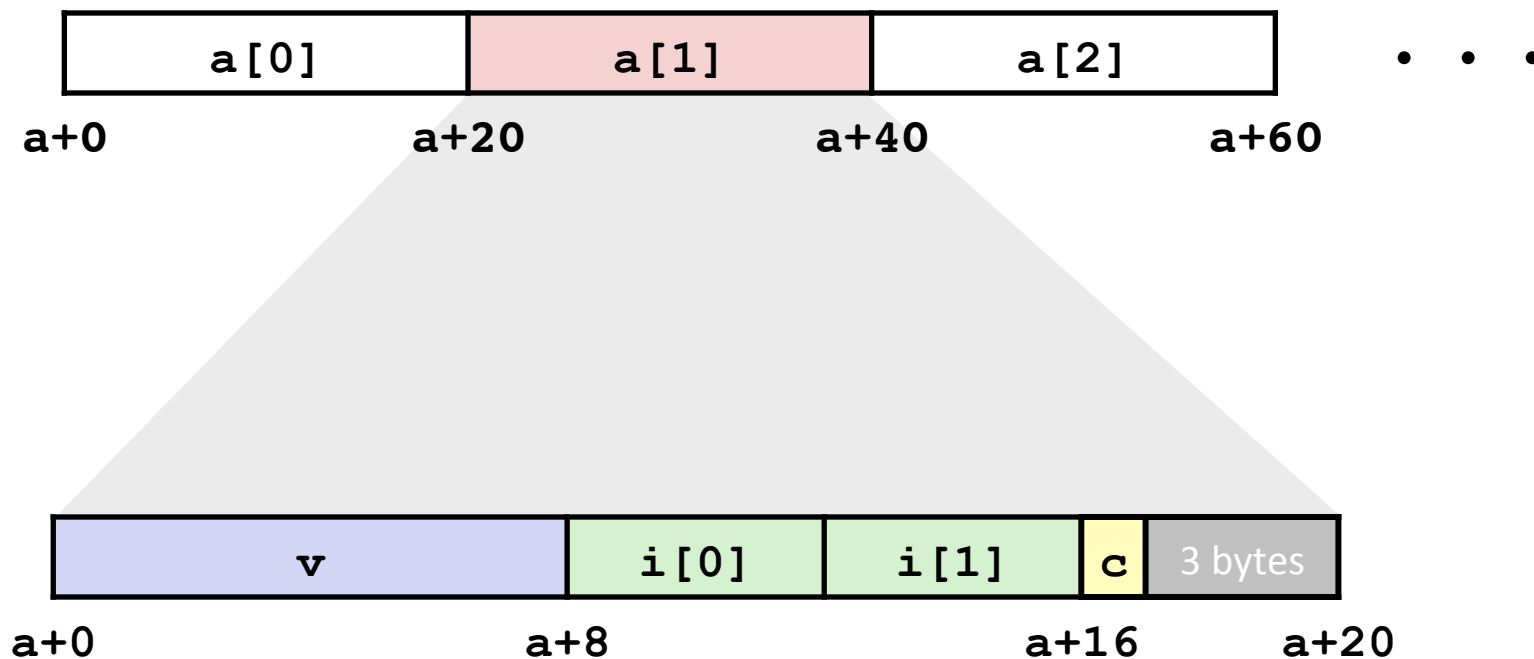


Multiple of K=4

Arrays of Structures (IA32 Linux)

- Overall structure length multiple of K
- Satisfy alignment requirement for every element

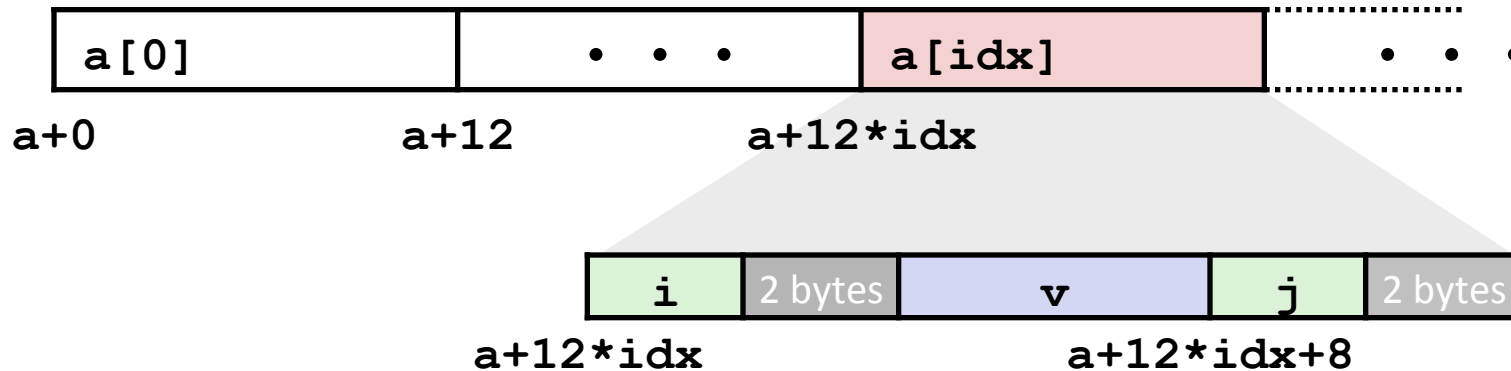
```
struct S2 {  
    double v;  
    int i[2];  
    char c;  
} a[10];
```



Accessing Array Elements

- **Compute array offset $12 * \text{idx}$**
 - `sizeof(S3)`, including alignment spacers
- **Element `j` is at offset 8 within structure**
- **Assembler gives offset `a+8`**
 - Resolved during linking

```
struct S3 {
    short i;
    float v;
    short j;
} a[10];
```



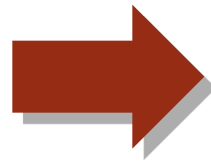
```
short get_j(int idx)
{
    return a[idx].j;
}
```

```
# %eax = idx
leal (%eax,%eax,2),%eax # 3*idx
movswl a+8(,%eax,4),%eax
```

Saving Space

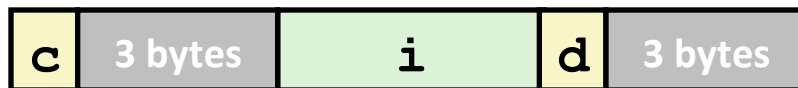
- Put large data types first

```
struct S4 {  
    char c;  
    int i;  
    char d;  
} *p;
```



```
struct S5 {  
    int i;  
    char c;  
    char d;  
} *p;
```

- Effect (K=4)



Summary

■ Procedures in x86-64

- Stack frame is relative to stack pointer
- Parameters passed in registers

■ Arrays

- One-dimensional
- Multi-dimensional (nested)
- Multi-level

■ Structures

- Allocation
- Access
- Alignment

x86-64 NonLeaf with Unused Stack Frame

```

/* Swap a[i] and a[j] */
void swap_ele(long a[],
              long i, long j) {
    swap(&a[i], &a[j]);
}

```

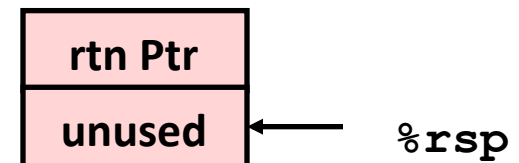
- No values held while swap being invoked
- No callee saved registers needed
- 8 bytes allocated, but not used

swap_ele:

```

subq    $8, %rsp           # Allocate 8 bytes
movq     %rsi, %rax         # Copy i
leaq    (%rdi,%rdx,8), %rsi # &a[i]
leaq    (%rdi,%rax,8), %rdi # &a[j]
call    swap
addq    $8, %rsp           # Deallocate
ret

```



x86-64 Stack Frame Example #2

```

/* Swap a[i] and a[j] */
void swap_ele_1(long a[],
                long i, long j) {
    long *loc[2];
    long b = i & 0x1;
    loc[b] = &a[i];
    loc[1-b] = &a[j];
    swap(loc[0], loc[1]);
}

```

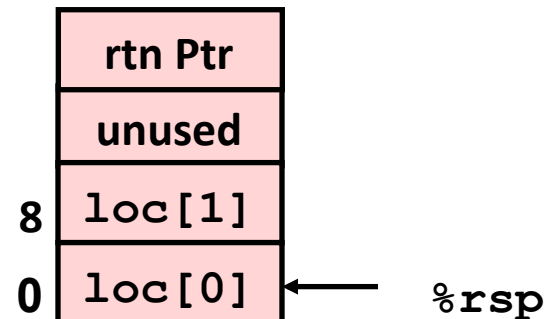
- Must allocate space on stack for array `loc`
- Uses `subq` to allocate, `addq` to deallocate

`swap_ele_1:`

```

subq    $24, %rsp
movq     %rsi, %rax
andl    $1, %eax
leaq    (%rdi,%rsi,8), %rcx
movq    %rcx, (%rsp,%rax,8)
movl    $1, %ecx
subq    %rax, %rcx
leaq    (%rdi,%rdx,8), %rdx
movq    %rdx, (%rsp,%rcx,8)
movq    8(%rsp), %rsi
movq    (%rsp), %rdi
call    swap
addq    $24, %rsp
ret

```



x86-64 Stack Frame Example #3

```

/* Swap a[i] and a[j] */
long swap_ele_1_diff(long a[],
                    long i, long j) {
    long *loc[2];
    long b = i & 0x1;
    long diff = a[j] - a[i];
    loc[b] = &a[i];
    loc[1-b] = &a[j];
    swap(loc[0], loc[1]);
    return diff
}

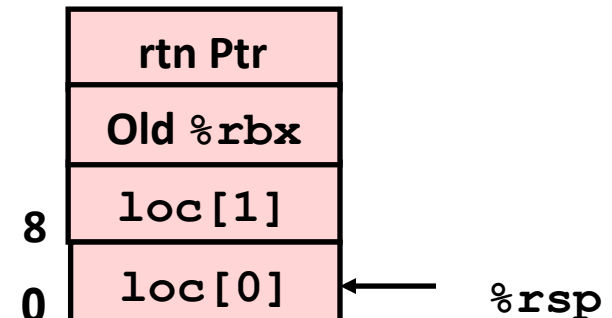
```

```

swap_ele_1_diff:
    pushq    %rbx
    subq     $16, %rsp
    . . .
    call     swap
    . . .
    addq     $16, %rsp
    popq     %rbx
    ret

```

- Have both callee saved register & local variable allocation
- Use both push/pop and sub/add



Interesting Features of Stack Frame

- **Allocate entire frame at once**
 - All stack accesses can be relative to `%rsp`
 - Do by:
 - pushing callee saved registers (if needed)
 - decrementing stack pointer (if needed)
- **Simple deallocation**
 - Do by:
 - Incrementing stack pointer (possibly)
 - Popping callee saved registers (possibly)
 - No base/frame pointer needed

Basic Data Types

■ Integral

- Stored & operated on in general (integer) registers
- Signed vs. unsigned depends on instructions used

Intel	ASM	Bytes	C
byte	b	1	[unsigned] char
word	w	2	[unsigned] short
double word	d	4	[unsigned] int
quad word	q	8	[unsigned] long int (x86-64)

■ Floating Point

- Stored & operated on in floating point registers

Intel	ASM	Bytes	C
Single	s	4	float
Double	d	8	double
Extended	t	10/12/16	long double

- Note: Windows Visual C/C++ compiler treats **long double** as regular, 8-byte **double**. GCC on Windows uses extended precision

Pointer Loop Example (IA32)

```
void zincr_p(zip_dig z) {
    int *zend = z+ZLEN;
    do {
        (*z)++;
        z++;
    } while (z != zend);
}
```

```
    movl    8(%ebp), %eax    # z
    leal   20(%eax), %edx   # zend
.L9:
    addl   $1, (%eax)      # *z += 1
    addl   $4, %eax        # z++
    cmpl   %eax, %edx      # zend:z
    jne    .L9             # if !=, goto loop
```

Nested Array Row Access Code

```
int *get_pgh_zip(int index)
{
    return pgh[index];
}
```

```
#define PCOUNT 4
zip_dig pgh[PCOUNT] =
    {{1, 5, 2, 0, 6},
     {1, 5, 2, 1, 3 },
     {1, 5, 2, 1, 7 },
     {1, 5, 2, 2, 1 }};
```

```
# %eax = index
leal (%eax,%eax,4),%eax # 5 * index
leal pgh(,%eax,4),%eax # pgh + (20 * index)
```

■ Row Vector

- `pgh[index]` is array of 5 `int`'s
- Starting address `pgh + (20*index)`

■ IA32 Code

- Computes and returns address
- Compute as `pgh + 4*(index+4*index)`

Nested Array Element Access Code

```
int get_pgh_digit
(int index, int dig)
{
    return pgh[index][dig];
}
```

```
movl    8(%ebp), %eax        # index
leal    (%eax,%eax,4), %eax  # 5*index
addl    12(%ebp), %eax       # 5*index+dig
movl    pgh(,%eax,4), %eax   # offset 4*(5*index+dig)
```

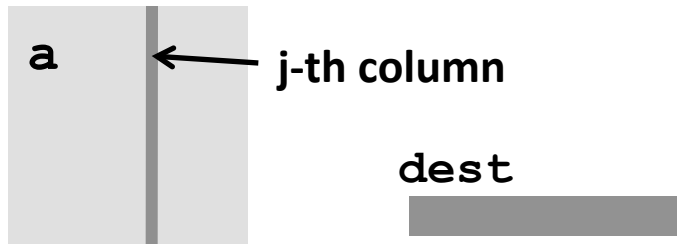
■ Array Elements

- `pgh[index][dig]` is `int`
- Address: `pgh + 20*index + 4*dig`
 - = `pgh + 4*(5*index + dig)`

■ IA32 Code

- Computes address `pgh + 4*((index+4*index)+dig)`

Optimizing Fixed Array Access



■ Computation

- Step through all elements in column j
- Copy to dest

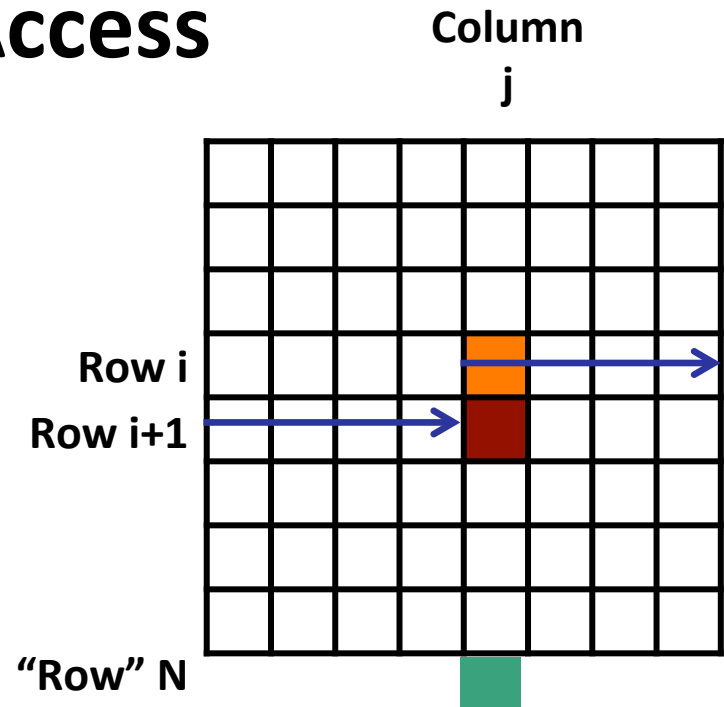
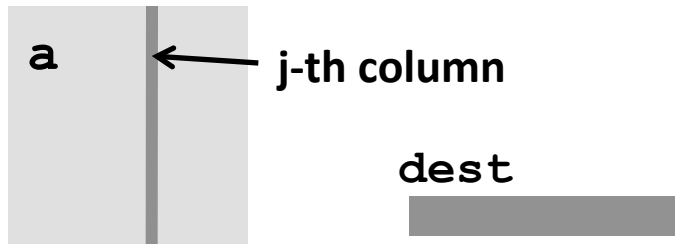
■ Optimization

- Retrieving successive elements from single column

```
#define N 16
typedef int fix_matrix[N][N];
```

```
/* Retrieve column j from array */
void fix_column
(fix_matrix a, int j, int *dest)
{
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
        dest[i] = a[i][j];
}
```

Optimizing Fixed Array Access



Observations

- Elements $a[i][j]$ and $a[i+1][j]$ are N elements apart
 - Offset = $4 * N = 64$
- Stop when hit element $a[N][j]$
 - Offset = $4 * N * N = 1024$

```

/* Retrieve column j from array */
void fix_column
  (fix_matrix a, int j, int *dest)
{
  int i;
  for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
    dest[i] = a[i][j];
}

```

Optimizing Fixed Array Access

Optimization

- Elements `a[i][j]` and `a[i+1][j]` are `N` elements apart
- Stop when hit element `a[N][j]`

```
/* Retrieve column j from array */  
void fix_column  
    (fix_matrix a, int j, int *dest)  
{  
    int i;  
    for (i = 0; i < N; i++)  
        dest[i] = a[i][j];  
}
```

```
/* Retrieve column j from array */  
void fix_column_p(fix_matrix a,  
                 int j, int *dest)  
{  
    int *ap = &a[0][j];  
    int *aend = &a[N][j];  
    do {  
        *dest = *ap;  
        dest++;  
        ap += N;  
    } while (ap != aend);  
}
```

Fixed Array Access Code: Set Up

Register	Value
%eax	ap
%edx	dest
%ebx	aend

```

/* Retrieve column j from array */
void fix_column_p(fix_matrix a,
                  int j, int *dest)
{
    int *ap = &a[0][j];
    int *aend = &a[N][j];
    ...
}

```

```

movl    12(%ebp), %eax    # j
sall    $2, %eax         # 4*j
addl    8(%ebp), %eax     # a+4*j          == &a[0][j]
movl    16(%ebp), %edx    # dest
leal    1024(%eax), %ebx  # a+4*j+4*16*16 == &a[0][N]

```


Fixed Array Access Code: Loop

Register	Value
%eax	ap
%edx	dest
%ebx	aend

```
do {
    *dest = *ap;
    dest++;
    ap += N;
} while (ap != aend);
```

```
.L9:                # loop:
    movl    (%eax), %ecx    # t = *ap
    movl    %ecx, (%edx)    # *dest = t
    addl    $64, %eax       # ap += N
    addl    $4, %edx        # dest++
    cmpl    %ebx, %eax     # ap : aend
    jne     .L9            # if != goto loop
```

Optimizing Variable Array Access

```
/* Retrieve column j from array */  
void var_column  
    (int n, int a[n][n],  
     int j, int *dest)  
{  
    int i;  
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        dest[i] = a[i][j];  
}
```

■ Observations

- Elements **a[i][j]** and **a[i+1][j]** are n elements apart
 - Offset = 4*n
- Stop when reach **dest[N]**
 - Offset = 4*n

Optimizing Variable Array Access

■ Observations

- Elements `a[i][j]` and `a[i+1][j]` are `n` elements apart
 - Offset = $4*n$
- Stop when reach `dest[N]`
 - Offset = $4*n$

```
void var_column
(int n, int a[n][n],
 int j, int *dest)
{
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        dest[i] = a[i][j];
}
```

```
void var_column_p(int n, int a[n][n],
                  int j, int *dest)
{
    int *ap = &a[0][j];
    int *dend = &dest[n];
    while (dest != dend) {
        *dest = *ap;
        dest++;
        ap += n;
    }
}
```

Variable Array Access Code: Set Up

Register	Value
%edx	ap
%eax	dest
%ebx	4*n
%esi	dend

```
void var_column_p(int n, int a[n][n],
                  int j, int *dest)
{
    int *ap = &a[0][j];
    int *dend = &dest[n];
    ...
}
```

```
movl    8(%ebp), %ebx        # n
movl    20(%ebp), %esi       # dest
sall    $2, %ebx            # 4*n
movl    16(%ebp), %edx       # j
movl    12(%ebp), %eax       # a
leal    (%eax,%edx,4), %edx   # a+4*j      == &a[0][j]
movl    %esi, %eax          # dest
addl    %ebx, %esi          # dest + 4*n  == &dest[n]
```

Variable Array Access Code: Loop

Register	Value
%edx	ap
%eax	dest
%ebx	4*n
%esi	dend

```

while (dest != dend) {
    *dest = *ap;
    dest++;
    ap += n;
}

```

```

.L17:                # loop:
    movl    (%edx), %ecx # t = *ap
    movl    %ecx, (%eax) # *dest = t
    addl    %ebx, %edx   # ap += n
    addl    $4, %eax     # dest++
    cmpl   %esi, %eax   # dest : dend
    jne    .L17         # if != goto loop

```