

Chapter 4:

Machine Language

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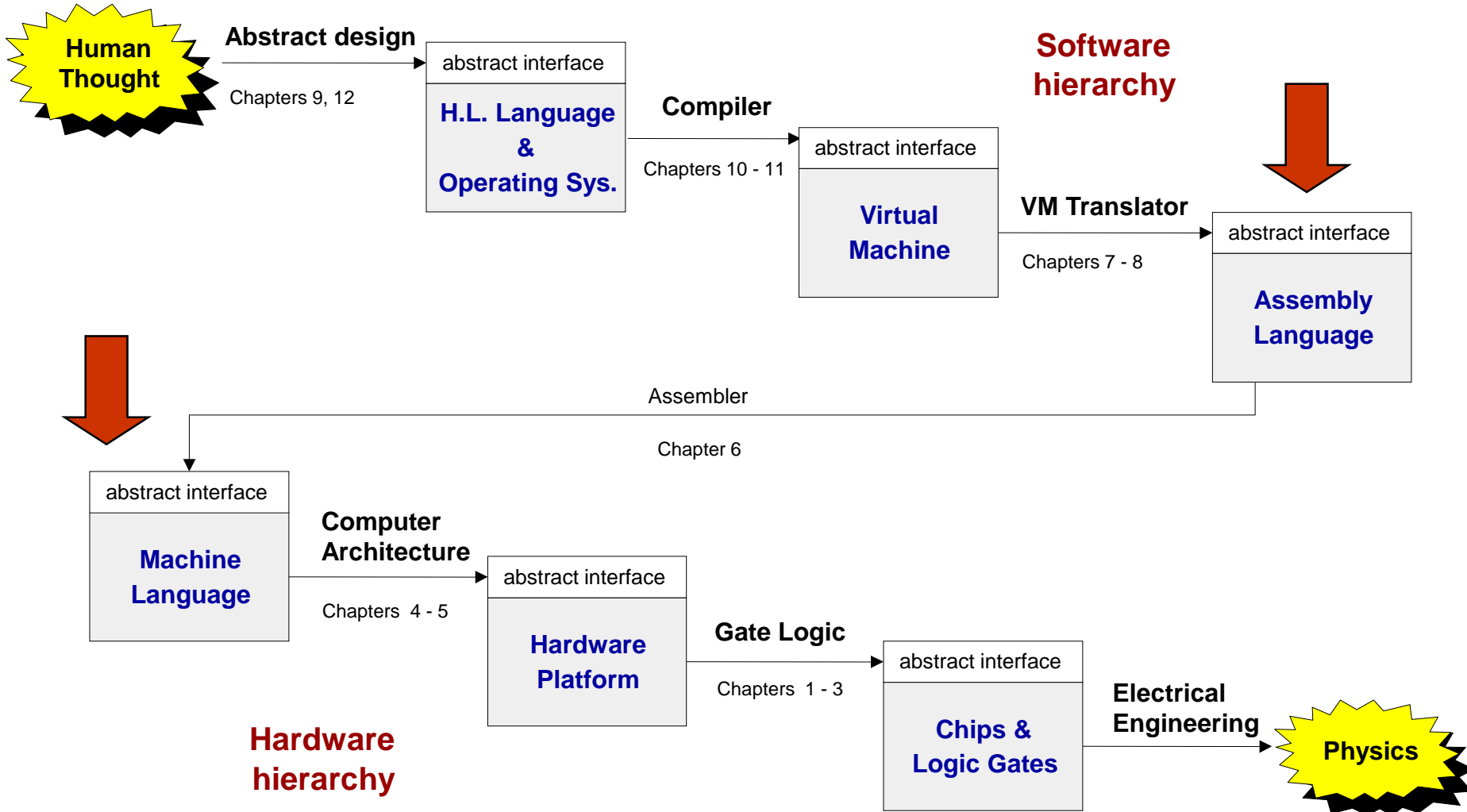
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Where we are at:



Machine language is “the soul of the machine”

Duality:

- Machine language (= instruction set) can be viewed as an abstract description of the hardware platform
- The hardware can be viewed as a means for realizing an abstract machine language

Another duality:

- Binary version
- Symbolic version

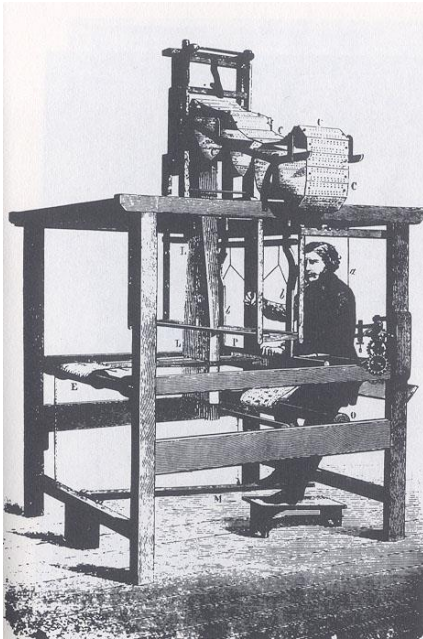
Loose definition:

- Machine language = an agreed upon formalism for manipulating a memory using a processor and a set of registers
- Same spirit but different syntax across different hardware platforms.

Binary and symbolic notation

1010 0011 0001 1001

ADD R3, R1, R9



Jacquard loom
(1801)

Evolution:

- Physical coding
- Symbolic documentation
- Symbolic coding
- Requires a *translator*.



Ada Lovelace
(1815-1852)

Lecture plan

- Machine languages at a glance
- The Hack machine language:
 - Symbolic version
 - Binary version
- Perspective.

Arithmetic / logical operations (in typical machine language syntax)

```
ADD R2,R1,R3  //  $R2 \leftarrow R1 + R3$  where R1,R2,R3 are registers
```

```
AND R1,R1,R2  //  $R1 \leftarrow \text{And}(R1, R2)$  (bit-wise)
```

```
ADD R2,R1,foo //  $R2 \leftarrow R1 + \text{foo}$  where foo stands for the value of the  
              // memory location pointed at by the user-defined  
              // label foo.
```

Memory access (in typical machine language syntax)

Direct addressing:

```
LOAD R1,67    // R1 ← Memory[67]
// Or, assuming that bar refers to memory address 67:
LOAD R1,bar    // R1 ← Memory[67]
```

Immediate addressing:

```
LOADI R1,67    // R1 ← 67
STORE R1,bar    // bar ← R1
```

Indirect addressing:

```
// x=foo[j] ,also known as: x=*(foo+j):
ADD     R1,foo,j  // R1 ← foo+j
LOAD*   R2,R1     // R2 ← memory[R1]
STORE   R2,x      // x ← R2
```

Flow of control (in typical machine language syntax)

Branching

```
JMP foo    // unconditional jump
```

Conditional branching

```
JGT R1,foo    // If R1>0, goto foo
```

// in general:

cond register, label

Where: *cond* is JEQ, JNE, JGT, JGE , ...

register is R1, R2, ...

label is a user-defined label

- And that's all you need in order to implement any high-level control structure (while, switch, etc.) in any programming language.

A hardware abstraction (Hack)

- Registers: D, A
- Data memory: $M \equiv \text{RAM}[A]$ (M stands for $\text{RAM}[A]$)
- ALU: $\{D|A|M\} = \text{ALU}(D, A, M)$ (set D, A , or M to the ALU output on the inputs D, A, M)
- Instruction memory: current instruction = $\text{ROM}[A]$
- Control: instruction memory is loaded with a sequence of instructions, one per memory location. The first instruction is stored in $\text{ROM}[0]$
- Instruction set: A -instruction, C -instruction.

A-instruction

`@value // A ← value`

Where *value* is either a number or a symbol referring to some number.

Used for:

- Entering a constant ($A = \text{value}$)
- Selecting a RAM location ($M \equiv \text{RAM}[A]$)
- Selecting a ROM location ($\text{instruction} = \text{ROM}[A]$).

C-instruction

```
dest = comp ; jump           // comp is mandatory
                             // dest and jump are optional
```

Where:

comp is one of:

```
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 is one of:

```
Null, M, D, MD, A, AM, AD, AMD
```

jump is one of:

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

Coding examples (practice)

Write the Hack instructions that implement each of the following tasks:

1. Set A to 17
2. Set D to A-1
3. Set both A and D to A+1
4. Compute -1
5. Set D to 19
6. Set RAM[53] to 171
7. Set both A and D to A+D
8. Set RAM[5034] to D-1
9. Add 1 to RAM[7], and also store the result in D.

```
@value // set A to value
```

```
dest = comp ; jump
```

Higher-level coding examples

Symbol table:

y	20
j	17
sum	22
q	21
x	16
end	507
next	112

10.sum = 12

11.j = j + 1

12.q = sum + 12 - j

13.x[j] = 15

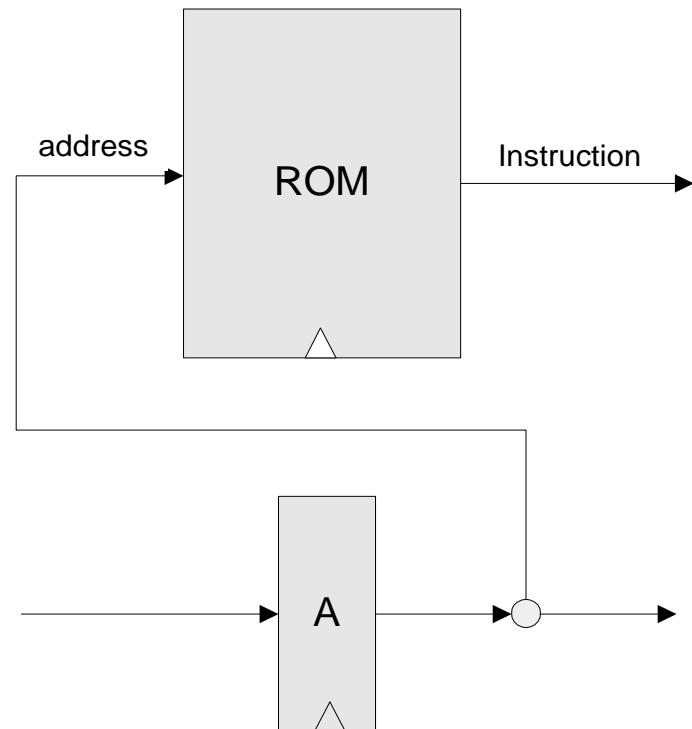
Etc.

@value // set A to value

dest = comp ; jump

Control (first approximation)

- ROM = instruction memory
- Program = sequence of 16-bit numbers, starting at ROM[0]
- Current instruction = ROM[address]
- To select instruction n from the ROM, we set A to n , using the command **@n**



Coding branching operations (examples / practice)

Symbol table:

y	20
j	17
sum	22
q	21
x	16
end	507
next	112

Write the Hack instructions that implement each of the following tasks:

Low level:

1. IF D=0 GOTO 112
2. IF D-12<5 GOTO 507
3. IF D-1>RAM[12] GOTO 112

Higher level:

4. IF sum>0 GOTO end
5. IF x[i]-12<=y GOTO next.

C-instruction

dest = comp ; jump

where **jump** is one of:

Null, JGT, JEQ, JGE,
JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP

Flow of control operations (IF logic)

High level:

```
IF condition {  
    code segment 1}  
ELSE {  
    code segment 2}  
etc.
```

Low level (goto logic)

```
D ← not(condition)  
IF D=0 GOTO if_true  
ELSE  
    code segment 2  
GOTO end  
  
if_true:  
    code segment 1  
end:  
etc.
```

Hack:

```
D ← not(condition)  
@IF_TRUE  
D;JEQ  
code segment 2  
@END  
0;JMP  
(IF_TRUE)  
code segment 1  
(END)  
etc.
```

- To prevent conflicting use of the A register, in well-written Hack programs a C-instruction that includes a jump directive should not contain a reference to M, and vice versa.

Flow of control operations (WHILE logic)

High level:

```
WHILE condition {  
    code segment 1  
}  
code segment 2
```

Hack:

```
(LOOP)  
    D ← not(condition)  
    @END  
    D;jeq  
    code segment 1  
    @LOOP  
    0;jmp  
(END)  
    code segment 2
```

Complete program example

C:

```
// Adds 1+...+100.
int i = 1;
int sum = 0;
while (i <= 100){
    sum += i;
    i++;
}
```

Hack:

```
// Adds 1+...+100.
    @i        // i refers to some mem. location
    M=1       // i=1
    @sum      // sum refers to some mem. location
    M=0       // sum=0
(LLOOP)
    @i
    D=M       // D=i
    @100
    D=D-A     // D=i-100
    @END
    D;JGT     // If (i-100)>0 goto END
    @i
    D=M       // D=i
    @sum
    M=D+M     // sum=sum+i
    @i
    M=M+1     // i=i+1
    @LOOP
    0;JMP     // Goto LOOP
(END)
    @END
    0;JMP     // Infinite loop
```

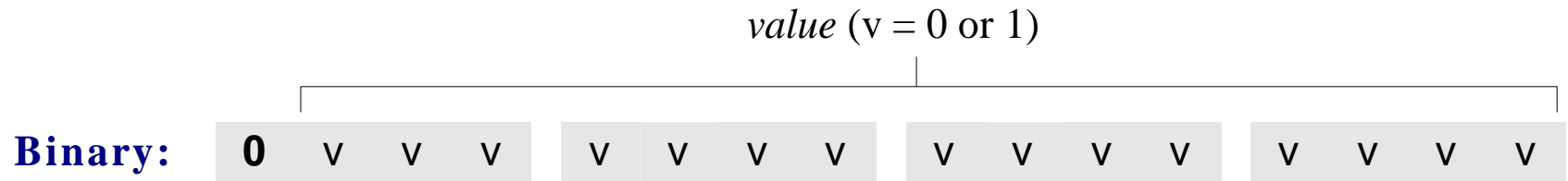
Demo
CPU emulator

Lecture plan

- Symbolic machine language
- Binary machine language

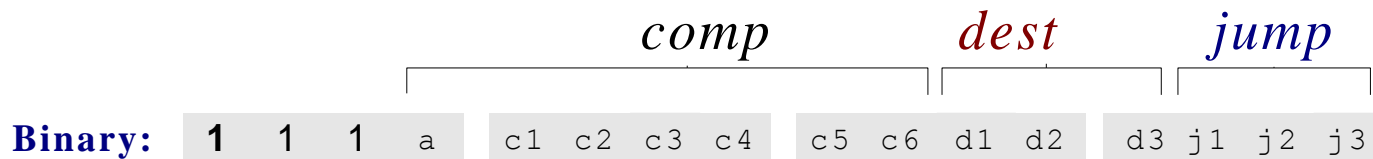
A-instruction

Symbolic: @*value* // Where *value* is either a non-negative decimal number
 // or a symbol referring to such number.



C-instruction

Symbolic: *dest=comp;jump* // Either the *dest* or *jump* fields may be empty.



(when a=0) <i>comp</i>	c1	c2	c3	c4	c5	c6	(when a=1) <i>comp</i>	d1	d2	d3	Mnemonic	Destination (where to store the computed value)
0	1	0	1	0	1	0		0	0	0	null	The value is not stored anywhere
1	1	1	1	1	1	1		0	0	1	M	Memory[A] (memory register addressed by A)
-1	1	1	1	0	1	0		0	1	0	D	D register
D	0	0	1	1	0	0		0	1	1	MD	Memory[A] and D register
A	1	1	0	0	0	0	M	1	0	0	A	A register
!D	0	0	1	1	0	1		1	0	1	AM	A register and Memory[A]
!A	1	1	0	0	0	1	!M	1	1	0	AD	A register and D register
-D	0	0	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	AMD	A register, Memory[A], and D register
-A	1	1	0	0	1	1	-M					
D+1	0	1	1	1	1	1						
A+1	1	1	0	1	1	1	M+1					
D-1	0	0	1	1	1	0						
A-1	1	1	0	0	1	0	M-1					
D+A	0	0	0	0	1	0	D+M					
D-A	0	1	0	0	1	1	D-M					
A-D	0	0	0	1	1	1	M-D					
D&A	0	0	0	0	0	0	D&M					
D A	0	1	0	1	0	1	D M					

j1 (out < 0)	j2 (out = 0)	j3 (out > 0)	Mnemonic	Effect
0	0	0	null	No jump
0	0	1	JGT	If out > 0 jump
0	1	0	JEQ	If out = 0 jump
0	1	1	JGE	If out ≥ 0 jump
1	0	0	JLT	If out < 0 jump
1	0	1	JNE	If out ≠ 0 jump
1	1	0	JLE	If out ≤ 0 jump
1	1	1	JMP	Jump

Symbols (user-defined)

- Label symbols: User-defined symbols, used to label destinations of goto commands. Declared by the pseudo command **(Xxx)**. This directive defines the symbol **Xxx** to refer to the instruction memory location holding the next command in the program
- Variable symbols: Any user-defined symbol **Xxx** appearing in an assembly program that is not defined elsewhere using the "**(Xxx)**" directive is treated as a variable, and is assigned a unique memory address by the assembler, starting at RAM address 16.

```
// Rect program
@R0
D=M
@INFINITE_LOOP
D;JLE
@counter
M=D
@SCREEN
D=A
@addr
M=D
(LOOP)
@addr
A=M
M=-1
@addr
D=M
@32
D=D+A
@addr
M=D
@counter
MD=M-1
@LOOP
D;JGT
(INFINITE_LOOP)
@INFINITE_LOOP
0;JMP
```

Symbols (pre-defined)

- Virtual registers: **R0**,...,**R15** are predefined to be 0,...,15
- I/O pointers: The symbols **SCREEN** and **KBD** are predefined to be 16384 and 24576, respectively (base addresses of the *screen* and *keyboard* memory maps)
- Predefined pointers: the symbols **SP**, **LCL**, **ARG**, **THIS**, and **THAT** are predefined to be 0 to 4, respectively.

```
// Rect program
@R0
D=M
@INFINITE_LOOP
D;JLE
@counter
M=D
@SCREEN
D=A
@addr
M=D
(LOOP)
@addr
A=M
M=-1
@addr
D=M
@32
D=D+A
@addr
M=D
@counter
MD=M-1
@LOOP
D;JGT
(INFINITE_LOOP)
@INFINITE_LOOP
0;JMP
```

Perspective

- Hack is a simple language
- User friendly syntax: `D=D+A` instead of `ADD D,D,A`
- Hack is a " $\frac{1}{2}$ -address machine"
- A Macro-language can be easily developed
- Assembler.

End-note: a macro machine language (can be implemented rather easily)

Assignment:

1. `x = constant` (e.g. `x=17`)
2. `x = y`
3. `x = 0` , `x = 1`, `x = -1`

Arithmetic / logical:

4. `x = y op z`
where `y`, `z` are variables or constants and
`op` is some ALU operation like `+`, `-`, `and`, `or`, etc.

Control:

5. `GOTO s`
6. `IF cond THEN GOTO s`
where `cond` is an expression `(x op y) {=<|>|...} {0|1}`
e.g. `IF x+17>0 goto loop`

White space or comments:

7. White space: ignore
8. `//` comment to the end of the line: ignore.