From Nand to Tetris

Building a Modern Computer from First Principles

Chapter 4

Machine Language

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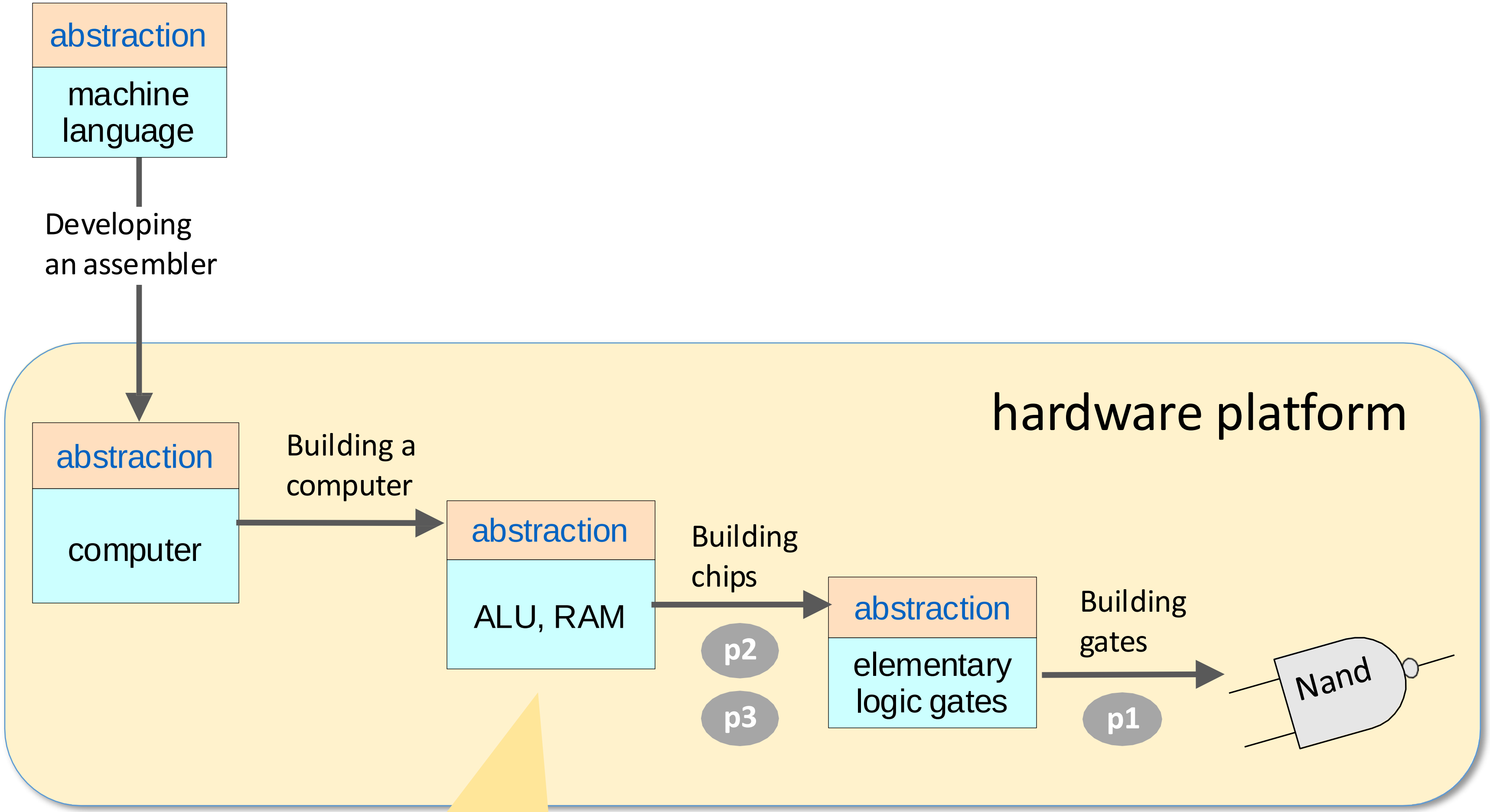
Nand to Tetris Roadmap (Part I: Hardware)



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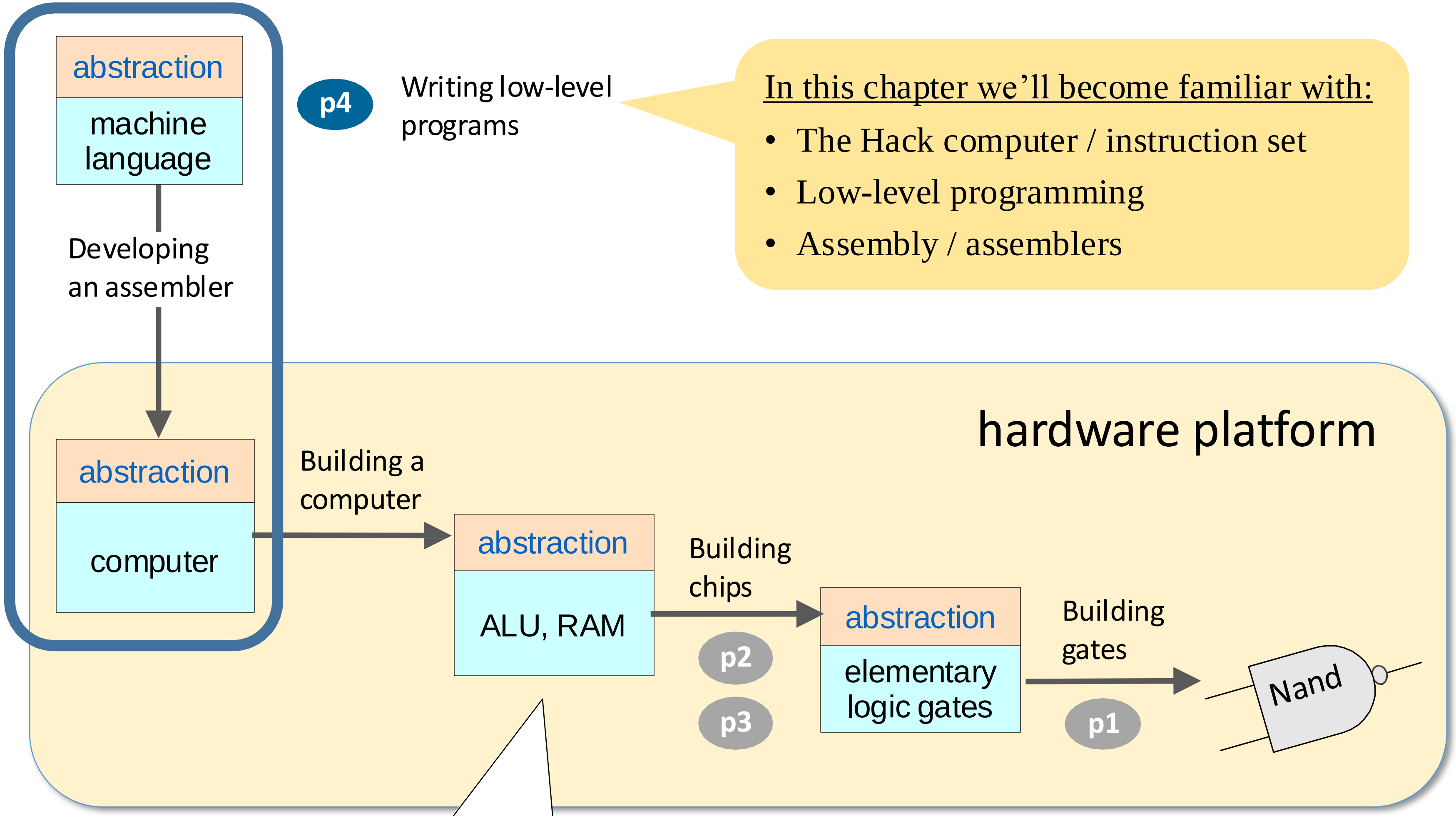

In this chapter we'll become familiar with:

- The Hack computer / instruction set
- Low-level programming
- Assembly / assemblers

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Ada Lovelace

(1843)

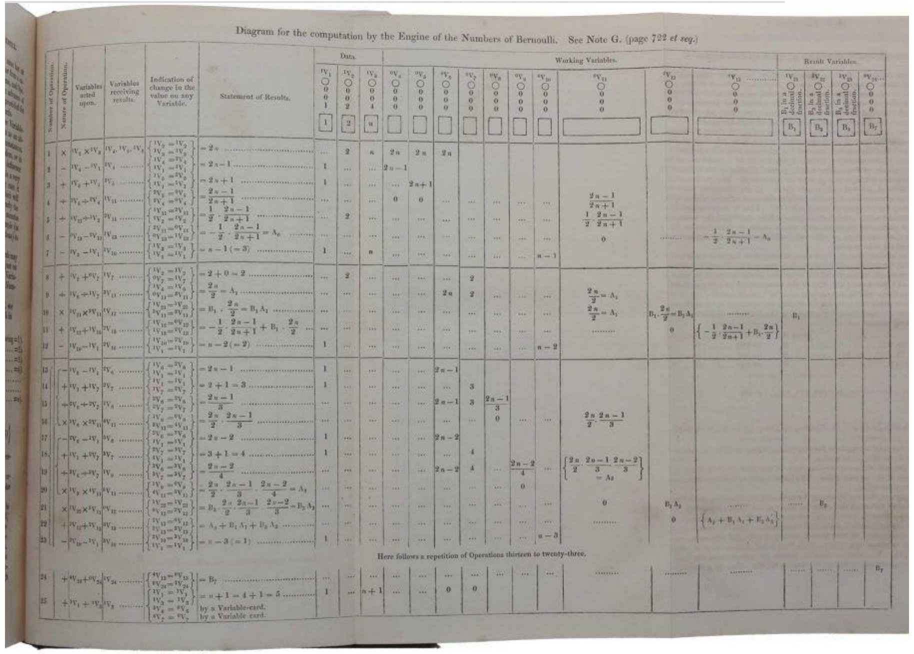

Diagram for the computation by the Engine of the Numbers of Bernoulli. See Note G. (page 722 et seq.)

Early symbolic program

Landmark “proof of concept” that computers can be programmed

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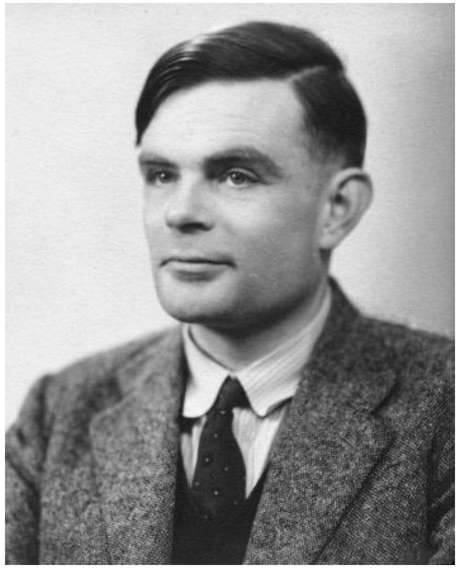
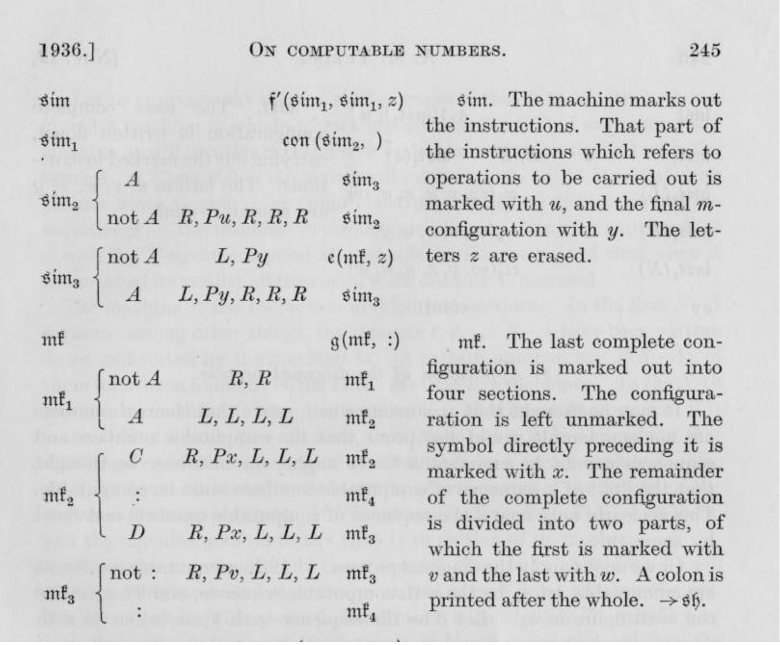


Alan Turing

(1936)



1936.] ON COMPUTABLE NUMBERS. 245

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$\mathfrak{sim}_3$	not A	L, Py	$\mathfrak{e}(\mathfrak{mk}, z)$
	A	L, Py, R, R, R	$\mathfrak{sim}_3$
$\mathfrak{mk}$			$\mathfrak{g}(\mathfrak{mk}, :)$
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	A	L, L, L, L	$\mathfrak{mk}_2$
$\mathfrak{mk}_2$	C	R, Px, L, L, L	$\mathfrak{mk}_2$
	:		$\mathfrak{mk}_4$
	D	R, Px, L, L, L	$\mathfrak{mk}_3$
$\mathfrak{mk}_3$	not :	R, Pv, L, L, L	$\mathfrak{mk}_3$
	:		$\mathfrak{mk}_4$

$\mathfrak{sim}$. The machine marks out the instructions. That part of the instructions which refers to operations to be carried out is marked with u, and the final m-configuration with y. The letters z are erased.

$\mathfrak{mk}$. The last complete configuration is marked out into four sections. The configuration is left unmarked. The symbol directly preceding it is marked with x. The remainder of the complete configuration is divided into two parts, of which the first is marked with v and the last with w. A colon is printed after the whole. $\rightarrow \mathfrak{sh}$.

Universal Turing Machine

Landmark article, describing a theoretical general-purpose computer

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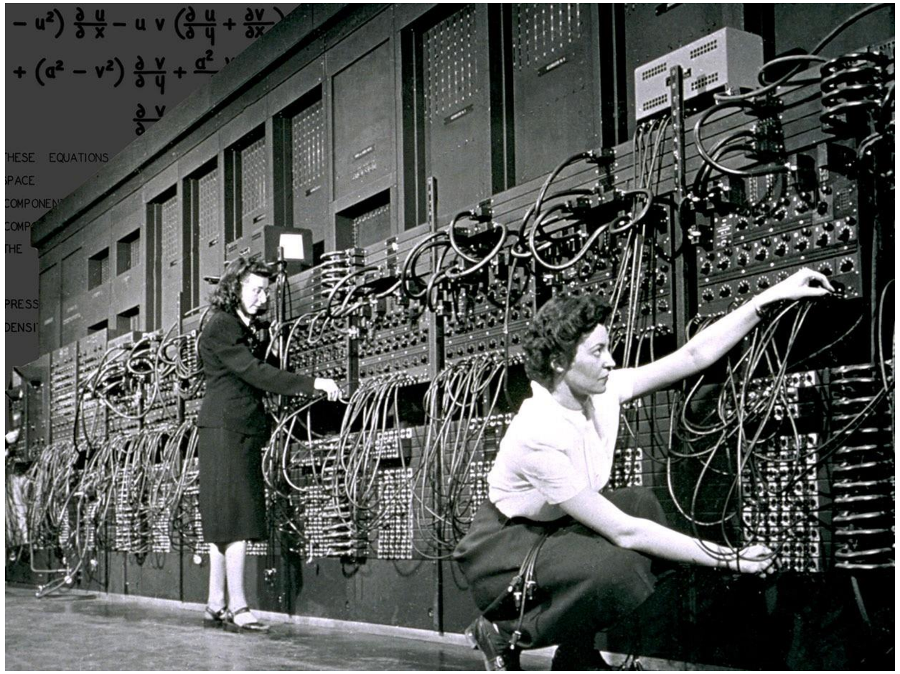
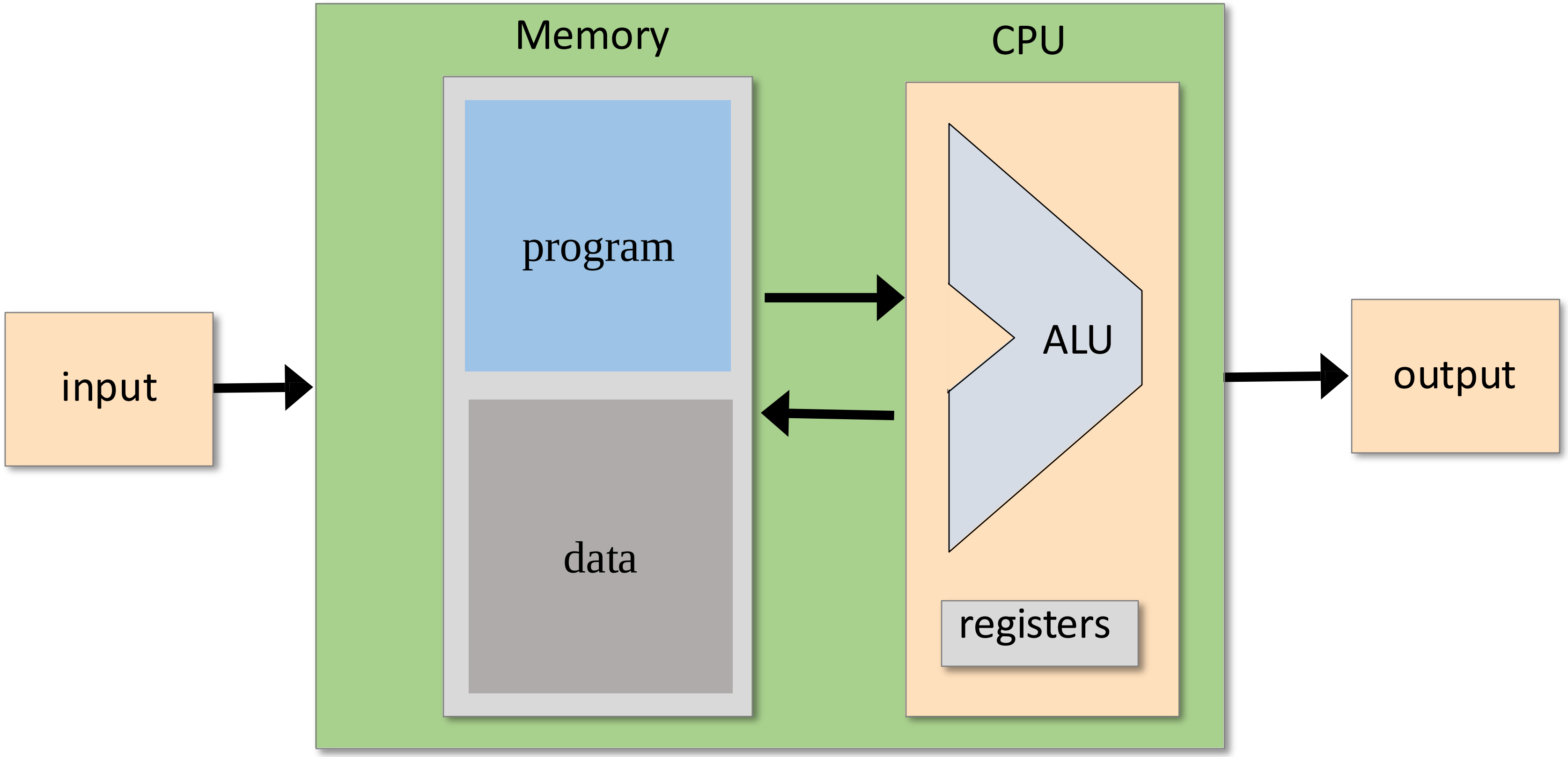


First general-purpose computer

Eniac, University of Pennsylvania, 1945

Computer architecture



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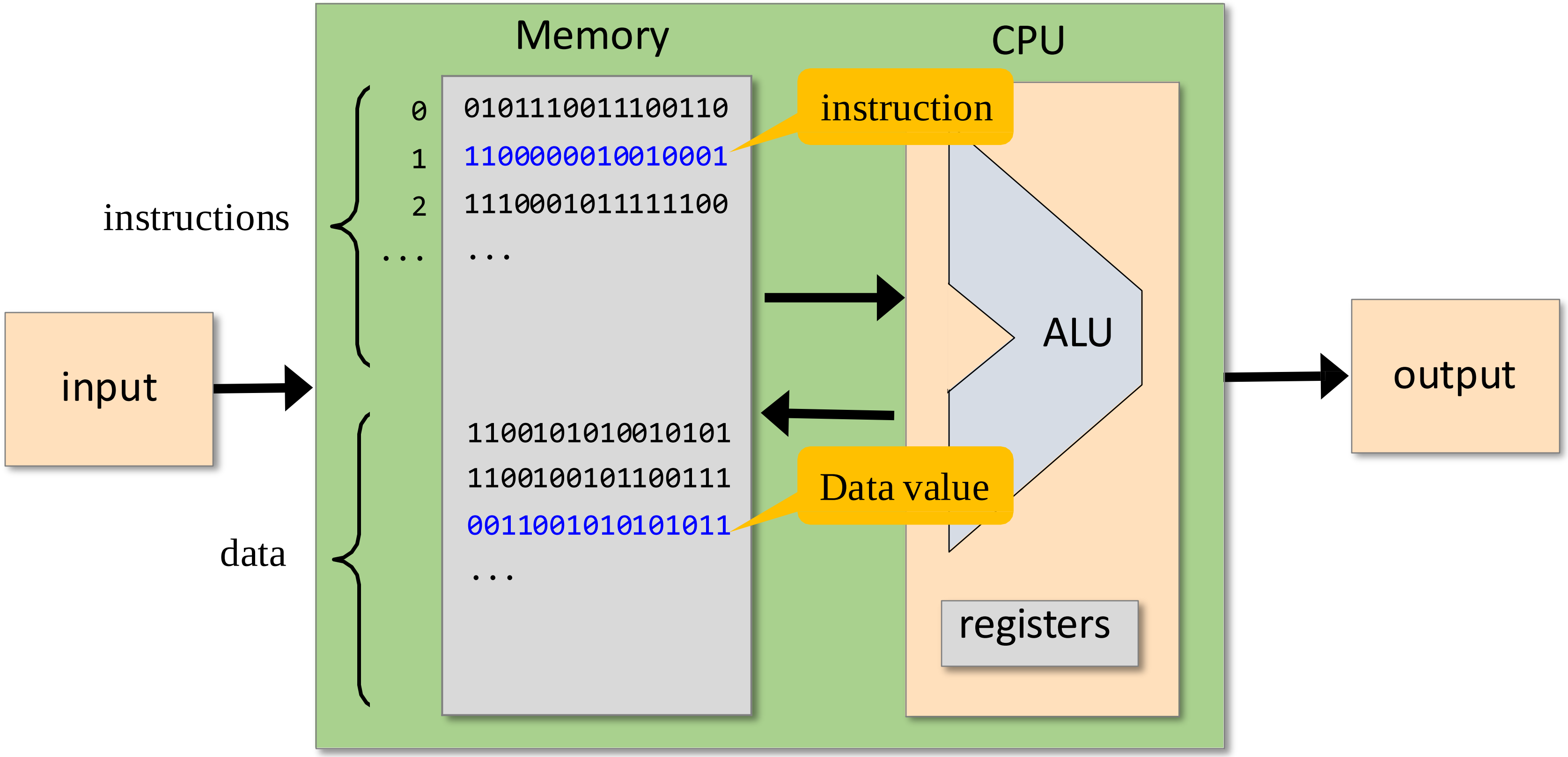

<u>Stored program concept</u>

- The computer memory can store programs, just like it stores data
- Programs = data.

One of the most important ideas in the history of computer science

Chapter 4: Machine Language

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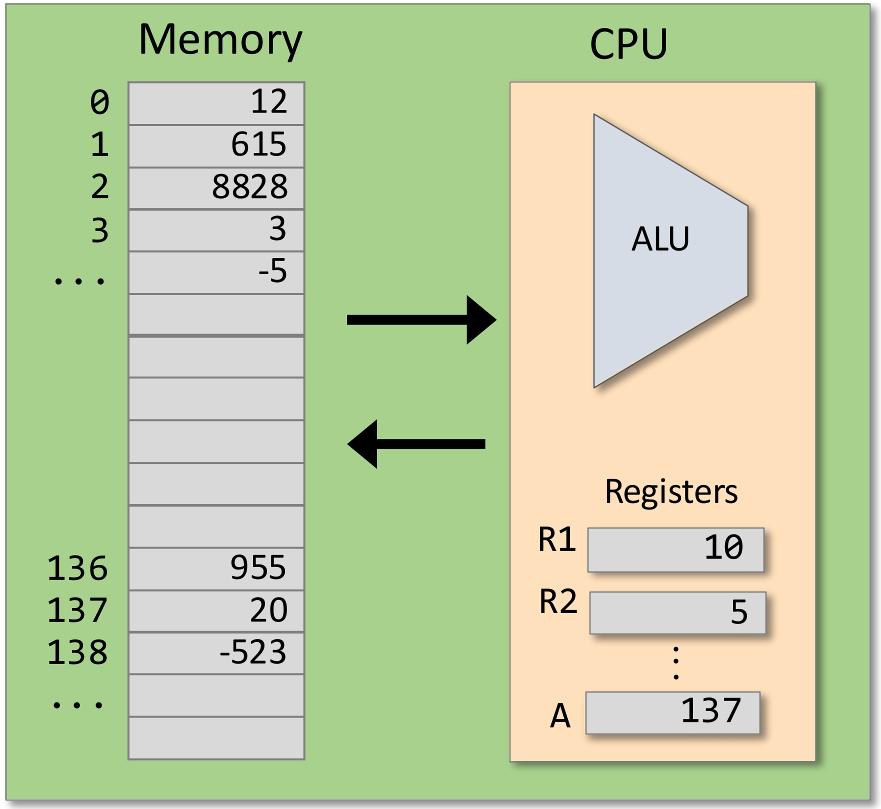
Machine Language

Computer

(Conceptual definition):

A processor (CPU) that manipulates a set of *registers*:

- CPU-resident registers (few, accessed directly, by name)
- Memory-resident registers (many, accessed by supplying an address)



Machine language

A formalism specifying how to access and manipulate registers.

Registers

Data registers:

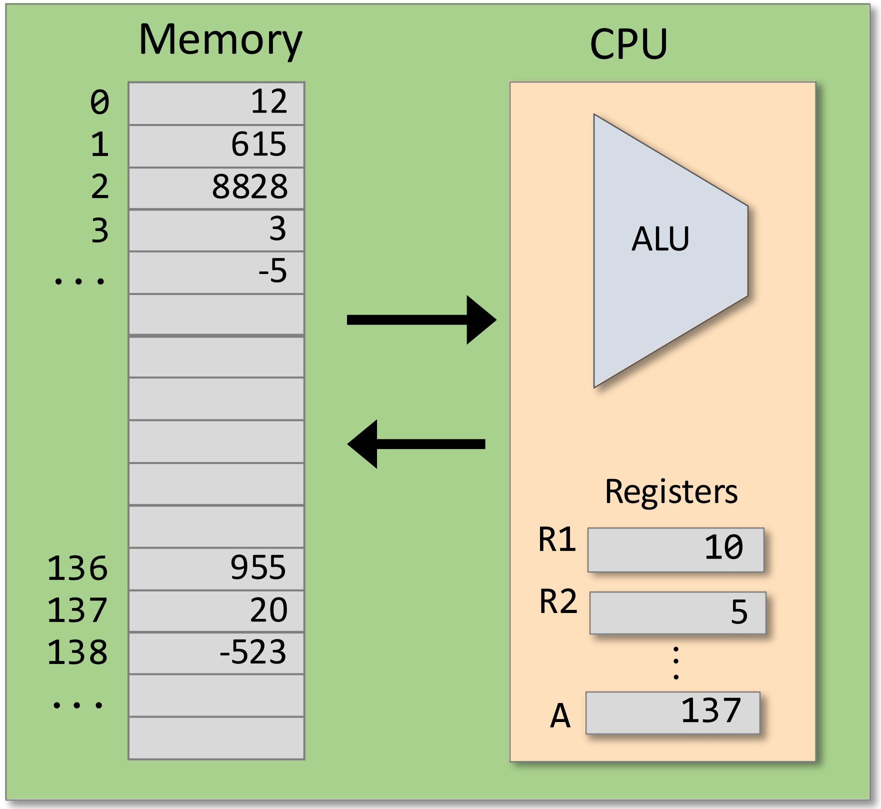
Hold data values

Address register:

Holds an address

Instruction register:

Holds an instruction



- All these registers are… registers (containers that hold bits)
- The number and bit-width of the registers vary greatly from one computer to another.

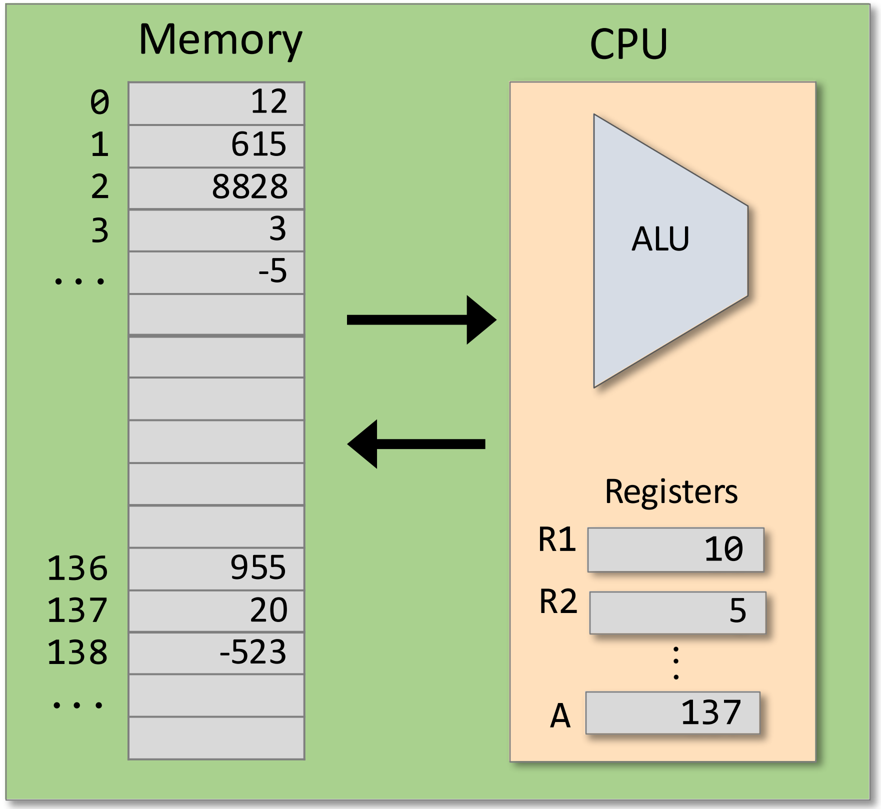
Typical operations

```
// R1 ← 73
load R1, 73

// R1 ← R1 + R2
add R1, R2

// R1 ← R1 + Memory[137]
add R1, M[137]

// R1 ← Memory[A]
load R1, @A
```

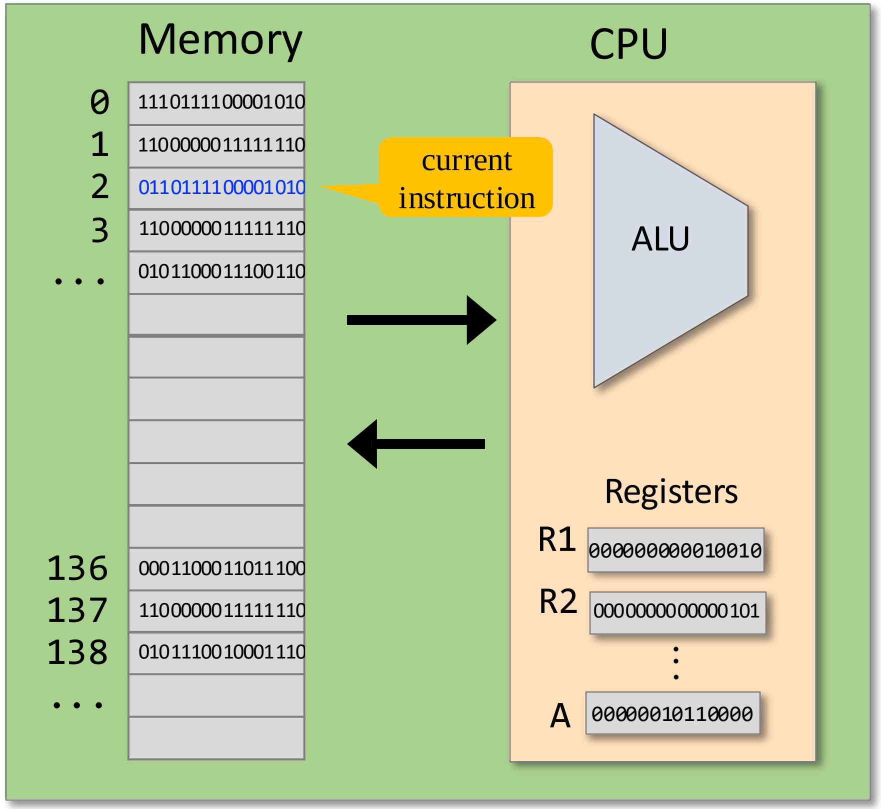


The syntax of machine languages varies greatly from one computer to another, but all of them are designed to do the same thing: Manipulate registers.

Control

Which instruction should be executed next?

- By default, the CPU executes the *next instruction*
- Sometimes we want to “jump” to execute another instruction



Memory

0	1110111100001010
1	1100000011111110
2	0110111100001010
3	1100000011111110
. . .	0101100011100110
136	0001100011011100
137	1100000011111110
138	0101110010001110
. . .	

current instruction

CPU

Registers

R1	0000000000010010
R2	0000000000000101
⋮	
A	0000000010110000

Control

Unconditional branching

- Execute some instruction other than the next one
- Example: Embarking on a new iteration in a loop

Basic version

```
     ...
     // Adds 1 to R1, repetitively
13   add R1,1
...  ...
27   goto 13
...  ...
```

- Line numbers
- Physical addresses

Symbolic version

```
    ...
    // Adds 1 to R1, repetitively
(LOOP)
    add R1,1
    ...
    goto LOOP
    ...
```

- No line numbers
- Symbolic addresses

Programs with symbolic references are …

- Easier to develop
- Readable
- Relocatable.

Control

Conditional branching

Sometimes we want to “jump” to execute another instruction, but only if a certain condition is met

Symbolic program

```
    // Set R1 to abs(R1).

    // if R1 > 0 goto CONT
    jgt R1,CONT

    // R1 ← −R1
    store R2,R1
    store R1,0
    subt R1,R2

  CONT:
    // Here R1 is non-negative
    ...
```

How can we actually execute the program?

Control

Conditional branching

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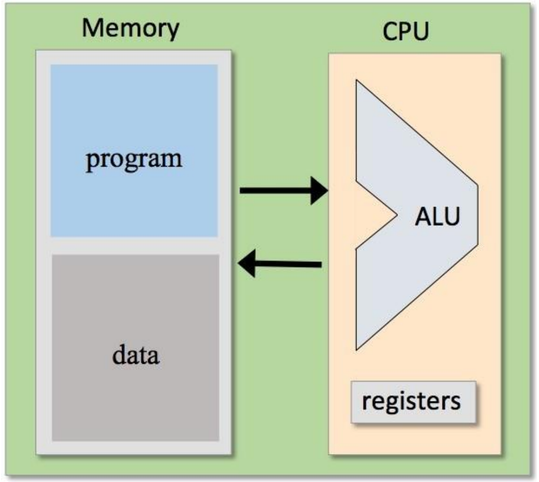
   ...
```

translate

Binary code

```
0101111100111100
1010101010101010
1100000010101010
1011000010000001
...
```

load and execute



Assembly

Assembler

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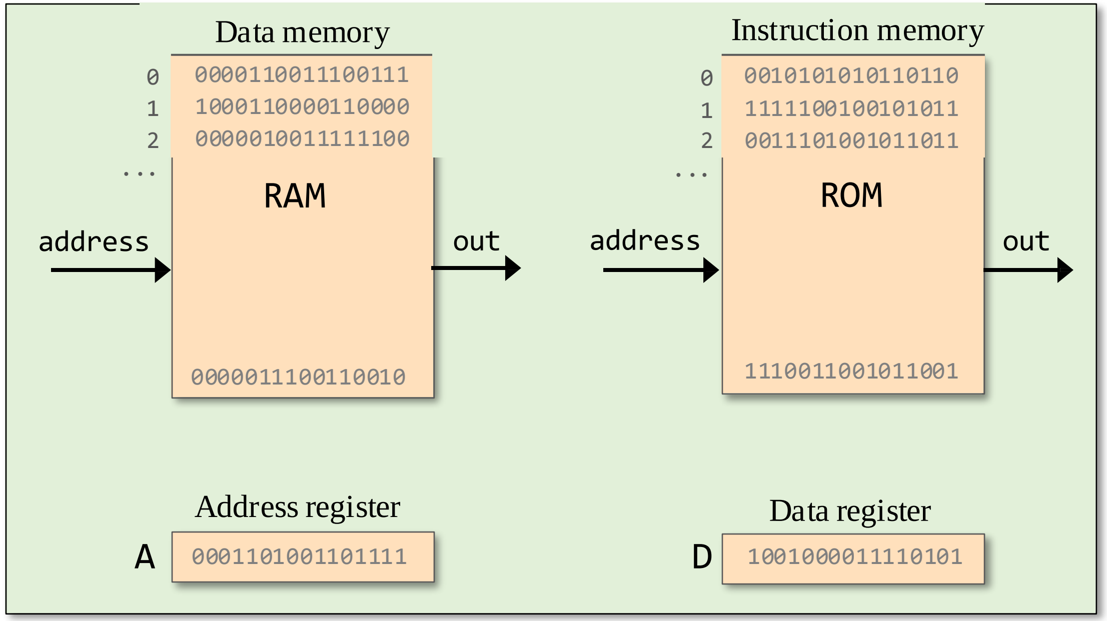
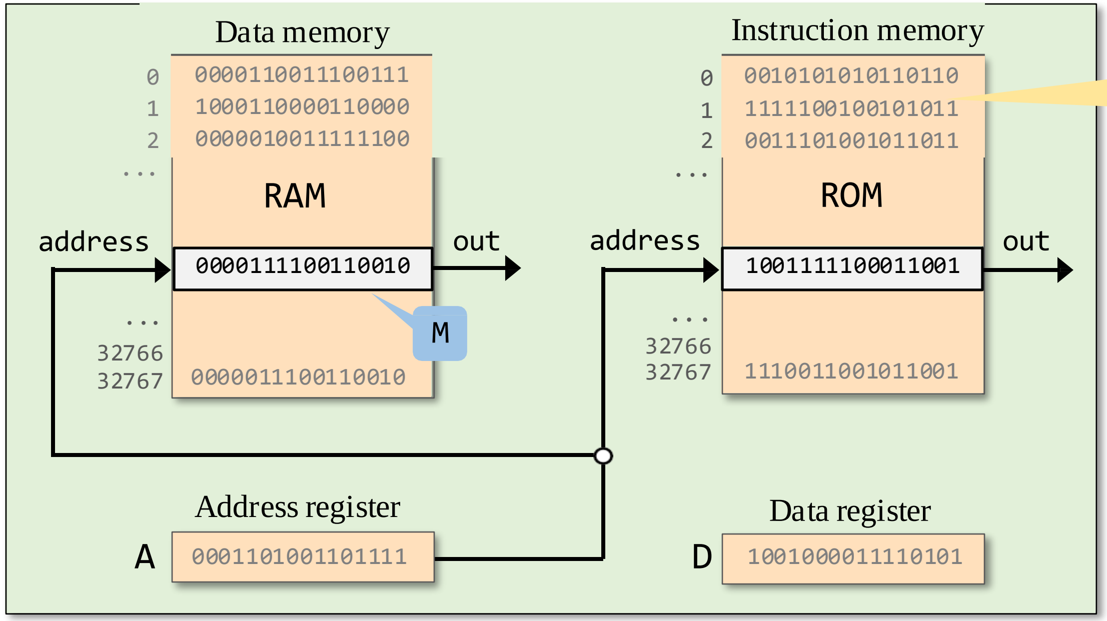
The Hack computer



(Conceptual, partial view of the Hack computer architecture)

- Hack is a 16-bit computer, featuring two memory units
- The address input of each memory unit is 15-bit wide
- **Question:** How many words can each memory unit have?
- **Answer:** The *address space* of each memory unit is 2^{15} = 32K words.

Memory



Loaded with a sequence of 16-bit Hack instructions

(Conceptual, partial view of the Hack computer architecture)

RAM

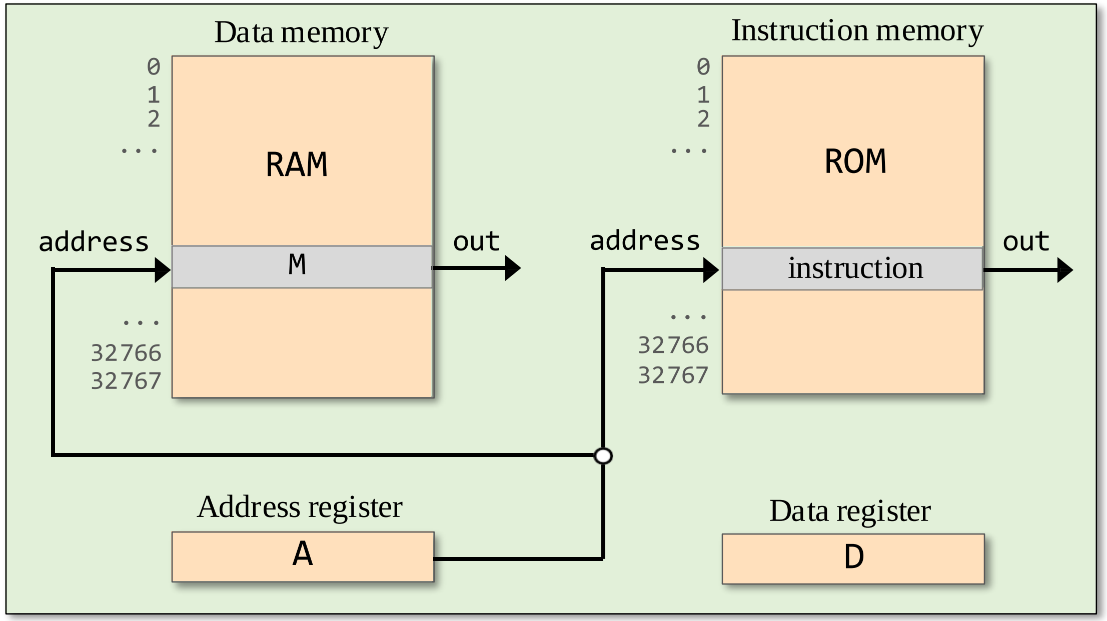
- Read-write data memory
- Addressed by the `A` register
- The selected register, `RAM[A]`, is represented by the symbol `M`

ROM

- Read-only instruction memory
- Addressed by the (same) `A` register
- The selected register, `ROM[A]`, contains the “current instruction”

- Should we focus on `RAM[A]`, or on `ROM[A]`?
- Depends on the current instruction (later)

Registers



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`D`: data register

`A`: address register

`M`: the selected RAM register

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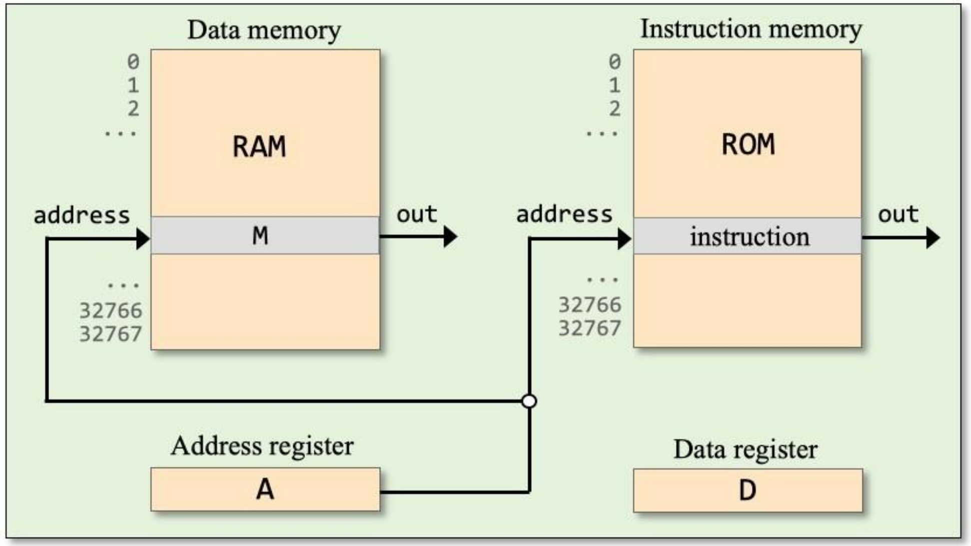
Instruction set

- A instruction
- C instruction



Syntax:

```
@const
```

where *const* is
a constant

(Complete / formal syntax, later).

Example:

```
@19
```

Semantics:

A ← 19

Side effects:

- RAM[A] (called M) becomes selected
- ROM[A] becomes selected

Hack instructions

Instruction set

- `A` instruction
- `C` instruction

Syntax:

reg = {`0`|`1`|`-1`}

where *reg* = {`A`|`D`|`M`}

reg$_1$ = *reg*$_2$

where *reg*$_1$ = {`A`|`D`|`M`}

reg$_2$ = [`-`] {`A`|`D`|`M`}

reg = *reg*$_1$ *op* *reg*$_2$

where *reg*, *reg*$_1$ = {`A`|`D`|`M`}, *op* = {`+`|`-`}, and

reg$_2$ = {`A`|`D`|`M`|`1`} and *reg*$_1$ ≠ *reg*$_2$

Examples:

```
D=0
A=-1
M=1
...
```

```
D=A
D=M
M=-M
...
```

```
D=D+M
A=A-1
M=D+1
...
```

(Complete / formal syntax, later).

Hack instructions

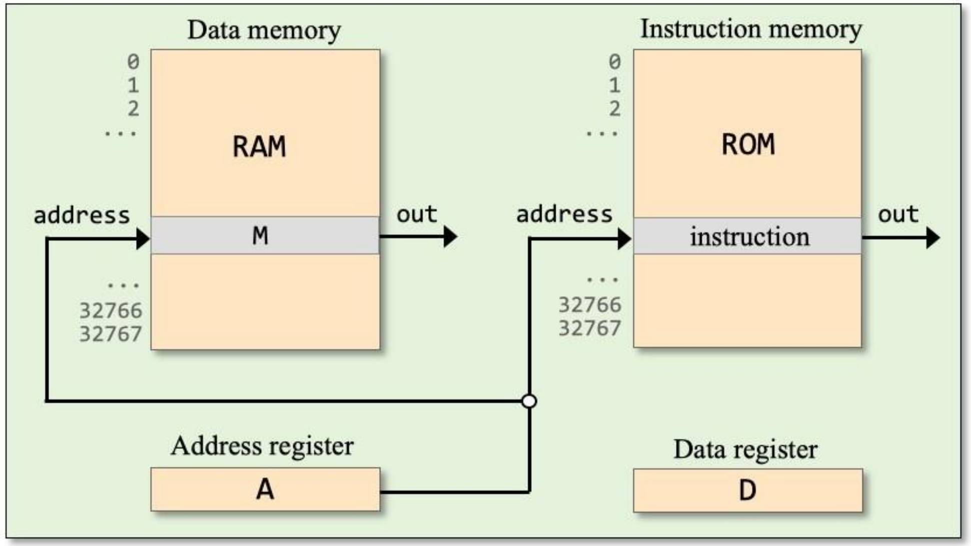
Typical instructions:

@constant (A←*constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

```
M=D
D=D+A
M=M-D
...
```



Examples:

```
// D ← 2
?
```

The game: We show some typical Hack instructions (top left), and practice writing code examples that use subsets of these instructions.

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

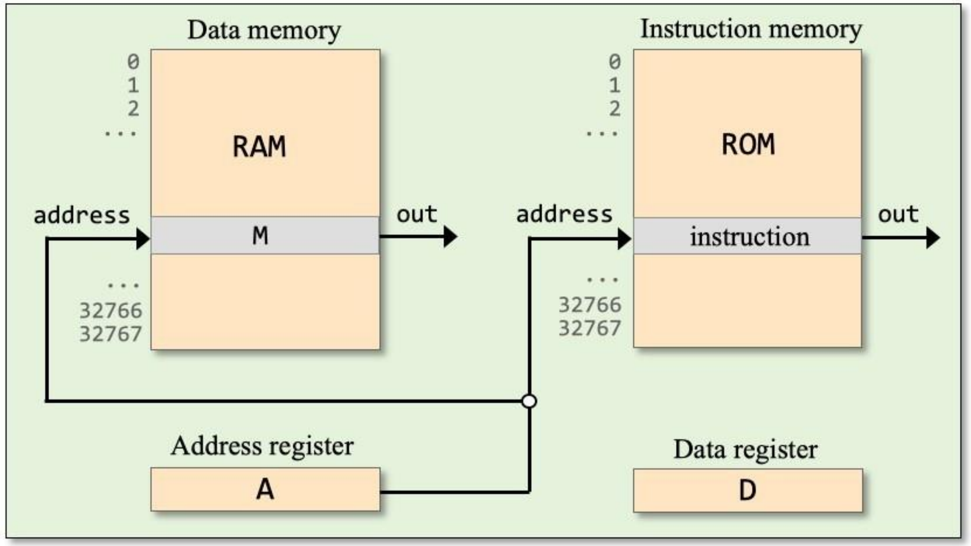
```
@constant
```

(A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

```
M=D
D=D+A
M=M-D
...
```



Examples:

```
// D ← 2
D=1
D=D+1
```

```
// D ← 1954
?
```

Use only the instructions shown in this slide

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

```
@constant
```

(A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

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M=M-D
...
```

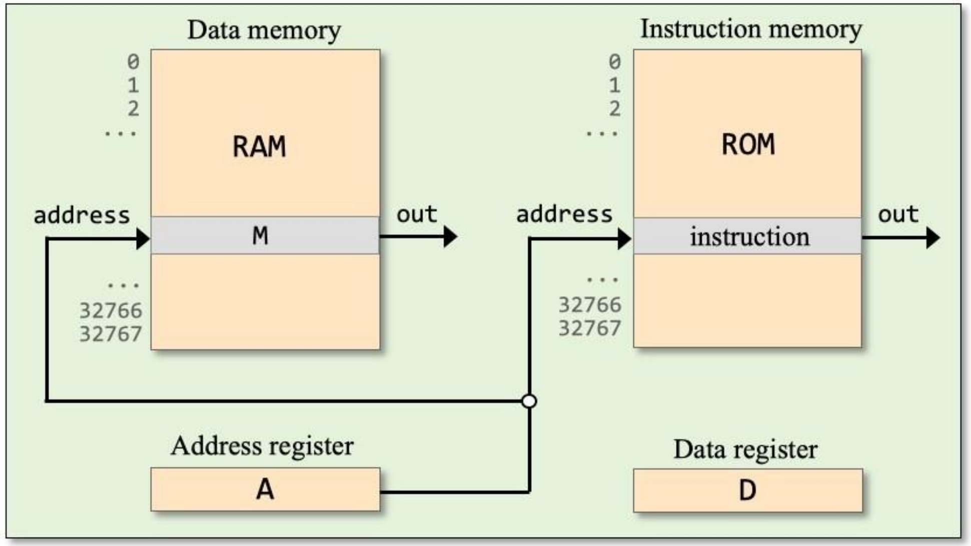

Examples:

```
// D ← 2
D=1
D=D+1
```

```
// D ← 1954
@1954
D=A
```

```
// D ← D + 23
?
```

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Hack instructions

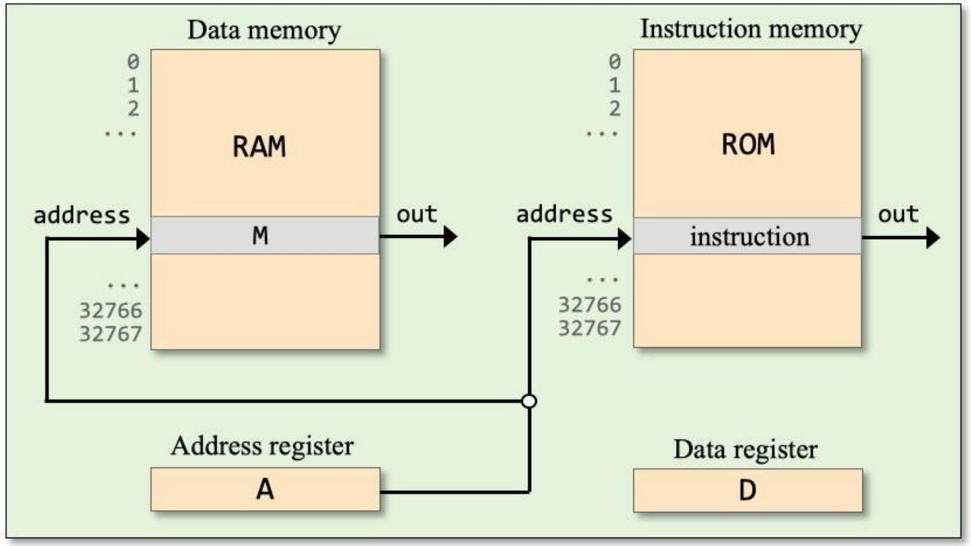
Typical instructions:

`@constant` (A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

```
M=D
D=D+A
M=M-D
...
```



Examples:

```
// D ← 2
D=1
D=D+1
```

```
// D ← 1954
@1954
D=A
```

```
// D ← D + 23
@23
D=D+A
```

Observation

In these examples we use the address register `A` as a *data register*:

The addressing side-effects of `A` are ignored.

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

`@constant` (A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
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D=M
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...
```

```
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...
```

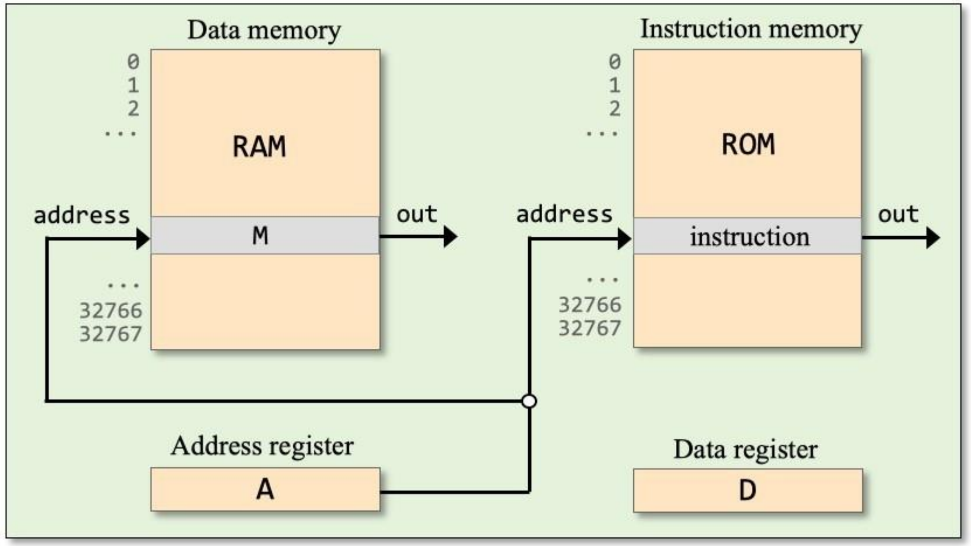

More examples:

```
// RAM[100] ← 0
@100
M=0
```

```
// RAM[100] ← 17
@17
D=A
@100
M=D
```

- First pair of instructions:
  A is used as a *data register*
- Second pair of instructions:
  A is used as an *address register*

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

@constant (A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
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D=M
M=0
...
```

```
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M=M-D
...
```
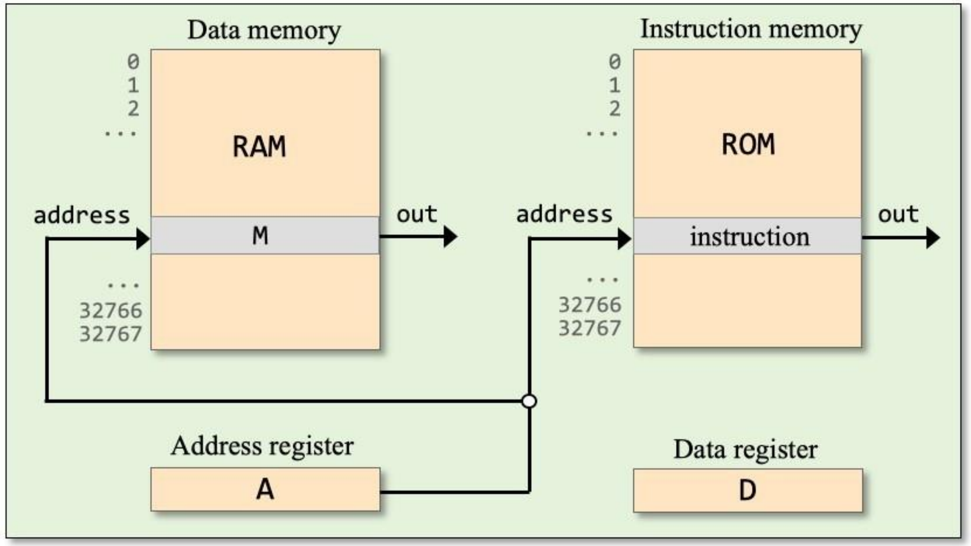



More examples:

```
// RAM[100] ← 0
@100
M=0
```

```
// RAM[100] ← 17
@17
D=A
@100
M=D
```

```
// RAM[100] ← RAM[200]
?
```

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

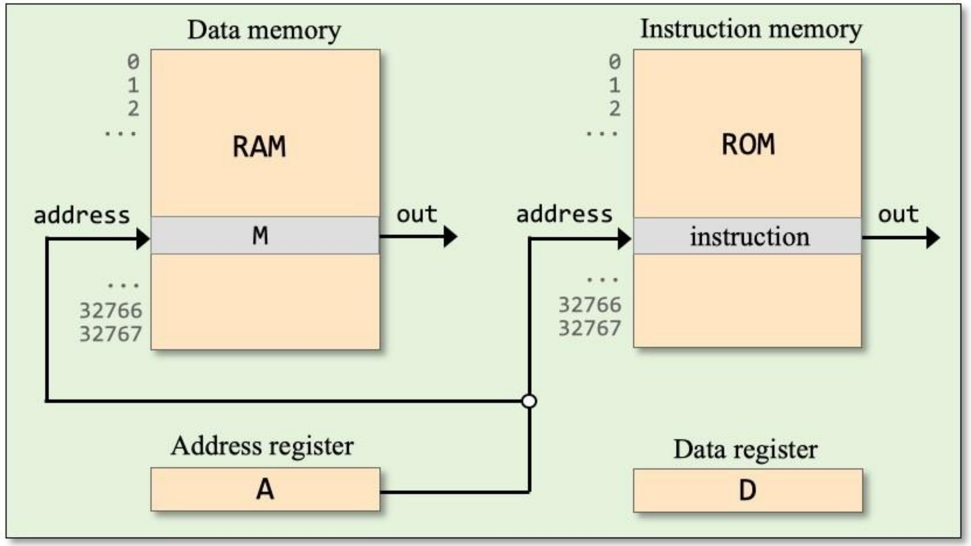
```
@constant
```

(A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

```
M=D
D=D+A
M=M-D
...
```



More examples:

```
// RAM[100] ← 0
@100
M=0
```

```
// RAM[100] ← 17
@17
D=A
@100
M=D
```

```
// RAM[100] ←
RAM[200]   @200
D=M
@100
M=D
```

When we want to operate on a memory register, we typically need a pair of instructions:

- A instruction: Selects a memory register
- C instruction: Operates on the selected register.

Hack instructions

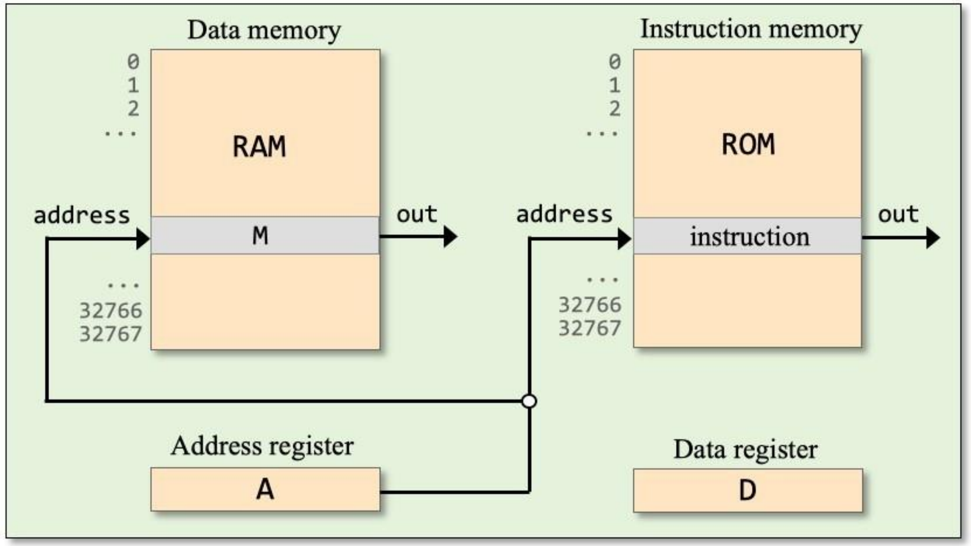
Typical instructions:

@constant (A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

```
M=D
D=D+A
M=M-D
...
```



```
// RAM[3] ← RAM[3] – 15

?
```

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Hack instructions

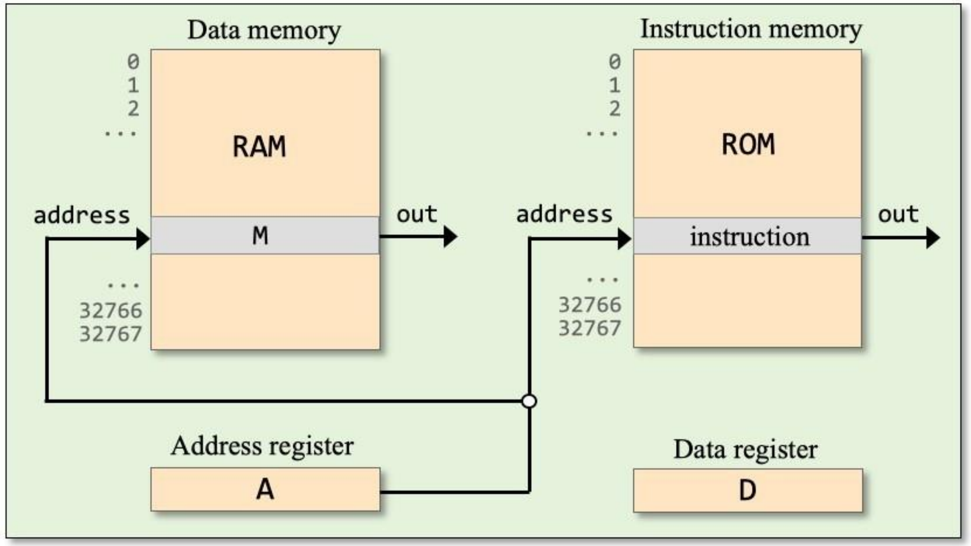
Typical instructions:

`@constant`   (A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

```
M=D
D=D+A
M=M-D
...
```



```
// RAM[3] ← RAM[3] – 15
@15
D=A
@3
M=M-D
```

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```
// RAM[3] ← RAM[4] + 1
```

?

Hack instructions

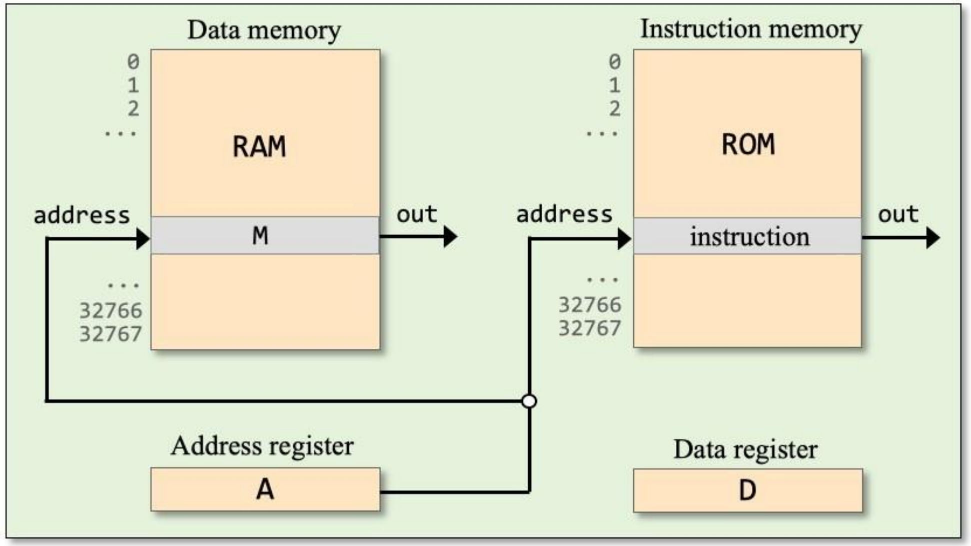
Typical instructions:

`@constant` (A ← *constant*)

```
D=1
D=A
D=D+1
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=M
M=0
...
```

```
M=D
D=D+A
M=M-D
...
```



```
// RAM[3] ← RAM[3] – 15
@15
D=A
@3
M=M-D
```

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```
// RAM[3] ← RAM[4] + 1
@4
D=M+1
@3
M=D
```

Hack instructions

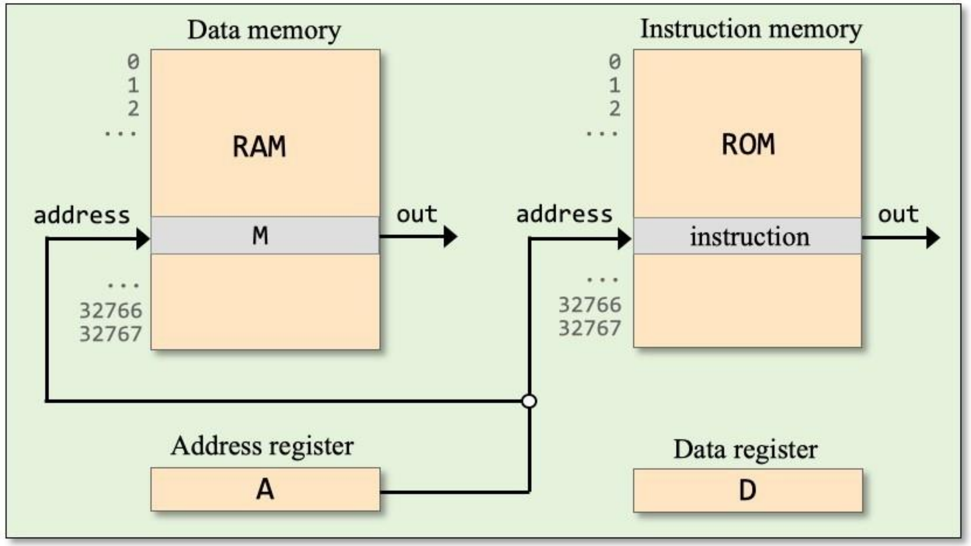
Typical instructions:

@*constant* (A←*constant*)

```
A=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
A=M
D=M
M=D
...
```

```
A=D-A
D=D+A
D=D+M
...
```



Add.asm

```
// Computes: RAM[2] = RAM[0] + RAM[1] + 17
```

?

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Hack instructions

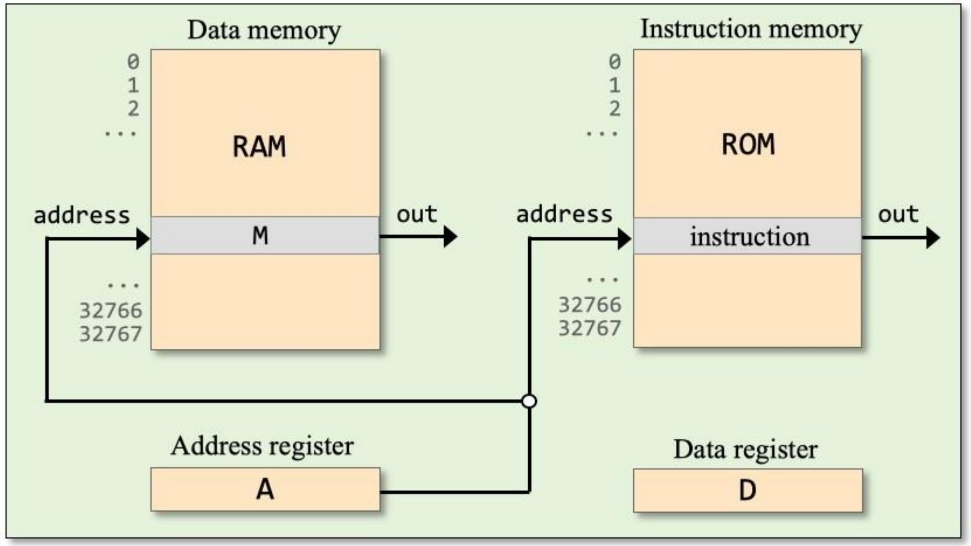
Typical instructions:

`@constant` (A ← *constant*)

```
A=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
A=M
D=M
M=D
...
```

```
A=D-A
D=D+A
D=D+M
...
```



Add.asm

```
// Computes: RAM[2] = RAM[0] + RAM[1] + 17
// D = RAM[0]
@0
D=M
// D = D + RAM[1]
@1
D=D+M
// D = D + 17
@17
D=D+A
// RAM[2] = D
@2
M=D
```

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

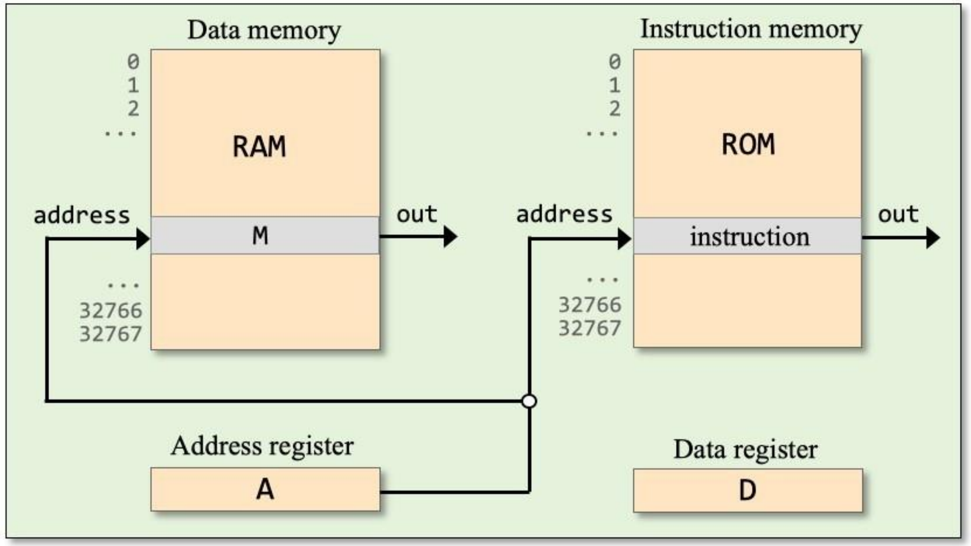
@ *constant* (A←*constant*)

constant

```
A=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
A=M
D=M
M=D
...
```

```
A=D-A
D=D+A
D=D+M
...
```



Add.asm

```
// Computes: RAM[2] = RAM[0] + RAM[1] + 17
// D = RAM[0]
@0
D=M
// D = D + RAM[1]
@1
D=D+M
// D = D + 17
@17
D=D+A
// RAM[2] = D
@2
M=D
```

How can we tell that a given program *actually works*?

- Testing / simulating
- Formal verification

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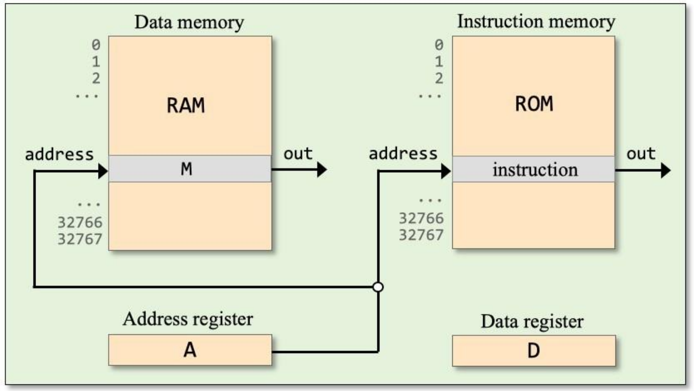

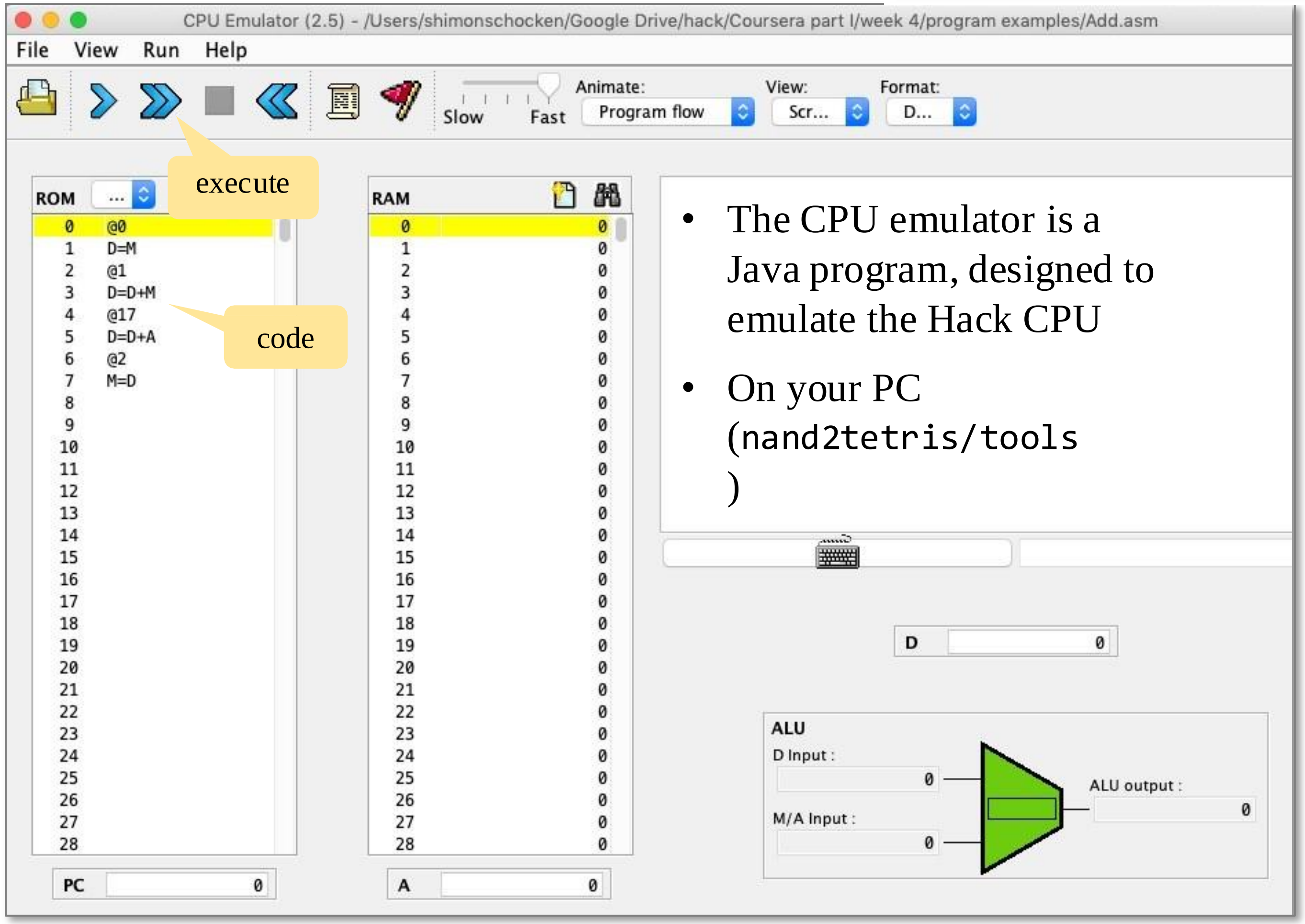
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execute

code

```
ROM
 0  @0
 1  D=M
 2  @1
 3  D=D+M
 4  @17
 5  D=D+A
 6  @2
 7  M=D
 8
 9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
```

RAM	
0	0
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	0
8	0
9	0
10	0
11	0
12	0
13	0
14	0
15	0
16	0
17	0
18	0
19	0
20	0
21	0
22	0
23	0
24	0
25	0
26	0
27	0
28	0

PC 0

A 0

D 0

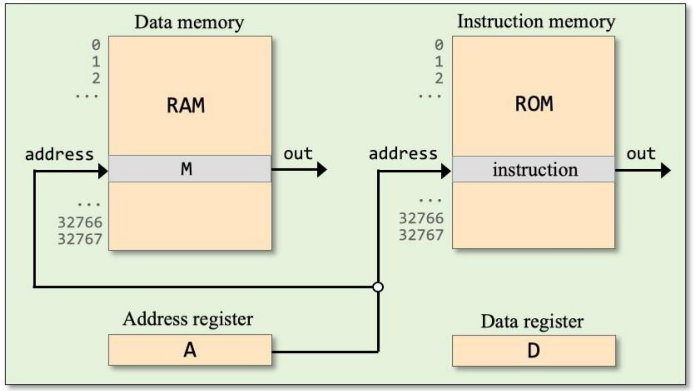
D Input : 0

M/A Input : 0

ALU output : 0

- The CPU emulator is a Java program, designed to emulate the Hack CPU
- On your PC (`nand2tetris/tools`)

The CPU emulator



`Add.asm` (example)

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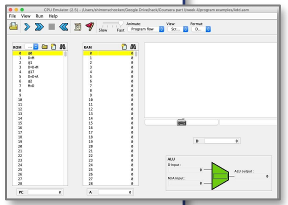
@1
D=D+M
// D = D + 17
@17
D=D+A
// RAM[2] = D
@2
M=D
```

Load into the CPU emulator



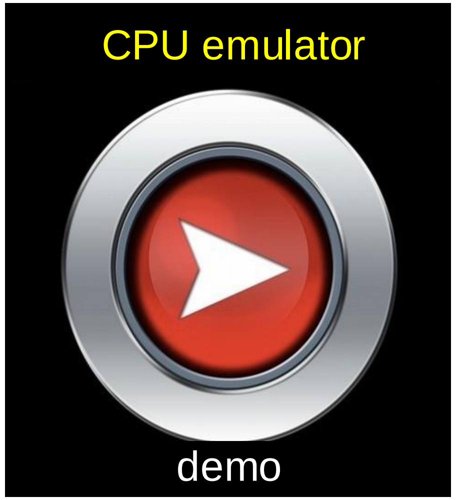
Binary

```
0000000000000000
1000010010001101
0000000000000001
1010011001100001
0000000000010001
1001111100110011
0000000000000010
1110010010010011
```

Execute

When loading a symbolic program into the CPU emulator, the emulator translates it into binary code (using a built-in assembler)

The CPU emulator



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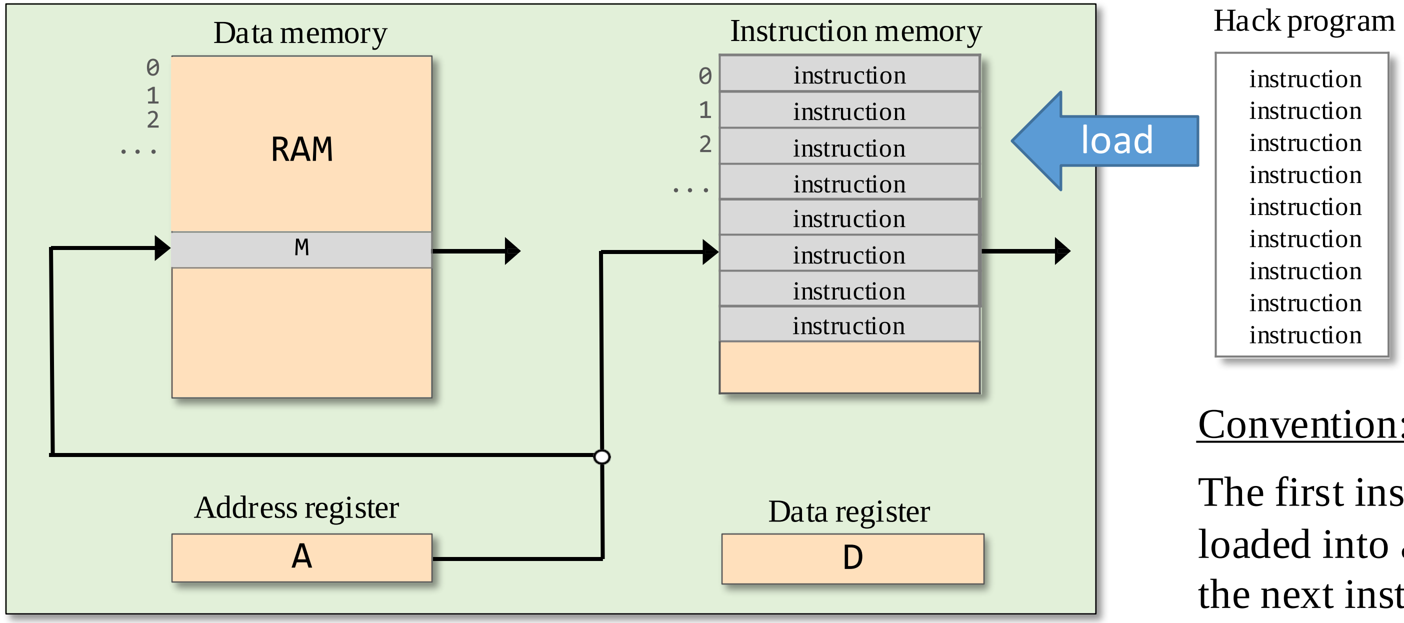
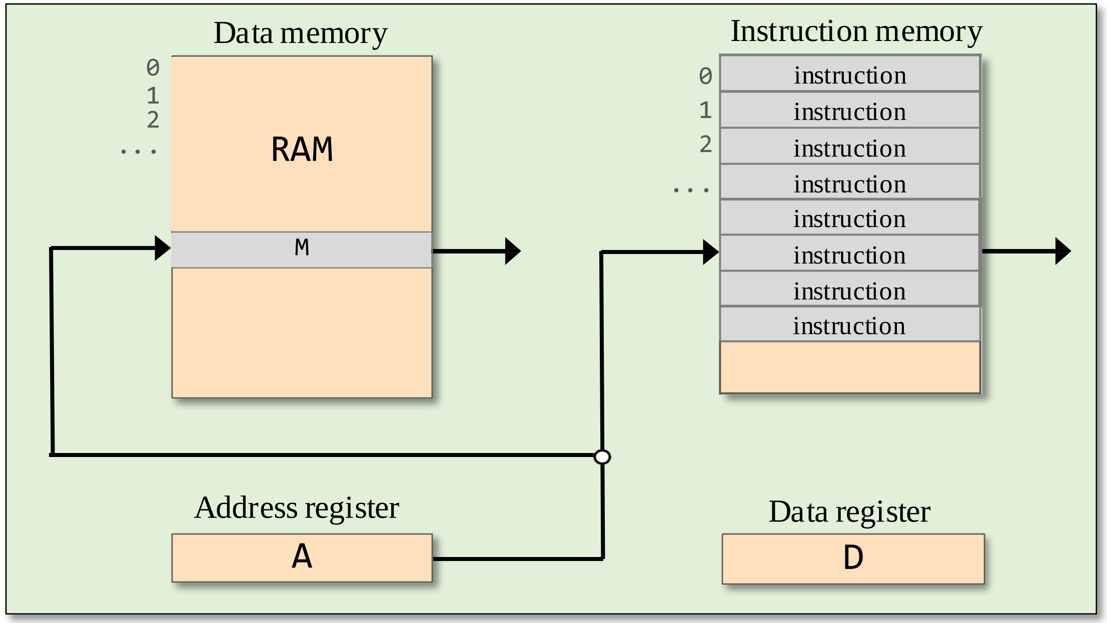
Loading a program



<u>Convention:</u>

The first instruction is loaded into address 0, the next instruction into address 1, and so on.

Executing a program



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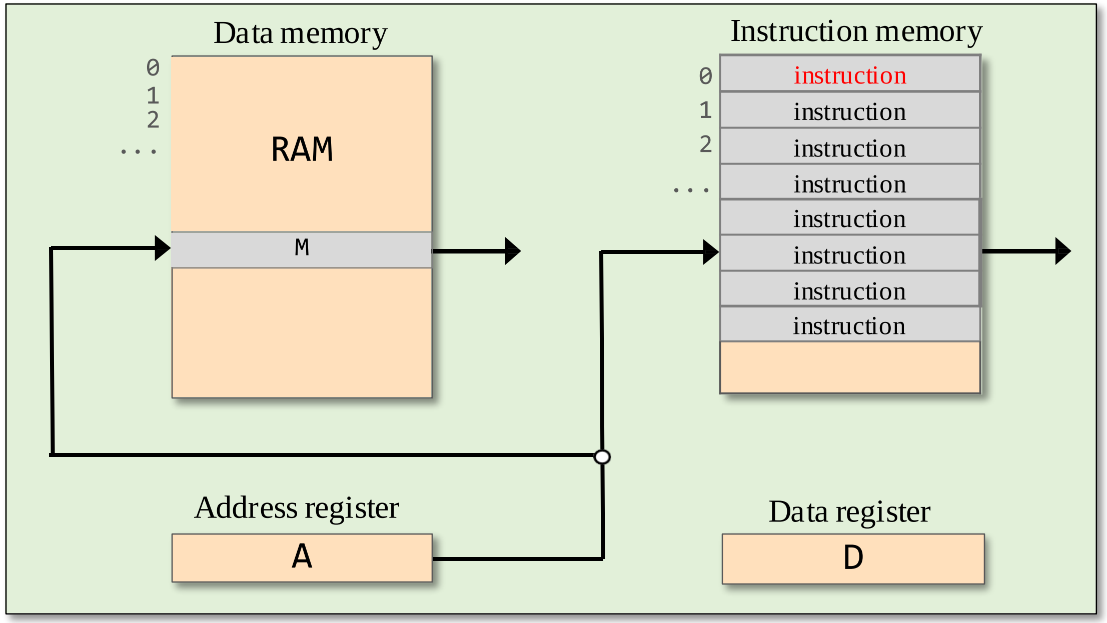

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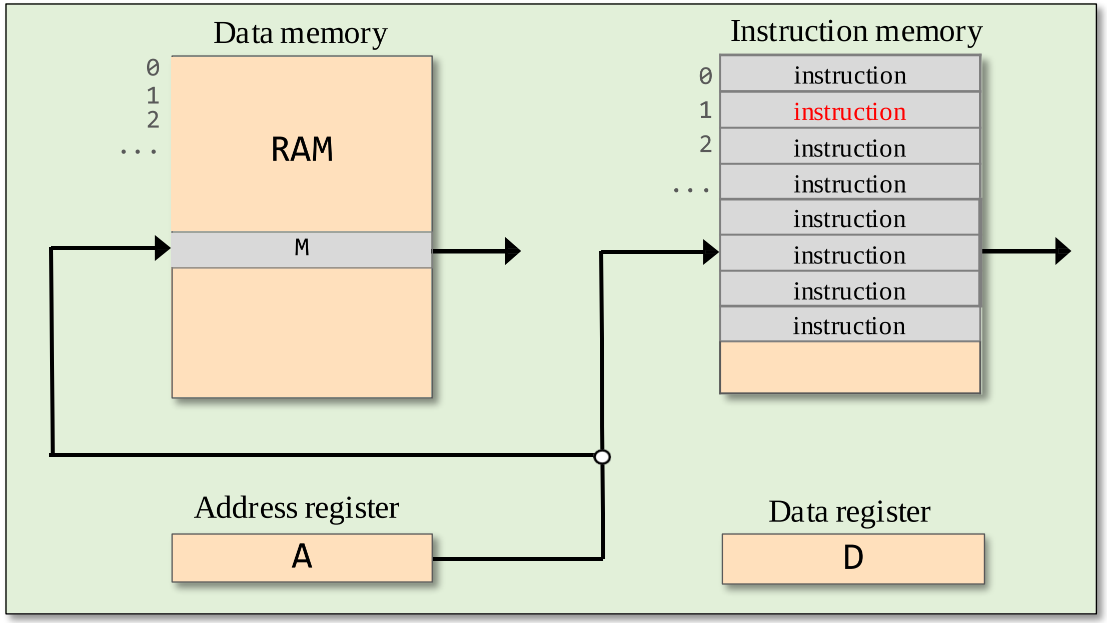

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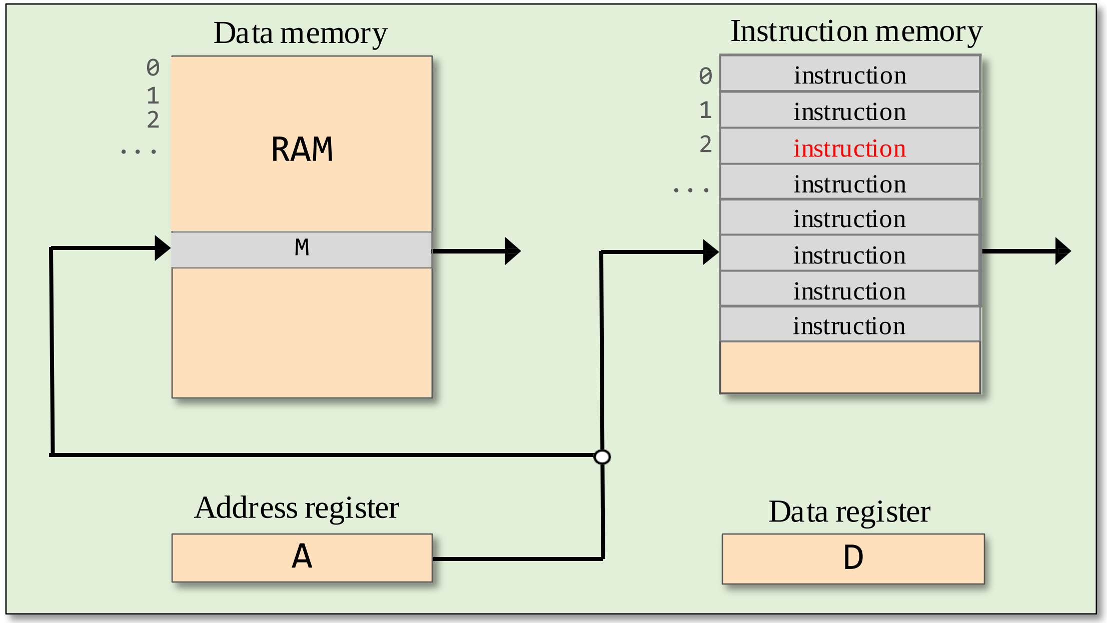

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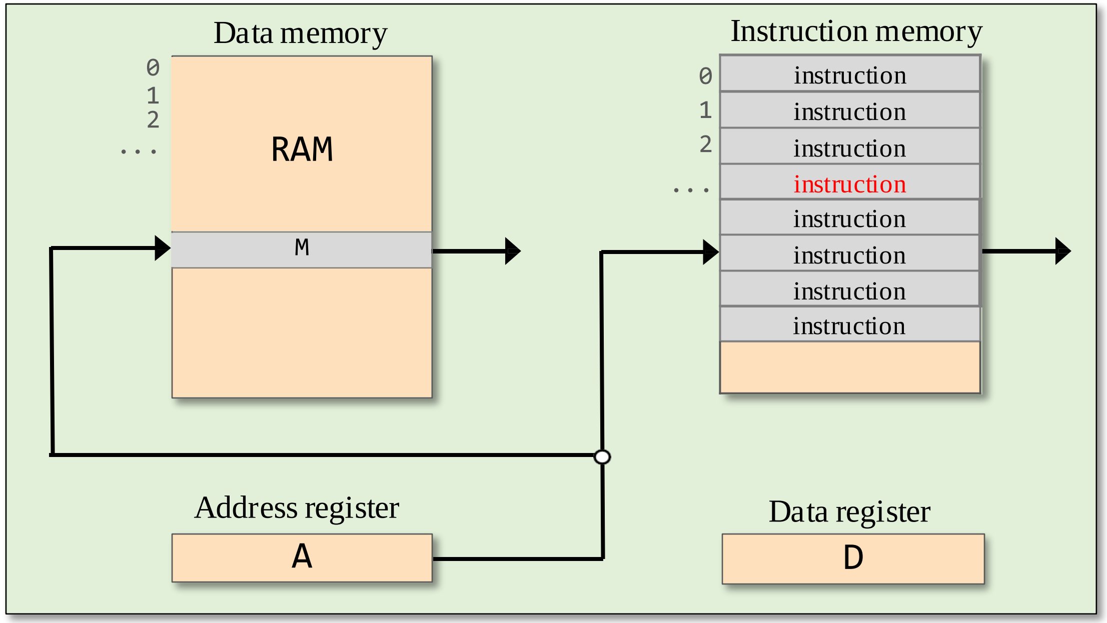
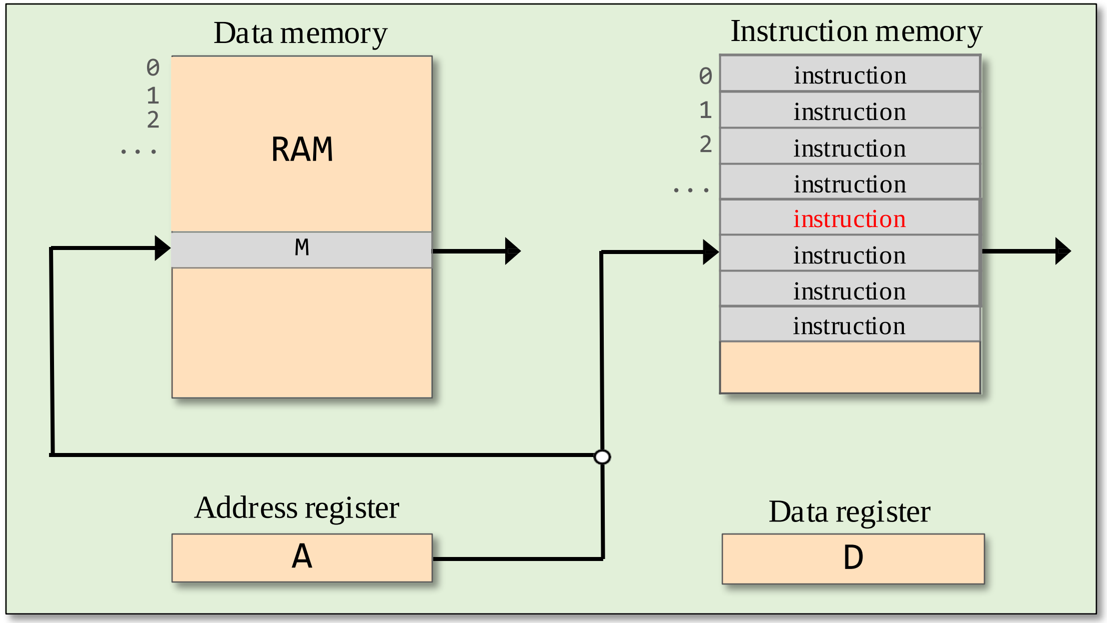
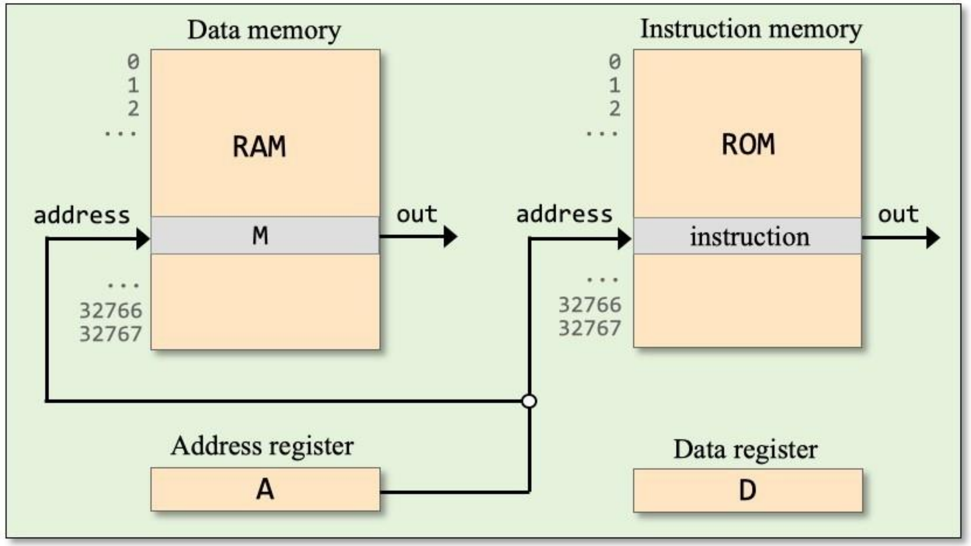


Executing a program



- The default: Execute the next instruction
- Suppose we wish to execute another instruction
- How to specify this *branching*?

Branching



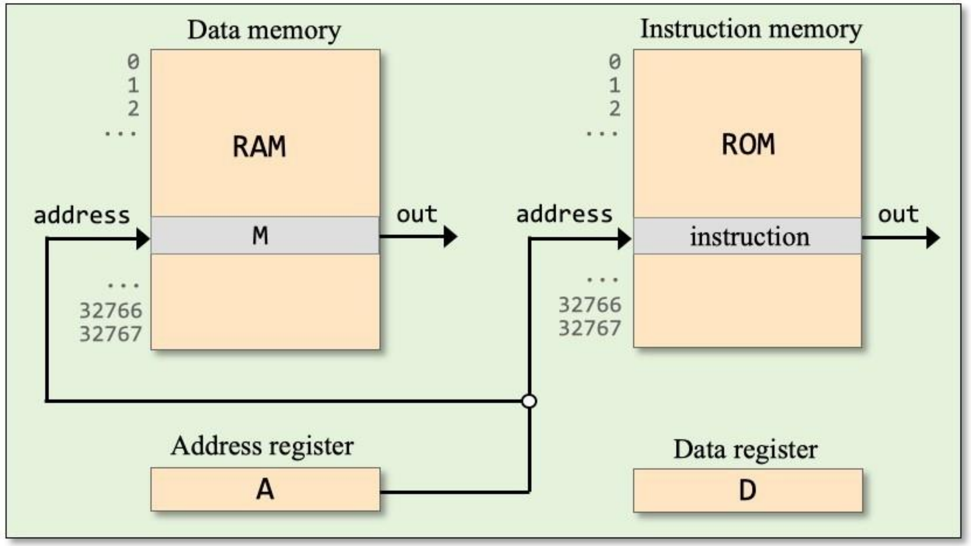
Unconditional branching example (pseudocode)

```
0   instruction
1   instruction
2   instruction
3   instruction
4   goto 7
5   instruction
6   instruction
7   instruction
8   instruction
9   goto 2
10  instruction
11  ...
```

Flow of control:

```
0,1,2,3,4,
7,8,9,
2,3,4,
7,8,9,
2,3,4,
...
```

Branching



Conditional branching example (pseudocode)

```
0    instruction
1    instruction
2    instruction
3    instruction
4    if (condition) goto 7
5    instruction
6    instruction
7    instruction
8    instruction
9    instruction
...  ...
```

Flow of control:

`0,1,2,3,4,`

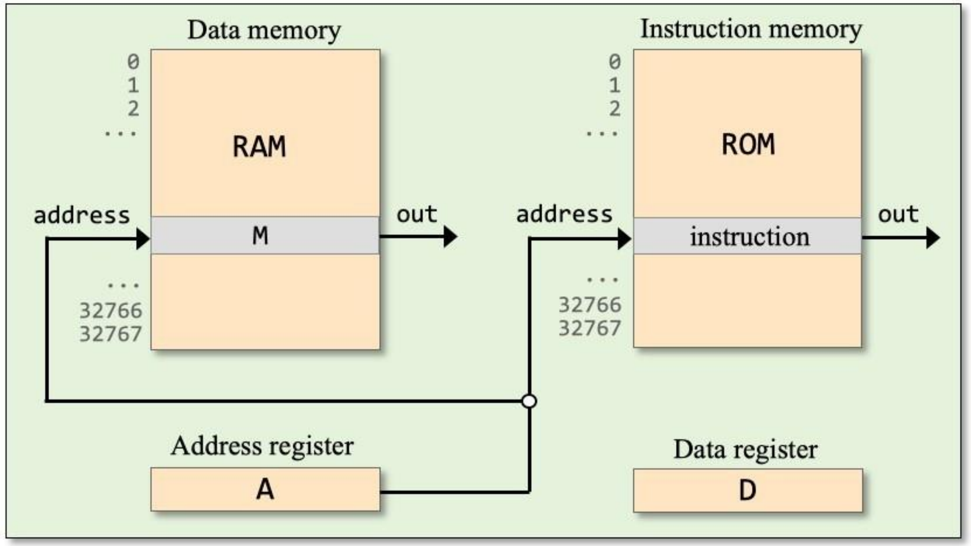
if *condition* is true

`    7,8,9,...`

else

`    5,6,7,8,9,...`

Branching



Branching in the
Hack language:

Example (Pseudocode):

```
0    instruction
1    instruction
2    goto 6
3    instruction
4    instruction
5    instruction
6    instruction
7    instruction
...  ...
```

In Hack:

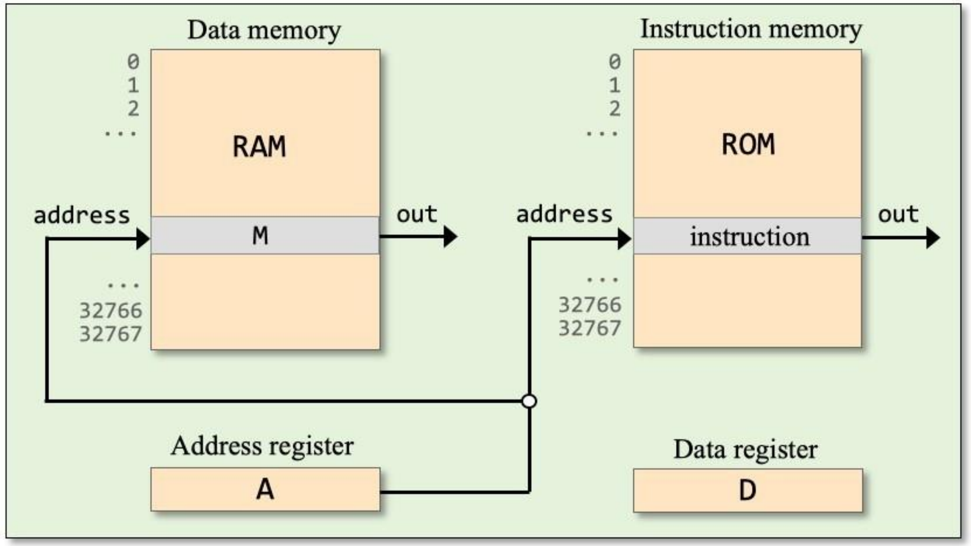
```
...
// goto 6
@6
0;JMP
...
```

<u>Semantics of</u> `0;JMP`

Jump to the instruction stored in the register selected by `A`

(the “`0;`” prefix will be explained later)

Branching



Branching in the Hack language:

Example (Pseudocode):

```
1    instruction
2    instruction
3    if (D>0) goto 6
4    instruction
5    instruction
6    instruction
7    instruction
8    instruction
...  ...
```

In Hack:

```
...
// if (D>0) goto 6
@6
D;JGT
...
```

Typical branching instructions:

```
D;JGT  // if D > 0 jump
D;JGE  // if D ≥ 0 jump
D;JLT  // if D < 0 jump
D;JLE  // if D ≤ 0 jump
D;JEQ  // if D = 0 jump
D;JNE  // if D ≠ 0 jump
0;JMP  // jump
```

} to the instruction stored in ROM[A]

Branching

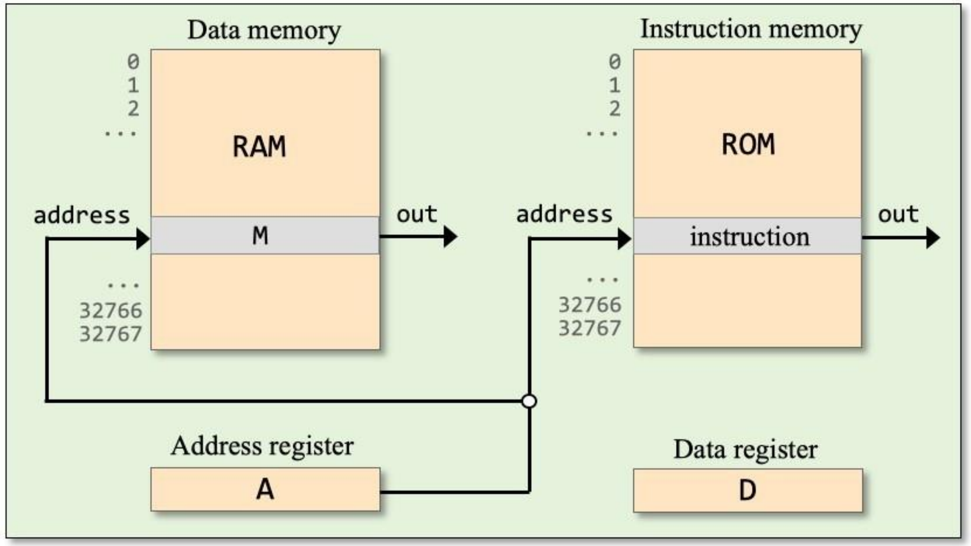
Typical instructions:

`@constant` (A←*constant*)

```
A=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
A=M
D=A
M=D
...
```

```
D=D-A
A=A-1
M=D+1
...
```



```
// if (D = 0) goto 300
?
```

Use only the instructions shown in the current slide

Typical branching instructions:

```
D;JGT  // if D > 0 jump
D;JGE  // if D ≥ 0 jump
D;JLT  // if D < 0 jump
D;JLE  // if D ≤ 0 jump
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D;JNE  // if D ≠ 0 jump
0;JMP  // jump
```

} to the instruction stored in `ROM[A]`

Branching

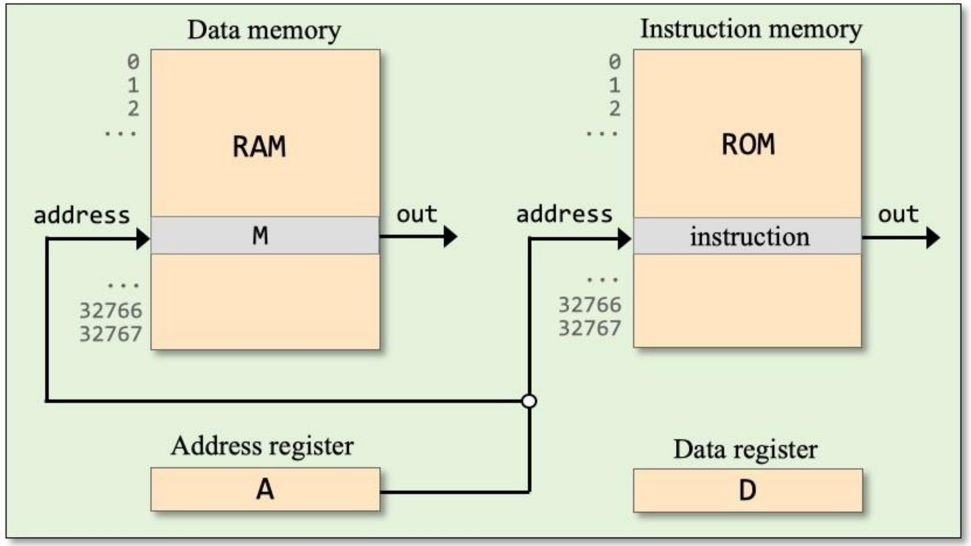
Typical instructions:

`@`*constant* (A←*constant*)

```
A=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
A=M
D=A
M=D
...
```

```
D=D-A
A=A-1
M=D+1
...
```



```
// if (D = 0) goto 300
@300
D;JEQ
```

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Typical branching instructions:

```
D;JGT  // if D > 0 jump
D;JGE  // if D ≥ 0 jump
D;JLT  // if D < 0 jump
D;JLE  // if D ≤ 0 jump
D;JEQ  // if D = 0 jump
D;JNE  // if D ≠ 0 jump
0;JMP  // jump
```

to the instruction stored in `ROM[A]`

Branching

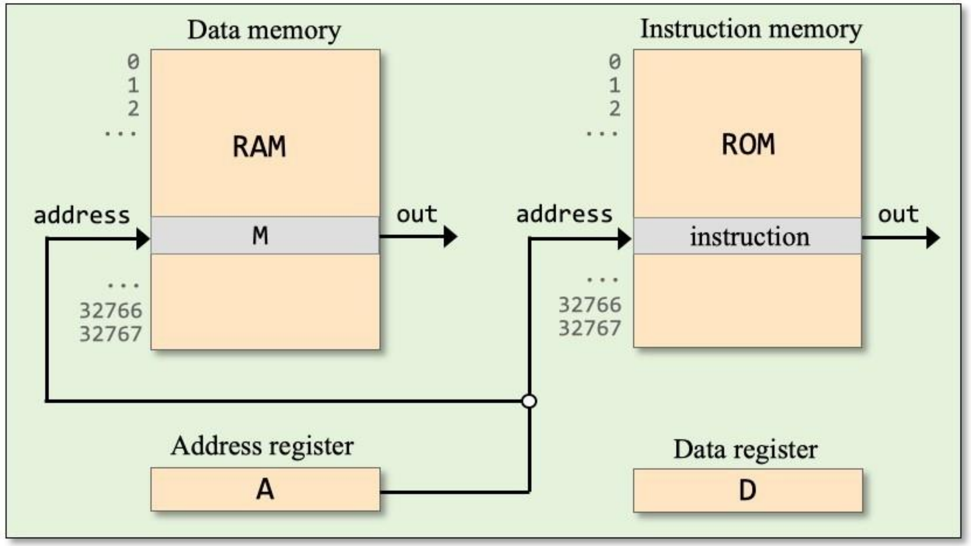
Typical instructions:

@*constant* (A←*constant*)

```
A=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
A=M
D=A
M=D
...
```

```
D=D-A
A=A-1
M=D+1
...
```



```
// if (RAM[3] < 100) goto 12
?
```

Typical branching instructions:

```
D;JGT  // if D > 0 jump
D;JGE  // if D ≥ 0 jump
D;JLT  // if D < 0 jump
D;JLE  // if D ≤ 0 jump
D;JEQ  // if D = 0 jump
D;JNE  // if D ≠ 0 jump
0;JMP  // jump
```

$\}$ to the instruction stored in `ROM[A]`

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Branching

Typical instructions:

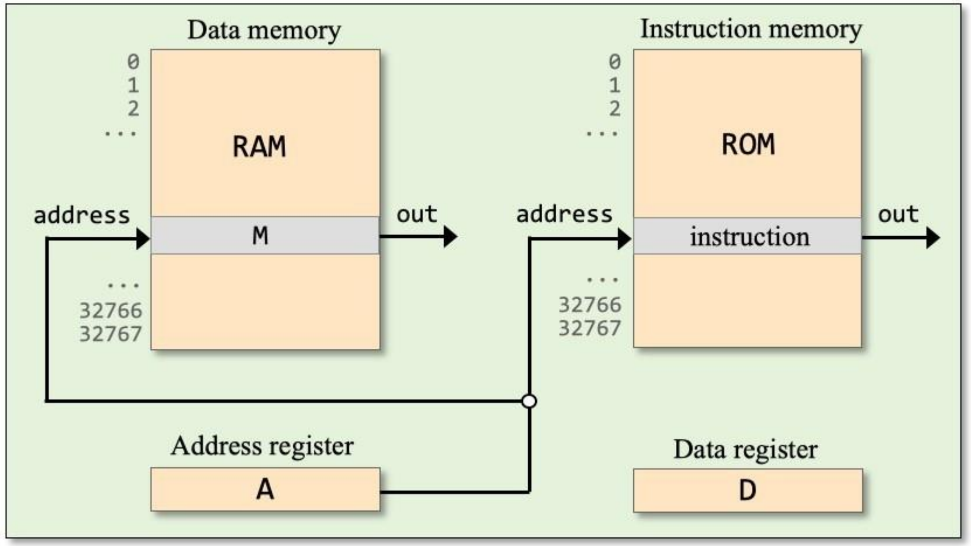
```
@constant
```

(A ← *constant*)

```
A=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
A=M
D=A
M=D
...
```

```
D=D-A
A=A-1
M=D+1
...
```



```
// if (RAM[3] < 100) goto 12

// D = RAM[3] – 100
@3
D=M
@100
D=D-A
// if (D < 0) goto 12
@12
D;JLT
```

Typical branching instructions:

```
D;JGT  // if D > 0 jump
D;JGE  // if D ≥ 0 jump
D;JLT  // if D < 0 jump
D;JLE  // if D ≤ 0 jump
D;JEQ  // if D = 0 jump
D;JNE  // if D ≠ 0 jump
0;JMP  // jump
```

to the instruction stored in ROM[A]

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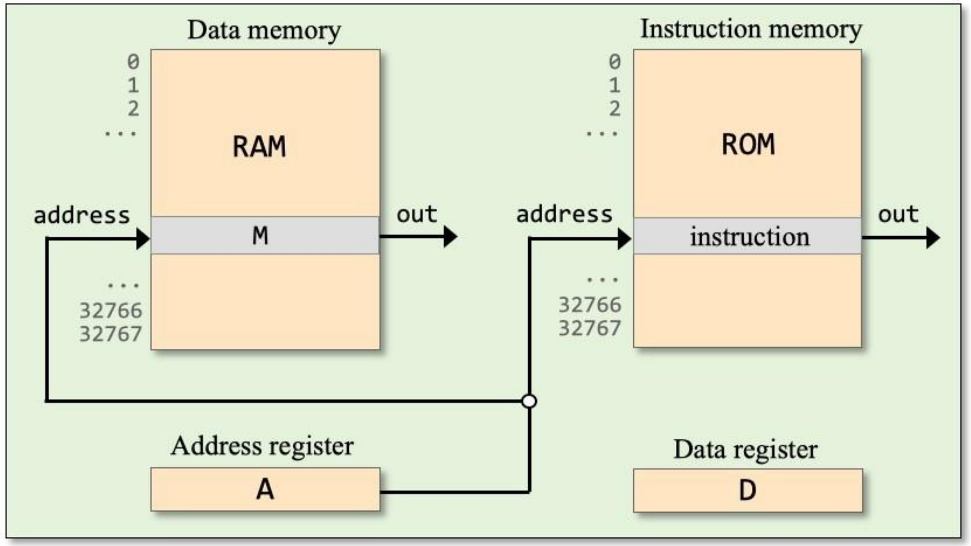
Hack instructions

- A instruction
- C instruction



Syntax:

```
@const
```

where *const* is a constant

```
@sym
```

where *sym* is a symbol bound to a constant

Example:

```
@19   // A ← 19
```

```
@x
```

For example, if x is bound to 21, this instruction will set A to 21

This idiom can be used for realizing:

- Variables
- Labels

Variables

Pseudocode (example)

```
...
i = 1
sum = 0
...
sum = sum + i
i = i + 1
...
```

write

Hack assembly

```
...
// i = 1
@i
M=1
// sum = 0
@sum
M=0
...
// sum = sum + i
@i
D=M
@sum
M=D+M
// i = i + 1
@i
M=M+1
...
```

Symbolic programming

- The code writer is allowed to use symbolic variables, as needed
- We assume that there is an agent who knows how to bind these symbols to selected RAM addresses

  This agent is the *assembler*

For example

- If the assembler will bind `i` to 16 and `sum` to 17, every instruction `@i` and `@sum` will end up selecting `RAM[16]` and `RAM[17]`
- Should the code writer worry about what is the actual bindings? No
- The result: a low-level model for representing *variables*.

Variables

Typical instructions:

@*constant* A ← *constant*

@*symbol* A ← the constant which is bound to *symbol*

```
D=0
M=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
D=M
A=M
M=D
D=A
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=A+1
D=D+M
M=M-1
...
```

```
// sum = 0
?
```

```
// x = 512
?
```

```
// n = n - 1
?
```

```
// sum = sum + x
?
```

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Typical instructions:

`@`*constant* A← *constant*

`@`*symbol* A← the constant which is bound to *symbol*

```
D=0
M=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
D=M
A=M
M=D
D=A
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=A+1
D=D+M
M=M-1
...
```

```
// sum = 0
@sum
M=0
```

```
// x = 512
@512
D=A
@x
M=D
```

```
// n = n - 1
@n
M=M-1
```

```
// sum = sum + x
@sum
D=M
@x
D=D+M
@sum
M=D
```

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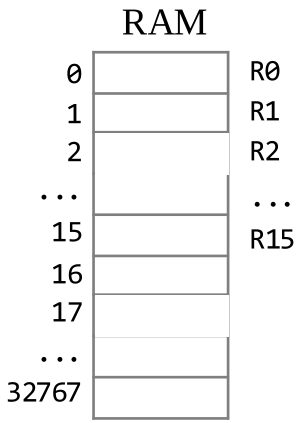
Variables

Pre-defined symbols

symbol	value
R0	0
R1	1
R2	2
...	...
R15	15



- As if you have 16 built-in variables named R0…R15
- We sometimes call them “virtual registers”

Example:

```
// Sets R1 to 2 * R0
// Usage: Enter a value in R0
@R0
D=M
@R1
M=D
M=D+M
```

The use of R0, R1, … (instead of physical addresses 0, 1, …) makes it easier to document, write, and debug Hack code.

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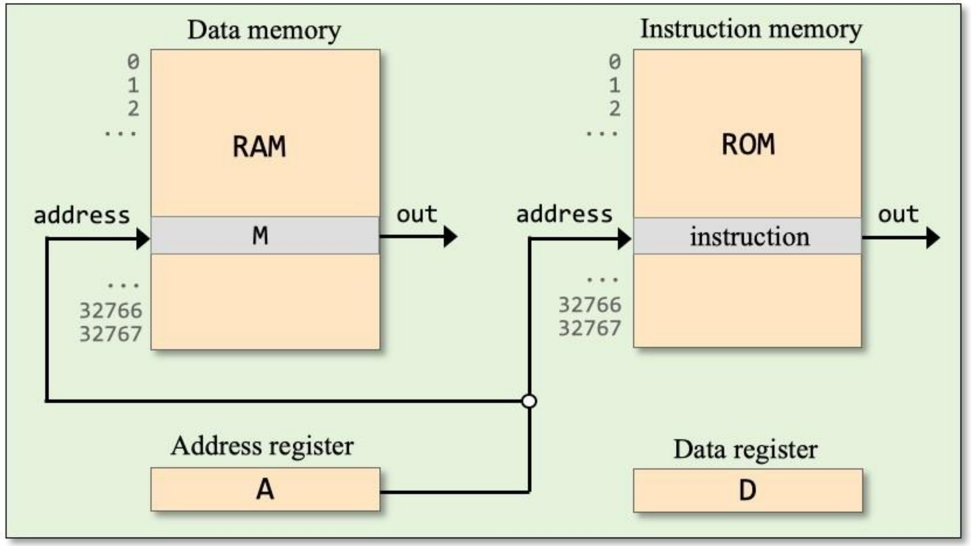
Labels

Typical branching instructions:

```
D;JGT // if D > 0 jump
D;JGE // if D ≥ 0 jump
D;JLT // if D < 0 jump
D;JLE // if D ≤ 0 jump
D;JEQ // if D = 0 jump
D;JNE // if D ≠ 0 jump
0;JMP // jump
```

to ROM[A]



Examples (similar to what we did before):

```
// goto 48
?
```

```
// if (D > 0) goto 21
?
```

```
// if (RAM[100] < 0) goto 35
?
```

Labels

Typical branching instructions:

```
D;JGT  // if D > 0 jump
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D;JLT  // if D < 0 jump
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0;JMP  // jump
```

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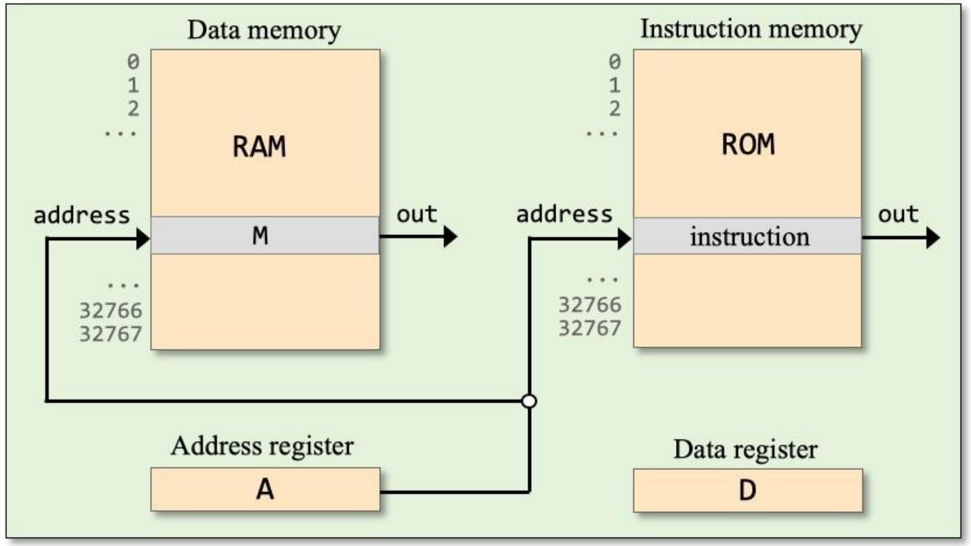

Examples (similar to what we did before):

```
// goto 48
@48
0;JMP
```

```
// if (D > 0) goto 21
@21
D;JGT
```

```
// if (RAM[100] < 0) goto 35
@100
D=M
@35
D;JLT
```

Same examples, using *labels*

```
// goto LOOP
@LOOP
0;JMP
```

```
// if (D > 0) goto CONT
@CONT
D;JGT
```

```
// if (x < 0) goto NEG
@x
D=M
@NEG
D;JLT
```

Hack convention:

Variables: lower-case symbols

Labels: upper-case symbols

Labels

Example (pseudocode)

```
   ...
LOOP:
   if (i = 0) goto CONT
   do this
   ...
   goto LOOP
CONT:
   do that
   ...
```

Hack assembly

```
   ...
(LOOP)
   // if (i = 0) goto CONT
   @i
   D=M
   @CONT
   D;JEQ
   do this
   ...
   // goto LOOP
   @LOOP
   0;JMP
(CONT)
   do that
   ...
```

<u>Hack assembly syntax:</u>

- A label *sym* is declared using (*sym*)
- Any label *sym* declared somewhere in the program can appear in a @*sym* instruction
- The assembler resolves the labels to actual addresses.

<u>Programs that use symbolic labels and variables</u> are...

- Easy to write / translate from pseudocode
- Readable
- Relocatable.

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Program example 1: Add

Task: R2 ← R0 + R1 + 17

Add.asm

```
// Sets R2 to R0 + R1 + 17
// D = R0
@R0
D=M
// D = D + R1
@R1
D=D+M
// D = D + 17
@17
D=D+A
// R2 = D
@R2
M=D
```

Program example 2: `signum`

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

write

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
   @R0
   D=M
   @POS
   D;JGE
   // R1 = -1
   @R1
   M=-1
   // goto END
   @END
   0;JMP
(POS)
   // R1 = 1
   @R1
   M=1
(END)
```

Best practice

When writing a (non-trivial) assembly program, always start with writing pseudocode.

Then translate the pseudo instructions into assembly, line by line.

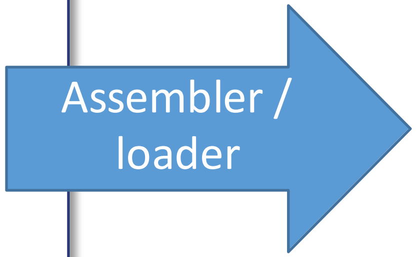
Program example 2: `signum`

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

`Signum.asm`

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
    // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
    @R0
    D=M
    @POS
    D;JGE
    // R1 = -1
    @R1
    M=-1
    // goto END
    @END
    0;JMP
(POS)
    // R1 = 1
    @R1
    M=1
(END)
```



(Note how the assembler mapped all the symbols on physical addresses)

Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
3	D;JGE
4	@1
5	M=-1
6	@10
7	0;JMP
8	
9	M=1
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
...	

Watch out: Security breach

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
   @R0
   D=M
   @POS
   D;JGE
   // R1 = -1
   @R1
   M=-1
   // goto END
   @END
   0;JMP
(POS)
   // R1 = 1
   @R1
   M=1
(END)
```

Assembler / loader

Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
3	D;JGE
4	@1
5	M=-1
6	@10
7	0;JMP
8	
9	M=1
10	0111111000111110
11	1010101001011110
12	0100100110011011
13	1110010011111111
14	0101011100110111
...	

The memory is never empty

Watch out: Security breach

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
   @R0
   D=M
   @POS
   D;JGE
   // R1 = -1
   @R1
   M=-1
   // goto END
   @END
   0;JMP
(POS)
   // R1 = 1
   @R1
   M=1
(END)
```

Program execution:

	Memory
0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
3	D;JGE
4	@1
5	M=-1
6	@10
7	0;JMP
8	
9	M=1
10	0111111000111110
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...	

Watch out: Security breach

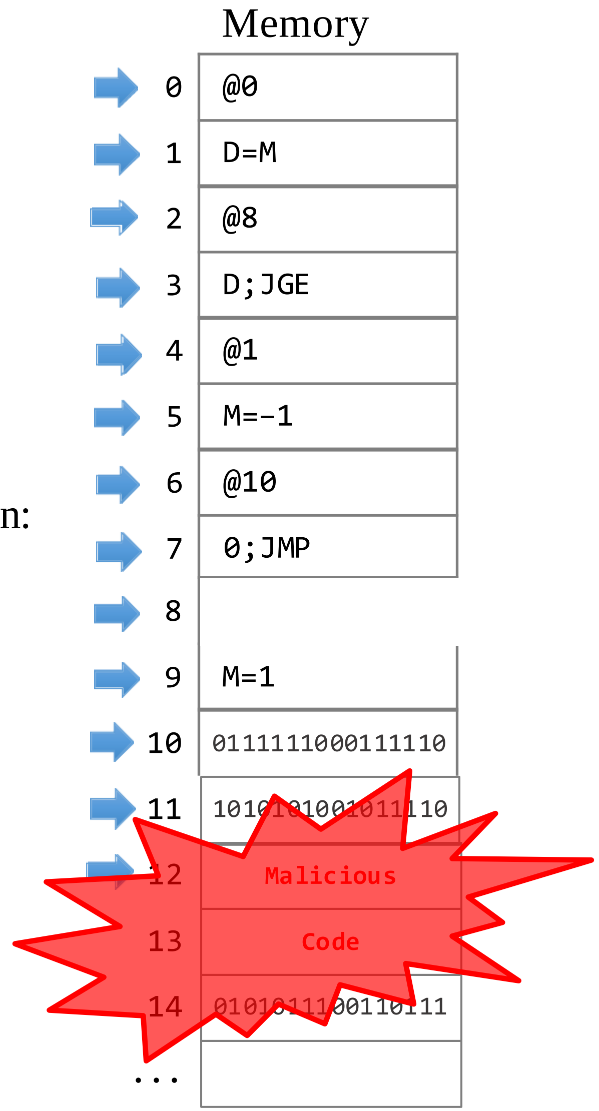
Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
   @R0
   D=M
   @POS
   D;JGE
   // R1 = -1
   @R1
   M=-1
   // goto END
   @END
   0;JMP
(POS)
   // R1 = 1
   @R1
   M=1
(END)
```

Program execution:



Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
3	D;JGE
4	@1
5	M=-1
6	@10
7	0;JMP
8	
9	M=1
10	0111111000111110
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...	

Terminating programs properly

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
    // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
    @R0
    D=M
    @POS
    D;JGE
    // R1 = -1
    @R1
    M=-1
    // goto END
    @END
    0;JMP
(POS)
    // R1 = 1
    @R1
    M=1
(END)
```

Terminating programs properly

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
    // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
    @R0
    D=M
    @POS
    D;JGE
    // R1 = -1
    @R1
    M=-1
    // goto END
    @END
    0;JMP
(POS)
    // R1 = 1
    @R1
    M=1
(END)
    @END
    0;JMP
```

Infinite loop

Terminating programs properly

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
   R1 = -1
   goto END
POS:
   R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
   // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
   @R0
   D=M
   @POS
   D;JGE
   // R1 = -1
   @R1
   M=-1
   // goto END
   @END
   0;JMP
(POS)
   // R1 = 1
   @R1
   M=1
(END)
   @END
   0;JMP
```

Memory

0	@0
1	@D=M
2	@8
3	@D;JGE
4	@1
5	@M=-1
6	@10
7	@0;JMP
8	
9	@M=1
10	@10
11	0;JMP
12	0100100110011011
13	1110010011111111
14	0101011100110111
. . .	

<u>Best practice:</u>

Terminate every assembly program with an infinite loop.

Program example 3: `Max`

Task: Set `R0` to *max*(`R1`, `R2`)

Examples: *max*(5,3) = 5, *max*(2,7) = 7, *max*(4,4) = 4

Pseudocode

```
// if (R1 > R2) then R0 = R1
// else              R0 = R2
...
```

write

`Max2.asm`

```
// You do it
```

- Write the pseudocode
- Translate and write the assembly code in a text file named `Max2.asm`
- Load `Max2.asm` into the CPU emulator
- Put some values in `R1` and `R2`
- Run the program, one instruction at a time
- Make sure that the program puts the correct value in `R0`.

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Iterative processing

Example: Compute 1 + 2 + 3 + ... + N

Pseudocode

```
// Program: Sum1ToN (R0 represents N)
// Computes R1 = 1 + 2 + 3 + ... + R0
// Usage: put a value >= 1 in R0
   i = 1
   sum = 0
LOOP:
   if (i > R0) goto STOP
   sum = sum + i
   i = i + 1
   goto LOOP
STOP:
   R1 = sum
```

Hack assembly

```
// Program: Sum1ToN (R0 represents N)
// Computes R1 = 1 + 2 + 3 + ... + R0
// Usage: put a value >= 1 in R0
   // i = 1
   @i
   M=1
   // sum = 0
   @sum
   M=0
(LOOP)
   // if (i > R0) goto STOP
   @i
   D=M
   @R0
   D=D-M
   @STOP
   D;JGT
   // sum = sum + i
   @sum
   D=M
   @i
   D=D+M
   @sum
   M=D
   // i = i + 1
   @i
   M=M+1
   // goto LOOP
   @LOOP
   0;JMP
```

(code continues here)

```
(STOP)
   // R1 = sum
   @sum
   D=M
   @R1
   M=D
   // infinite loop
(END)
   @END
   0;JMP
```

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Pointer-based processing

Example 1: Set the register at address *addr* to –1

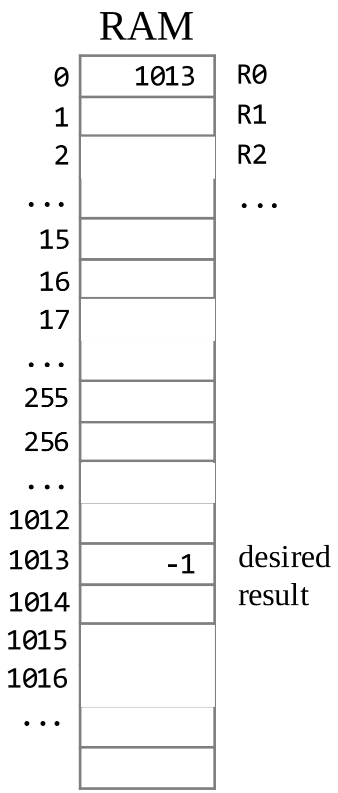
Input: `R0`: Holds *addr*

```
// Sets RAM[R0] to -1
// Usage: Put some non-negative value in R0

@R0
A=M
M=-1
```

The key instruction:

In the Hack machine language, pointer-based processing is realized by setting the address register to the address that we want to access, using the instruction `A=` ...



RAM

0	1013	R0
1		R1
2		R2
...		...
15		
16		
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
1012		
1013	-1	desired result
1014		
1015		
1016		
...		

Pointer-based processing

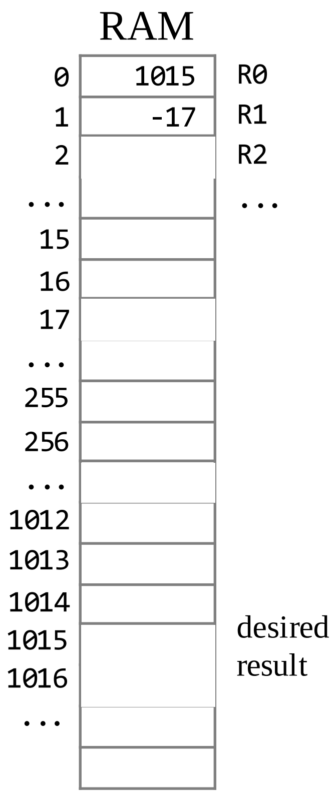
Example 1: Set the register at address *addr* to –1

Input: `R0`: Holds *addr*

```
// Sets RAM[R0] to -1
// Usage: Put some non-negative value in R0
@R0
A=M
M=-1
```

Example 2:

```
// Sets RAM[R0] to R1
// Usage: Put some non-negative value in R0,
//             and some value in R1.
@R1
D=M
@R0
A=M
M=D
```



RAM

0	1015	R0
1	-17	R1
2		R2
...		...
15		
16		
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
1012		
1013		
1014		
1015		desired result
1016		
...		

Pointer-based processing

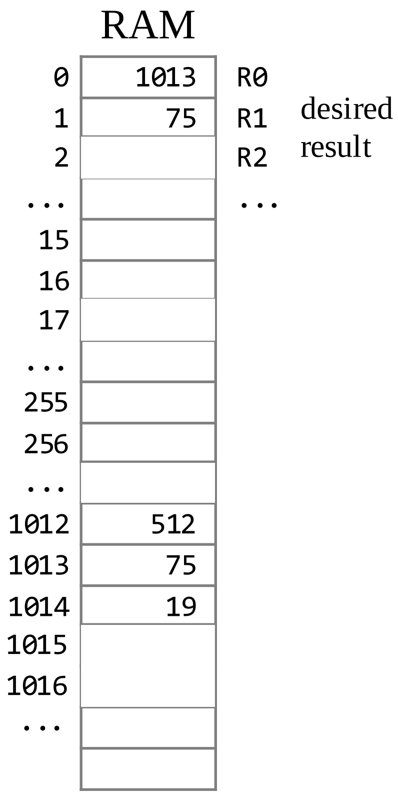
Example 3: Get the value of the register at *addr*

Input: `R0`: Holds *addr*

```
// Gets R1 = RAM[R0]
// Usage: Put some non-negative value in R0

?
```

RAM



0	1013	R0
1	75	R1
2		R2
...		...
15		
16		
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
1012	512	
1013	75	
1014	19	
1015		
1016		
...		

desired result

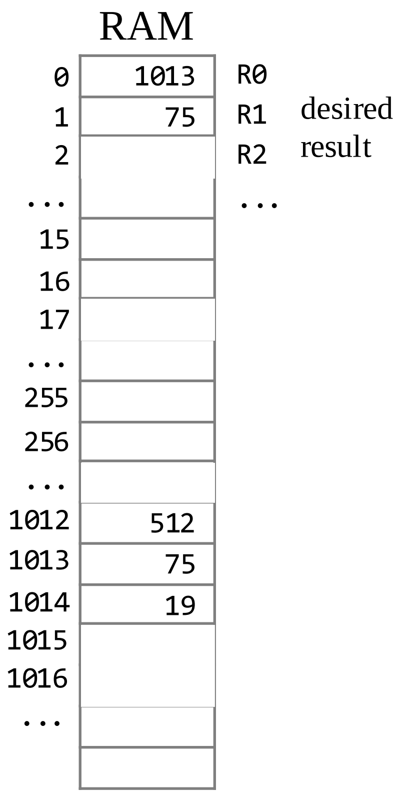
Pointer-based processing

Example 3: Get the value of the register at *addr*

Input: `R0`: Holds *addr*

```
// Gets R1 = RAM[R0]
// Usage: Put some non-negative value in R0
@R0
A=M
D=M
@R1
M=D
```

RAM



0	1013	R0	
1	75	R1	desired
2		R2	result
...		...	
15			
16			
17			
...			
255			
256			
...			
1012	512		
1013	75		
1014	19		
1015			
1016			
...			

Pointer-based processing

Example 4: Set the first *n* entries of the memory block beginning in address *base* to `-1`

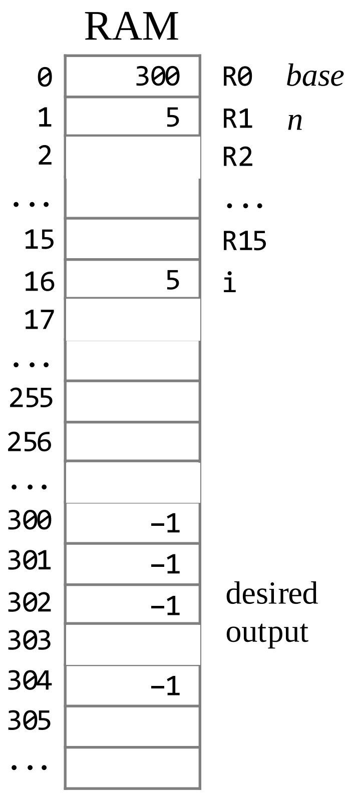
Inputs: `R0`: *base*
`R1`: *n*

Example: *base* = 300, *n* = 5

```
// Program: PointerDemo.asm
// Starting at the address stored in R0,
// sets the first R1 words to -1
...
// RAM[R0 + i] = -1

?
```

The key operation



RAM

0	300	R0	*base*
1	5	R1	*n*
2		R2	
...		...	
15		R15	
16	5	i	
17			
...			
255			
256			
...			
300	-1		
301	-1		
302	-1	desired output	
303			
304	-1		
305			
...			

Pointer-based processing

Example 4: Set the first *n* entries of the memory block beginning in address *base* to `-1`

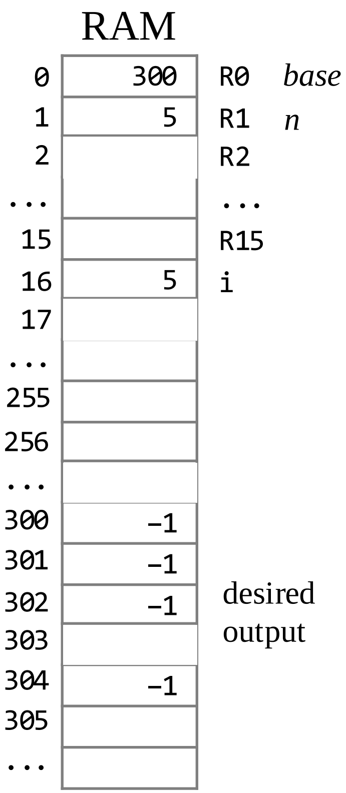
Inputs: `R0`: *base*
`R1`: *n*

Example: *base* = 300, *n* = 5

```
// Program: PointerDemo.asm
// Starting at the address stored in R0,
// sets the first R1 words to -1

...
// RAM[R0 + i] = -1
@R0
D=M
@i
A=D+M
M=-1
...
```

The key operation



RAM

0	300	R0	*base*
1	5	R1	*n*
2		R2	
...		...	
15		R15	
16	5	i	
17			
...			
255			
256			
...			
300	-1		
301	-1		
302	-1		desired output
303			
304	-1		
305			
...			

Pointer-based processing

Pseudocode

```
// Program: PointerDemo.asm
// Starting at the address stored in R0,
// sets the first R1 words to –1
    i = 0
LOOP:
    if (i == R1) goto END
    RAM[R0 + i] = -1
    i = i + 1
    goto LOOP
END:
```

Assembly code

```
// Program: PointerDemo.asm
// Starting at the address stored in R0,
// sets the first R1 words to –1

?
```

RAM

0	300	R0
1	5	R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16		i
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
300	-1	
301	-1	
302	-1	desired output
303		
304	-1	
305		
...		

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    i = 0
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    if (i == R1) goto END
    RAM[R0 + i] = -1
    i = i + 1
    goto LOOP
END:
```

Assembly code

```
// Program: PointerDemo.asm
// Starting at the address stored in R0,
// sets the first R1 words to –1
     // i = 0
     @i
     M=0
(LOOP)
     // if (i == R1) goto END
     @i
     D=M
     @R1
     D=D-M
     @END
     D;JEQ
     // RAM[R0 + i] = -1
     @R0
     D=M
     @i
     A=D+M
     M=-1
     // i = i + 1
     @i
     M=M+1
     // goto LOOP
     @LOOP
     0;JMP
(END)
     @END
     0;JMP
```

RAM

0	300	R0
1	5	R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16		i
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
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303		
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305		
...		

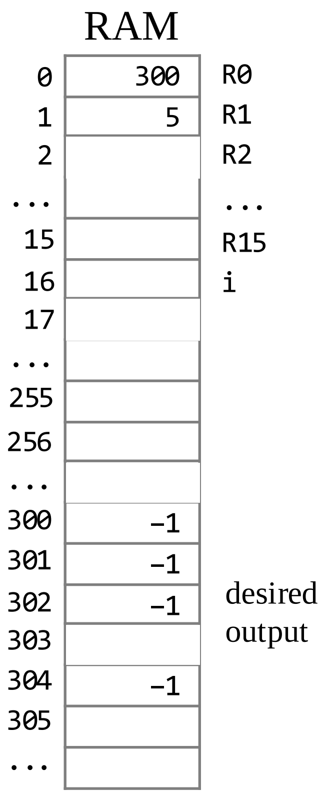
Array processing

Pseudocode

```
// Program: PointerDemo.asm
// Starting at the address stored in R0,
// sets the first R1 words to –1
    i = 0
LOOP:
    if (i == R1) goto END
    RAM[R0 + i] = -1
    i = i + 1
    goto LOOP
END:
```

Assembly code

```
// Program: PointerDemo.asm
// Starting at the address stored in R0,
// sets the first R1 words to –1
     // i = 0
     @i
     M=0
(LOOP)
     // if (i == R1) goto END
     @i
     D=M
     @R1
     D=D-M
     @END
     D;JEQ
     // RAM[R0 + i] = -1
     @R0
     D=M
     @i
     A=D+M
     M=-1
     // i = i + 1
     @i
     M=M+1
     // goto LOOP
     @LOOP
     0;JMP
(END)
     @END
     0;JMP
```



RAM

0	300	R0
1	5	R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16		i
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
300	–1	
301	–1	
302	–1	desired output
303		
304	–1	
305		
...		

Array processing

Is done similarly, using pointer-based access to the memory block that represents the array.

Array processing

High-level code (e.g. Java)

```
...
// Declares variables
int[] arr = new int[5];
int sum = 0;
...
// Enters some values into the array
// (code omitted)
...
// Sums up the array elements
for (int j = 0; j < 5; j++) {
   sum = sum + arr[j];
}
...
```

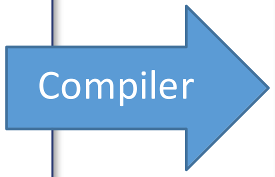
Memory state after executing this code:

	RAM	
0		R0
1		R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16	5034	arr
17		sum
...	4	j
75		
76		
...		
255		
256		
...		
5034	100	
5035	50	
5036	200	
5037		
5038	5	
5036		
...		

Array processing

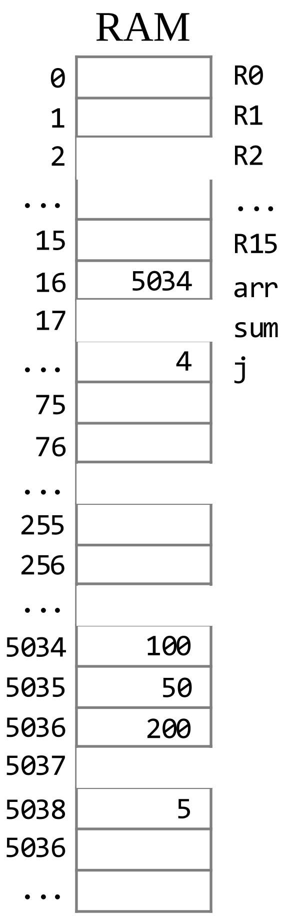
High-level code (e.g. Java)

```
...
// Declares variables
int[] arr = new int[5];
int sum = 0;
...
// Enters some values into the array
// (code omitted)
...
// Sums up the array elements
for (int j=0; j<5; j++) {
    sum = sum + arr[j];
}
...
// Increments each array element
for (int j=0; j<5; j++) {
    arr[j] = arr[j]+1
}
...
```



Hack assembly

```
...
// sum = sum + arr[j]
@arr
D=M
@j
A=D+M
D=M
@sum
M=M+D
...
// arr[j] = arr[j] + 1
@arr
D=M
@j
A=D+M
M=M+1
...
```



RAM

0		R0
1		R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16	5034	arr
17		sum
...	4	j
75		
76		
...		
255		
256		
...		
5034	100	
5035	50	
5036	200	
5037		
5038	5	
5036		
...		

Every high-level array access operation involving *arr*[*expression*] can be compiled into Hack code that realizes the operation using the low-level memory access instruction `A` = *arr* + *expression*

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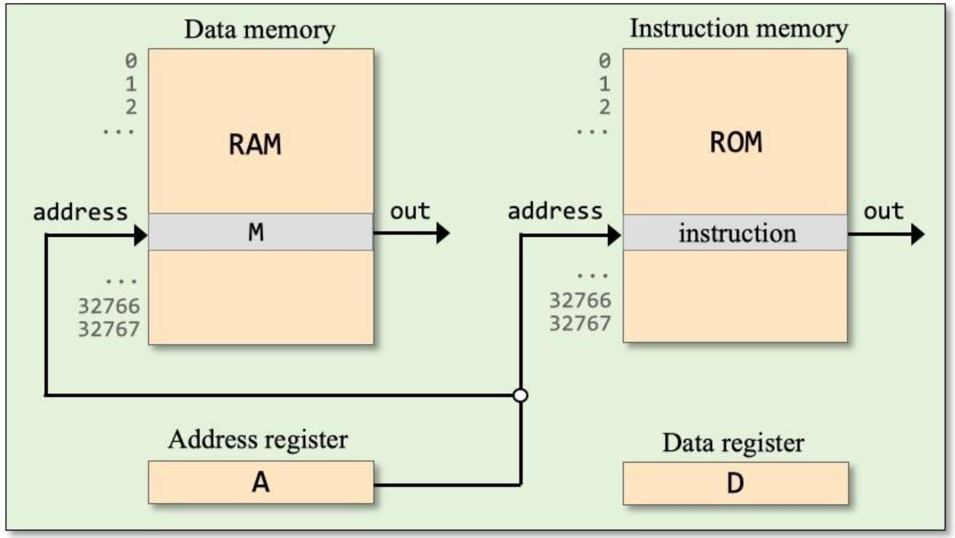
The A instruction



Instruction set

- A instruction
- C instruction

Syntax: @*value*

Where *value* is either:

- a constant, or
- a symbol bound to a constant

Semantics:

- Sets the A register to the constant
- Side effects:

  RAM[A] becomes the selected RAM register

  ROM[A] becomes the selected ROM register

The C instruction

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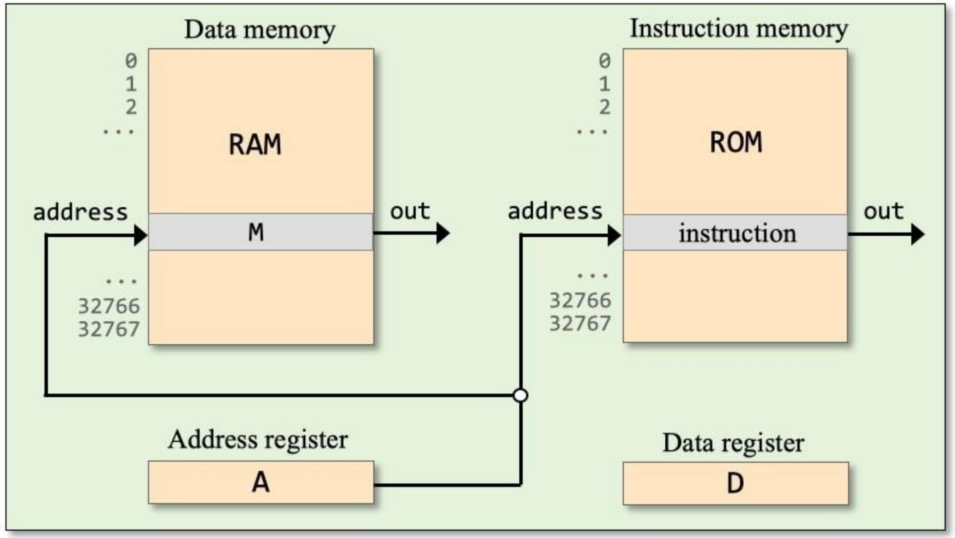

The C instruction

Syntax: *dest* = *comp* ; *jump* both *dest* and *jump* are optional

where:

comp =

```
0, 1, -1, D, A, !D, !A, -D, -A, D+1, A+1, D-1, A-1, D+A, D-A, A-D, D&A, D|A
             M,     !M,     -M,      M+1,      M-1, D+M, D-M, M-D, D&M, D|M
```

dest =

```
null, M, D, DM, A, AM, AD, ADM
```

M stands for RAM[A]

jump =

```
null, JGT, JEQ, JGE, JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP
```

Semantics:

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest.*

If (*comp jump* 0), jumps to execute ROM[A]

The C instruction

Syntax: `dest = comp ; jump` both *dest* and *jump* are optional

where:

comp =

```
0, 1, [✓ -1,] D, A, !D, !A, -D, -A, D+1, A+1, D-1, A-1, D+A, D-A, A-D, D&A, D|A
                M,      !M,     -M,       M+1,        M-1, D+M, D-M, M-D, D&M, D|M
```

dest = `null, M, [✓ D,] DM, A, AM, AD, ADM` `M` stands for `RAM[A]`

jump = `[✓ null,] JGT, JEQ, JGE, JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP`

Semantics:

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest.*

If (*comp jump* `0`), jumps to execute `ROM[A]`

Examples:

```
// Sets the D register to -1
D=-1
```

The C instruction

Syntax: *dest* = *comp* ; *jump* both *dest* and *jump* are optional

where:

comp =

```
0, 1, -1, D, A, !D, !A, -D, -A, [✓ D+1,] A+1, D-1, A-1, D+A, D-A, A-D, D&A, D|A
            M,      !M,     -M,           M+1,        M-1, D+M, D-M, M-D, D&M, D|M
```

dest =

```
null, M, D, [✓ DM,] A, AM, AD, ADM
```

`M` stands for `RAM[A]`

jump =

```
[✓ null,] JGT, JEQ, JGE, JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP
```

Semantics:

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest*.

If (*comp jump* `0`), jumps to execute `ROM[A]`

Examples:

```
// Sets D and M to the value of the D register, plus 1
DM=D+1
```

The C instruction

Syntax: *dest* = *comp* ; *jump* both *dest* and *jump* are optional

where:

comp =

```
0, 1, -1, D, A, !D, !A, -D, -A, D+1, A+1, [✓ D-1,] A-1, D+A, D-A, A-D, D&A, D|A
            M,      !M,     -M,      M+1,               M-1, D+M, D-M, M-D, D&M, D|M
```

dest =

```
[✓ null,] M, D, DM, A, AM, AD, ADM
```

`M` stands for `RAM[A]`

jump =

```
null, JGT, [✓ JEQ,] JGE, JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP
```

Semantics:

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest*.

If (*comp jump* `0`), jumps to execute `ROM[A]`

Examples:

```
// If (D-1 = 0) jumps to execute the instruction stored in ROM[56]
@56
D-1;JEQ
```

Recap: A instructions and C instructions

They normally come in pairs:

```
// RAM[5] = RAM[5] - 1
@5
M=M-1
```

To set up for a C instruction that mentions `M`,
Use an A instruction that selects the memory address
on which you want to operate

```
// if D=0 goto 100
@100
D;JEQ
```

To set up for a C instruction that specifies a jump,
Use an A instruction that selects the memory address
to which you want to jump

Observation: C instructions that include *both* `M` *and* a jump directive *make no sense*

Best practice rule: Each C instruction should …

- Either have a reference to `M`
- Or have a jump directive

But not both.

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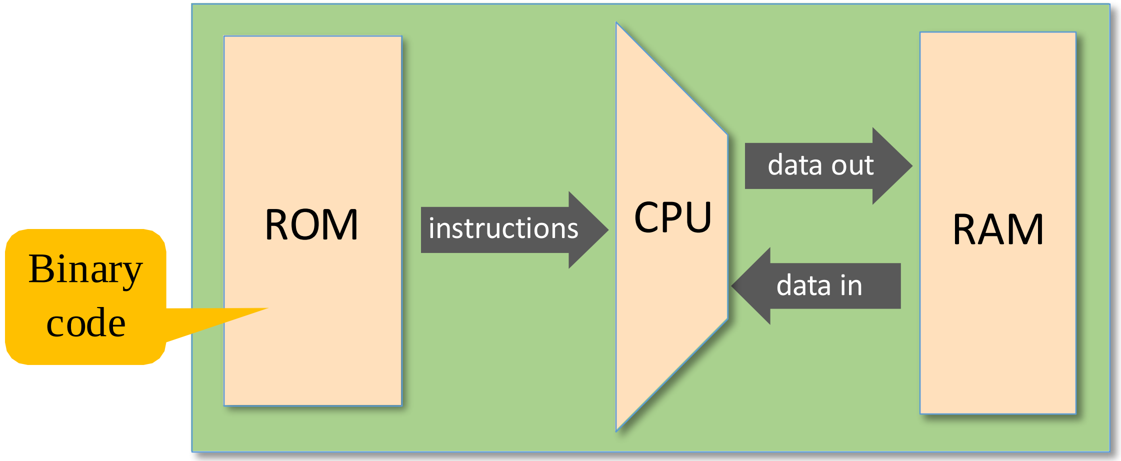
The Hack machine language

So far, we illustrated the Hack language using examples.

We now turn to give a complete language specification.

Hack machine language



The Hack language:

Symbolic: (example)

```
...
@17
D;JLE
...
```

translate

Binary:

```
...
0000000000010001
1110001100000110
...
```

load & execute

- The *binary version* of the language is not essential for low-level programming
- We present it anyway, for completeness
- The binary version will come to play when we’ll build the computer architecture (chapter 5) and the assembler (chapter 6)

A instruction

Action: Sets the `A` register to a constant

Symbolic syntax:

`@`*value*

Where *value* is either:

a non-negative decimal constant ≤ 65535 (= $2^{16} – 1$)

or a symbol bound to a constant

Binary syntax:

```
0vvvvvvvvvvvvvvvv
```

Where:

`0` is the A instruction op-code

v v v … *v* is the 15-bit binary representation of the constant

Example:

Symbolic:

```
@6
```

Binary:

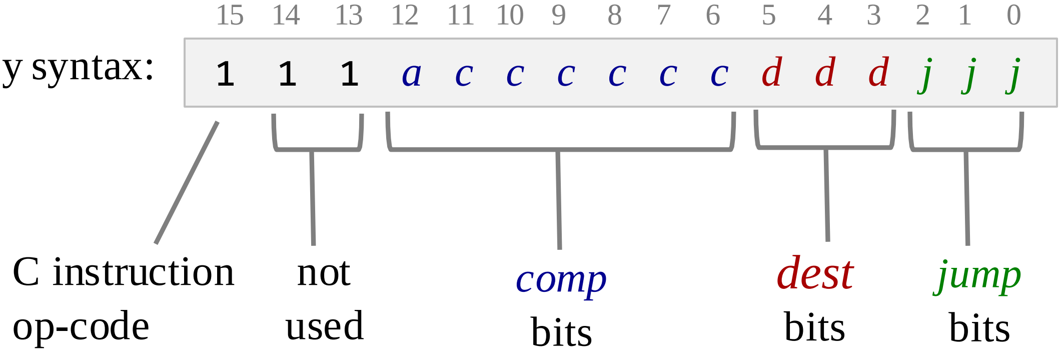
```
0000000000000110
```

C instruction

Symbolic syntax: *dest* = *comp* ; *jump*

comp is mandatory.
If *dest* is empty, the = is omitted; If *jump* is empty, the ; is omitted

Binary syntax:



15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
1	1	1	*a*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*d*	*d*	*d*	*j*	*j*	*j*

C instruction
op-code

not
used

comp
bits

dest
bits

jump
bits

C instruction

Symbolic syntax: *dest* = *comp* ; *jump*

comp is mandatory.
If *dest* is empty, the = is omitted; If *jump* is empty, the ; is omitted

Binary syntax:

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
1	1	1	*a*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*d*	*d*	*d*	*j*	*j*	*j*

comp bits

comp		*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*
0		1	0	1	0	1	0
1		1	1	1	1	1	1
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0
D		0	0	1	1	0	0
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0
D|A	D|M	0	1	0	1	0	1
a==0	*a*==1						

C instruction

Symbolic syntax: *dest* `=` *comp* `;` *jump*

comp is mandatory.
If *dest* is empty, the `=` is omitted; If *jump* is empty, the `;` is omitted

Binary syntax:

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
1	1	1	*a*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*d*	*d*	*d*	*j*	*j*	*j*

dest bits

dest	*d*	*d*	*d*	effect: the value is stored in:
`null`	`0`	`0`	`0`	the value is not stored
`M`	`0`	`0`	`1`	`RAM[A]`
`D`	`0`	`1`	`0`	`D` register
`DM`	`0`	`1`	`1`	`D` register and `RAM[A]`
`A`	`1`	`0`	`0`	`A` register
`AM`	`1`	`0`	`1`	`A` register and `RAM[A]`
`AD`	`1`	`1`	`0`	`A` register and `D` register
`ADM`	`1`	`1`	`1`	`A` register, `D` register, and `RAM[A]`

C instruction

Symbolic syntax: *dest* = *comp* ; *jump*

comp is mandatory.
If *dest* is empty, the `=` is omitted; If *jump* is empty, the `;` is omitted

	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Binary syntax:	1	1	1	*a*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*d*	*d*	*d*	*j*	*j*	*j*

jump bits

jump	*j*	*j*	*j*	effect:
`null`	0	0	0	no jump
`JGT`	0	0	1	if *comp* > 0 jump
`JEQ`	0	1	0	if *comp* = 0 jump
`JGE`	0	1	1	if *comp* ≥ 0 jump
`JLT`	1	0	0	if *comp* < 0 jump
`JNE`	1	0	1	if *comp* ≠ 0 jump
`JLE`	1	1	0	if *comp* ≤ 0 jump
`JMP`	1	1	1	Unconditional jump

The Hack language specification

<u>A instruction</u>

Symbolic: @*xxx* (*xxx* is a decimal value ranging from 0 to 32767, or a symbol bound to such a decimal value)

Binary: 0 *vvvvvvvvvvvvvvv* (*vv* ... *v* = 15-bit value of *xxx*)

<u>C instruction</u>

Symbolic: *dest* = *comp* ; *jump* (*comp* is mandatory. If *dest* is empty, the = is omitted; If *jump* is empty, the ; is omitted)

Binary: 111*acccccc ddd jjj*

Predefined symbols:

symbol	value
R0	0
R1	1
R2	2
...	...
R15	15
SP	0
LCL	1
ARG	2
THIS	3
THAT	4
SCREEN	16384
KBD	24576

comp		*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*	*c*
0		1	0	1	0	1	0
1		1	1	1	1	1	1
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0
D		0	0	1	1	0	0
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0
D|A	D|M	0	1	0	1	0	1
a == 0	*a* == 1						

dest	*d*	*d*	*d*	Effect: store *comp* in:
null	0	0	0	the value is not stored
M	0	0	1	RAM[A]
D	0	1	0	D register (reg)
DM	0	1	1	RAM[A] and D reg
A	1	0	0	A reg
AM	1	0	1	A reg and RAM[A]
AD	1	1	0	A reg and D reg
ADM	1	1	1	A reg, D reg, and RAM[A]

jump	*j*	*j*	*j*	Effect:
null	0	0	0	no jump
JGT	0	0	1	if *comp* > 0 jump
JEQ	0	1	0	if *comp* = 0 jump
JGE	0	1	1	if *comp* ≥ 0 jump
JLT	1	0	0	if *comp* < 0 jump
JNE	1	0	1	if *comp* ≠ 0 jump
JLE	1	1	0	if *comp* ≤ 0 jump
JMP	1	1	1	unconditional jump

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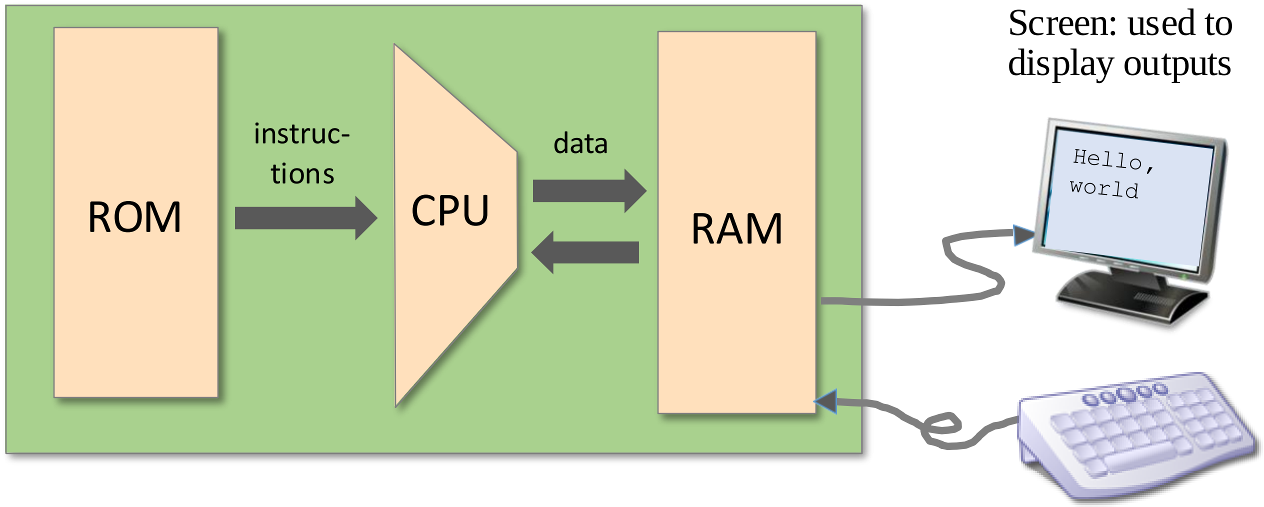
Input / output



Screen: used to display outputs

Keyboard: used to enter inputs

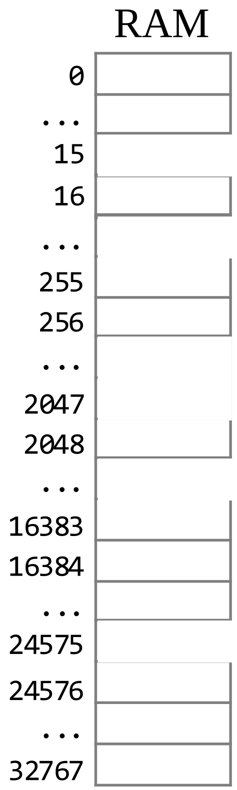
High-level I/O handling:

Software libraries for inputting / outputting text, graphics, audio, video, …

Low-level I/O handling:

Manipulating bits in memory resident *bitmaps*.

Bitmaps


RAM
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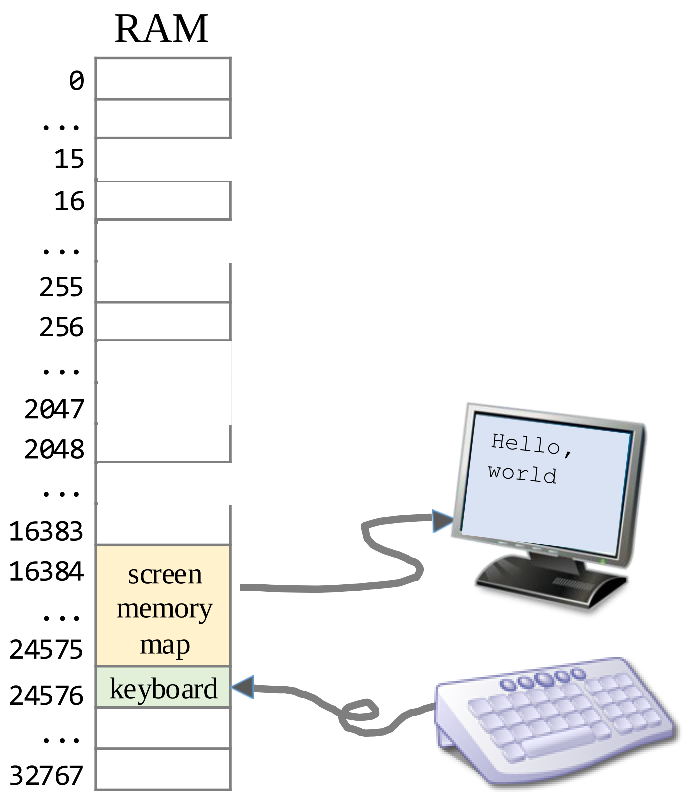
32767

Bitmaps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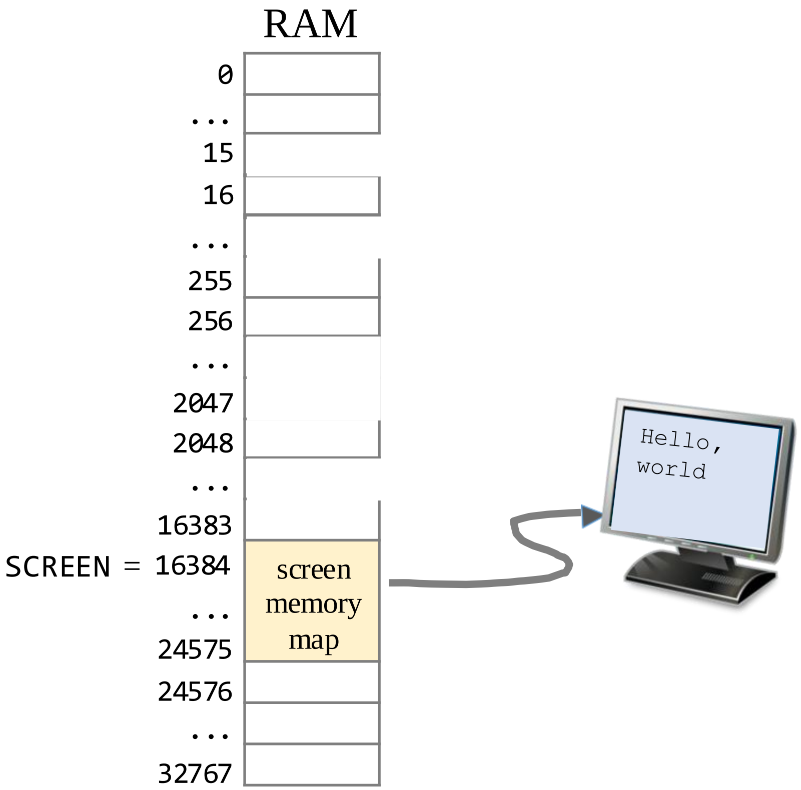
screen memory map
keyboard
Hello, world

Bitmaps



Screen memory map:

An 8K memory block, dedicated to representing a black-and-white display unit

Base address: `SCREEN` = 16384 (predefined symbol)

Output is effected by writing bits in the screen memory map.

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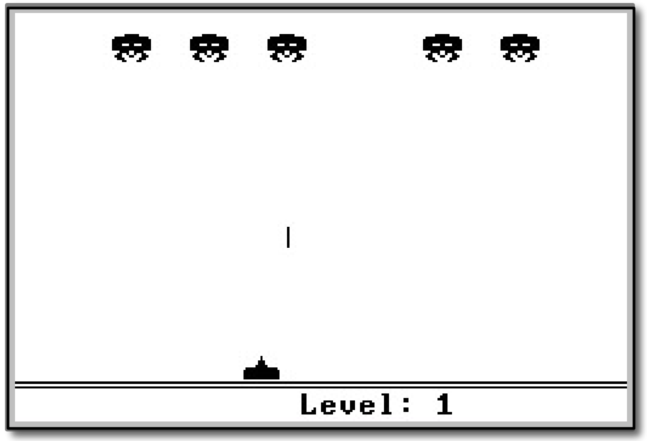
Physical screen



Screen shots of computer games developed on the Hack computer

Bitmaps

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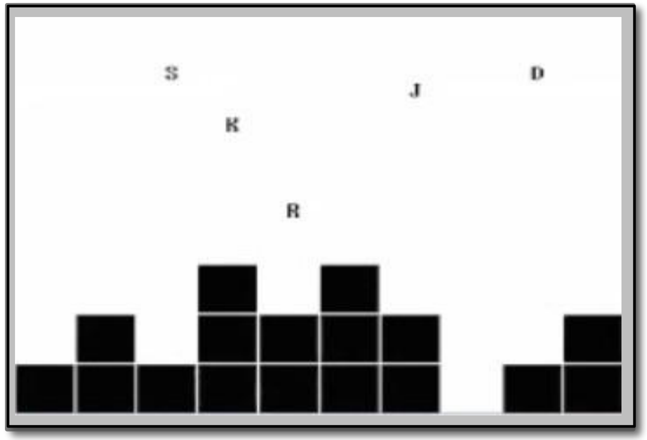

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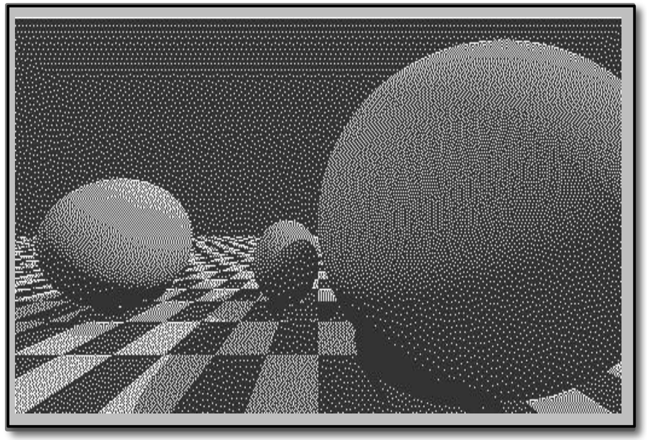

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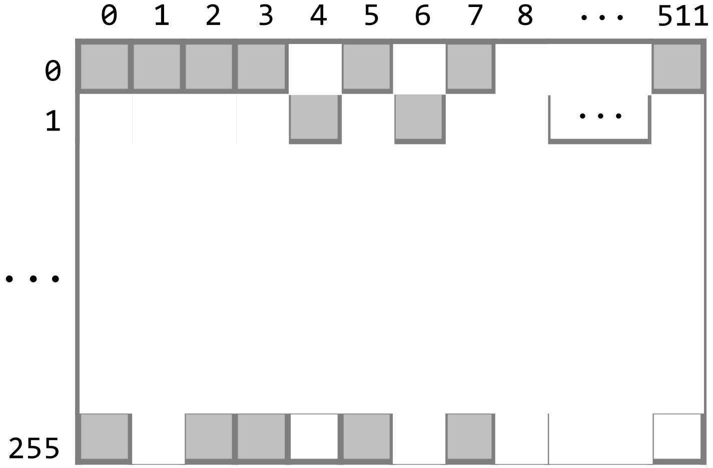

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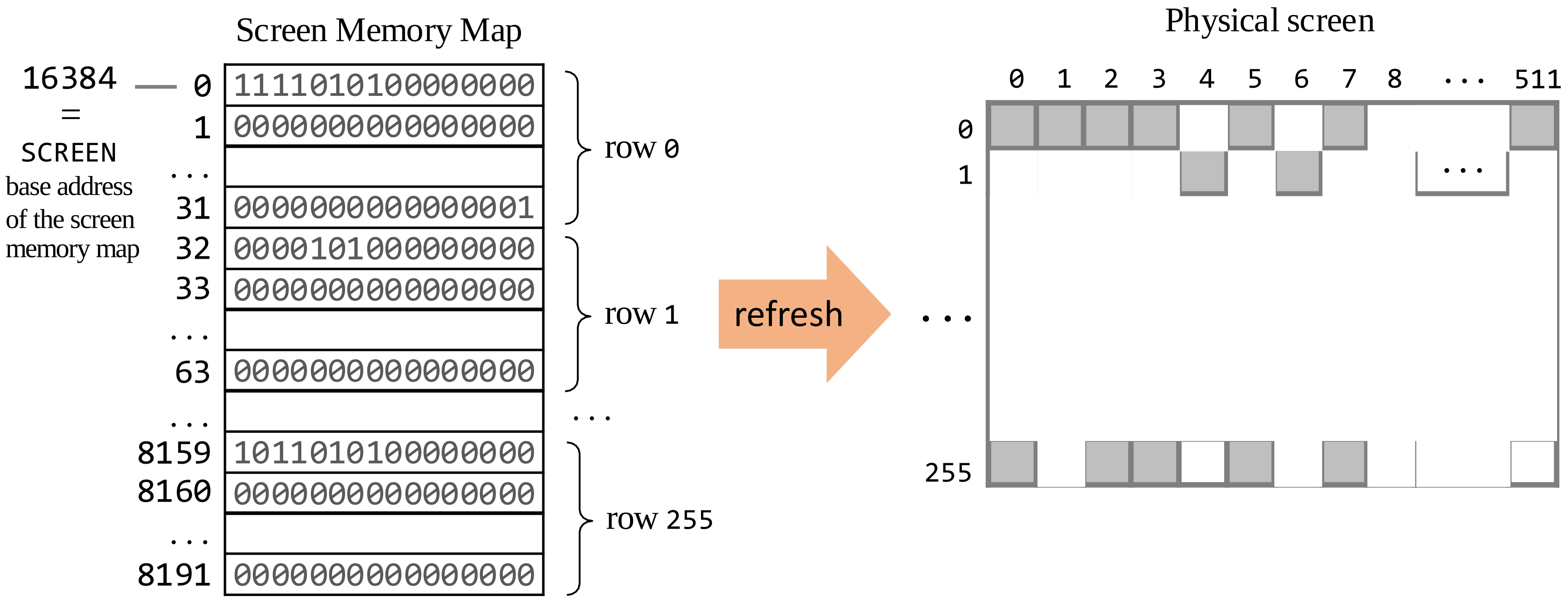


Screen Memory Map

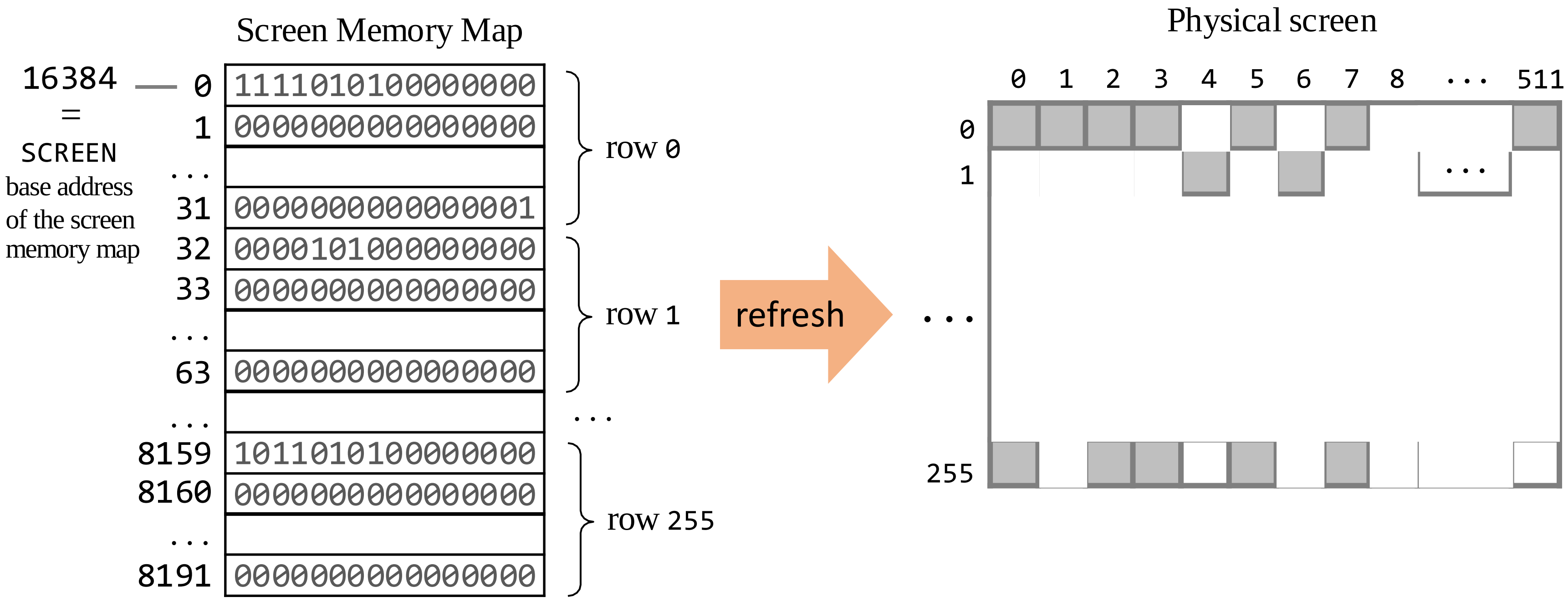
16384 = SCREEN base address of the screen memory map

0	1111010100000000
1	0000000000000000
...	
31	0000000000000001
32	0000101000000000
33	0000000000000000
...	
63	0000000000000000
...	
8159	1011010100000000
8160	0000000000000000
...	
8191	0000000000000000

Mapping:

The pixel in location (*row*, *col*) in the physical screen is represented by the (*col* % 16)*th* bit in RAM address SCREEN + 32 * *row* + *col* / 16

Bitmaps



Screen Memory Map

16384 = SCREEN base address of the screen memory map

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1	0000000000000000	
. . .		
31	0000000000000001	
32	0000101000000000	row 1
33	0000000000000000	
. . .		
63	0000000000000000	
. . .		. . .
8159	1011010100000000	row 255
8160	0000000000000000	
. . .		
8191	0000000000000000	

To set pixel (*row* , *col*) to black or white:

(1) *addr* ← SCREEN + 32 * *row* + *col* / 16

(2) *word* ← RAM[*addr*]

(3) Set the (*col* % 16) *th* bit of *word* to 0 or 1

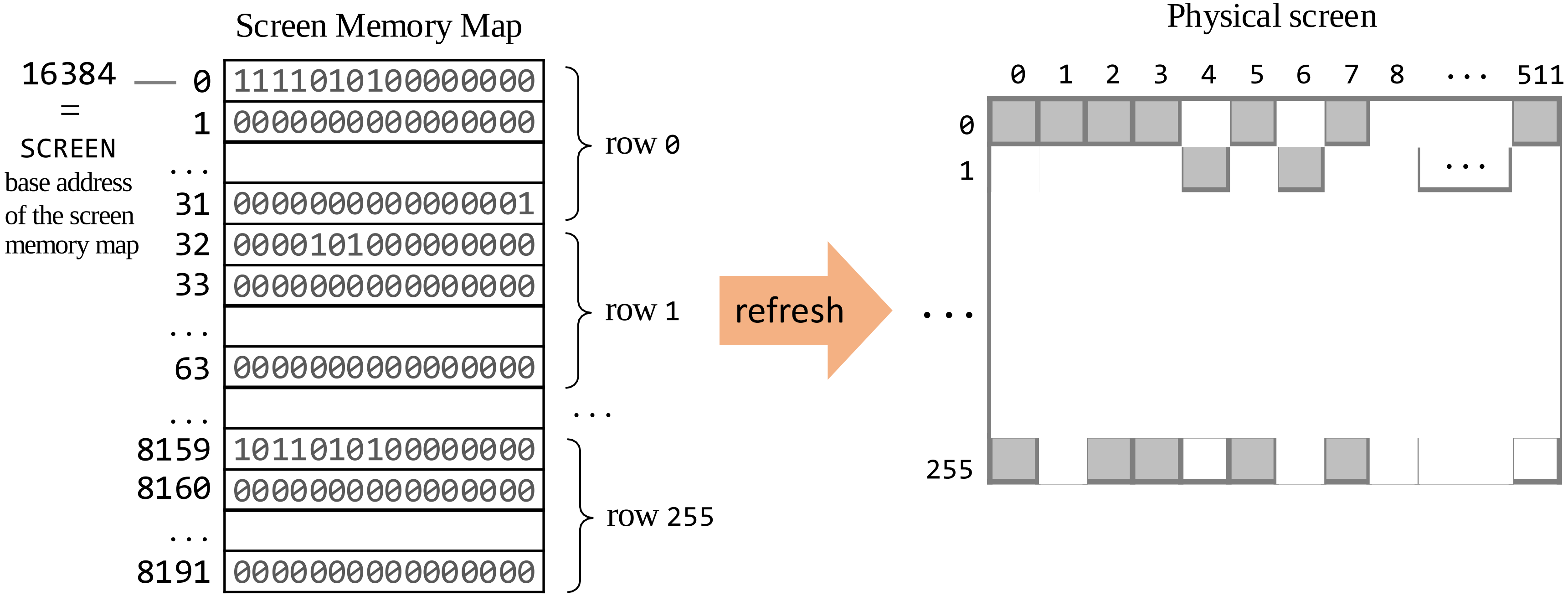
(4) RAM[*addr*] ← *word*

Not to worry:

Nice workarounds coming up

(Bitmap Editor)

Bitmaps



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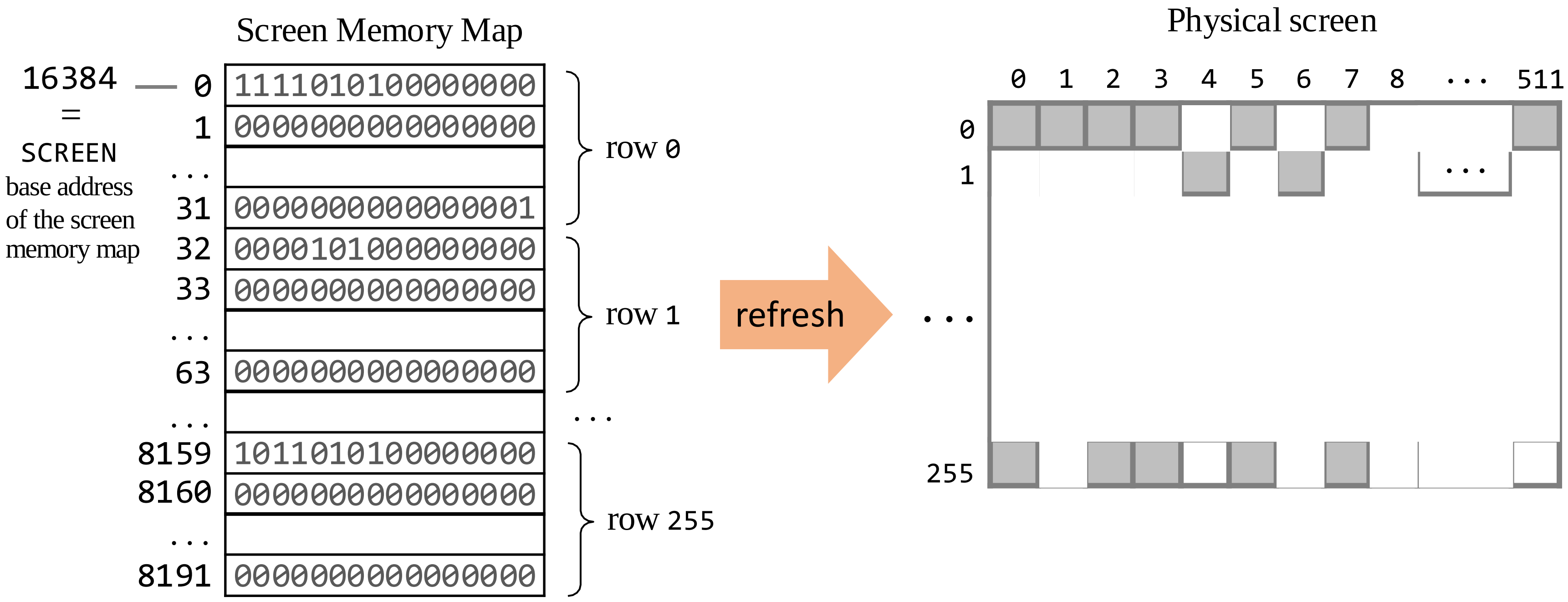
 ...
8159  1011010100000000
8160  0000000000000000
 ...
8191  0000000000000000
```

Examples of simple patterns that can be drawn relatively easily:

```
// Sets the first (left) 16 pixels
// of the top row to black
@SCREEN
M=-1        // –1 = 1111111111111111
```

```
// Sets the first 16 pixels
// of row 2 to black
?
```

Bitmaps



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// Sets the first (left) 16 pixels
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```

```
// Sets the first 16 pixels
// of row 2 to black
@64
D=A
@SCREEN
A=A+D
M=-1
```

```
// Sets the entire screen
// to black / white
```

(Project 4)

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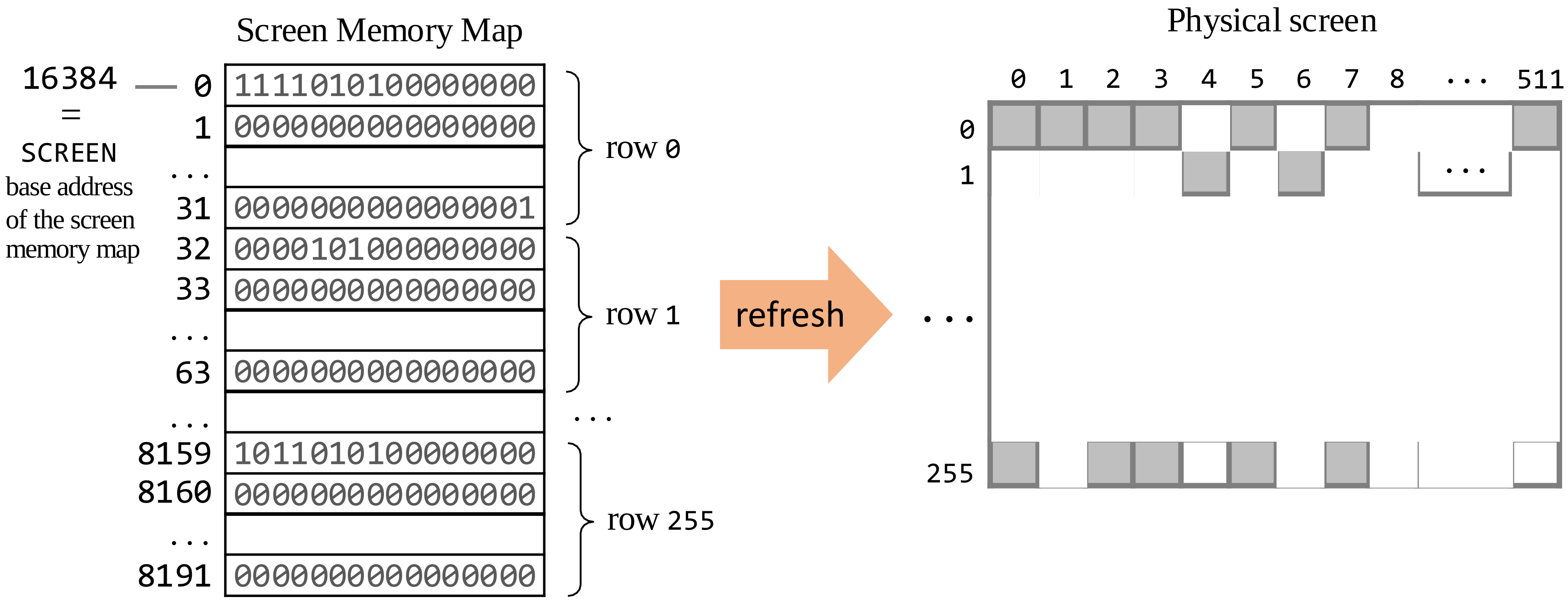

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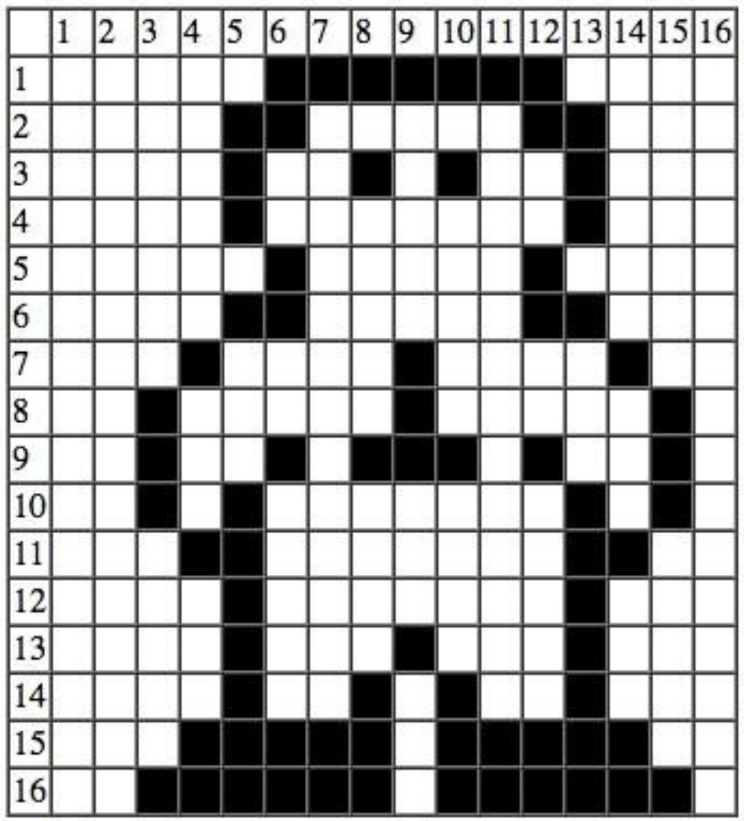
```

Simple graphics program:

Rectangle Drawing

demo

Bitmap Editor



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1						■	■	■	■	■	■	■				
2					■	■						■	■			
3					■			■		■			■			
4					■								■			
5						■						■				
6					■	■						■	■			
7				■					■					■		
8			■						■						■	
9			■			■		■	■	■		■			■	
10			■		■								■		■	
11				■	■								■	■		
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15				■	■	■	■	■		■	■	■	■	■		
16			■	■	■	■	■	■		■	■	■	■	■	■	

```
0000111111100000 = 4064
0001100000110000 = 6192
0001001010010000 = 4752
...
```

Bitmap editor: A productivity tool for developers.

The developer draws a pixled image on a 2D grid, and the program generates code that draws the image in the RAM.

The generated code can be copy-pasted into the developer’s assembly code.

```
...
0111111011111100 = 32508
```

The Nand to Tetris Bitmap Editor is available in this Git project

Note: The editor generates either Jack code or Hack assembly code – see the radio buttons at the very bottom of the editor’s GUI.

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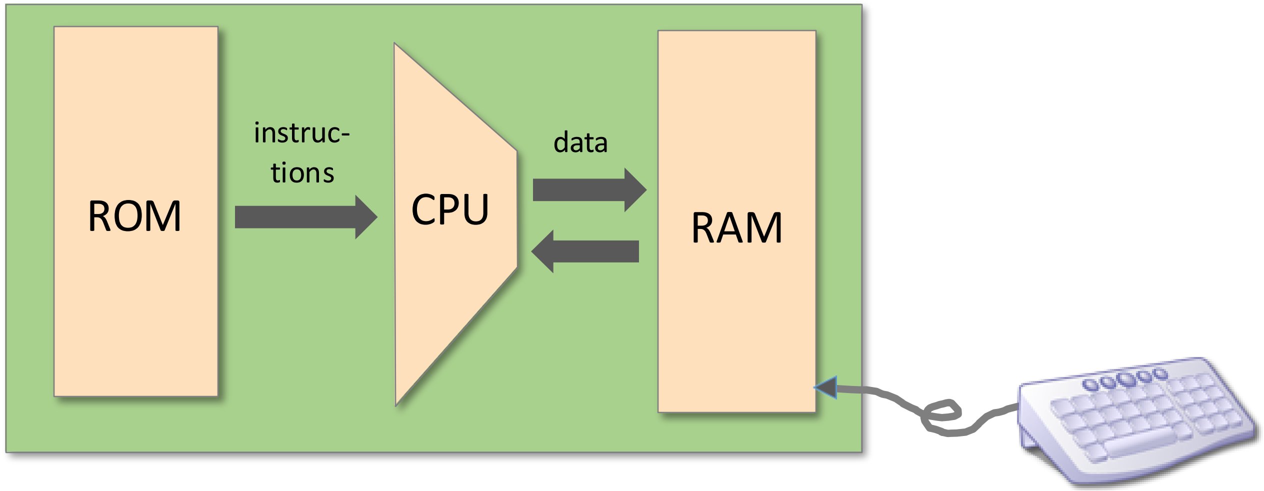
Input



Keyboard: used
to enter inputs

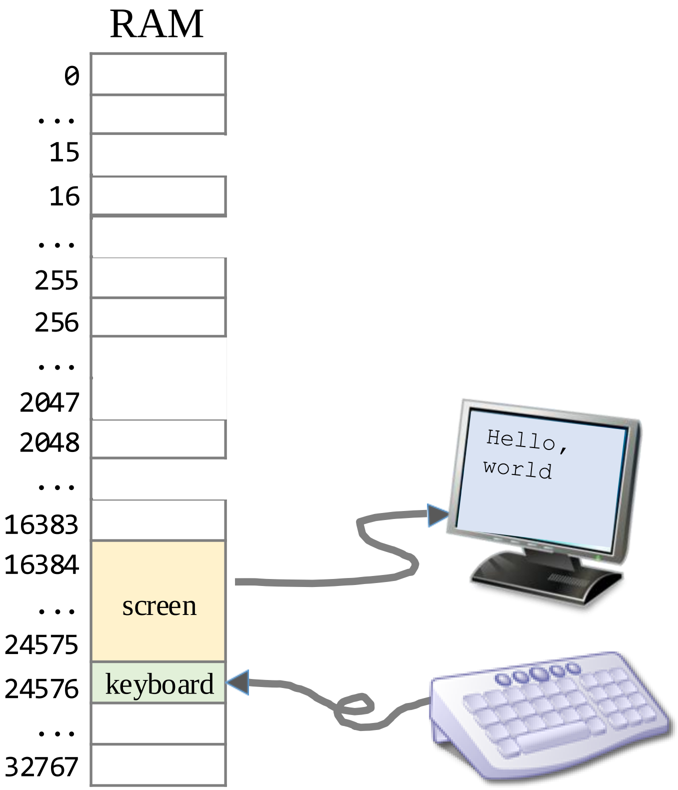
High-level input handling

`readInt`, `readString`, …

Low-level input handling

Read bits.

Hack RAM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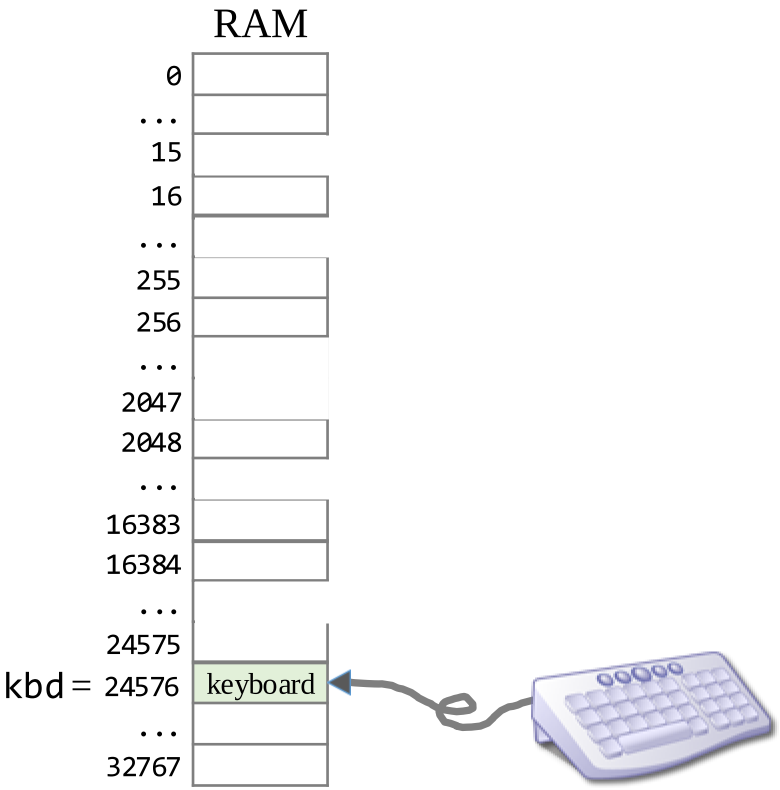
Hello,
world

Hack RAM



Keyboard memory map

A single 16-bit register, dedicated to representing the keyboard

Base address: KBD = 24576 (predefined symbol)

Reading inputs is affected by probing this register.

The Hack character set

key	code
(space)	32
!	33
“	34
#	35
$	36
%	37
&	38
‘	39
(	40
)	41
*	42
+	43
,	44
-	45
.	46
/	47

key	code
0	48
1	49
…	…
9	57
:	58
;	59
<	60
=	61
>	62
?	63
@	64

key	code
A	65
B	66
C	…
…	…
Z	90
[	91
/	92
]	93
^	94
_	95
`	96

key	code
a	97
b	98
c	99
…	…
z	122
{	123
|	124
}	125
~	126

key	code
newline	128
backspace	129
left arrow	130
up arrow	131
right arrow	132
down arrow	133
home	134
end	135
Page up	136
Page down	137
insert	138
delete	139
esc	140
f1	141
. . .	. . .
f12	152

(Subset of Unicode)

Memory mapped input

RAM

24576 0000000000000000

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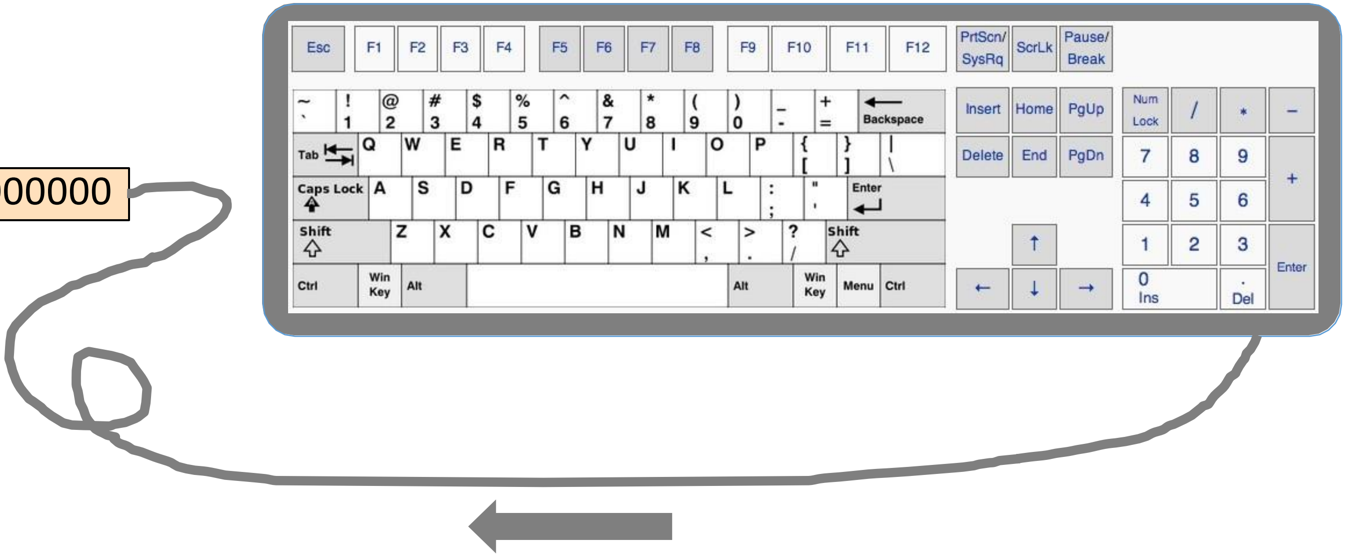
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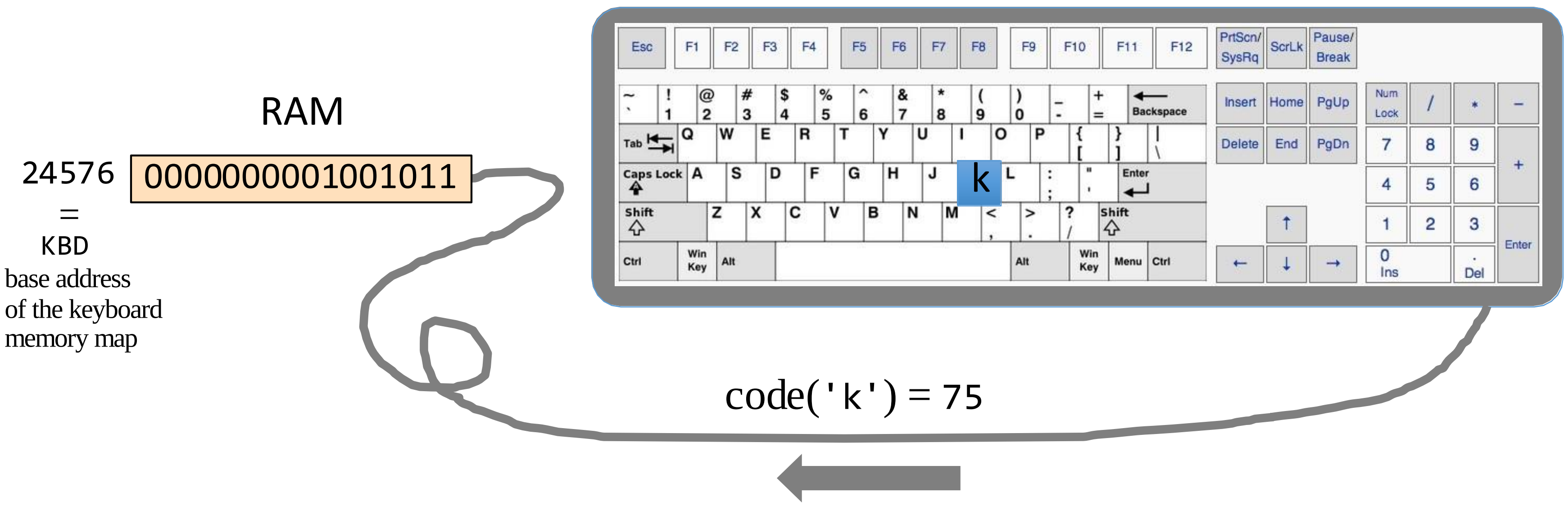
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When a key is pressed on the keyboard,
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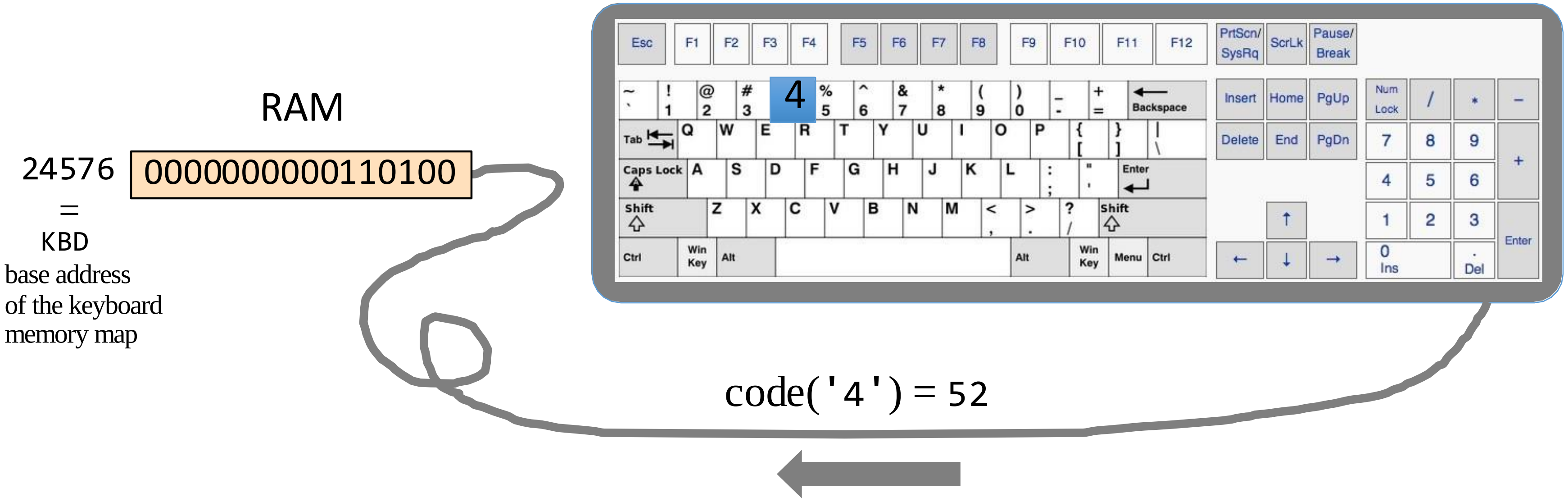

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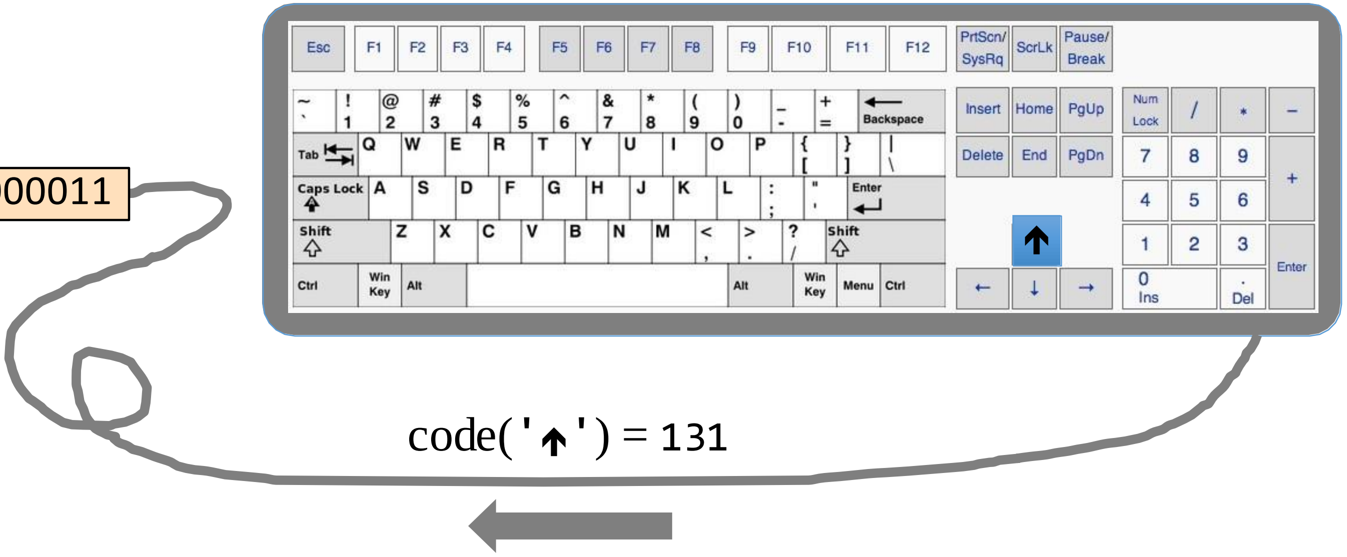

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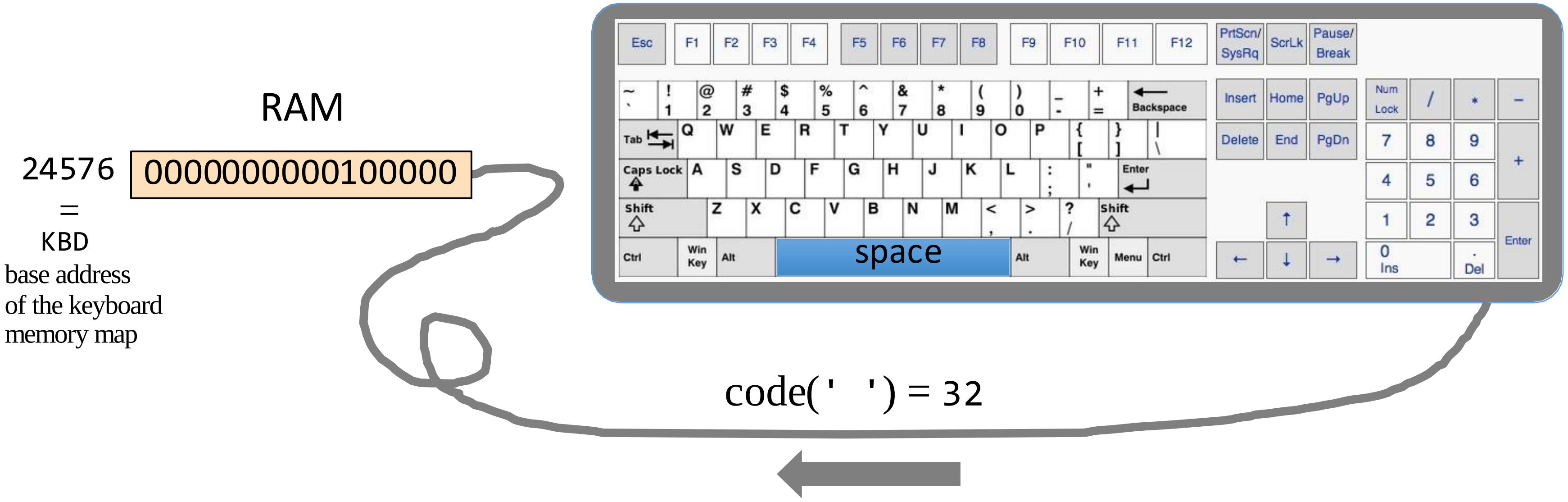

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code(' ') = 32

When a key is pressed on the keyboard,
the key's character code appears in the keyboard memory map.

Memory mapped input

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24576 = KBD base address of the keyboard memory map

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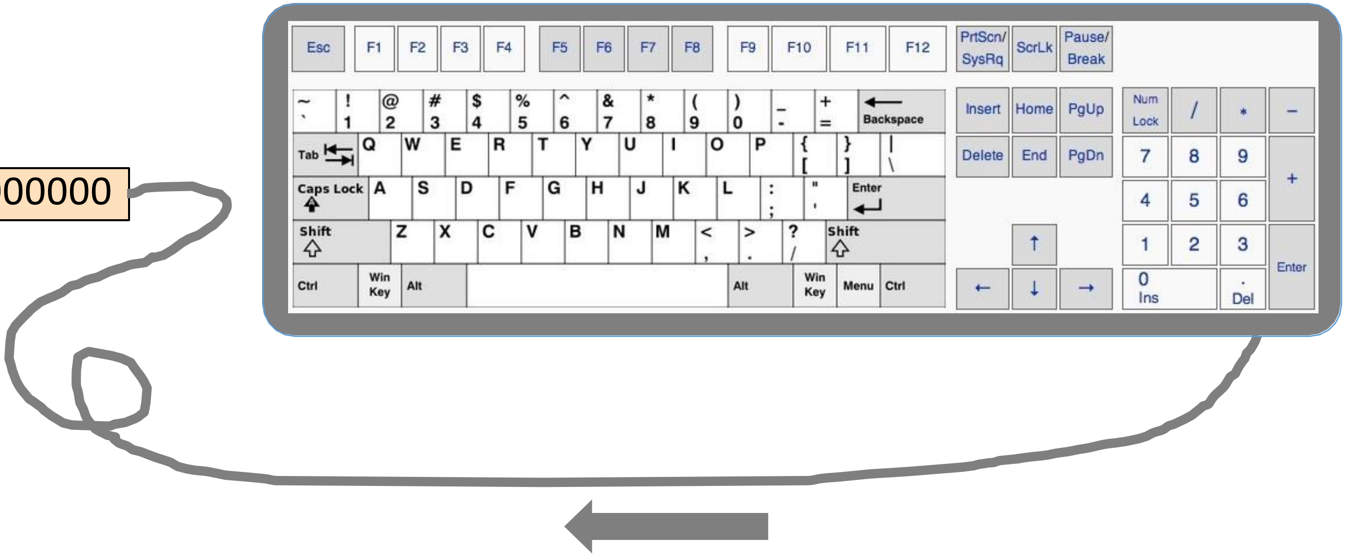

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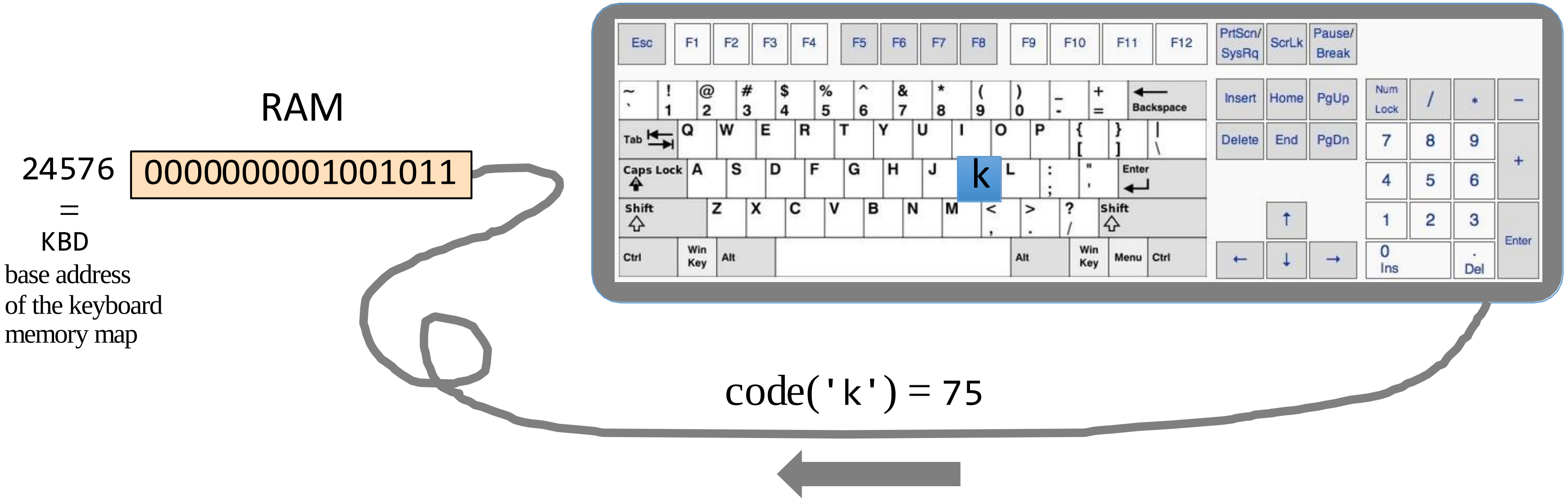
When no key is pressed, the resulting code is `0`.

Reading inputs



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Examples:

```
// Set D to the character code of
// the currently pressed key
@KBD
D=M
```

```
// If the currently pressed key is 'q', goto END
@KBD
D=M
@113   // 'q'
D=D-A
@END
D;JEQ
```

Chapter 4: Machine Language

Overview

- Machine languages
- The Hack computer
- The Hack instruction set
- The Hack CPU Emulator

Low Level Programming

- Basic
- Iteration
- Pointers

Symbolic programming

- Control
- Variables
- Labels

The Hack Language

✓ Usage

✓ Specification

✓ Output

✓ Input

➡ Project 4

Project 4

Objectives

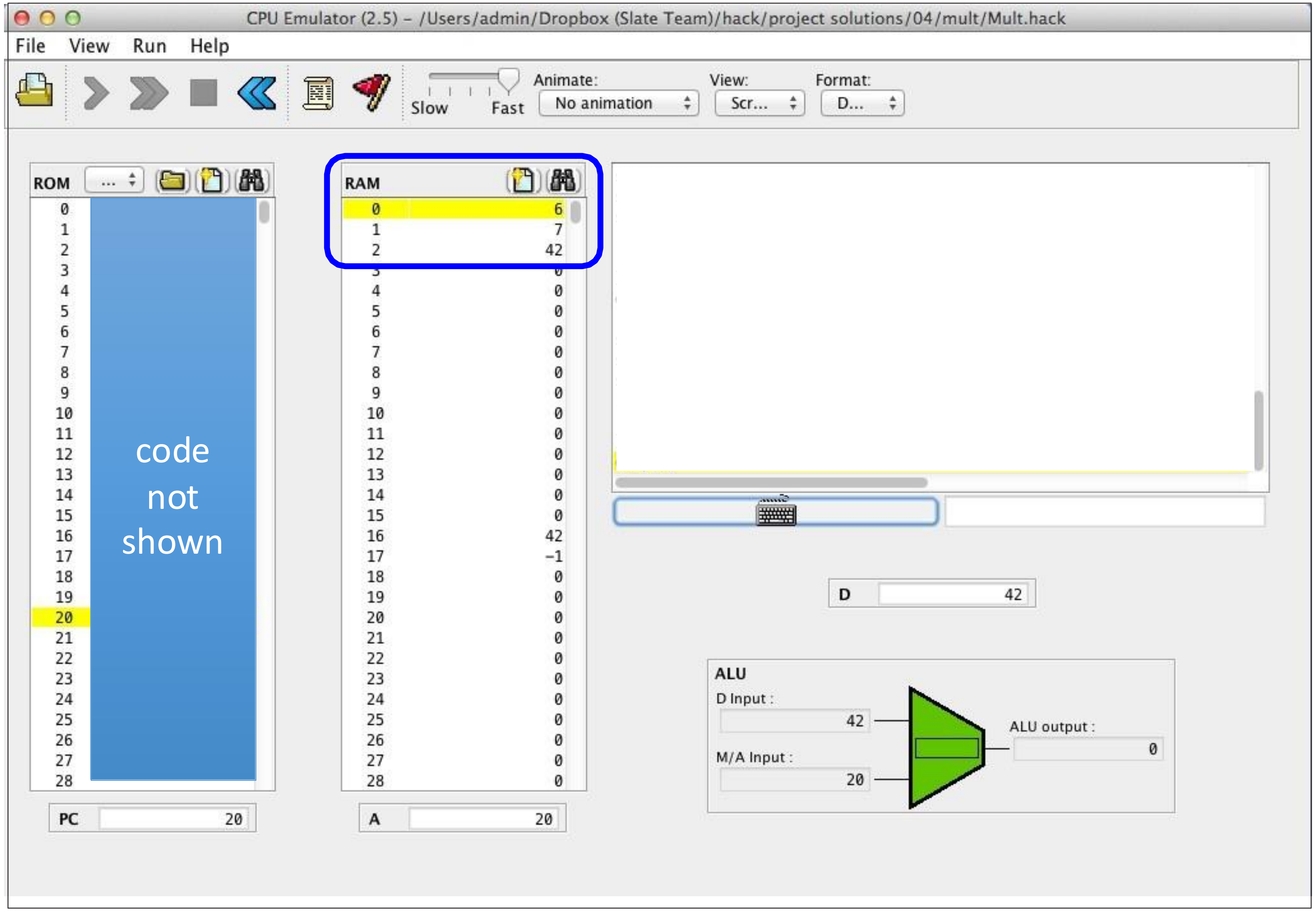
Gain a hands-on taste of:

- Low-level programming
- Assembly language
- The Hack computer

Tasks

- Write a simple algebraic program: `Mult`
- Write a simple interactive program: `Fill`
- Be creative: Define and write some program of your own.

`Mult`: a program that computes `R2 = R0 * R1`



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View: Scr...

Format: D...

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A 20

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ALU

D Input : 42

M/A Input : 20

ALU output : 0

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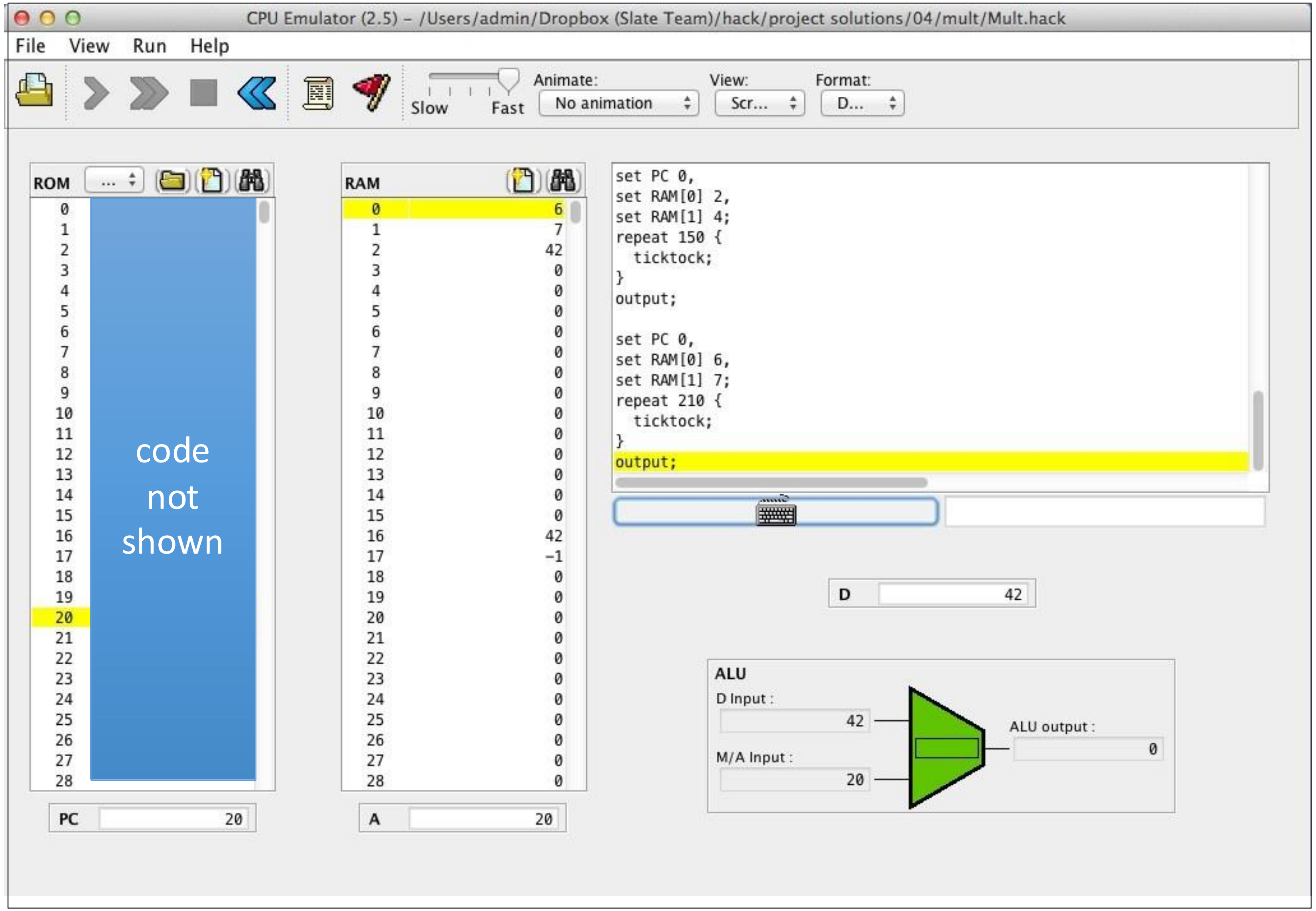
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set PC 0,
set RAM[0] 2,
set RAM[1] 4;
repeat 150 {
  ticktock;
}
output;

set PC 0,
set RAM[0] 6,
set RAM[1] 7;
repeat 210 {
  ticktock;
}
output;
```

ROM: 0–28

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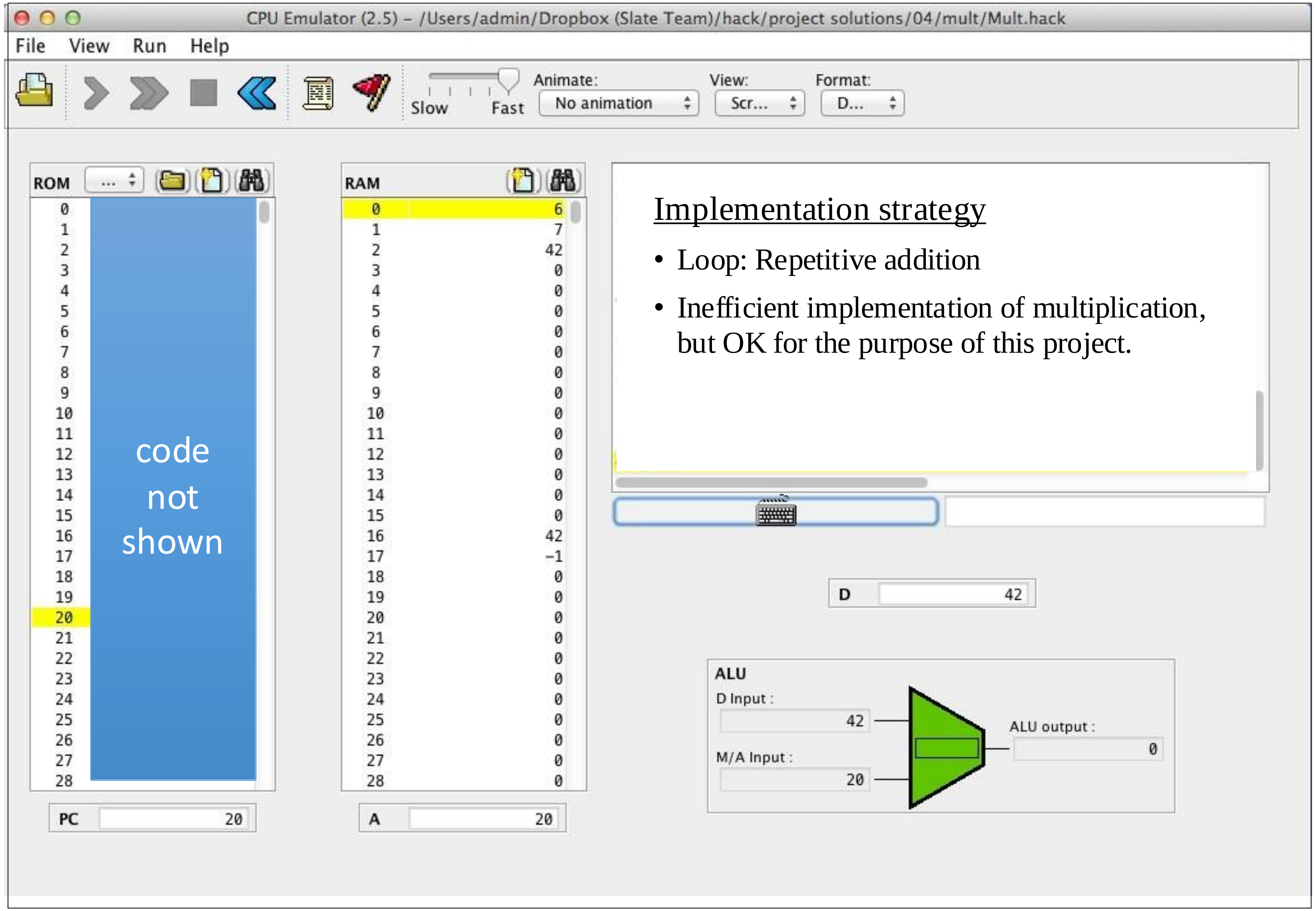

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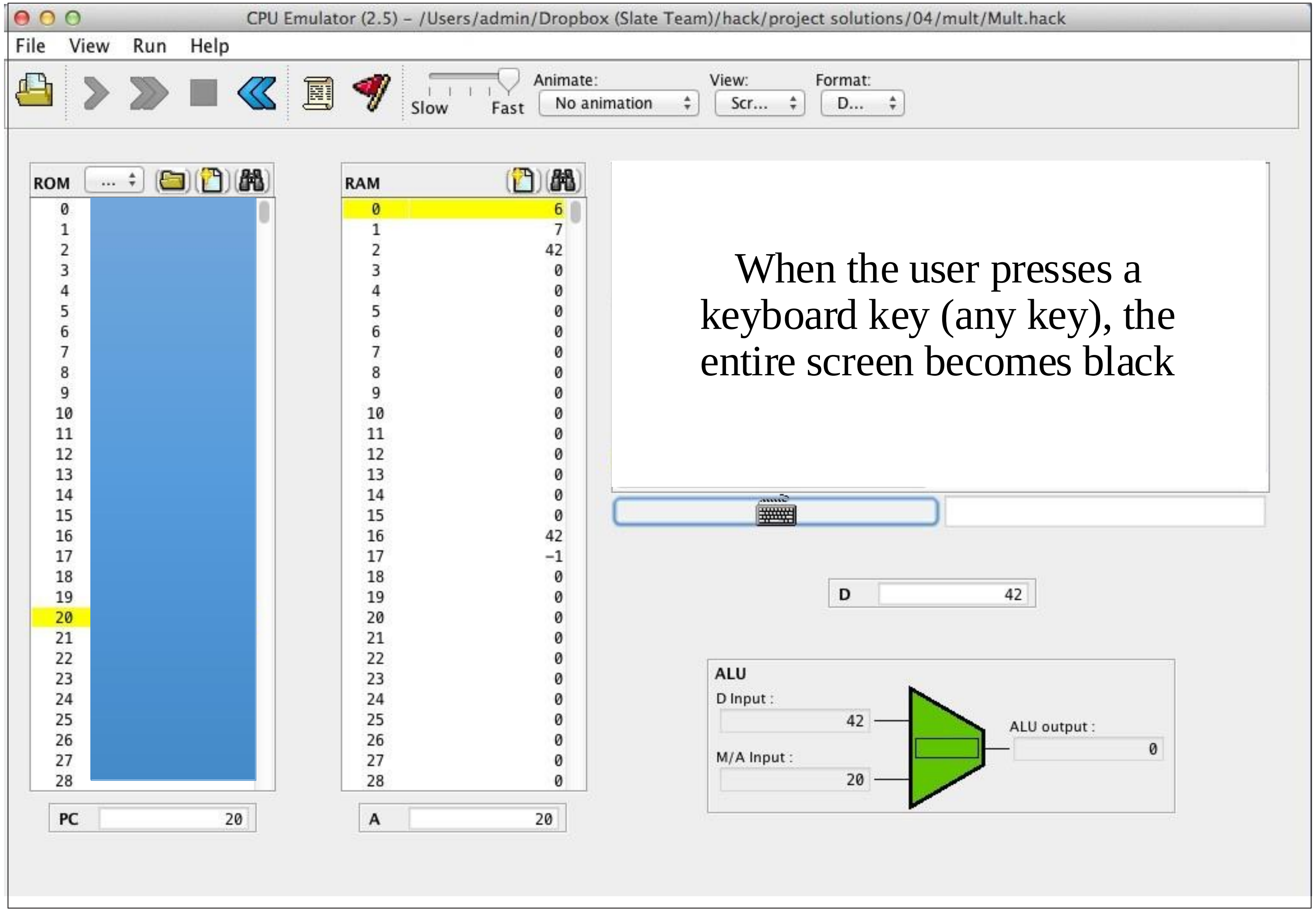
Implementation strategy

- Loop: Repetitive addition
- Inefficient implementation of multiplication, but OK for the purpose of this project.

`Fill`: a simple interactive program



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When the user presses a keyboard key (any key), the entire screen becomes black

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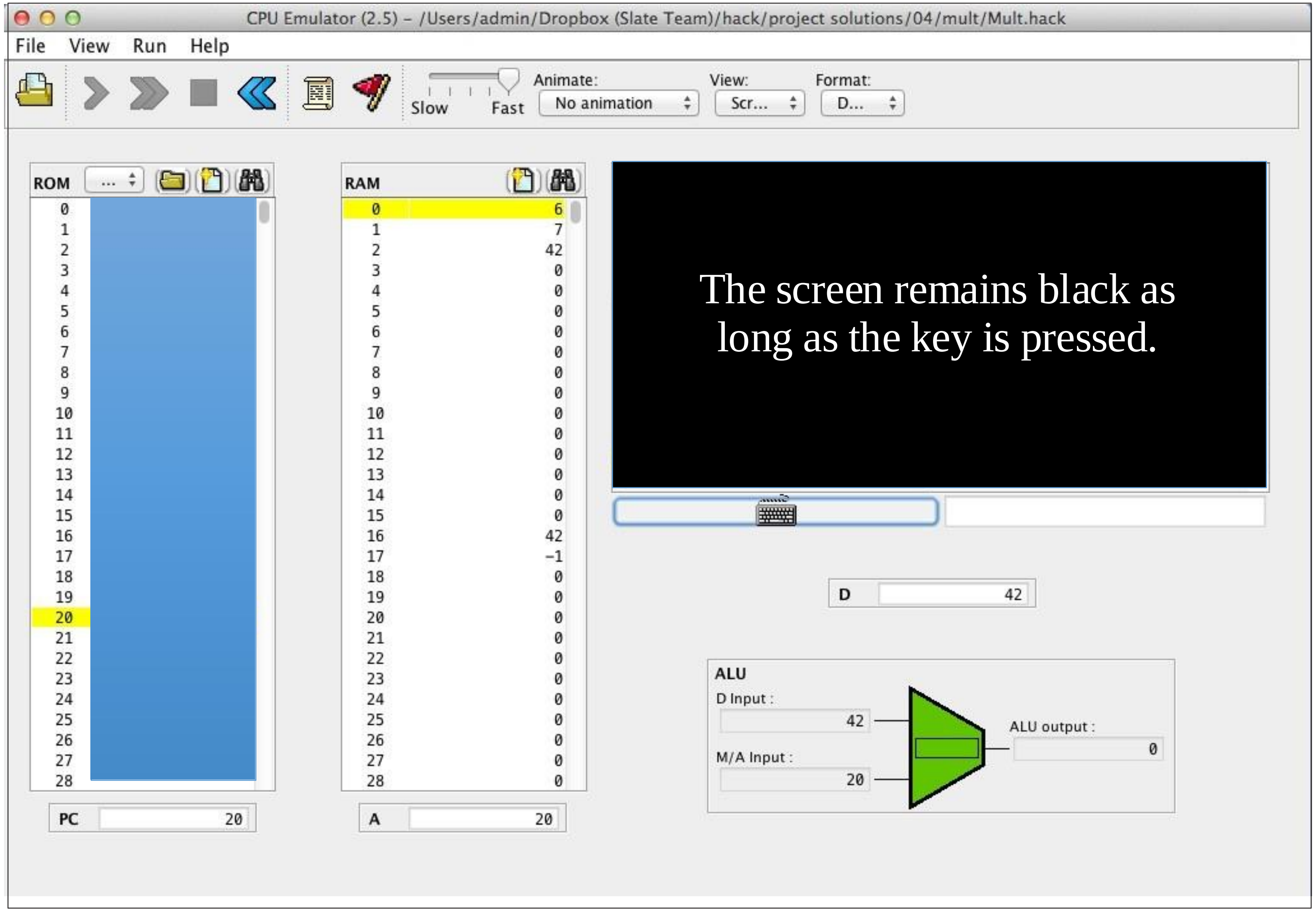

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ALU output : 0

The screen remains black as long as the key is pressed.

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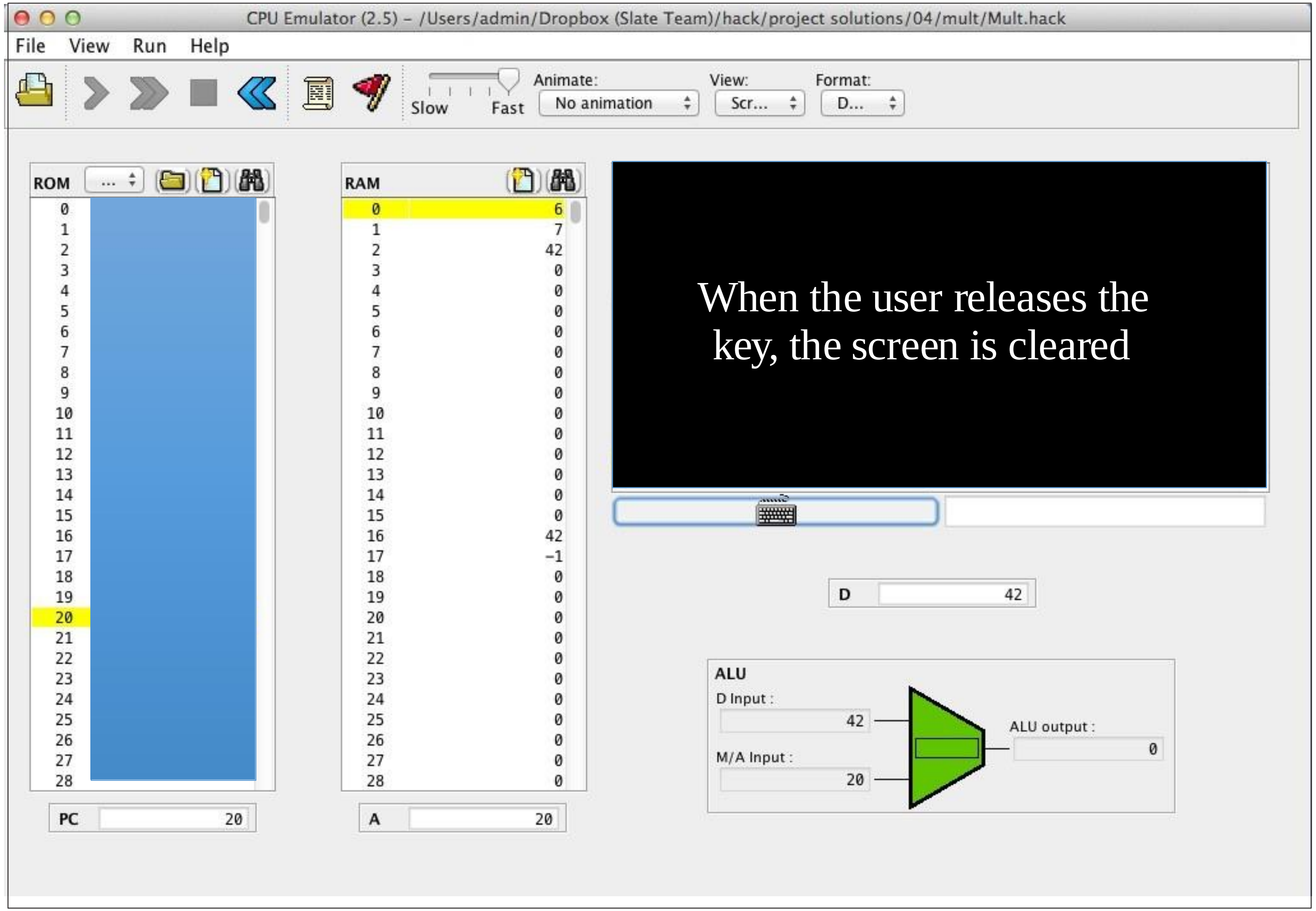

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When the user releases the key, the screen is cleared

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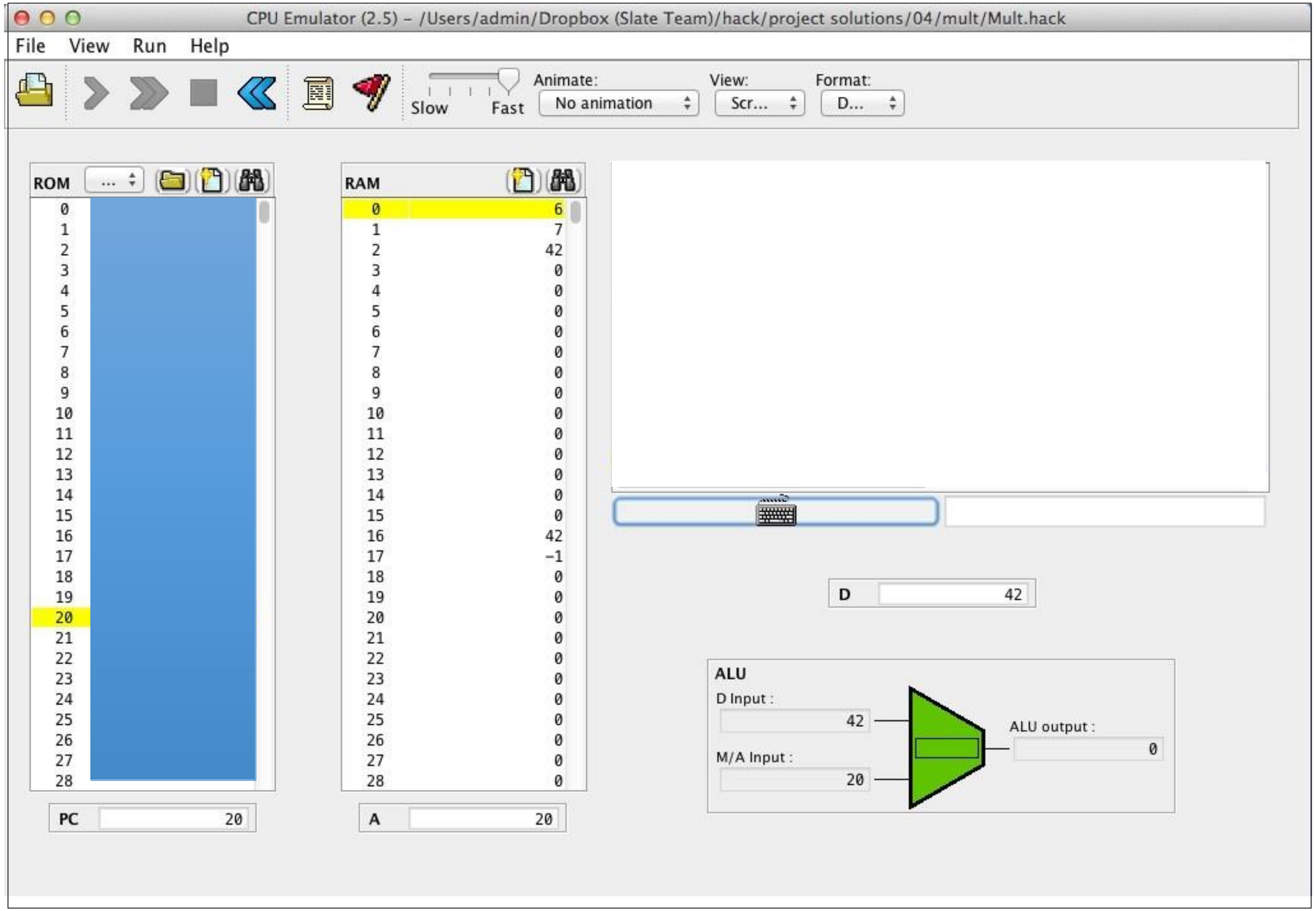

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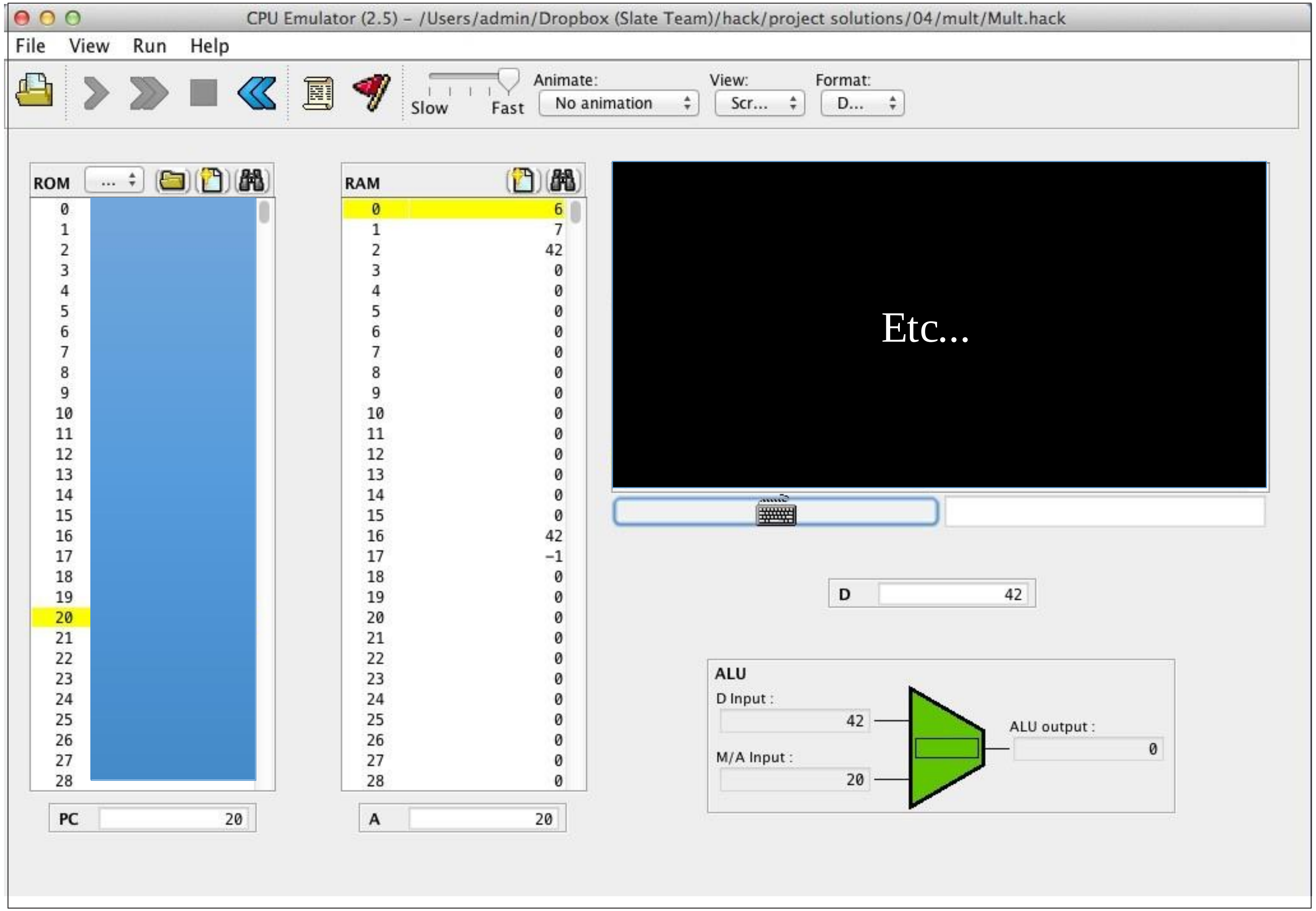

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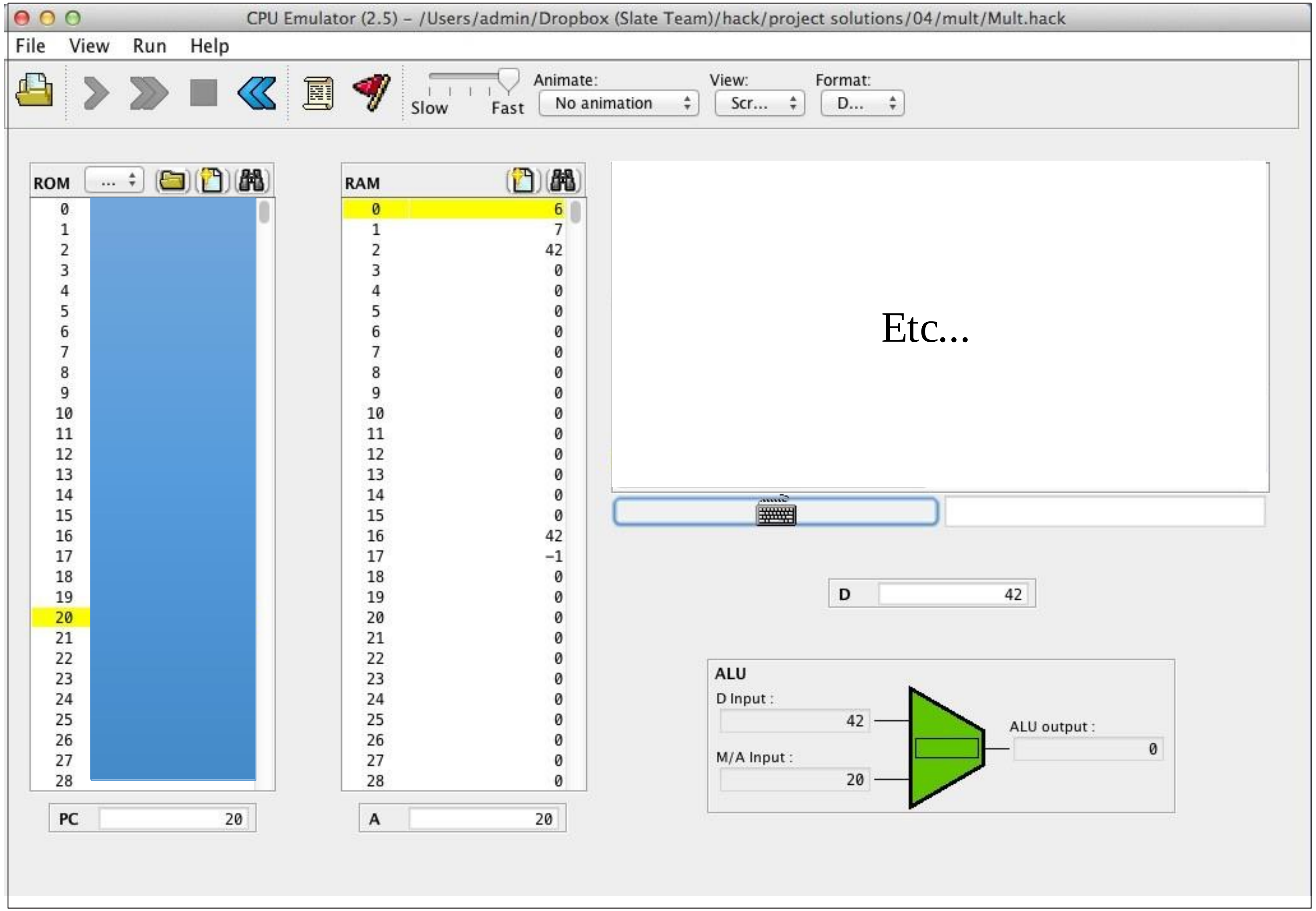

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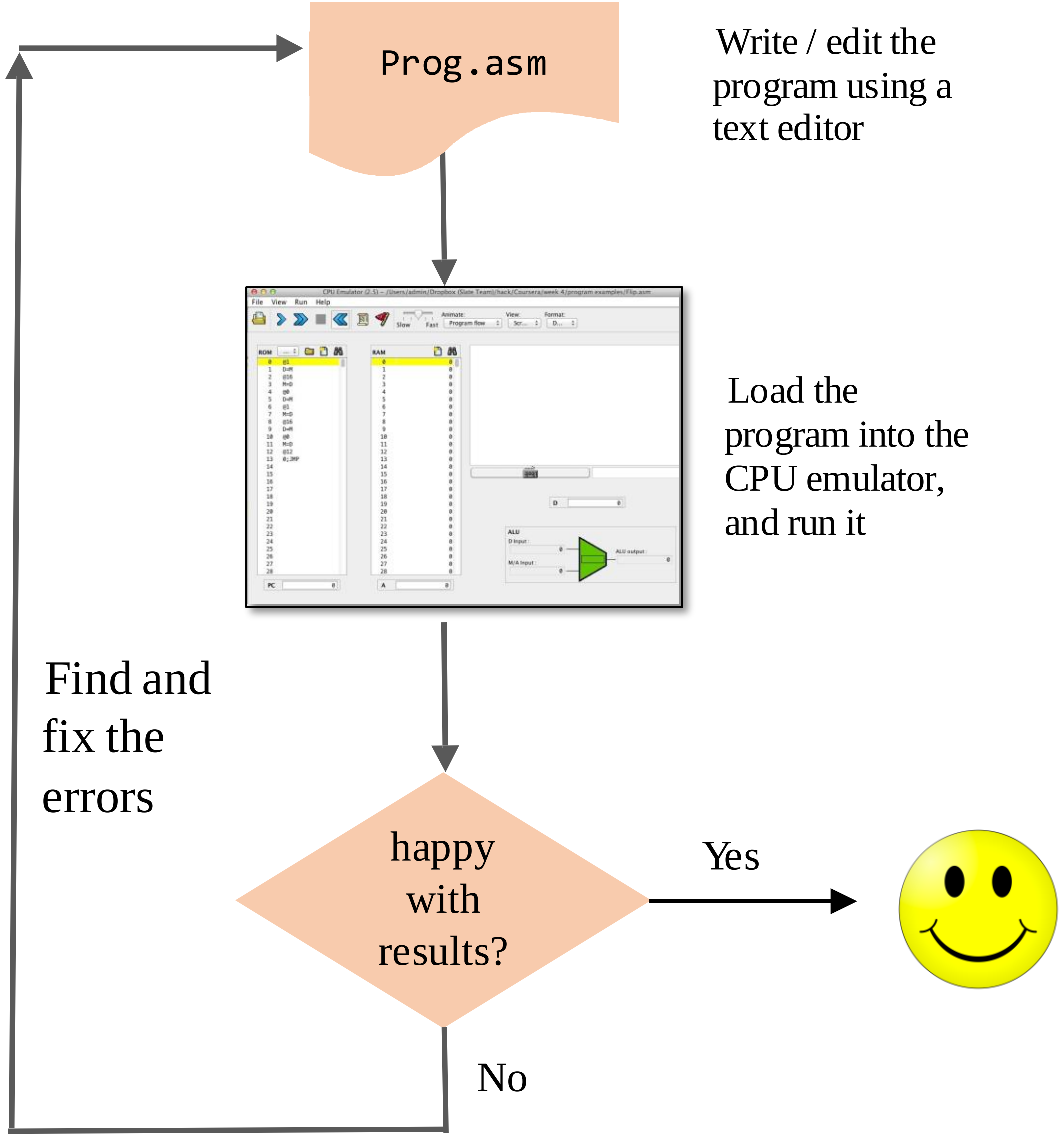
`Fill`: a simple interactive program

Implementation strategy

- Execute an infinite loop that listens to the keyboard input
- When a key is pressed (any key),
  execute code that writes "black" in every pixel
- When no key is pressed, execute code that writes "white" in every pixel

Tip: This program requires working with pointers.

Program development process



Write / edit the program using a text editor

Load the program into the CPU emulator, and run it

Find and fix the errors

Translation options

1. Let the CPU emulator translate into binary code (as seen on the left)

2. Use the supplied assembler:

- Find it on your PC in `nand2tetris/tools`
- See the *Assembler Tutorial* in Project 6 (`www.nand2tetris.org`)

Implementation notes

Well-written low-level code is

- Compact
- Efficient
- Elegant
- Self-describing

Tips

- Use symbolic variables and labels
- Use sensible variable and label names
- Variables: lower-case
- Labels: upper-case
- Use indentation
- Start by writing pseudocode.

Task 3:Define and write a program of your own

Any ideas?

It’s your call!

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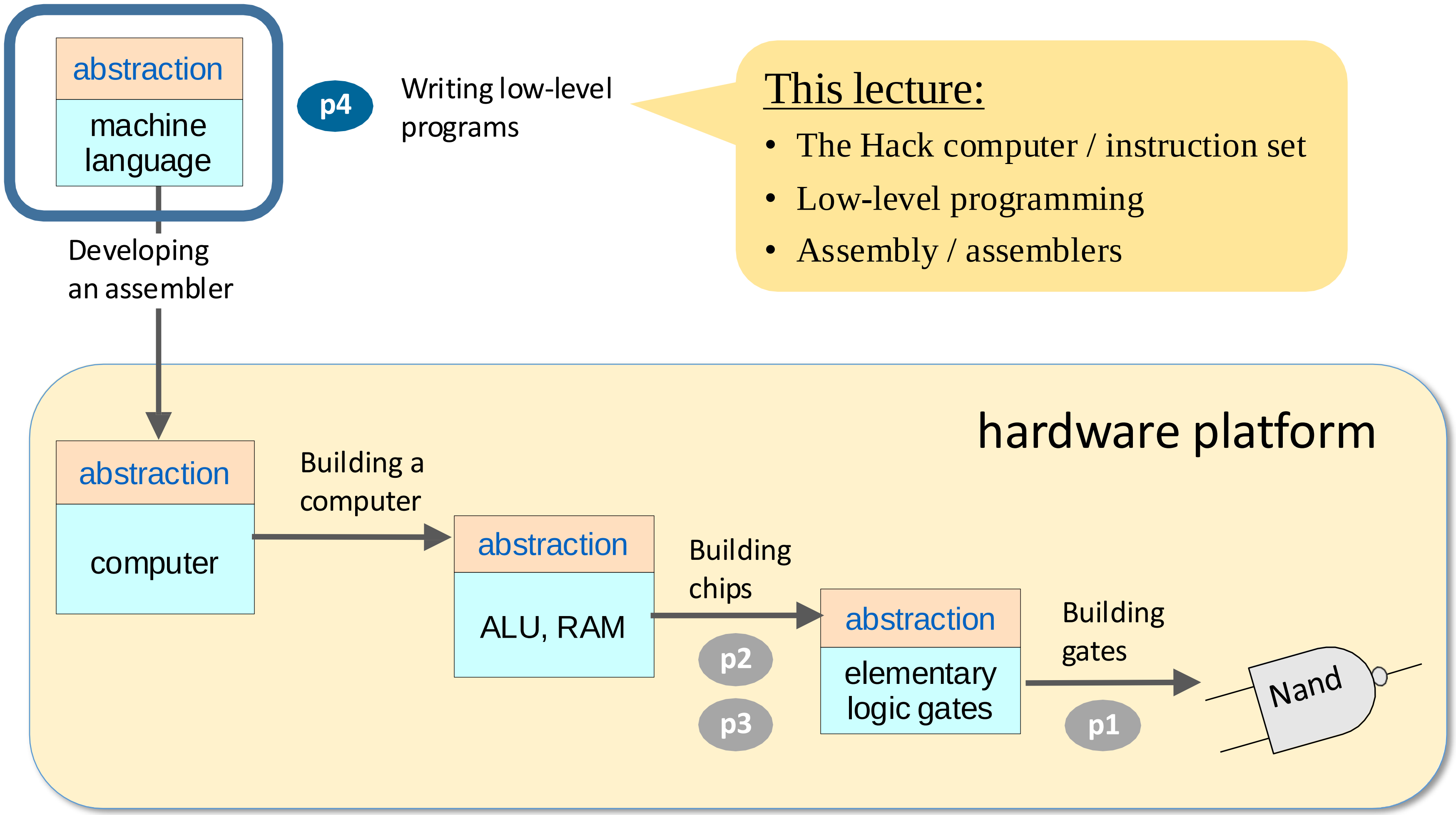

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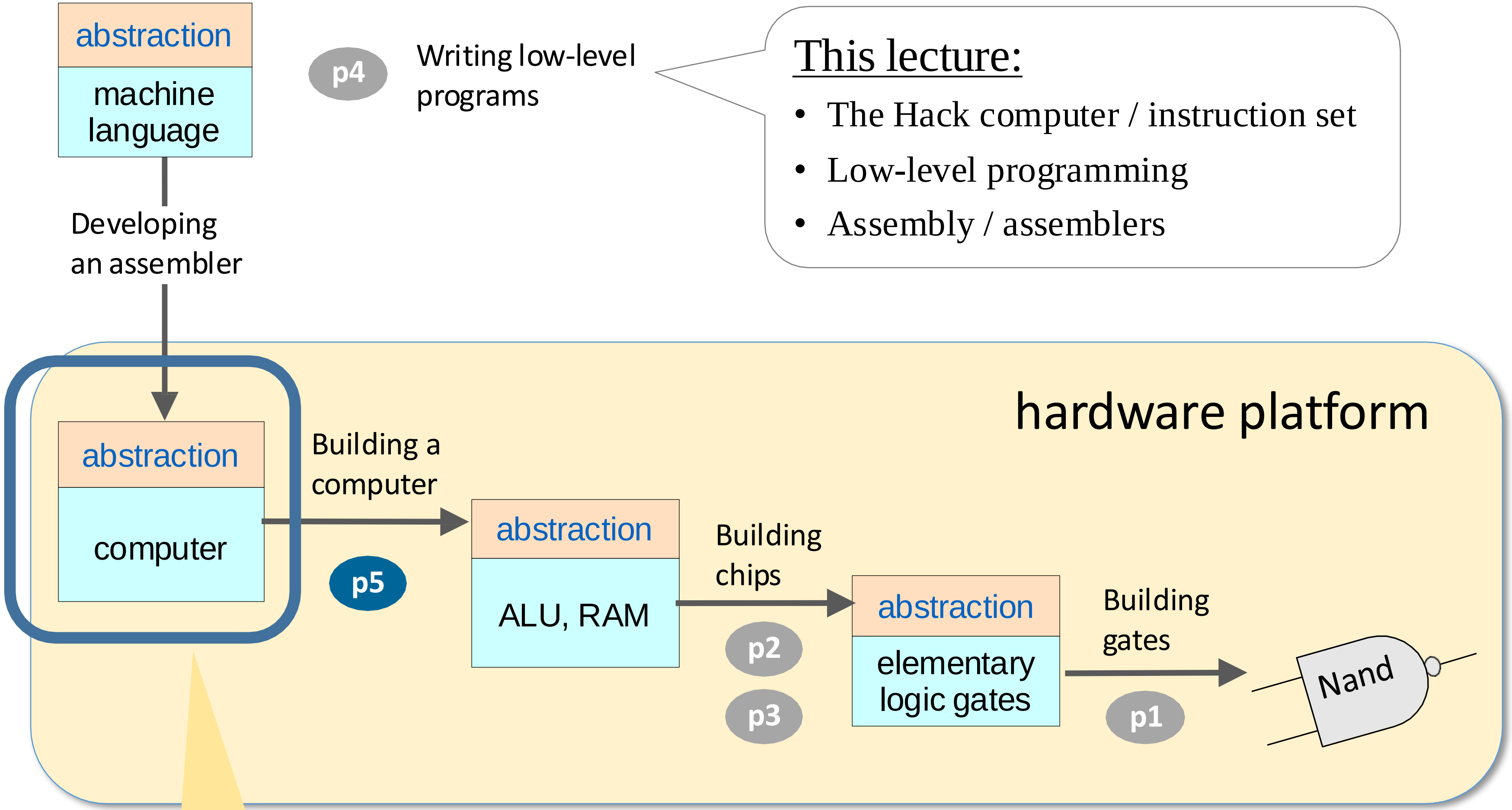

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