

# Function DevPosSensitive: Compilation with and without Loop Alignment

(Abstract: Loop alignment makes the function 12 % faster, all alignments are placed to be **not** runtime consuming by themselves)

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function DevPosSensitive(const SubStr, S : ShortString) : SmallInt;
var
  CntS,
  CntSub,
  LenS,
  LenSub : Byte;
  PS,
  PSTmp,
  PSub   : PByte;
begin
  result := 0;
  LenSub := Length(SubStr);
  LenS   := Length(S);
  if (LenS < LenSub) or (LenSub = 0) then exit;
  dec(LenS, LenSub - 1);
  CntS := LenS;
  PS := @S[1];
  PSub := @SubStr[1];
  Case LenSub of
    1 : while PSub^ <> PS^ do
        begin
          dec(CntS);
          if CntS = 0 then exit;
          inc(PS);
        end;
    2 : while PWord(PSub)^ <> PWord(PS)^ do
        begin
          dec(CntS);
          if CntS = 0 then exit;
          inc(PS);
        end;
    3 : while (PWord(PSub)^ <> PWord(PS)^) or (PByte((PSub+2)^) <> PByte((PS+2)^)) do
        begin
          dec(CntS);
          if CntS = 0 then exit;
          inc(PS);
        end;
    4 : while PLongWord(PSub)^ <> PLongWord(PS)^ do
        begin
          dec(CntS);
          if CntS = 0 then exit;
          inc(PS);
        end;
  end;
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else Repeat
  while PLongWord(PSub)^ <> PLongWord(PS)^ do
  begin
    dec(CntS);
    if CntS = 0 then exit;
    inc(PS);
  end;
  PSTmp := PS + 4;
  inc(PSub, 4);
  CntSub := LenSub - 4;
  while PSTmp^ = PSub^ do
  begin
    dec(CntSub);
    if CntSub = 0 then begin result := LenS - CntS + 1; exit; end;
    inc(PSTmp);
    inc(PSub);
  end;
  dec(CntS);
  if CntS = 0 then exit;
  inc(PS);
  PSub := @SubStr[1];
until true = false;
end;
result := LenS - CntS + 1;
end;

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{$CODEALIGN PROC=32}
{$CODEALIGN LOOP=16}

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Addr	Opcode	Instr	Param	Target
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begin

CD40	4883ec18	sub	\$0x18,%rsp	
CD44	48891c24	mov	%rbx, (%rsp)	
CD48	4c89642408	mov	%r12, 0x8(%rsp)	

result := 0;

CD4D	66b80000	mov	\$0x0,%ax	
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LenSub := Length(SubStr);

CD51	448a07	mov	(%rdi),%r8b	
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LenS := Length(S);

CD54	8a0e	mov	(%rsi),%cl	
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if (LenS < LenSub) or (LenSub = 0) then exit;

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{$CODEALIGN PROC=32}
No Codealign Loop

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Addr	Opcode	Instr	Param	Target
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CD40	4883ec18	sub	\$0x18,%rsp	
CD44	48891c24	mov	%rbx, (%rsp)	
CD48	4c89642408	mov	%r12, 0x8(%rsp)	

CD4D	66b80000	mov	\$0x0,%ax	
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CD51	448a07	mov	(%rdi),%r8b	
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CD54	8a0e	mov	(%rsi),%cl	
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CD56	88ca	mov	%cl,%dl		CD56	88ca	mov	%cl,%dl	
CD58	4438c2	cmp	%r8b,%dl		CD58	4438c2	cmp	%r8b,%dl	
CD5B	0f82e2010000	jb	0x83cf43	<+515>	CD5B	0f82a6010000	jb	0x83cf07	<+455>
CD61	410fb6d0	movzbl	%r8b,%edx		CD61	410fb6d0	movzbl	%r8b,%edx	
CD65	4885d2	test	%rdx,%rdx		CD65	4885d2	test	%rdx,%rdx	
CD68	0f84d5010000	je	0x83cf43	<+515>	CD68	0f8499010000	je	0x83cf07	<+455>
dec(LenS, LenSub - 1);									
CD6E	410fb6d0	movzbl	%r8b,%edx		CD6E	410fb6d0	movzbl	%r8b,%edx	
CD72	48ffca	dec	%rdx		CD72	48ffca	dec	%rdx	
CD75	28d1	sub	%dl,%cl		CD75	28d1	sub	%dl,%cl	
CntS := LenS;									
CD77	88ca	mov	%cl,%dl		CD77	88ca	mov	%cl,%dl	
PS := @S[1];									
CD79	488d7601	lea	0x1(%rsi),%rsi		CD79	488d7601	lea	0x1(%rsi),%rsi	
PSub := @SubStr[1];									
CD7D	4c8d4f01	lea	0x1(%rdi),%r9		CD7D	4c8d4f01	lea	0x1(%rdi),%r9	
Case LenSub of									
CD81	4588c2	mov	%r8b,%r10b		CD81	4588c2	mov	%r8b,%r10b	
CD84	4180fa01	cmp	\$0x1,%r10b		CD84	4180fa01	cmp	\$0x1,%r10b	
CD88	0f8234010000	jb	0x83cec2	<+386>	CD88	0f8200010000	jb	0x83ce8e	<+334>
CD8E	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b		CD8E	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b	
CD91	41fec8	dec	%r10b		CD91	41fec8	dec	%r10b	
CD94	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b		CD94	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b	
CD98	7458	je	0x83cdf2	<+178>	CD98	7448	je	0x83cde2	<+162>
CD9A	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b		CD9A	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b	
CD9D	41fec8	dec	%r10b		CD9D	41fec8	dec	%r10b	
CDA0	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b		CDA0	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b	
CDA4	0f8478000000	je	0x83ce22	<+226>	CDA4	7460	je	0x83ce06	<+198>
CDA8	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b		CDA6	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b	
CDAD	41fec8	dec	%r10b		CDA9	41fec8	dec	%r10b	
CDB0	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b		CDAC	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b	
CDB4	0f8498000000	je	0x83ce52	<+274>	CDB0	0f8474000000	je	0x83ce2a	<+234>
CDBA	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b		CDB6	4588d3	mov	%r10b,%r11b	
CDBD	41fec8	dec	%r10b		CDB9	41fec8	dec	%r10b	
CDC0	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b		CDBC	4180fb01	cmp	\$0x1,%r11b	
CDC4	0f84c8000000	je	0x83ce92	<+338>	CDC0	0f84a4000000	je	0x83ce6a	<+298>
CDC8	e9f3000000	jmpq	0x83cec2	<+386>	CDC6	e9c3000000	jmpq	0x83ce8e	<+334>
CDCE	eb21	jmp	0x83cdf2	<+178>	CDCB	eb15	jmp	0x83cde2	<+162>
CDD1	6666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax		CDCD	666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax	3 Byte NOP
CDD5	6666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax						
CDD9	6666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax						
CDDD	666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax	15 Byte NOP					

1 : while PSub^ <> PS^ do begin dec(CntS);									
CDE0	feca	dec	%dl	CDD0	feca	dec	%dl		
if CntS = 0 then exit;									
CDE2	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	CDD2	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d		
CDE6	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	CDD6	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10		
CDE9	0f8454010000	je	0x83cf43	<+515>	CDD9	0f8428010000	je	0x83cf07	<+455>
inc(PS); end;									
CDEF	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	CDDF	48ffc6	inc	%rsi		
CDF2	458a11	mov	(%r9),%r10b	CDE2	458a11	mov	(%r9),%r10b		
CDF5	443a16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10b	CDE5	443a16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10b		
CDF8	75e6	jne	0x83cde0	<+160>	CDE8	75e6	jne	0x83cdd0	<+144>
CDFA	e935010000	jmpq	0x83cf34	<+500>	CDEA	e909010000	jmpq	0x83cef8	<+440>
CDFE	eb21	jmp	0x83ce22	<+226>	CDEF	eb15	jmp	0x83ce06	<+198>
CE01	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax	CDF1	666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax	3 Byte NOP	
CE05	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax						
CE09	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax						
CE0D	666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax	15 Byte NOP					
2 : while PWord(PSub)^ <> PWord(PS)^ do begin dec(CntS); if CntS = 0 then exit; inc(PS); end;									
CE10	feca	dec	%dl	CDF4	feca	dec	%dl		
CE12	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	CDF6	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d		
CE16	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	CDFA	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10		
CE19	0f8424010000	je	0x83cf43	<+515>	CDFD	0f8404010000	je	0x83cf07	<+455>
CE1F	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	CE03	48ffc6	inc	%rsi		
CE22	66458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10w	CE06	66458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10w		
CE26	66443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10w	CE0A	66443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10w		
CE2A	75e4	jne	0x83ce10	<+208>	CE0E	75e4	jne	0x83cdf4	<+180>
CE2C	e903010000	jmpq	0x83cf34	<+500>	CE10	e9e3000000	jmpq	0x83cef8	<+440>
CE31	eb1f	jmp	0x83ce52	<+274>	CE15	eb13	jmp	0x83ce2a	<+234>
CE33	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax	CE17	90	nop	1 Byte NOP		
CE37	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax						
CE3B	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax						
CE3F	90	nop	13 Byte NOP						

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3 : while (PWord(PSub)^ <> PWord(PS)^) or (PByte((PSub+2)^) <> PByte((PS+2)^)) do
    begin
        dec(CntS);
        if CntS = 0 then exit;
        inc(PS);
    end;

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CE40	feca	dec	%dl	
CE42	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	
CE46	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	
CE49	0f84f4000000	je	0x83cf43	<+515>
CE4F	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	
CE52	66458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10w	
CE56	66443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10w	
CE5A	75e4	jne	0x83ce40	<+256>
CE5C	4d89ca	mov	%r9,%r10	
CE5F	4983c202	add	\$0x2,%r10	
CE63	450fb61a	movzbl	(%r10),%r11d	
CE67	4989f2	mov	%rsi,%r10	
CE6A	4983c202	add	\$0x2,%r10	
CE6E	450fb612	movzbl	(%r10),%r10d	
CE72	4d39d3	cmp	%r10,%r11	
CE75	75c9	jne	0x83ce40	<+256>
CE77	e9b8000000	jmpq	0x83cf34	<+500>
CE7C	eb14	jmp	0x83ce92	<+338>
CE7E	6690	xchg	%ax,%ax	2 Byte NOP

CE18	feca	dec	%dl	
CE1A	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	
CE1E	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	
CE21	0f84e0000000	je	0x83cf07	<+455>
CE27	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	
CE2A	66458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10w	
CE2E	66443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10w	
CE32	75e4	jne	0x83ce18	<+216>
CE34	4d89ca	mov	%r9,%r10	
CE37	4983c202	add	\$0x2,%r10	
CE3B	450fb61a	movzbl	(%r10),%r11d	
CE3F	4989f2	mov	%rsi,%r10	
CE42	4983c202	add	\$0x2,%r10	
CE46	450fb612	movzbl	(%r10),%r10d	
CE4A	4d39d3	cmp	%r10,%r11	
CE4D	75c9	jne	0x83ce18	<+216>
CE4F	e9a4000000	jmpq	0x83cef8	<+440>
CE54	eb14	jmp	0x83ce6a	<+298>
CE56	6690	xchg	%ax,%ax	2 Byte NOP

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4 : while PLongWord(PSub)^ <> PLongWord(PS)^ do
    begin
        dec(CntS);
        if CntS = 0 then exit;
        inc(PS);
    end;

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CE80	feca	dec	%dl	
CE82	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	
CE86	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	
CE89	0f84b4000000	je	0x83cf43	<+515>
CE8F	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	
CE92	458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10d	
CE95	443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10d	
CE98	75e6	jne	0x83ce80	<+320>
CE9A	e995000000	jmpq	0x83cf34	<+500>
CE9F	90	nop		
CEA0	eb20	jmp	0x83cec2	<+386>
CEA2	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax	
CEA6	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax	
CEAA	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax	
CEAE	6690	xchg	%ax,%ax	14 Byte NOP

CE58	feca	dec	%dl	
CE5A	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	
CE5E	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	
CE61	0f84a0000000	je	0x83cf07	<+455>
CE67	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	
CE6A	458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10d	
CE6D	443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10d	
CE70	75e6	jne	0x83ce58	<+280>
CE72	e981000000	jmpq	0x83cef8	<+440>
CE77	90	nop		
CE78	eb14	jmp	0x83ce8e	<+334>
CE7A	66	xchg	%ax,%ax	1 Byte NOP

else Repeat while PLongWord(PSub)^ <> PLongWord(PS)^ do begin dec(CntS);							
CEB0	feca	dec	%dl	CE7C	feca	dec	%dl
if CntS = 0 then exit;							
CEB2	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	CE7E	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d
CEB6	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	CE82	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10
CEB9	0f8484000000	je	0x83cf43 <+515>	CE85	0f847c000000	je	0x83cf07 <+455>
inc(PS); end;							
CEBF	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	CE8B	48ffc6	inc	%rsi
CEC2	458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10d	CE8E	458b11	mov	(%r9),%r10d
CEC5	443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10d	CE91	443b16	cmp	(%rsi),%r10d
CEC8	75e6	jne	0x83ceb0 <+368>	CE94	75e6	jne	0x83ce7c <+316>
PSTmp := PS + 4;							
CECA	4989f2	mov	%rsi,%r10	CE96	4989f2	mov	%rsi,%r10
CECD	4983c204	add	\$0x4,%r10	CE99	4983c204	add	\$0x4,%r10
CED1	4d89d3	mov	%r10,%r11	CE9D	4d89d3	mov	%r10,%r11
inc(PSub, 4);							
CED4	4983c104	add	\$0x4,%r9	CEA0	4983c104	add	\$0x4,%r9
CntSub := LenSub - 4;							
CED8	450fb6d0	movzbl	%r8b,%r10d	CEA4	450fb6d0	movzbl	%r8b,%r10d
CEDC	4983ea04	sub	\$0x4,%r10	CEA8	4983ea04	sub	\$0x4,%r10
CEE0	4488d3	mov	%r10b,%bl	CEAC	4488d3	mov	%r10b,%bl
CEE3	eb30	jmp	0x83cf15 <+469>	CEAF	eb28	jmp	0x83ced9 <+409>
CEE5	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax 11 Byte NOP	CEB1	666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax 3 Byte NOP
CEE9	66666690	data32	data32 xchg %ax,%ax				
CEED	666690	data32	xchg %ax,%ax				
while PSTmp^ = PSub^ do begin dec(CntSub);							
CEF0	fecb	dec	%bl	CEB4	fecb	dec	%bl
if CntSub = 0 then begin result := LenS - CntS + 1; exit; end;							
CEF2	440fb6d3	movzbl	%bl,%r10d	CEB6	440fb6d3	movzbl	%bl,%r10d
CEF6	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	CEBA	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10
CEF9	7514	jne	0x83cf0f <+463>	CEBD	7514	jne	0x83ced3 <+403>
CEFB	440fb6d1	movzbl	%cl,%r10d	CEBF	440fb6d1	movzbl	%cl,%r10d
CEFF	440fb6e2	movzbl	%dl,%r12d	CEC3	440fb6e2	movzbl	%dl,%r12d
CF03	4d29e2	sub	%r12,%r10	CEC7	4d29e2	sub	%r12,%r10

CF06	49ffc2	inc	%r10		CECA	49ffc2	inc	%r10	
CF09	664489d0	mov	%r10w,%ax		CECD	664489d0	mov	%r10w,%ax	
CF0D	eb34	jmp	0x83cf43	<+515>	CED1	eb34	jmp	0x83cf07	<+455>
inc(PSTmp);									
CF0F	49ffc3	inc	%r11		CED3	49ffc3	inc	%r11	
inc(PSub);									
CF12	49ffc1	inc	%r9		CED6	49ffc1	inc	%r9	
end;									
CF15	458a13	mov	(%r11),%r10b		CED9	458a13	mov	(%r11),%r10b	
CF18	453a11	cmp	(%r9),%r10b		CEDC	453a11	cmp	(%r9),%r10b	
CF1B	74d3	je	0x83cef0	<+432>	CEDF	74d3	je	0x83ceb4	<+372>
dec(CntS);									
CF1D	feca	dec	%dl		CEE1	feca	dec	%dl	
if CntS = 0 then exit;									
CF1F	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d		CEE3	440fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%r10d	
CF23	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10		CEE7	4d85d2	test	%r10,%r10	
CF26	741b	je	0x83cf43	<+515>	CEEA	741b	je	0x83cf07	<+455>
inc(PS);									
CF28	48ffc6	inc	%rsi		CEEC	48ffc6	inc	%rsi	
PSub := @SubStr[1];									
CF2B	4c8d5701	lea	0x1(%rdi),%r10		CEEF	4c8d5701	lea	0x1(%rdi),%r10	
CF2F	4d89d1	mov	%r10,%r9		CEF3	4d89d1	mov	%r10,%r9	
until true = false;									
end;									
CF32	eb8e	jmp	0x83cec2	<+386>	CEF6	eb96	jmp	0x83ce8e	<+334>
result := LenS - CntS + 1;									
CF34	0fb6c9	movzbl	%cl,%ecx		CEF8	0fb6c9	movzbl	%cl,%ecx	
CF37	0fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%edx		CEFB	0fb6d2	movzbl	%dl,%edx	
CF3A	4829d1	sub	%rdx,%rcx		CEFE	4829d1	sub	%rdx,%rcx	
CF3D	48ffc1	inc	%rcx		CF01	48ffc1	inc	%rcx	
CF40	6689c8	mov	%cx,%ax		CF04	6689c8	mov	%cx,%ax	
end;									
CF43	0fbfc0	movswl	%ax,%eax		CF07	0fbfc0	movswl	%ax,%eax	
CF46	488b1c24	mov	(%rsp),%rbx		CF0A	488b1c24	mov	(%rsp),%rbx	
CF4A	4c8b642408	mov	0x8(%rsp),%r12		CF0E	4c8b642408	mov	0x8(%rsp),%r12	
CF4F	4883c418	add	\$0x18,%rsp		CF13	4883c418	add	\$0x18,%rsp	
CF53	c36666669066666690666666	retq			CF17	c36666669066666690	retq		

CF54	66666690	data32	data32	xchg %ax,%ax	12 Byte NOP	CF18	66666690	data32	data32	xchg %ax,%ax	8 Byte NOP
CF58	66666690	data32	data32	xchg %ax,%ax		CF1C	66666690	data32	data32	xchg %ax,%ax	
CF5C	66666690	data32	data32	xchg %ax,%ax							

## Test results:

Case-Sensitive substring search using several Pos functions:

Number of Strings: 1 025 044  
Number of Substrings: 17  
Number of Runs: 1  
Number of Pos calls: 17 425 748  
Errors compared to System.Pos: 0  
FPC Optimization Level: 2

String Dataset: All not-empty & not-duplicated lines of all \*.pas; \*.pp; \*.p; \*.inc; \*.lpr Files in /usr/share/lazarus/1.2.4/  
- 3 768 Files  
- 1 025 044 Strings  
- Leading and trailing tabs and spaces removed

Searchstrings used: 'L', 'Li', 'Lis', 'List', 'gList', 'hgList', 'ingList', 'ringList', 'tringList', 'StringList', 'sSTRINGLIST',  
'Length', 'lEnGt', 'eaccessviolation', 'AccessViolation', '"', 'ccessviolationN', '"', 'Exit'

Function used	Time	Time/Call	Calls	Factor
System.Pos (by Call with Shortstrings):	2.886 s	166 ns	17425748	1.00
System.Pos (Cloned Shortstring Pas-Version):	2.816 s	162 ns	17425748	0.98
<b>DevPosSensitive (With Loop Alignment):</b>	<b>1.899 s</b>	<b>109 ns</b>	<b>17425748</b>	<b>0.66</b>
<b>DevPosSensitive (Without Loop Alignment):</b>	<b>2.148 s</b>	<b>123 ns</b>	<b>17425748</b>	<b>0.74</b>

Tested with: AMD 64  
Debian Wheezy  
Lazarus: 1.2.4  
FPC: 2.6.4  
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