

Computer/Program Code

- a set of instructions forming a computer program
- programmers write source code, which must be compiled to machine code before the computer executes it

Source Code

(human understandable script)

compilation

Machine Code

(machine understandable instructions)

“... ”code as law“ makes code some thing different:
automatically executable... automatically enabling and
disabling certain actions, and functioning at the level of
everyday practice.”

Code as law as police... makes executive, legislative, and
juridical powers coincide. Code as law as police erases the gap
between force and writing... It makes language abstract -
erases the importance of enunciation... [T]he dream of
executive power as source lies at... simply doing what they say.

Wendy Chun, *Updating to Remain the Same*, 2016