CSCI 476: Computer Security

Lecture 2: Computer Systems Review

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Announcements

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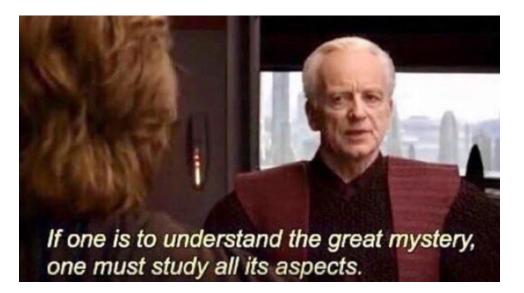
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Lab 0 posted → Due Sunday January 29th
 I am still waiting to hear back on M1/M2 Apple chip issues



Computer Systems Review

To understand the technical aspects of security, we must have a good understanding of how computers work





What is a computer?





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A magical box that does stuff





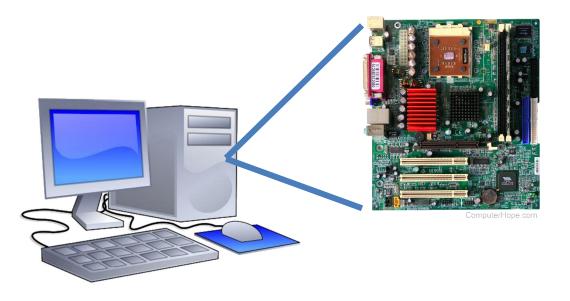






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A semi-magical box that does stuff executes instructions





What is so magical about a computer?

We use computers every day for many different things





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Big Idea

Computers only understand instructions in the form of 0s and 1s (binary)

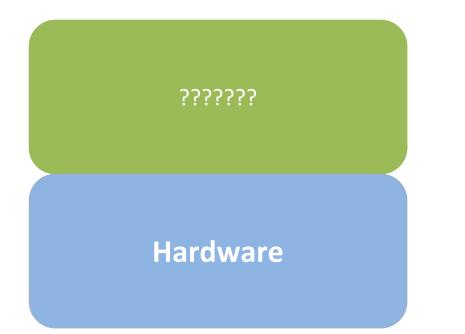






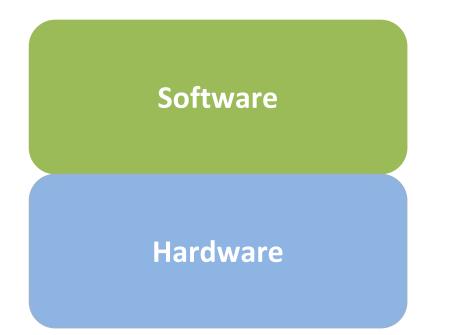
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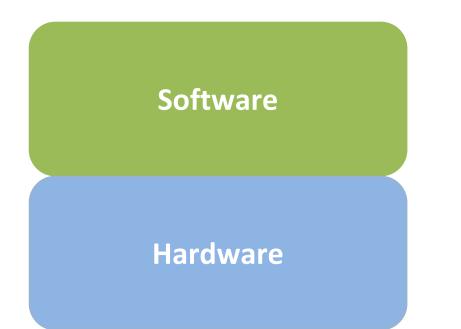




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Symbiotic relationship



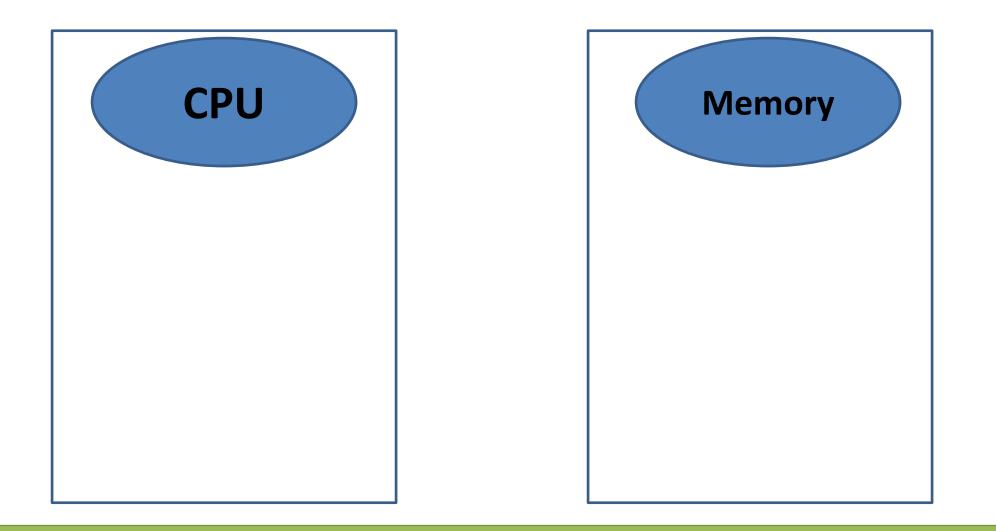


The **physical** parts of a computer

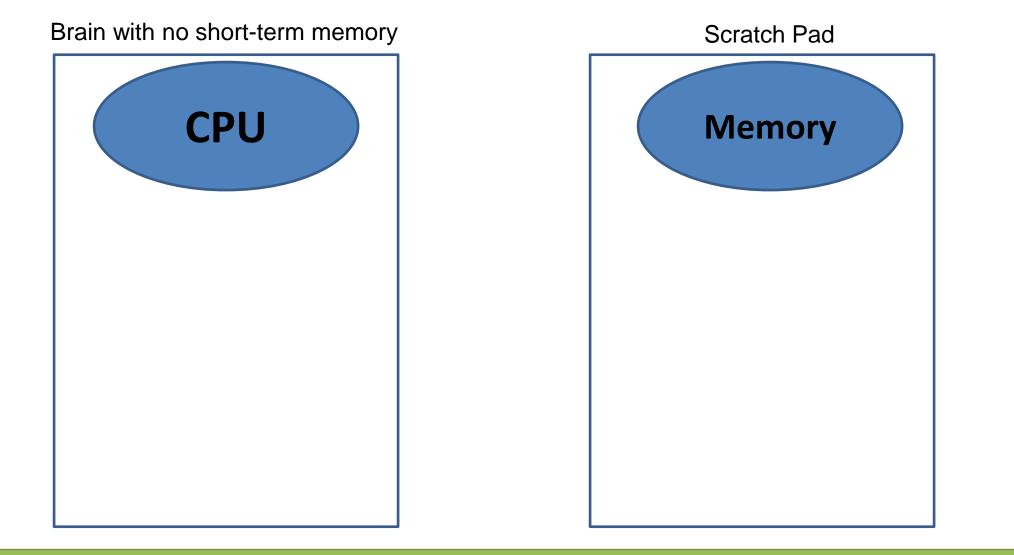




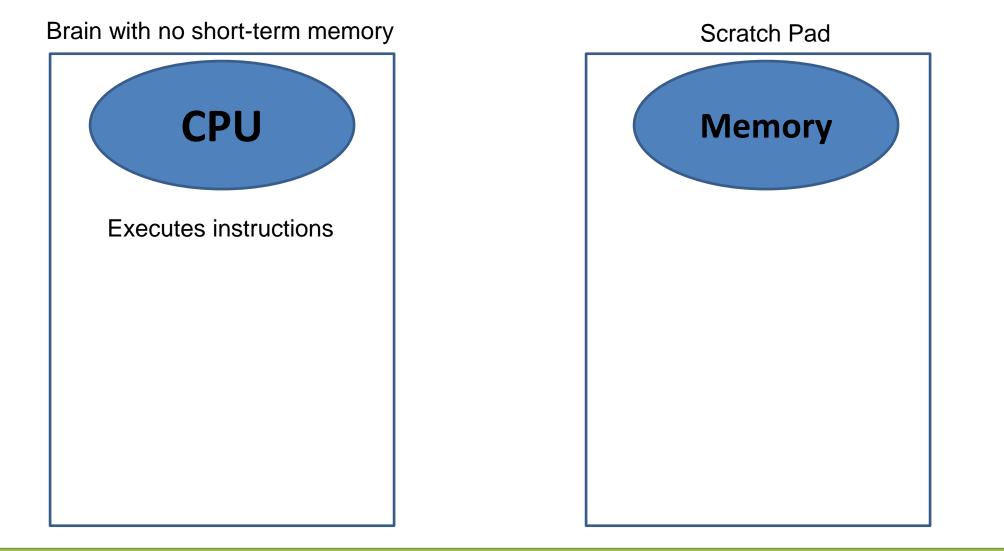








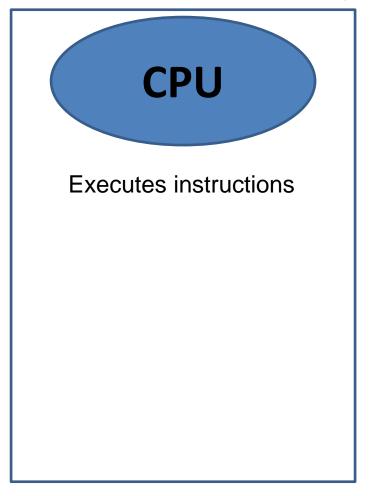








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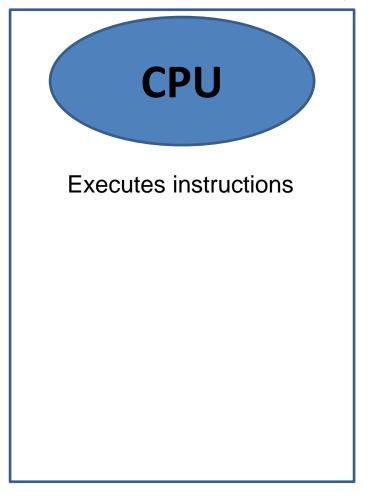
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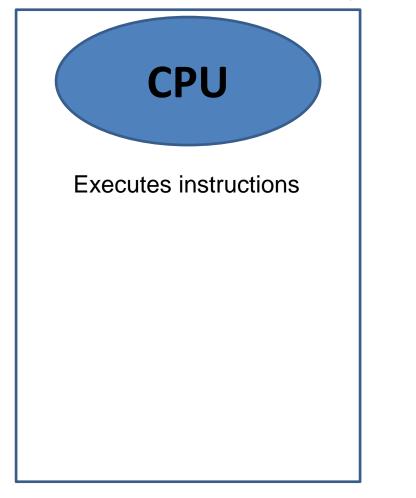
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0010	2	1010	Α
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0101	5	1101	Ď
0110	6	1110	Ē
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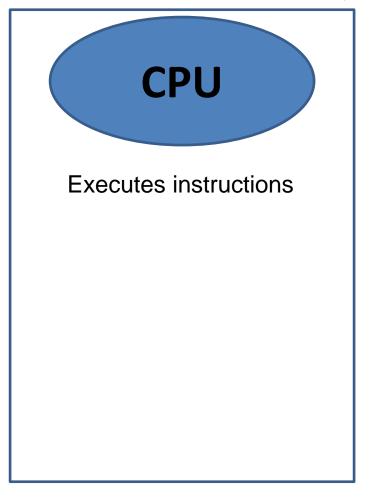
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Hex_(hexadecimal) is a common representation for binary





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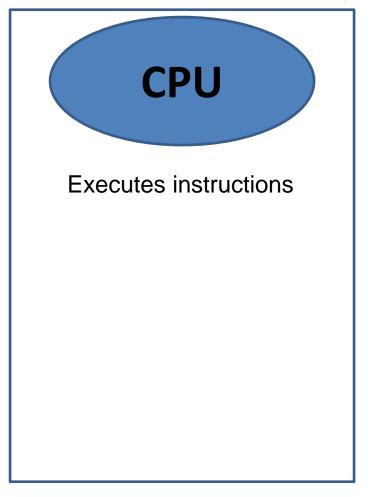
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What does this instruction do?????





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Opcode



Common MIPS instructions

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add <i>\$rd, \$rs, \$rt</i>	R	ر 0/32	\$rd = \$rs + \$rt	Add contents of two registers		
sub <i>\$rd, \$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/34	\$rd = \$rs - \$rt	Subtract contents of two registers		
addi <i>\$rt, \$rs, imm</i>	I	8	\$rt = \$rs + imm	Add signed constant		
addu <i>\$rd, \$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/33	\$rd = \$rs + \$rt	Unsigned, no overflow		
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addiu <i>\$rt, \$rs, imm</i>	I	9	\$rt = \$rs + imm	Unsigned, no overflow		
mfc0 <i>\$rt, \$rd</i>	R	16	\$rt = \$rd	rd = coprocessor register (e.g. epc, cause, status)		
mult <i>\$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/24	Hi, Lo <i>= \$rs * \$rt</i>	64 bit signed product in Hi and Lo		
multu <i>\$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/25	Hi, Lo <i>= \$rs * \$rt</i>	64 bit unsigned product in Hi and Lo		
div <i>\$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/26	Lo <i>= \$rs / \$rt,</i> Hi <i>= \$rs</i> mod <i>\$rt</i>			
divu <i>\$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/27	Lo = \$rs / \$rt, Hi = \$rs mod \$rt (unsigned)			
mfhi <i>\$rd</i>	R	0/16	<i>\$rd =</i> Hi	Get value of Hi		
mflo <i>\$rd</i>	R	0/18	<i>\$rd =</i> Lo	Get value of Lo		
and <i>\$rd, \$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/36	\$rd = \$rs & \$rt	Logical AND		
or <i>\$rd, \$rs, \$rt</i>	R	0/37	\$rd = \$rs / \$rt	Logical OR		
andi <i>\$rt, \$rs, imm</i>	I	12	\$rt = \$rs & imm	Logical AND, unsigned constant		
ori <i>\$rt, \$rs, imm</i>	I	13	\$rt = \$rs imm	Logical OR, unsigned constant		
sll <i>\$rd, \$rs, shamt</i>	R	0/0	\$rd = \$rs << shamt	Shift left logical (shift in zeros)		
srl <i>\$rd, \$rs, shamt</i>	R	0/2	\$rd = \$rs >> shamt	Shift right logical (shift in zeros)		



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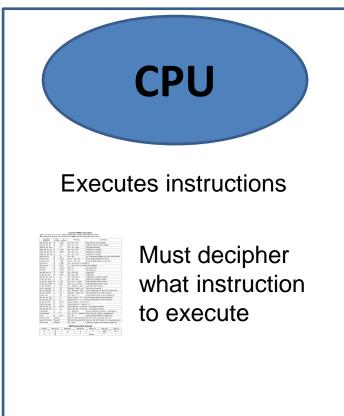
MIPS Instruction formats

Format	Bit	s 31-26	Bits	25-21	Bits 20-16		Bits 15-11	Bits 10-6	Bits 5-0
R		ор		rs	rt		rd	shamt	funct
1		ор		rs	rt			imm	
J		ор					address		
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div <i>\$rs, \$rt</i>		R	0/26	Lo = \$rs /	<i>\$rt,</i> Hi <i>= \$rs</i> mo	d \$	rt		
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and <i>\$rd, \$rs, \$</i>	\$rt	R	0/36	\$rd = \$rs	& \$rt	Log	ical AND		
or <i>\$rd, \$rs, \$rt</i>	t	R	0/37	\$rd = \$rs	\$rt	Log	ical OR		
andi <i>\$rt, \$rs, ii</i>	mm	I	12	\$rt = \$rs a	s imm	Log	ical AND, unsigned	d constant	
ori <i>\$rt, \$rs, im</i>	177	I	13	\$rt = \$rs	imm	Log	ical OR, unsigned	constant	
sll <i>\$rd, \$rs, sh</i>	amt	R	0/0	\$rd = \$rs	<< shamt	Shif	ft left logical (shift	in zeros)	
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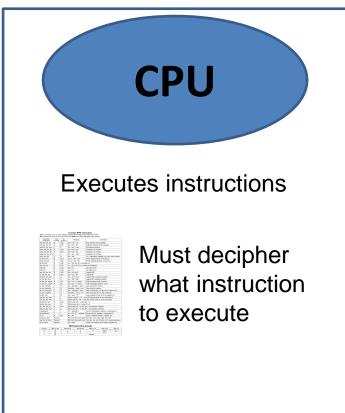
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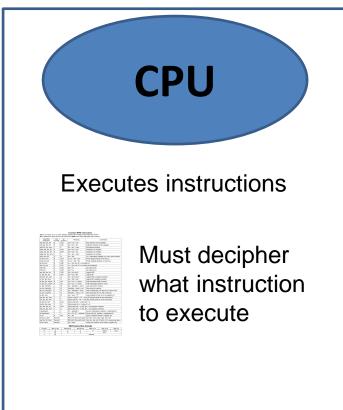
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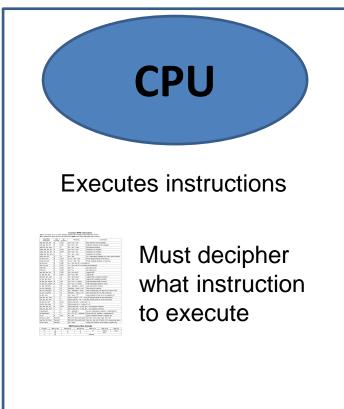
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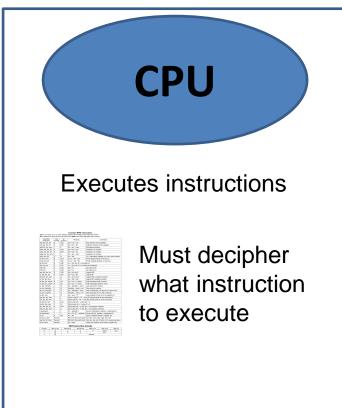
\$rd

Opcode \$rs \$rt

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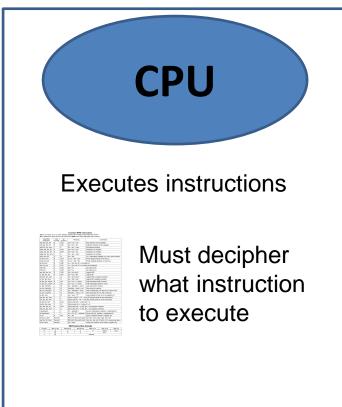
shamt

Opcode \$rs \$rt \$rd

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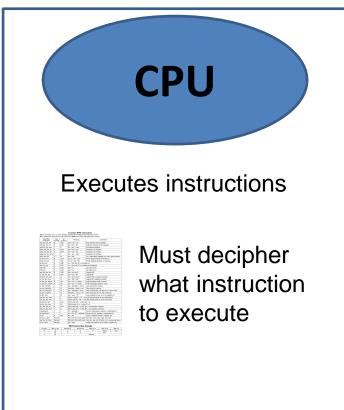
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\$rt

Opcode

\$rs

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shamt funct

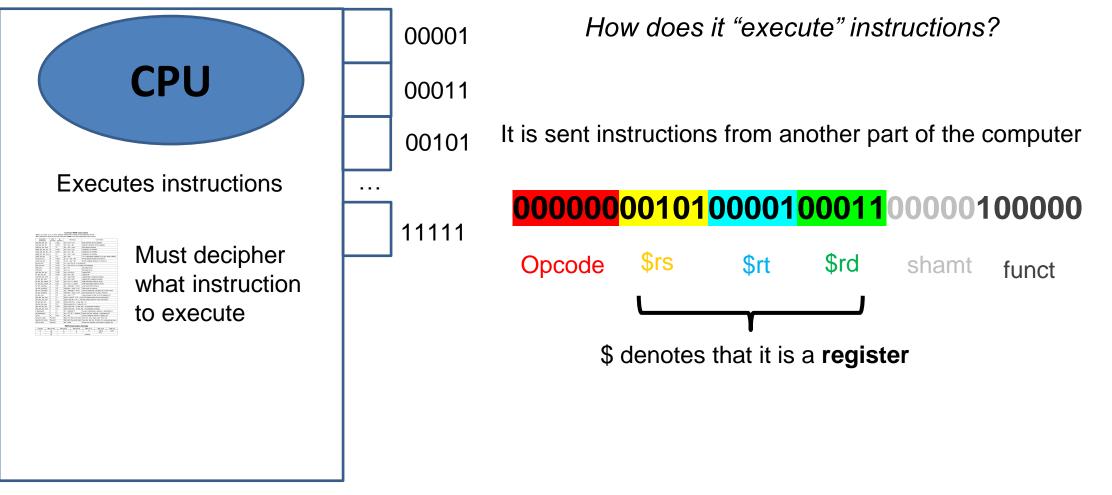
Damn.... I kinda don't care



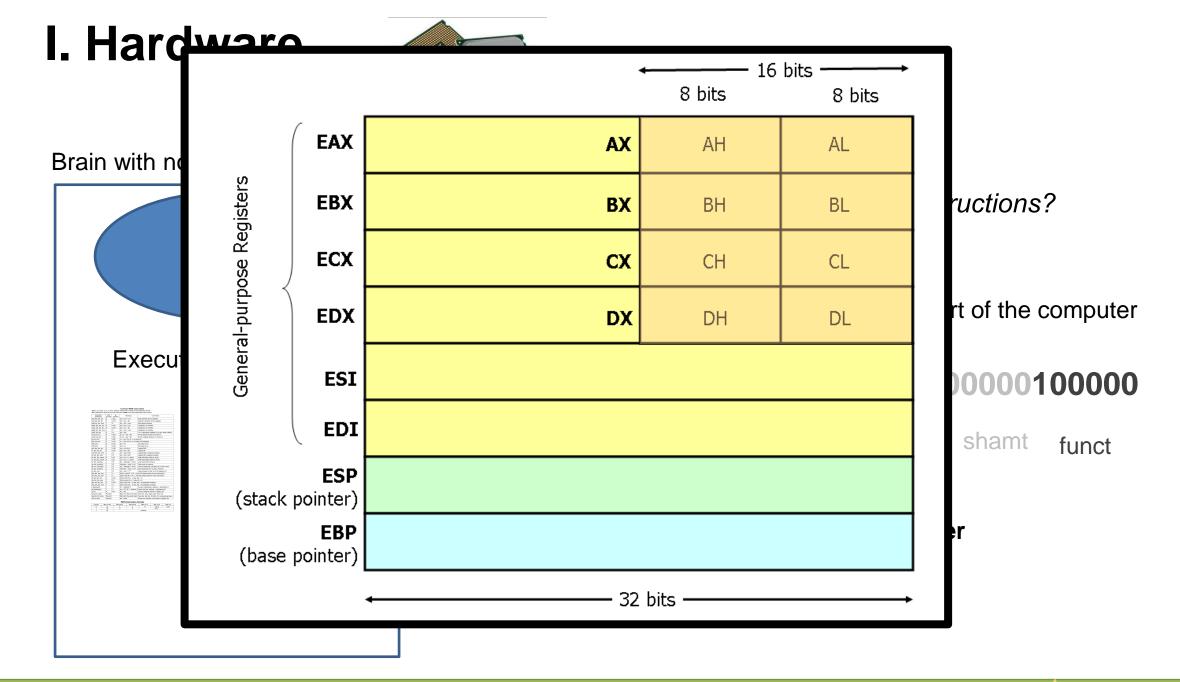




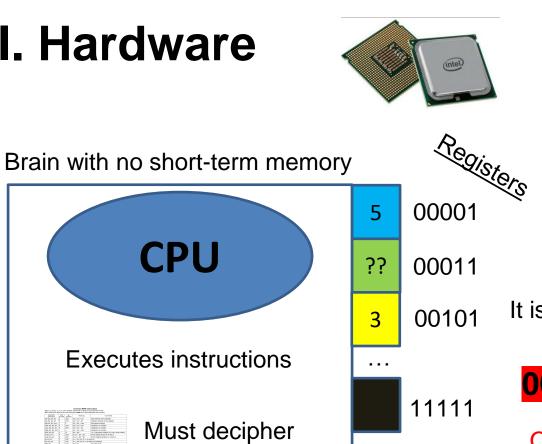
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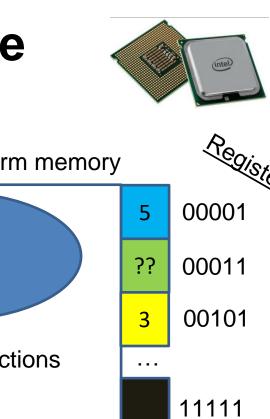
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Opcode	\$rs	\$rt	\$rd	shamt	funct
ADD \$rs	, \$rt,	\$rd			

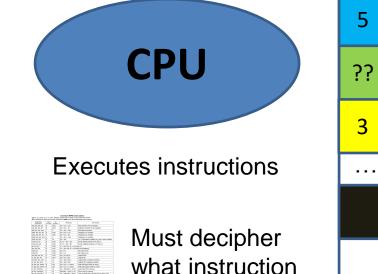


Executes instructions Must decipher what instruction

to execute



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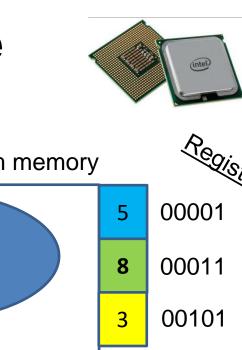


The CPU can add, subtract, logic, move stuff around *How does it "execute" instructions?*

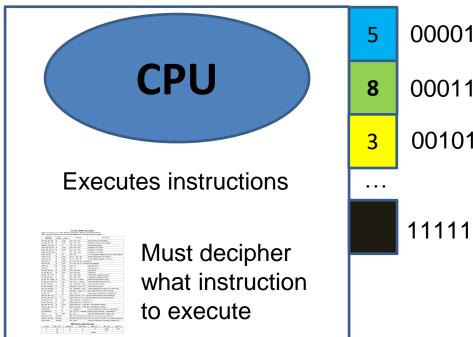
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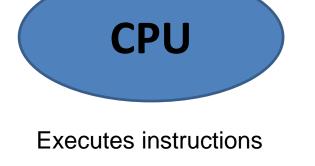
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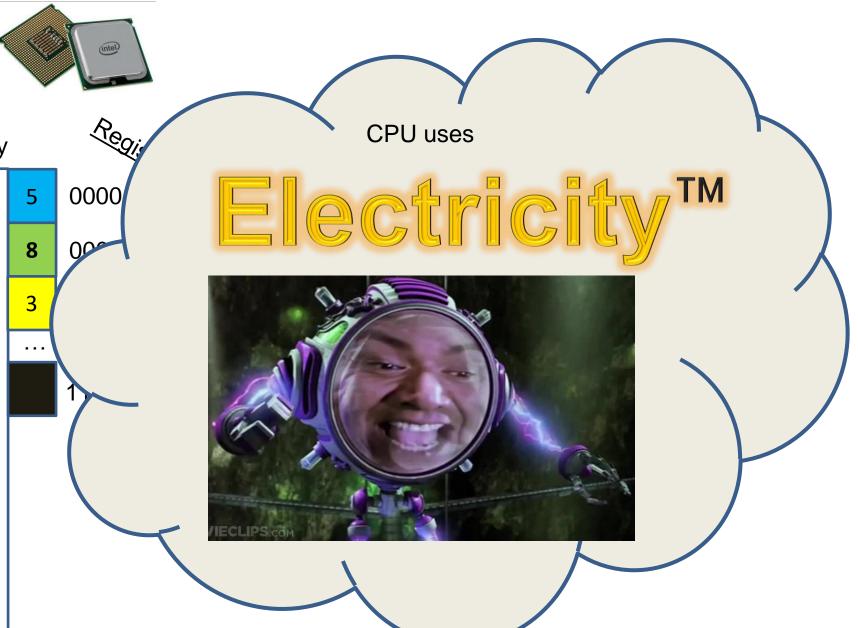




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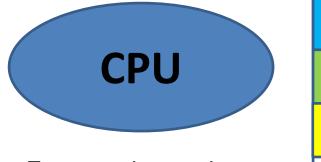


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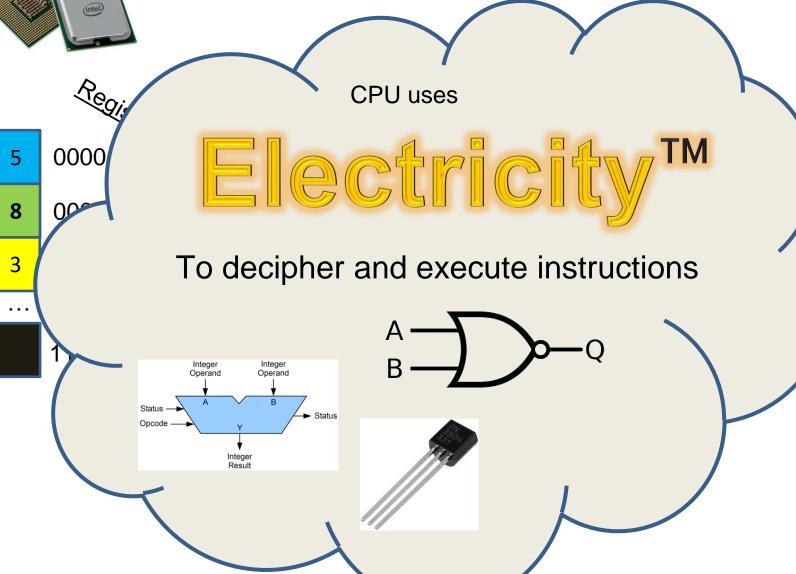




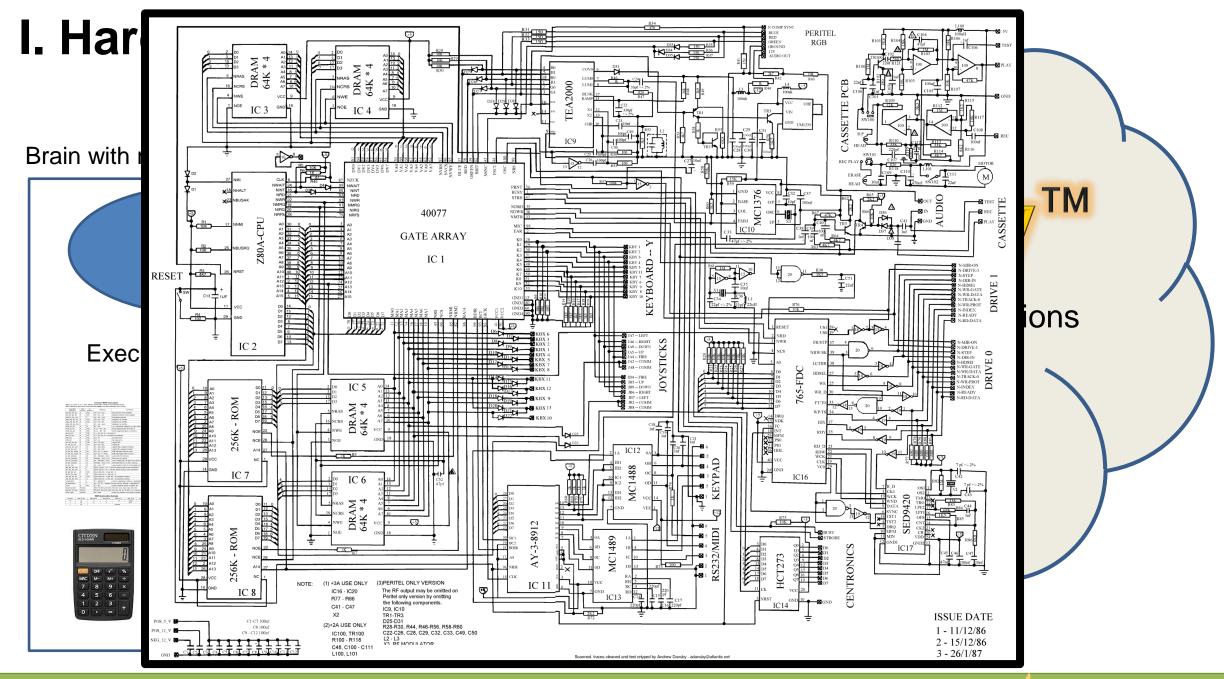
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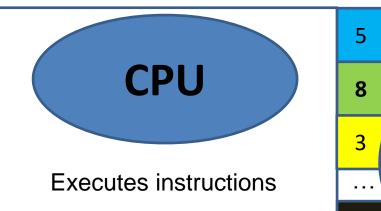






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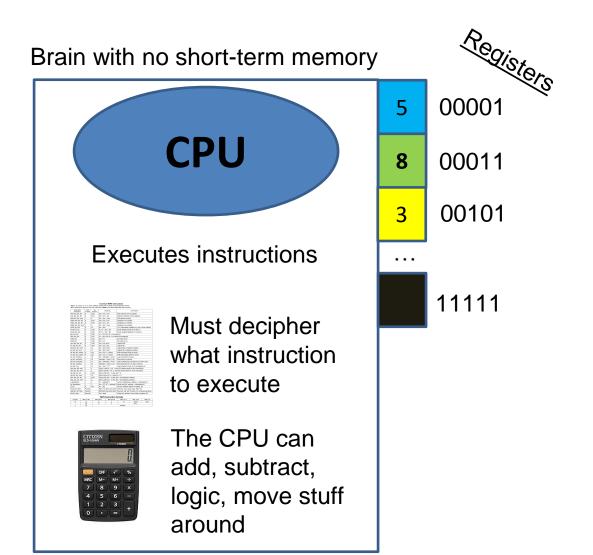
CPU uses

To decipher and execute instructions

Everything is just electricity on or electricity off

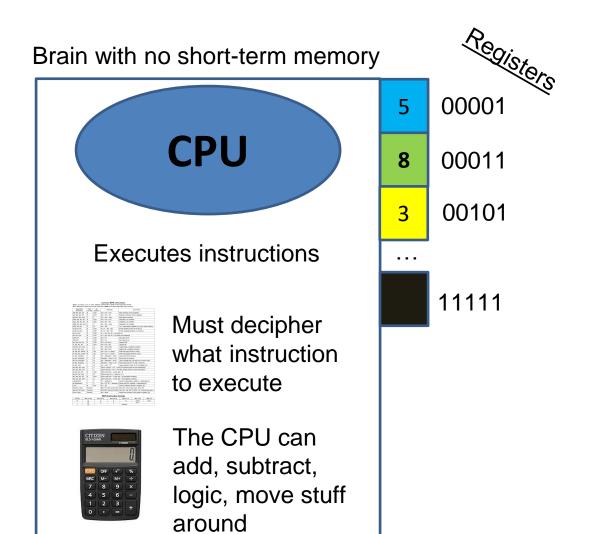


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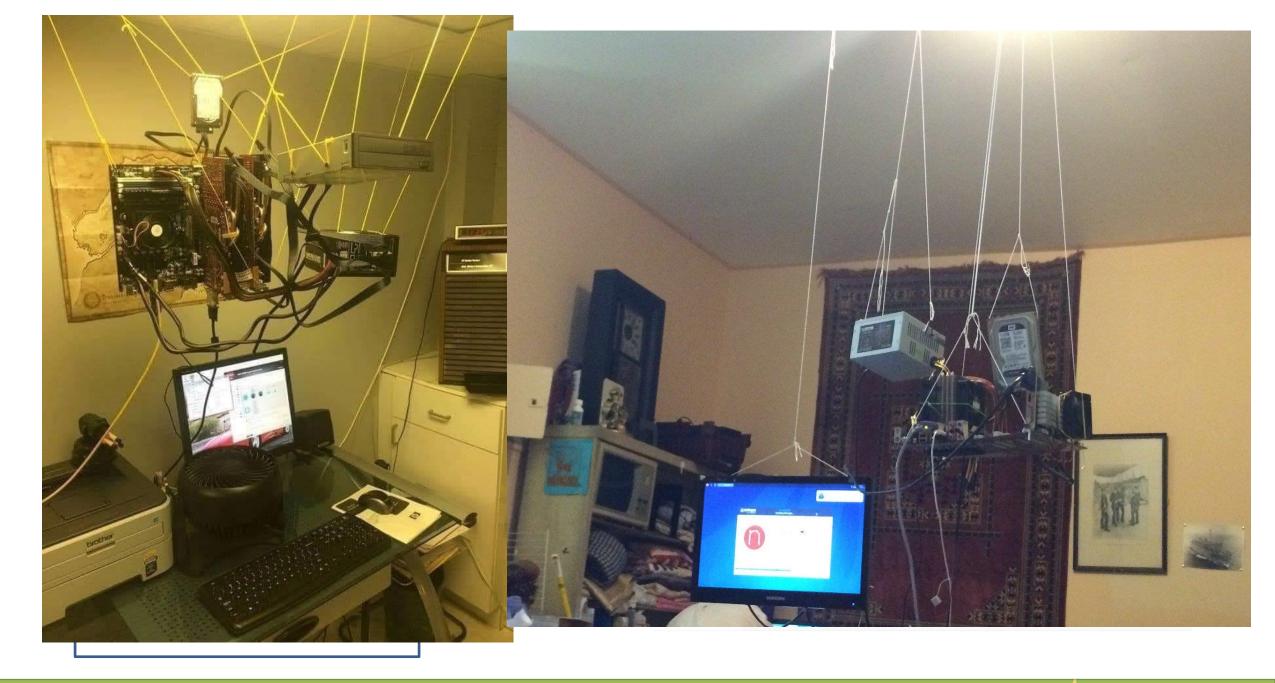
32 bit vs 64 bit?



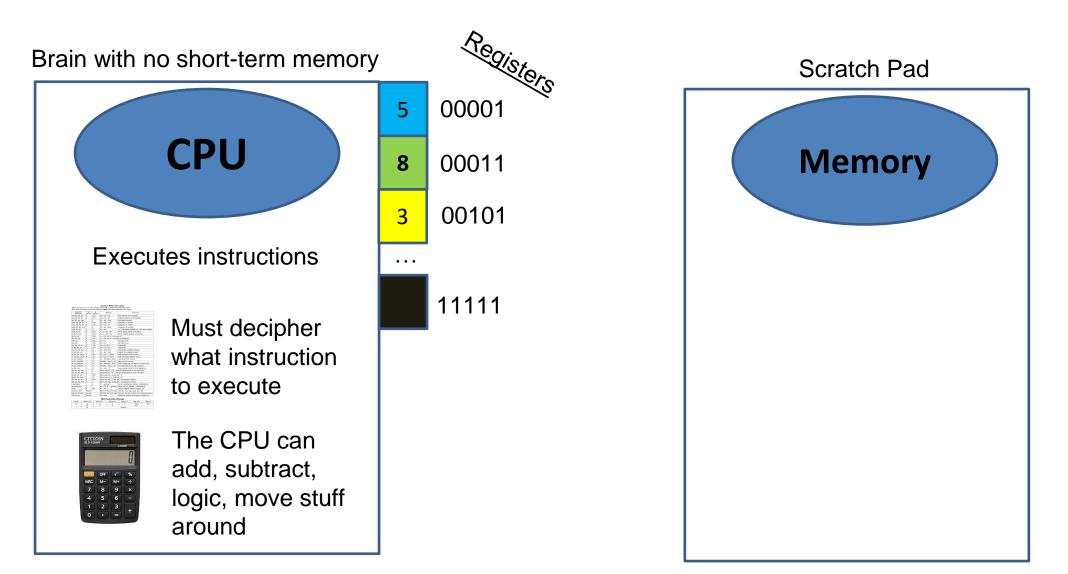


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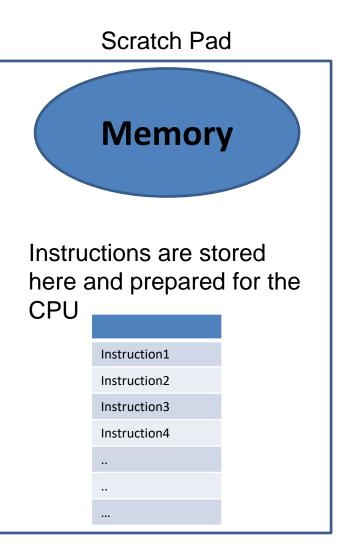
Parameter	32-bit processors	64-bit processors
Addressable space	It has 4 GB addressable space	64-bit processors have 16 exabytes addressable space
Application support	64-bit applications and programs won't work	32-bit applications and programs will work
OS support	Need a 32-bit operating system.	It can run on 32 and the 64-bit operating system.
Support for multi-tasking	Not an ideal option for stress testing and multi- tasking.	Works best for performing multi- tasking and stress testing.
OS and CPU requirement	32-bit operating systems and applications require 32-bit CPUs	64-bit OS demands 64-bit CPU, and 64- bit applications require 64-bit OS and CPU.
System available	Support Windows 7, 8 Vista, XP, and, Linux.	Windows XP Professional, Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8,Windows 10, Linux, and Mac OS X.



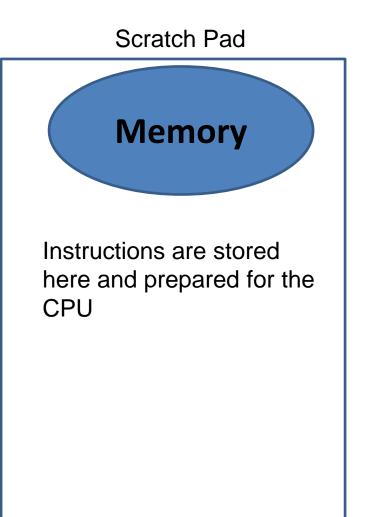






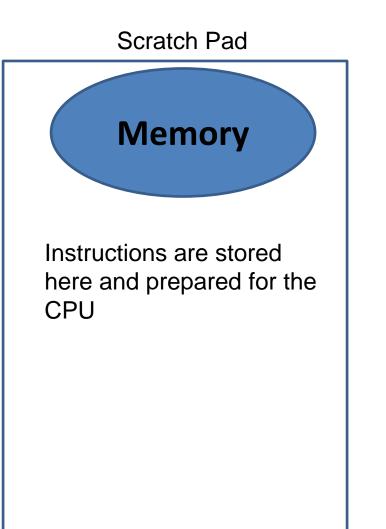






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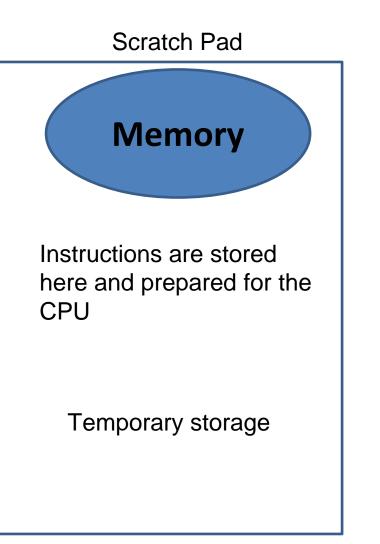




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Permanently?!?!

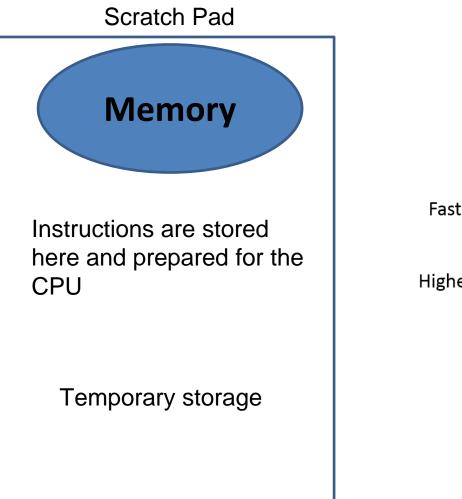


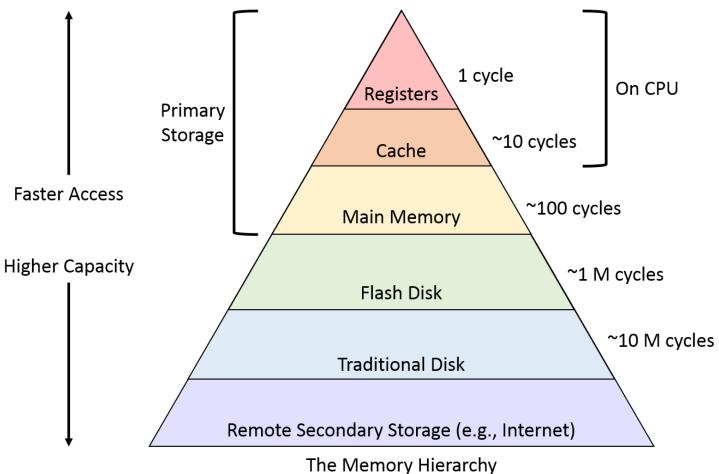


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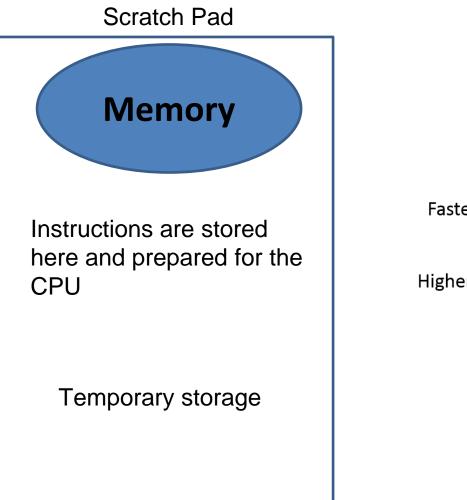
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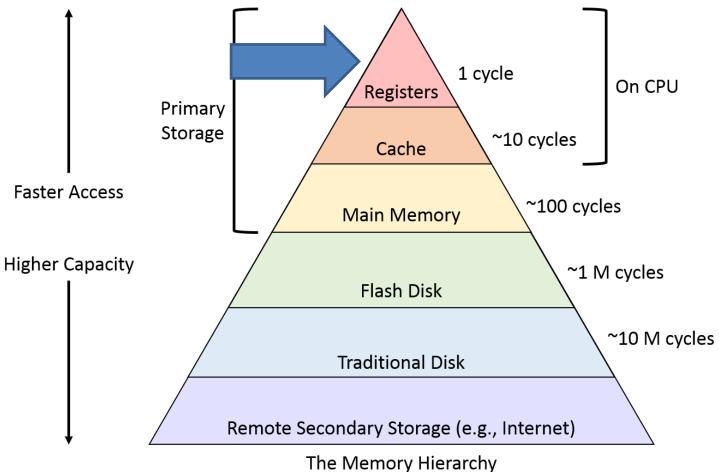




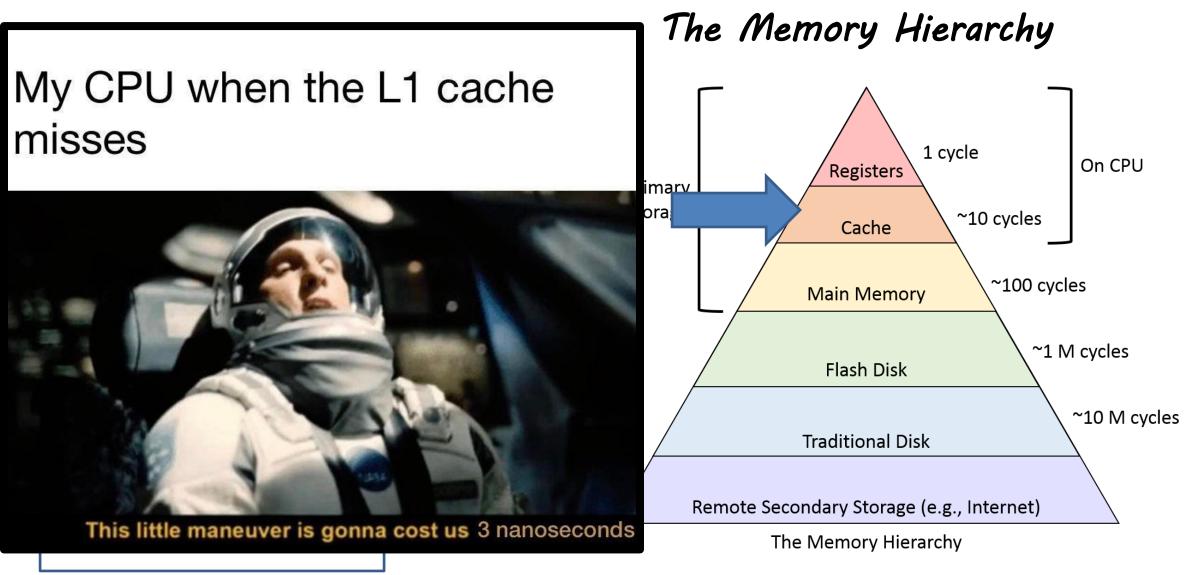






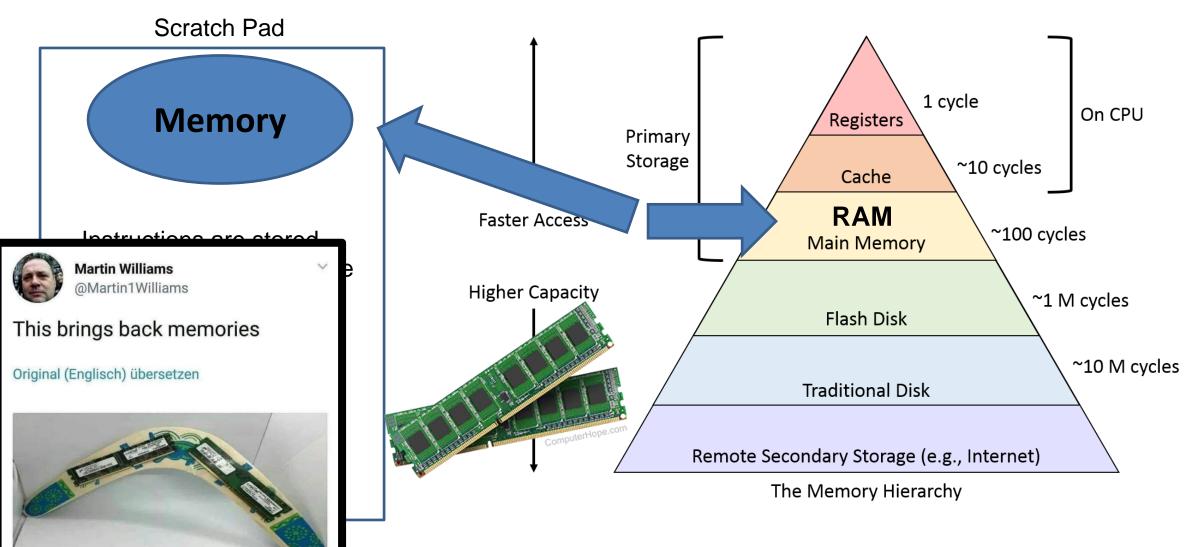






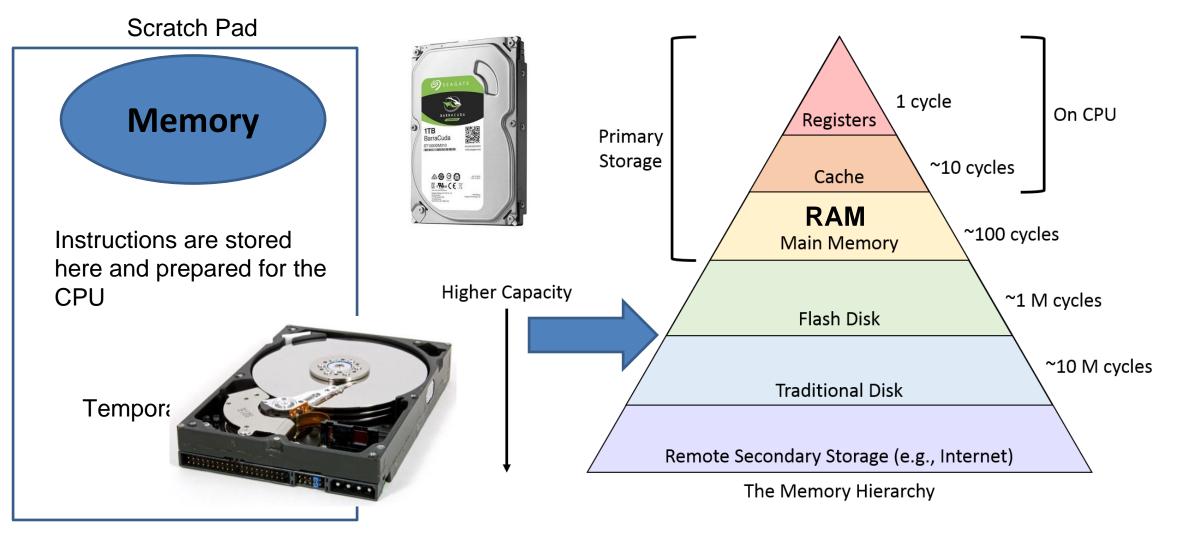


The Memory Hierarchy

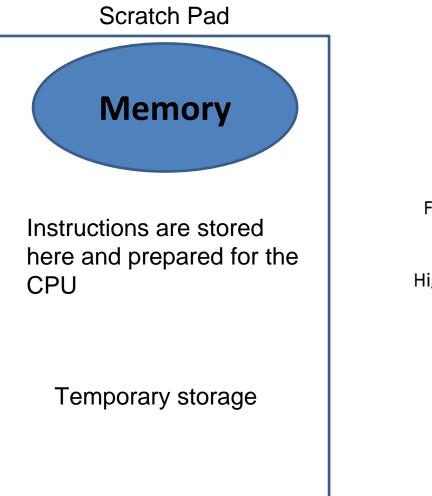


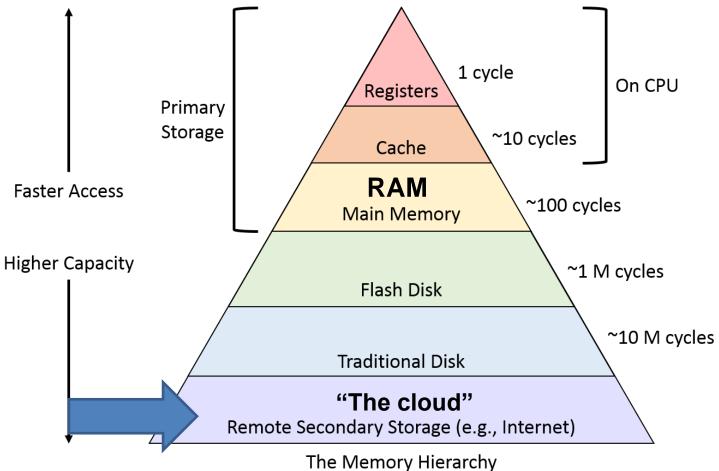


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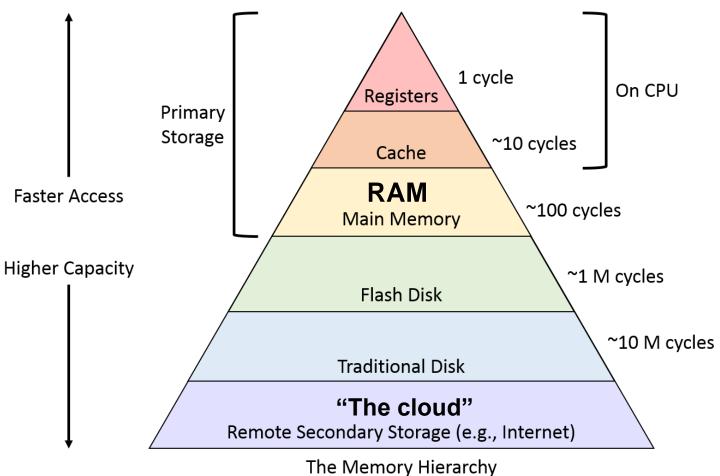




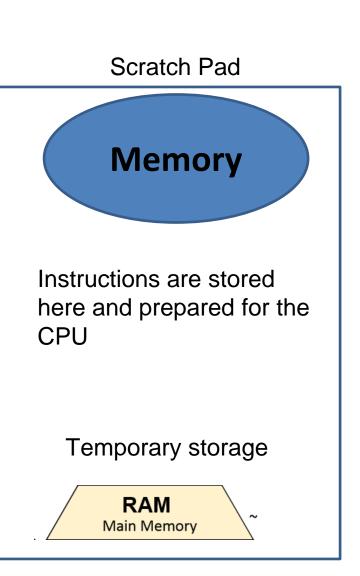
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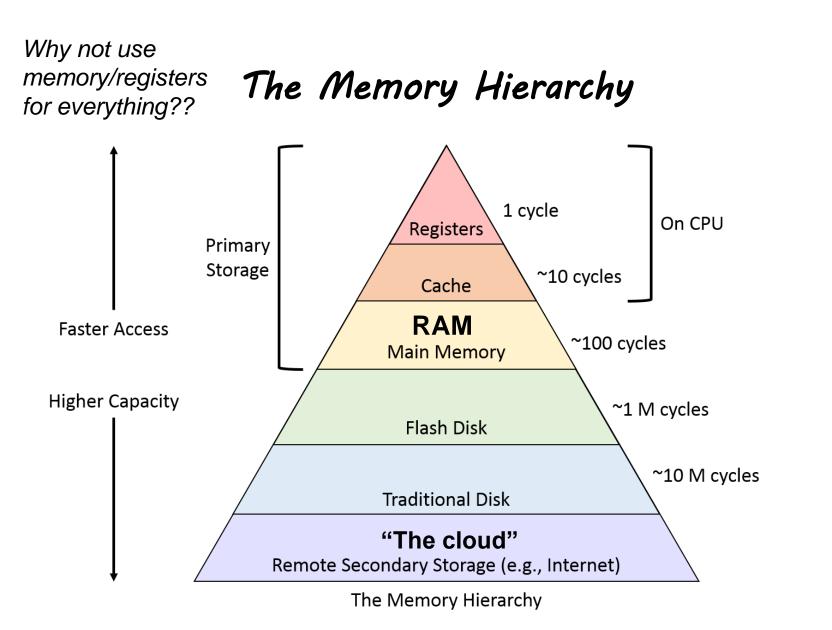
Temporary storage



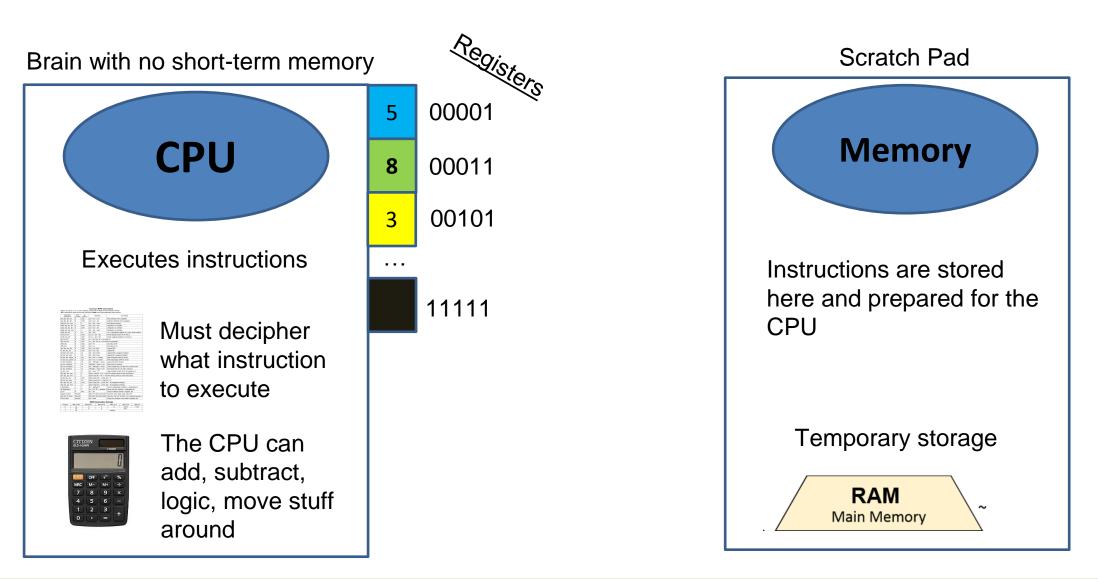




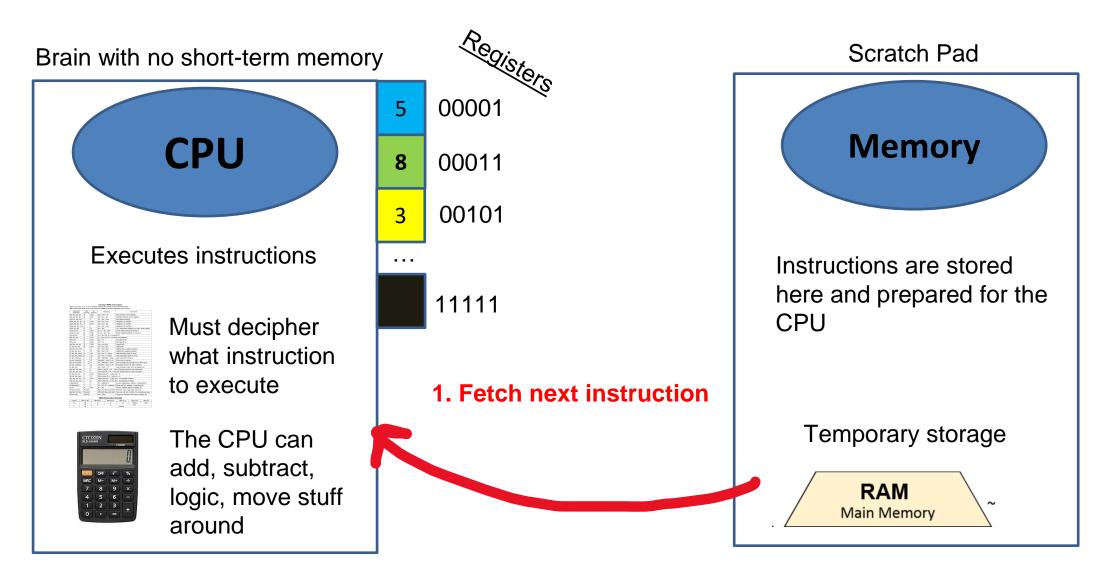




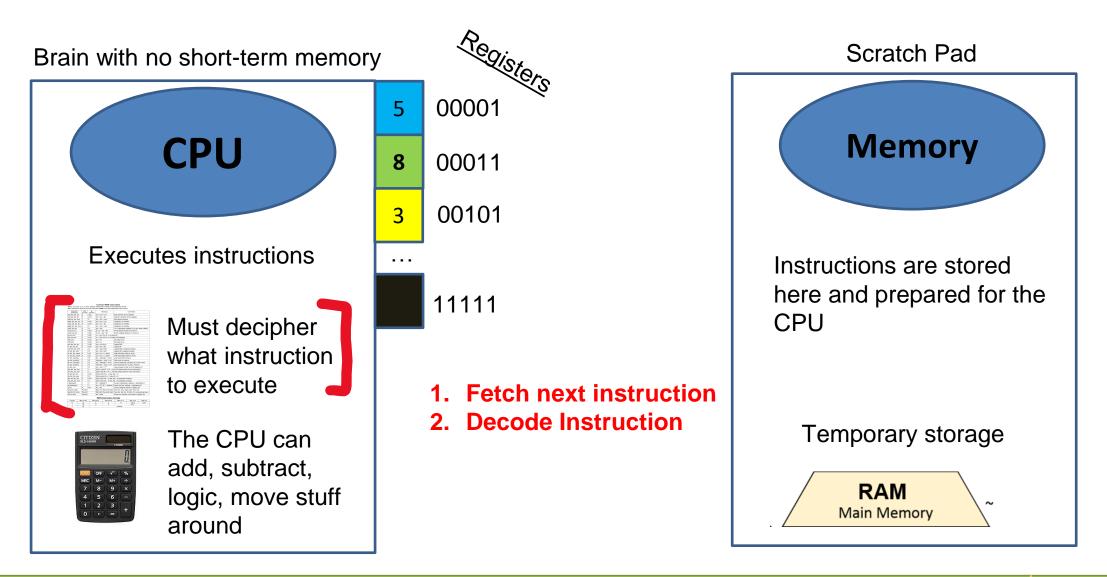
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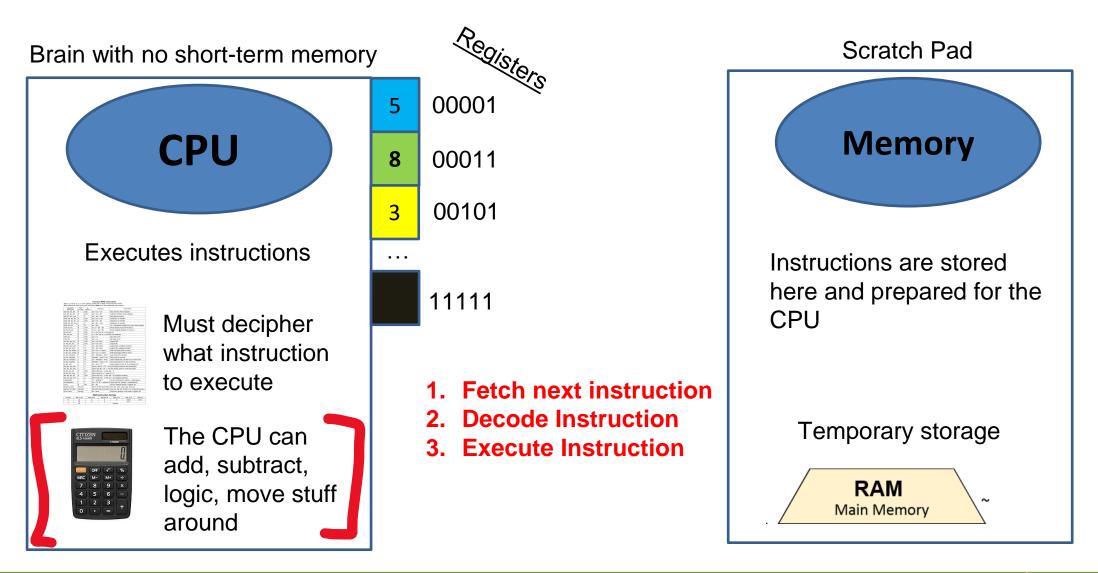




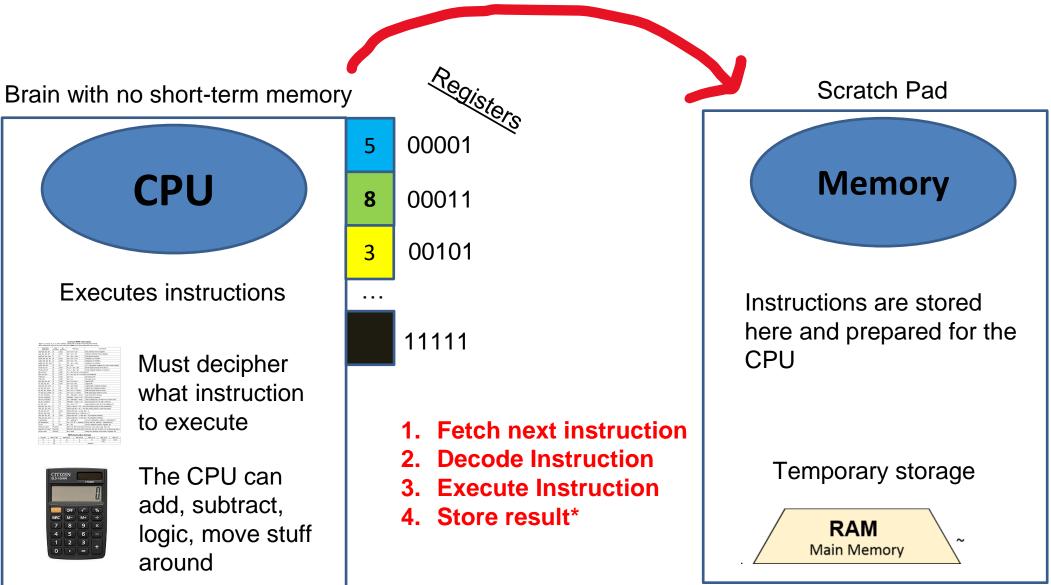




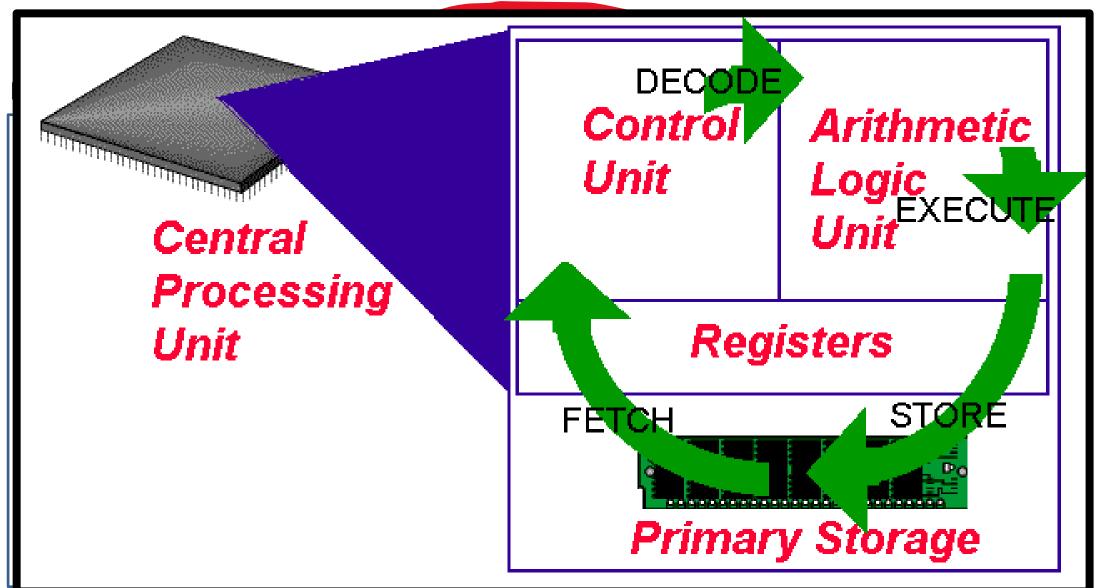




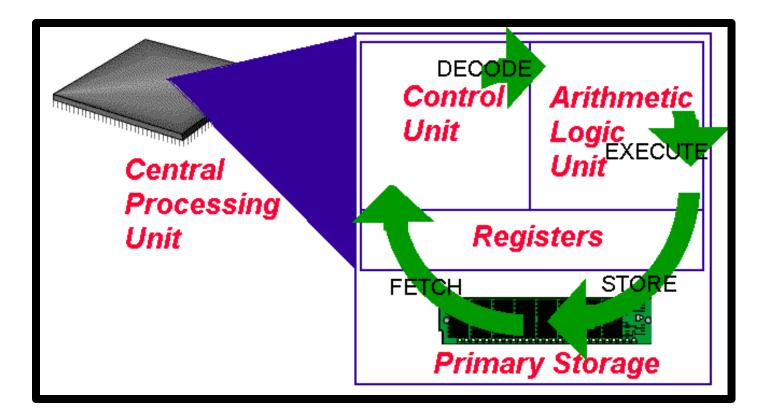






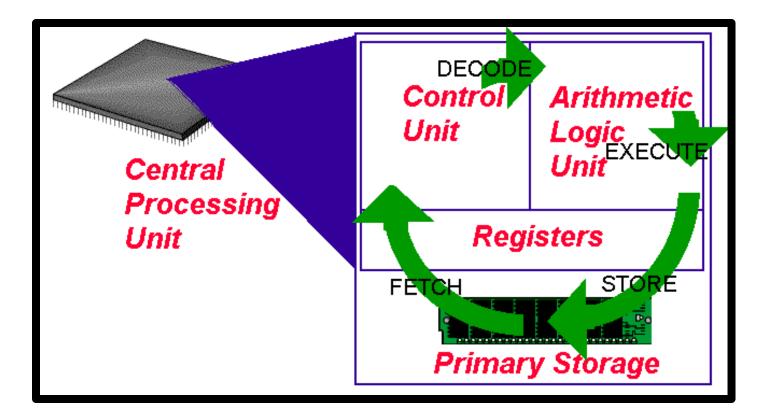






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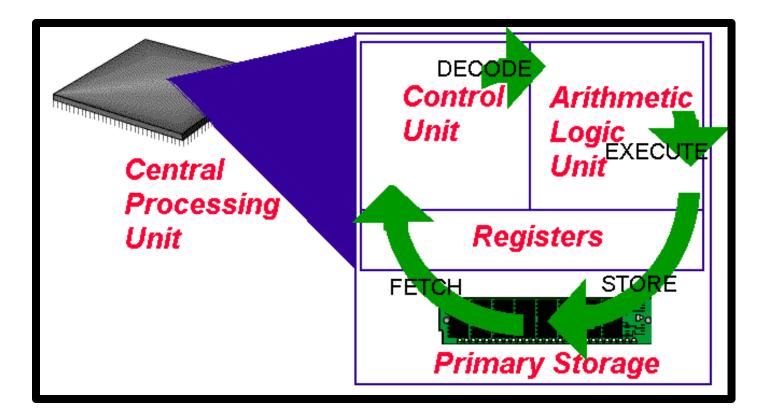




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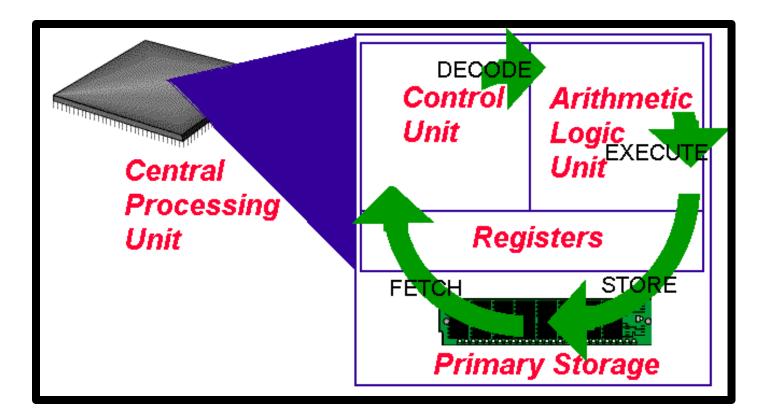


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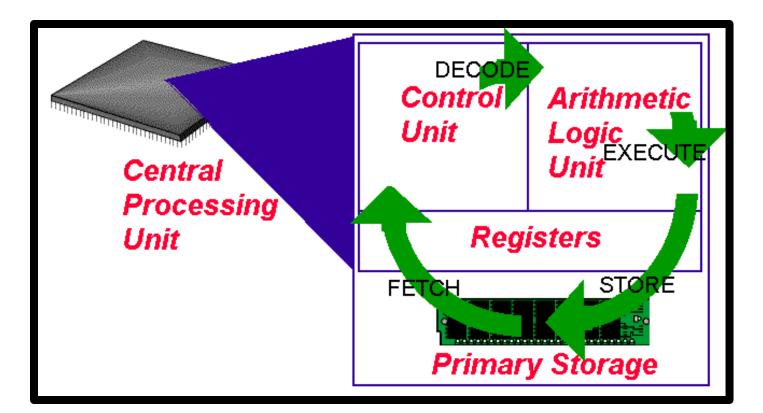
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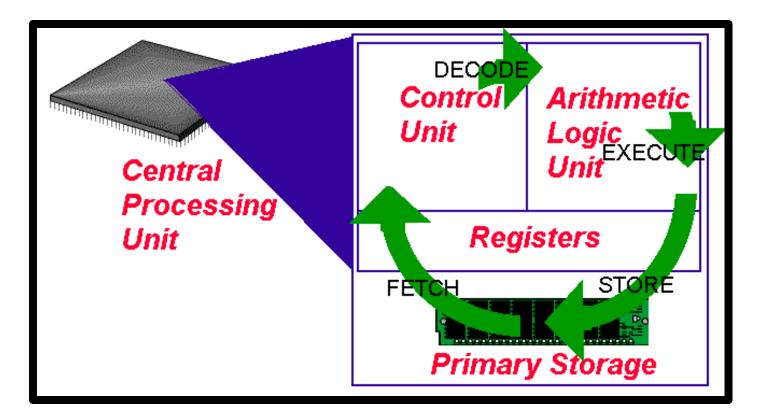
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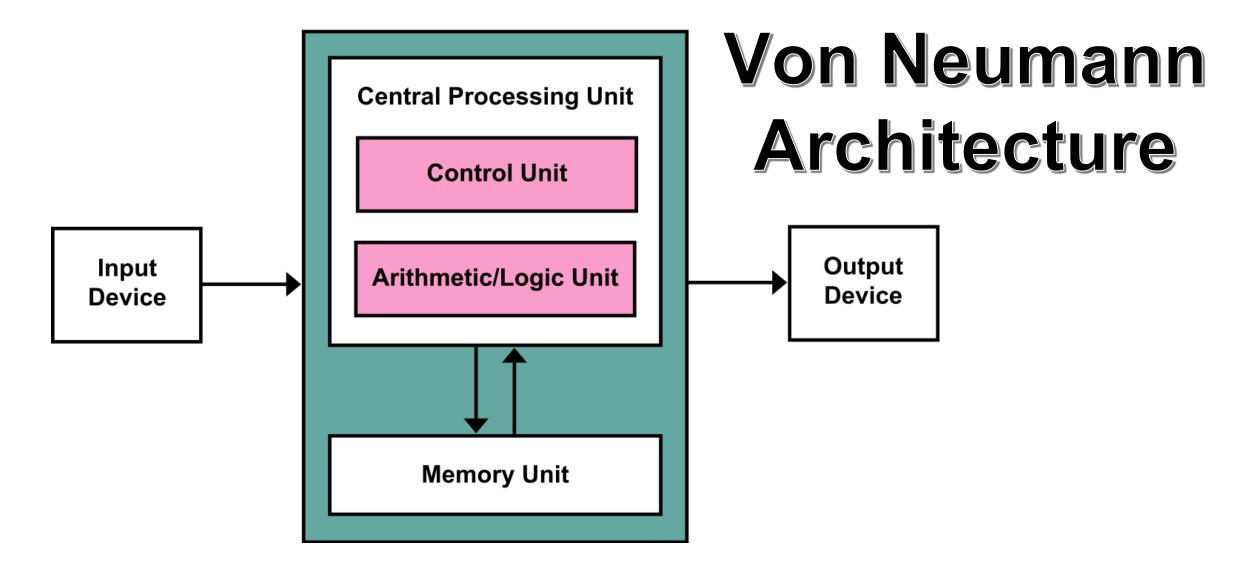
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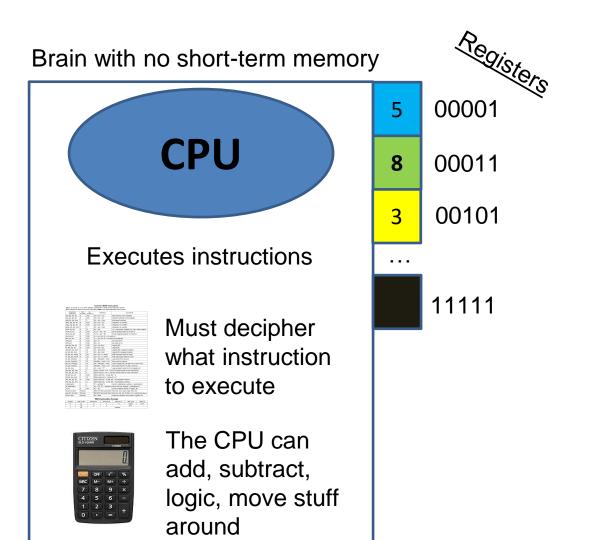
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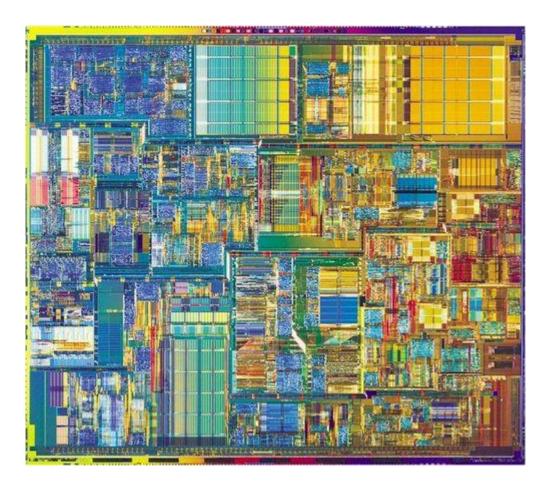
Multi-core systems are even faster



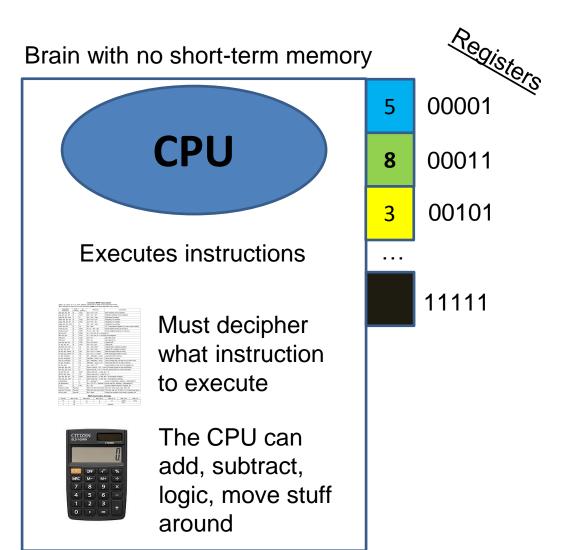


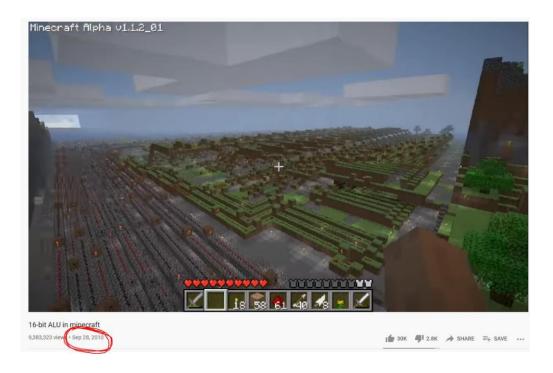












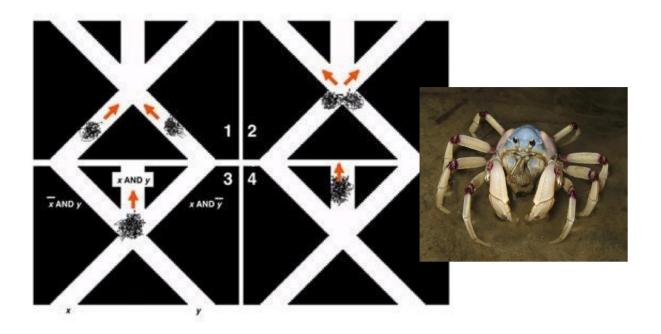
People have been able to create CPU components and fully functional, multi-core computers in games such as Minecraft



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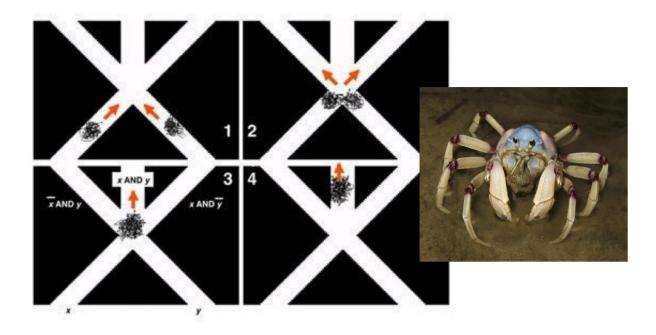




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This is very real

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1. Introduction

All natural processes can be interpreted in terms of computations. To implement a logical gate in a chemical, physical, or biological spatially extended medium, Boolean variables must be assigned to disturbances, defects, or localizations traveling in the medium. These traveling patterns collide and the outcome of their collisions are converted

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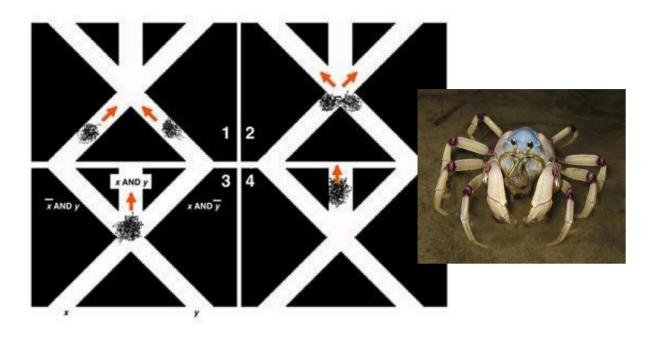


I. Hardware

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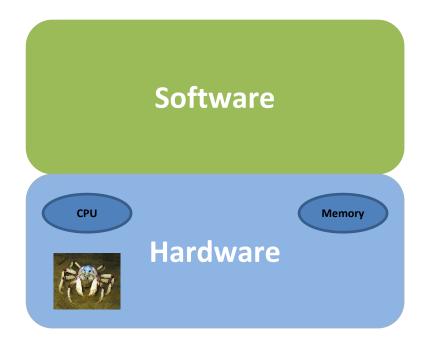
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(In theory) If you wanted to play Doom (1993) using a CPU made from soldier crabs, you would need 22 million crabs



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We write programs in a readable, higher-level language

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        printf("Hello WOrld! \n");
        int x = 0;
        int y = 3;
        int z = x + y;
        printf("%d %d %d \n",x,y,z);
        return 0;
                      class Person():
                         def __init__(self,name, age):
                             self.name = name
                             self.age = age
                         def eat(self):
                             print(self.name.title() + "eats Matooke and rice")
                             print("She is"+ str(self.age) + " years old")
                         def drink(self):
                             print("Drinks water")
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We need a way to convert **source** code to **binary**

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class Person():
#method to initialize name and age attributes.
    def __init__(self,name, age):
        self.name = name
        self.age = age
#method to demonstrate what a person eats
    def eat(self):
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#Accessing the class method through the class object.
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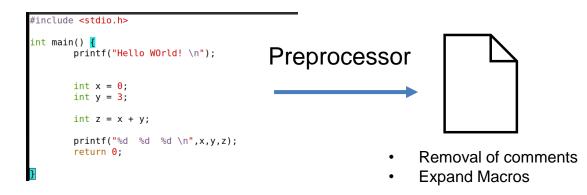
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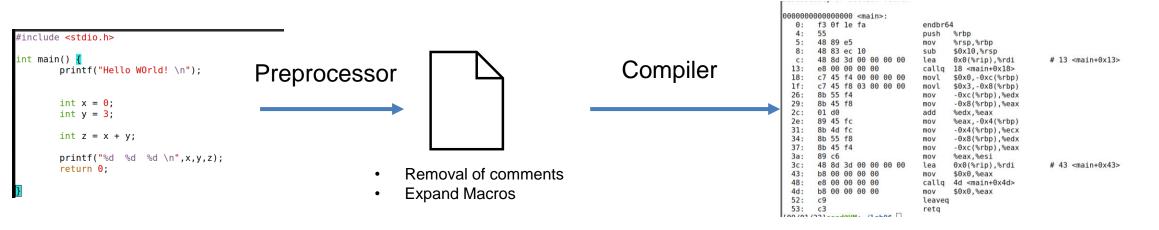
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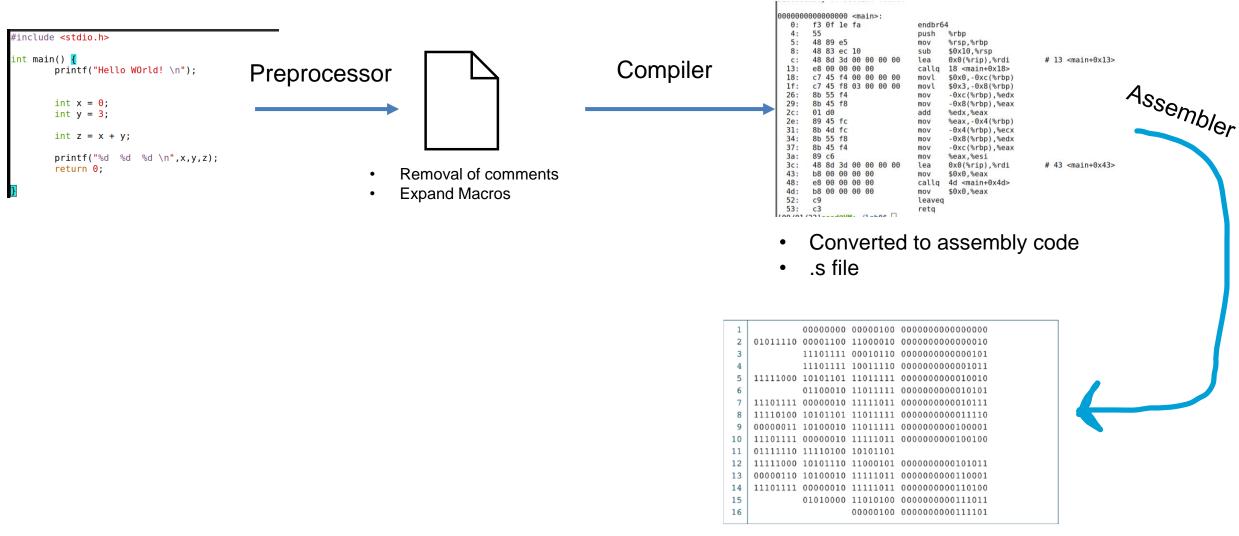




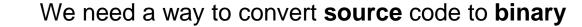
Converted to assembly code

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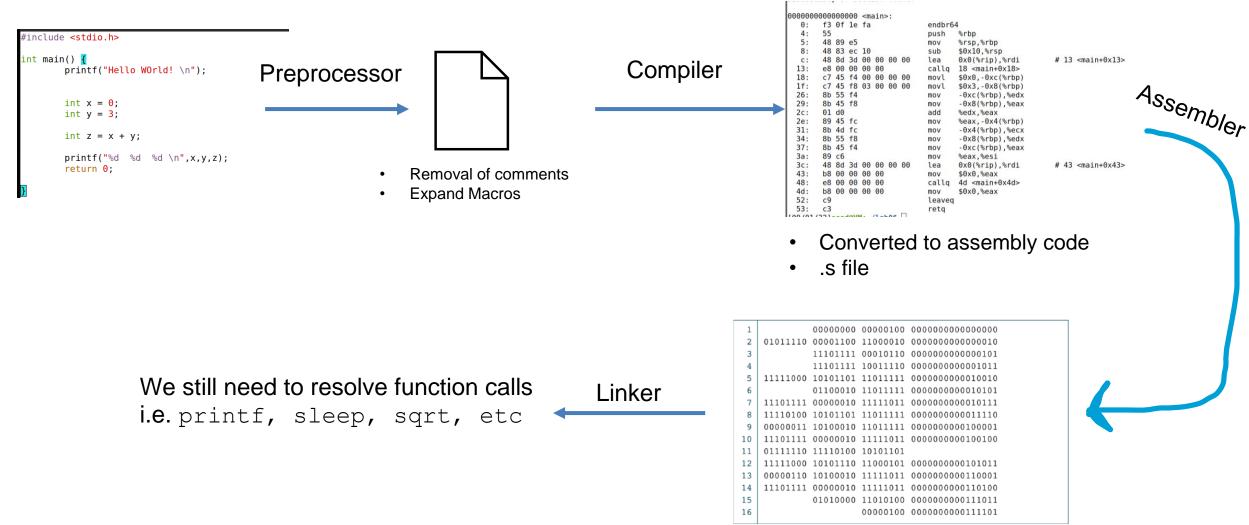
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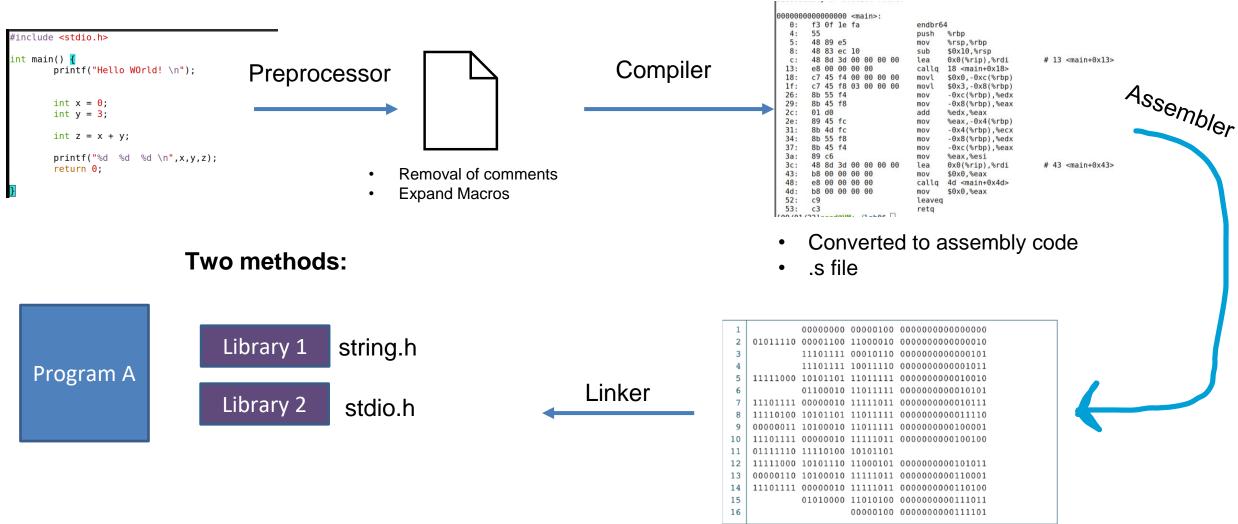


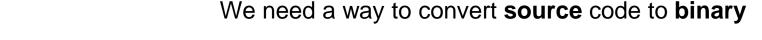
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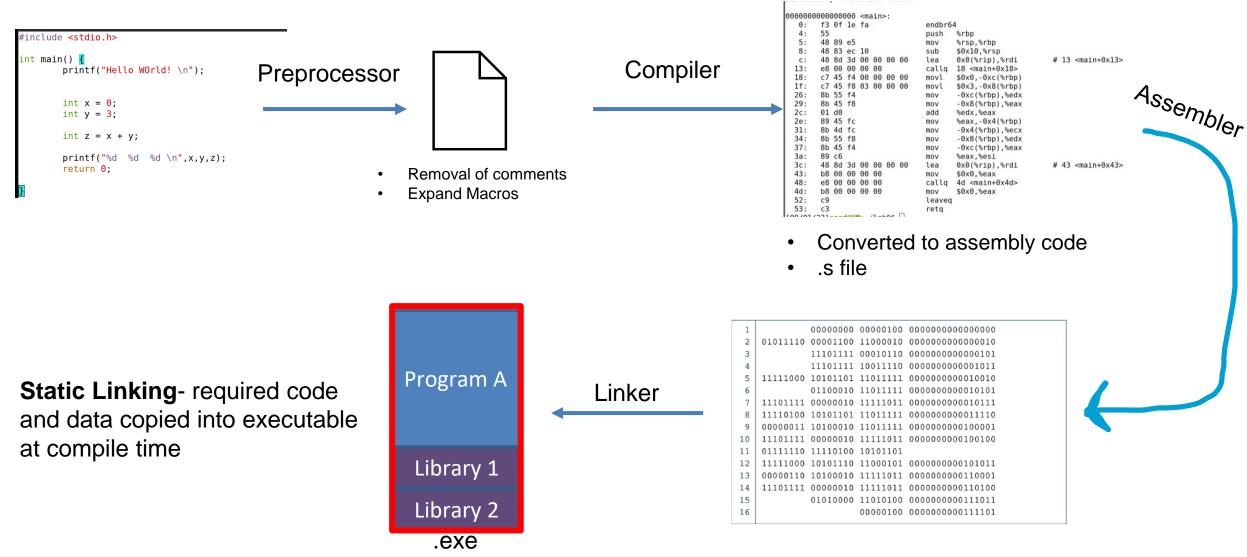




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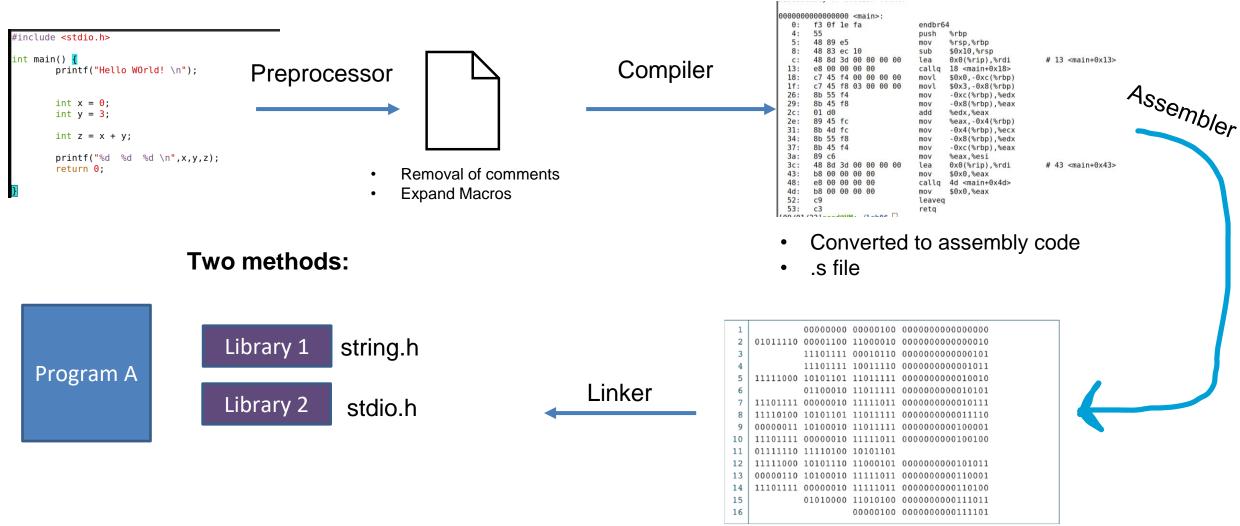


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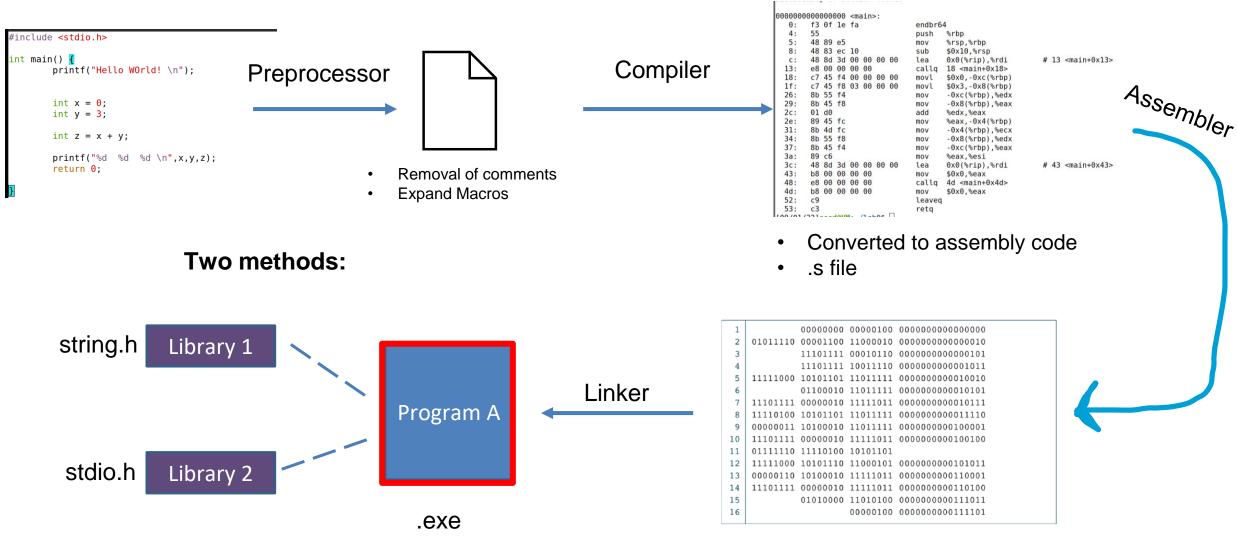


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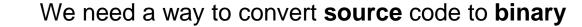




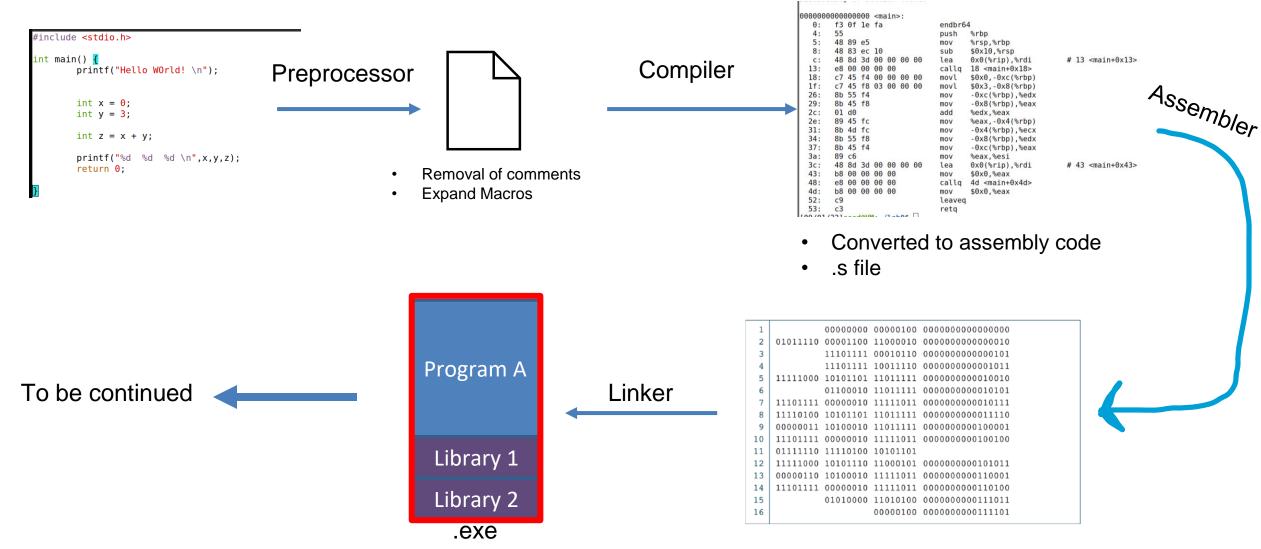
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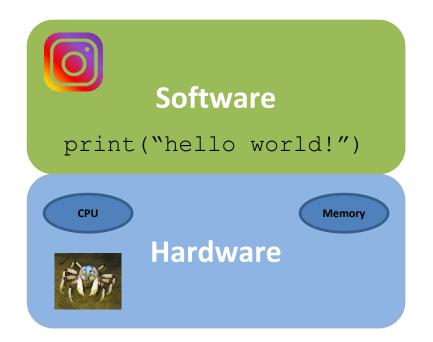


Dynamic Linking - required code and data is linked to executable at runtime



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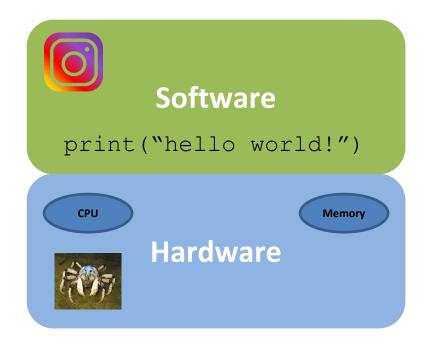




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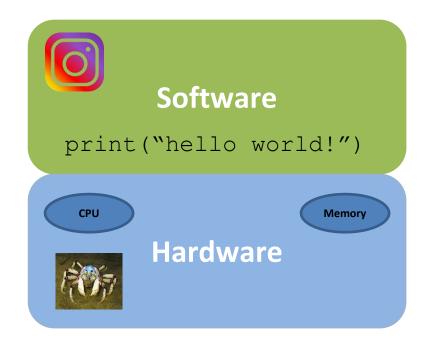


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Software is nothing without hardware



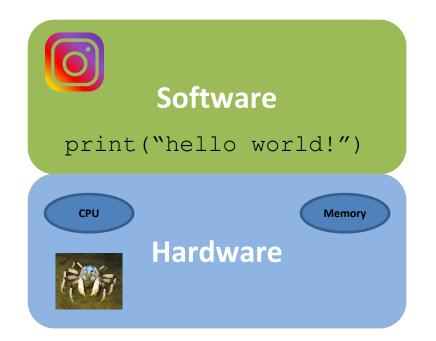


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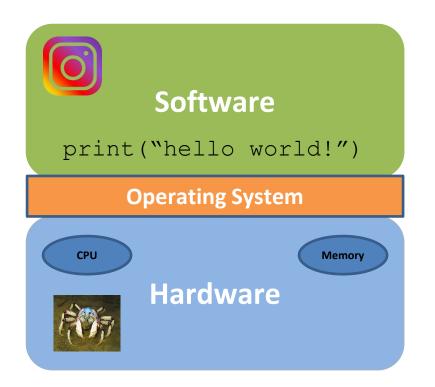




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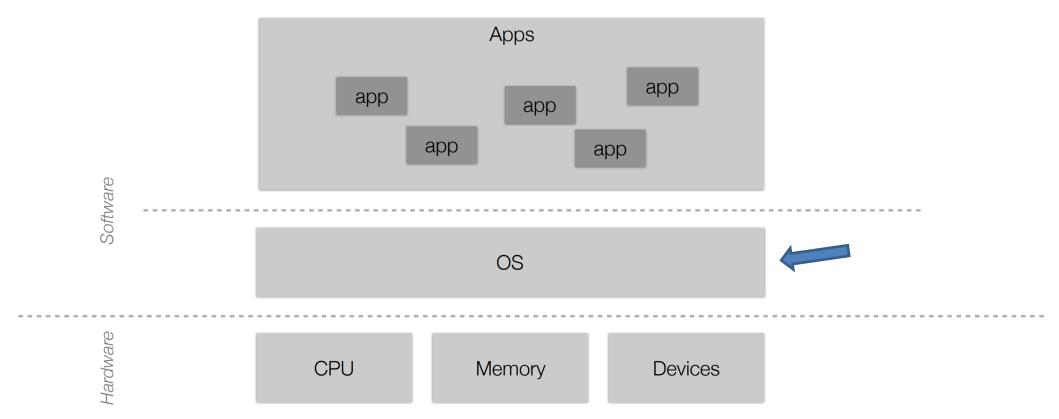


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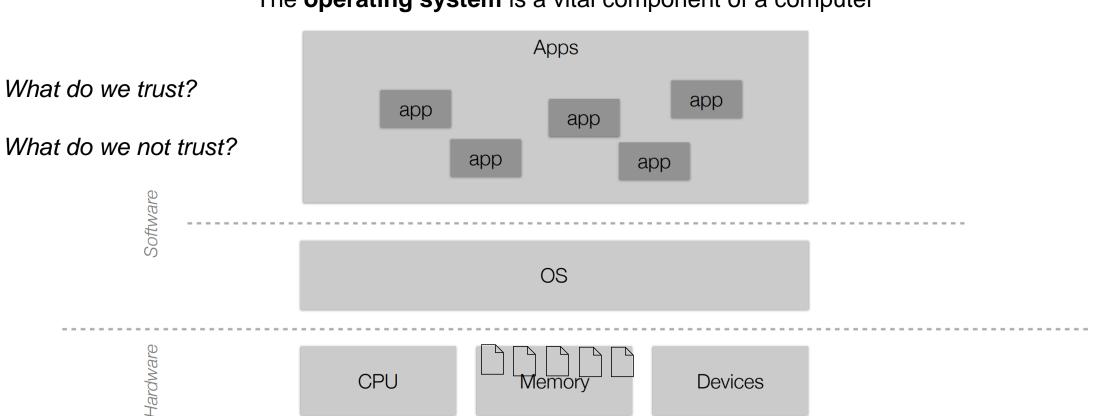
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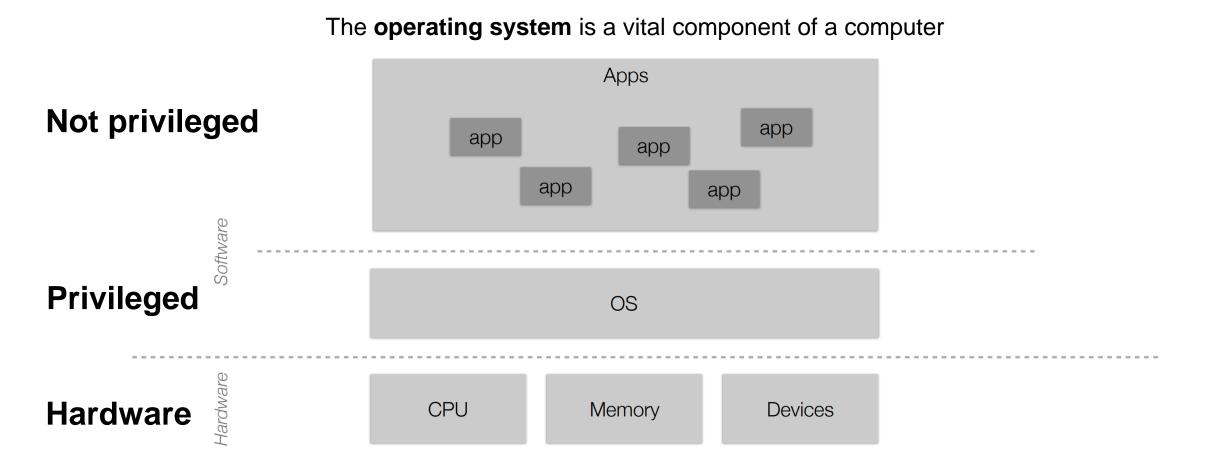


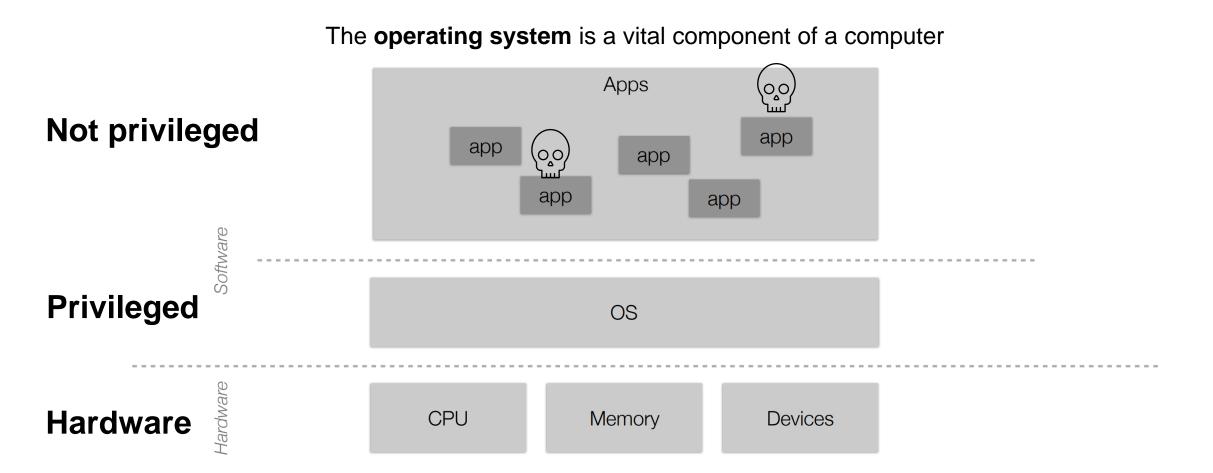


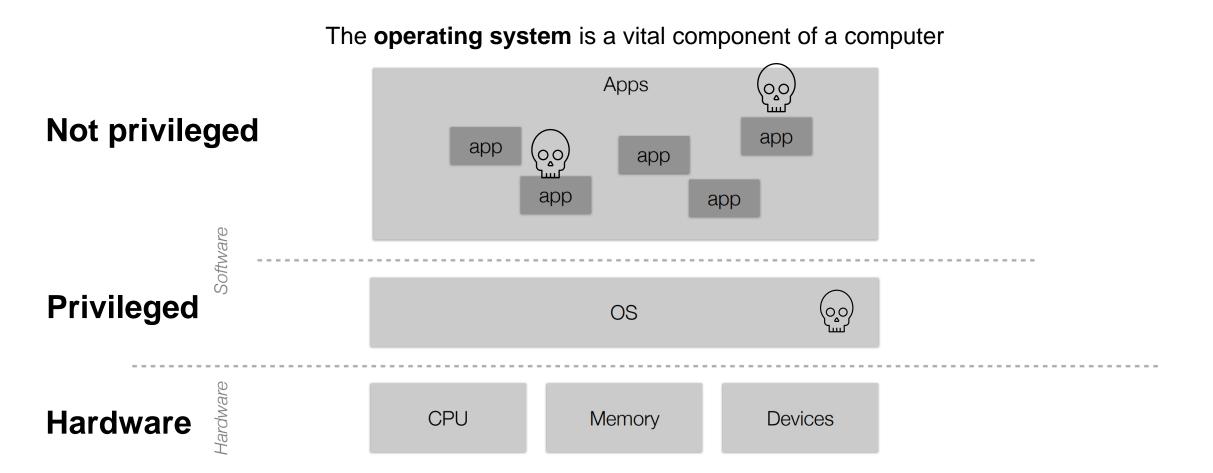


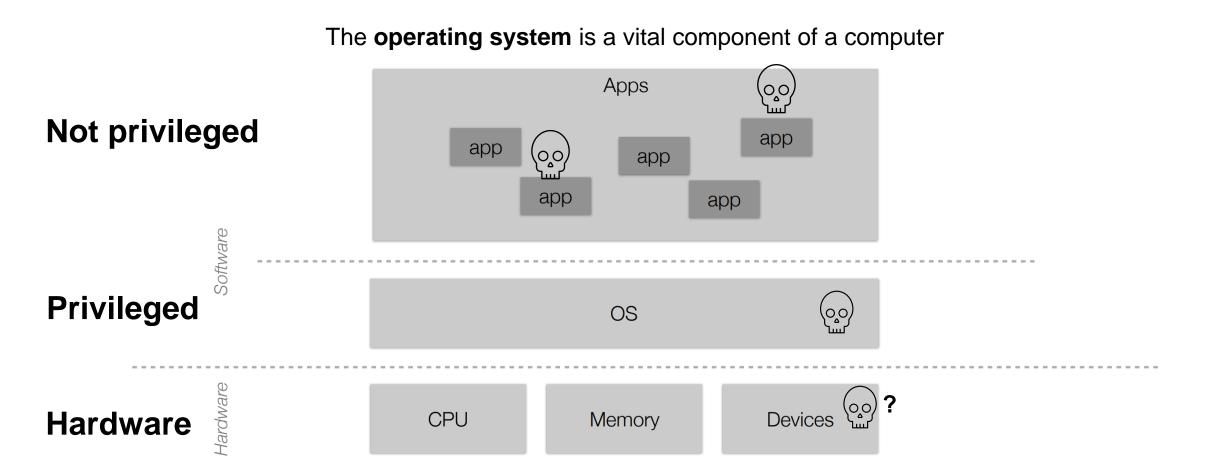
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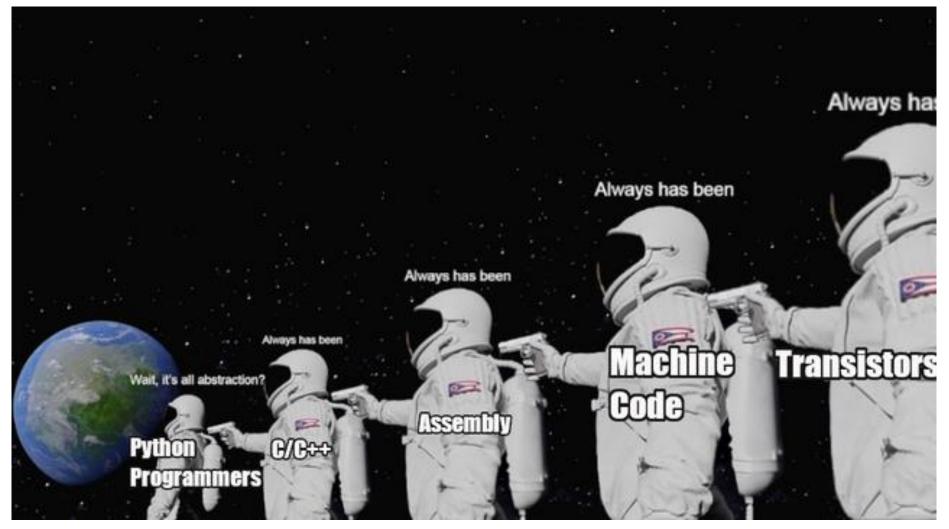












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