

CS 134

Operating Systems

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PC Hardware and x86

Outline

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- **x86 Instruction Set**
- **gcc Calling Conventions**
- **Emulation**

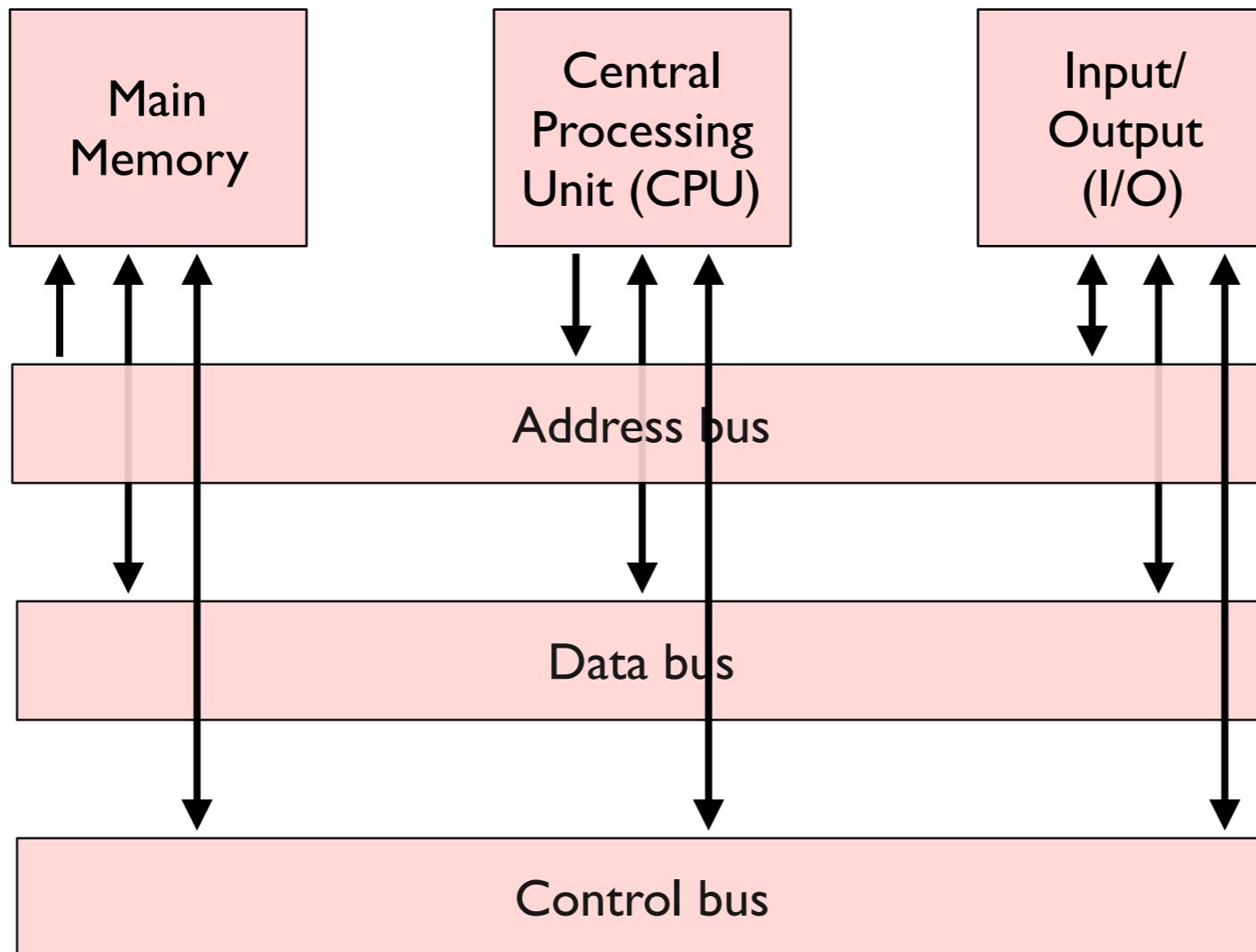
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PC Board

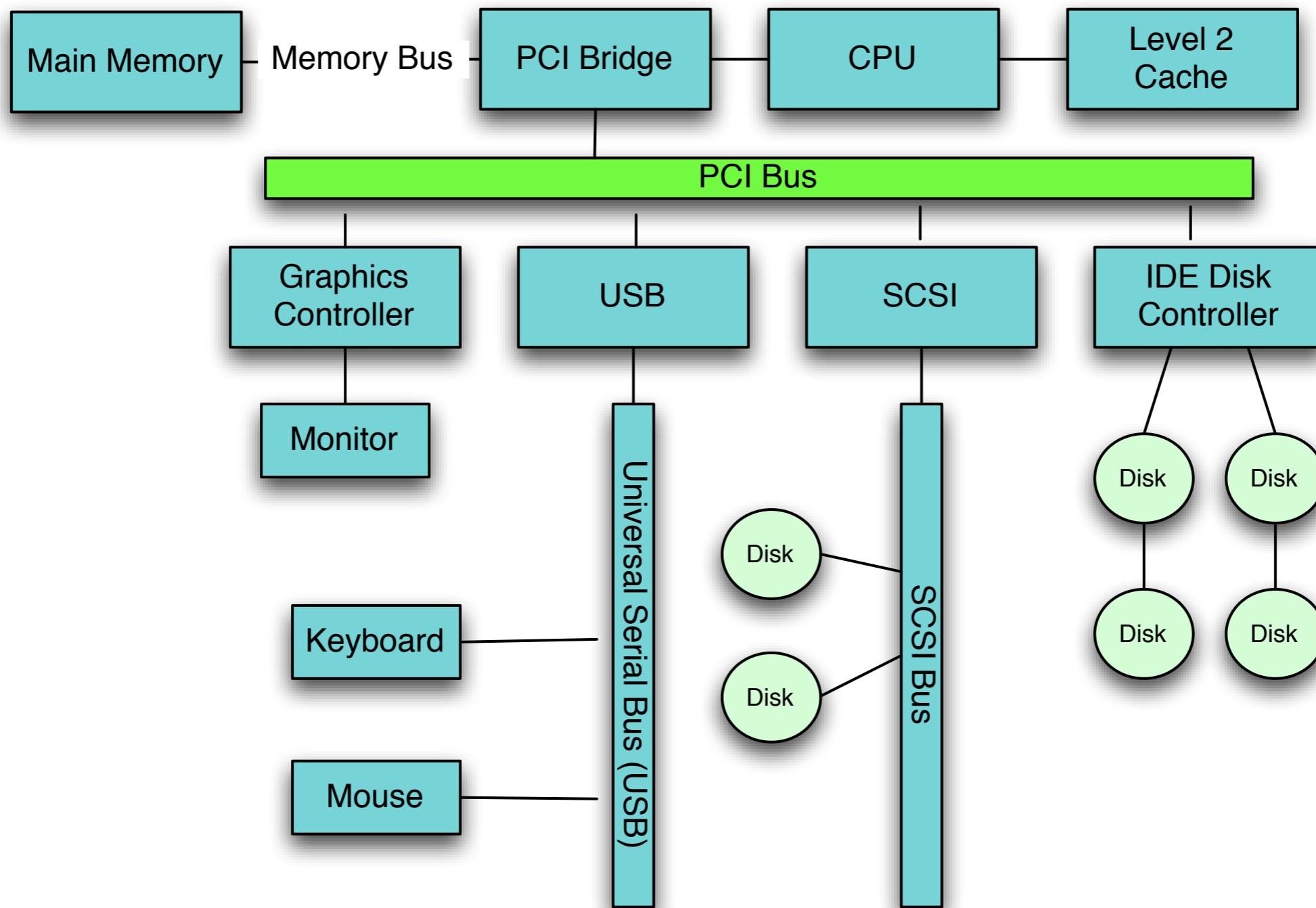


High-Level

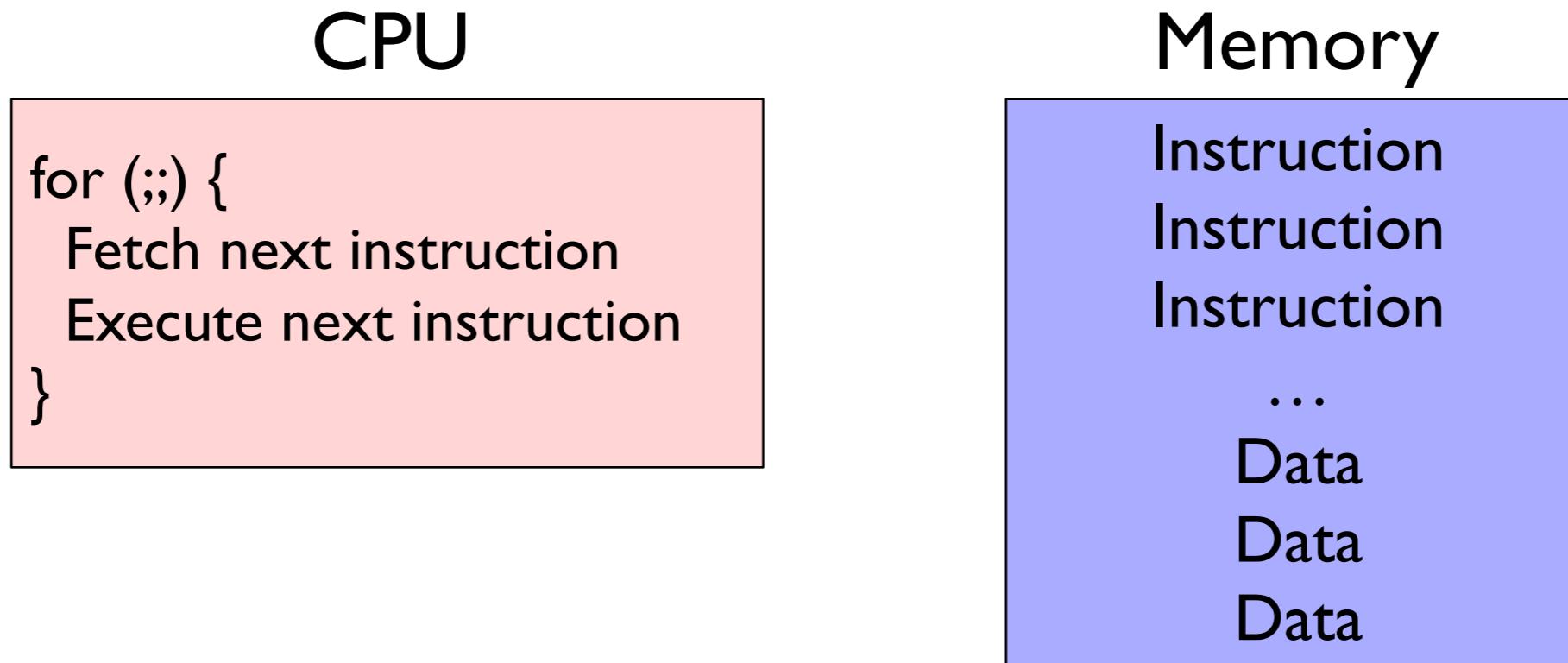


Bus

Bus: a set of wires and a protocol for communicating

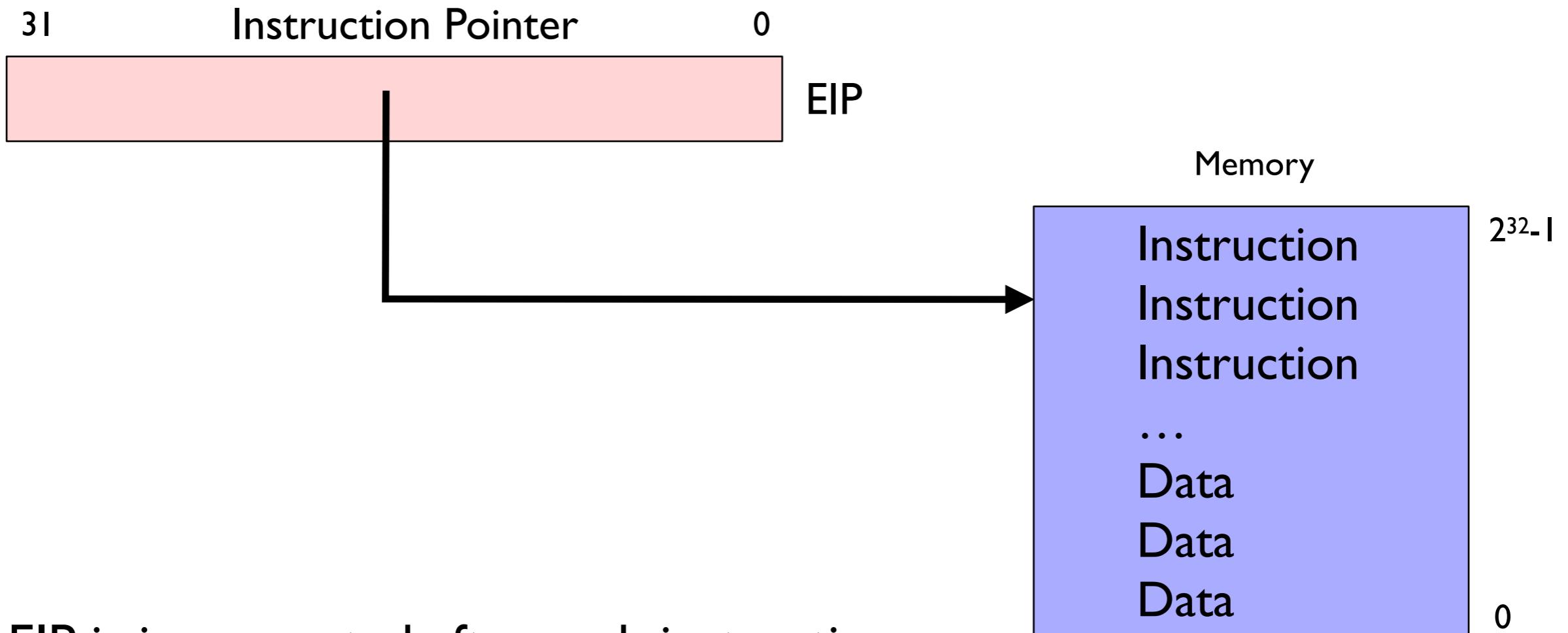


Stored-Program Computer



- CPU interprets instructions
- Instructions read/write data

x86 implementation



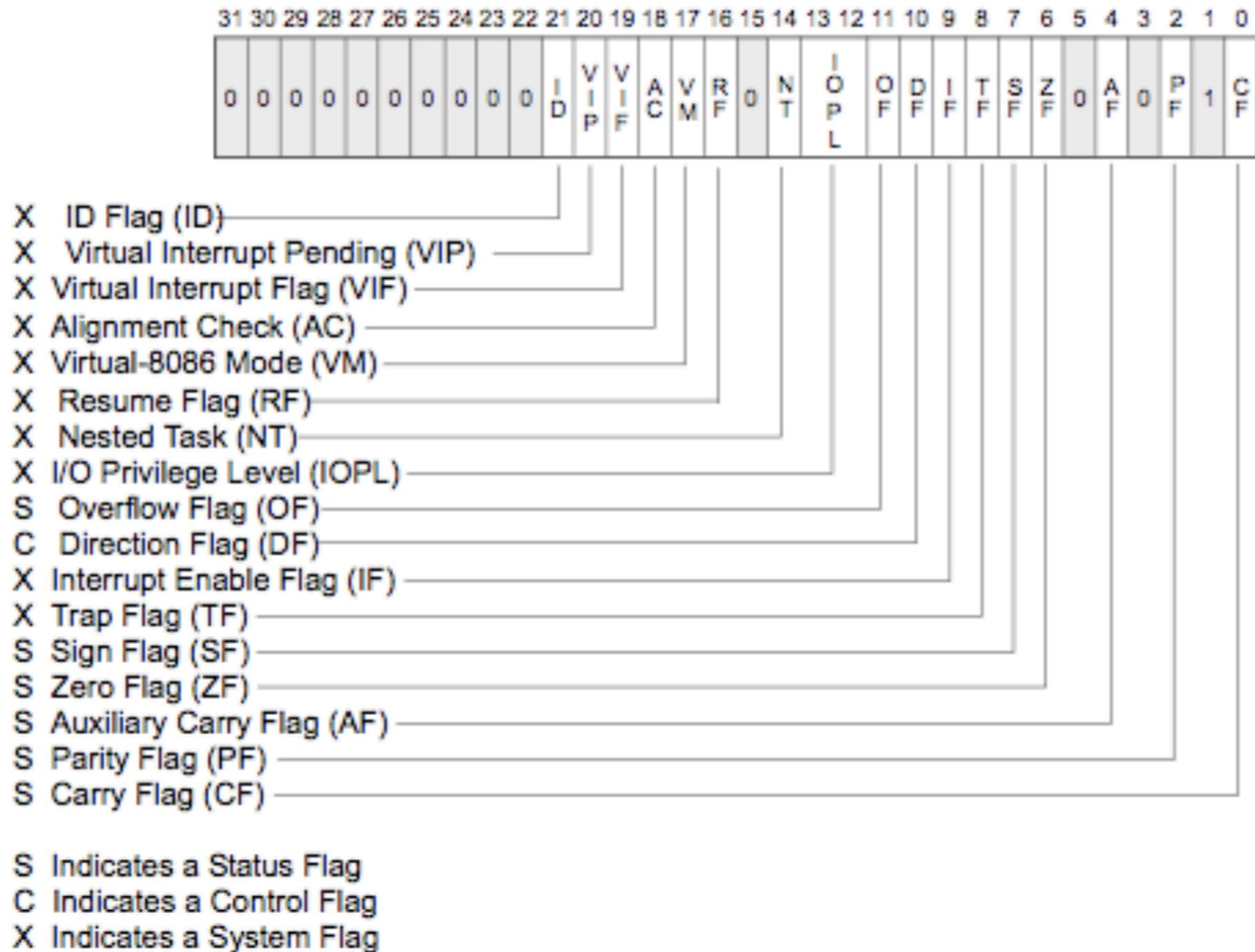
- EIP is incremented after each instruction
- Instructions are different length
- EIP modified by CALL, RET, JMP, and conditional JMP

Registers for work space

	31	16	15	8	7	0	16-bit	32-bit
Data				AH	AL		AX	EAX
				BH	BL		BX	EBX
				CH	CL		CX	ECX
				DH	DL		DX	EDX
				BP				EBP
				SI				ESI
				DI				EDI
				SP				ESP

- 8-, 16-, and 32-bit versions
- By convention, some registers are for specific purposes.
- Example: ADD EAX, 10

EFLAGS register



- Test instructions (TEST EAX, 0)

Memory: more work space

movl %eax, %edx	edx = eax;	<i>register mode</i>
movl \$0x123, %edx	edx = 0x123;	<i>immediate</i>
movl 0x123, %edx	edx = *(int32_t*)0x123;	<i>direct</i>
movl (%ebx), %edx	edx = *(int32_t*)ebx;	<i>indirect</i>
movl 4(%ebx), %edx	edx = *(int32_t*)(ebx+4);	<i>displaced</i>

- Memory instructions: MOV, PUSH, POP, etc.
- Most instructions can take a memory address

Stack memory and operations

<u>Example instruction</u>	<u>What it does</u>
<code>pushl %eax</code>	<code>subl \$4, %esp</code> <code>movl %eax, (%esp)</code>
<code>popl %eax</code>	<code>movl (%esp), %eax</code> <code>addl \$4, %esp</code>
<code>call 0x12345</code>	<code>pushl %eip (*)</code> <code>movl \$0x12345, %eip (*)</code>
<code>ret</code>	<code>popl %eip (*)</code>

- The stack grows down
- Used to implement procedure calls

More memory

- 8086: 16-bit registers, and 20-bit address bus
- Extra 4 bits come from *segment registers*:
 - CS: Code segment (for EIP)
 - SS: Stack segment (for SP, and BP)
 - DS: Data segment (for load/store via other registers)
 - ES: Another data segment (for string operations)
- virtual->physical translation:
 - $pa = va + seg * 16$
 - for example, CS of 4096, with an EIP of 0 executes code at 65536

And More Memory

- 80386: 32-bit data and address busses
- Early 2000's: x86-64: 64-bit data and address busses
- Backwards compatibility:
 - Boot in 16-bit mode (*real mode*). Boot.S switches to *protected mode* with 32-bit addresses.
 - Prefix 0x66 gives you 32-bit addresses:
 - MOVW = 0x66 MOVW
 - .code32 in boot.S tells assembler to insert 0x66
- 80386 also added virtual memory addresses:
 - Segment registers are indices into a page table
 - Page table hardware

I/O Space and Instructions

```
#define DATA_PORT      0x378
#define STATUS_PORT    0x379
#define BUSY           0x80
#define CONTROL_PORT   0x37A
#define STROBE          0x01

void lpt_putc(int c) {
    /* wait for printer to consume previous byte */
    while (((inb(STATUS_PORT) & BUSY) == 0)
           ;
    /* put the data on the parallel port */
    outb(DATA_PORT, c);

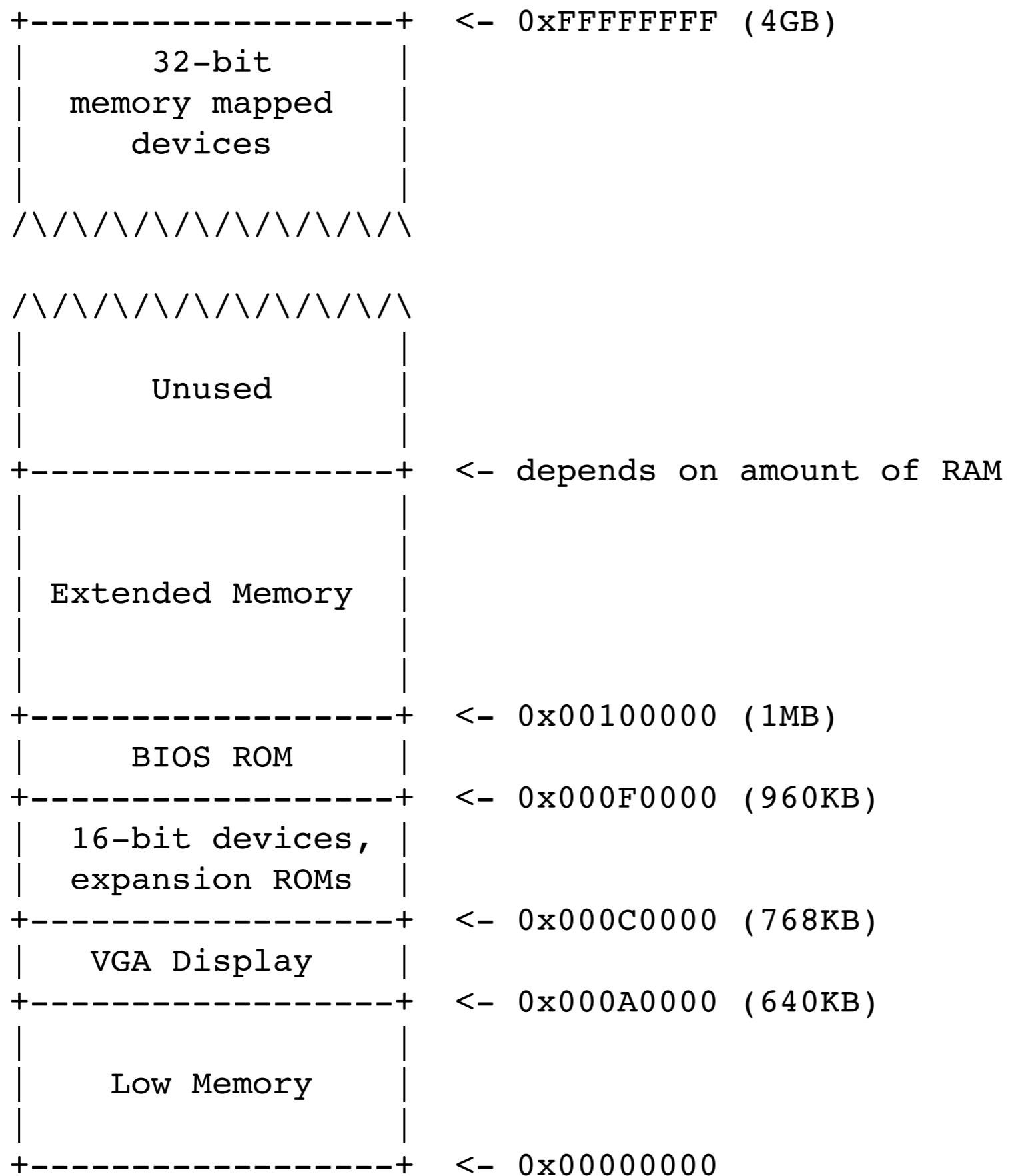
    /* tell the printer to look at the data */
    outb(CONTROL_PORT, STROBE);
    outb(CONTROL_PORT, 0);
}
```

- 8086: only 1024 I/O addresses

Memory-Mapped I/O

- Use normal addresses
 - No need for special instructions
 - No 1024 limit
 - System controller routes to device
- Works like “magic” memory
 - Addressed and accessed like normal memory
 - But does not behave like real memory
 - Reads and writes have “side effects”
 - Read result can change due to external events

Physical Memory Layout



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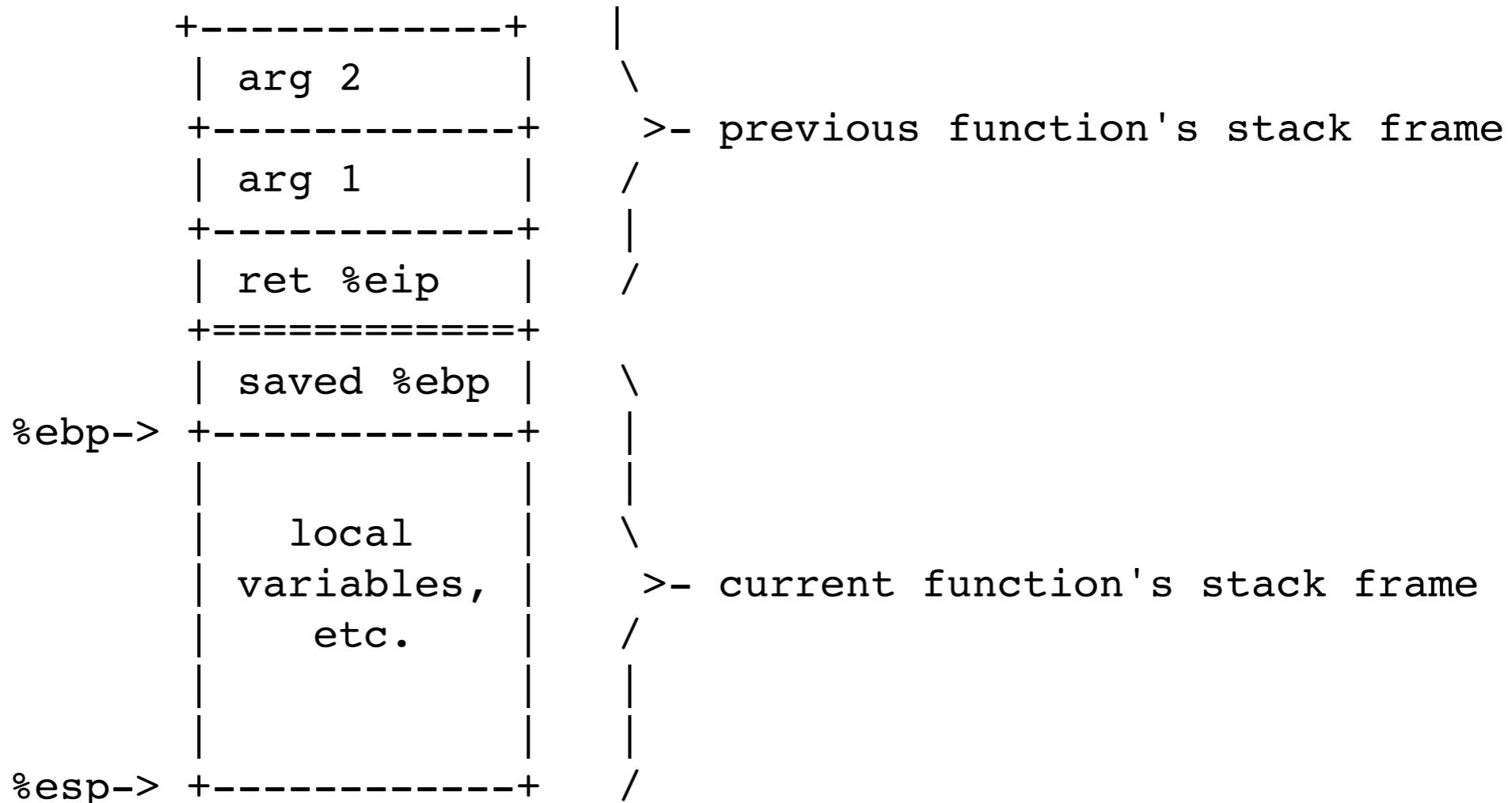
x86 Instruction Set

- **Instruction classes:**
 - Data movement: MOV, PUSH, POP, ...
 - Arithmetic: TEST, SHL, ADD, ...
 - I/O: IN/OUT
 - Control: JMP, JZ, JNZ, CALL, RET, ...
 - String: REP, MOVSB, ...
 - System: INT, IRET
- **Intel Architecture Manual volume 2: *the reference***
 - Intel syntax: op dst, src
 - AT&T (gcc/gas) syntax: op src, dst
 - uses b, w, l suffix on instructions to specify size of operands

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GCC Calling Conventions



- Saved EBPs form a chain: can walk stack
- Arguments and locals at fixed offsets from EBP

GCC Use of the Stack

- GCC dictates how the stack is used: contract between caller and callee
 - At entry (just after CALL):
 - %eip points to the first instruction of the function
 - %esp+4 points at the first argument
 - %esp points at the return address
 - At exit (just after RET):
 - %eip contains the return address
 - %esp points at the arguments pushed by caller
 - called function may have trashed arguments
 - %eax, (and %edx if 64-bit) contain return value
 - %eax, %edx, and %ecx may be trashed *Caller-saved registers*
 - %ebp, %ebx, %esi, and %edi have the values they did as of the CALL *Callee-saved registers*

GCC Function Prologue

```
int main(void) { return f(8)+1; }
int f(int x) { return g(x); }
int g(int x) { return x+3; }
```

```
_main:
    prologue
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp, %ebp
    body
    pushl $8
    call _f
    addl $1, %eax
    epilogue
    movl %ebp, %esp
    popl %ebp
    ret
```

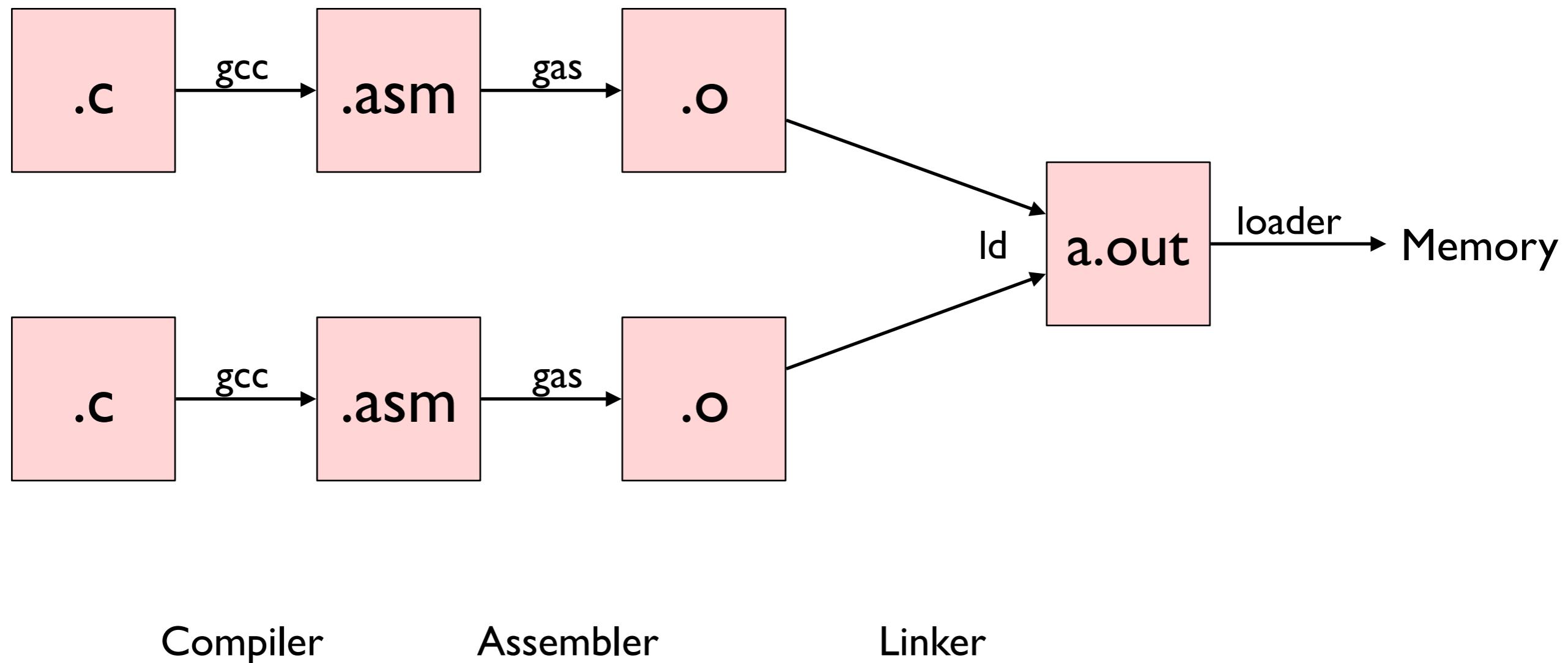
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_f:
    prologue
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp, %ebp
    body
    pushl 8(%esp)
    call _g
    epilogue
    movl %ebp, %esp
    popl %ebp
    ret
```

```
_g:
    prologue
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp, %ebp
    save %ebx
    pushl %ebx
    body
    movl 8(%ebp), %ebx
    addl $3, %ebx
    movl %ebx, %eax
    restore %ebx
    popl %ebx
    epilogue
    movl %ebp, %esp
    popl %ebp
    ret
```

g optimized for space

```
_g:
    movl 4(%esp), %eax
    addl $3, %eax
    ret
```

From C to Running Program



Compiler

Assembler

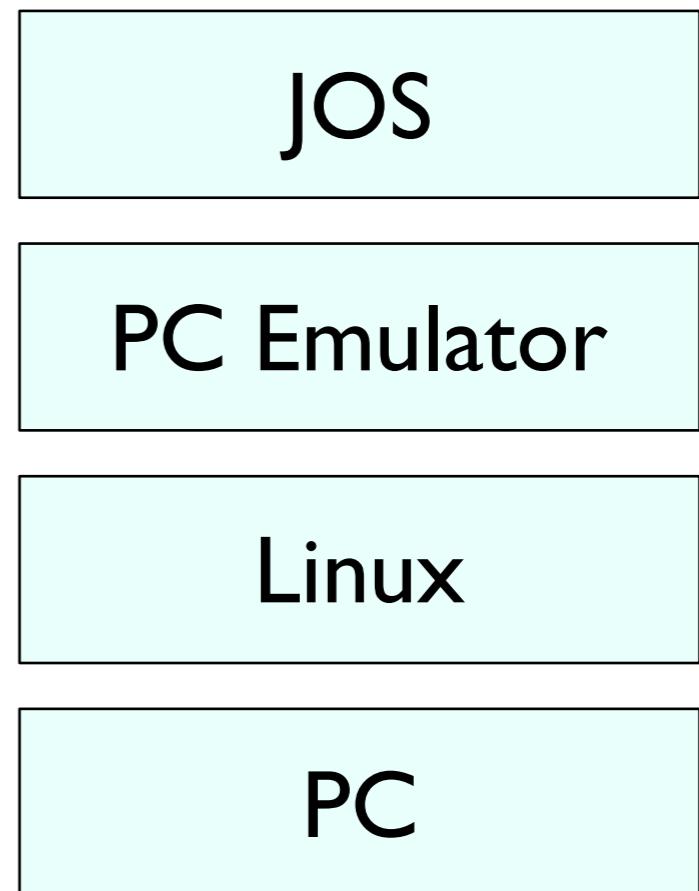
Linker

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Development using PC Emulator

- QEMU PC Emulator
 - Does what a real PC does
 - Only implemented in software
- Runs like a normal program on “host” operating system



Emulation of Memory

```
int32_t regs[8];
#define REG_EAX 1;
#define REG_EBX 2;
#define REG_ECX 3;

...
int32_t eip;
int16_t segregs[4];
...
```

Registers

```
char mem[256*1024*1024];
```

Main memory

Emulation of CPU

```
for (;;) {
    read_instruction();
    switch (decode_instruction_opcode()) {
        case OPCODE_ADD:
            int src = decode_src_reg();
            int dst = decode_dst_reg();
            regs[dst] = regs[dst] + regs[src];
            break;
        case OPCODE_SUB:
            int src = decode_src_reg();
            int dst = decode_dst_reg();
            regs[dst] = regs[dst] - regs[src];
            break;
        ...
    }
    eip += instruction_length;
}
```

Emulation x86 Memory

```
#define LOW_MEMORY 640*KB
#define EXT_MEMORY 10*MB

uint8_t low_mem[LOW_MEMORY];
uint8_t ext_mem[EXT_MEMORY];
uint8_t bios_rom[64*KB];

uint8_t read_byte(uint32_t phys_addr) {
    if (phys_addr < LOW_MEMORY)
        return low_mem[phys_addr];
    else if (phys_addr >= 960*KB && phys_addr < 1*MB)
        return rom_bios[phys_addr - 960*KB];
    else if (phys_addr >= 1*MB && phys_addr < 1*MB+EXT_MEMORY) {
        return ext_mem[phys_addr-1*MB];
    else ...
}

void write_byte(uint32_t phys_addr, uint8_t val) {
    if (phys_addr < LOW_MEMORY)
        low_mem[phys_addr] = val;
    else if (phys_addr >= 960*KB && phys_addr < 1*MB)
        ; /* ignore attempted write to ROM! */
    else if (phys_addr >= 1*MB && phys_addr < 1*MB+EXT_MEMORY) {
        ext_mem[phys_addr-1*MB] = val;
    else ...
}
```

Emulating Devices

- Hard disk: using a file of the host
- VGA display: draw in a host window
- Keyboard: host's keyboard API
- Clock chip: host's clock chip
- etc.