

Machine-Level Programming II

15-213/15-513: Introduction to Computer Systems
4th Lecture, September 4, 2025

Announcements

■ Recordings

- Created and will be updating a page on Canvas with old recordings

■ Activities

- There are optional activities to support understanding of the machine programming lectures

■ Deadlines

- Written assignments are due by 11:59pm + 12 hours of grace time (no penalty)

■ Bomb Lab

- Releases tonight

Today

- **Review of a few tricky bits from last time**
- Loops
- Switch statements
- Procedures

Reminder: Machine Instructions

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```

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Assembly Syntax

■ Intel versus AT&T

In this class we will be using the AT&T syntax

Feature	AT&T Syntax	Intel Syntax
Operand Order	source, destination	destination, source
Register Prefix	% (e.g., %eax)	None (e.g., eax)
Immediate Value Prefix	\$ (e.g., \$10)	None (e.g., 10)
Memory Addressing	displacement(base, index, scale)	[base + index*scale + displacement]
Operand Size Suffix	b, w, l, q (e.g., movl)	Inferred or ptr prefixes (e.g., dword ptr)

Reminder: Address Modes

■ Most General Form

$D(Rb, Ri, S) \quad \text{Mem}[\text{Reg}[Rb] + S * \text{Reg}[Ri] + D]$

- D: Constant “displacement” 1, 2, or 4 bytes
- Rb: Base register: Any of 16 integer registers
- Ri: Index register: Any, except for `%rsp`
- S: Scale: 1, 2, 4, or 8 (*why these numbers?*)

■ Special Cases

$(Rb, Ri) \quad \text{Mem}[\text{Reg}[Rb] + \text{Reg}[Ri]]$

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Memory operands and LEA

- In most instructions, a memory operand accesses memory

Assembly	C equivalent
<code>mov 6(%rbx,%rdi,8), %ax</code>	<code>ax = *(rbx + rdi*8 + 6)</code>
<code>add 6(%rbx,%rdi,8), %ax</code>	<code>ax += *(rbx + rdi*8 + 6)</code>
<code>xor %ax, 6(%rbx,%rdi,8)</code>	<code>*(rbx + rdi*8 + 6) ^= ax</code>

- LEA is special: it *doesn't* access memory

Assembly	C equivalent
<code>lea 6(%rbx,%rdi,8), %rax</code>	<code>rax = rbx + rdi*8 + 6</code>

Why use LEA?

■ CPU designers' intended use: calculate a pointer to an object

- An array element, perhaps
- For instance, to pass just one array element to another function

Assembly

```
lea (%rbx,%rdi,8), %rax
```

C equivalent

```
rax = &rbx[rdi]
```

■ Compiler authors like to use it for ordinary arithmetic

- It can do complex calculations in one instruction
- It's one of the only three-operand instructions the x86 has
- It doesn't touch the condition codes (we'll come back to this)

Assembly

```
lea (%rbx,%rbx,2), %rax
```

C equivalent

```
rax = rbx * 3
```

Which numbers are pointers?

- They aren't labeled
- You have to figure it out from context

(gdb) info registers

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rbx	0x0	0
rcx	0x4005e0	4195808
rdx	0x7fffffffdc28	140737488346152
rsi	0x7fffffffdc18	140737488346136
rdi	0x1	1
rbp	0x0	0x0
rsp	0x7fffffffdb38	0x7fffffffdb38
r8	0x7ffff7dd5e80	140737351868032
r9	0x0	0
r10	0x7fffffff7c0	140737488345024
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■ Not as obvious with complicated address “modes”

- `(%rsi, %rbx)` – *One* of these is a pointer, we don’t know which.
- `(%rsi, %rbx, 2)` – `%rsi` is a pointer, `%rbx` isn’t (why?)
- `0x400570(, %rbx, 2)` – `0x400570` is a pointer, `%rbx` isn’t (why?)
- `lea (anything), %rax` – (anything) *may or may not* be a pointer

Conditional reminder slide

■ Condition codes

- Usually set by `cmp` or `test`
- Other instructions may also implicitly set condition codes

■ Types of Condition codes

- Zero Flag (ZF) , Carry Flag(CF), Sign Flag (SF).Overflow Flag (OF)
- Exist inside a special FLAGS register

■ Jumps

- Two kinds of jump instructions
- Unconditional jump - `jmp`
- Conditional `jX`

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- Switch statements
- Procedures

Loops

- What are the parts of a loop?

Assembly has Goto

- **Loops need to be conceptualized with goto and conditionals**
- **What distinguishes a loop's goto from an if's goto?**
 - Since loops repeat code, which way will the goto go?

“Do-While” Loop Example

C Code

```
long pcount_do
(unsigned long x) {
    long result = 0;
    do {
        result += x & 0x1;
        x >>= 1;
    } while (x);
    return result;
}
```

Goto Version

```
long pcount_goto
(unsigned long x) {
    long result = 0;
    loop:
        result += x & 0x1;
        x >>= 1;
        if(x) goto loop;
    return result;
}
```

- Count number of 1's in argument *x* (“popcount”)
- Use conditional branch to either continue looping or to exit loop

“Do-While” Loop Compilation

Goto Version

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long pcount_goto
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loop:
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    x >>= 1;
    if(x) goto loop;
    return result;
}
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument x
%rax	result

```

movl    $0, %eax                # result = 0
.L2:                                     # loop:
    movq    %rdi, %rdx
    andl    $1, %edx            # t = x & 0x1
    addq    %rdx, %rax          # result += t
    shrq    %rdi                # x >>= 1
    jne     .L2                 # if (x) goto
loop
    rep; ret
```

General “Do-While” Translation

C Code

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

Goto Version

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

■ **Body:** {
 Statement₁;
 Statement₂;
 ...
 Statement_n;
}

General “While” Translation #1

- “Jump-to-middle” translation
- Used with -Og

While version

```
while (Test)  
    Body
```



Goto Version

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

While Loop Example #1

C Code

```
long pcount_while
(unsigned long x) {
    long result = 0;
    while (x) {
        result += x & 0x1;
        x >>= 1;
    }
    return result;
}
```

Jump to Middle

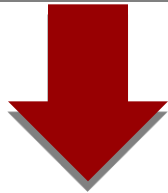
```
long pcount_goto_jtm
(unsigned long x) {
    long result = 0;
    goto test;
loop:
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
test:
    if(x) goto loop;
    return result;
}
```

- Compare to do-while version of function
- Initial goto starts loop at test

General “While” Translation #2

While version

```
while (Test)  
    Body
```



Do-While Version

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



- “Do-while” conversion
- Used with -O1

Goto Version

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

While Loop Example #2

C Code

```
long pcount_while
(unsigned long x) {
    long result = 0;
    while (x) {
        result += x & 0x1;
        x >>= 1;
    }
    return result;
}
```

Do-While Version

```
long pcount_goto_dw
(unsigned long x) {
    long result = 0;
    if (!x) goto done;
loop:
    result += x & 0x1;
    x >>= 1;
    if(x) goto loop;
done:
    return result;
}
```

- Compare to do-while version of function
- Initial conditional guards entrance to loop

“For” Loop Form

General Form

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

```
#define WSIZE 8*sizeof(int)
long pcount_for
(unsigned long x)
{
    size_t i;
    long result = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < WSIZE; i++)
    {
        unsigned bit =
            (x >> i) & 0x1;
        result += bit;
    }
    return result;
}
```

Init

```
i = 0
```

Test

```
i < WSIZE
```

Update

```
i++
```

Body

```
{
    unsigned bit =
        (x >> i) & 0x1;
    result += bit;
}
```

“For” Loop → While Loop

For Version

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



While Version

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

For-While Conversion

Init

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```

Test

```
i < WSIZE
```

Update

```
i++
```

Body

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        (x >> i) & 0x1;  
    result += bit;  
}
```

```
long pcount_for_while  
(unsigned long x)  
{  
    size_t i;  
    long result = 0;  
    i = 0;  
    while (i < WSIZE)  
    {  
        unsigned bit =  
            (x >> i) & 0x1;  
        result += bit;  
        i++;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

“For” Loop Do-While Conversion

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        result += bit;
    }
    return result;
}
```

```
long pcount_for_goto_dw
(unsigned long x) {
    size_t i;
    long result = 0;
    i = 0;
    if (!(i < WSIZE)) Ini
    goto done; !Test
loop:
{
    unsigned bit =
        (x >> i) & 0x1; Body
    result += bit;
}
i++; Update
if (i < WSIZE) Test
    goto loop;
done:
    return result;
}
```

■ Initial test can be optimized away

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- Procedures

```
long switch_eg
(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 Statement Example

■ Multiple case labels

- Here: 5 & 6

■ Fall through cases

- Here: 2

■ Missing cases

- Here: 4

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

jtab:

Targ0
Targ1
Targ2
•
•
•
Targn-1

Jump Targets

Targ0:

Code Block
0

Targ1:

Code Block
1

Targ2:

Code Block
2

•
•
•

Targn-1:

Code Block
n-1

Translation (Extended C)

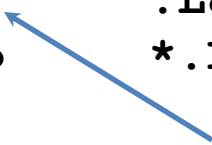
```
goto *JTab[x];
```

Switch Statement Example

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

Setup:

```
switch_eg:
    movq    %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq    $6, %rdi    # x:6
    ja      .L8
    jmp     *.L4(, %rdi, 8)
```



**What range of values
takes default?**

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument x
%rsi	Argument y
%rdx	Argument z
%rax	Return value

Note that **w not
initialized here**

Switch Statement Example

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        . . .
    }
    return w;
}
```

Jump table

```
.section .rodata
    .align 8
.L4:
    .quad .L8      # x = 0
    .quad .L3      # x = 1
    .quad .L5      # x = 2
    .quad .L9      # x = 3
    .quad .L8      # x = 4
    .quad .L7      # x = 5
    .quad .L7      # x = 6
```

Setup:

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switch_eg:
    movq    %rdx, %rcx
    cmpq    $6, %rdi      # x:6
    ja      .L8            # Use default
    jmp     *.L4(, %rdi, 8) # goto *JTab[x]
```

*Indirect
jump*



Assembly Setup Explanation

■ Table Structure

- Each target requires 8 bytes
- Base address at `.L4`

Jump table

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        .quad    .L9      # x = 3
        .quad    .L8      # x = 4
        .quad    .L7      # x = 5
        .quad    .L7      # x = 6
```

■ Jumping

- **Direct:** `jmp .L8`
- Jump target is denoted by label `.L8`
- **Indirect:** `jmp *.L4(, %rdi, 8)`
- Start of jump table: `.L4`
- Must scale by factor of 8 (addresses are 8 bytes)
- Fetch target from effective Address `.L4 + x*8`
 - Only for $0 \leq x \leq 6$

Jump Table

Jump table

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    .align 8
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    .quad .L8      # x = 4
    .quad .L7      # x = 5
    .quad .L7      # x = 6
```

```
switch(x) {
case 1:      // .L3
    w = y*z;
    break;
case 2:      // .L5
    w = y/z;
    /* Fall Through */
case 3:      // .L9
    w += z;
    break;
case 5:
case 6:      // .L7
    w -= z;
    break;
default:    // .L8
    w = 2;
}
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Code Blocks (x == 1)

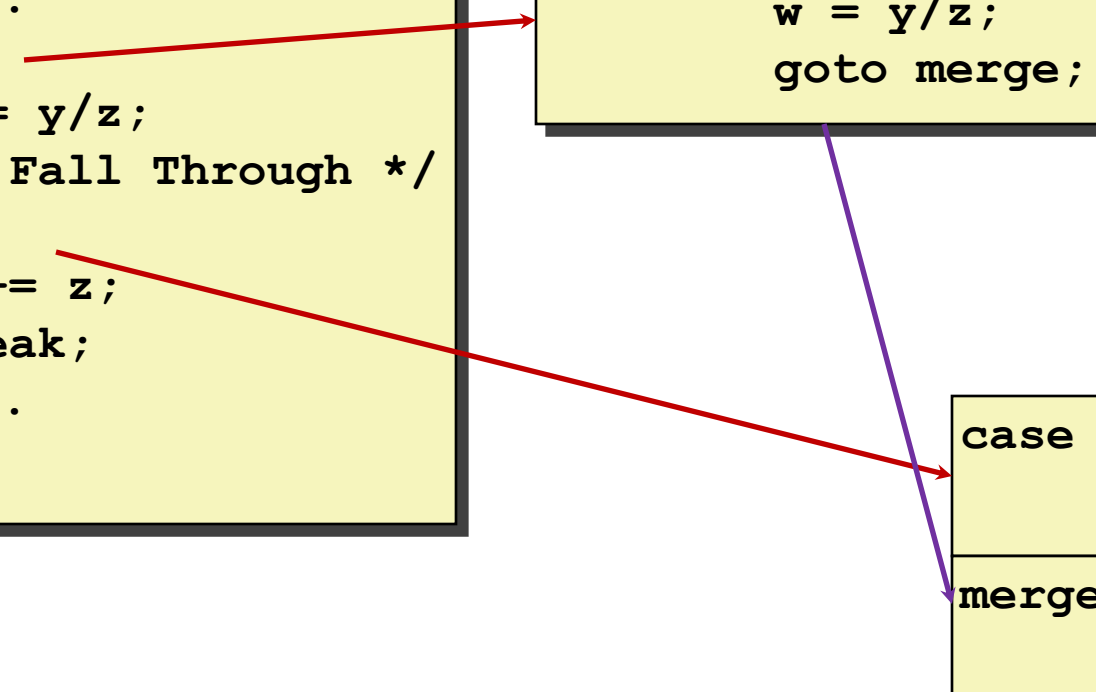
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    break;
    . . .
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```

```
.L3:
    movq    %rsi, %rax    # y
    imulq   %rdx, %rax    # y*z
    ret
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument x
%rsi	Argument y
%rdx	Argument z
%rax	Return value

Handling Fall-Through

```
long w = 1;  
.  
.  
.  
switch(x) {  
.  
.  
.  
case 2:   
    w = y/z;  
    /* Fall Through */  
case 3:  
    w += z;  
    break;  
.  
.  
.  
}
```



```
case 2:  
    w = y/z;  
    goto merge;
```

```
case 3:  
    w = 1;  
merge:  
    w += z;
```

Code Blocks (x == 2, x == 3)

```

long w = 1;
. . .
switch(x) {
. . .
case 2:
    w = y/z;
    /* Fall Through */
case 3:
    w += z;
    break;
. . .
}

```

```

.L5:                                # Case 2
    movq    %rsi, %rax
    cqto
    idivq   %rcx                    # y/z
    jmp     .L6                    # goto merge
.L9:                                # Case 3
    movl    $1, %eax               # w = 1
.L6:                                # merge:
    addq    %rcx, %rax             # w += z
    ret

```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument x
%rsi	Argument y
%rdx	Argument z
%rax	Return value

Code Blocks (x == 5, x == 6, default)

```
switch(x) {
    . . .
    case 5:  // .L7
    case 6:  // .L7
        w -= z;
        break;
    default: // .L8
        w = 2;
}
```

```
.L7:                                # Case 5,6
    movl    $1, %eax                # w = 1
    subq    %rdx, %rax              # w -= z
    ret
.L8:                                # Default:
    movl    $2, %eax                # 2
    ret
```

Register	Use(s)
%rdi	Argument x
%rsi	Argument y
%rdx	Argument z
%rax	Return value

Finding Jump Table in Binary

```

00000000004005e0 <switch_eg>:
4005e0:    48 89 d1                mov     %rdx,%rcx
4005e3:    48 83 ff 06            cmp     $0x6,%rdi
4005e7:    77 2b                  ja      400614 <switch_eg+0x34>
4005e9:    ff 24 fd f0 07 40 00   jmpq    *0x4007f0(,%rdi,8)
4005f0:    48 89 f0                mov     %rsi,%rax
4005f3:    48 0f af c2            imul    %rdx,%rax
4005f7:    c3                     retq
4005f8:    48 89 f0                mov     %rsi,%rax
4005fb:    48 99                  cqto
4005fd:    48 f7 f9                idiv    %rcx
400600:    eb 05                  jmp     400607 <switch_eg+0x27>
400602:    b8 01 00 00 00        mov     $0x1,%eax
400607:    48 01 c8                add     %rcx,%rax
40060a:    c3                     retq
40060b:    b8 01 00 00 00        mov     $0x1,%eax
400610:    48 29 d0                sub     %rdx,%rax
400613:    c3                     retq
400614:    b8 02 00 00 00        mov     $0x2,%eax
400619:    c3                     retq

```

Finding Jump Table in Binary (cont.)

```
00000000004005e0 <switch_eg>:
. . .
4005e9:      ff 24 fd f0 07 40 00      jmpq    *0x4007f0(,%rdi,8)
. . .
```

```
% gdb switch
(gdb) x /8xg 0x4007f0
0x4007f0:      0x0000000000400614      0x00000000004005f0
0x400800:      0x00000000004005f8      0x0000000000400602
0x400810:      0x0000000000400614      0x000000000040060b
0x400820:      0x000000000040060b      0x2c646c25203d2078
(gdb)
```

Finding Jump Table in Binary (cont.)

```
% gdb switch
(gdb) x /8xg 0x4007f0
0x4007f0:      0x000000000000400614      0x0000000000004005f0
0x400800:      0x0000000000004005f8      0x000000000000400602
0x400810:      0x000000000000400614      0x00000000000040060b
0x400820:      0x00000000000040060b      0x2c646c25203d2078
```

```
. . .
4005f0:      48 89 f0      mov    %rsi,%rax
4005f3:      48 0f af c2   imul   %rdx,%rax
4005f7:      c3           retq
4005f8:      48 89 f0      mov    %rsi,%rax
4005fb:      48 99         cqto
4005fd:      48 f7 f9      idiv   %rcx
400600:      eb 05         jmp    400607 <switch_eg+0x27>
400602:      b8 01 00 00 00 mov    $0x1,%eax
400607:      48 01 c8      add    %rcx,%rax
40060a:      c3           retq
40060b:      b8 01 00 00 00 mov    $0x1,%eax
400610:      48 29 d0      sub    %rdx,%rax
400613:      c3           retq
400614:      b8 02 00 00 00 mov    $0x2,%eax
400619:      c3           retq
```

Jump Tables (alternate version)

- Recently the compiler developers worked out how to make the jump tables smaller
- Instead of addresses, jump tables can contain 4-byte offsets
 - Then $\text{rip} + \text{jump table address} + \text{offset} \Rightarrow \text{location of target}$
- Content will be covered further in recitation

Quiz

- Please complete the quiz on Cavnas
- <https://canvas.cmu.edu/courses/49105/quizzes/150037>

Transition

We need other control flow beyond conditionals and loops.

Good design has us reused computation via functions.

Mechanisms in Procedures

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- To beginning of procedure code
- Back to return point

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■ Memory management

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■ Mechanisms all implemented with machine instructions

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    •  
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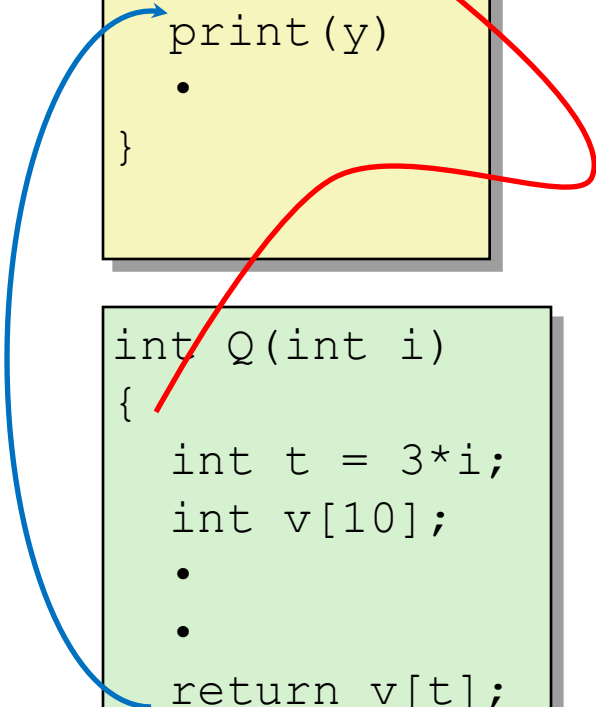
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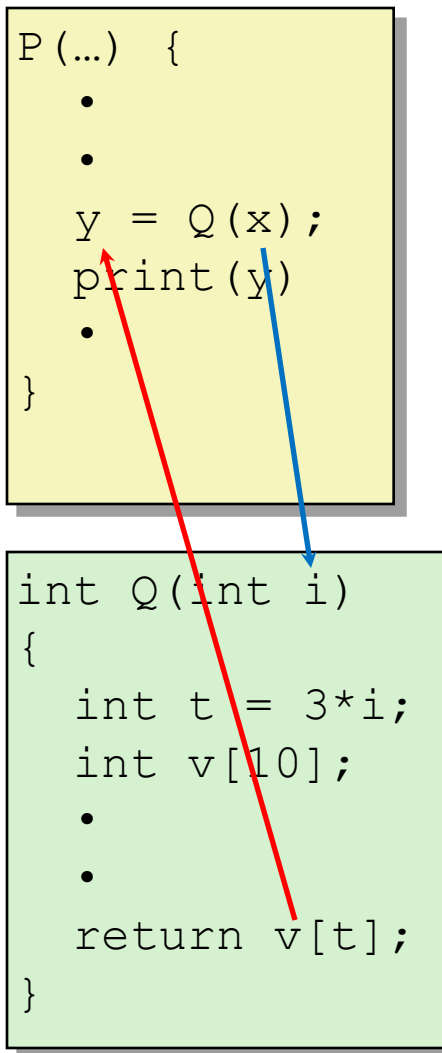
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Mechanisms in Procedures

```
P ( ) {
```

Machine instructions implement the mechanisms, but the choices are determined by designers. These choices make up the **Application Binary Interface (ABI)**.

- Deallocate upon return
- **Mechanisms all implemented with machine instructions**
- **x86-64 implementation of a procedure uses only those mechanisms required**

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.  
.  
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```

Today

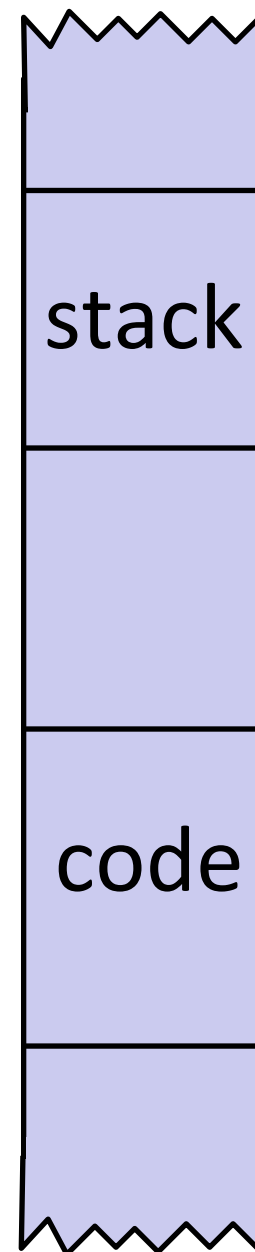
■ Procedures

- **Stack Structure**
- **Calling Conventions**
 - **Passing control**

x86-64 Stack

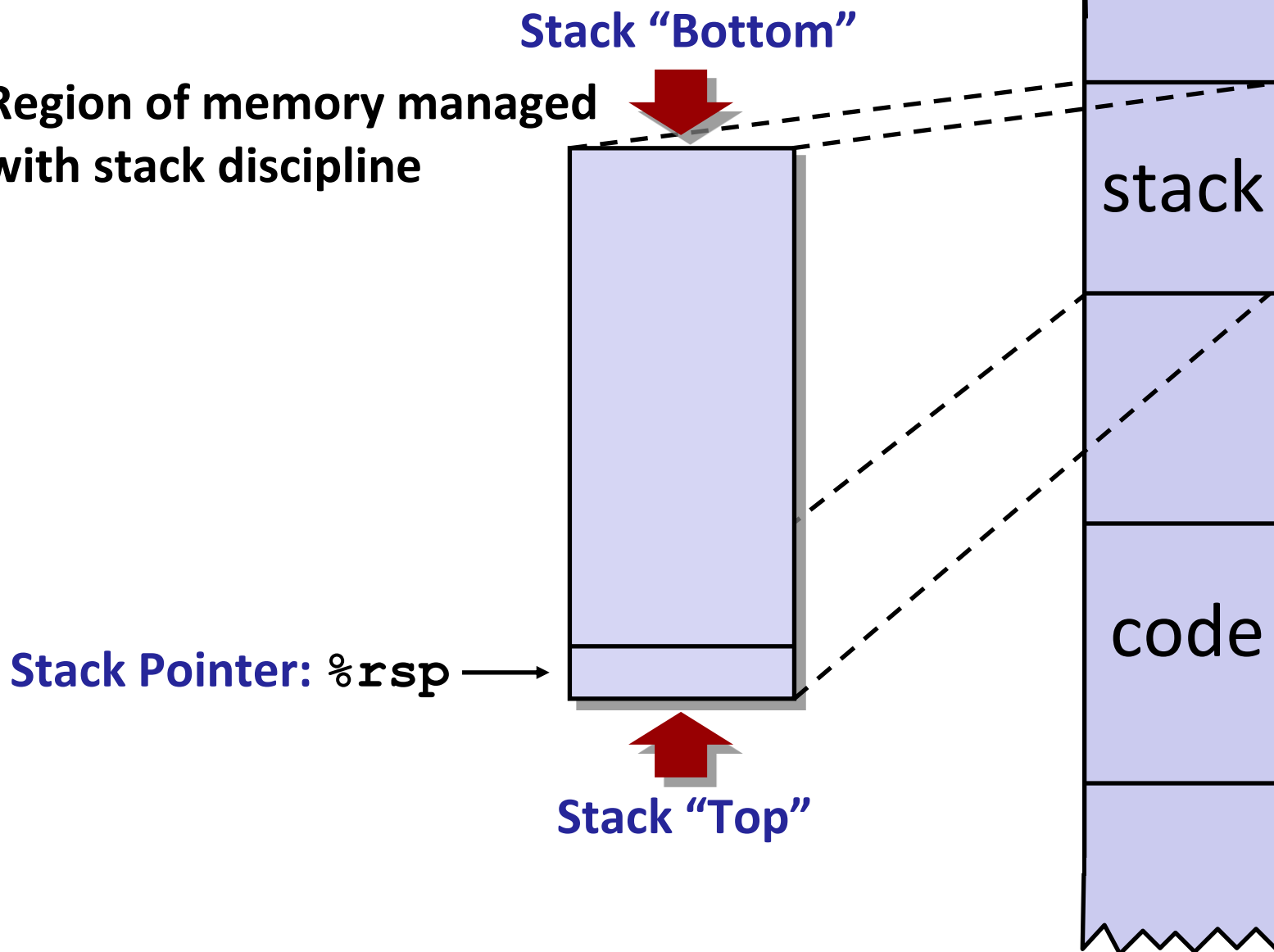
■ Region of memory managed with stack discipline

- Memory viewed as array of bytes.
- Different regions have different purposes.
- (Like ABI, a policy decision)



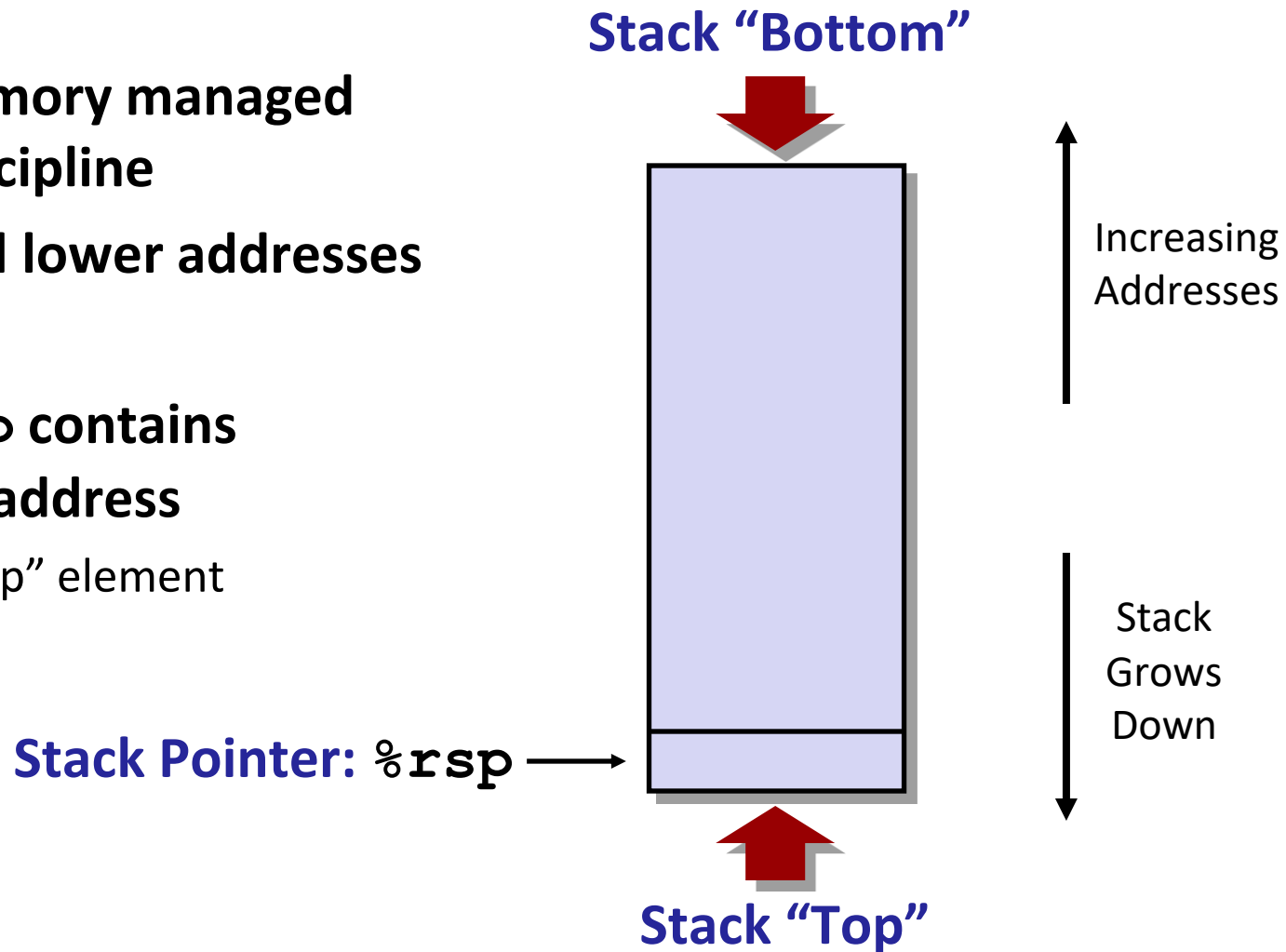
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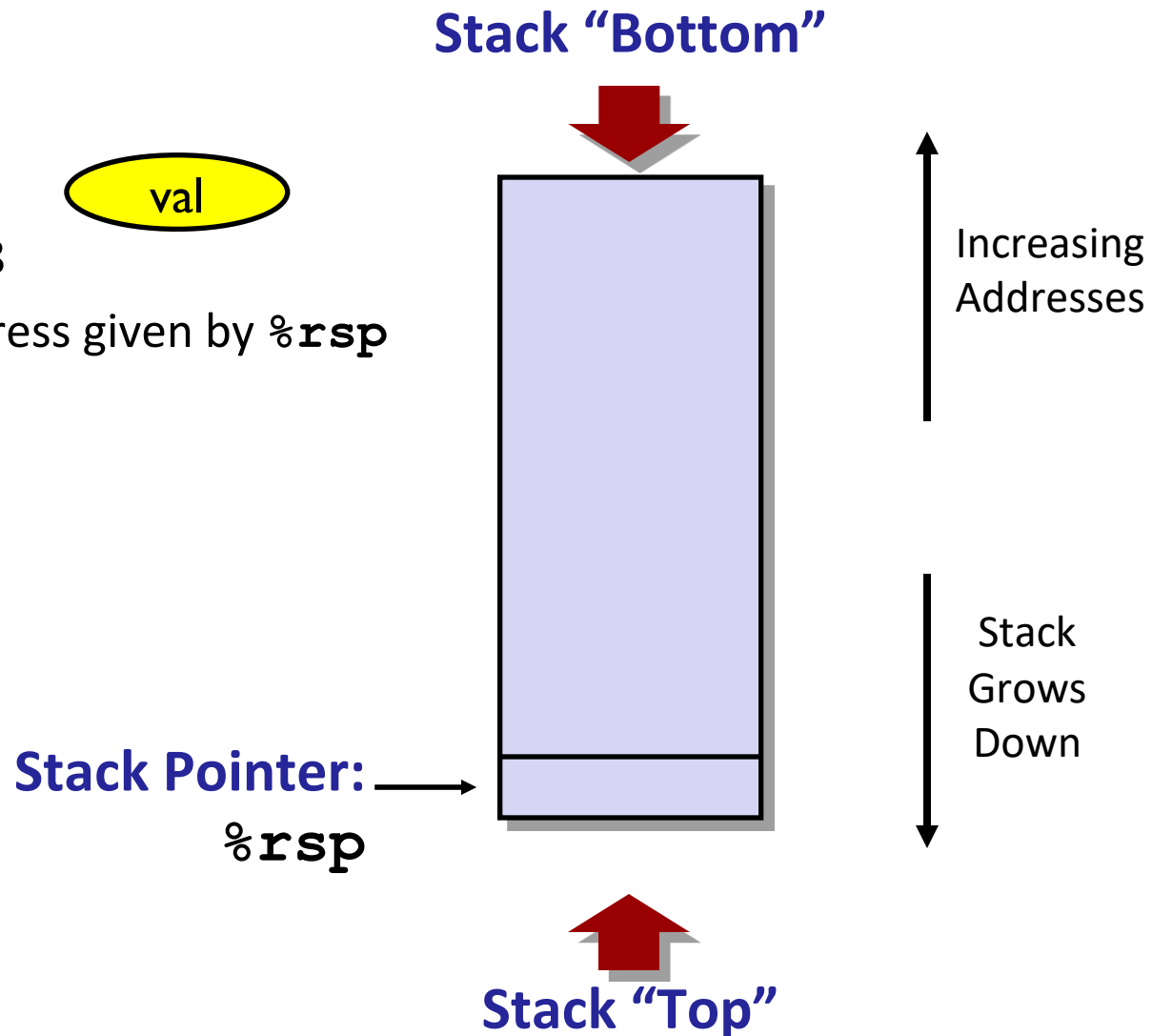
- Region of memory managed with stack discipline
- Grows toward lower addresses
- Register `%rsp` contains lowest stack address
 - address of “top” element



x86-64 Stack: Push

■ `pushq Src`

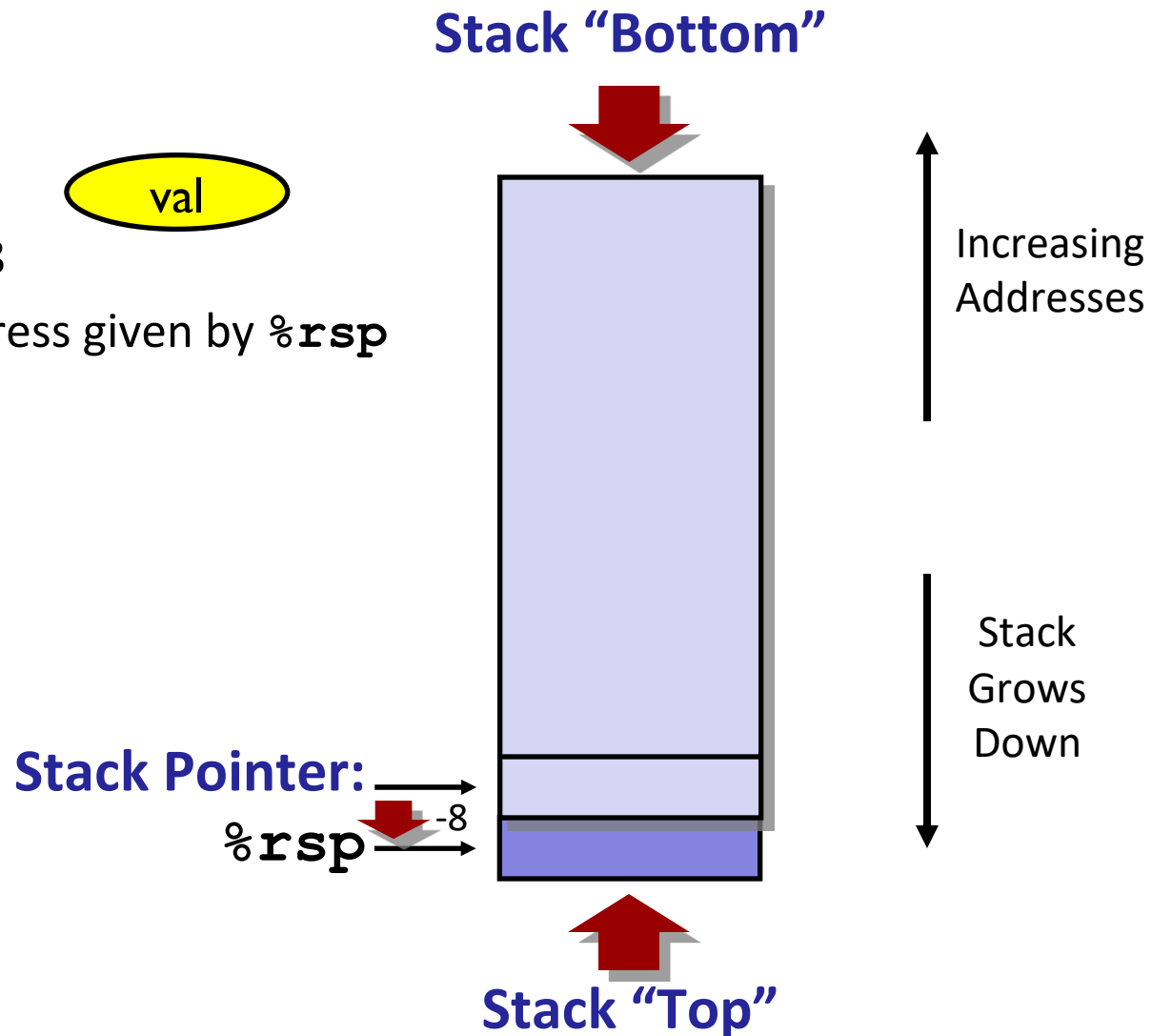
- Fetch operand at *Src*
- Decrement `%rsp` by 8
- Write operand at address given by `%rsp`



x86-64 Stack: Push

■ `pushq Src`

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x86-64 Stack: Pop

■ `popq Dest`

- Read value at address given by `%rsp`
- Increment `%rsp` by 8
- Store value at `Dest` (usually a register)

Value is **copied**; it remains in memory at old `%rsp`

Stack Pointer:

`%rsp` 

Stack "Bottom"



Increasing
Addresses



Stack
Grows
Down



Stack "Top"



Today

■ Procedures

- Stack Structure
- Calling Conventions
 - **Passing control**

Code Examples

```
void multstore(long x, long y, long *dest)
{
    long t = mult2(x, y);
    *dest = t;
}
```

```
00000000000400540 <multstore>:
400540: push    %rbx                # Save %rbx
400541: mov     %rdx,%rbx           # Save dest
400544: call    400550 <mult2>      # mult2(x,y)
400549: mov     %rax, (%rbx)         # Save at dest
40054c: pop     %rbx                # Restore %rbx
40054d: ret                          # Return
```

```
long mult2(long a, long b)
{
    long s = a * b;
    return s;
}
```

```
00000000000400550 <mult2>:
400550: mov     %rdi,%rax           # a
400553: imul    %rsi,%rax           # a * b
400557: ret                          # Return
```

Procedure Control Flow

■ Use stack to support procedure call and return

■ **Procedure call:** `call label`

- Push return address on stack
- Jump to *label*

■ **Return address:**

- Address of the next instruction right after call
- Example from disassembly

■ **Procedure return:** `ret`

- Pop address from stack
- Jump to address

These instructions are sometimes printed with a `q` suffix

- This is just to remind you that you're looking at 64-bit code

Control Flow Example #1

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.  
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.
```

```
00000000000400550 <mult2>:  
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.  
.  
400557: ret
```

0x130

0x128

0x120

%rsp

%rip

0x120

0x400544

Control Flow Example #2

```
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```

•
•
•

```
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```

```
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```

•
•

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```

```
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```

•
•

```
400557: ret
```

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•
•
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