CMPE 102 Programming Logic and Design

Module 1 Introduction to Computers and Programming

- People use computers at...
 - School for writing papers, research, email, online classes, etc.
 - Work for analyzing data, make presentations, business transactions, communicating, control machines, etc.
 - Home for paying bills, shopping online, communicating, playing computer games, etc.

What are some of the ways you use computers?

- Devices that are computers...
 - Smart Phones
 - iPods and tablets
 - Blackberries
 - Car navigation system (GPS)

Can you think of some other devices that are computers?

- Computers are designed to do any job that their programs tell them to do.
- A <u>program</u> is a set of instructions that a computer follows to perform a task.

For example: Microsoft Word and Adobe Photoshop

 Programs are commonly referred to as software.

What software have you used?

- Programmers or Software Developers are the individuals that create computer software.
- They have the training and skill to design, create, and test computer programs.

What are some of the fields in which computer programs are used?

Concept:

The physical devices that a computer is made of are referred to as the computer's hardware. The programs that run on a computer are referred to as software.

Hardware

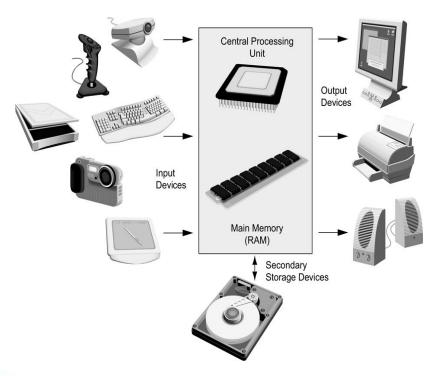
- The physical devices that a computer is made of are referred to as the computer's <u>hardware</u>.
- A computer is a system of devices that work together.

Hardware

A Computer System consists of:

- Central Processing Unit (CPU)
- Main memory
- Secondary storage
- Input devices
- Output devices

Figure 1-2 Typical components of a computer system



Hardware

Central Processing Unit (CPU)

The CPU is the part of a computer that runs the programs. Without a CPU a computer cannot run software.

Running or **executing** a program is the term used when the computer performs the tasks that the program tells it to do.

Hardware

ENIAC

- World's first programmable computer
- Built in 1945
- Designed to calculate artillery ballistic tables for the U.S. Army
- CPU was 8 feet tall, 100 feet long, and weighed 30 tons

Microprocessor

- Much smaller
- Much more powerful

Figure 1-3 The ENIAC computer (courtesy of U.S. Army Historic Computer Images)

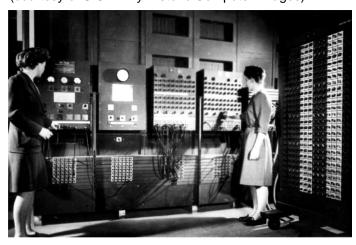


Figure 1-4
A lab technician holds a modern microprocessor (photo courtesy of Intel Corporation)



Hardware

Main Memory

- Considered the computer's work area
- Computer stores the program that is running as well as the data
- Commonly known as the <u>random-access memory (RAM)</u>
- Data is quickly accessed
- RAM is a volatile type of memory
- Used for temporary storage
- RAM is erased when computer is turned off

Hardware

Secondary Storage Devices

- Type of memory that can hold data for long periods of time.
- Programs and important data are stored in secondary storage
- <u>Disk drive</u> is a common type of secondary storage
 - Data is stored by magnetically encoding it onto a circular disk
 - Most computers have an internal disk drive
 - Some have external disk drives; they are used to create backup copies
- <u>Floppy drives</u> record data onto a small floppy disk
 - Holds only a small amount of data
 - Slow to access data
 - Can be unreliable

Hardware

Secondary Storage Devices

- <u>USB drives</u> are small devices that plug into the computer's universal serial bus (USB) port
 - It does not contain a disk
 - The data is stored on flash memory
 - Also known as memory sticks and flash drives
 - Inexpensive, reliable, and small
- Optical devices (CD or DVD)
 - Data is encoded as a series of pits on the disc's surface
 - Uses laser to encode the data
 - Holds large amounts of data
 - Good medium for creating backups

Hardware

Input Devices

- Any data the computer collects from people and from other devices is called <u>input</u>.
- The hardware component that collects the data is called an input device.
- Common input devices are:
 - Keyboard
 - Mouse
 - Scanner
 - Microphone
 - Digital camera

Can you think of any other input devices?

Hardware

Output Devices

- Any data the computer produces for people or for other devices is called <u>output</u>.
- The hardware component that formats and presents the data is called an <u>output device</u>.
- Common output devices are:
 - monitor
 - Printer

Can you think of any other output devices?

Software

- Everything a computer does is controlled by software.
- Two categories of software:
 - System software
 - Application software

Software

System Software

- Programs that control and manage the basic operations of a computer are referred to as <u>system software</u>.
- Includes the following types:
 - Operating System controls the internal operations of the computer's hardware and manages all of the devices connected to the computer.
 - <u>Utility Programs</u> perform a specialized task that enhances the computer's operation or safeguards data.
 - Software Developments Tools are programs that are used to create, modify, and test software.

Software

Application Software

- Programs that people normally spend most of their time running on their computers performing everyday tasks are referred to as <u>application software</u>.
- For example:
 - Word processing
 - Spreadsheet
 - Database
 - Presentation

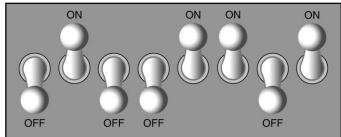
Can you think of any other application software?

Concept:

All data that is stored in a computer is converted to sequences of 0s and 1s.

- A computer's memory is divided into tiny storage locations known as <u>bytes</u>
- One byte represents one number
- A byte is divided into eight smaller storage locations known as bits (binary digits)
- Bits are tiny electrical components that can hold either a positive or a negative charge.
- A positive charge is similar to a switch in the on position
- A negative charge is similar to a switch in the off position

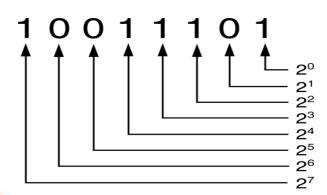
Figure 1-7 Think of a byte as eight switches



Storing Numbers

- The positive charge or the on position is represented by the digit 1
- The negative charge or the off position is represented by the digit 0
- This corresponds to the binary numbering system where all numeric values are written as a sequence of 0s and 1s
- Each digit in a binary number has a value assigned to it

Figure 1-9 The values of binary digits as powers of 2



Storing Numbers

For example:

Figure 1-11 Determining the value of 10011101

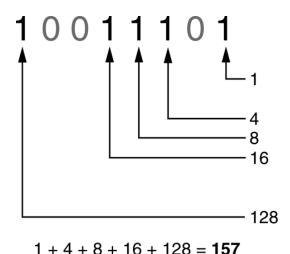
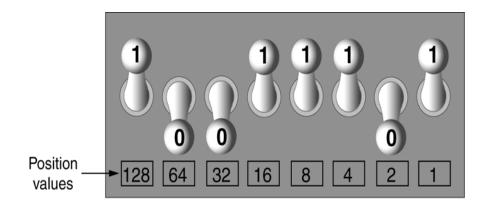


Figure 1-12 The bit pattern for 157

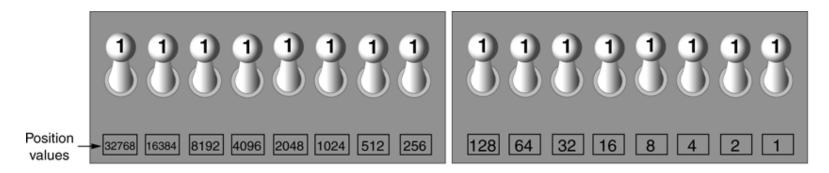


$$128 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 1 = 157$$

Storing Numbers

- The largest value that can be stored in a byte with eight bits is
 255
- Two bytes are used for larger numbers; maximum value is
 65535

Figure 1-13 Two bytes used for a large number

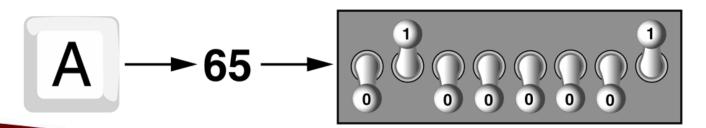


32768 + 16384 + 8192 + 4096 + 2048 + 1024 + 512 + 256 + 128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 = 65535

Storing Characters

- Characters are stored in the computer's memory as binary number
- <u>ASCII</u> (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) is a coding scheme

Figure 1-14 The letter A is stored in memory as the number 65



Storing Characters

- ASCII is a set of 128 numeric codes
- ASCII is limited
- Unicode is an extensive encoding scheme
 - It is compatible with ASCII
 - It represents characters for many languages in the world

Advanced Number Storage

- Binary numbering system can be used to represent only integer numbers
- Negative numbers are encoded using <u>two's</u> <u>complement</u>
- Real numbers are encoded using <u>floating-point</u> <u>notation</u>

Other Types of Data

- <u>Digital data</u> is data that is stored in binary
- A <u>digital device</u> is any device that works with binary data
- Digital images are composed of tiny dots of color known as <u>pixels</u> (picture elements)
- Digital sound is broken into small pieces known as samples

Concept:

A computer's CPU can only understand instructions that are written in machine language. Because people find it very difficult to write entire programs in machine language, other programming languages have been invented.

- CPU is the most important component in a computer
- CPU is not a brain
- CPU is not smart
- CPU is an electronic device that is designed to do specific things.

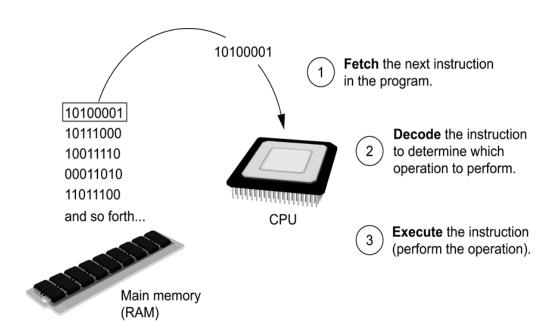
CPU is designed to perform the following operations:

- Read a piece of data from main memory
- Adding two numbers
- Subtracting one number from another number
- Multiplying two numbers
- Dividing one number by another number
- Moving a piece of data from one memory location to another
- Determining whether one value is equal to another value

- CPU only understands instructions written in machine language
- Machine language instructions are written in 1s and 0s
- The entire set of instructions that a CPU can execute is known as the CPU's <u>instruction set</u>
- Each brand of microprocessors (Intel, AMD, and Motorola) has a unique instruction set

- <u>Fetch-decode-execute cycle</u> is the term used when the CPU executes the instructions in a program.
- The cycle consist of three steps:
 - Fetch
 - Decode
 - Execute

Figure 1-17 The fetch-decode-execute cycle

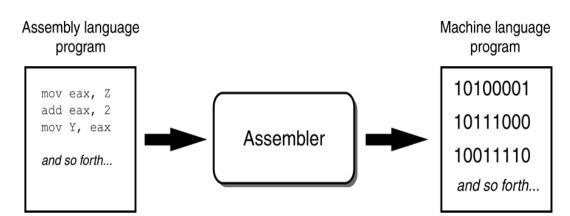


From Machine Language to Assembly Language

- Computers only understand machine language
- Machine language is difficult to write
- Assembly language uses short words that are known as mnemonics
- <u>Assembler</u> is used to translate an assembly language program to

machine language

Figure 1-18 An assembler translates an assembly language program to a machine language program



High-Level Languages

- Assembly language is referred to as a <u>low-level language</u>
- <u>High-level languages</u> allow you to create powerful and complex programs without knowing how the CPU works, using words that are easy to understand.

For example:

Ada, BASIC, Python, C++, Ruby, Visual Basic

Do you know of any other high-level computer programming languages?

Key Words, Operators, and Syntax: an Overview

- <u>Key words</u> or <u>reserved words</u> have specific meaning and purpose in the programming language
- Operators perform various operations on data
- Syntax is a set of rules that must be strictly followed when writing a program
- <u>Statements</u> are individual instructions written in a programming language

Compilers and Interpreters

- The statements written in a high-level language are called <u>source</u>
 <u>code</u> or simply <u>code</u>
- Source code is translated to machine language using a compiler or an interpreter
- Syntax error is a mistake such as a:
 - Misspelled word
 - Missing punctuation character
 - Incorrect use of an operator

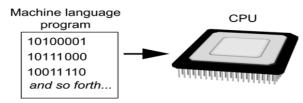
Compilers and Interpreters

 <u>Compiler</u> is a program that translates a high-level language program into a separate machine language program

Figure 1-19 Compiling a high-level program and executing it

Machine language High-level language program program 10100001 The compiler is used print "Hello to translate the high-level 10111000 Earthling" Compiler language program to a 10011110 machine language program. and so forth... and so forth...

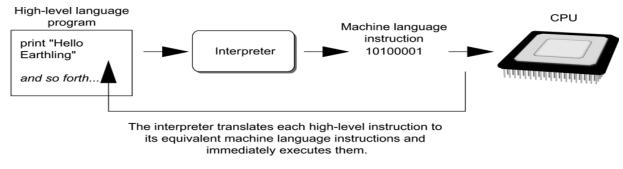
The machine language program can be executed at any time, without using the compiler.



Compilers and Interpreters

•An <u>interpreter</u> is a program that both translates and executes the instructions in a high-level language program

Figure 1-20 Executing a high-level program with an interpreter



This process is repeated for each high-level instruction.

Python language uses an interpreter

Concept:

The Python interpreter can run Python programs that are saved in files, or can interactively execute Python statements that are typed at the keyboard. Python comes with a program named IDLE that simplifies the process of writing, executing, and testing programs.

The Python Interpreter

- A program that can read Python programming statements and execute them is the <u>Python interpreter</u>
- Python interpreter has two modes:
 - <u>Interactive</u> mode waits for a statement from the keyboard and executes it
 - Script mode reads the contents of a file (<u>Python program</u> or <u>Python script</u>) and interprets each statement in the file

Interpreter Mode

- Invoke Python interpreter through Windows or command line
- >>> is the prompt that indicates the interpreter is waiting for a Python statement

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>>> print 'Python programming is fun!' [ENTER]
Python programming is fun!
>>>
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· Statements typed in interactive mode are not saved as a program

Writing Python Programs and Running Them in Script Mode

- Use a text editor to create a file containing the Python statements
- Save the file with a .py extension
- To run the program:

>>> python test.py



The IDLE Programming Environment

- Integrated DeveLopment Environment (IDLE)
 - Automatically installed when Python language is installed
 - It has a built-in text editor
 - IDLE editor colorizes code

Figure 1-21 IDLE

