Exam #1 Review

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Agenda

- Reminders
 - Test tomorrow!
 - One 8.5 x 11 sheet, two sides
 - Pick up your datalabs in OH
 - Cachelab comes out tomorrow
- Review

Questions

[Subset of] What to Know

- Labs!
 - We try to reward people who did them well
- Assembly
 - Basics (what does cmp do, source vs. dest, operand order for add, etc.)?
 - What registers are special? Caller save vs. callee save?
 - Switch statements and jump tables?
 - Loops?
 - You should be able to trace through assembly. Practice it.
 - You should be able to write small amounts of assembly (like buflab).
- Data Representation
 - Two's compliment
 - Floating point
 - Endianness

[Subset of] What to Know

- Stack
 - What's different in 32- vs. 64-bit
 - You should know parameters, ebp values, return address, etc.
- Larger Structures
 - Structs and Unions
 - What's the difference?
 - Padding and alignment
 - Arrays
 - Multi-dimensional access
- Control
 - Loops in assembly?
 - Recursion?
- Memory
 - Heap vs. Stack
 - What is the L1 Cache?

Floating Point Review

- Basics
 - Sign, Mantissa, Exponent
 - Round to even
 - Bias
 - Infinity, +- zero, NaN
 - Normalized vs. Denormalized

1. Format A

- There are k = 3 exponent bits. The exponent bias is 3.
- There are n=5 fraction bits.

2. Format B

- There are k = 5 exponent bits. The exponent bias is 15.
- There are n=3 fraction bits.

Fill in the blanks in the table below by converting the given values in each format to the closest possible value in the other format. Express values as whole numbers (e.g., 17) or as fractions (e.g., 17/64). If necessary, you should apply the round-to-even rounding rule.

Format A			Format B	
Bits		Value	Bits	Value
011 00000		1	01111 000	1
110	11100	15	10010 111	15
100	10101	<u>53</u> 16	10000 101	13/4
111	00000	Infinity	10100 110	56
000 00001		1/128	01000 000	1/128

Round-to-even examples

- Represent 25/64 with 4 exponent bits, 3 fraction bits. Bias is $2^{(4-1)} 1 = 7$
 - 0101 100: Rounded DOWN to value 3/8
- Represent 27/64 with 4 exponent bits, 3 fraction bits
 - 0101 110: Rounded UP to value 7/16
- Represent 51/128 with 4 exponent bits, 3 fraction bits
 - 0101 101: Rounded UP to value 13/32
 - Didn't use round-to-even on this... it wasn't a "tie"

Array Access

- Start with the C code
- Then look at the assembly
 - Work backwards!
- Easiest to just do an example

Remember though, multiply the offset by sizeof(int)

Suppose the above C code generates the following x86-64 assembly code:

```
On entry:
     edi = x
#
     %esi = y
copy array:
    movslq
             %edi,%rdi
                                     rax == x
                                              rdx == 3v
    movslq %esi,%rsi
             %rdi, %rax
    movq
                                                 rax == 32x
             (%rsi,%rsi,2),
    leaq
                                                 \rightarrow rax == 31x
    salq
             $5, %rax
                                             \rightarrow rdx == 6y+x
    subq
             %rdi, %rax
                                                  \rightarrow rax == 31x + y
            (%rdi,%rdx,2), %rdx
    leaq
    addq
             %rsi, %rax
                                                  rax must have value Jx +y
             array1(,%rax,4), %eax
    movl
    movl
             %eax, array2(,%rdx,4)
             $1, %eax
    movl
                                                rdx must have value Hy +x
    ret
```

Structs

- What is a union again?
- How big are things?
 - If you can't remember, cheat sheet.
 - int, char, pointer (you should know these by now)
 - float, double, short
- Alignment rules
 - If you can't remember, cheat sheet.

```
struct {
    char *a;
    short b;
    double c;
    char d;
    float e;
    char f;
    long g;
    void *h;
} foo;
```

A. Show how the struct above would appear on a 32-bit Windows machine (primitives of size k are k-byte aligned). Label the bytes that belong to the various fields with their names and clearly mark the end of the struct. Use hatch marks to indicate bytes that are allocated in the struct but are not used.

