



① **Register**:- Smallest unit of storage. It is a part of CPU itself. It may hold an instruction, a storage address, or any data. It is the fastest memory for transfer of data.

② **Cache**:- Additional memory system that temp. stores frequently used instructions.

③ **Main memory**:- RAM.

④ **Secondary memory**:- Storage media, on which computer can store data & programs.

• Comparison

- ① Cost:-
 - (a) Registers are most expensive due to expensive semiconductors & labour.
 - (b) Primary storages are costly.
 - (c) Secondary storages are cheaper than primary.
- ② Access speed:-
 - (a) Registers has highest access speed, then comes Cache, and then primary memory, and then secondary.
- ③ Storage ~~Size~~ size:- Secondary has more space, then primary (8 GB RAM, 16 GB RAM), Cache (4 KB) and then registers (4 byte).
- ④ Volatility:- Primary memory are volatile while ~~non~~ secondary are non-volatile.