

EECS 213: Homework 2

Decompiling Intel Assembly Language

Spring 2007

Important Dates

Out: April 23, 2007.

Due: May 2, 2007 (11:59PM).

Submitting your homework: Please use the course submission site. There is a link to it from the class site.
Submit only ASCII text files.

To be done individually. In this homework, you will examine assembler output from gcc in order to determine what the original C code was.

Log into a TLAB machine and copy the hw2.tar handout from the webpage to a working directory. Untar the file (tar xvf hw2.tar). You will find the following files:

1. code-unopt.s (produced by gcc -Wall -S code.c -o code-unopt.s)
2. code-unopt.o (produced by gcc -Wall -c code.c -o code-unopt.o)
3. code-opt.s (produced by gcc -Wall -O -S code.c -o code-opt.s)
4. code-opt.o (produced by gcc -Wall -O -c code.c -o code-opt.o)
5. code.h
6. test.c
7. code-handin.c
8. Makefile

Your goal is to figure out what C code is in code.c and to replicate it in code-handin.c. The function definitions in code-handin.c are currently empty. You will write them. It will probably easiest to do so by studying the contents of code-unopt.s and code.h and playing with the compiled code using test.c. The purpose of giving you code-opt.s and code-opt.o is to give you an idea of what a compiler will do differently when optimizing. These files are not needed to complete the homework.

When you run make, you will generate code-handin.s, code-handin.o, test-with-handin, and test-with-handout. code-handin.s and code-handin.o are the assembly and object code for code-handin.c

- ie, the code that you've written. `test-with-handin` is an executable of `test.c` that's linked with your `code-handin.o`. `test-with-handout` is an executable of `test.c` that's linked with my `code.o`. You might also find it useful to compare your `code-handin.s` with my `code-unopt.s`.

Upload your `code-handin.c` in the course website. Please include your Northwestern netid in your source code.