

Coding Fundamentals ASPIRE

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Week 11

Welcome!

- Mondays: Discussion + Activity
- Fridays: Review + Programming Exercise

What do you want to learn?

What do you care about?

What do you want to accomplish?

feedback!



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Topics I hope to cover:

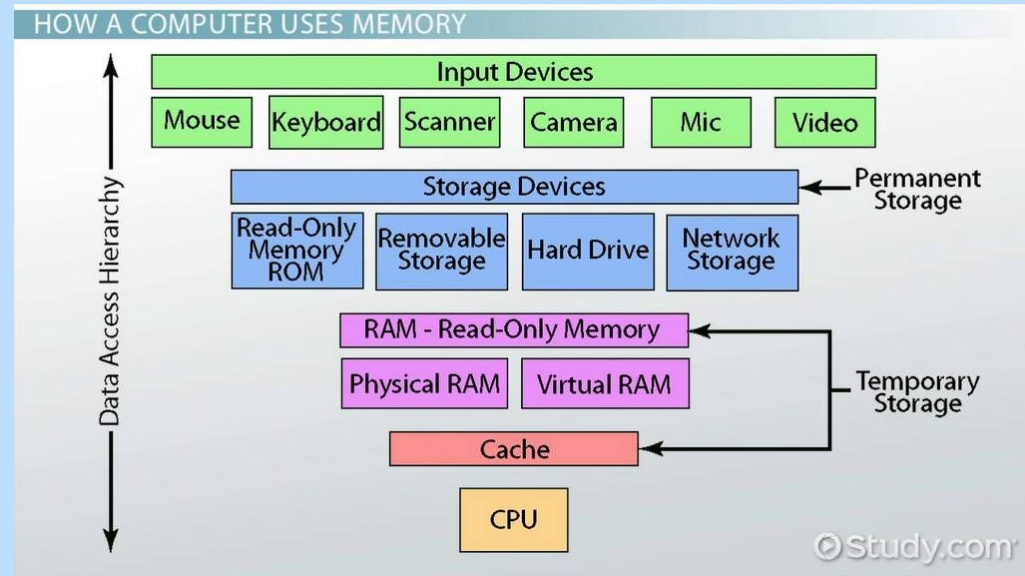
- GitHub (How to use and let's set one up!)
- AI (Machine Learning vs Generative AI vs Image Detection, let's break it down (and make one of our own))
- How to code! (Some practical skills, and also best practices)
- Binary (What is it? Why is it important? Who cares?)
- Robotics (What do you need to get a robot working?)
- How does your computer work? (What do computers do when you're not looking?)
- What do you want to learn?

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How does a computer work?

4 main parts:

- CPU (Central Processing Unit)
- Memory (cache or RAM)
- Storage (Disks or SSD)
- I/O (Input/Output)



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CPU

Fetch

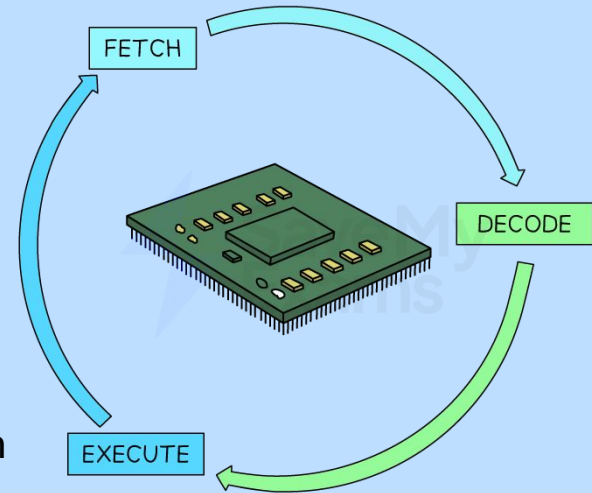
- get next instruction from memory (using program counter)

Decode

- figure out what the instruction means

Execute

- do it (math/logic/move data), then update program counter



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Billions of times per second

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CPUs Parts:

ALU (Arithmetic Logic Unit):

- This does actions like add, compare, and/or/xor

Registers

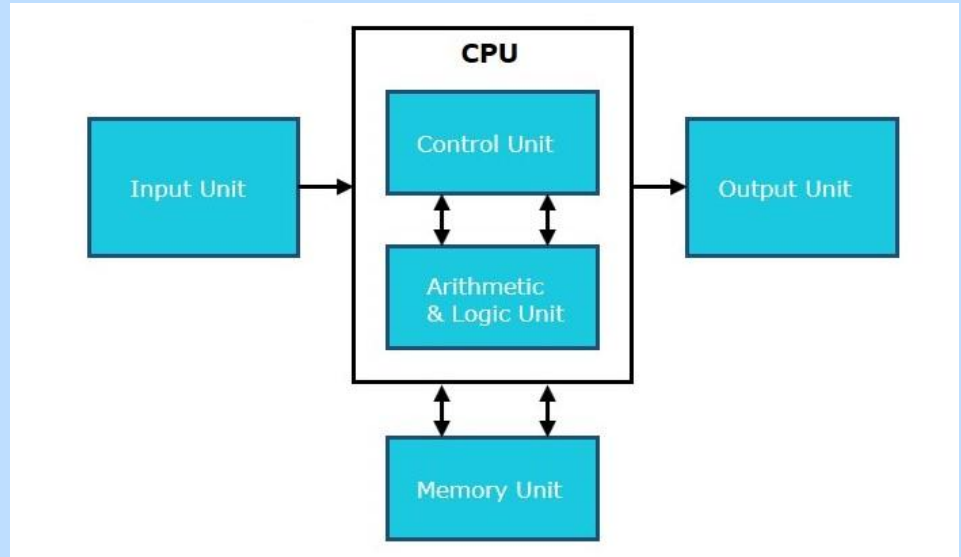
- Where the bits are stored

Control Unit

- Runs the cycle, updates program counter

Clock

- Controls timing of everything



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$x = 0 + 5$
 $y = x + 3$
 $z = y - 4$



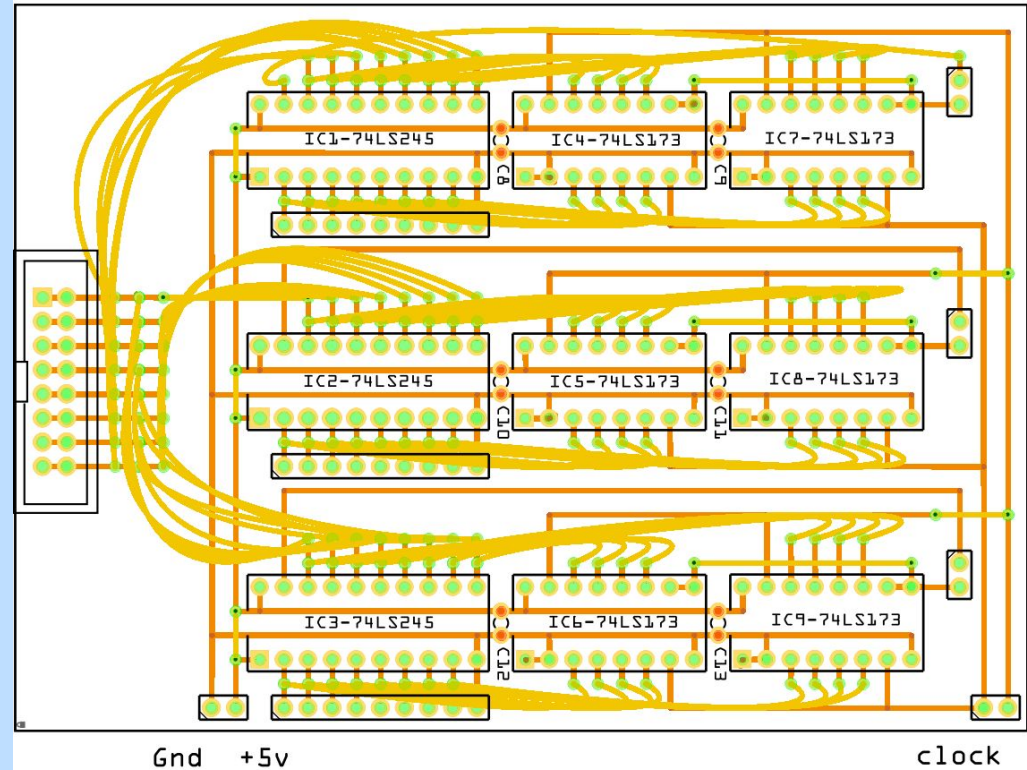
addi \$s0, \$zero, 5
addi \$s1, \$s0, 3
addi \$s2, \$s1, -4



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001000 10001 10000 00000000000000011

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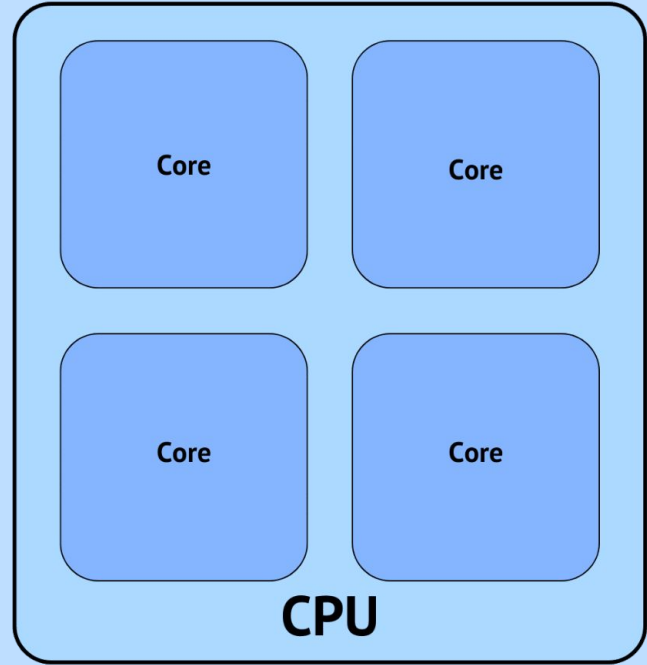
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Cores

- Why multiple CPUs = more faster

Not all work splits evenly across cores

“8-core processor” = 8 cores in the CPU



“CPU” referring to the entire processor

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Coding activity! Get out your Chromebooks!

Everyone look up:

python online compiler

Or

Go to: <https://tinyurl.com/yc4w9mdh>



