Roadmap

C:

```
car *c = malloc(sizeof(car));
c->miles = 100;
c->gals = 17;
float mpg = get_mpg(c);
free(c);
```

Java:

```
Car c = new Car();
c.setMiles(100);
c.setGals(17);
float mpg =
        c.getMPG();
```

Assembly language:

```
get_mpg:
   pushq %rbp
   movq %rsp, %rbp
   ...
   popq %rbp
   ret
```

OS:

Windows 8 Mac

Machine code:

Computer system:







Preliminaries

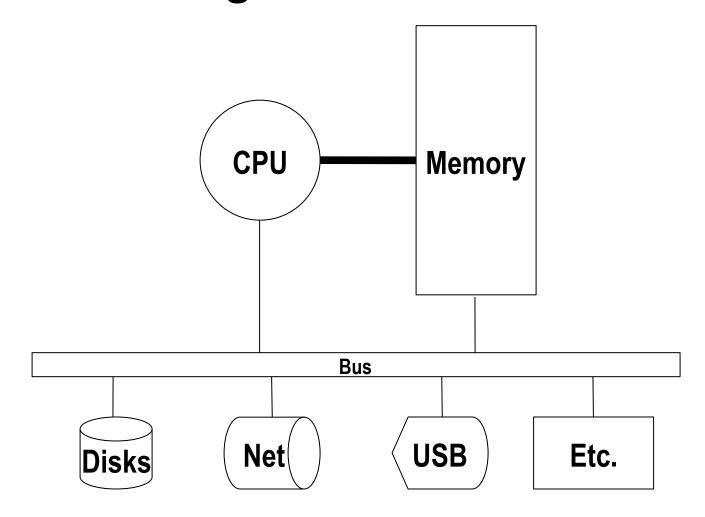
Memory & data

Integers & floats
Machine code & C
x86 assembly
Procedures & stacks
Arrays & structs
Memory & caches
Processes
Virtual memory
Memory allocation
Java vs. C

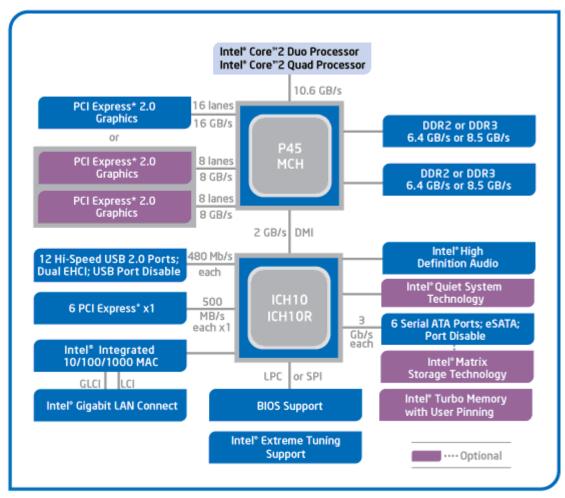
Section 1: Memory, Data, and Addressing

- Preliminaries
- Representing information as bits and bytes
- Organizing and addressing data in memory
- Manipulating data in memory using C
- Boolean algebra and bit-level manipulations

Hardware: Logical View

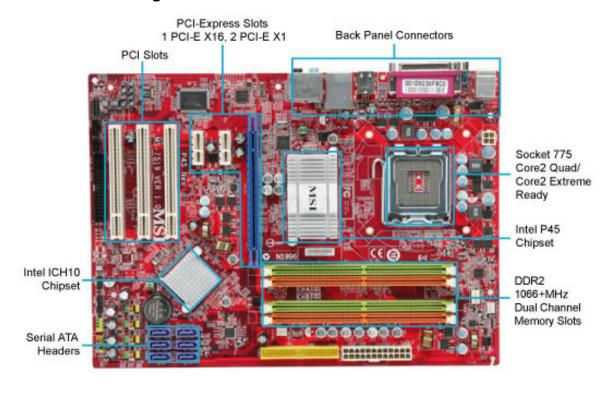


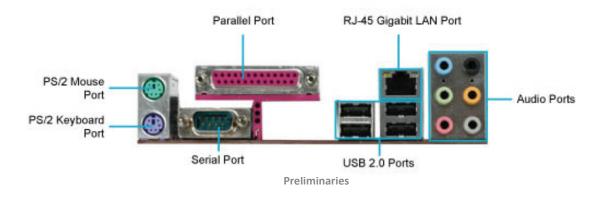
Hardware: Semi-Logical View



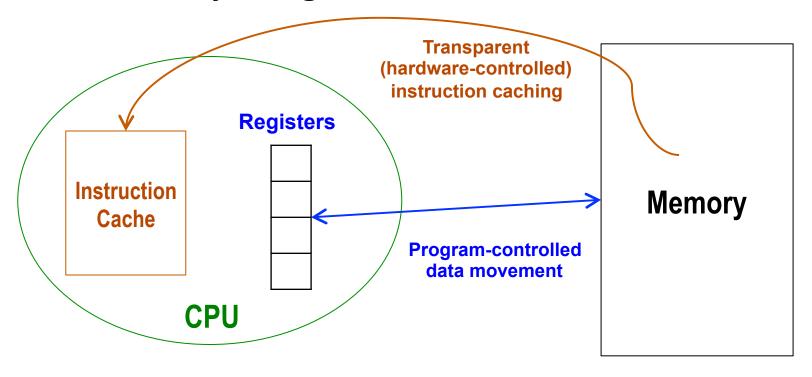
Intel® P45 Express Chipset Block Diagram

Hardware: Physical View





CPU "Memory": Registers and Instruction Cache



- There are a fixed number of <u>registers</u> in the CPU
 - Registers hold data
- There is an <u>I-cache</u> in the CPU that holds recently fetched instructions
 - If you execute a loop that fits in the cache, the CPU goes to memory for those instructions only once, then executes them out of its cache
- This slide is just an introduction.
 We'll see a fuller explanation later in the course.

Performance: It's Not Just CPU Speed

Data and instructions reside in memory

- To execute an instruction, it must be fetched into the CPU
- Next, the data on the which the instruction operates must be fetched from memory and brought to the CPU

■ CPU ←→ Memory bandwidth can limit performance

- Improving performance 1: hardware improvements to increase memory bandwidth (e.g., DDR → DDR2 → DDR3)
- Improving performance 2: move less data into/out of the CPU
 - Put some "memory" in the CPU chip itself (this is "cache" memory)

Binary Representations

Base 2 number representation

Represent 351₁₀ as 0000000101011111₂ or 101011111₂

Electronic implementation

- Easy to store with bi-stable elements
- Reliably transmitted on noisy and inaccurate wires

