

# C-02 $\Rightarrow$ Low Level Vs High Level Languages

## Levels of Programming Languages:

- $\rightarrow$  Low Level (Machine lang- and Assembly lang)
- $\rightarrow$  High Level (C, C++, Java, ...etc)

## Low Level Languages:

- $\rightarrow$  Machine Language
- $\rightarrow$  Assembly Language.

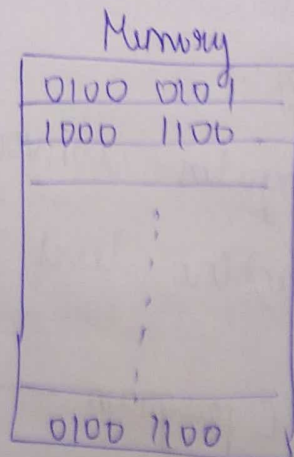
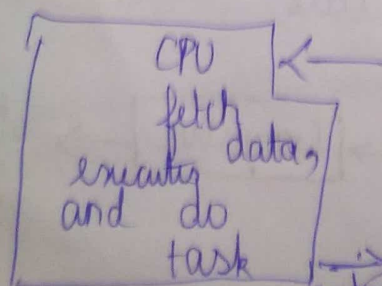
Machine Language  $\Rightarrow$  \* Very close to Hardware,  
So it is called low level.

\* For this we need to learn Architecture  
of CPU and configuration.

\* Architectures of CPU are different for  
different machines.

\* CPU is responsible to do the specific task.

Program written in  
stand i/s (machine code).



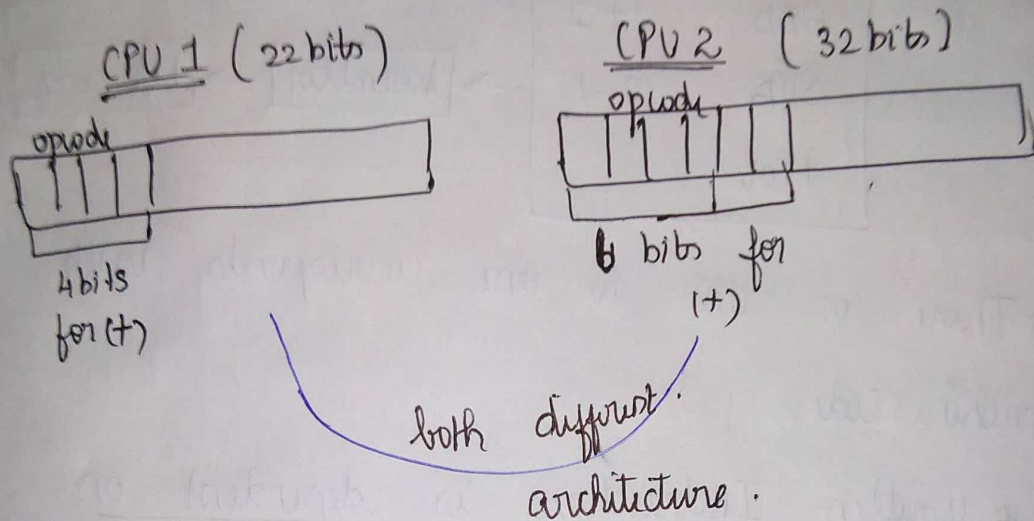
$\rightarrow$  returns the data in O/s & I/S

Eg:-

Hello World  $\Rightarrow$  converted to 0's and 1's

$\hookrightarrow$  01001011 0100010001 0010-----

\* To learn this we should learn CPU Architecture



Drawbacks:

- \* Not understandable by humans.
- \* Computer can directly execute the program; because it is written in machine understandable code and it executes fast but the program may vary on set of CPU architectures.
- \* Some program cannot be executed in different machines.
- \* To overcome this drawback we have Assembly Level Languages.

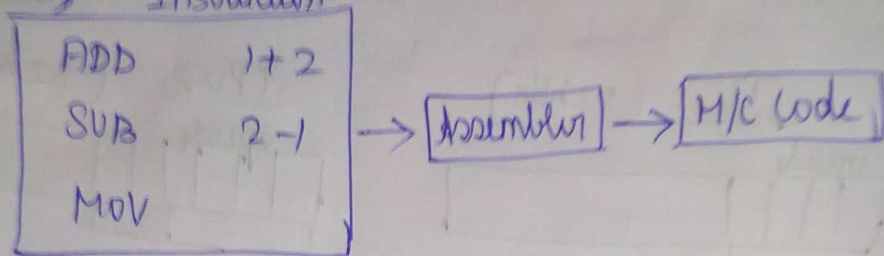


## Assembly Language:

\* It uses symbols and numbers called PNUMONICS (human readable instructions)

Eg: For addition, subtraction,

we write, Instruction



\* There is one to one corresponds with machine code.

\* Written Instruction is dependent on Computer Architecture and it is drawback.

\* Here also programs cannot be executed on different machines

\* Programs are not portable, so we overcome this drawback by using high level languages.

## High Level Languages:

\* C, C++, COBOL, FORTRAN, JAVA,

Python, Perl, PHP, Ruby

\* High Level Languages are not machine dependent architecture.

\* It is close to humans, understandable by humans.

\* Rather than dealing with registers, memory address, machine codes; High Level languages deals with Mathematical Notations, variables, Keywords etc.

\* C has lower level of abstraction; we need not want to learn low level or system details like specification of CPU, processor and computer system.

\* For addition, subtraction we need not want to write ADD, SUB, MOV symbols. Instead we write <sup>directly</sup>  $+$ ,  $-$  ... etc.

### Compiler and Interpreter:

\* Programs written in high level lang:- are converted to machine code

\* Compiler takes complete source code and converts to object code; after converting the machine executes the code.



\* Interpreter will not convert complete code; instead it reads line by line and do parallel task by converting source code to object code and execution of code.

\* Conversion & Execution is done parallelly by Interpreter.

Drawback:.

\* Pgms written in high level lang are converted to machine code which takes ~~lots~~ time

\* But easy to read, write, portable (i.e.) can run on different machine, independent of computer architecture.