

# W2: Computer Architecture

With a history

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$$2^{**} 7 = 128$$

$$10 \ 000 \ 000$$

$$209 - 128 = 81$$

$$2^{**} 6 = 64$$

$$1 \ 000 \ 000$$

$$81 - 64 = 17$$

$$2^{**} 4 = 16$$

$$10 \ 000$$

$$17 - 16 = 1$$

$$2^{**} 0 = 1$$

$$1$$

**Add every binary number together**

**11 010 001**

So the answer is b(11010001)

# What is the binary code of room 209

- $209 \% 2 = 1$     $209 // 2 = 104$
- $104 \% 2 = 0$     $104 // 2 = 52$
- $52 \% 2 = 0$     $52 // 2 = 26$
- $26 \% 2 = 0$     $26 // 2 = 13$
- $13 \% 2 = 1$     $13 // 2 = 6$
- $6 \% 2 = 0$     $6 // 2 = 3$
- $3 \% 2 = 1$     $3 // 2 = 1$
- $1 \% 2 = 1$
- So the answer is b(11010001)

# Today

- BBC clips (#3, #4, #5)
- Inter-mixed with fundamentals of computer architectures
- State machine
- Program exercise: the register machine

# BBC History of Computers

[Clip #3](#)

# Takeaways

- Computer as a “crystal ball” has a long (and also short) history
  - “Big data” often claims machines (algorithms + data) knows better!
- Which kind of ideas excite you more?
  - Bright ideas
  - Good ideas
  - Successful ideas

# BBC History of Computers

[Clip #4](#)

# Layers and abstractions

You (ideas and problems)

Hardware: 0s and 1s

# Layers and abstractions

You (ideas and problems)

Algorithms and data structures  
... and of course Python, Java, C+....

High-level languages

Compiler, loader, linker  
Operating systems etc.

Machine languages

CPU and Memory etc.

Hardware: 0s and 1s

Barbara Liskov (MIT)

The power of abstraction

[Turning award speech](#)

[http://amturing.acm.org/vp/liskov\\_1108679.cfm](http://amturing.acm.org/vp/liskov_1108679.cfm)

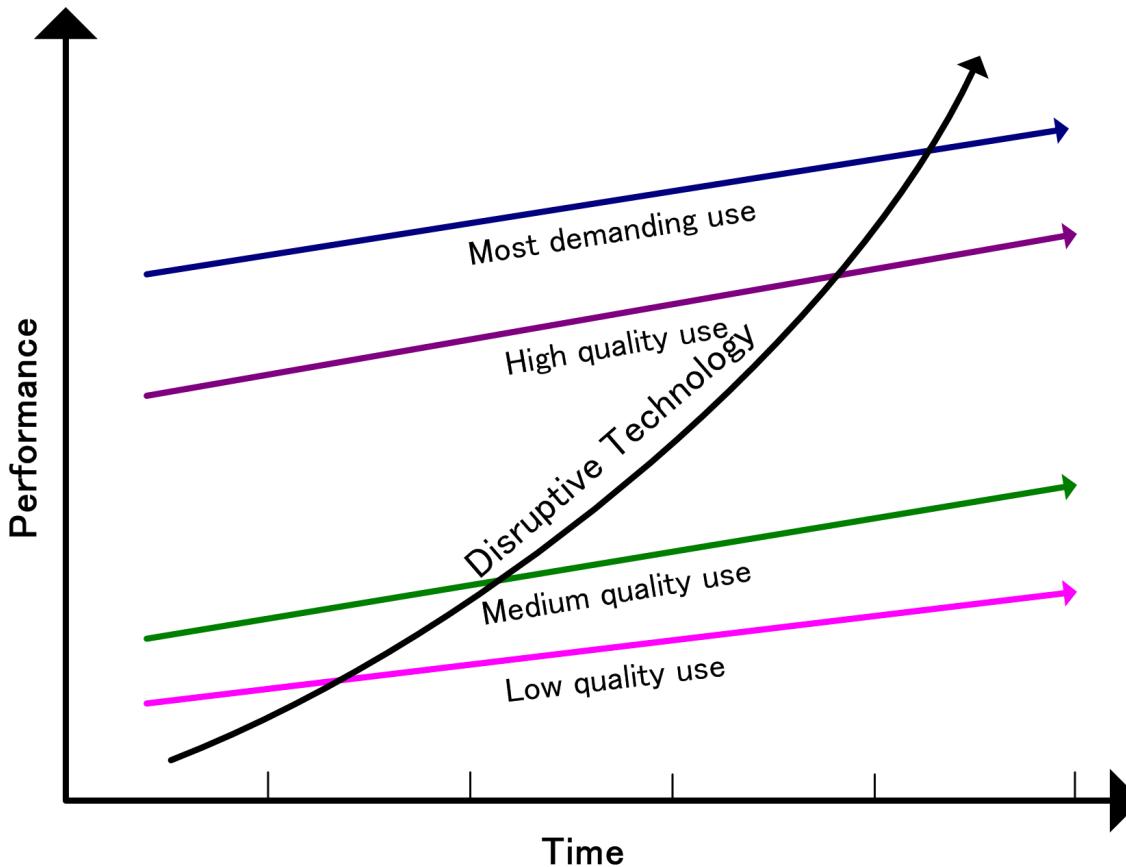
# Abstraction

- Define interface, *not* implementation
- The isolation improves productivity
- Examples:
  - Python language syntax →
  - OS APIs →
  - Intel x86 ISAs (instruction set architecture) →
  - CPU/Memory bus signals/actions

# BBC History of Computers

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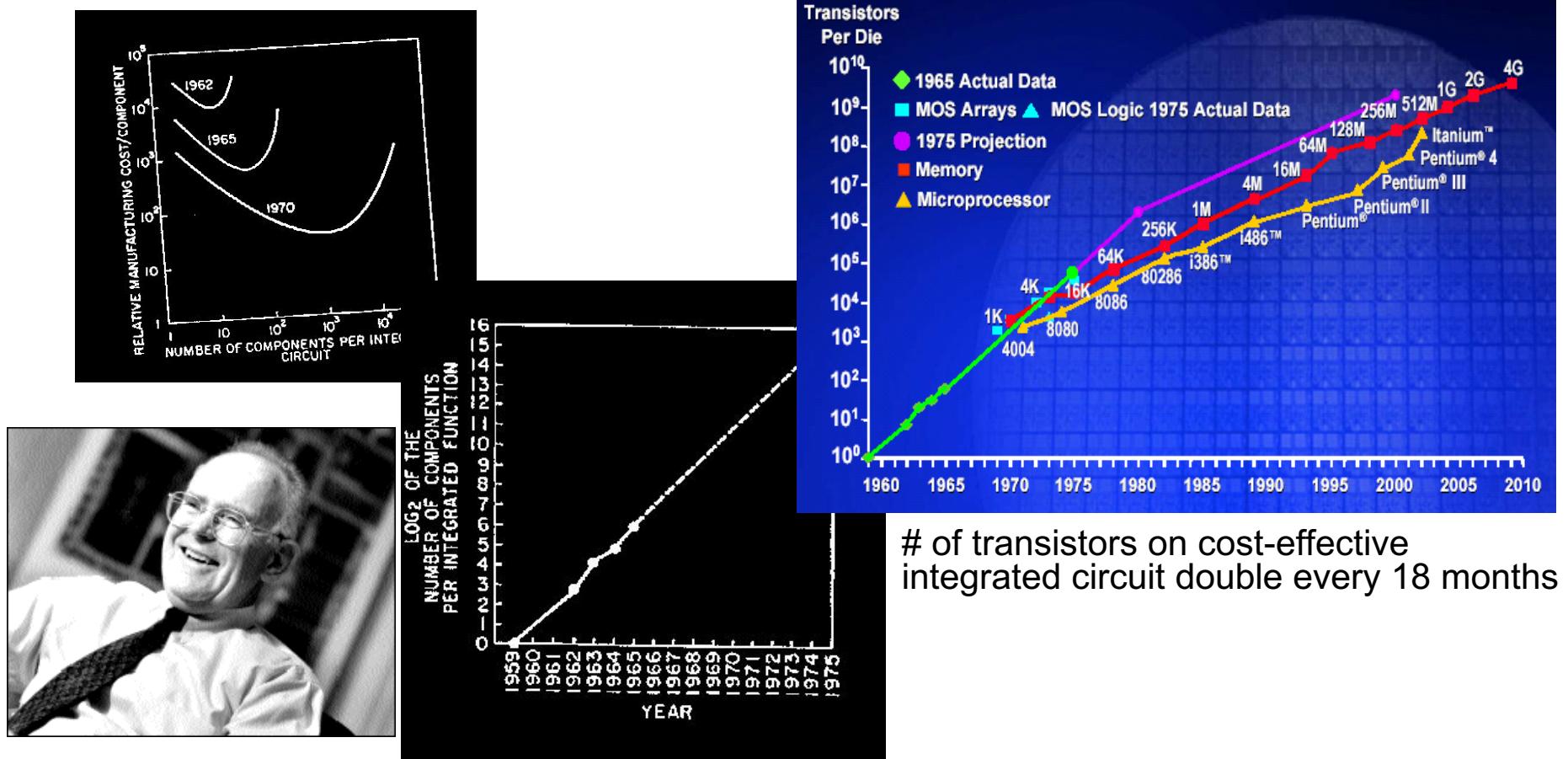
# The Disruptive Technology LAW



## Examples:

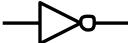
- Cell phone
- Flash disk
- PC
- What's in this clip?

# The Moore's LAW



- “Cramming More Components onto Integrated Circuits”
  - Gordon Moore, Electronics, 1965
- Hitting a limit because of “power wall” and “memory wall”

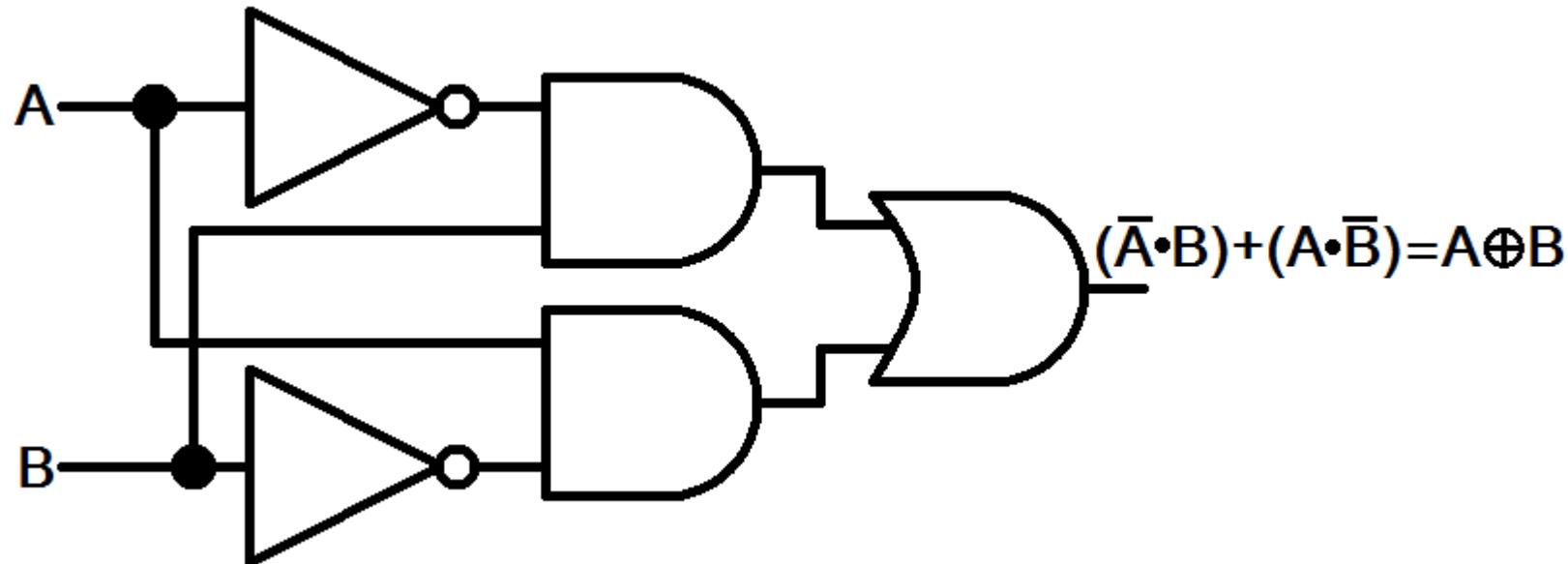
# Signals, Logic Operators, and Gates

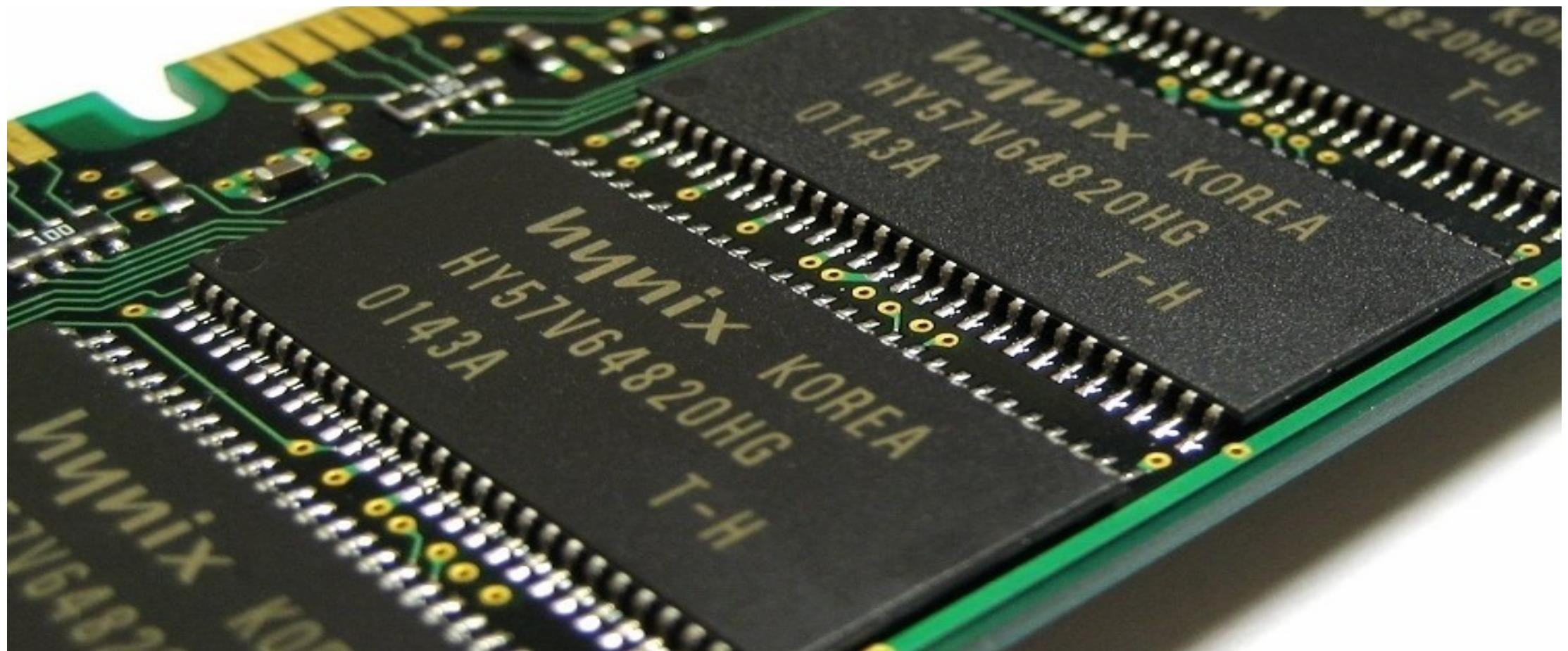
Name	NOT	AND	OR	XOR
Graphical symbol				
Operator sign and alternate(s)	$x'$ $\neg x$ or $\overline{x}$	$xy$ $x \wedge y$	$x \vee y$ $x + y$	$x \oplus y$ $x \not\equiv y$
Output is 1 iff:	Input is 0	Both inputs are 1s	At least one input is 1	Inputs are not equal
Arithmetic expression	$1 - x$	$x \times y$ or $xy$	$x + y - xy$	$x + y - 2xy$

The state of the input  $(x, y)$  decides the state of output  $(y)$

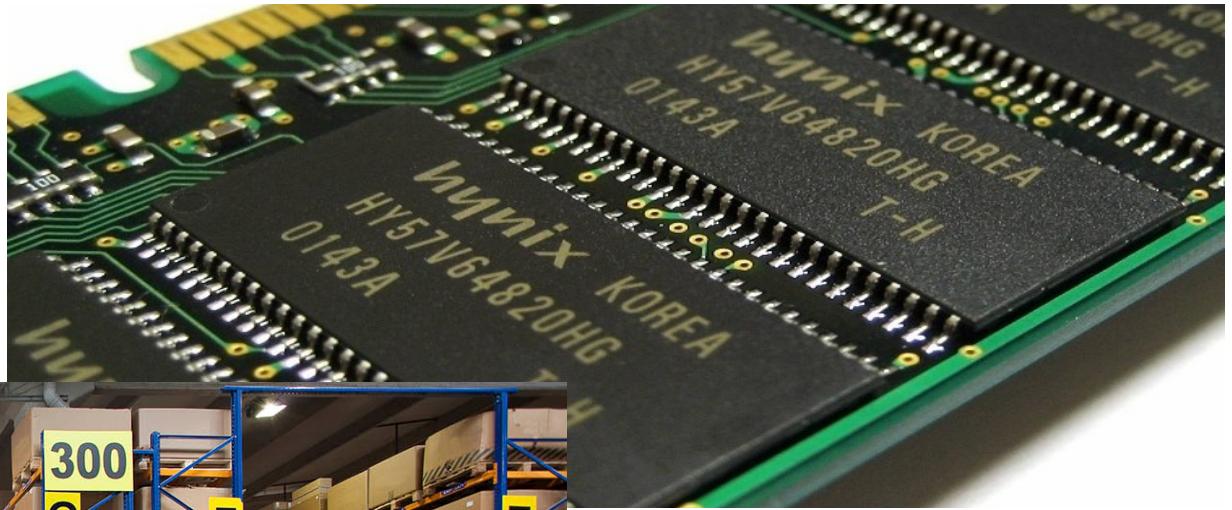
# What does this circuitry do?

- Composing more complex functions out of simpler ones

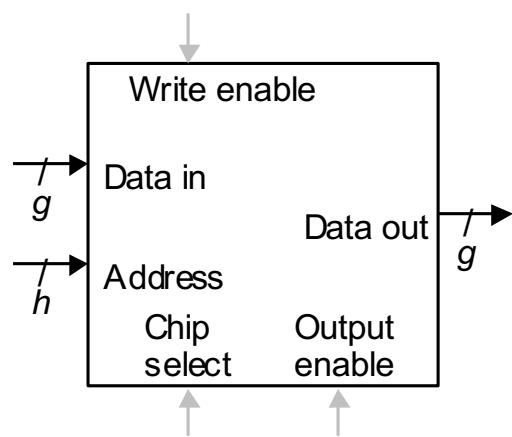




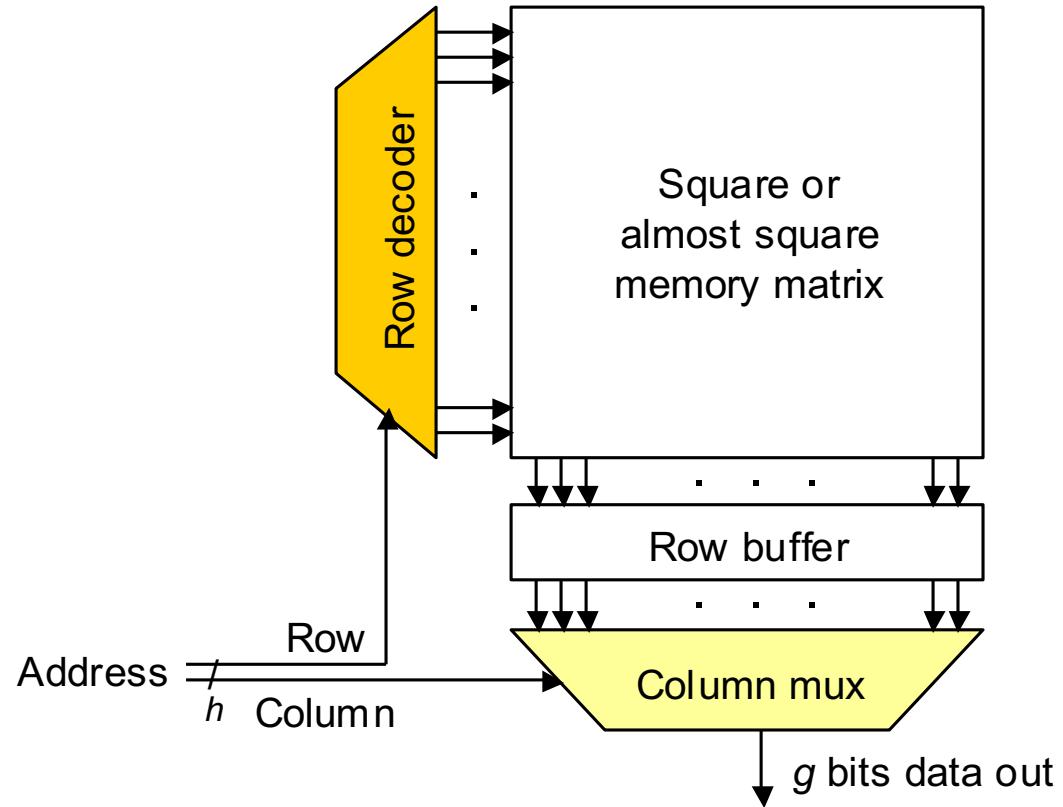
Not that different...



# SRAM (the memory on your PC)



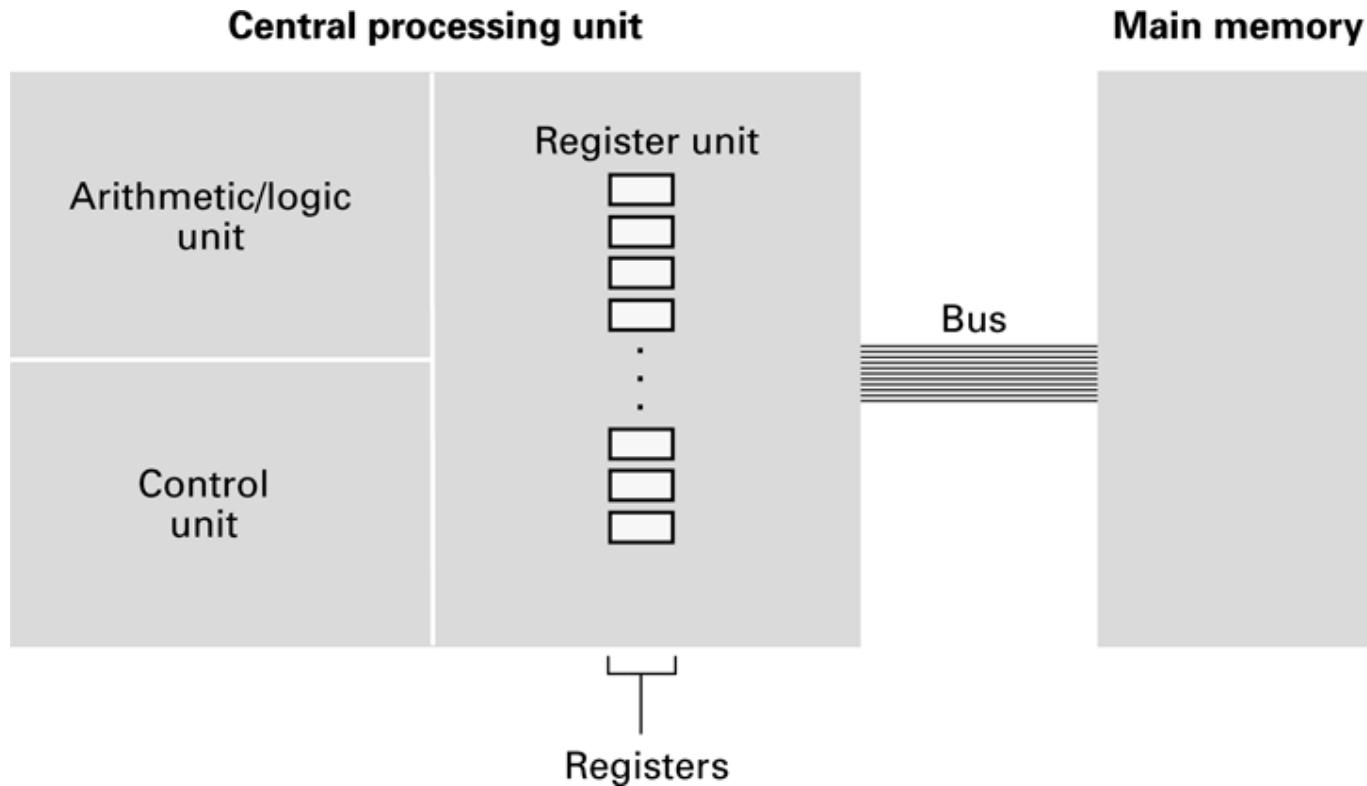
(a) SRAM block diagram



(b) SRAM read mechanism

# Computer Architecture

(microprocessor)

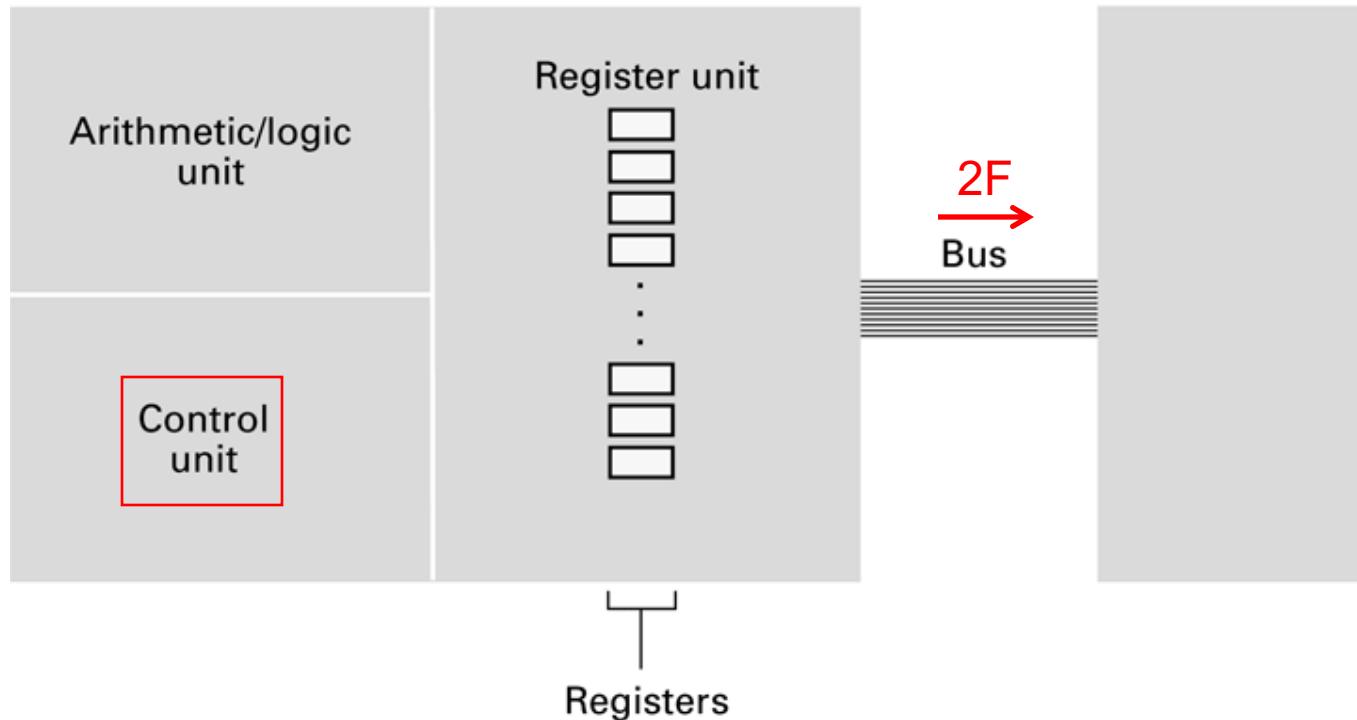


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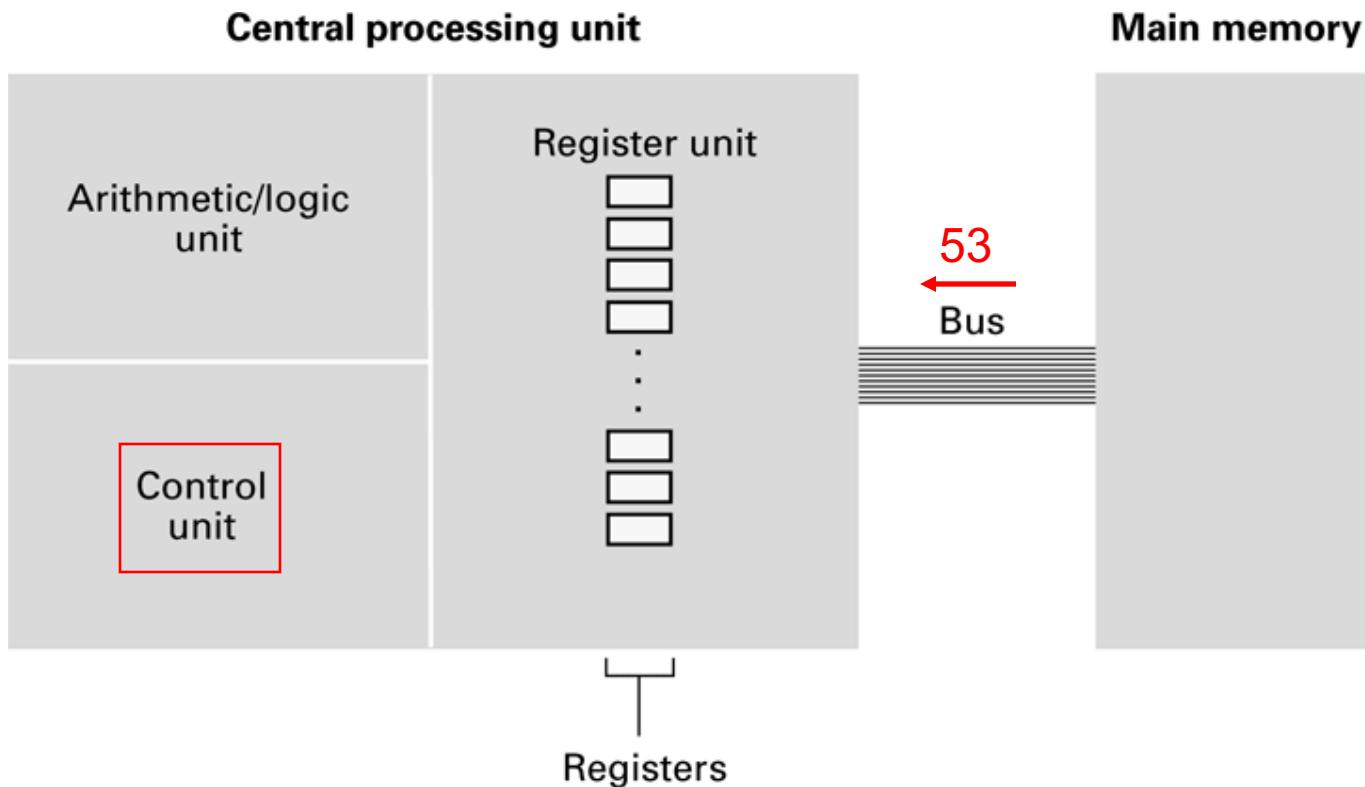
(microprocessor)

## Central processing unit

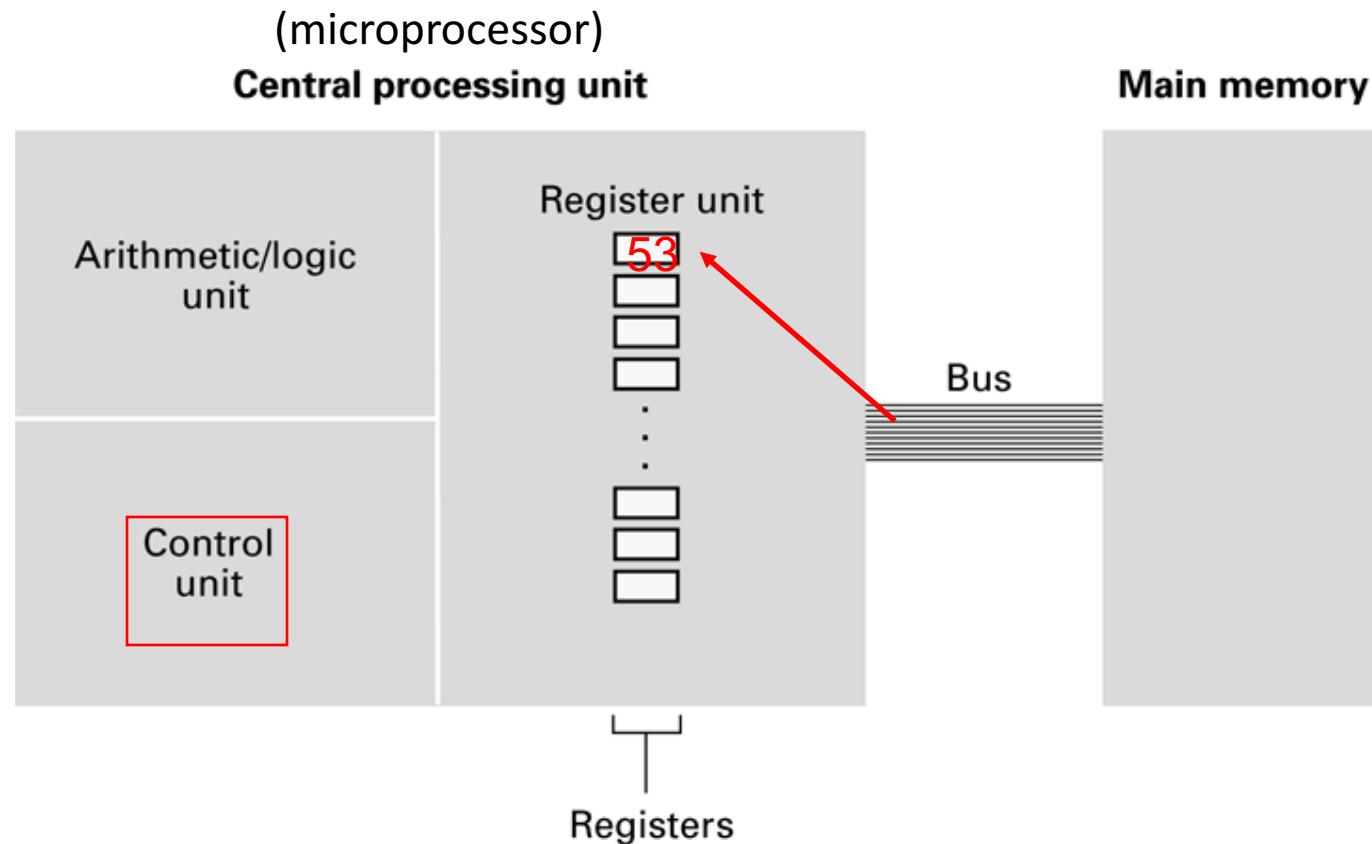


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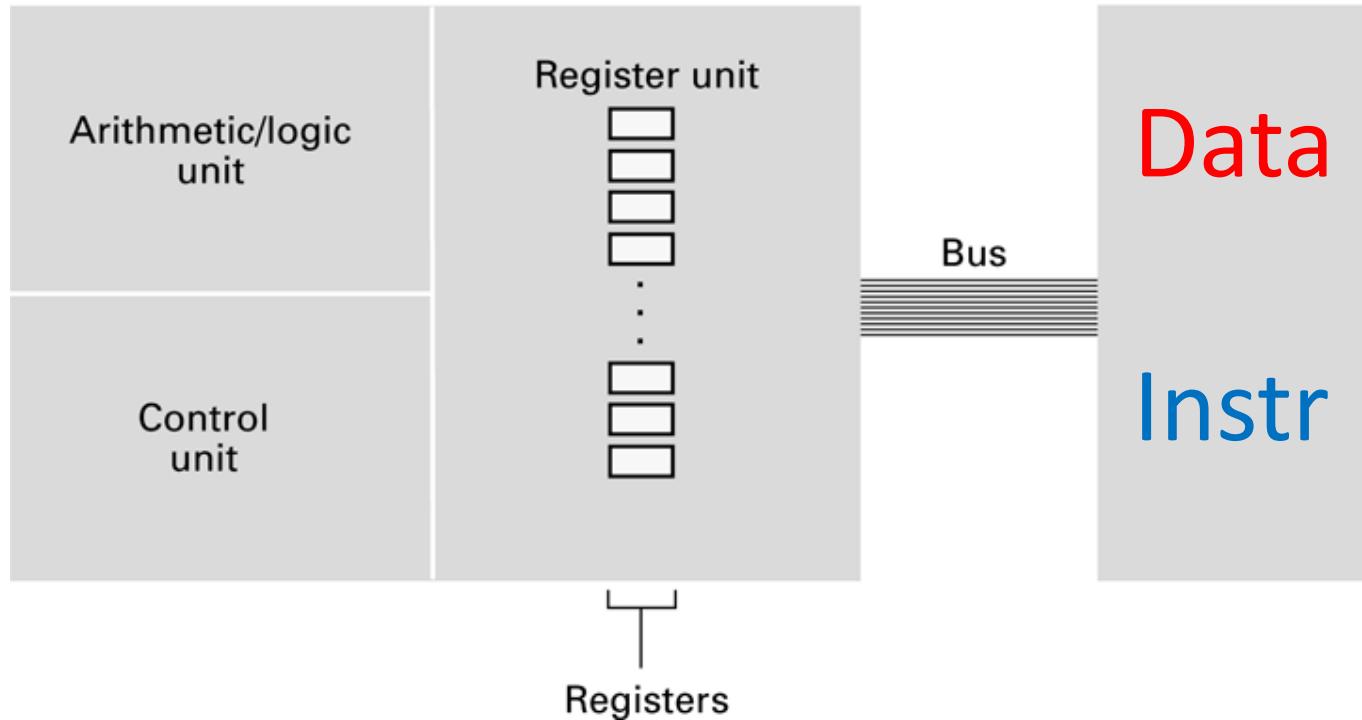
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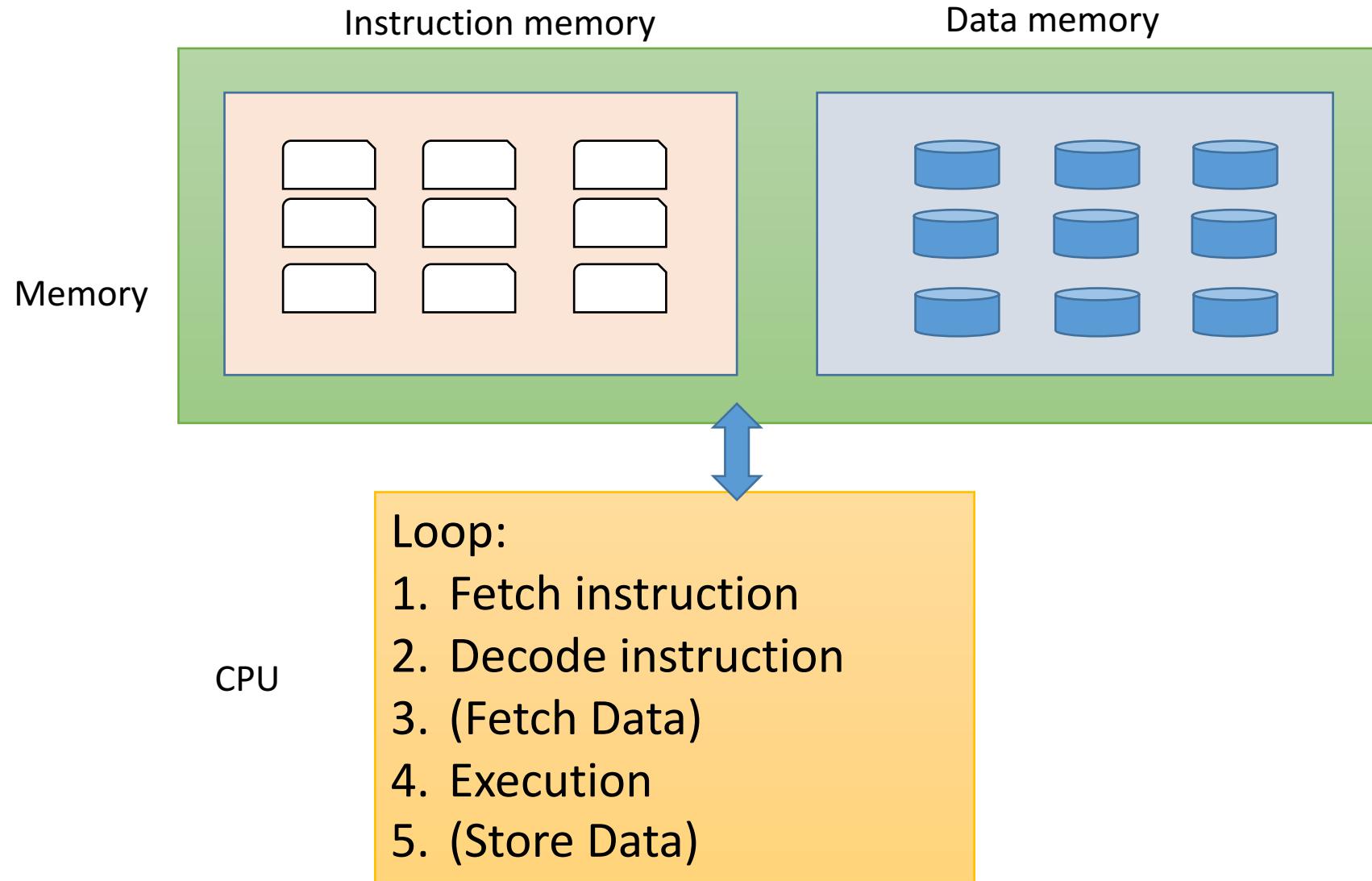
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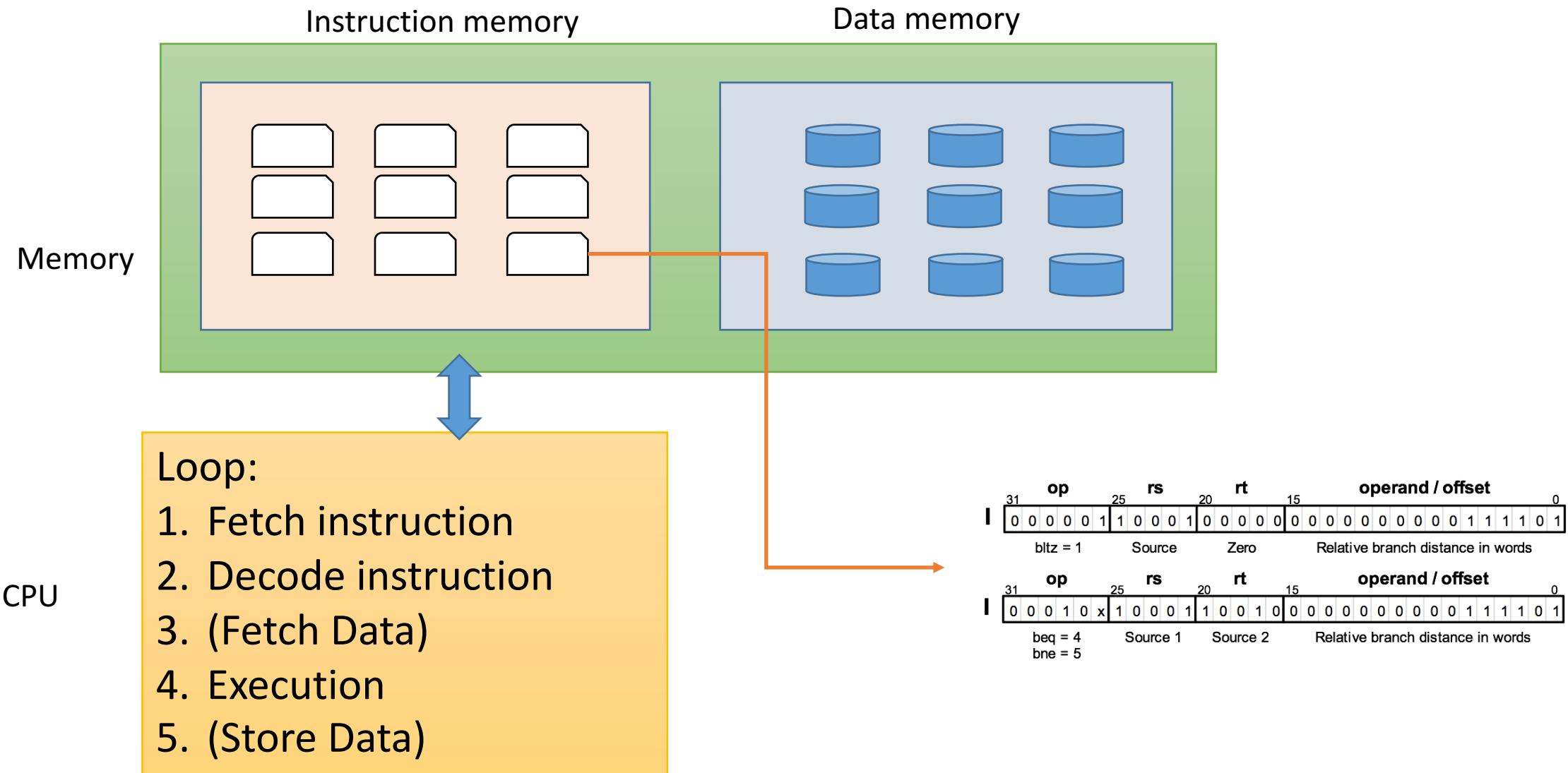
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# The cycle of execution



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# Some MiniMIPS Instructions

	op	25	rs	20	rt	15	0	operand / offset	0
I	0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 1								
	bltz = 1	Source	Zero		Relative branch distance in words				

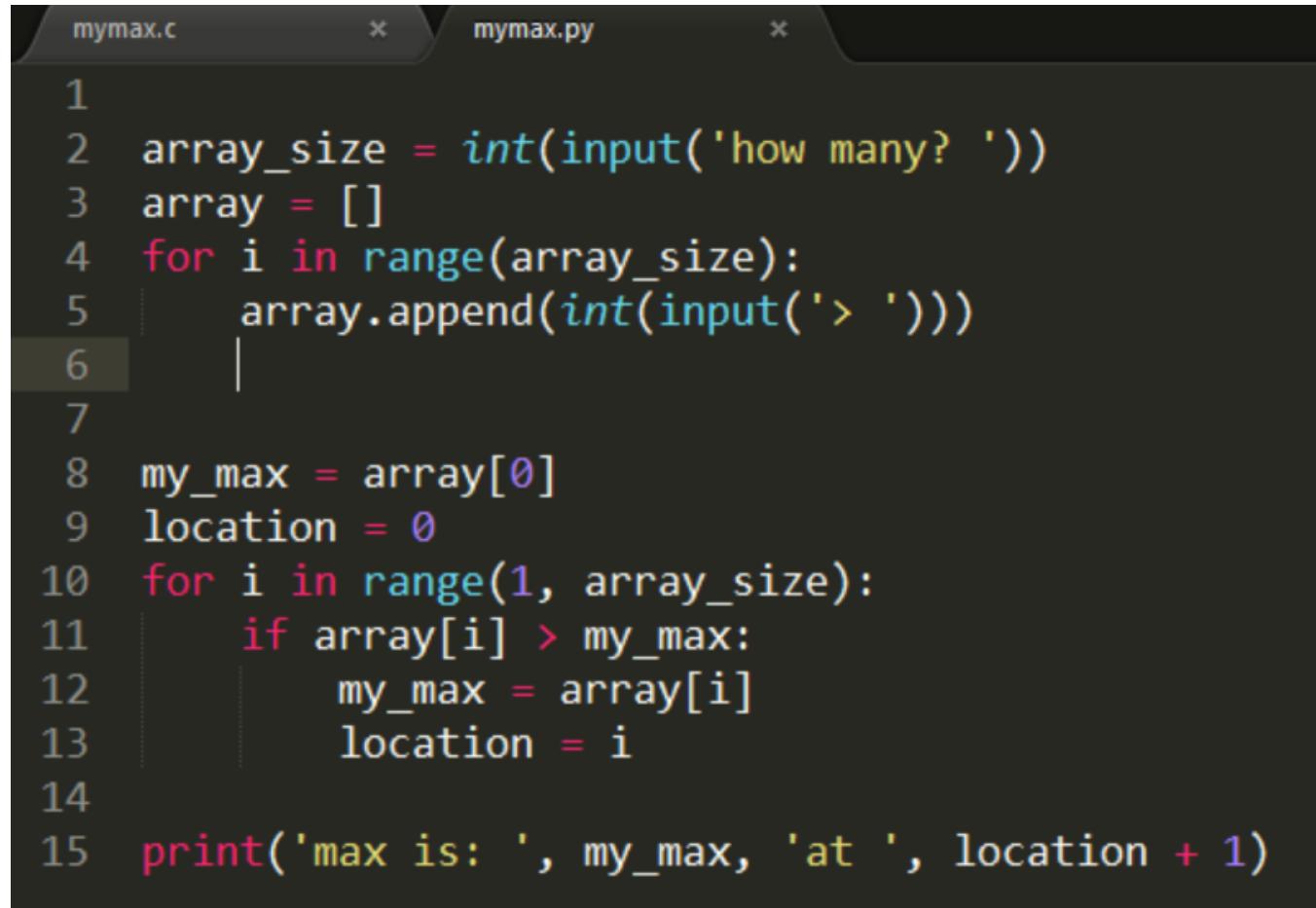
	op	25	rs	20	rt	15	0	operand / offset	0
I	0 0 0 1 0 x 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 1								
	beq = 4	Source 1	Source 2		Relative branch distance in words				

Copy      Arithmetic      Logic      Memory access      Control transfer

op	fn
15	
0	32
0	34
0	42
8	
10	
0	36
0	37
0	38
0	39
12	
13	
14	
35	
43	
2	8
0	
1	
4	
5	

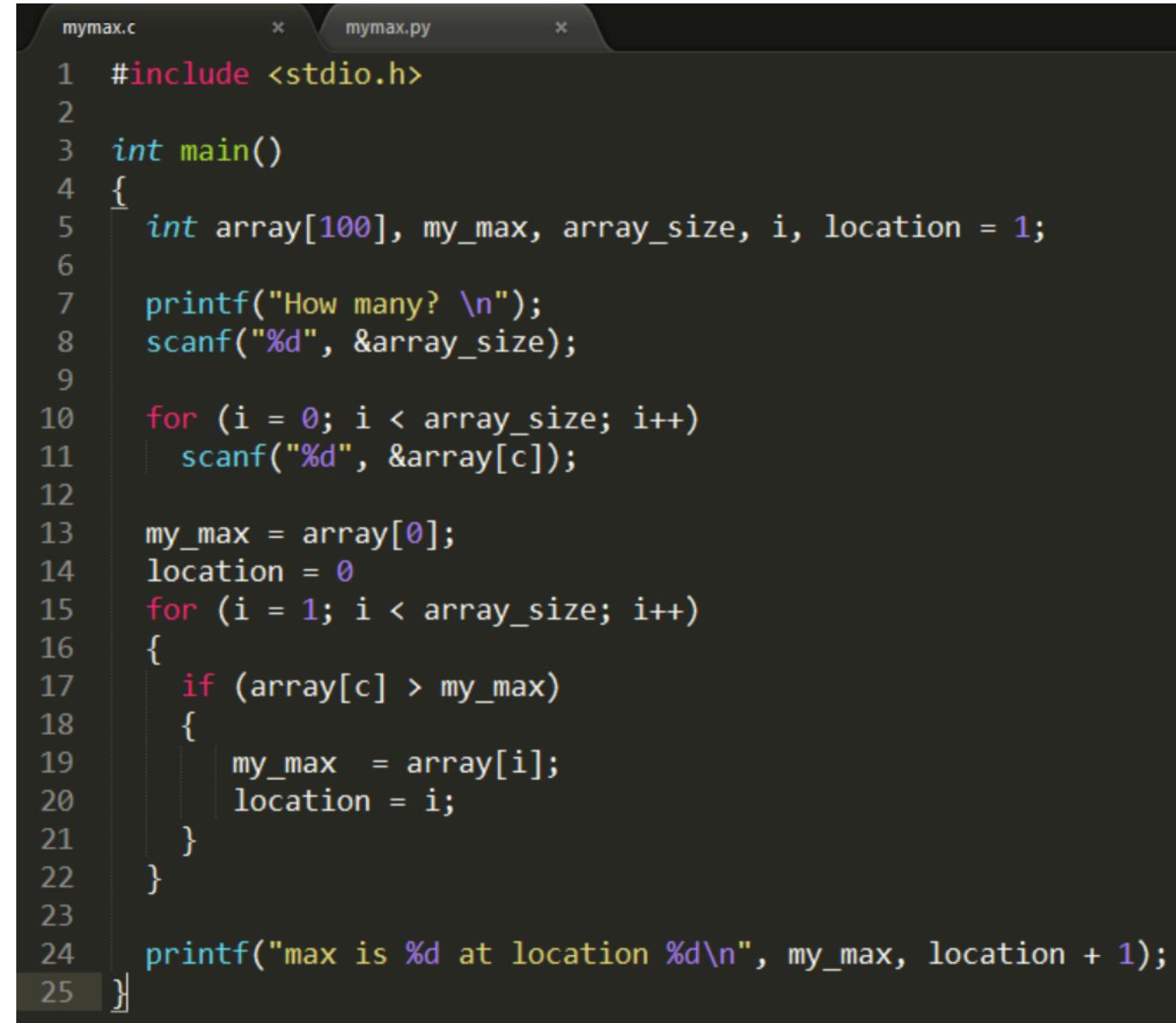
Instruction	Usage
Load upper immediate	lui rt,imm
Add	add rd,rs,rt
Subtract	sub rd,rs,rt
Set less than	slt rd,rs,rt
Add immediate	addi rt,rs,imm
Set less than immediate	slti rd,rs,imm
AND	and rd,rs,rt
OR	or rd,rs,rt
XOR	xor rd,rs,rt
NOR	nor rd,rs,rt
AND immediate	andi rt,rs,imm
OR immediate	ori rt,rs,imm
XOR immediate	xori rt,rs,imm
Load word	lw rt,imm(rs)
Store word	sw rt,imm(rs)
Jump	j L
Jump register	jr rs
Branch less than 0	bltz rs,L
Branch equal	beq rs,rt,L
Branch not equal	bne rs,rt,L

# Finding the max in a list



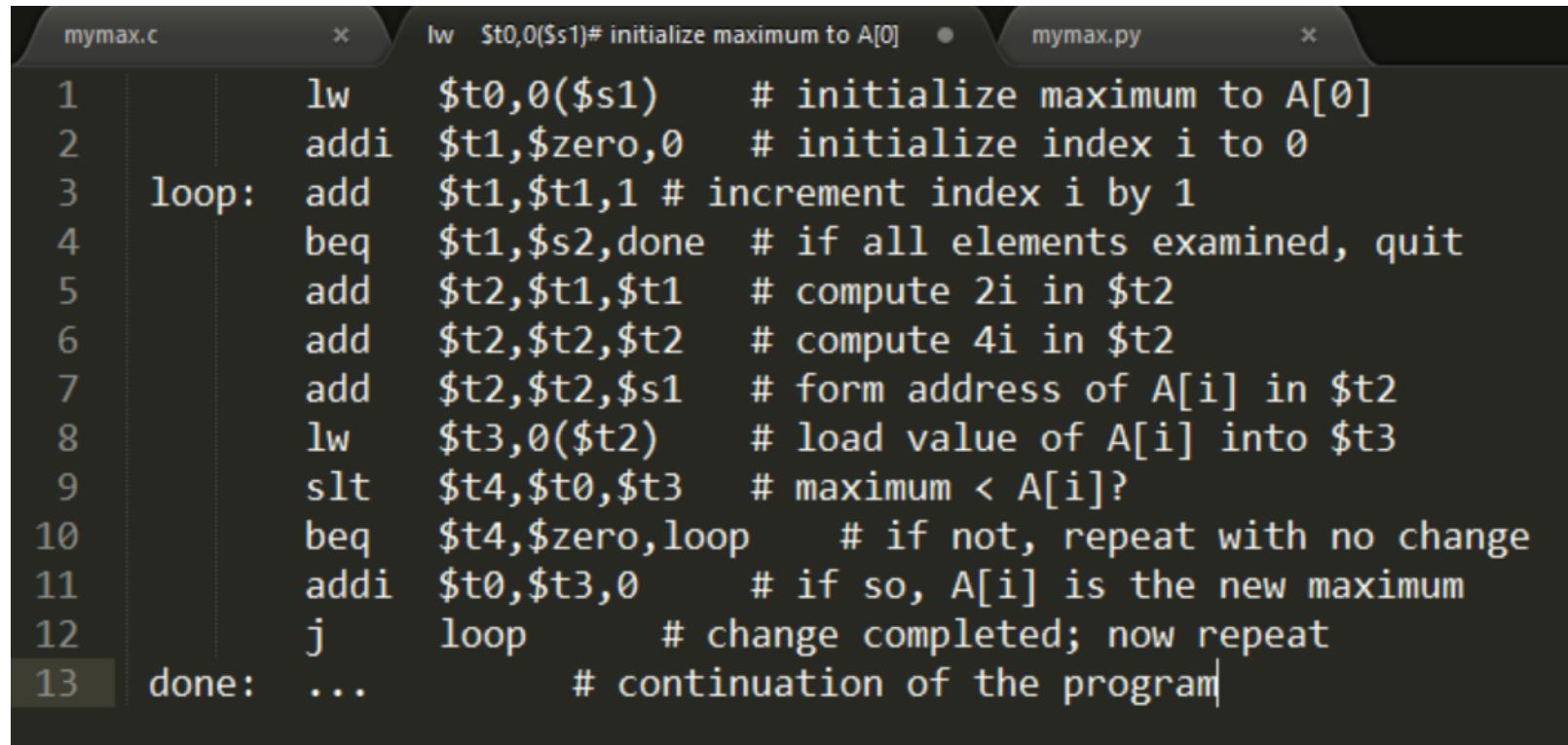
```
mymax.c * mymax.py *  
1  
2 array_size = int(input('how many? '))  
3 array = []  
4 for i in range(array_size):  
5     array.append(int(input('> ')))  
6     |  
7  
8 my_max = array[0]  
9 location = 0  
10 for i in range(1, array_size):  
11     if array[i] > my_max:  
12         my_max = array[i]  
13         location = i  
14  
15 print('max is: ', my_max, 'at ', location + 1)
```

# Do it in C



```
mymax.c      *      mymax.py      *
1 #include <stdio.h>
2
3 int main()
4 {
5     int array[100], my_max, array_size, i, location = 1;
6
7     printf("How many? \n");
8     scanf("%d", &array_size);
9
10    for (i = 0; i < array_size; i++)
11        scanf("%d", &array[i]);
12
13    my_max = array[0];
14    location = 0;
15    for (i = 1; i < array_size; i++)
16    {
17        if (array[i] > my_max)
18        {
19            my_max = array[i];
20            location = i;
21        }
22    }
23
24    printf("max is %d at location %d\n", my_max, location + 1);
25 }
```

# Do it in assembly code: the job of the compiler



```
mymax.c          *      lw  $t0,0($s1)# initialize maximum to A[0]      mymax.py      *
1      lw    $t0,0($s1)    # initialize maximum to A[0]
2      addi $t1,$zero,0    # initialize index i to 0
3      loop: add  $t1,$t1,1 # increment index i by 1
4      beq  $t1,$s2,done  # if all elements examined, quit
5      add   $t2,$t1,$t1  # compute 2i in $t2
6      add   $t2,$t2,$t2  # compute 4i in $t2
7      add   $t2,$t2,$s1  # form address of A[i] in $t2
8      lw    $t3,0($t2)    # load value of A[i] into $t3
9      slt   $t4,$t0,$t3  # maximum < A[i]?
10     beq  $t4,$zero,loop  # if not, repeat with no change
11     addi $t0,$t3,0      # if so, A[i] is the new maximum
12     j     loop        # change completed; now repeat
13     done: ...          # continuation of the program
```

- \$t0, \$t1 etc. are **registers**
- lw, addi, beq, j etc. are **instructions**

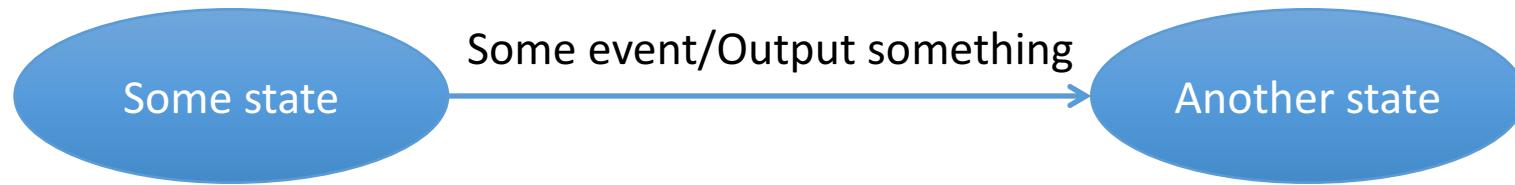
# Key takeaways

- At the lowest level: 1s and 0s
- Bits are grouped into bytes
  - Each byte is 8 bits
  - This laptop has 16Giga-bytes ( $16*2^{30}$  bytes)
- What's stored in memory can be data or instructions
- Everything has a *state*!

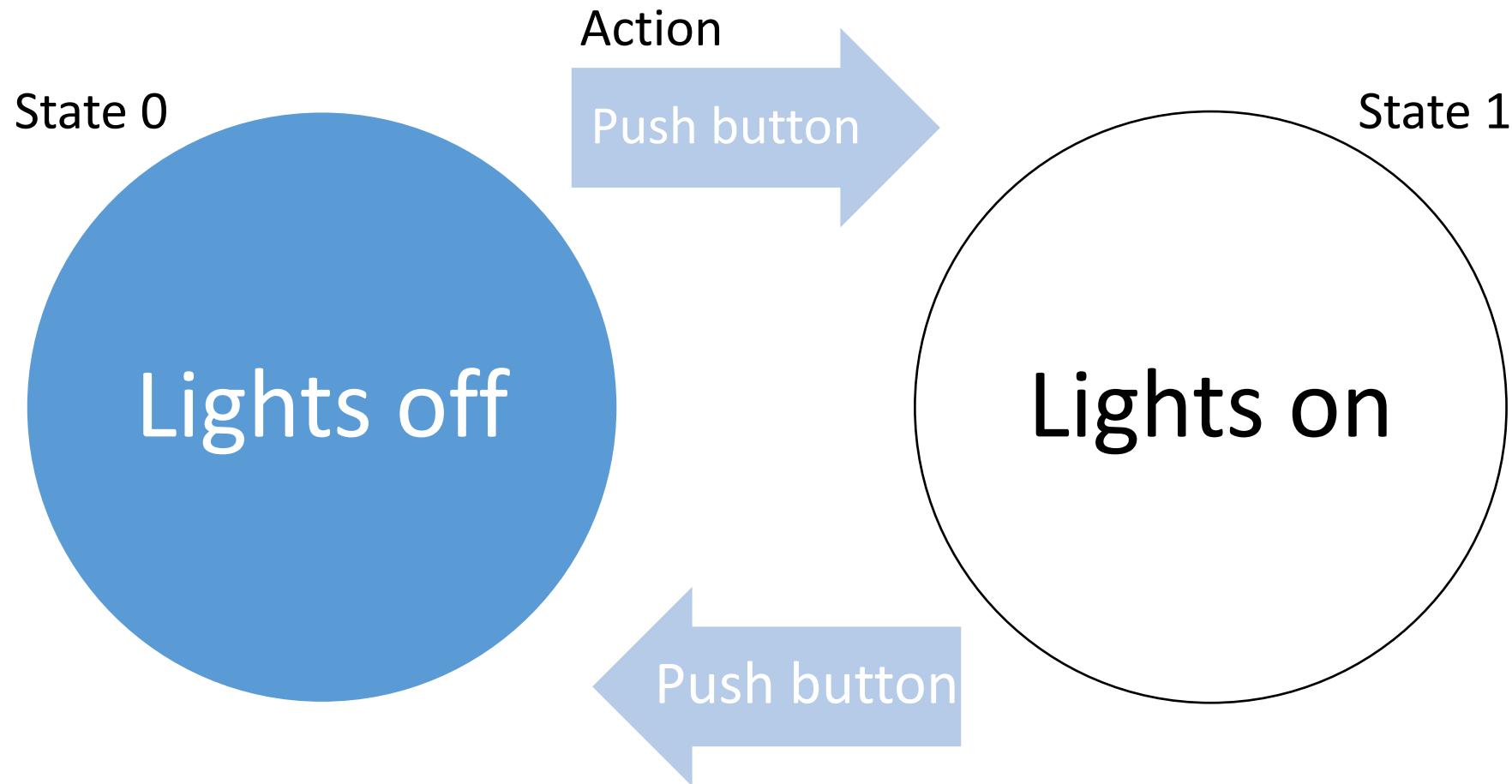
# State machine

“3-instruction is enough”

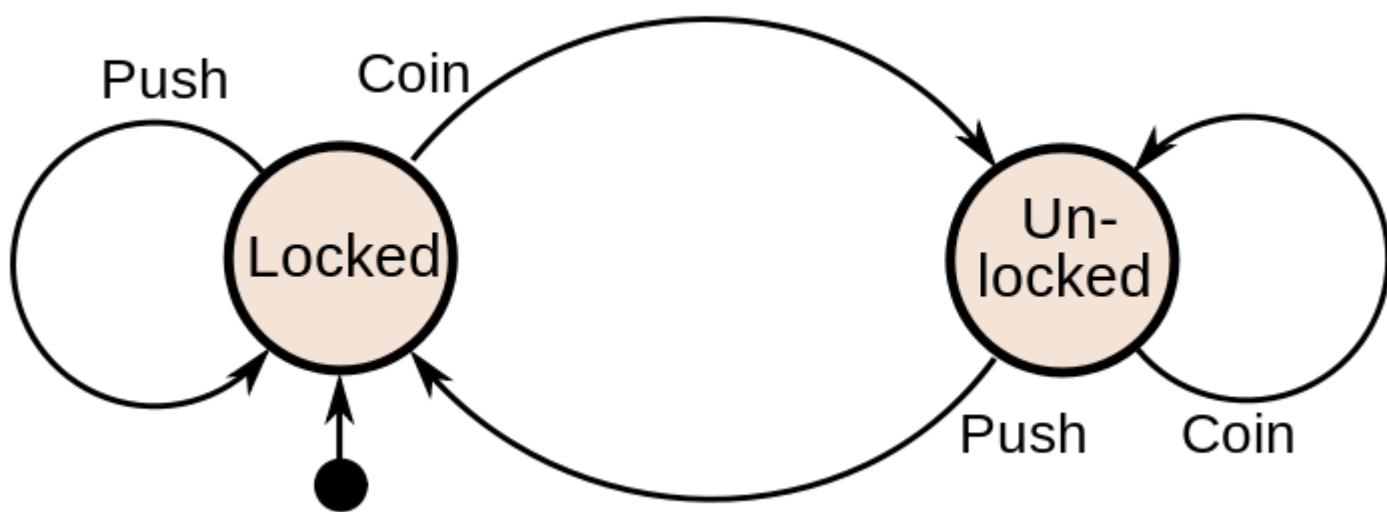
# State space and (finite) state machine



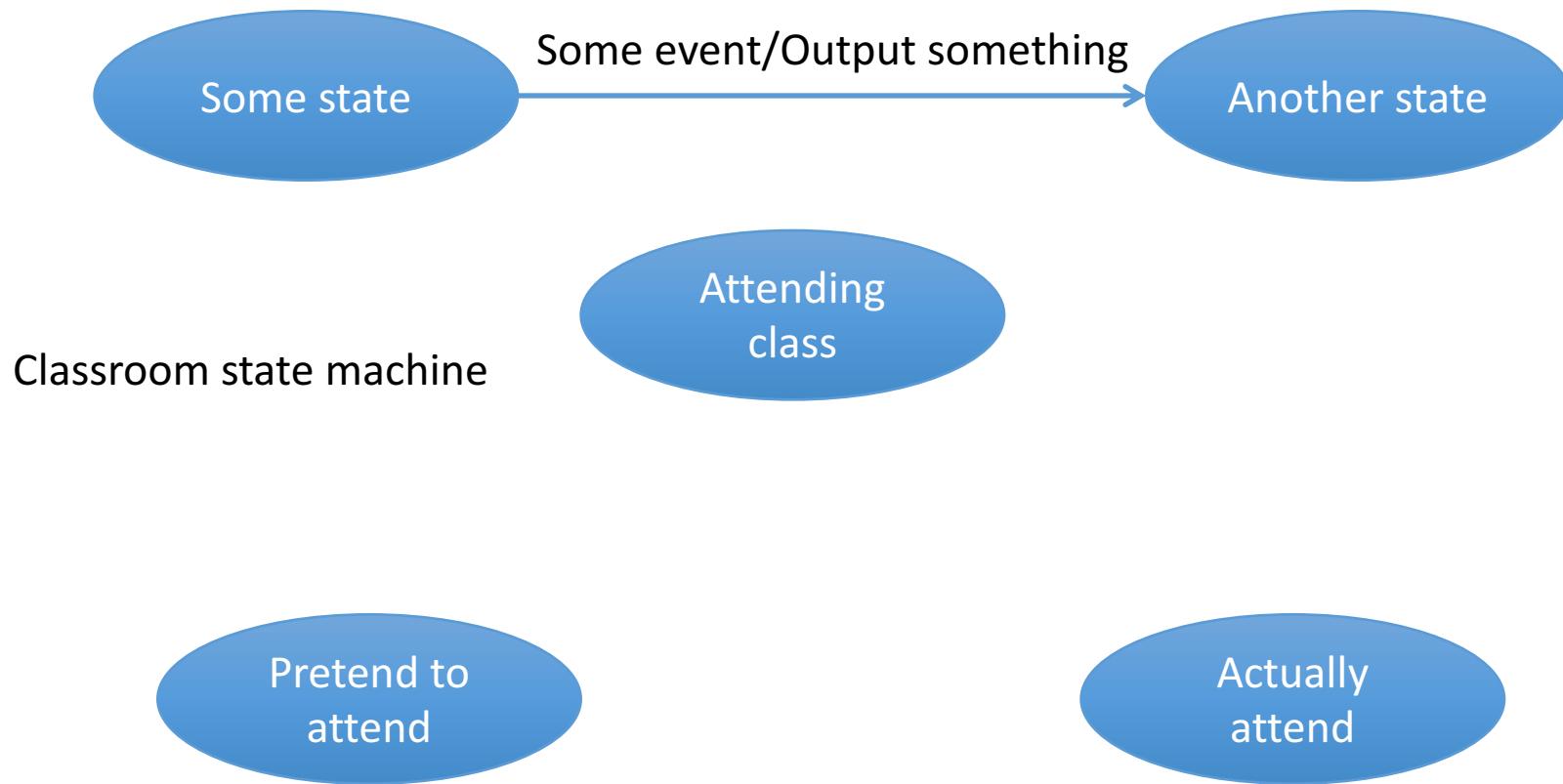
# Finite State Machine: a lamp



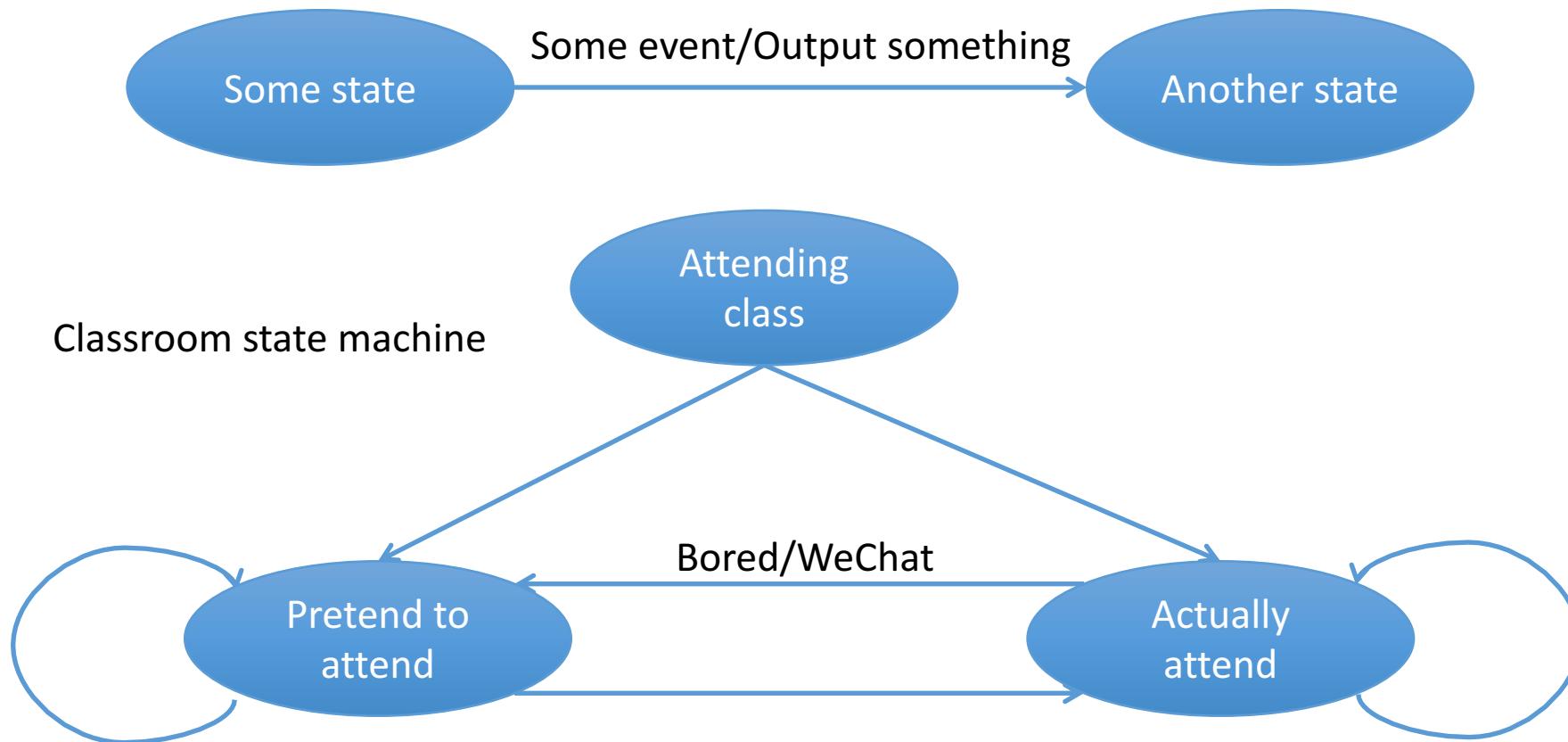
# Finite State Machine: turnstile



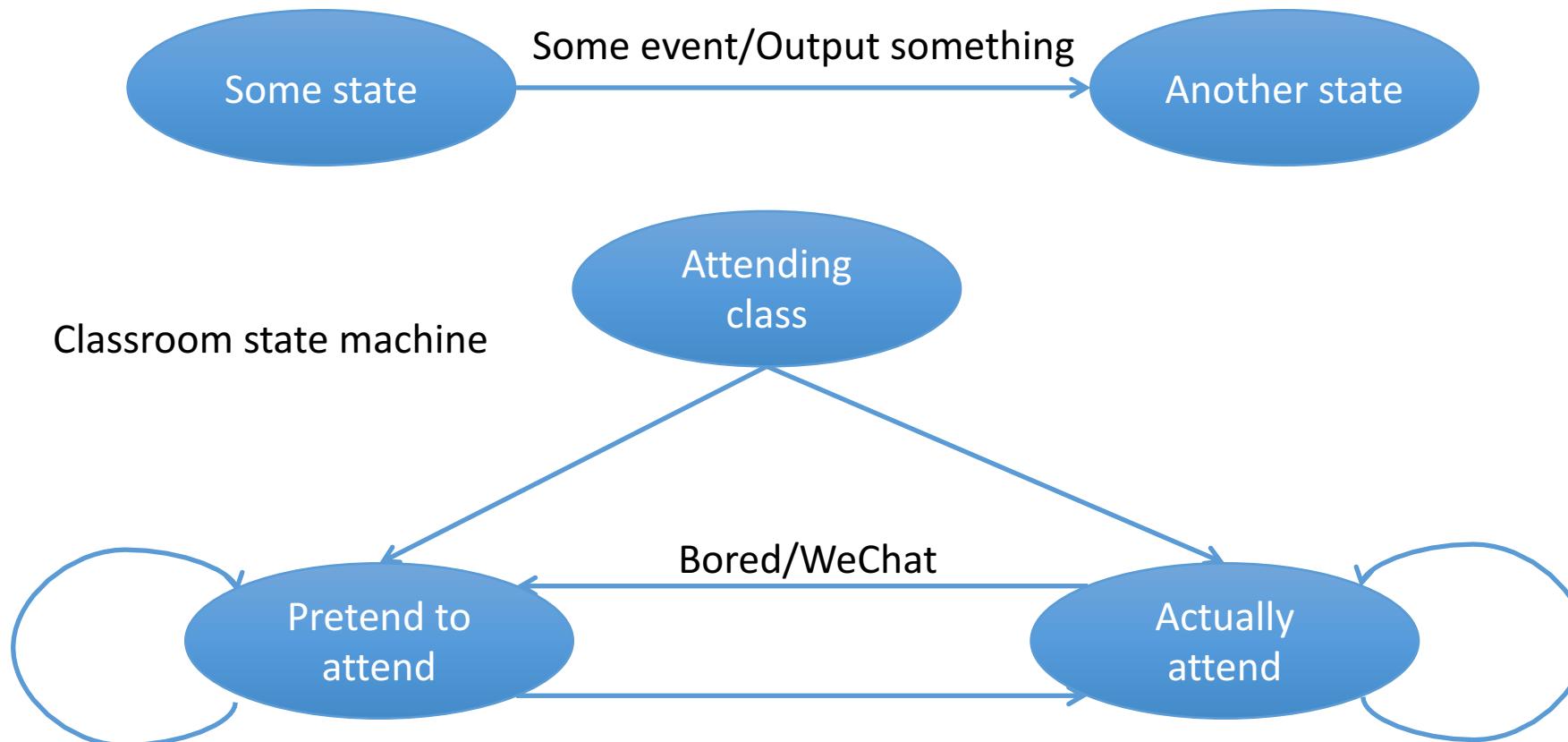
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- Your program is a bunch of logics that move state from one region to the other

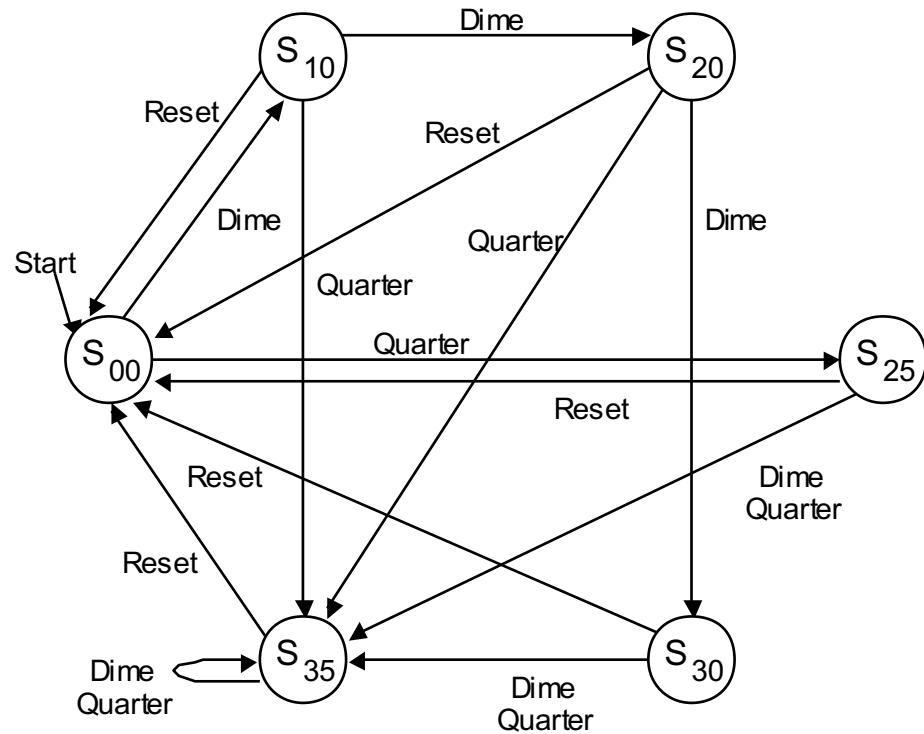
# FSM of a vending machine



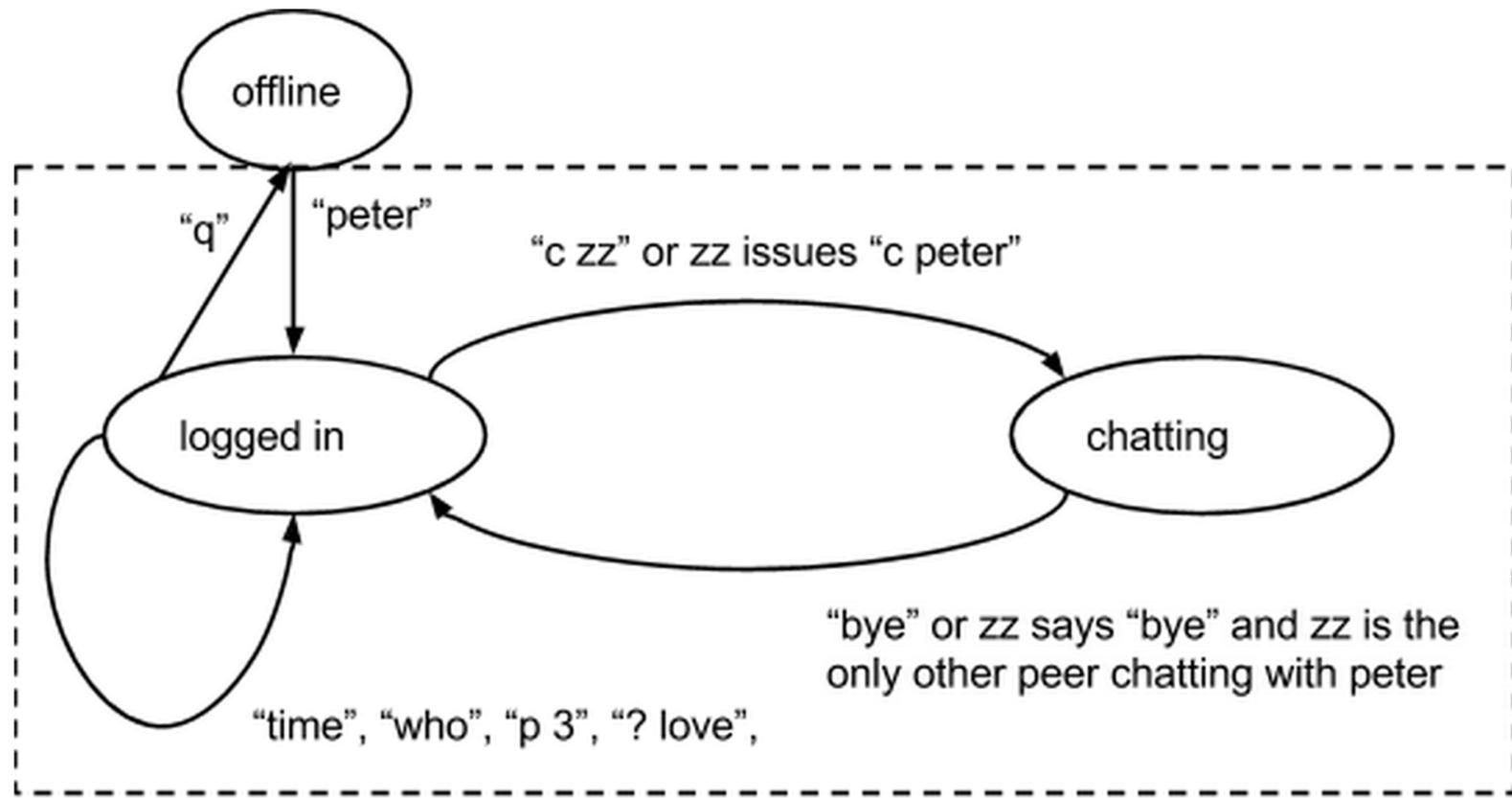
Current state	Input		
	Dime	Quarter	Reset
S <sub>00</sub>	S <sub>25</sub>	S <sub>00</sub>	
S <sub>10</sub>	S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>00</sub>	
S <sub>20</sub>	S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>00</sub>	
S <sub>30</sub>	S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>00</sub>	
S <sub>25</sub>	S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>00</sub>	
S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>00</sub>	
S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>35</sub>	S <sub>00</sub>	

Next state

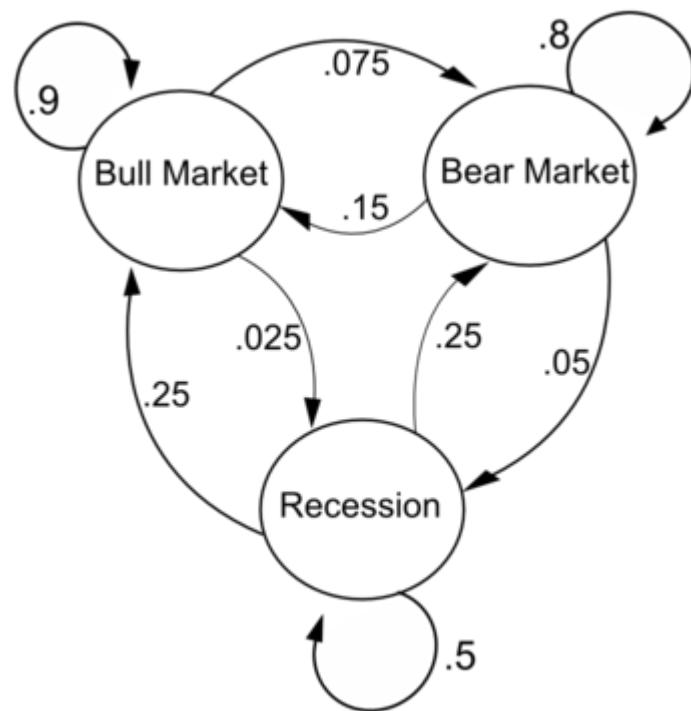
S<sub>00</sub> is the initial state  
S<sub>35</sub> is the final state



# Behind scene: state machine of the chat client



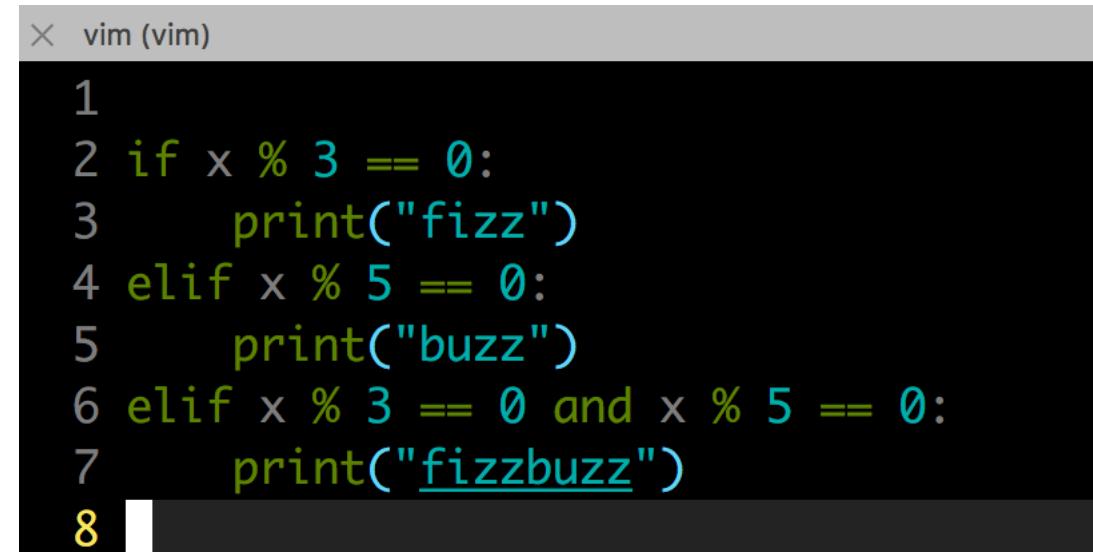
# State Machine and Markov Model



# Homework: FizzBuzz

Take an integer  $n$ ; print:

- “Fizz” if divisible ***only*** by 3
- “Buzz” if divisible ***only*** by 5
- “FizzBuzz” if divisible by ***both*** 3 and 5

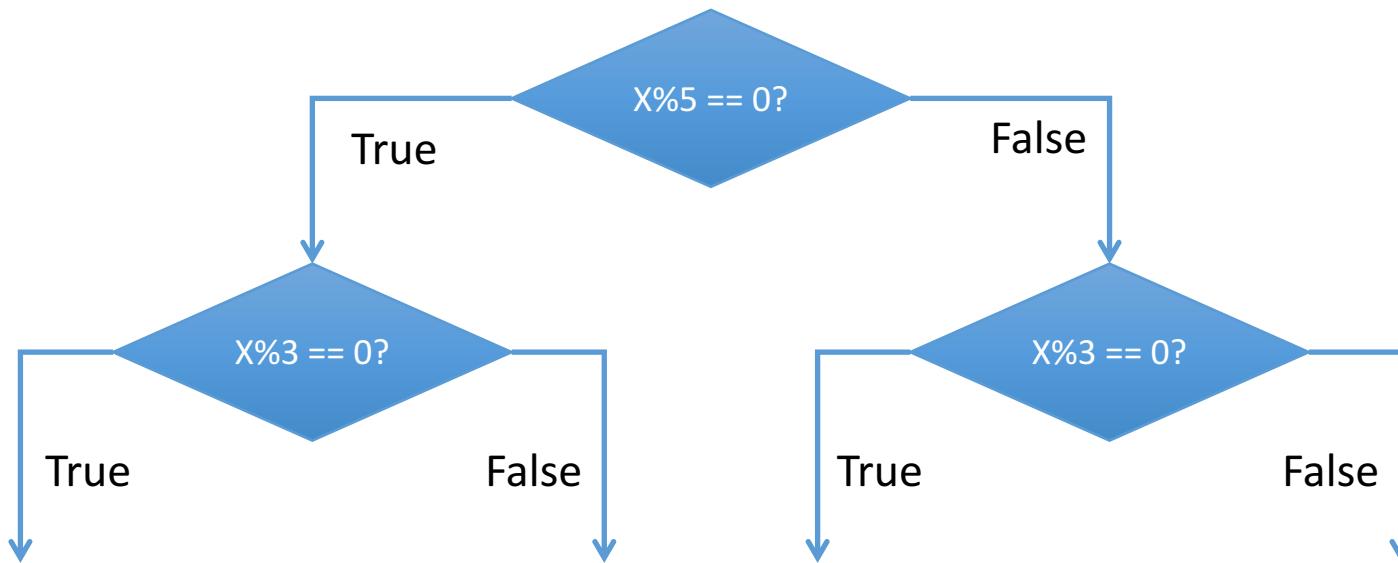


A screenshot of a vim editor window showing Python code. The code is a script to print FizzBuzz for a given integer  $x$ . The vim status bar at the top right shows "vim (vim)". The code is as follows:

```
1
2 if x % 3 == 0:
3     print("fizz")
4 elif x % 5 == 0:
5     print("buzz")
6 elif x % 3 == 0 and x % 5 == 0:
7     print("fizzbuzz")
8 |
```

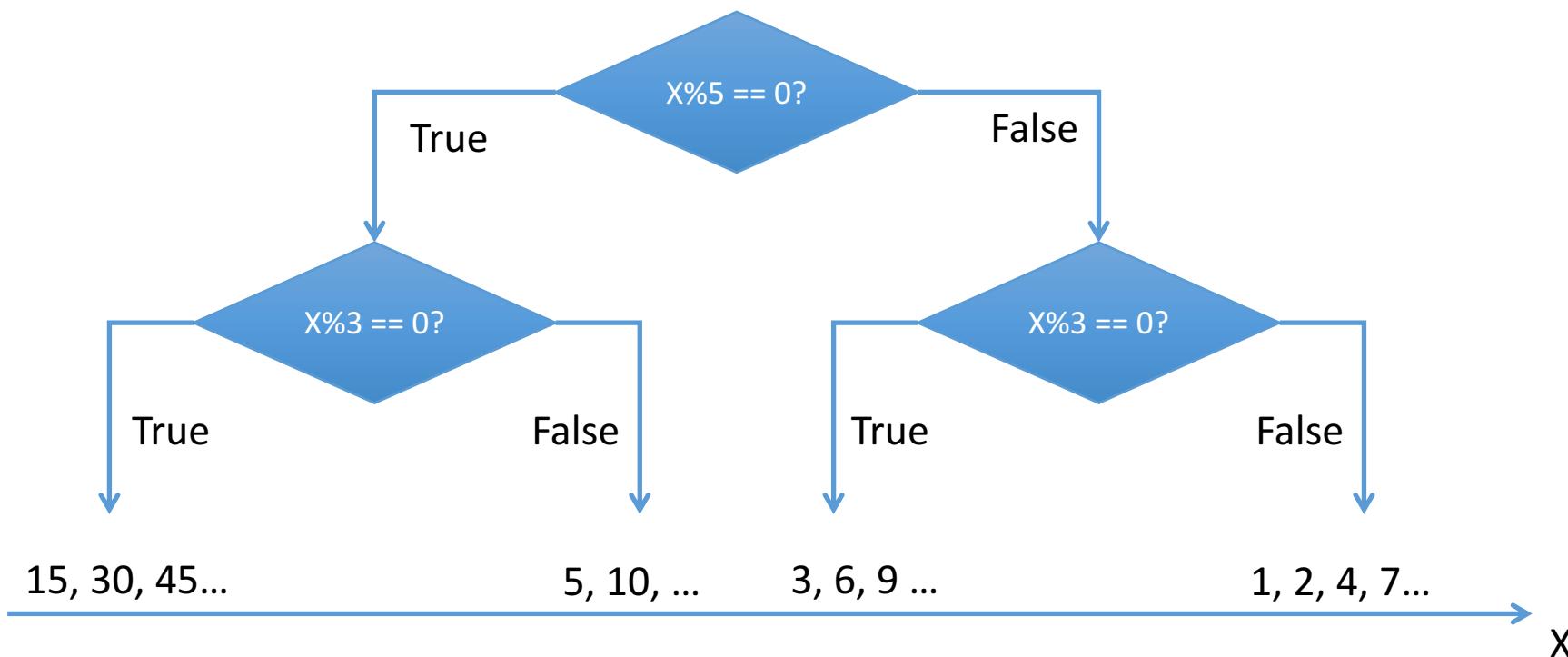
# State space and state machine

- A one dimension example: FizzBuzz



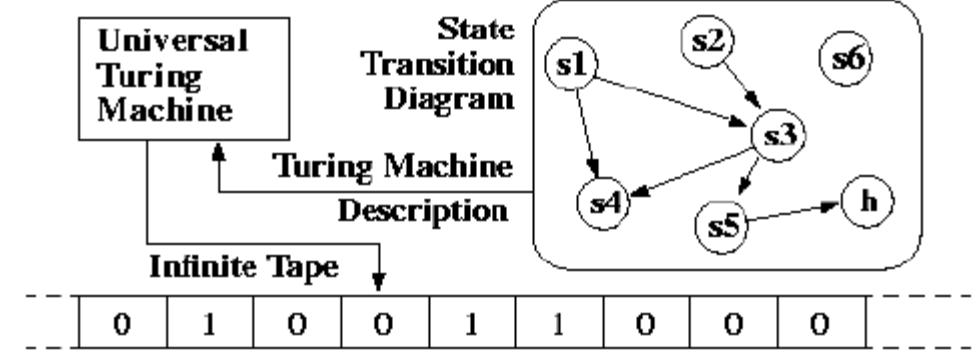
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# Turing machine

- <https://www.cl.cam.ac.uk/projects/raspberrypi/tutorials/>
- <http://morphett.info/turing/turing.html>



Example: state table for the 3-state 2-symbol busy beaver reduced to 5-tuples

Current state	Scanned symbol	Print symbol	Move tape	Final (i.e. next) state	5-tuples
A	0	1	R	B	(A, 0, 1, R, B)
A	1	1	L	C	(A, 1, 1, L, C)
B	0	1	L	A	(B, 0, 1, L, A)
B	1	1	R	B	(B, 1, 1, R, B)
C	0	1	L	B	(C, 0, 1, L, B)
C	1	1	N	H	(C, 1, 1, N, H)

# The register machine



# The register machine

- Register (matchbox): a box that contains any *integer* (matches)
- There are infinite number of registers
- A possibly infinite number of steps
- each step is a state
- Each step is one of 3 instructions
  - **INC**: increment register( $n$ ) by 1, go to step  $x$
  - **DEB**: decrement register( $n$ ) by 1, go to step  $y$  , if  $R(n)$  is 0 branch to step  $z$
  - **END**: stop the program



# Register machine instructions

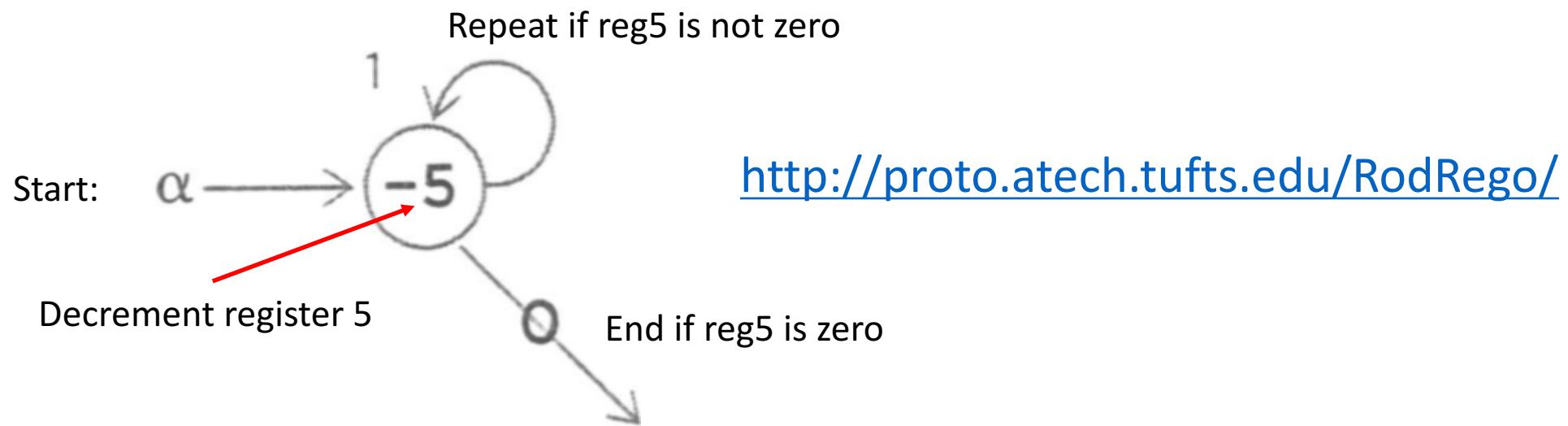
Example	Code
1. inc R( <b>1</b> ), go to step <b>3</b>	[1] INC <b>1</b> <b>3</b>
2. deb R( <b>n</b> ), go to step <b>2</b> , if R( <b>n</b> ) is 0 go to step <b>3</b>	[ 2 ] DEB <b>3</b> <b>2</b> <b>3</b>
3. end	[ 3 ]END



Line number of the steps

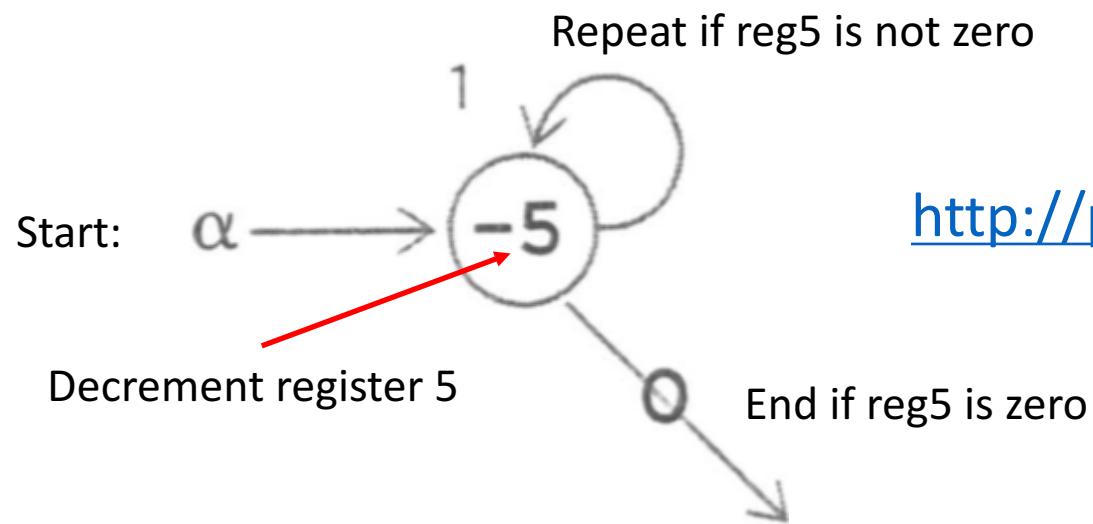
# CLEAR[5]

Step	Instruction	Register	Goto	Branch to
1	Deb	5	1	2
2	End			



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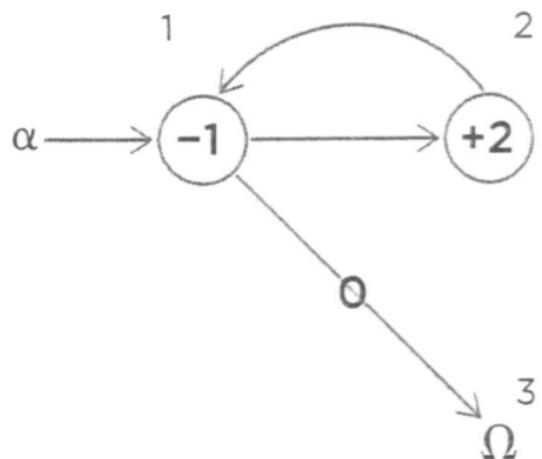


<http://proto.atech.tufts.edu/RodRego/>



# (Destructive) ADD[1, 2]: add content in R1 into R2

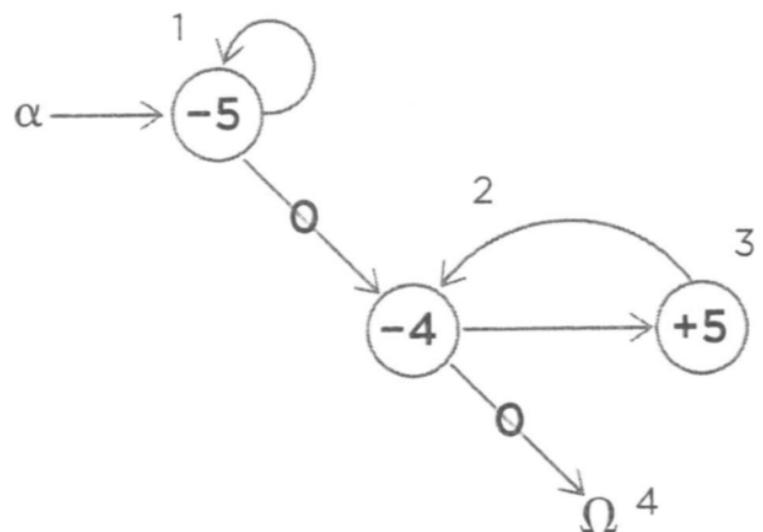
Step	Instruction	Register	Goto	Branch to
1	Deb	1	2	3
2	Inc	2	1	
3	End			



**Destructive:**  
Content in R1 is gone!

# MOVE[4, 5]: move R4 to R5 (clear R5, R4)

Step	Instruction	Register	Goto	Branch to
1	Deb	5	1	2
2	Deb	4	3	4
3	Inc	5	2	
4	End			

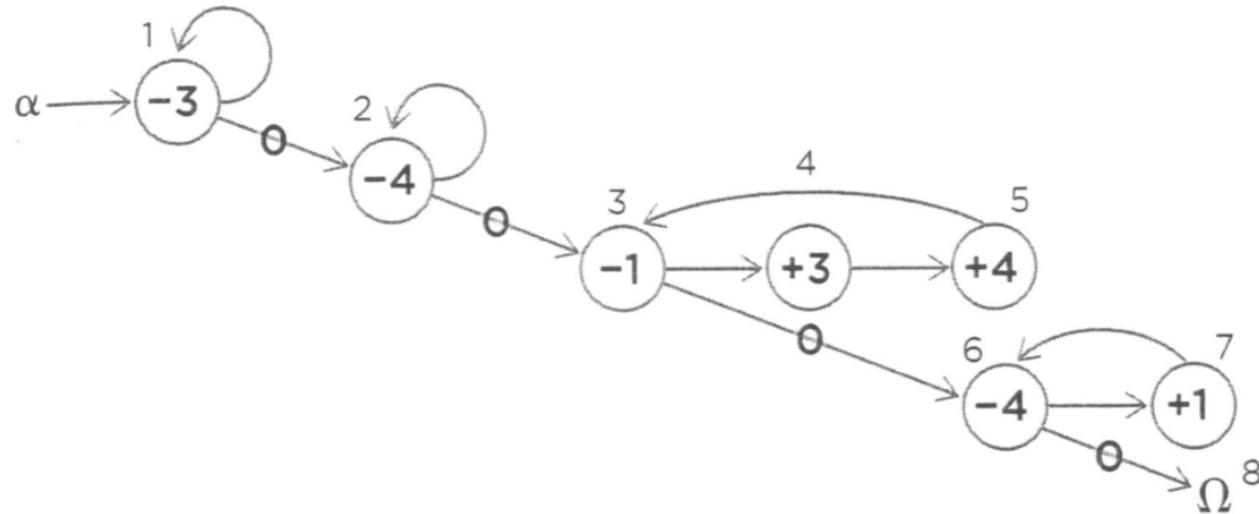


Next, do:  
**COPY[1, 3]**

Before:  $r(1) = n, r(3) = m$

After:  $r(1) = n, r(3) = n$

# COPY[1, 3]



*program 3: COPY [1,3]*

STEP	INSTRUCTION	REGISTER	GO TO STEP	[BRANCH TO STEP]
# clear reg3 1.	<i>Deb</i>	3	1	2
# clear reg4 2.	<i>Deb</i>	4	2	3
# move reg1 to reg3 and reg4 3.	<i>Deb</i>	1	4	6
4.	<i>Inc</i>	3	5	
5.	<i>Inc</i>	4	3	
# move reg4 back to reg1 6.	<i>Deb</i>	4	7	8
7.	<i>Inc</i>	1	6	
8.	<i>End</i>			

# MULTIPLY[1, 2, 3]

- Can be composed by Deb and the other building blocks!

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- $\# R1 = N$
- $\# R2 = M$ 
  - CLEAR(R4)
  - LOOP R2 times:
    - COPY(R1, R3)
    - ADD(R3, R4)

# Non-destructive ADD[1, 2, 3]

- Contents in register 1 and 2 stay. How?

# Non-destructive ADD[1, 2, 3]

1. COPY[1, 4]
2. COPY[2, 5]
3. ADD[4, 5]
4. CLEAR[3]
5. MOVE[5, 3]

Q: can you do better?

```
1 DEB 3 1 2
2 DEB 4 2 3
3 DEB 5 3 4
# add and make copy
# ADD R1 TO R3, R4
4 DEB 1 5 91
5 INC 3 6
6 INC 4 4
# ADD R2 TO R3, R5
91 DEB 2 7 92
7 INC 3 8
8 INC 5 91
# MOVE BACK R4 TO R1
92 DEB 4 10 93
10 INC 1 92
# MOVE BACK R5 TO R2
93 DEB 5 11 99
11 INC 2 93
99 END
```

# Key takeaways

- State machine as a way of thinking, modeling, AND programming
- Building ***abstractions*** allows easier programming by composition
- 3-instructions is enough
- Programming in assembly language is *hard* but can be optimal

# CS fields that are touched

- Theoretical computation
- Digital circuitry design
- Computer architecture
- Compiler
- Programming languages

# Q&A

To see a World in a Grain of Sand  
And a Heaven in a Wild Flower,  
Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand  
And Eternity in an hour.