1. Memory hierarchy

a. Forms a pyramid

- b. Key to success of the hierarchy
- c. Locality types
  - i. Temporal locality
  - ii. Spatial locality
- d. Locality is the key behind why caches work so well

- 2. Cache principles
  - a. Cache holds a much smaller subset of RAM's contents

- b. Terminology
  - i. Memory *block*
  - ii. Cache line
  - iii. Cache tag
  - iv. Cache hit
  - v. Cache miss
  - vi. Eviction
  - vii. Dirty

- 3. Cache addressing
  - c. What type of addresses does the cache use?
  - d. Cache addresses can be physical

e. Can also be logical

i. However, these caches encounter the *aliasing* problem

- 4. Cache design
  - f. Multiple-level caches

- g. Unified or split
- h. Cache size