

Systems I

Machine-Level Programming VII: Structured Data

Topics

- Arrays
- Structs
- Unions

Basic Data Types

Integral

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

Intel	GAS	Bytes	C
byte	b	1	[unsigned] char
word	w	2	[unsigned] short
double word	l	4	[unsigned] int

Floating Point

- Stored & operated on in floating point registers

Intel	GAS	Bytes	C
Single	s	4	float
Double	l	8	double
Extended	t	10/12	long double

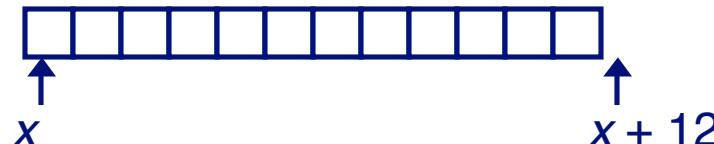
Array Allocation

Basic Principle

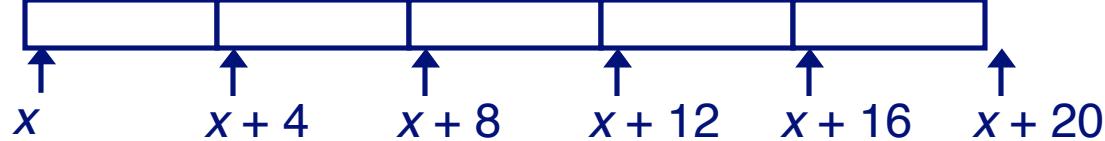
$T \ A[L];$

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

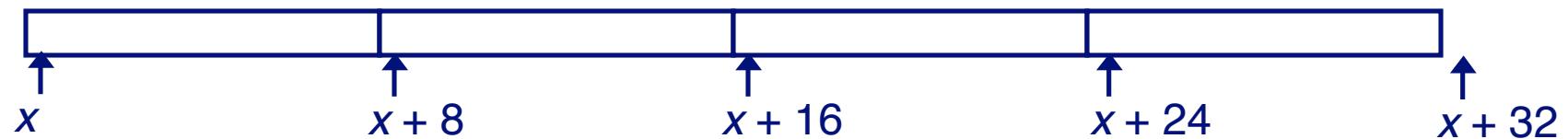
`char string[12];`



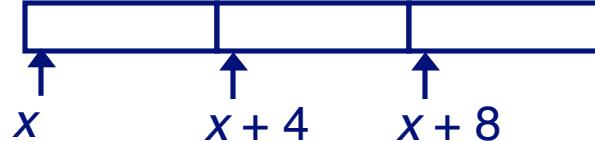
`int val[5];`



`double a[4];`



`char *p[3];`

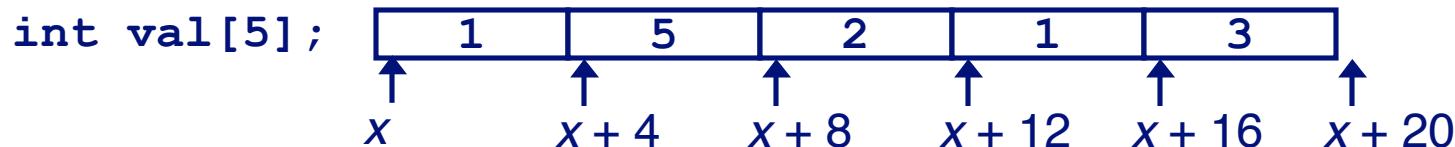


Array Access

Basic Principle

$T \ A[L];$

- Array of data type T and length L
- Identifier A can be used as a pointer to array element 0

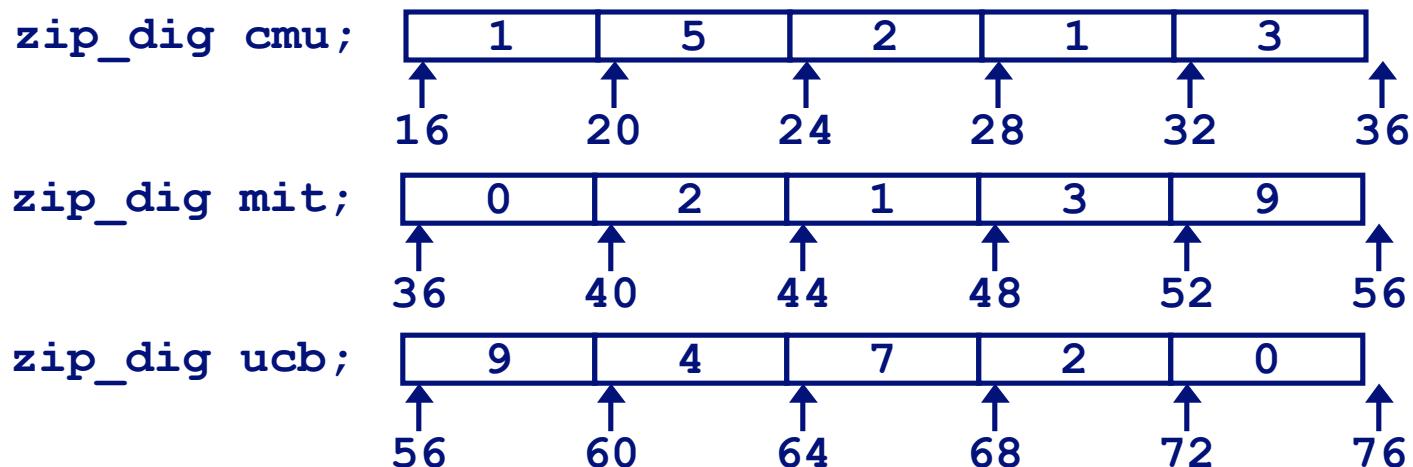


Reference	Type	Value
<code>val[4]</code>	<code>int</code>	3
<code>val</code>	<code>int *</code>	x
<code>val+1</code>	<code>int *</code>	$x + 4$
<code>&val[2]</code>	<code>int *</code>	$x + 8$
<code>val[5]</code>	<code>int</code>	??
<code>* (val+1)</code>	<code>int</code>	5
<code>val + i</code>	<code>int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

Array Example

```
typedef int zip_dig[5];

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



Notes

- 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

Computation

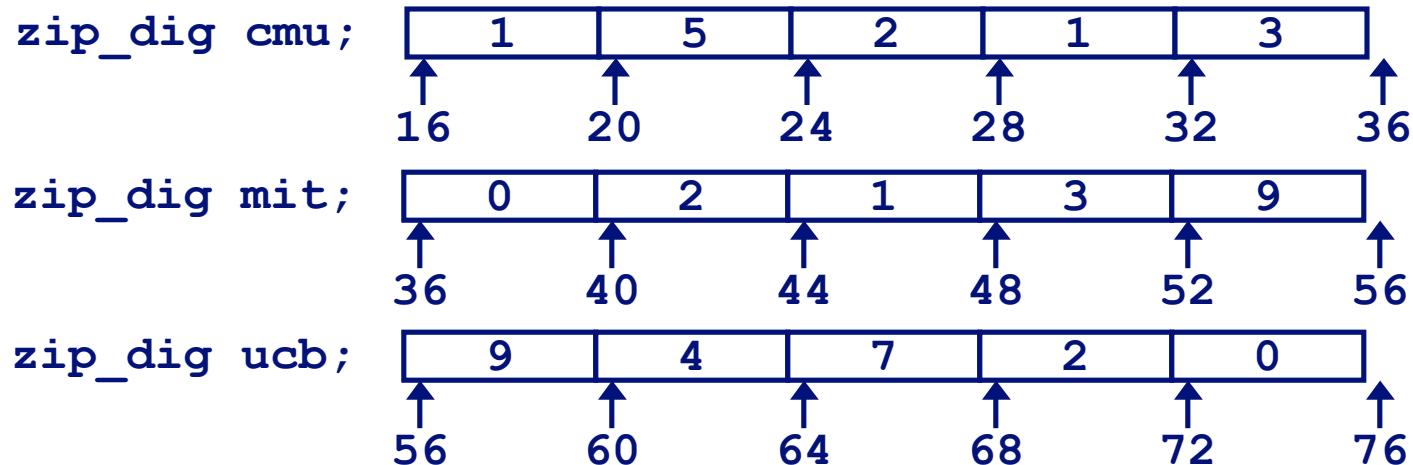
- Register **%edx** contains starting address of array
- Register **%eax** contains array index
- Desired digit at $4 * \%eax + \%edx$
- Use memory reference $(\%edx, \%eax, 4)$

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

Memory Reference Code

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

Referencing Examples



Code Does Not Do Any Bounds Checking!

Reference	Address	Value	Guaranteed?
<code>mit[3]</code>	$36 + 4 * 3 = 48$	3	Yes
<code>mit[5]</code>	$36 + 4 * 5 = 56$	9	No
<code>mit[-1]</code>	$36 + 4 * -1 = 32$	3	No
<code>cmu[15]</code>	$16 + 4 * 15 = 76$??	No

- Out of range behavior implementation-dependent
 - No guaranteed relative allocation of different arrays

Array Loop Example

Original Source

```
int zd2int(zip_dig z)
{
    int i;
    int zi = 0;
    for (i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
        zi = 10 * zi + z[i];
    }
    return zi;
}
```

Transformed Version

- As generated by GCC
- Eliminate loop variable *i*
- Convert array code to pointer code
- Express in do-while form
 - No need to test at entrance

```
int zd2int(zip_dig z)
{
    int zi = 0;
    int *zend = z + 4;
    do {
        zi = 10 * zi + *z;
        z++;
    } while(z <= zend);
    return zi;
}
```

Array Loop Implementation

Registers

```
%ecx z  
%eax zi  
%ebx zend
```

Computations

- $10*zi + *z$ implemented as
 $*z + 2*(zi+4*zi)$
- $z++$ increments by 4

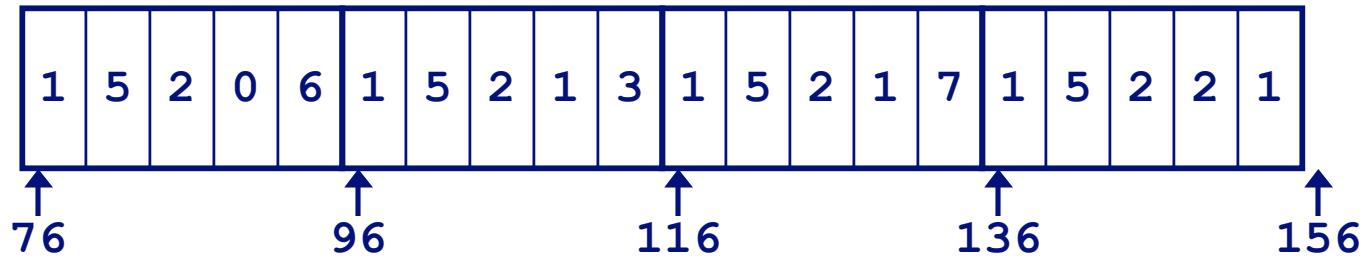
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int zd2int(zip_dig z)  
{  
    int zi = 0;  
    int *zend = z + 4;  
    do {  
        zi = 10 * zi + *z;  
        z++;  
    } while(z <= zend);  
    return zi;  
}
```

```
# %ecx = z  
xorl %eax,%eax          # zi = 0  
leal 16(%ecx),%ebx       # zend = z+4  
.L59:  
    leal (%eax,%eax,4),%edx # 5*zi  
    movl (%ecx),%eax        # *z  
    addl $4,%ecx            # z++  
    leal (%eax,%edx,2),%eax # zi = *z + 2*(5*zi)  
    cmpl %ebx,%ecx          # z : zend  
    jle .L59                 # if <= goto loop
```

Nested Array Example

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

zip_dig
pgm[4];



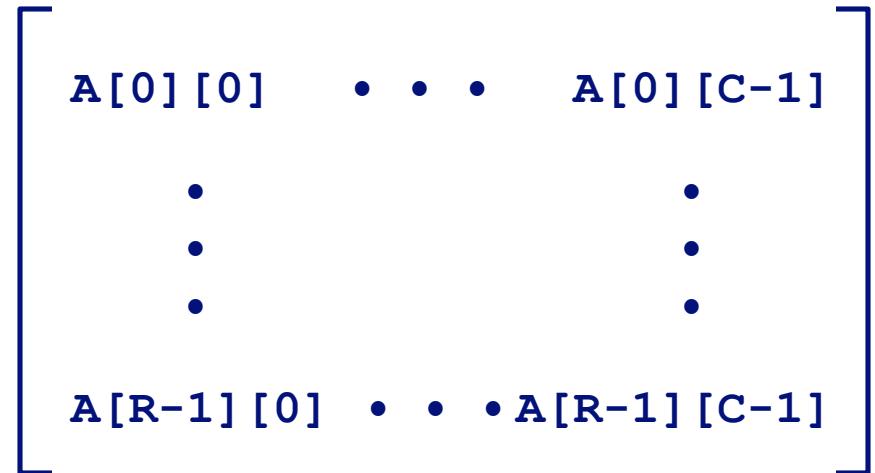
- Declaration “zip_dig pgm[4]” equivalent to “int pgm[4][5]”
 - Variable pgm denotes array of 4 elements
 - » Allocated contiguously
 - Each element is an array of 5 int's
 - » Allocated contiguously
- “Row-Major” ordering of all elements guaranteed

Nested Array Allocation

Declaration

$T A[R][C];$

- Array of data type T
- R rows, C columns
- Type T element requires K bytes



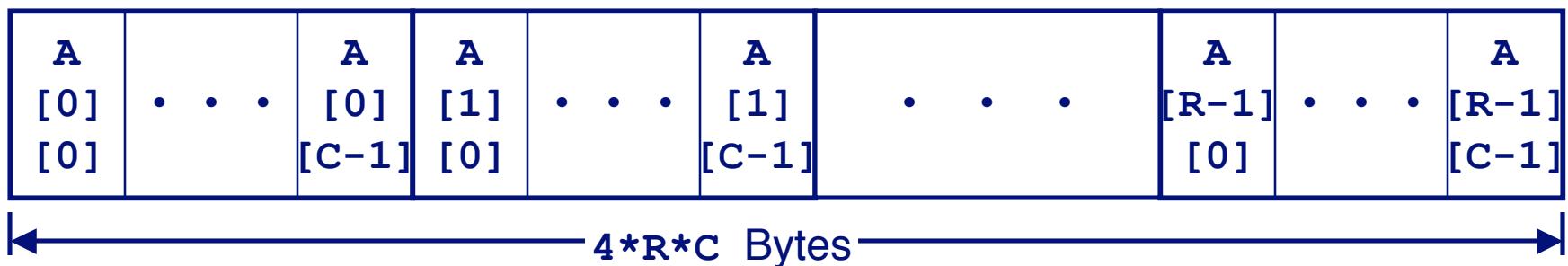
Array Size

- $R * C * K$ bytes

Arrangement

- Row-Major Ordering

`int A[R][C];`

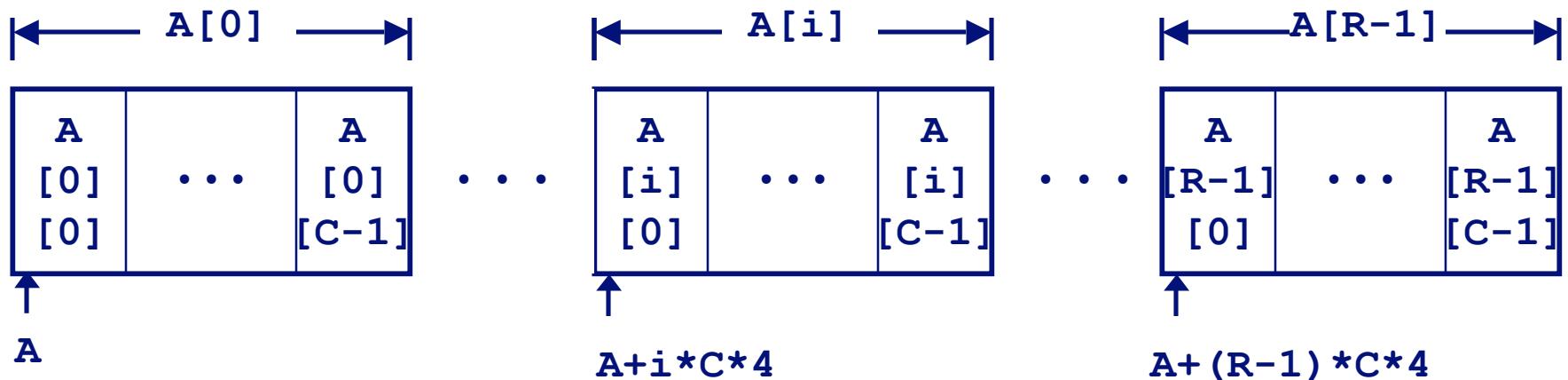


Nested Array Row Access

Row Vectors

- $A[i]$ is array of C elements
- Each element of type T
- Starting address $A + i * C * K$

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



Nested Array Row Access Code

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

Row Vector

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

Code

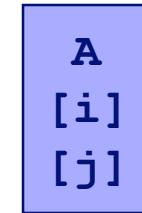
- Computes and returns address
- Compute as `pgh + 4* (index+4*index)`

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

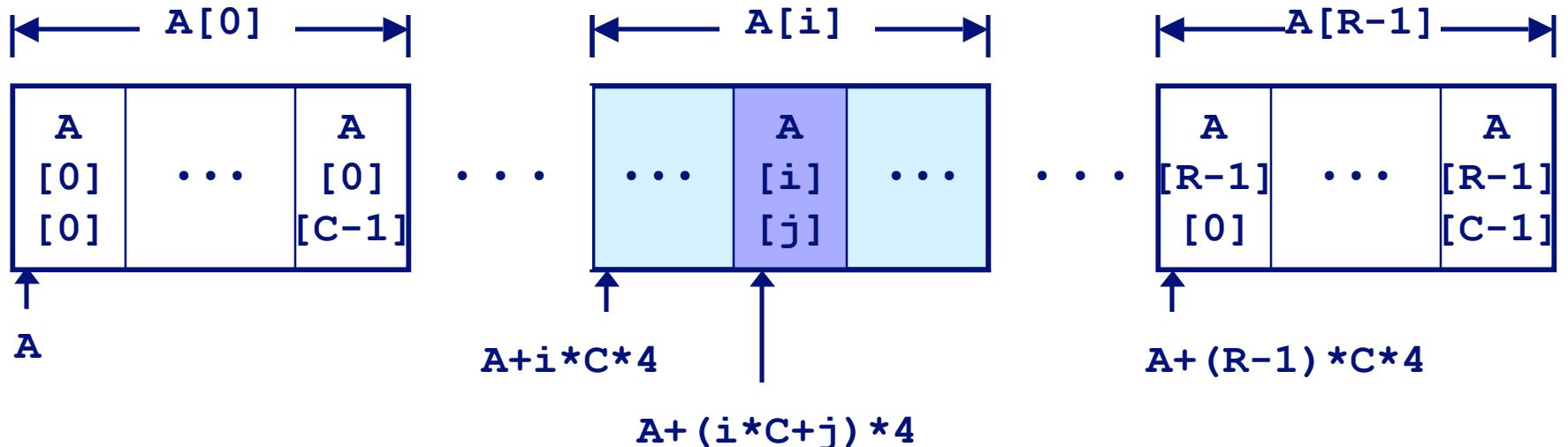
Nested Array Element Access

Array Elements

- $A[i][j]$ is element of type T
- Address $A + (i * C + j) * K$



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



Nested Array Element Access Code

Array Elements

- `pgh[index][dig]` is int
- Address:

`pgh + 20*index + 4*dig`

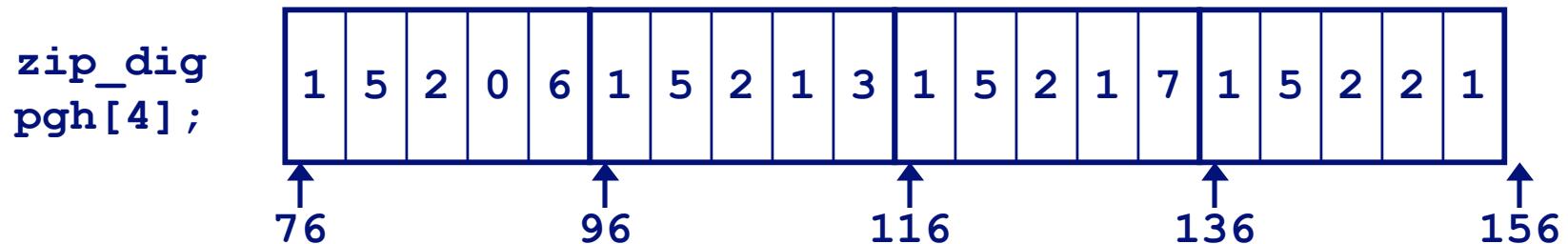
Code

- Computes address
`pgh + 4*dig + 4*(index+4*index)`
- `movl` performs memory reference

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

```
# %ecx = dig
# %eax = index
leal 0(%ecx,4),%edx          # 4*dig
leal (%eax,%eax,4),%eax      # 5*index
movl pgh(%edx,%eax,4),%eax   # *(pgh + 4*dig + 20*index)
```

Strange Referencing Examples



Reference	Address	Value	Guaranteed?
<code>pgh[3][3]</code>	$76+20*3+4*3 = 148$	2	Yes
<code>pgh[2][5]</code>	$76+20*2+4*5 = 136$	1	Yes
<code>pgh[2][-1]</code>	$76+20*2+4*-1 = 112$	3	Yes
<code>pgh[4][-1]</code>	$76+20*4+4*-1 = 152$	1	Yes
<code>pgh[0][19]</code>	$76+20*0+4*19 = 152$	1	Yes
<code>pgh[0][-1]</code>	$76+20*0+4*-1 = 72$??	No

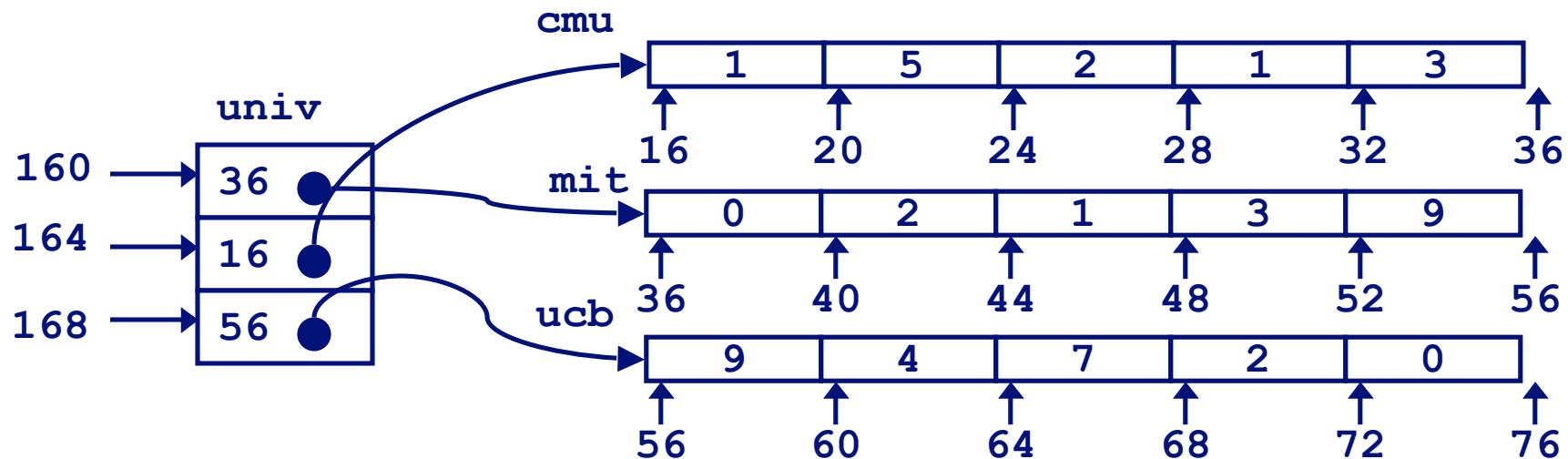
- Code does not do any bounds checking
- Ordering of elements within array guaranteed

Multi-Level Array Example

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

```
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};
```



Element Access in Multi-Level Array

Computation

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

- Element access
 $\text{Mem}[\text{Mem}[\text{univ}+4*\text{index}]+4*\text{dig}]$
- Must do two memory reads
 - First get pointer to row array
 - Then access element within array

```
# %ecx = index
# %eax = dig
leal 0(,%ecx,4),%edx      # 4*index
movl univ(%edx),%edx       # Mem[univ+4*index]
movl (%edx,%eax,4),%eax   # Mem[...+4*dig]
```

Array Element Accesses

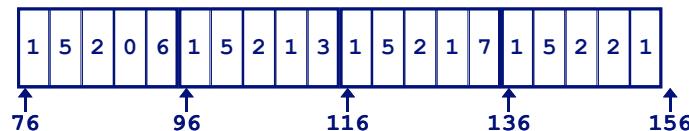
- Similar C references

Nested Array

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

- Element at

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



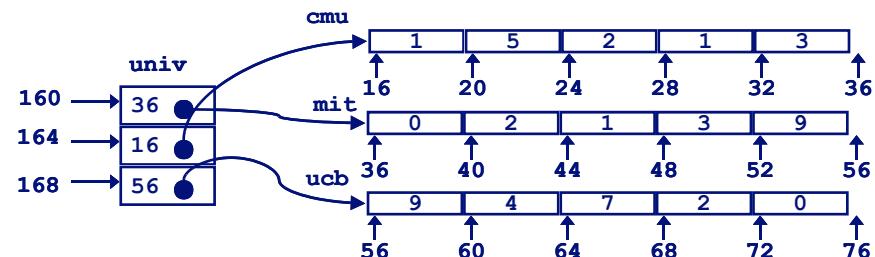
- Different address computation

Multi-Level Array

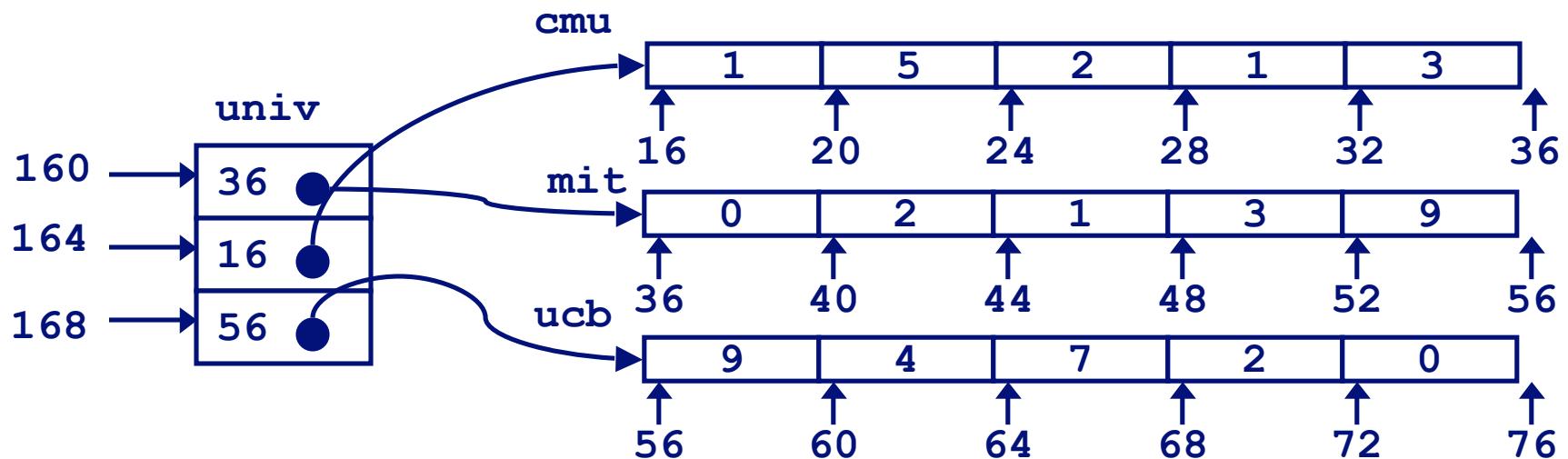
```
int get_univ_digit
    (int index, int dig)
{
    return univ[index][dig];
}
```

- Element at

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



Strange Referencing Examples



Reference	Address	Value	Guaranteed?
<code>univ[2][3]</code>	$56+4*3 = 68$	2	Yes
<code>univ[1][5]</code>	$16+4*5 = 36$	0	No
<code>univ[2][-1]</code>	$56+4*-1 = 52$	9	No
<code>univ[3][-1]</code>	??	??	No
<code>univ[1][12]</code>	$16+4*12 = 64$	7	No

- Code does not do any bounds checking
- Ordering of elements in different arrays not guaranteed

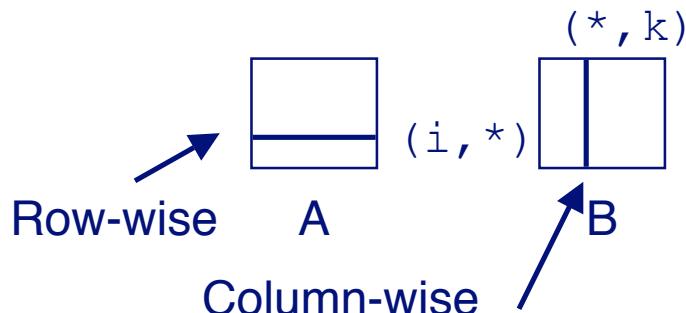
Using Nested Arrays

Strengths

- C compiler handles doubly subscripted arrays
- Generates very efficient code
 - Avoids multiply in index computation

Limitation

- Only works if have fixed array size



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

```
/* Compute element i,k of
   fixed matrix product */
int fix_prod_ele
(fix_matrix a, fix_matrix b,
 int i, int k)
{
    int j;
    int result = 0;
    for (j = 0; j < N; j++)
        result += a[i][j]*b[j][k];
    return result;
}
```

Structures

Concept

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

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

Memory Layout



Accessing Structure Member

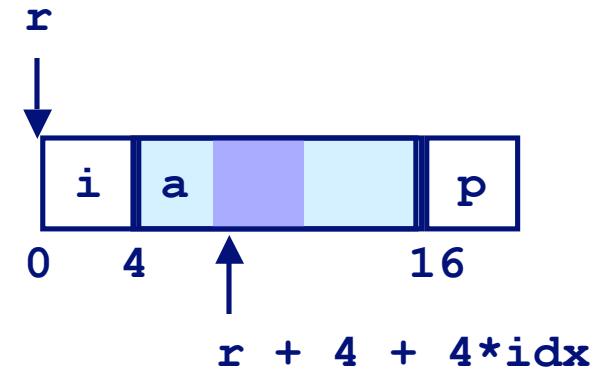
```
void  
set_i(struct rec *r,  
      int val)  
{  
    r->i = val;  
}
```

Assembly

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

Generating Pointer to Struct. Member

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



Generating Pointer to Array Element

- Offset of each structure member determined at compile time

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

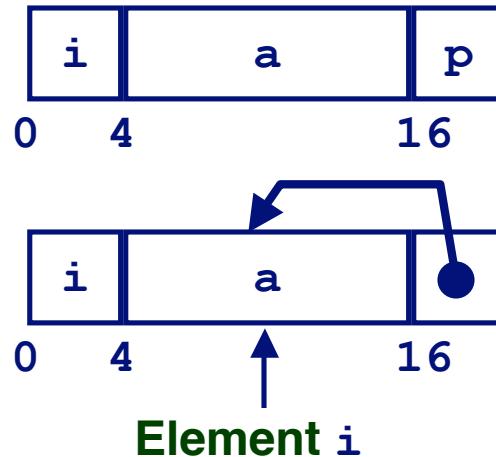
```
# %ecx = idx  
# %edx = r  
leal 0(%ecx,4),%eax    # 4*idx  
leal 4(%eax,%edx),%eax # r+4*idx+4
```

Structure Referencing (Cont.)

C Code

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

```
void  
set_p(struct rec *r)  
{  
    r->p =  
        &r->a[r->i];  
}
```



```
# %edx = r  
movl (%edx),%ecx          # r->i  
leal 0(%ecx,4),%eax       # 4*(r->i)  
leal 4(%edx,%eax),%eax   # r+4+4*(r->i)  
movl %eax,16(%edx)        # Update r->p
```

Summary

Today

- Primitive and Compound Data Types
- Arrays and array layout
- Multidimensional arrays

Next Time

- Alignment
- Bounds checking and buffer overflow