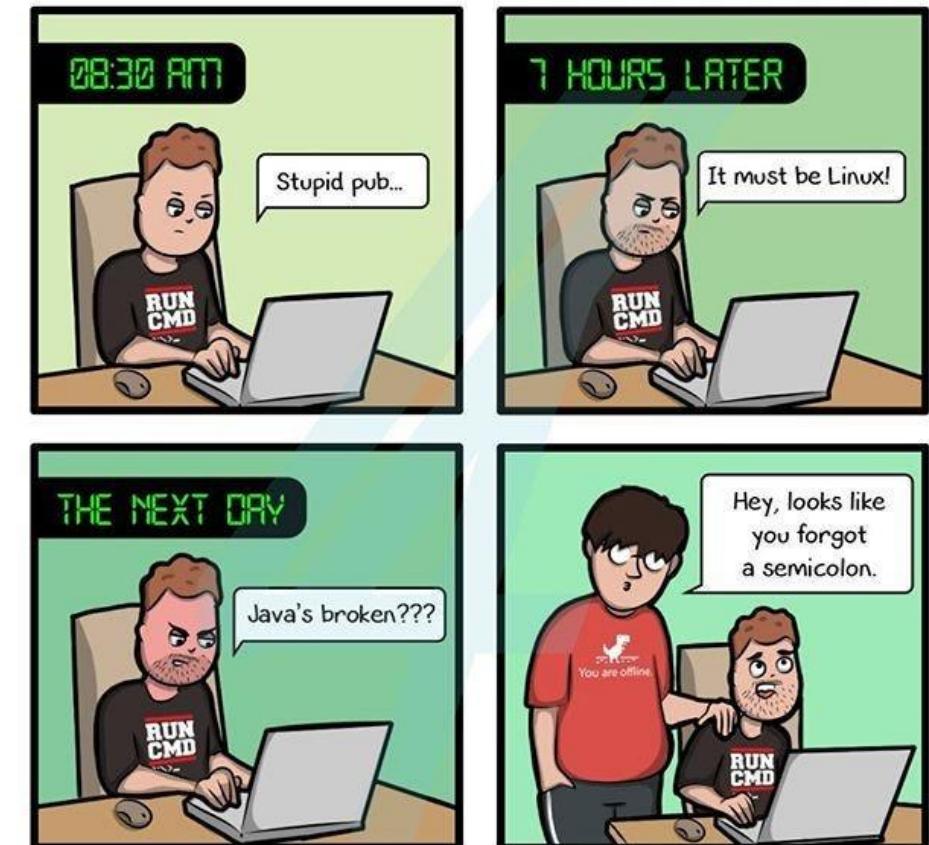


CS 170: Programs, Files, and Memory

English Teachers: You will almost never use the semicolon.
Java programmers:



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Announcements & Reminders

- Complete Beginning of Semester Survey on Canvas
- Join 170 Slack (link on Canvas)
- Read through the syllabus
- Labs begin Friday (MSC E308A – computer lab classroom)
- CWP 1 due Friday at 4pm
 - Gradescope overview at end of class
- If you have a DAS letter, contact me to discuss

What is a computer?



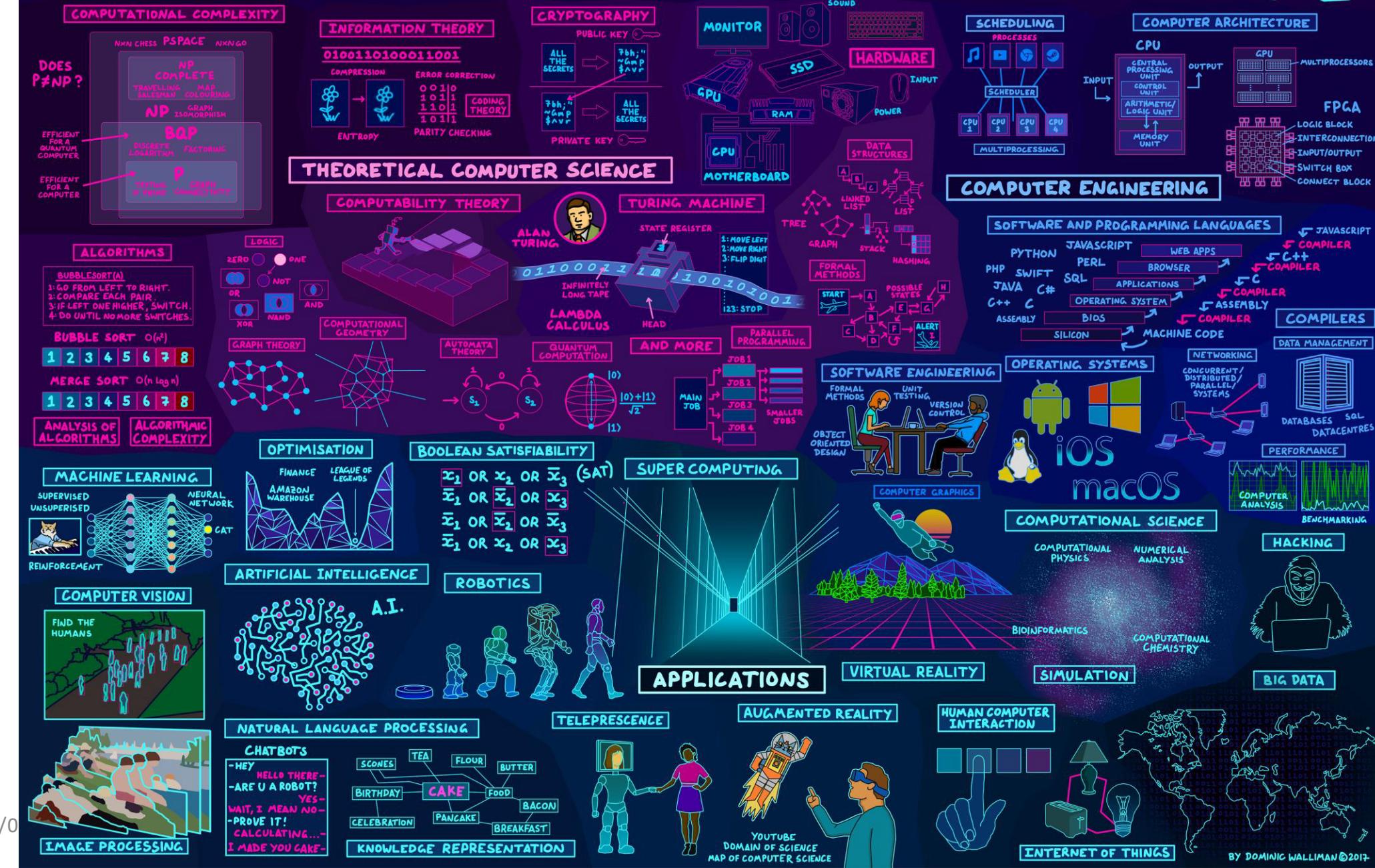
- **Computer**: machine that performs calculations and processes information
- **Computer program**: set of instructions that tell a computer what to do
- **Hardware**: electronic and mechanical components of a computer
- **Software**: programs that control the hardware
- **General-purpose computer**: can store and execute many different programs (e.g. word processor, internet browser, etc.)
- **Special-purpose computer**: single, fixed program (e.g. microwave, calculator, watch, etc.)



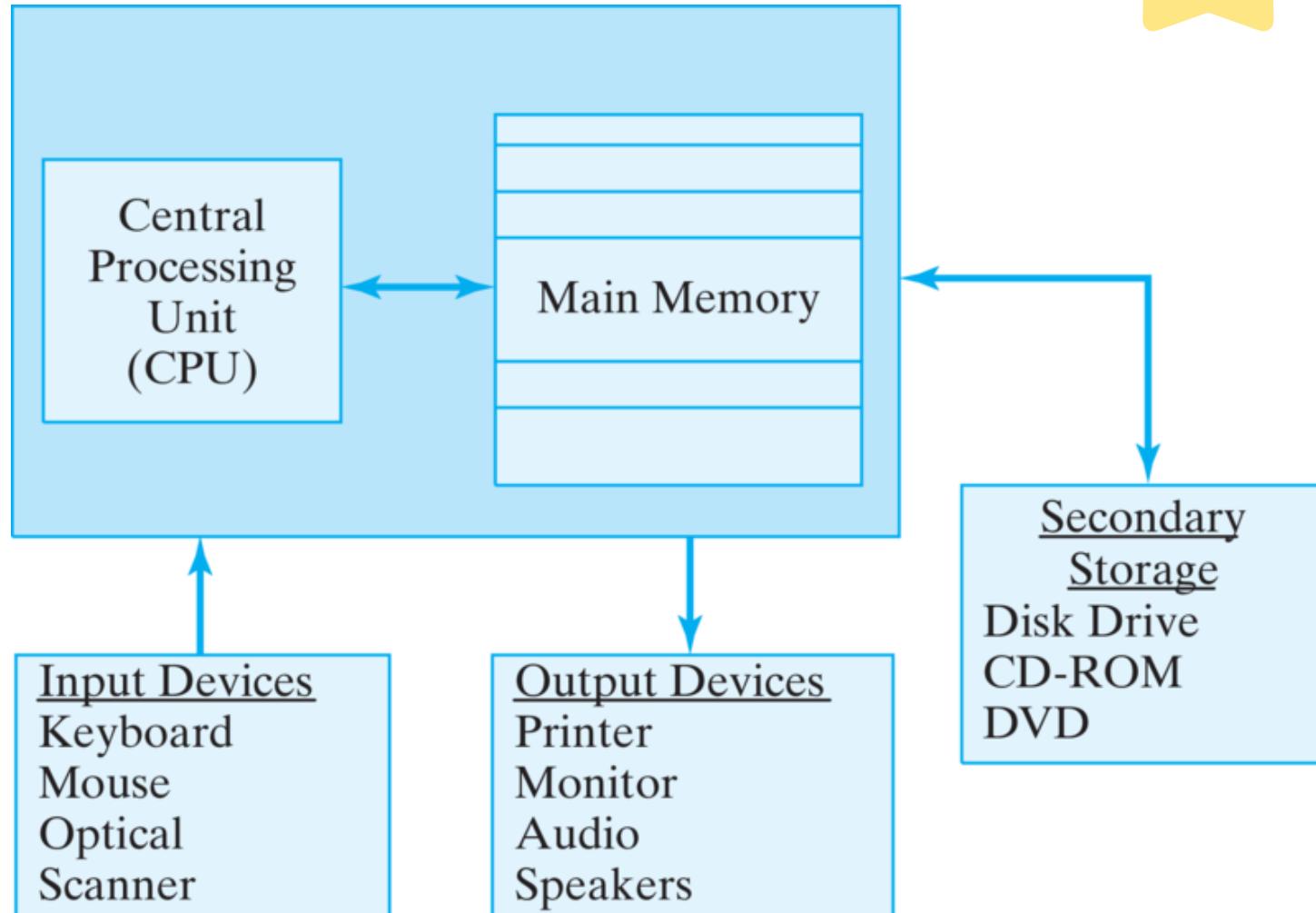
What is Computer Science?

- **Computer Science**: study of computers and computational systems
- Not just programming!
- Includes:
 - Theory (algorithms, complexity, logic, quantum computing, ...)
 - Systems (operating systems, computer architecture, compilers, ...)
 - Applications (machine learning, AI, robotics, natural language processing, big data/ data science, ...)

MAP OF COMPUTER SCIENCE



Parts of a Computer



Main Memory vs. Secondary Memory



- **Main memory** is where programs and data are kept when the processor is actively using them
- **Secondary memory** is “long-term” storage
- When programs/ data become active, they are copied from secondary memory to main memory
 - A copy remains in secondary memory
- Nothing permanent is kept in main memory
- Main memory is connected to the processor so accessing it is very fast

RAM – Random Access Memory



- Another term for main memory
- Random => memory can be accessed in any order
- RAM also refers to the type of silicon chip used to implement main memory
- Size of RAM: how big the main memory is
 - E.g. 512 megabytes, 8 gigabytes, etc.
 - 1 megabyte can hold approximately one million (10^6) characters of a word processing document

This acronym just
↑ helps us know what's
going on between
main memory and CPU

Secondary Memory



- Long-term storage, e.g. hard drive
- Hard drives have a much larger storage capacity than main memory
- Data is organized into **files** (a collection of data on disk that has a name)
- Accessing/ moving data in secondary memory is much slower than main memory

Memory Storage



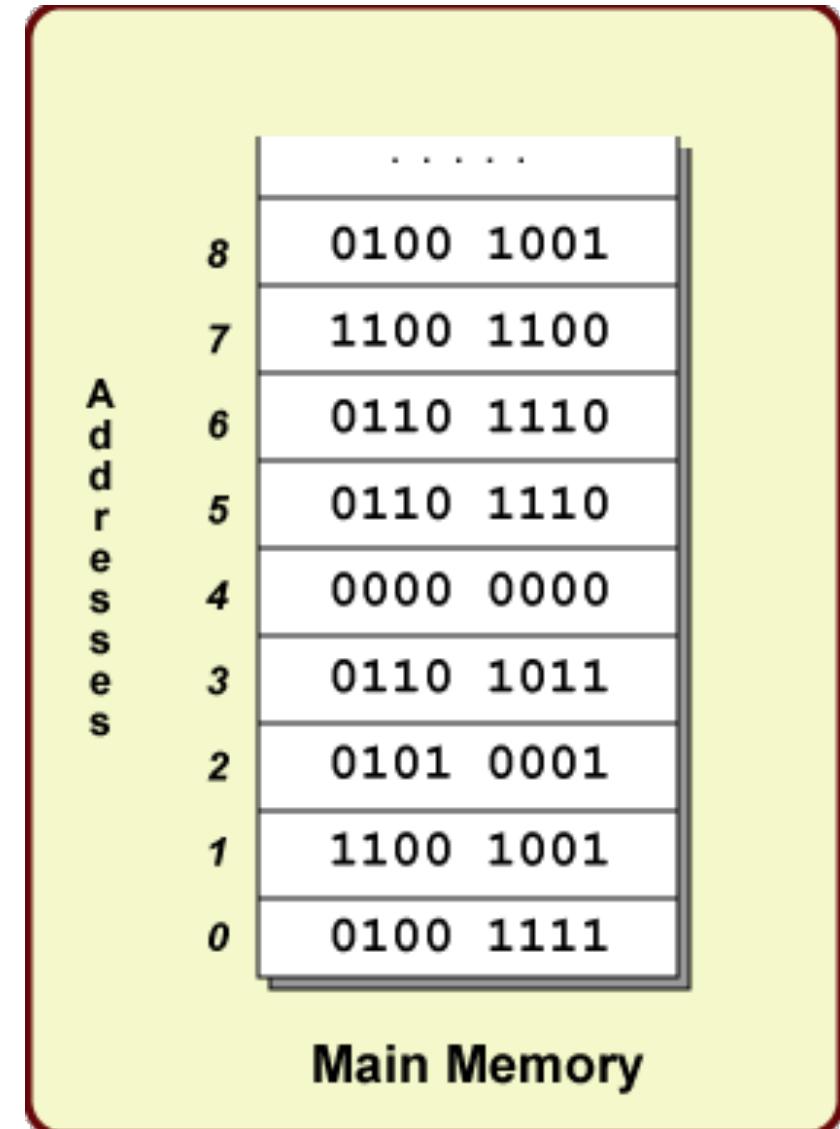
- In both main and secondary memory, information is stored as patterns of **bits**
- A **bit** is a single *on/off* value (e.g. true/false, 0/1)
- Data is usually organized in groups of 8 bits called a **byte**
- One byte can hold a single character (e.g. ‘a’)
- Four bytes represent integers (e.g. 125)

Name	Number of Bytes	power of 2	Handwritten Notes
byte	1	2^0	You don't need to memorize this, b/c it's base 2
kilobyte	1024	2^{10}	This stuff is base 2
megabyte	1,048,576	2^{20}	
gigabyte	1,073,741,824	2^{30}	
terabyte	1,099,511,627,776	2^{40}	



Memory Addressing

- Each box in the picture represents a single byte with an address
- Stored at each memory address are the 8 bits (0s and 1s) making up the byte
- This binary pattern represents something – a character, a number, instructions to run a program, etc.
- Writing in a programming language like Java, you do not (usually) need to worry about where things are in memory during program execution because Java takes care of that for you



Programs



- Programs are just files that contain information the processor can use to perform certain actions
- Example: Operating System
 - Always running when the computer is on
 - Coordinates operation of hardware/ software components
 - Responsible for starting applications, running them, managing resources, etc.
 - When the computer is first started, starting the OS is called **booting**
 - The OS needs to be involved itself in starting; “pulling themselves up by their bootstraps”

The
role
of
the
OS

The OS needs to start itself using itself.
It needs itself to start running

Starting a Program



Well's a whole lot of stuff going on underneath for apps --

1. User asks to run an application by clicking on an icon, making a menu choice, etc.
2. The OS determines the name of the application
3. The OS finds the files on the hard disk where the application and its data are stored
4. The OS finds an unused section of main memory large enough for the application
5. The OS copies the application and data to main memory
 - Remember this is just a copy; the software on hard disk is unchanged
6. The OS sets up resources and starts running the application

Part of any body of Java
Program

Java Source Code



Java programs can also be executed to do stuff!

- **Source Code:** text file containing a program written in a programming language (e.g. HelloWorld.java)
- Contains ordinary text stored as bytes
- Can be printed, displayed, altered with a text editor, etc.
- Cannot be directly executed (run) by computer system

```
public class HelloWorld {  
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {  
        System.out.println("Hello World!");  
    }  
}
```

↑ you can't just execute
text... it needs to be
converted into instructions

Since
the source
code is
just text

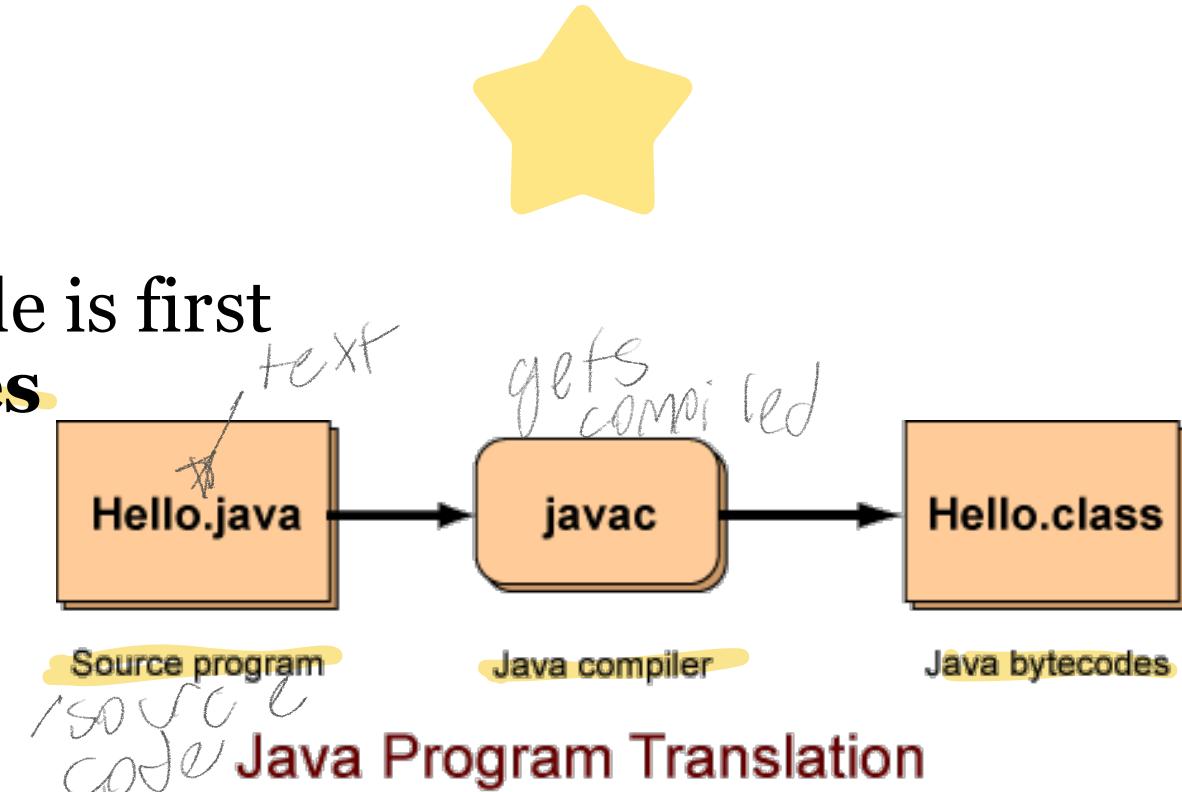
- technically just
text, but saved

as a
special
type of file

Part of Anthony OF Java
Program

Java Bytecode

- To run the program, the source file is first translated into a file of **bytecodes**.
- Java Bytecode:** machine instruction for a Java processor
can be executed by Java processor
- A file of bytecodes (.class file) is a machine language program suitable for execution by the Java processor
- The **compiler** (javac) program translates the source program to file of bytecodes; this process is called **compilation**

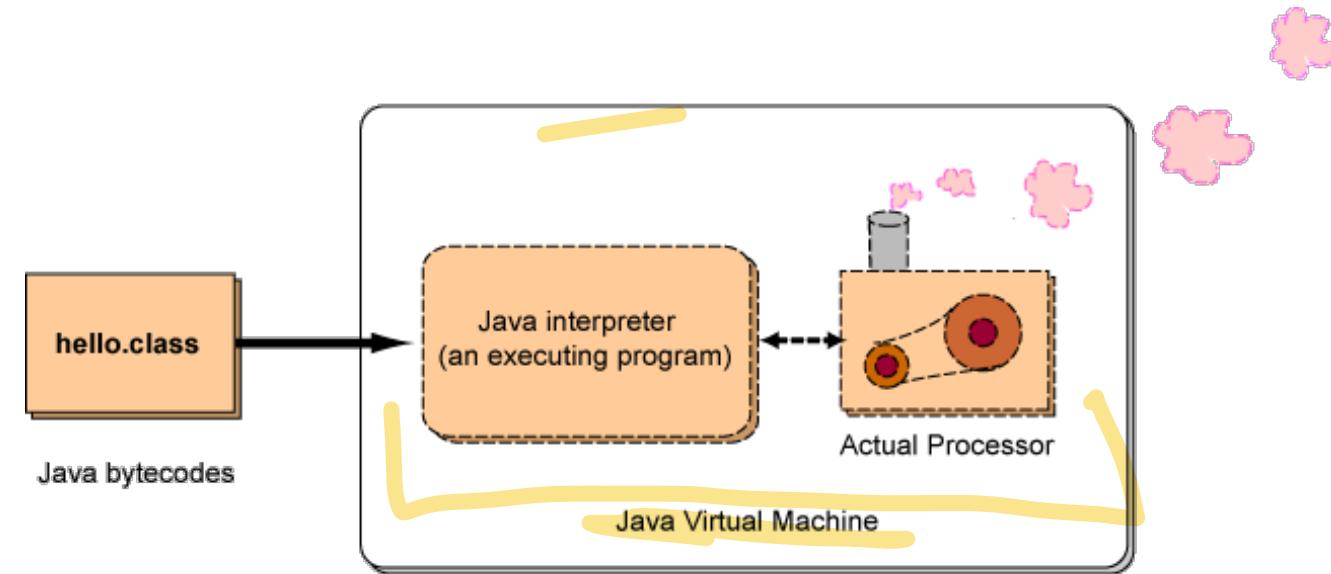


Part of the anatomy of a Java program



Java Processor: Java Virtual Machine (JVM)

- The Java processor is (usually) not a physical processor like the processor on your computer
- The Java bytecodes are executed by another program that is a software version of a Java processor called the **Java Virtual Machine (JVM)**
- This software is also called a **Java interpreter**



Interpreting Java Bytecode on a Virtual Machine

Parts of a Java Source File



- Every Java file contains a **class** with the same name as the file
- The compiler looks for a **main method** as the entry point for program execution
- The lines of code inside the main method are executed in order

A Myself saw it is a file named EXACTLY - HelloWorld

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Compiler
looks
for this
as starting
point

Everything
inside
of
here is
statements
so start few of statements are
clear