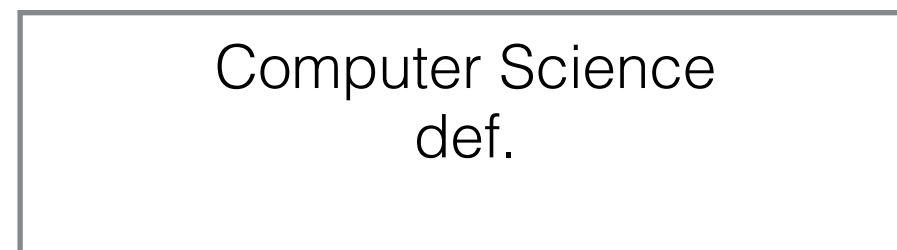


# Computer Science

Mathematical activities

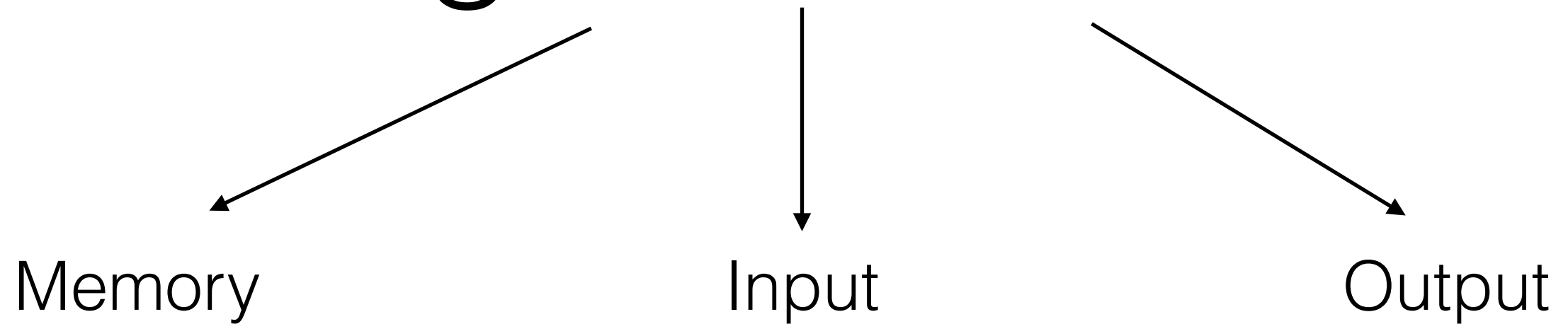
Theoretical activities



Sub-disciplines:

- Architecture
- Software
- Theory

# Digital Devices



# Computer Softwares

General purpose  
application  
softwares  
(ex)

Special purpose  
application  
softwares  
(ex)

Programming  
languages,  
compilers,  
interpreters  
(ex)

Operating  
systems  
(ex)

## **High-level languages:**

- not machine oriented
- problem oriented
- “English grammar”

## **Low-level languages:**

- machine oriented
- assembly language (difficult and long)

# Translating and running programs

**Sequence:** source code - compiler - object code

- EDITORS: enter and edit programs.
- COMPILERS AND INTERPRETERS: translate into machine code
- LINKAGE EDITORS: link to executable code
- DEBUGGERS: find logic errors

# Microprocessors

**Sequence:** silicon slicing - pollution - baking

Advantages:

- speed (100.000-2 million/sec.)
- familiarity
- availability of equipment

# Windows vs MacIntosh or

## Microsoft vs Apple



Affordability  
Selection  
Gaming  
Big screen connectivity  
Popularity  
Software compatibility  
3D rendering

Stability  
Security  
Reliability  
Multimedia  
Compatibility  
Typography  
Color matching  
Speed test

# Visual Basic

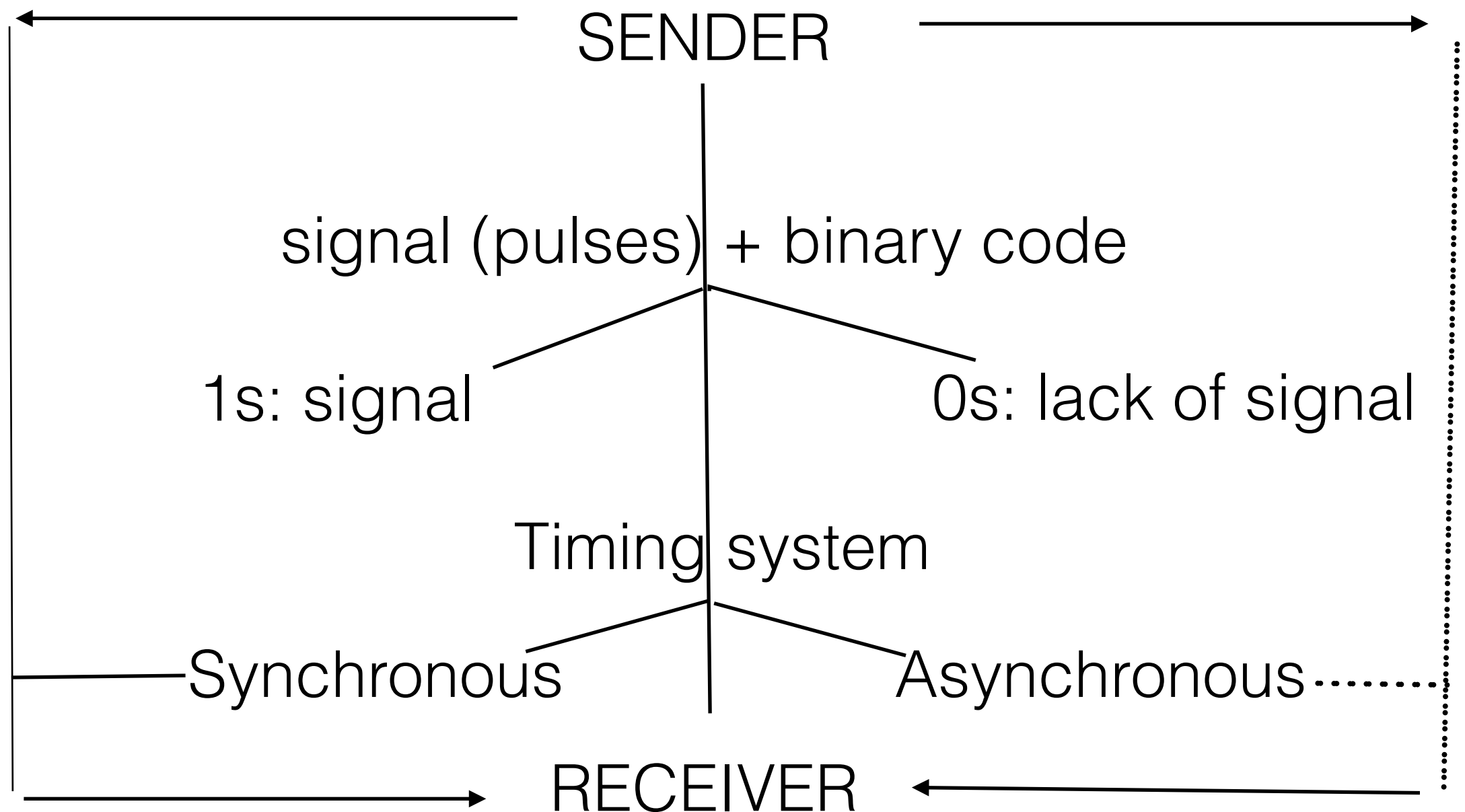
**Objects:** combinations of code and data treated as a unit

They support:

- PROPERTIES: attribute or aspect of behaviour
- METHODS: action
- EVENTS: external stimulus
- FORMS: foundation to create the interface

Design time vs Run time

# Digital communication





# LANs and WANs

LAN: Local Area Network

- same building or room
- sharing of devices
- server (memory)

Wan: Wide Area Network

- bigger geographical areas
- external links (satellites, microwaves, etc.)
- private owners
- you have to pay for connection

# ISO-OSI protocols

International Organization for Standardization

## **7 layers:**

- 7. Application
- 6. Presentation
- 5. Session
- 4. Transport
- 3. Network
- 2. Data link
- 1. Physical