



Lecture 4

Machine Language

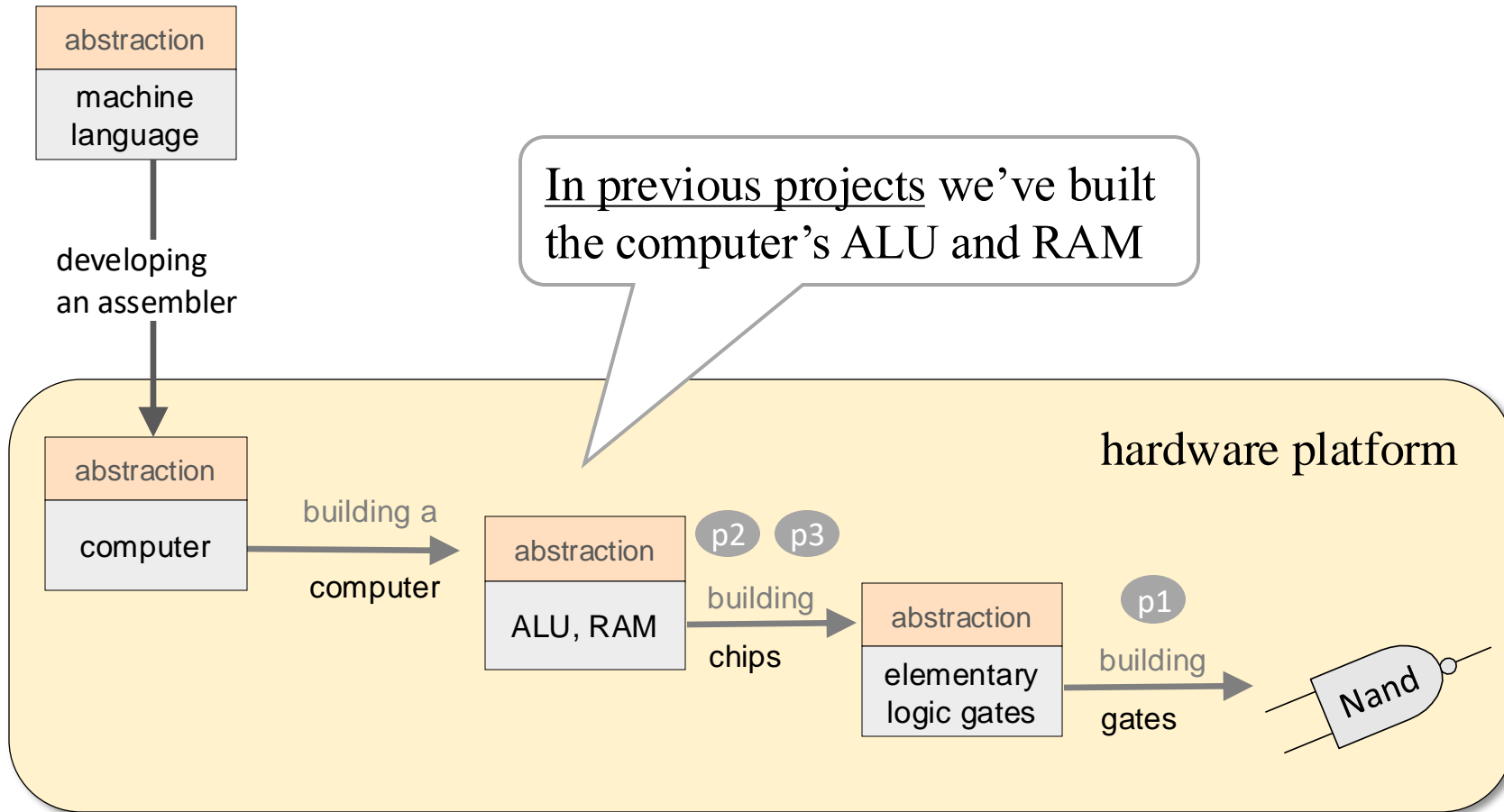
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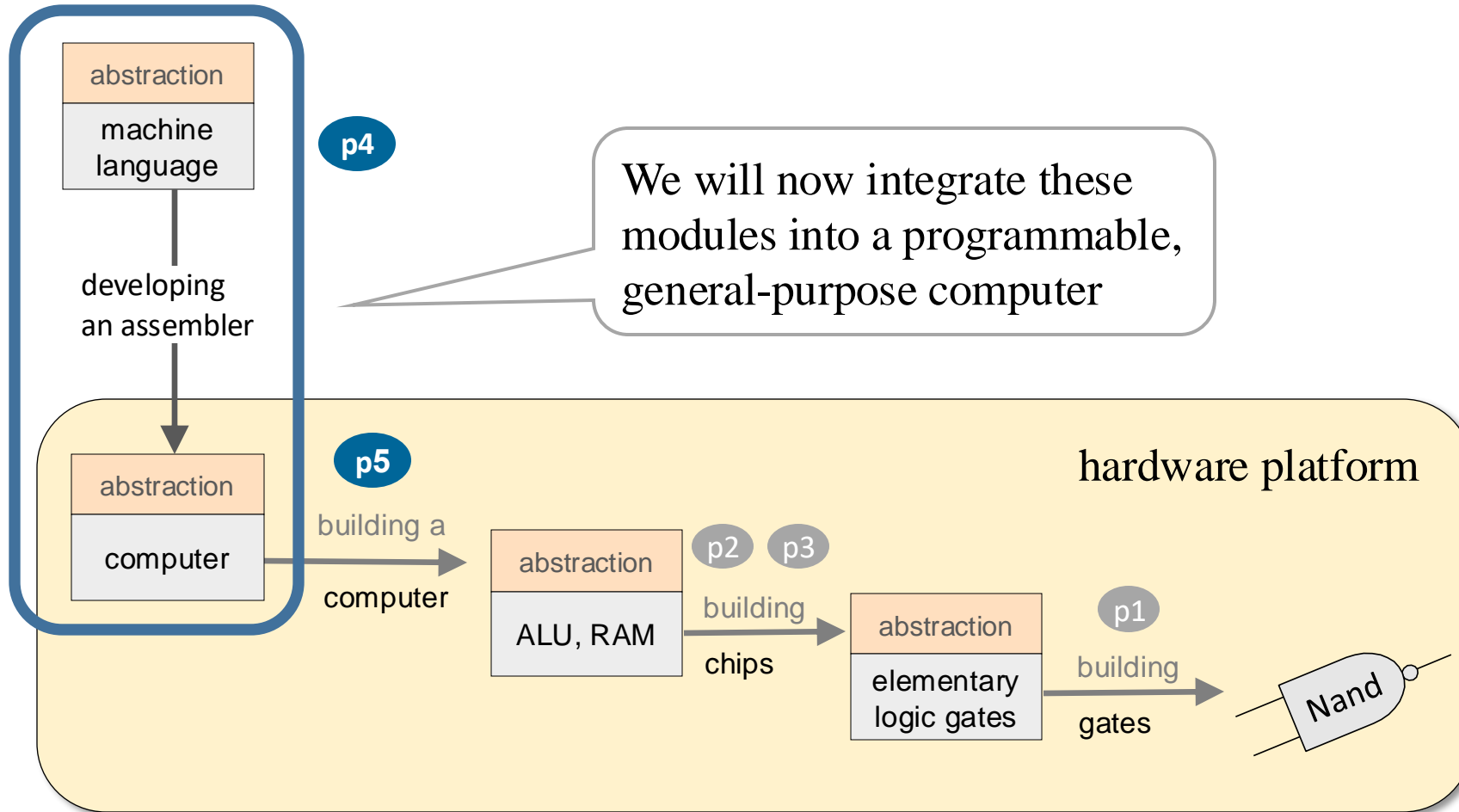
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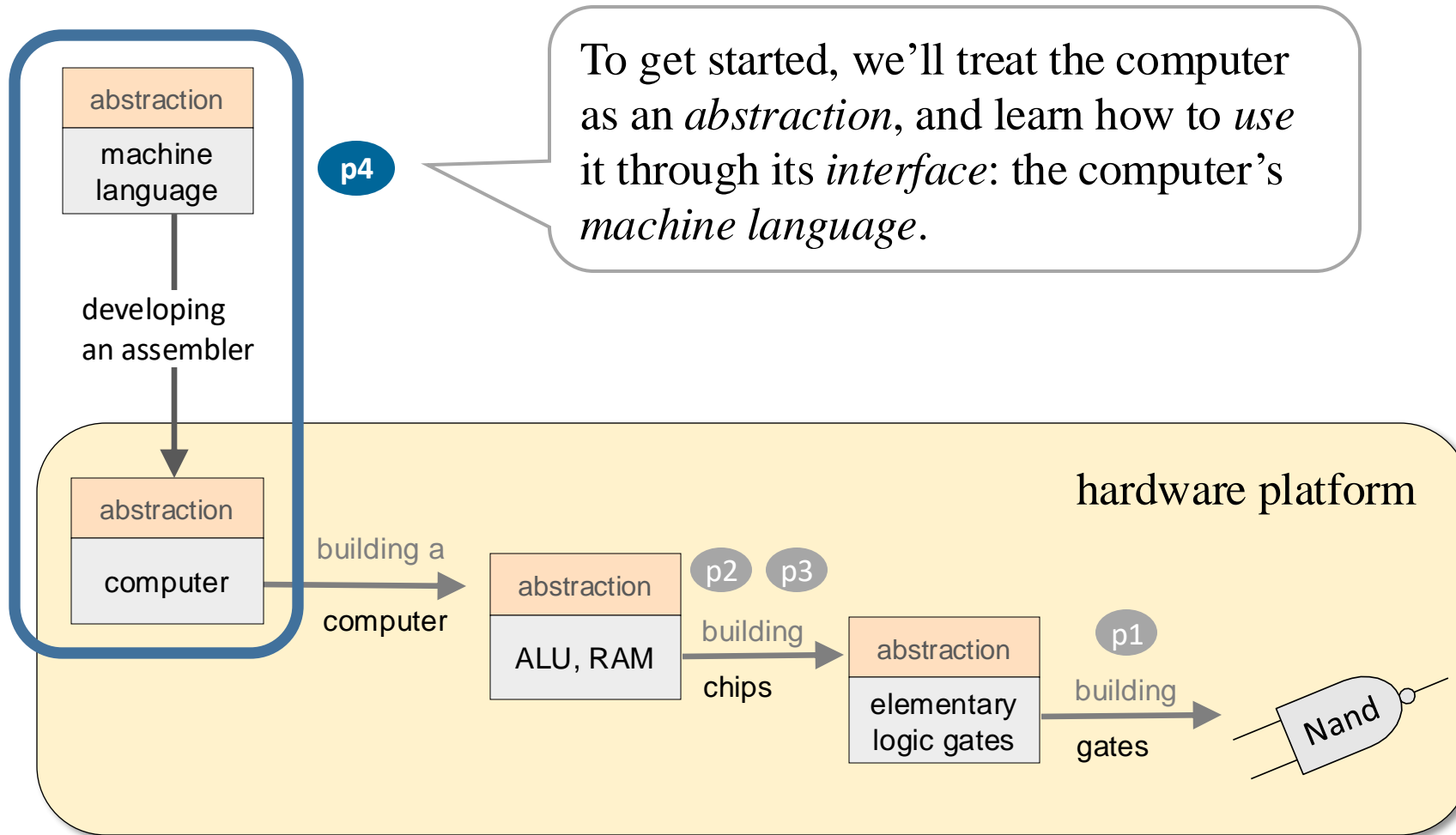
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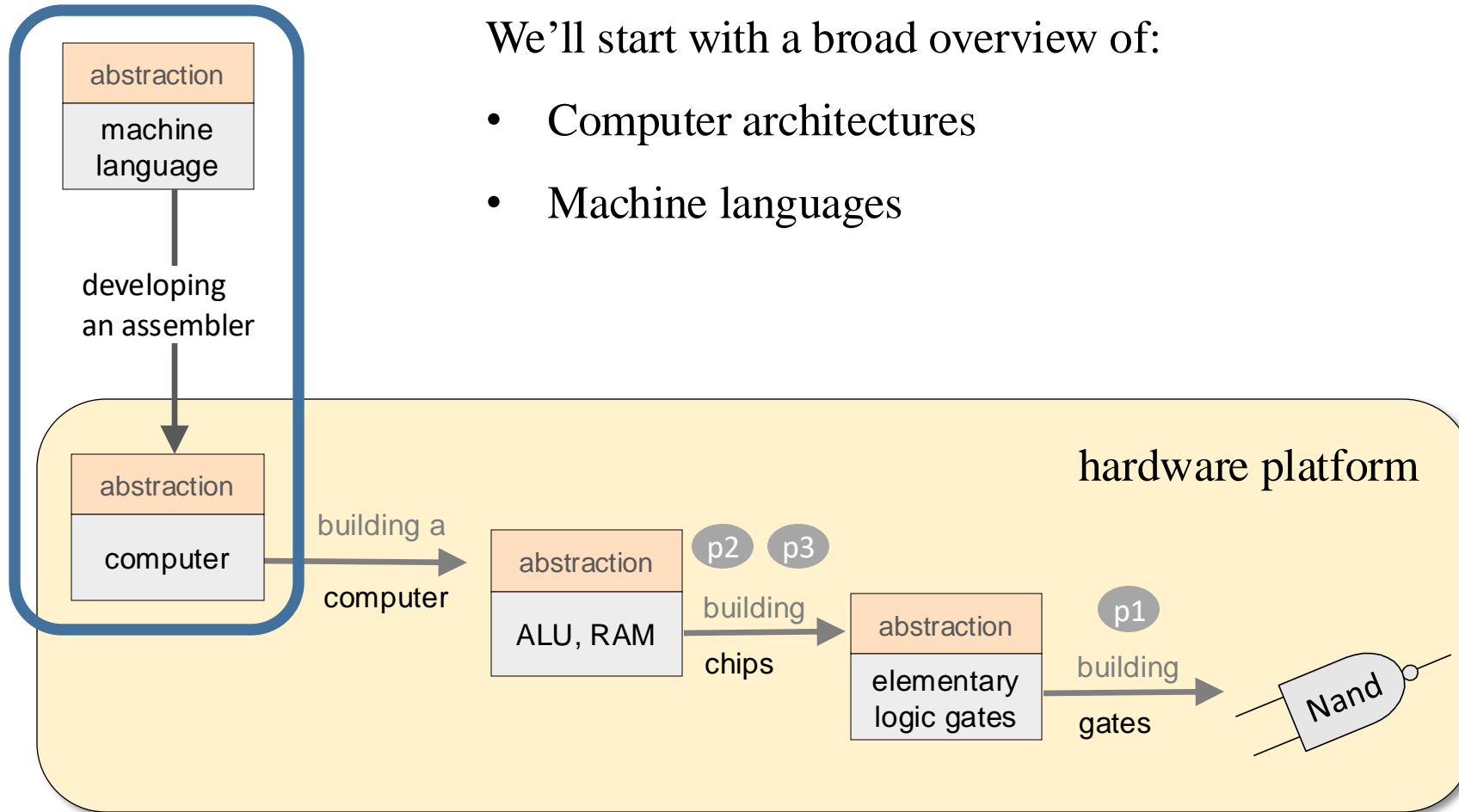
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We'll start with a broad overview of:

- Computer architectures
- Machine languages



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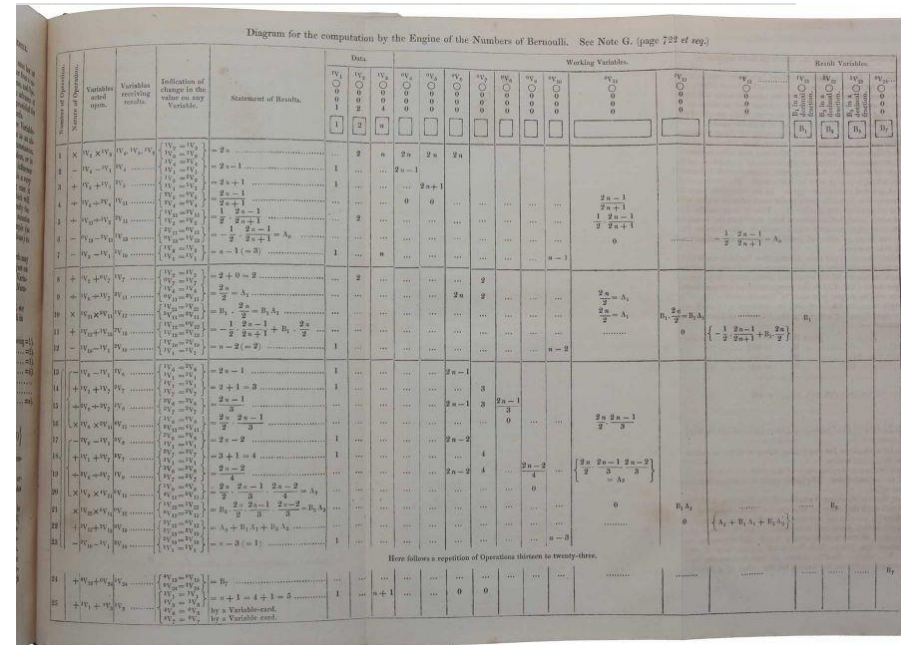


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Same **hardware** can run many different programs (**software**)



Ada Lovelace
(1843)



Early symbolic program

Landmark “proof of concept” that a fixed computer
can be programmed to perform different tasks

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Alan Turing
(1936)

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sim_2	$\begin{cases} A & \text{sim}_3 \\ \text{not } A & R, Pu, R, R, R \end{cases}$	
sim_3	$\begin{cases} \text{not } A & L, Py \\ A & L, Py, R, R, R \end{cases}$	
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mf_2	$\begin{cases} C & R, Px, L, L, L \\ : & \\ D & R, Px, L, L, L \end{cases}$	mf_2 mf_4 mf_3
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Universal Turing Machine

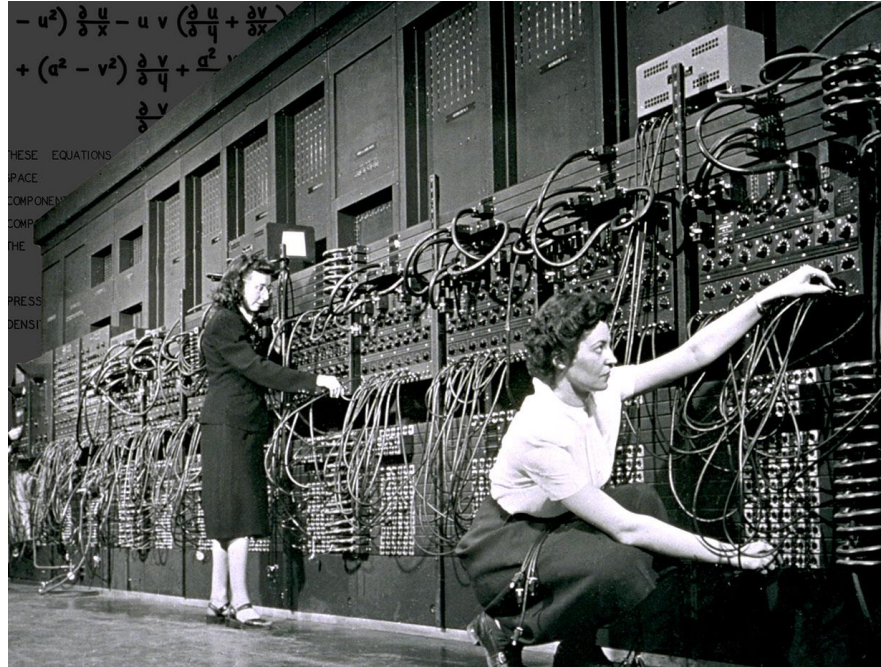
Landmark paper, describing a theoretical general-purpose computer

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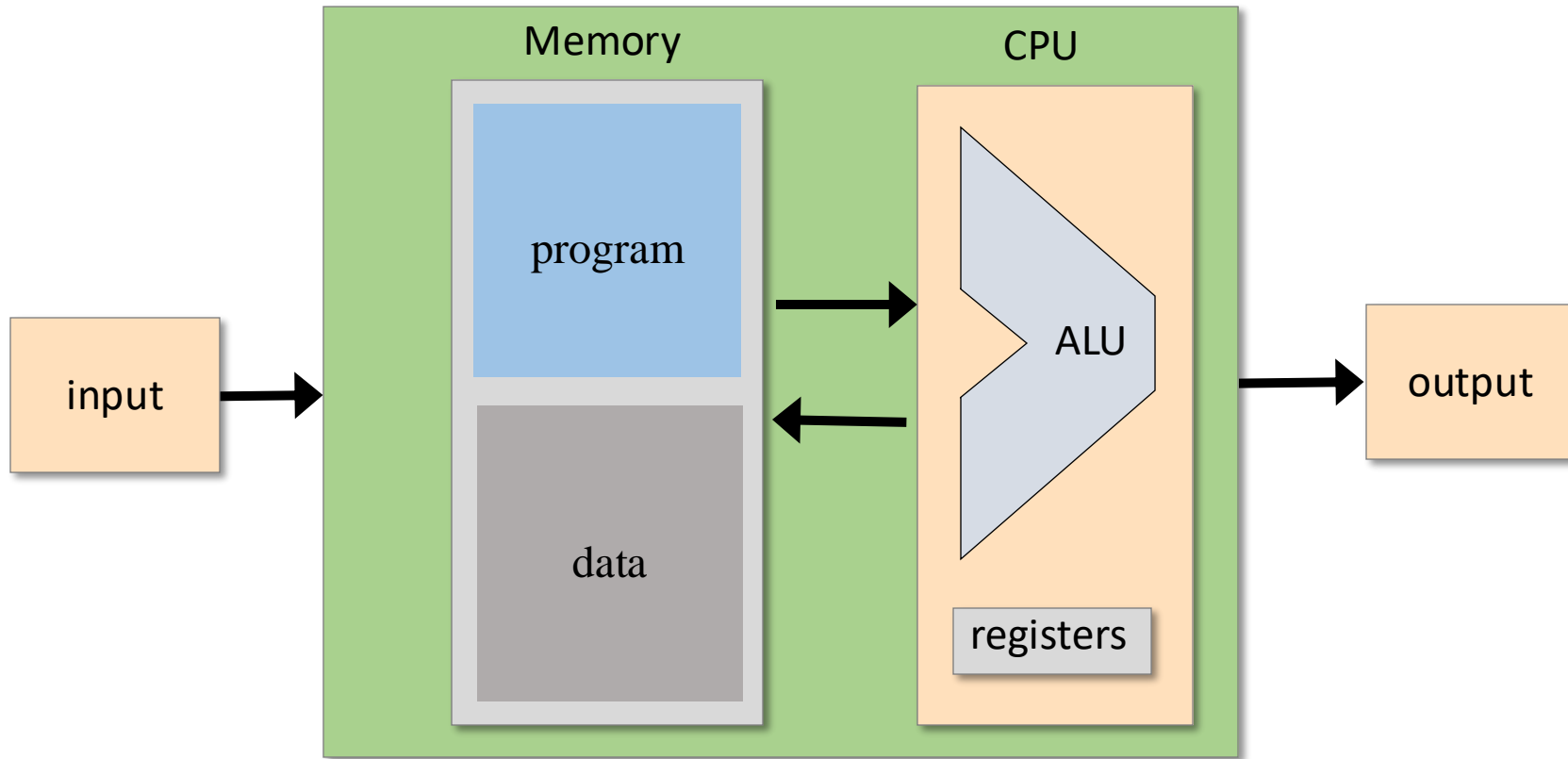


John Von Neumann
(1945)

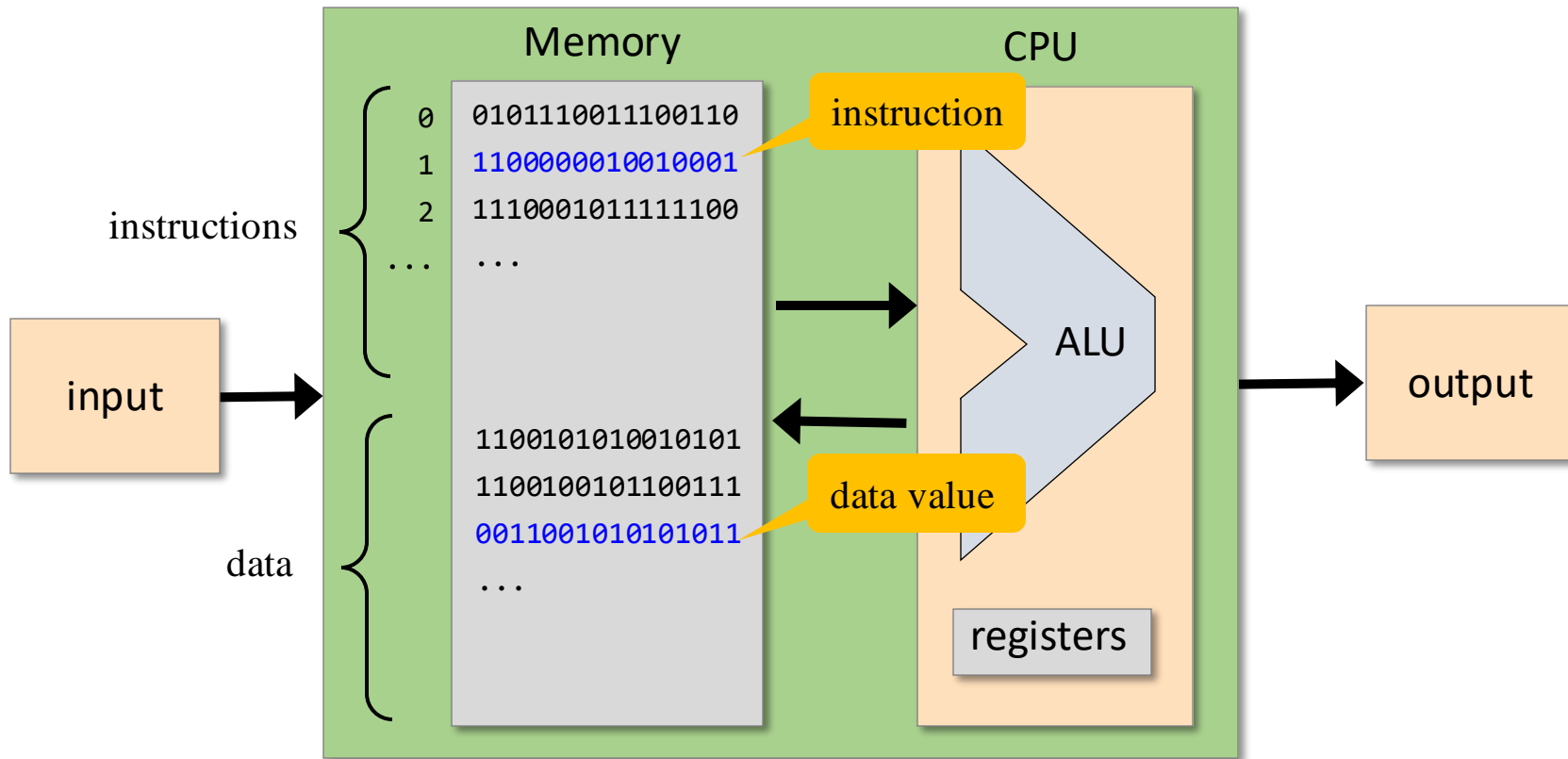


Landmark general-purpose computer
ENIAC, University of Pennsylvania

Computer architecture



Computer architecture



Stored program concept

- The computer memory can store programs, just like it stores data
- Programs = data.

A fundamental idea in the history of computer science

Lecture plan

Overview



Machine language

- The Hack computer
- The Hack instruction set
- The Hack CPU Emulator

Programming examples

- Basic
- Iteration
- Pointers

Symbolic programming

- Control
- Variables
- Labels

The Hack Language

- Symbolic
- Binary
- Output
- Input
- Project 4

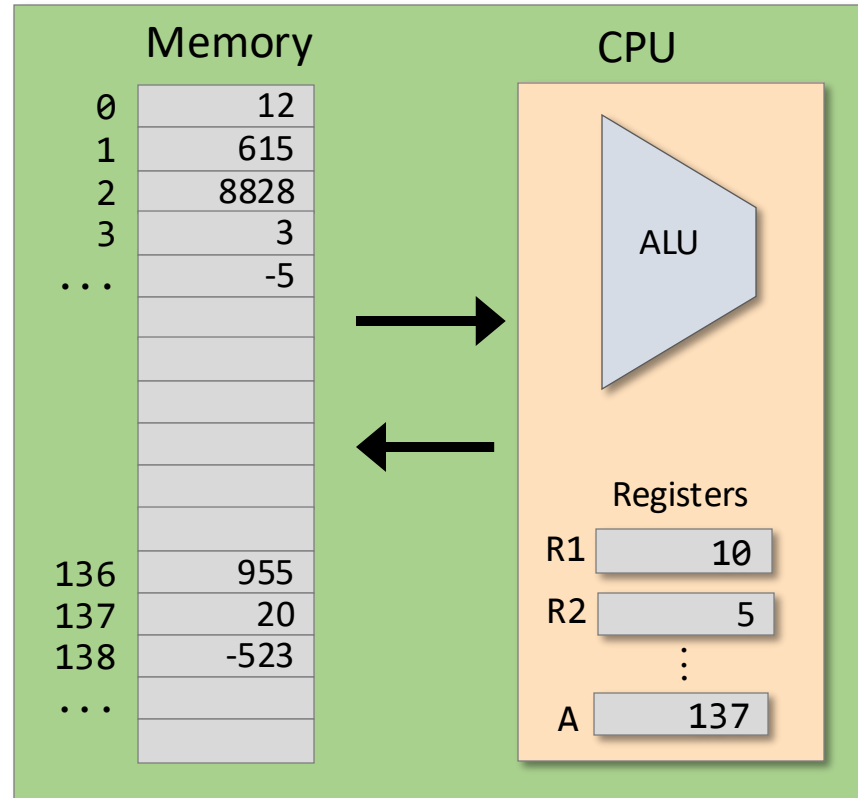
Machine Language

Computer

(conceptual definition):

A *processor* (CPU) that manipulates a set of *registers*:

- CPU-resident registers
(few, accessed directly, by name)
- Memory-resident registers
(many, accessed by address)



Machine language

A formalism for accessing and manipulating registers.

Registers

Data registers

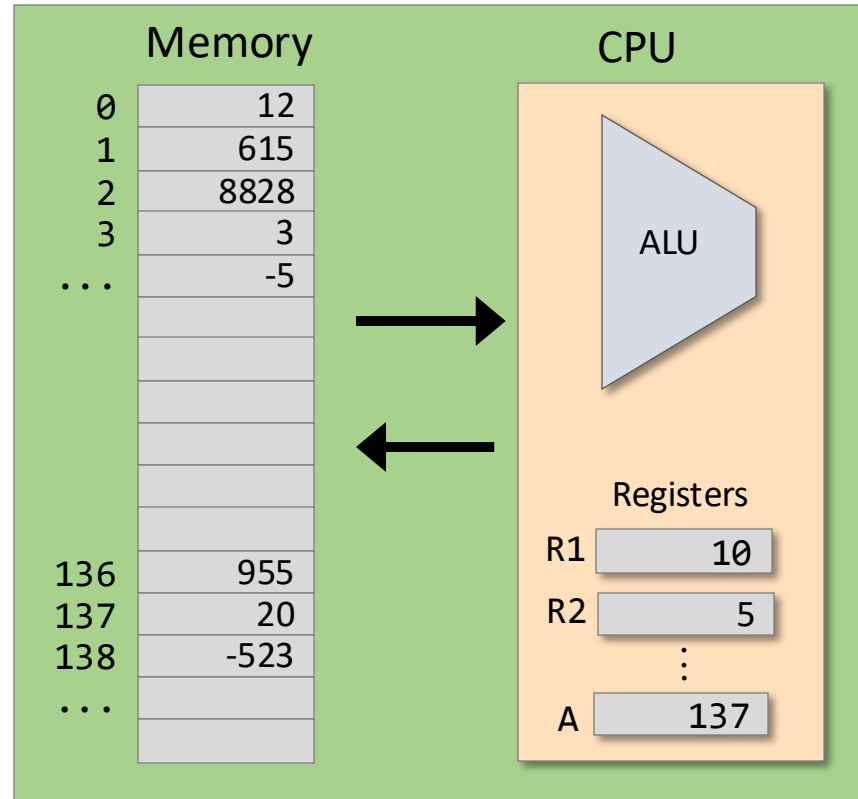
Hold data values

Address register

Holds an address

Instruction register

Holds an instruction



- All these registers are... registers (containers that hold bits)
- The number and bit-width of the registers vary from one computer to another.

Typical operations (using, for example, a RISC syntax)

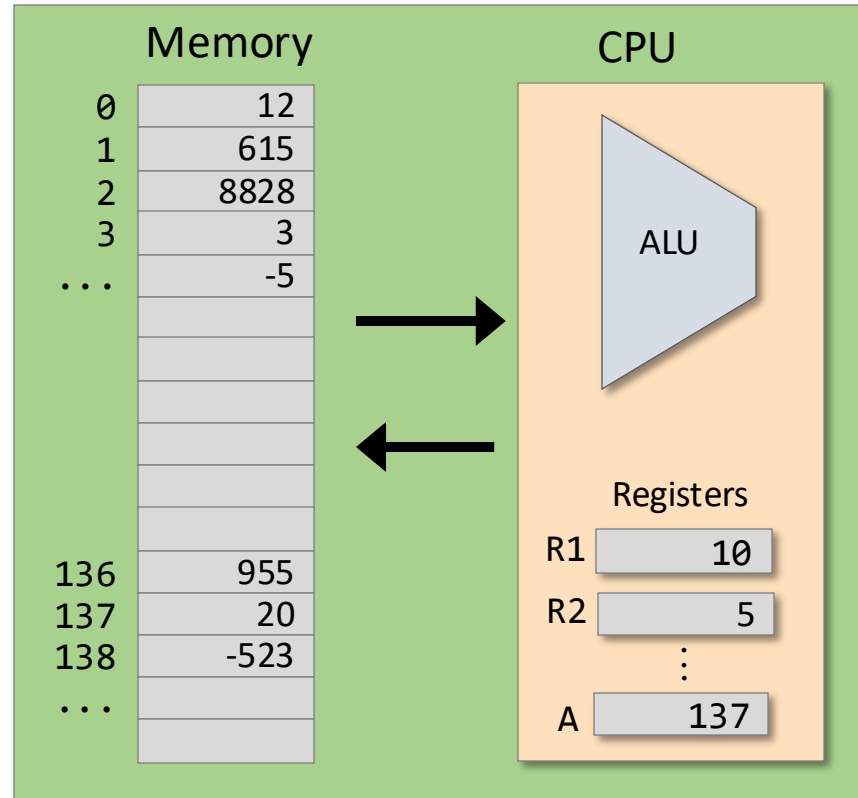
```
// R1 ← R1 + R2
add R1, R2

// R1 ← R1 + 73
addi R1, 73

// R1 ← R2
mov R1, R2

// R1 ← Memory[137]
load R1, 137

// if R1 > 0 goto 15
jgt R1, 15
```



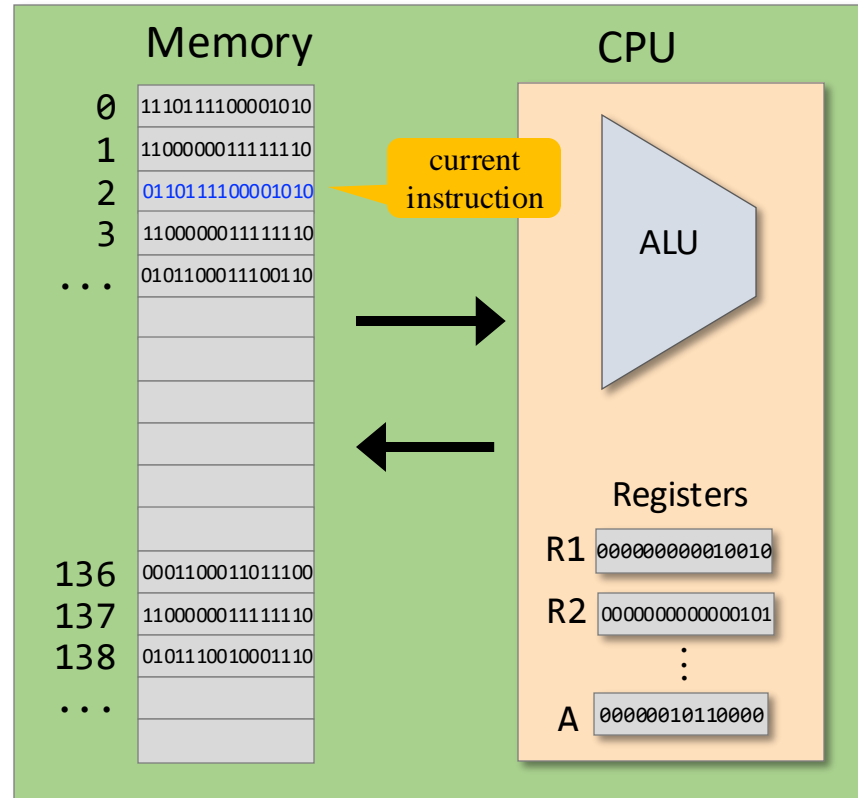
The syntax of machine languages varies across computers

The semantics is the same: Manipulating registers.

Typical operations

Which instruction should be executed next?

- By default, the CPU executes the *next instruction*
- Sometimes we want to “jump” to execute another instruction



Typical operations

Branching

- Execute an instruction other than the next one
- Example: Embarking on a new iteration in a loop

Basic version

```
...  
// Adds 1 to R1, repetitively  
13  addi R1,1  
...  ...  
27  goto 13  
...  ...
```

- Line numbers
- Physical addresses

Symbolic version

```
...  
// Adds 1 to R1, repetitively  
(LOOP)  
    addi R1,1  
...  
    goto LOOP  
...
```

- No line numbers
- Symbolic addresses

Programs with symbolic references are ...

- Easier to develop
- Readable
- Relocatable.

Typical operations

Conditional branching

Sometimes we want to “jump” to execute an instruction, but only if a certain condition is met

Symbolic program

```
// Sets R2 to abs(R1)
// R2 ← R1
mov R2,R1
// if (R2 > 0) goto cont
jgt R2,CONT

// R2 ← -R1
movi R2,0
sub R2,R1

CONT:
// Here R2 = abs(R1)
...
```

Program translation

Translation

Before it can be executed, a symbolic program must be translated into binary instructions that the computer can decode and execute.

Symbolic program

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Assembly
(language)

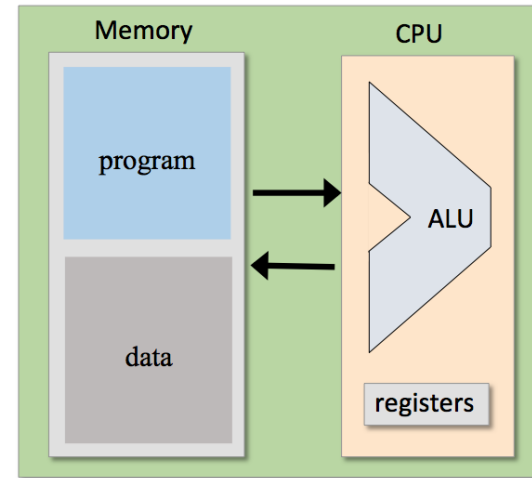
Assembler
(tool)

translate

Binary code

```
0101111100111100
1010101010101010
1100000010101010
1011000010000001
...
```

load and
execute



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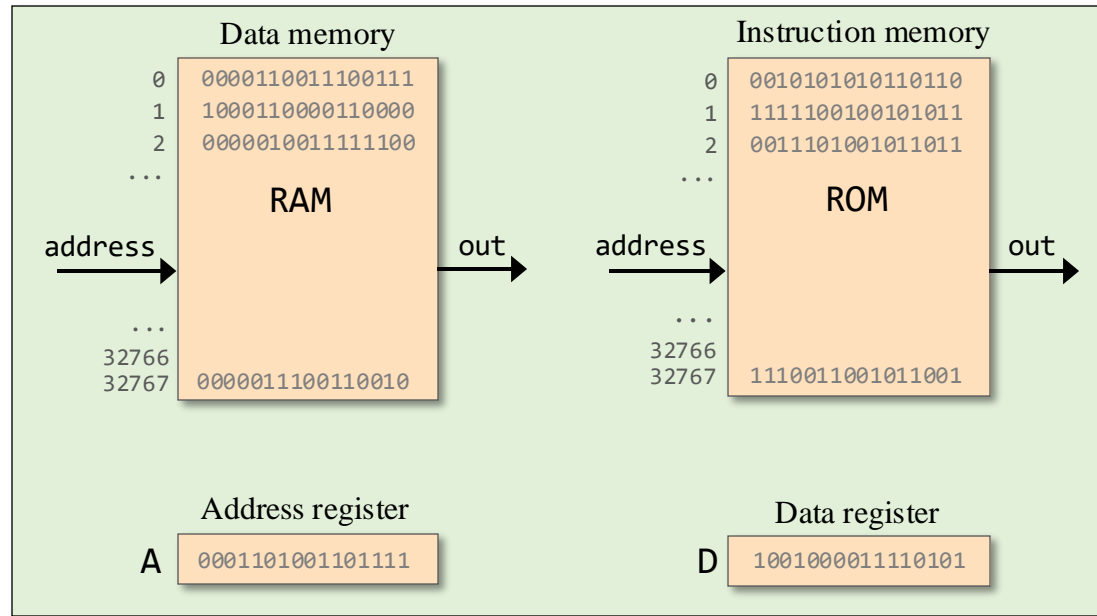
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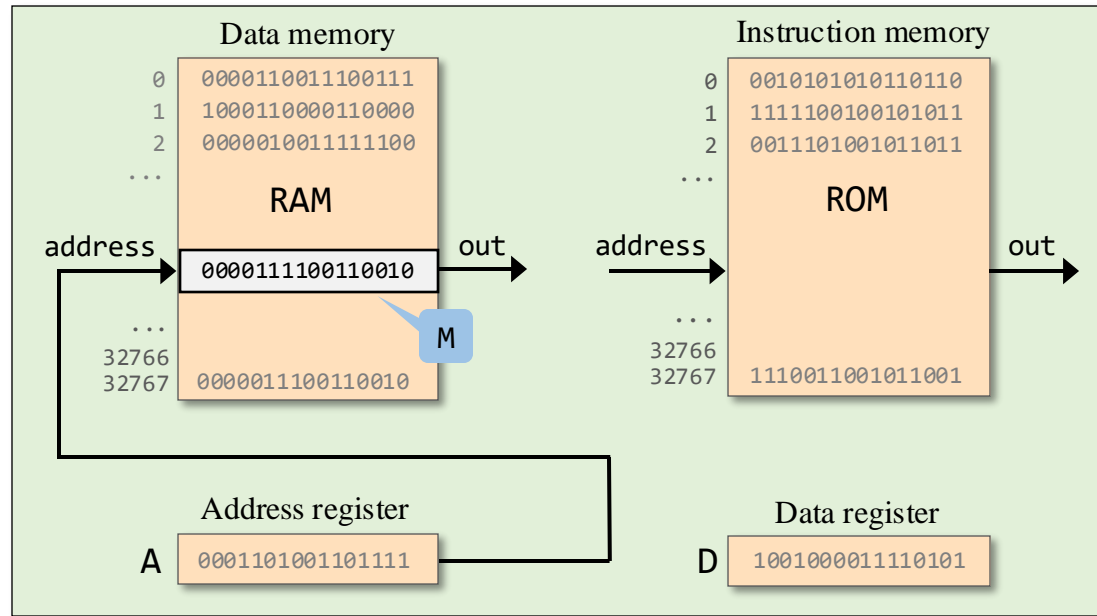
The Hack computer



(Conceptual, partial view of the Hack computer architecture)

Hack: a 16-bit computer, featuring two memory units

Memory

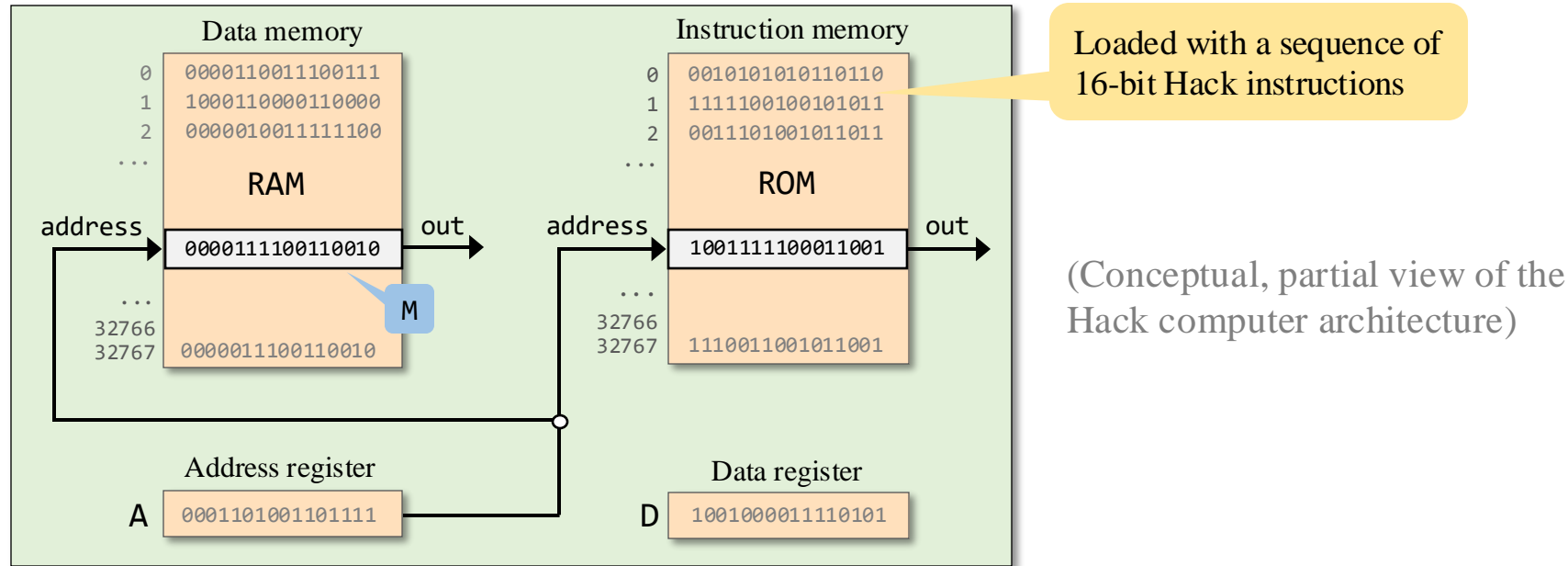


(Conceptual, partial view of the Hack computer architecture)

RAM

- Read-write data memory
- Addressed by the A register
- The selected memory location, $\text{RAM}[A]$, is referred to as M

Memory



RAM

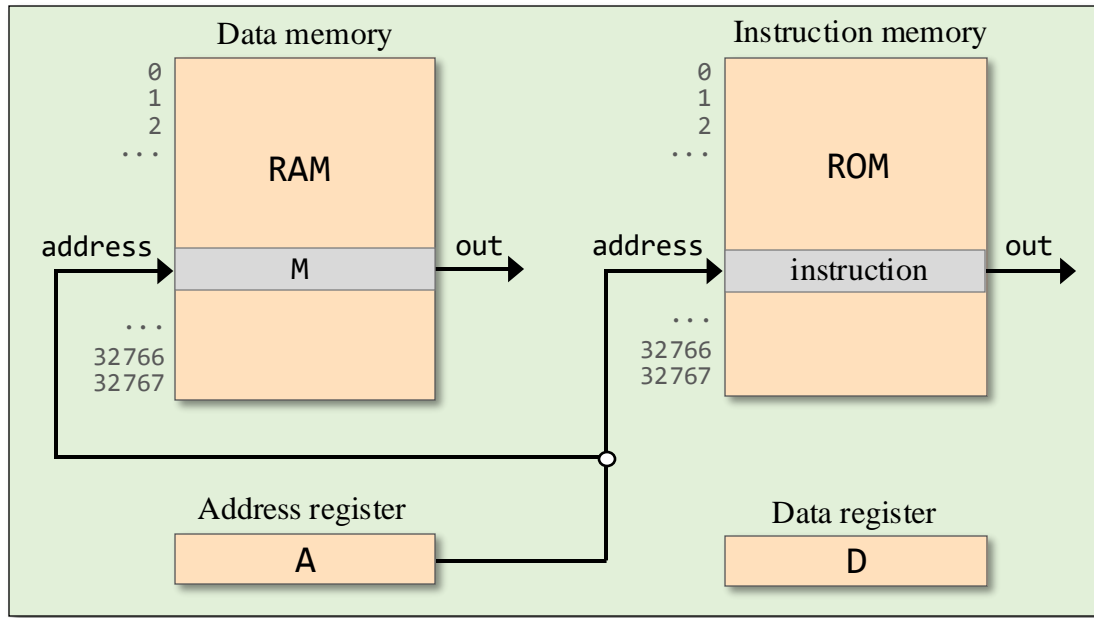
- Read-write data memory
- Addressed by the A register
- The selected memory location, $\text{RAM}[A]$, is referred to as *M*

ROM

- Read-only instruction memory
- Addressed by the (same) A register
- The selected memory location, $\text{ROM}[A]$, contains the *current instruction*

Should we focus on $\text{RAM}[A]$, or on $\text{ROM}[A]$?
Depends on the *current instruction* (later)

Registers



(Conceptual, partial view of the Hack computer architecture)

D: data register

A: address register

M: selected RAM register

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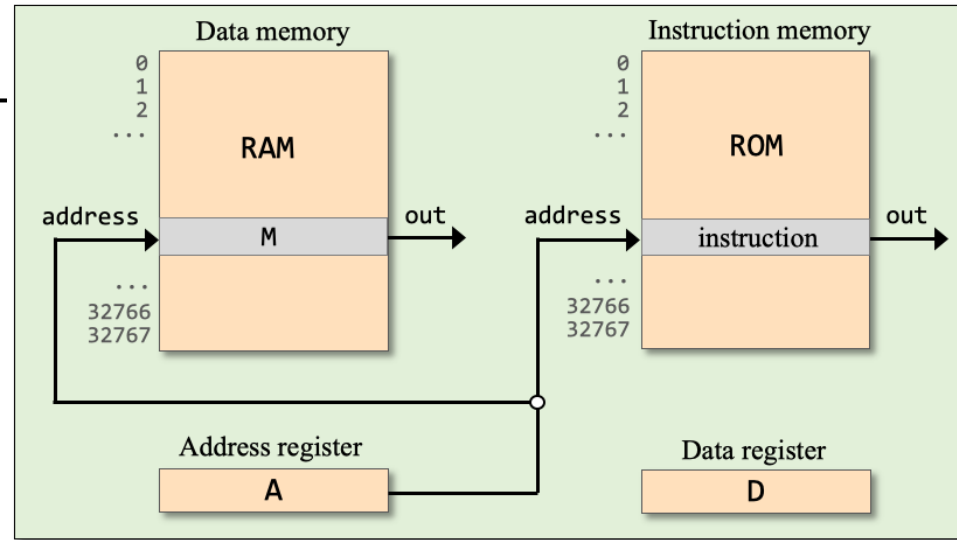
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Hack instructions

Instruction set

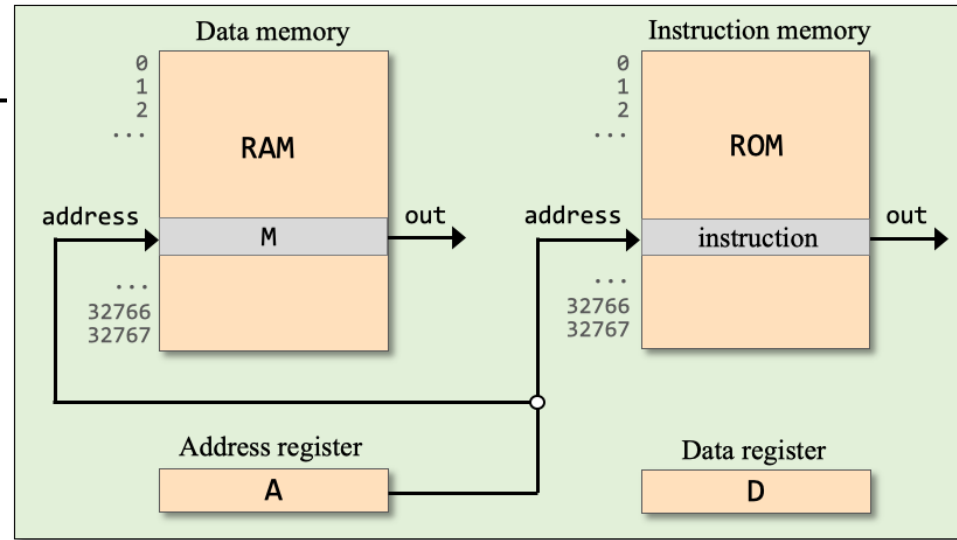
- A - instruction (*address*)
- C - instruction (*compute*)



Hack instructions

Instruction set

- ➔ A - instruction (*address*)
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Syntax:

@xxx

where *xxx* is a
non-negative integer

Example

@19

Semantics

$A \leftarrow 19$

Side effects:

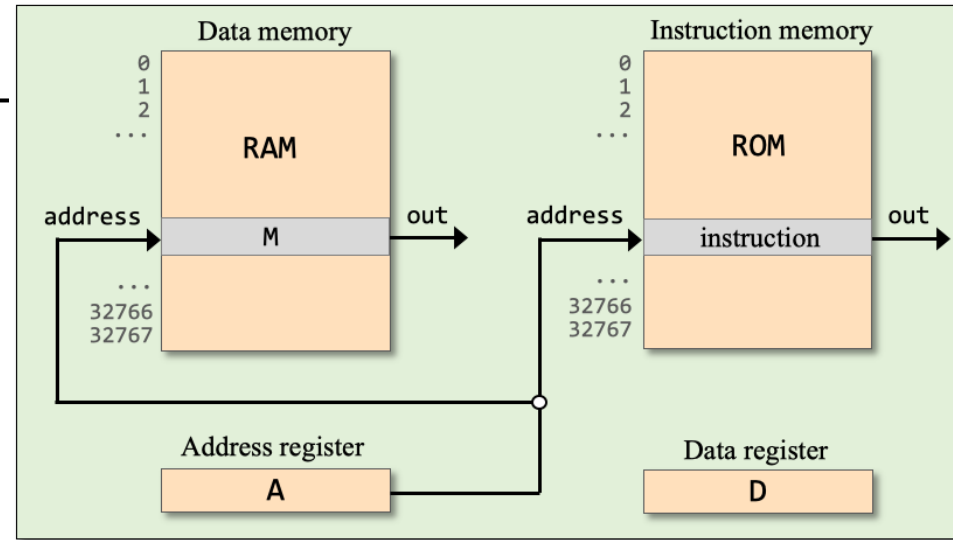
- RAM[A] (denoted M) becomes selected
- ROM[A] becomes selected

Hack instructions

Instruction set

- A - instruction (*address*)

➔ C - instruction (*compute*)



Syntax:

$$reg = \{0|1|-1\}$$

where $reg = \{A|D|M\}$

$$reg_1 = reg_2$$

where $reg_1 = \{A|D|M\}$

$$reg_2 = [-]\{A|D|M\}$$

$$reg = reg_1 \text{ op } reg_2$$

where $reg, reg_1 = \{A|D|M\}$

$$reg_2 = \{A|D|M|1\}$$

$$op = \{+|-|\&|!\}$$

Examples:

D=0
A=-1
M=1
...

D=A
D=M
M=-M
...

D=D+M
A=A-1
M=D+1
...

(Complete / formal syntax, later).

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

`@constant` ($A \leftarrow \text{constant}$)

`D=1`

`D=A`

`D=D+1`

`...`

`D=D+A`

`D=M`

`M=0`

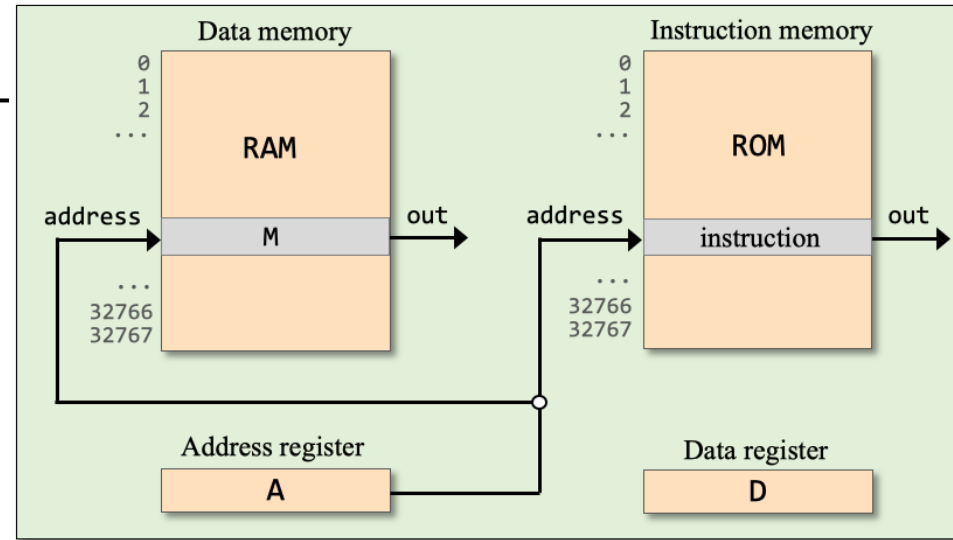
`...`

`M=D`

`D=D+A`

`M=M-D`

`...`



Examples:

`// D ← 2`

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The game: We show a subset of Hack instructions (top left), and practice writing code examples that use these instructions.

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

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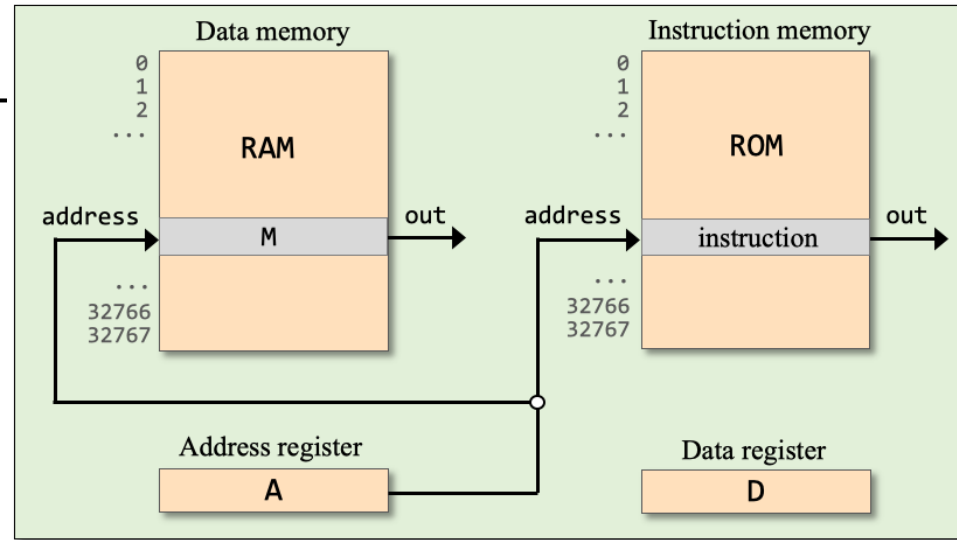
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`M=D`

`D=D+A`

`M=M-D`

`...`



Use only the above instructions

Examples:

`// D ← 2`

`D=1`

`D=D+1`

`// D ← 1954`

?

Use only the instructions
shown above

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

`@constant` ($A \leftarrow \text{constant}$)

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`D=D+A`

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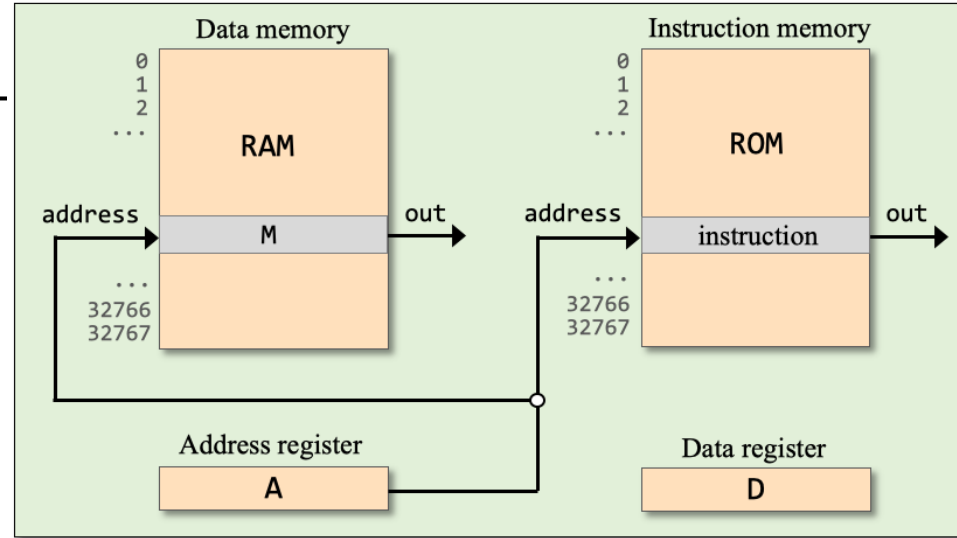
`...`

`M=D`

`D=D+A`

`M=M-D`

`...`



Examples:

`// D ← 2`

`D=1`

`D=D+1`

`// D ← 1954`

`@1954`

`D=A`

`// D ← D + 23`

?

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Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

`@constant` ($A \leftarrow \text{constant}$)

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`...`

`D=D+A`

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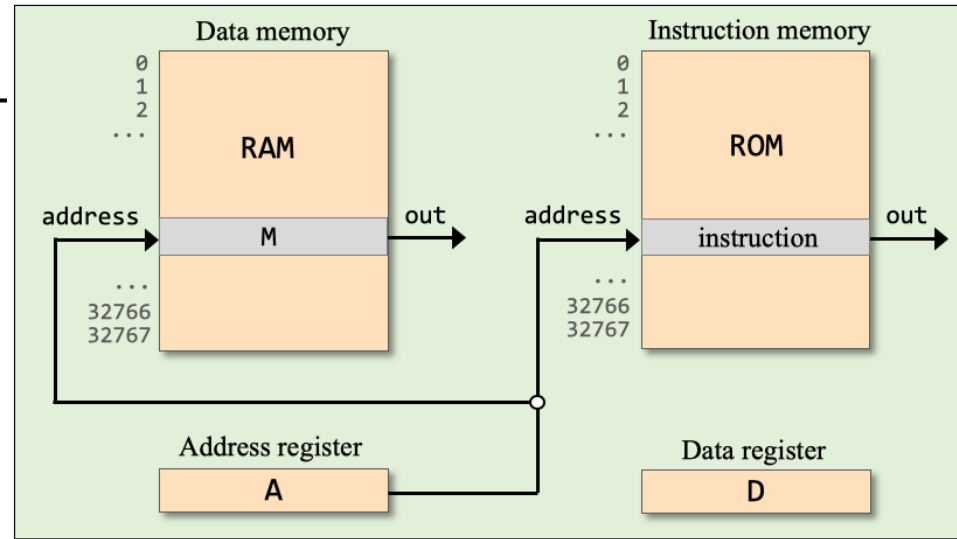
`...`

`M=D`

`D=D+A`

`M=M-D`

`...`



Examples:

`// D ← 2`

`D=1`

`D=D+1`

`// D ← 1954`

`@1954`

`D=A`

`// D ← D + 23`

`@23`

`D=D+A`

Observation

In all these examples, we used both D and A as *data registers*:

The addressing side-effects of A are ignored.

Hack instructions

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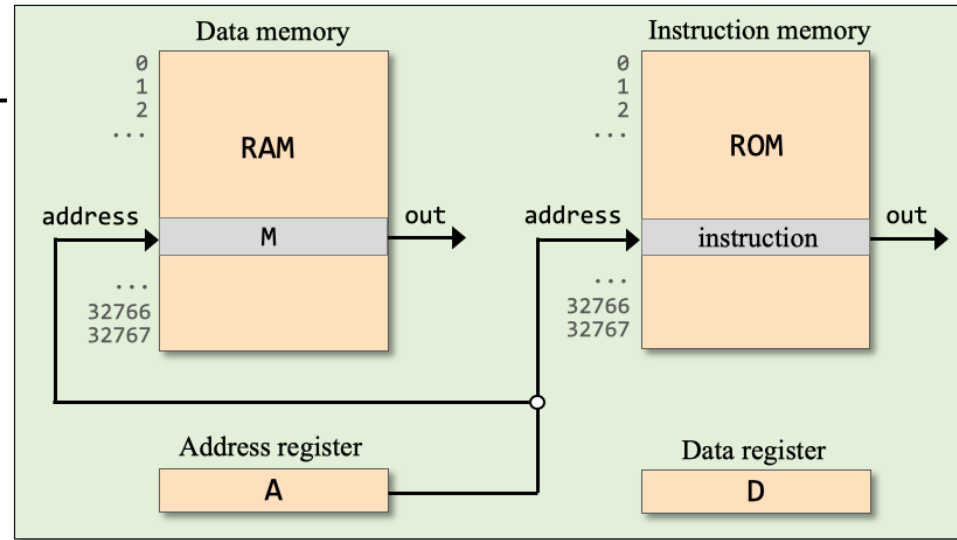
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`M=M-D`

`...`



More examples:

```
// RAM[100] ← 0
@100
M=0
```

```
// RAM[100] ← 17
@17
D=A
@100
M=D
```

- First pair of instructions:
A is used as a *data register*
- Second pair of instructions:
A is used as an *address register*

Hack instructions

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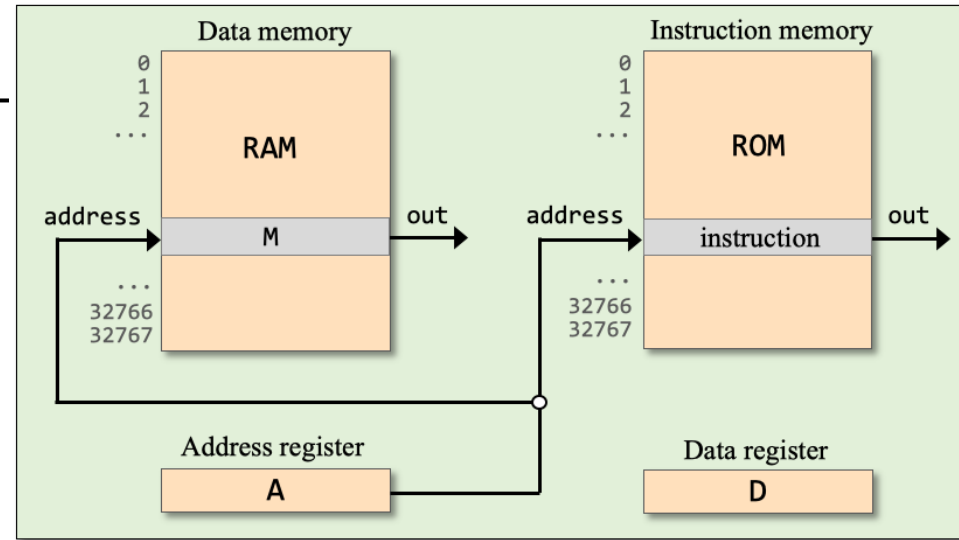
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`...`



More examples:

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@100
M=0
```

```
// RAM[100] ← 17
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D=A
@100
M=D
```

```
// RAM[100] ← RAM[200]
?
```

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

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`D=A`

`D=D+1`

`...`

`D=D+A`

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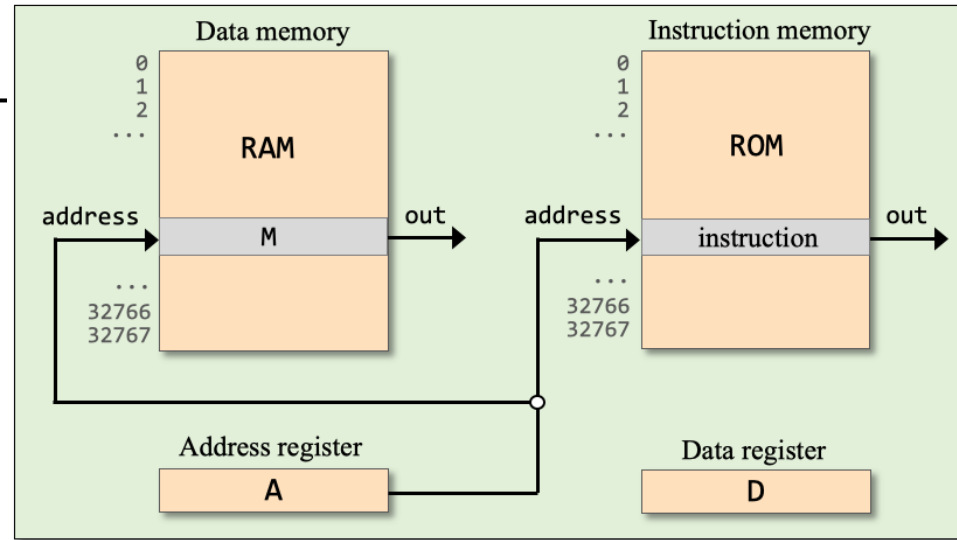
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`M=D`

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`M=M-D`

`...`



More examples:

```
// RAM[100] ← 0
```

```
@100
```

```
M=0
```

```
// RAM[100] ← 17
```

```
@17
```

```
D=A
```

```
@100
```

```
M=D
```

```
// RAM[100] ← RAM[200]
```

```
@200
```

```
D=M
```

```
@100
```

```
M=D
```

When we want to operate on a memory location, we use a pair of instructions:

- A-instruction: Selects a memory location
- C-instruction: Operates on the selected location.

Hack instructions

Typical instructions:

`@constant` ($A \leftarrow \text{constant}$)

$D = 1$

$D = A$

$D = D + 1$

...

$D = D + A$

$D = M$

$M = 0$

...

$M = D$

$D = D + A$

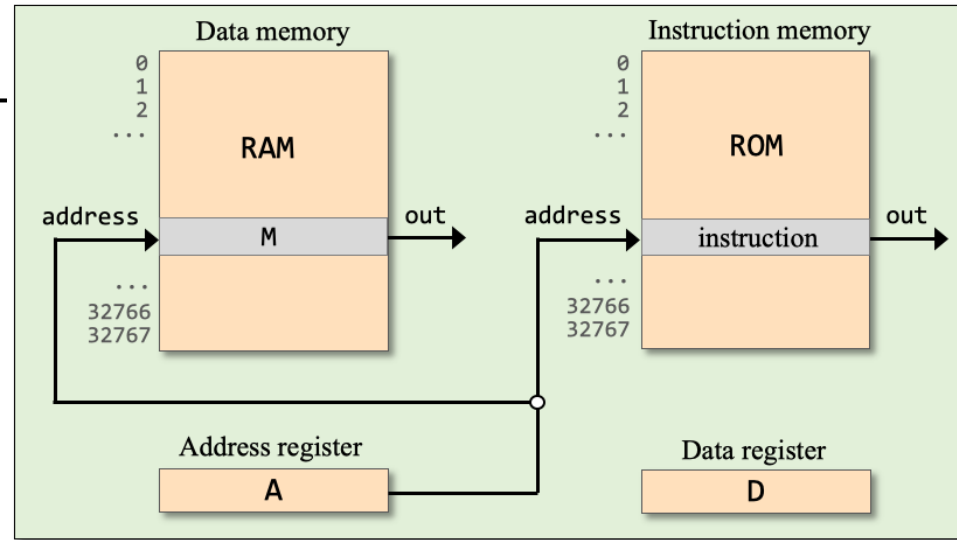
$M = M - D$

...

Use only the above instructions

`// RAM[3] \leftarrow RAM[3] - 15`

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`D=A`

`D=D+1`

`...`

`D=D+A`

`D=M`

`M=0`

`...`

`M=D`

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`...`

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// RAM[3] ← RAM[3] - 15
```

```
@15
```

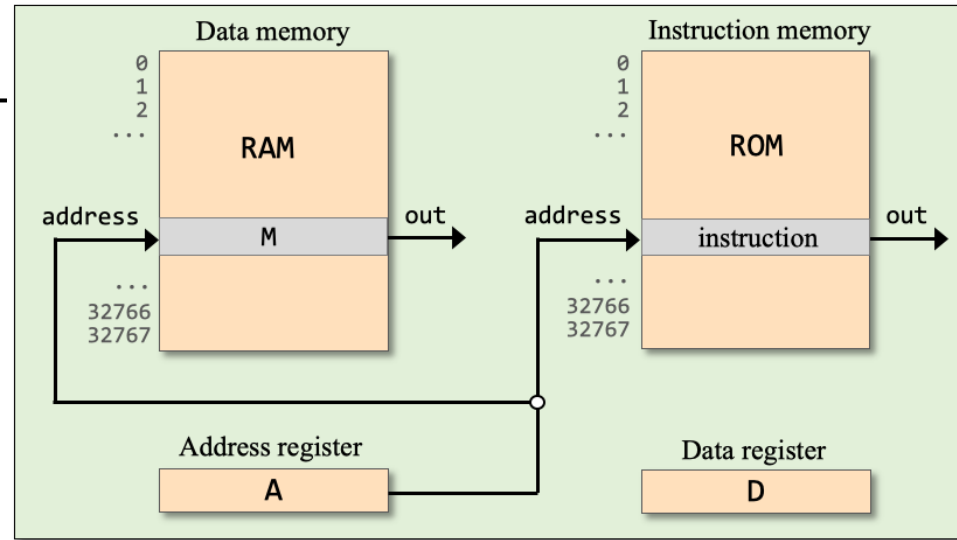
```
D=A
```

```
@3
```

```
M=M-D
```

```
// RAM[3] ← RAM[4] + 1
```

?



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`D=A`

`D=D+1`

`...`

`D=D+A`

`D=M`

`M=0`

`...`

`M=D`

`D=D+A`

`M=M-D`

`...`

Use only the above instructions

```
// RAM[3] ← RAM[3] - 15
```

```
@15
```

```
D=A
```

```
@3
```

```
M=M-D
```

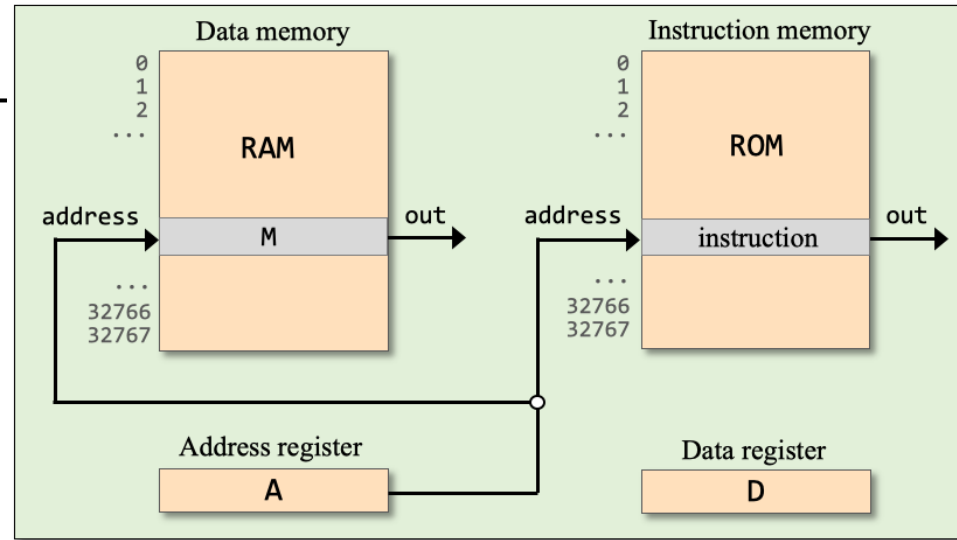
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// RAM[3] ← RAM[4] + 1
```

```
@4
```

```
D=M+1
```

```
@3
```

```
M=D
```



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Typical instructions:

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$D = -1$

$M = 0$

...

$A = M$

$D = M$

$M = D$

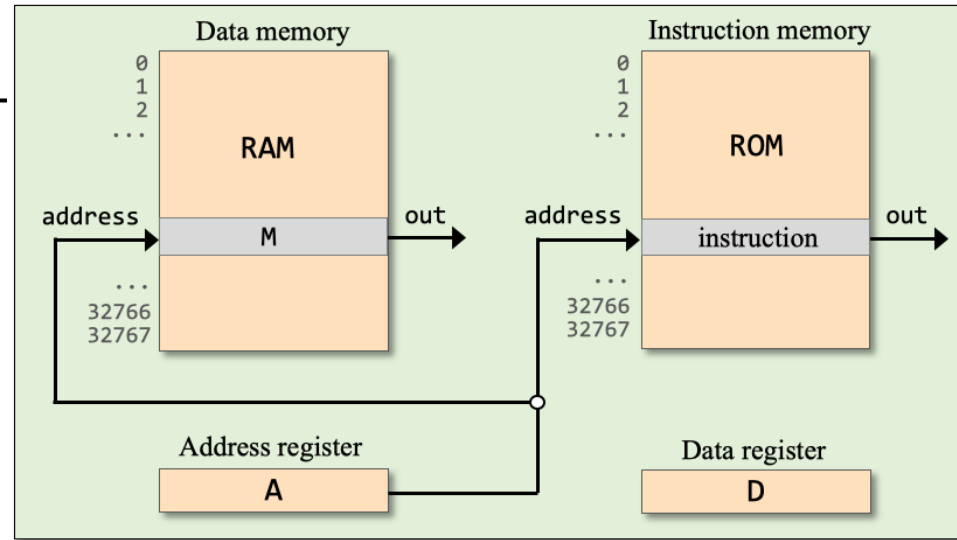
...

$A = D - A$

$D = D + A$

$D = D + M$

...



Add.asm

```
// Computes: RAM[2] = RAM[0] + RAM[1] + 17
```

?

Use only the
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Typical instructions:

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`...`

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`D=M`

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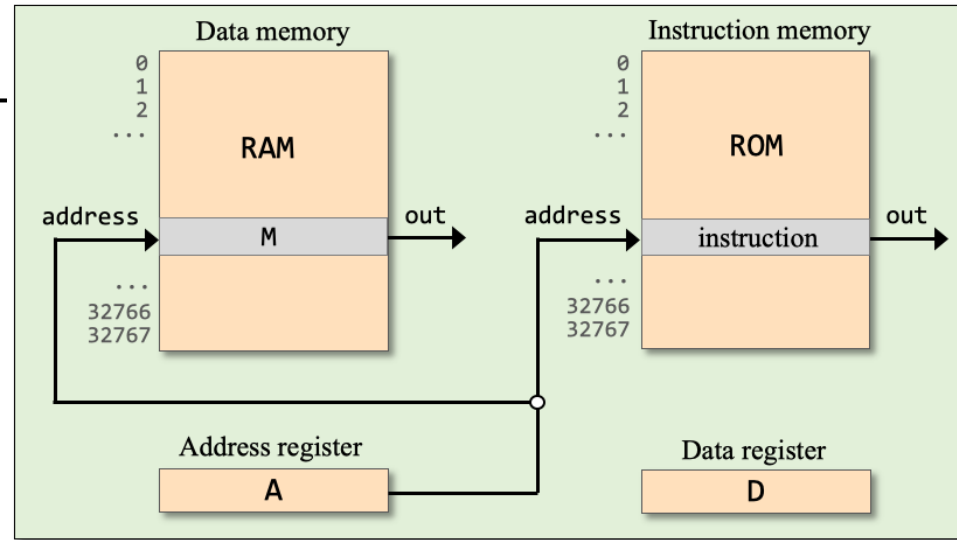
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`...`



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@0
D=M
// D = D + RAM[1]
@1
D=D+M
// D = D + 17
@17
D=D+A
// RAM[2] = D
@2
M=D
```

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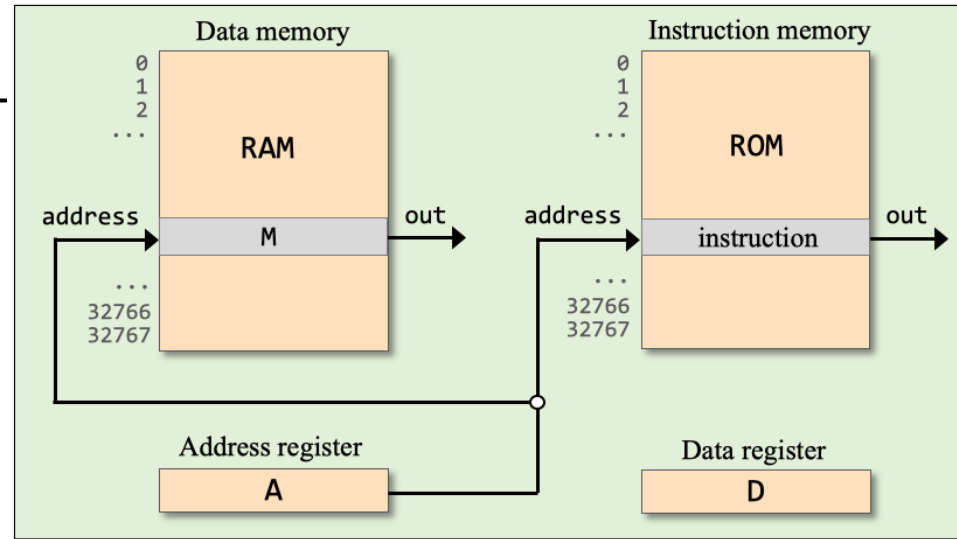
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@2
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```

How can we tell that a given program *actually works*?

- ➡ Testing / simulating
- Formal verification

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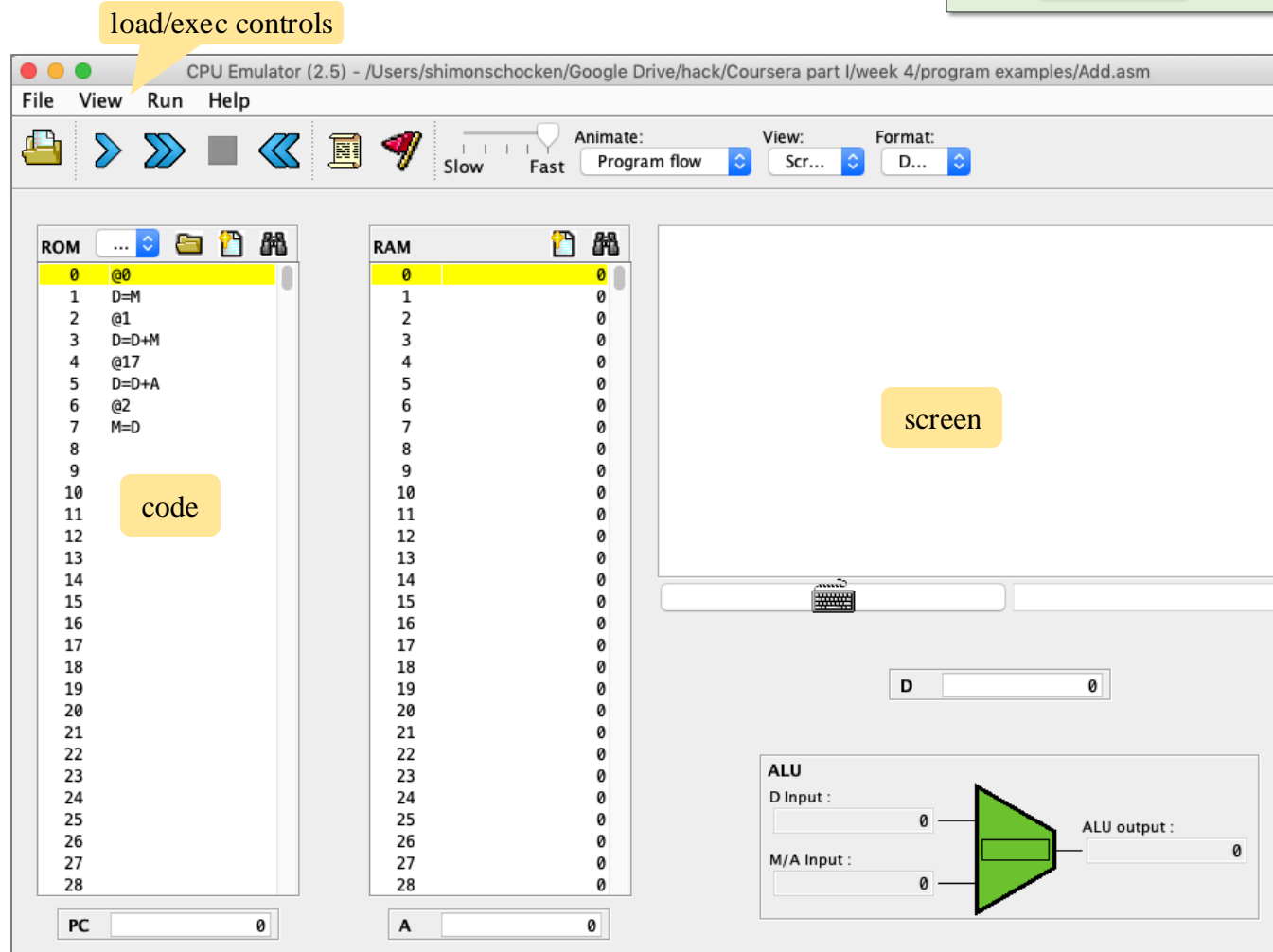
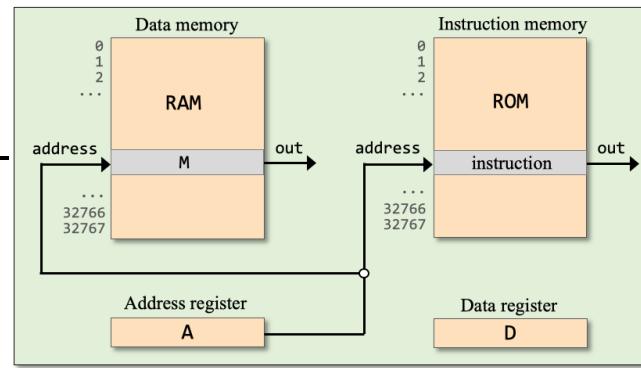
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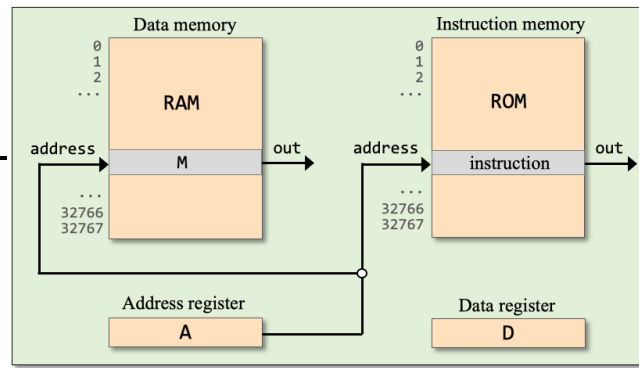
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The CPU emulator

- Software that emulates the Hack CPU
- Part of the Nand to Tetris IDE



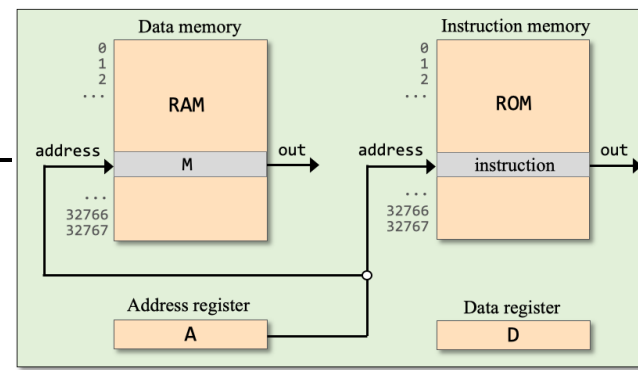
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Add.asm (example)

```
// Computes: RAM[2] = RAM[0] + RAM[1] + 17
// D = RAM[0]
@0
D=M
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// D = D + 17
@17
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// RAM[2] = D
@2
M=D
```

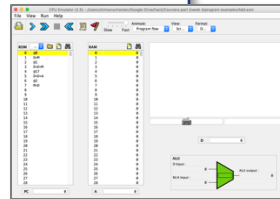
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```

Load into the
CPU emulator



Binary

```
0000000000000000
1000010010001101
0000000000000001
1010011001100001
00000000000010001
1001111100110011
0000000000000010
1110010010010011
```

Execute in the
CPU emulator

When loading a symbolic program into our CPU emulator, the emulator translates it into binary code (using a built-in assembler).

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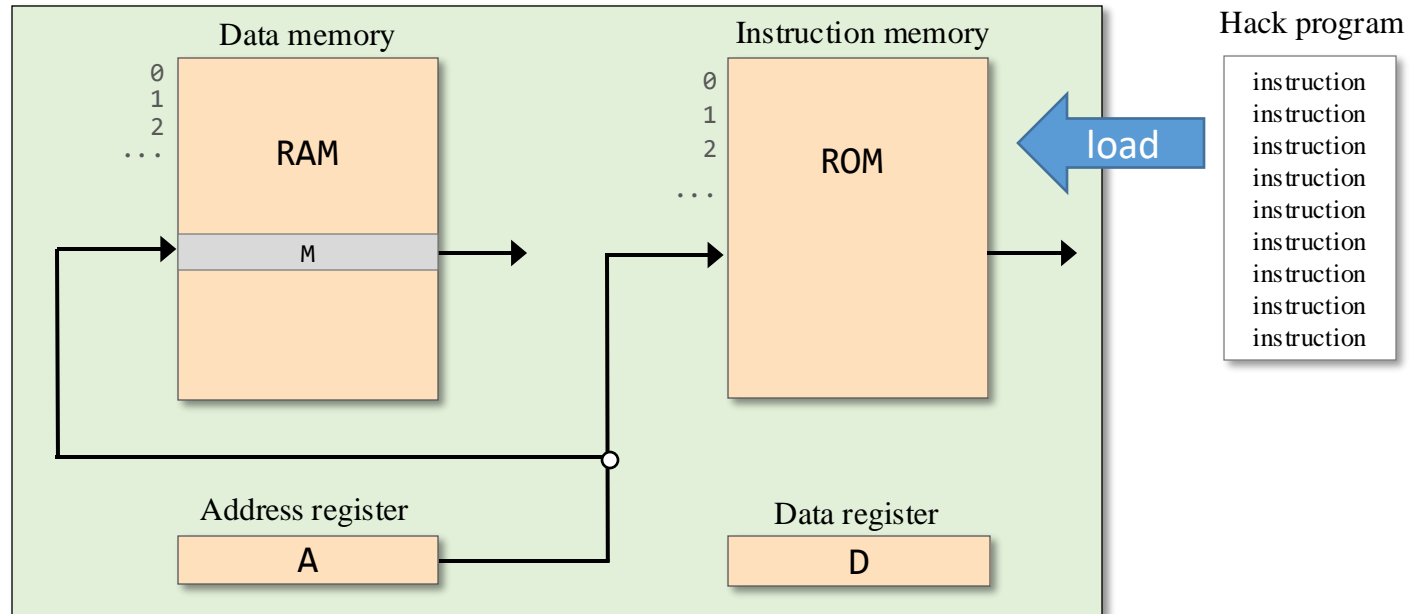
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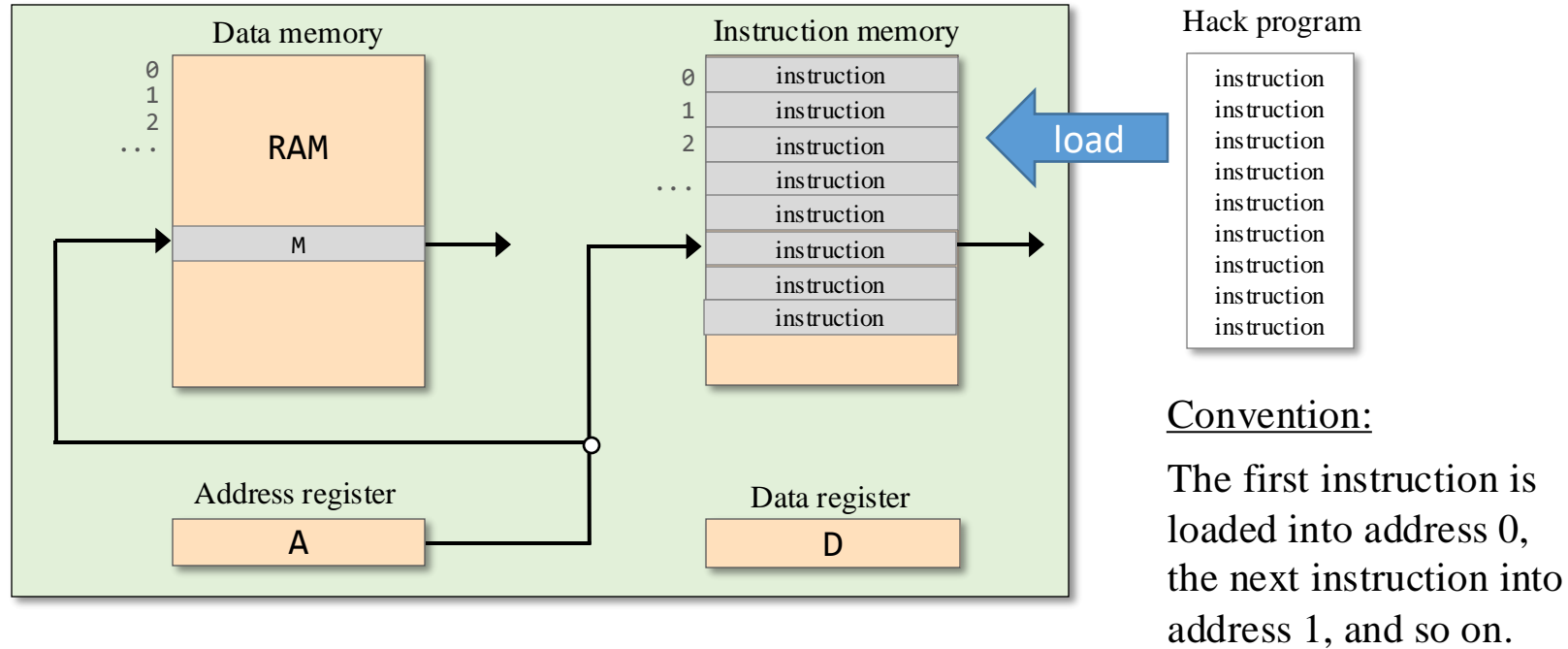
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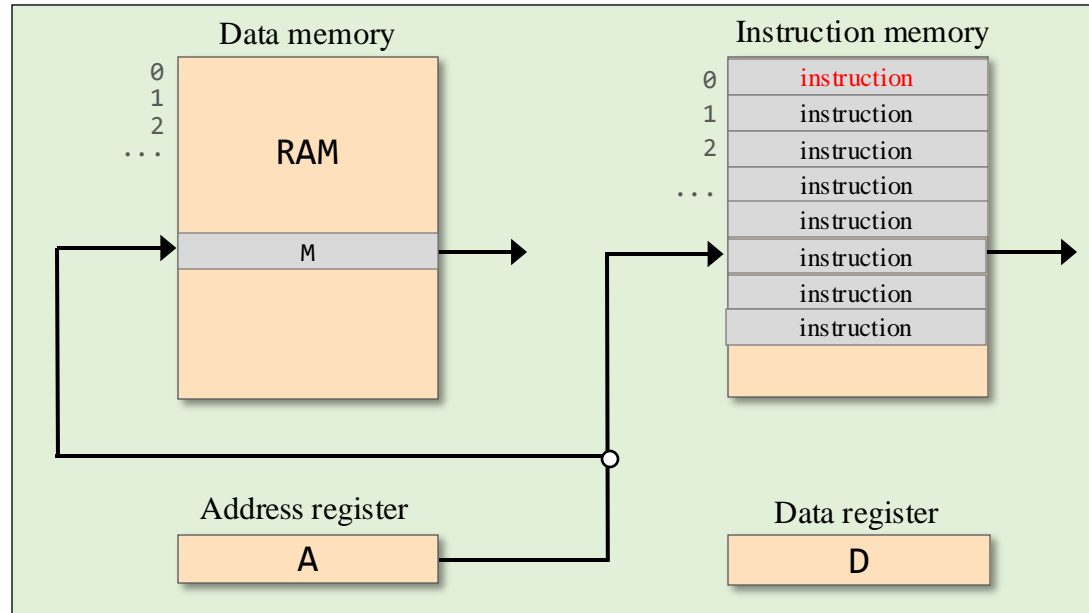
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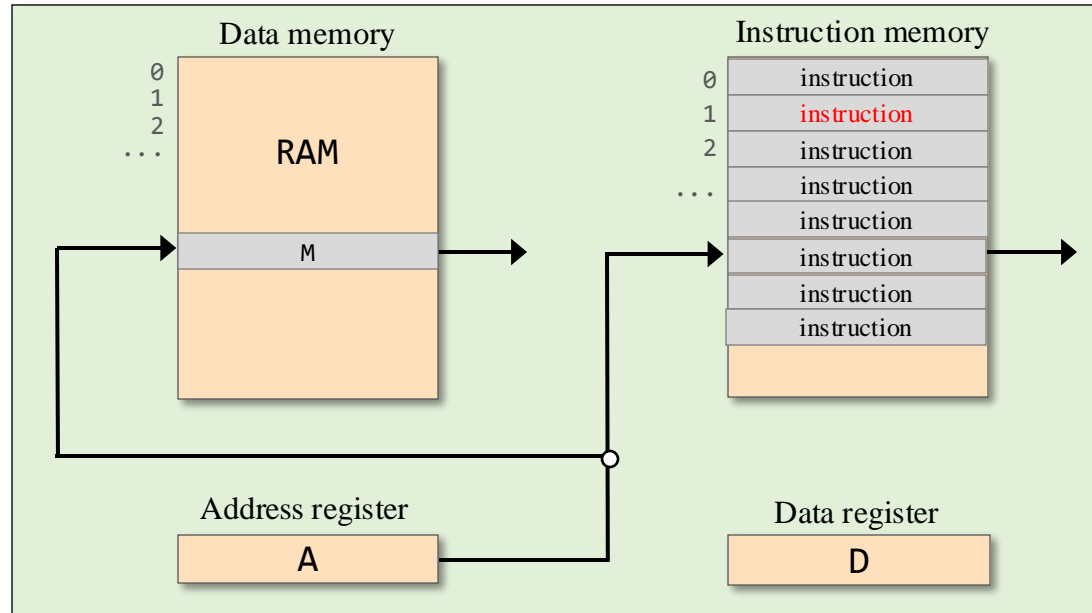
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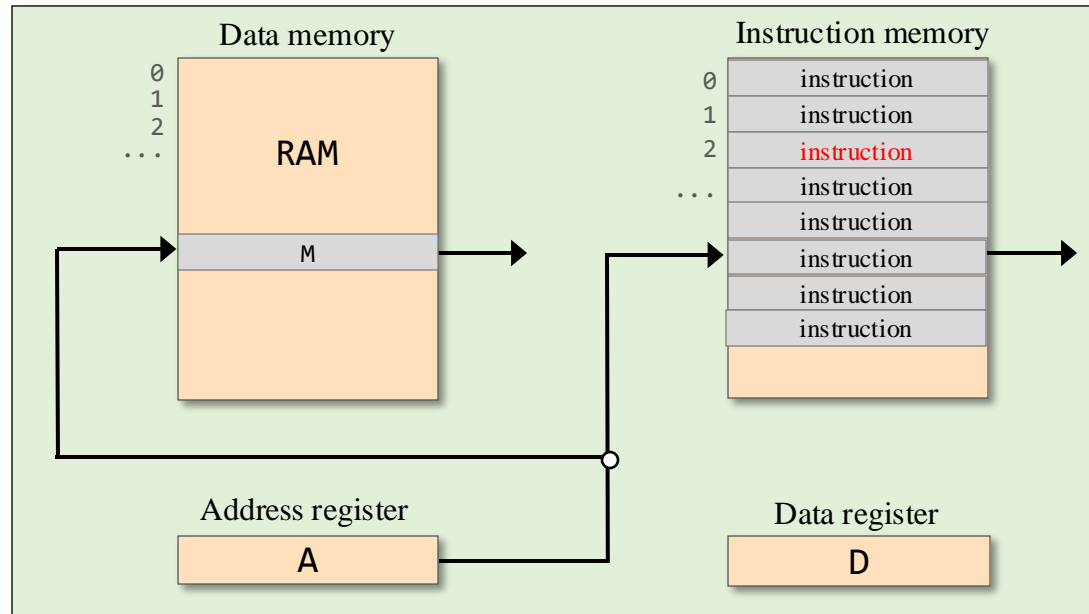
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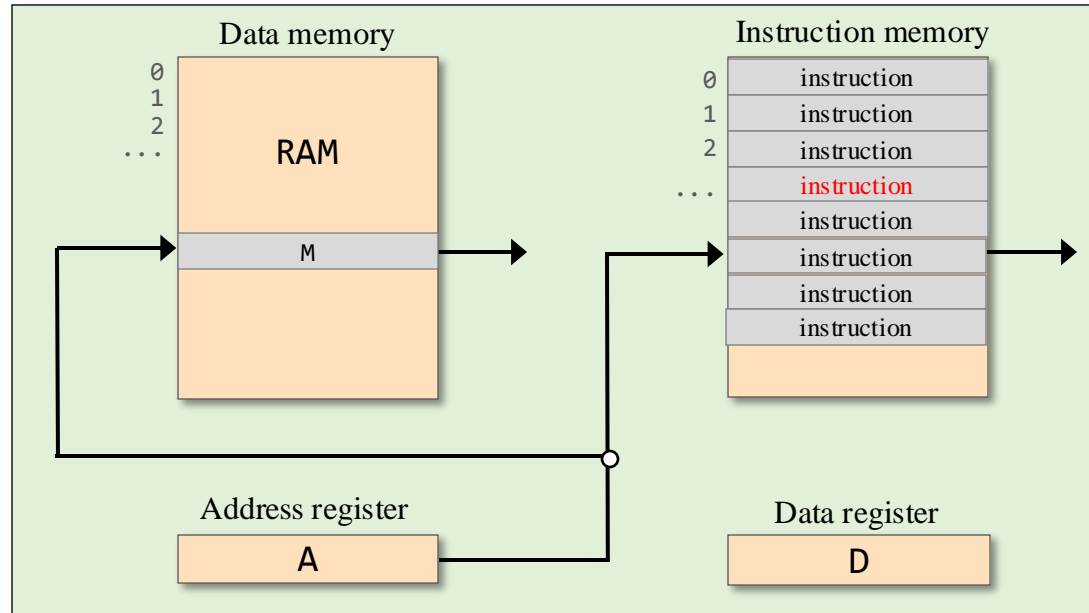
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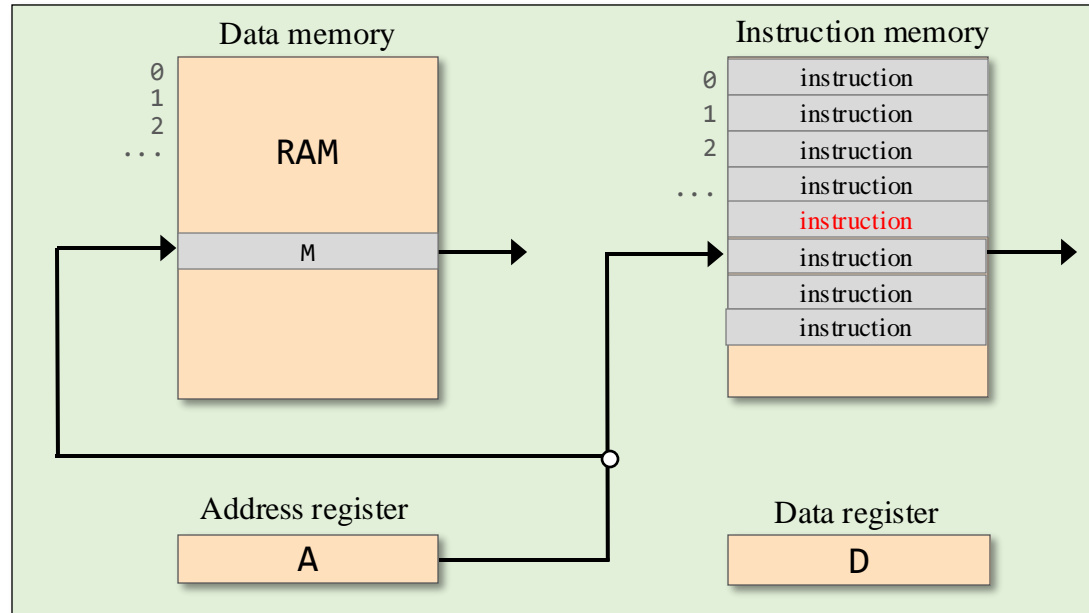
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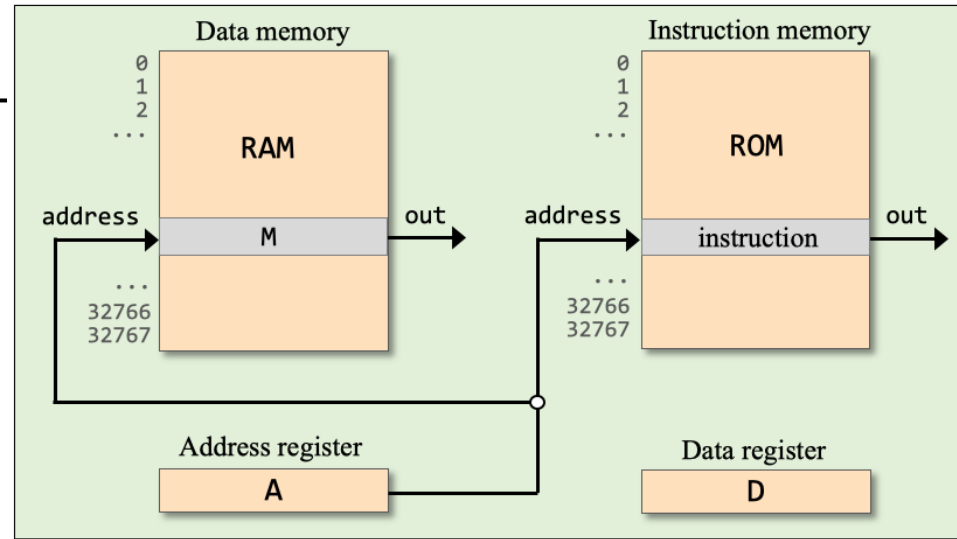


Executing a program



- The default: Execute the next instruction
- Suppose we wish to execute another instruction;
How to specify *branching*?

Branching



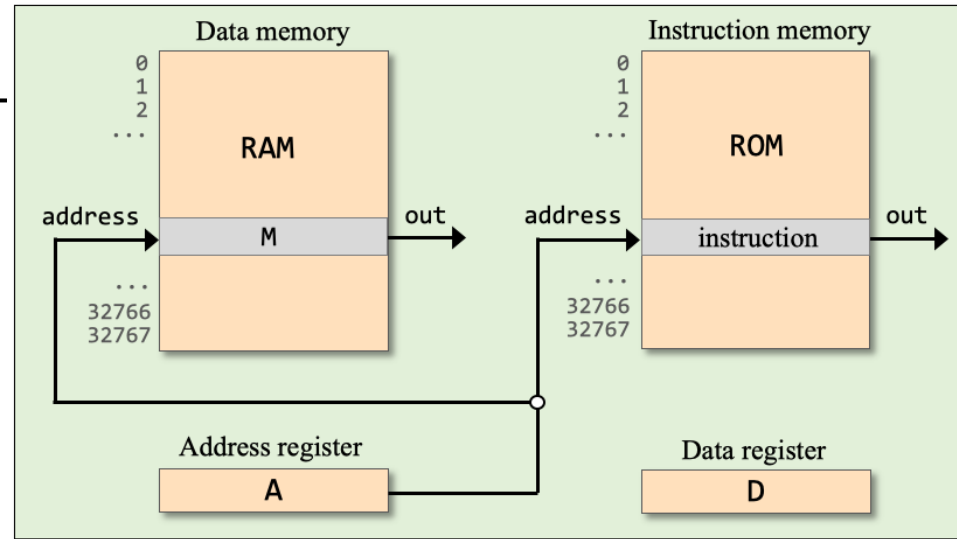
Unconditional branching example (pseudocode)

```
0 instruction
1 instruction
2 instruction
3 instruction
4 goto 7
5 instruction
6 instruction
7 instruction
8 instruction
9 goto 2
10 instruction
11 ...
```

Flow of control:

```
0,1,2,3,4,
7,8,9,
2,3,4,
7,8,9,
2,3,4,
...
```

Branching



Unconditional branching example (pseudocode)

```
0 instruction
1 instruction
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4 goto 7
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9 goto 2
10 instruction
11 ...
```

In Hack:

```
...
// goto 7
@7
0;JMP
...
```

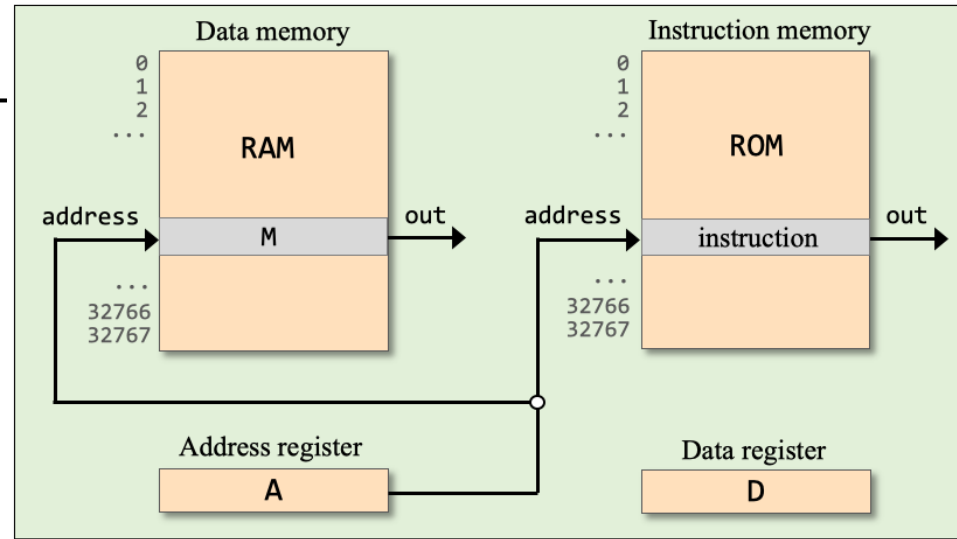
Syntax:

- Use an A-instruction to select an address
- Use a C-instruction to jump to that address

Semantics of 0;JMP

Jump to execute the instruction stored in ROM[A]
(the 0; prefix is a syntax convention)

Branching



Conditional branching example

Pseudocode

```
0 instruction
1 instruction
2 if (D > 0) goto 6
3 instruction
4 instruction
5 instruction
6 instruction
7 instruction
... ..
```

In Hack

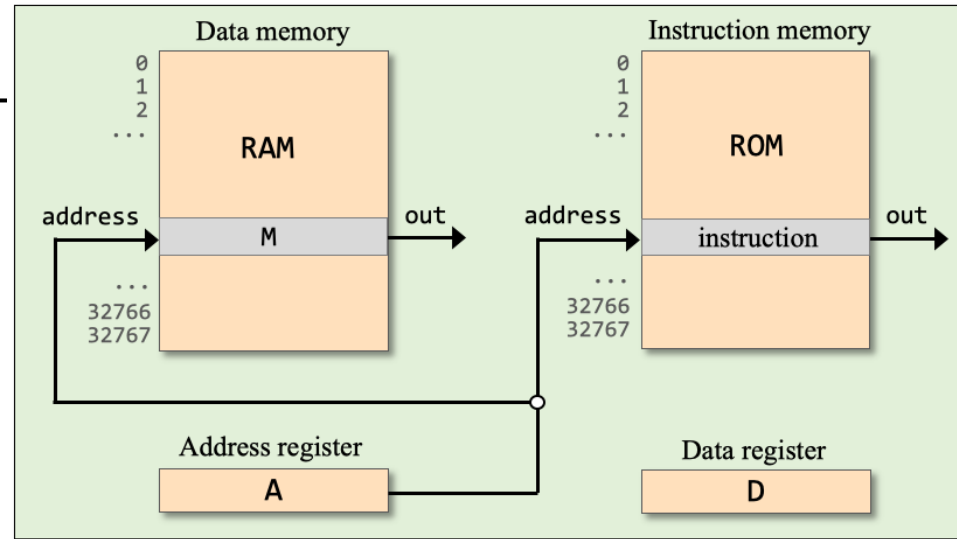
```
...
// if (D > 0) goto 6
@6
D; JGT
...
```

Typical branching instructions:

D; JGT // if $D > 0$ jump

to the
instruction
stored in
ROM[A]

Branching



Conditional branching example

Pseudocode

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0 instruction
1 instruction
2 if (D > 0) goto 6
3 instruction
4 instruction
5 instruction
6 instruction
7 instruction
... ..
```

In Hack

```
...
// if (D > 0) goto 6
@6
D; JGT
...
```

Typical branching instructions:

```
D; JGT // if D > 0 jump
D; JGE // if D ≥ 0 jump
D; JLT // if D < 0 jump
D; JLE // if D ≤ 0 jump
D; JEQ // if D = 0 jump
D; JNE // if D ≠ 0 jump
0; JMP // jump
```

to the
instruction
stored in
ROM[A]

D can be replaced with any ALU computation: D+1, D-1, etc.

Branching

Typical instructions:

`@constant` ($A \leftarrow \text{constant}$)

`A=1`

`D=-1`

`M=0`

...

`A=M`

`D=A`

`M=D`

...

`D=D-A`

`A=A-1`

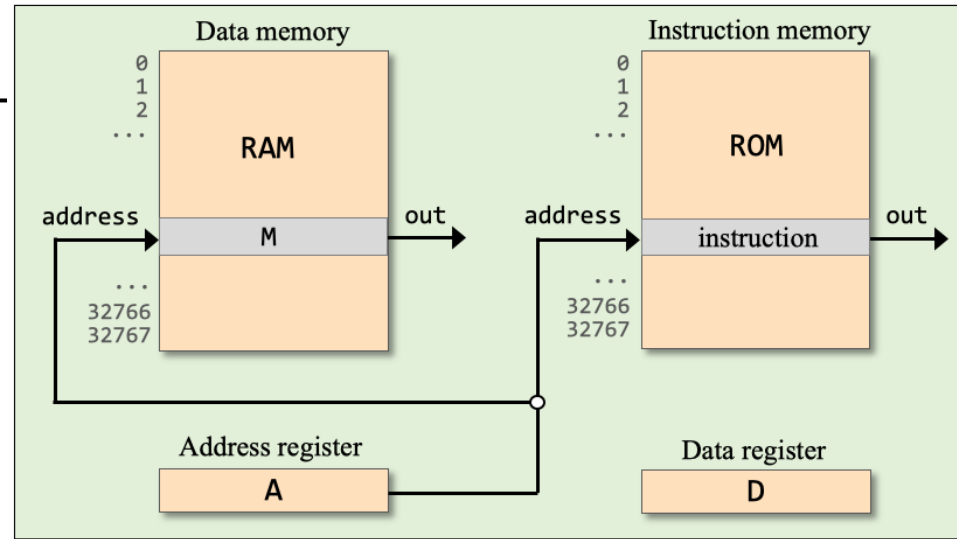
`M=D+1`

...

Use only the above instructions

`// if (D = 0) goto 300`

?



Typical branching instructions:

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`M=0`

`...`

`A=M`

`D=A`

`M=D`

`...`

`D=D-A`

`A=A-1`

`M=D+1`

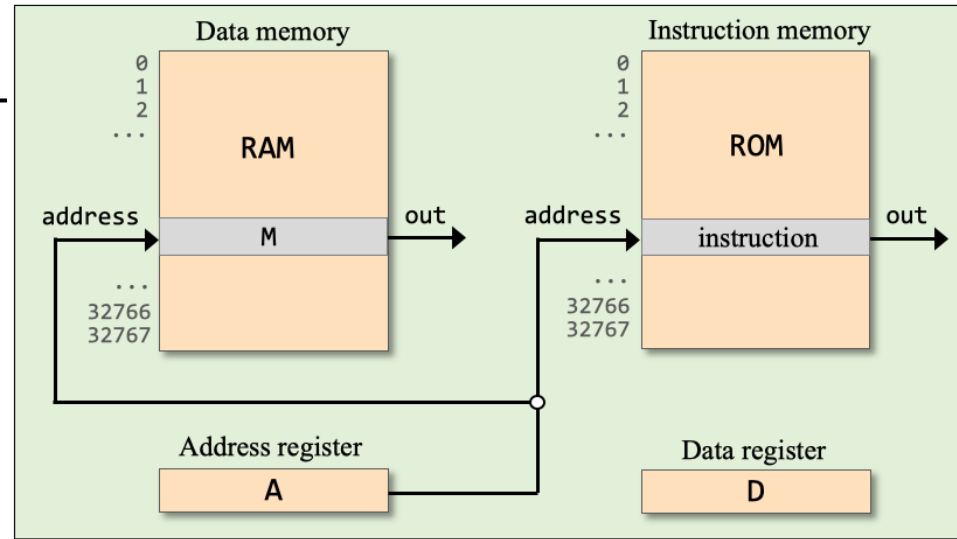
`...`

Use only the above instructions

`// if (D = 0) goto 300`

`@300`

`D; JEQ`



Typical branching instructions:

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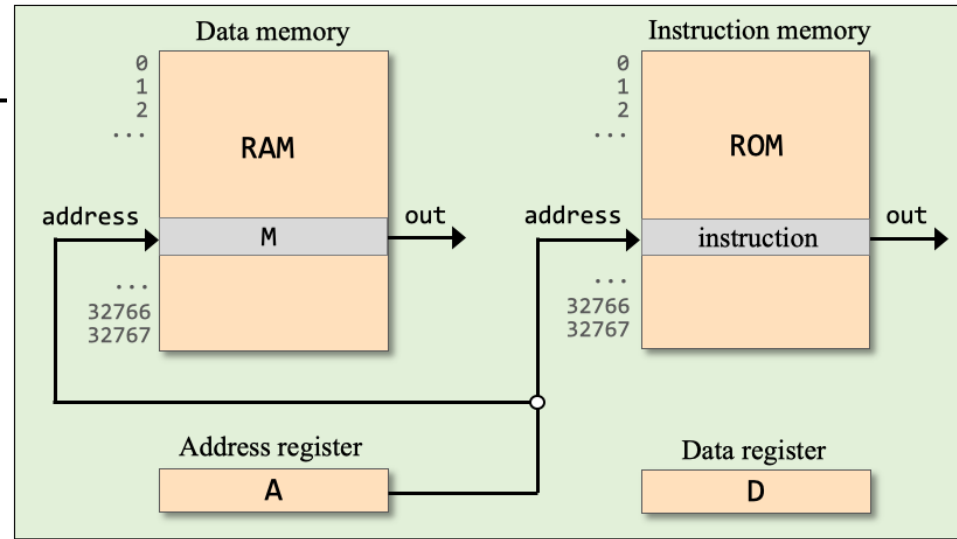
`M=D+1`

...

Use only the above instructions

`// if (RAM[3] < 100) goto 12`

?



Typical branching instructions:

`D; JGT // if D > 0 jump`

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`D; JLT // if D < 0 jump`

`D; JLE // if D ≤ 0 jump`

`D; JEQ // if D = 0 jump`

`D; JNE // if D ≠ 0 jump`

`0; JMP // jump`

to the
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Branching

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`A=1`

`D=-1`

`M=0`

`...`

`A=M`

`D=A`

`M=D`

`...`

`D=D-A`

`A=A-1`

`M=D+1`

`...`

Use only the above instructions

```
// if (RAM[3] < 100) goto 12
```

```
// D = RAM[3] - 100
```

```
@3
```

```
D=M
```

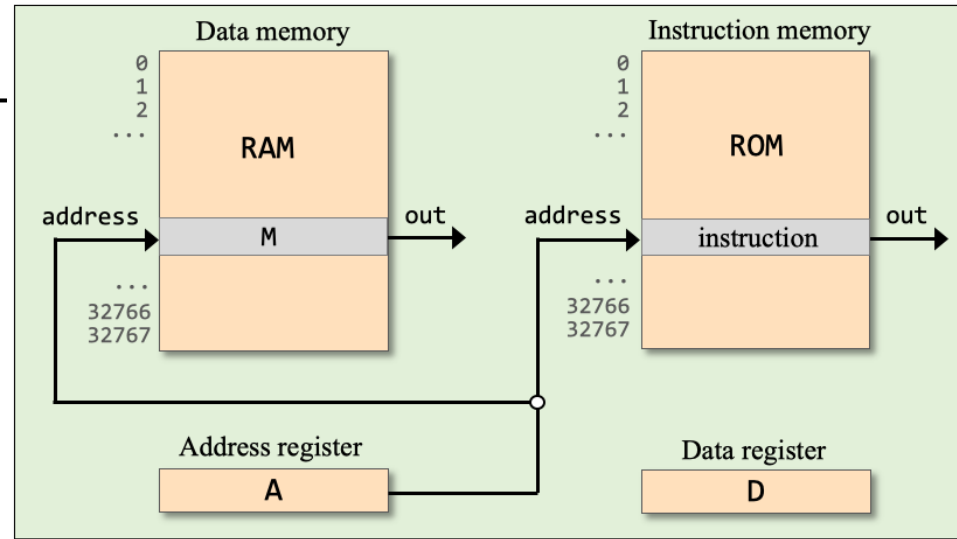
```
@100
```

```
D=D-A
```

```
// if (D < 0) goto 12
```

```
@12
```

```
D;JLT
```



Typical branching instructions:

`D;JGT` // if $D > 0$ jump

`D;JGE` // if $D \geq 0$ jump

`D;JLT` // if $D < 0$ jump

`D;JLE` // if $D \leq 0$ jump

`D;JEQ` // if $D = 0$ jump

`D;JNE` // if $D \neq 0$ jump

`0;JMP` // jump

to the
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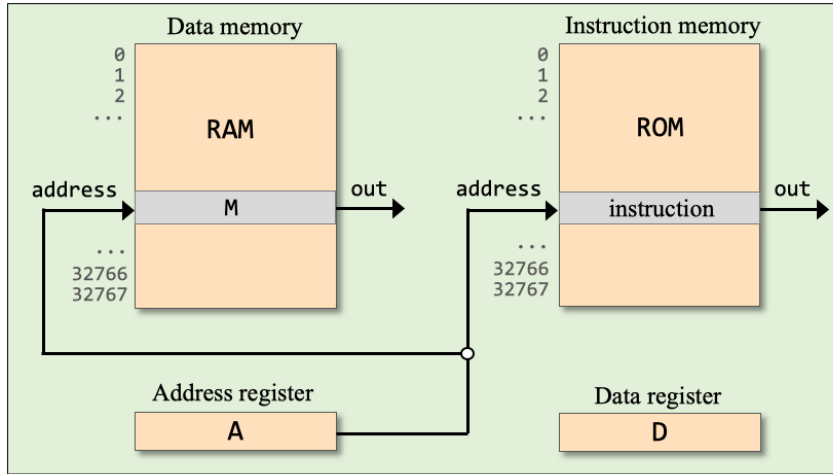
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The A-instruction

➔ A - instruction
C - instruction



Syntax:

`@xxx`

where *xxx* is either a constant, or
a symbol bound to a constant

Examples:

`@19`

`@sym`

Semantics:

$A \leftarrow 19$

$A \leftarrow \text{the number that sym is bound to}$

This idiom can be used for realizing:

- ➔ Variables
- Labels

Variables

Pseudocode (example)

```
...  
i = 1  
sum = 0  
...  
sum = sum + i  
i = i + 1  
...
```

write



Hack assembly

```
...  
// i = 1
```

Variables

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```

write



Hack assembly

```
...  
// i = 1  
@i  
M=1  
// sum = 0  
@sum  
M=0  
...  
// sum = sum + i  
@i  
D=M  
@sum  
M=D+M  
// i = i + 1  
@i  
M=M+1  
...
```

Symbolic programming

- The code writer is allowed to create and use symbolic variables, as needed
- We assume that there is an agent who knows how to bind these symbols to sensible RAM addresses

This agent is the *assembler*

For example

- If the assembler will bind `i` and `sum` to, say, 16 and 17, every instruction `@i` and `@sum` will end up selecting `RAM[16]` and `RAM[17]`
- Invisible to the code writer
- The result: a powerful, low-level, *variables abstraction*.

Variables

Typical instructions:

`@constant` $A \leftarrow \text{constant}$

`@symbol` $A \leftarrow \text{the constant which is bound to } \textit{symbol}$

D=0
M=1
D=-1
M=0
...

D=M
A=M
M=D
D=A
...

D=D+A
D=A+1
D=D+M
M=M-1
...

Use only the above instructions

// sum = 0

?

// x = 512

?

// n = n - 1

?

// sum = sum + x

?

Variables

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```
D=0
M=1
D=-1
M=0
...
```

```
D=M
A=M
M=D
D=A
...
```

```
D=D+A
D=A+1
D=D+M
M=M-1
...
```

Use only the above instructions

```
// sum = 0
@sum
M=0
```

```
// x = 512
@512
D=A
@x
M=D
```

```
// n = n - 1
@n
M=M-1
```

```
// sum = sum + x
@sum
D=M
@x
D=D+M
@sum
M=D
```

Variables

Pre-defined symbols in the Hack language

<u>symbol</u>	<u>value</u>
R0	0
R1	1
R2	2
...	...
R15	15

RAM	
0	R0
1	R1
2	R2
...	...
15	R15
16	
17	
...	
32767	

16 “built-in variables” named R0...R15
Sometimes referred to as “virtual registers”

Example:

```
// Sets R1 to 2 * R0
// Usage: Enter a value in R0

@R0
D=M
@R1
M=D
M=D+M
```

The use of R0, R1, ... (instead of physical addresses 0, 1, ...) makes Hack code more readable.

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Example (pseudocode)

```
i = 1000
LOOP:
  if (i = 0) goto CONT
  i = i - 1
  goto LOOP
CONT:
  ...
```

write



Hack assembly

```
// i = 1000
@1000
D=A
@i
M=D
(LUMP)
// if (i = 0) goto CONT
@i
D=M
@CONT
D;JEQ
// i = i - 1
@i
M=M-1
// goto LOOP
@LOOP
0;JMP
(CONT)
...
```

Label declaration in the Hack assembly language:

(*sym*)

Results in binding *sym* to the address of the next instruction

In this example:

LOOP is bound to 4

CONT is bound to 12

(done by the assembler;

The code writer doesn't care about these numbers)

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Program example 1: Add

Add.asm

```
// Sets R2 to R0 + R1 + 17
// D = R0
@R0
D=M
// D = D + R1
@R1
D=D+M
// D = D + 17
@17
D=D+A
// R2 = D
@R2
M=D
```

Program example 2: signum

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
  if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
  R1 = -1
  goto END
POS:
  R1 = 1
END:
```

write



Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
  // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
  @R0
  D=M
  @POS
  D;JGE
  // R1 = -1
  @R1
  M=-1
  // goto END
  @END
  0;JMP
(POS)
  // R1 = 1
  @R1
  M=1
(END)
```

Best practice

When writing a (non-trivial) assembly program, start by writing pseudocode;

Then translate the pseudo instructions into assembly.

Program translation

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
  if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
  R1 = -1
  goto END
POS:
  R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
  // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
  @R0
  D=M
  @POS
  D;JGE
  // R1 = -1
  @R1
  M=-1
  // goto END
  @END
  0;JMP

(POS)
  // R1 = 1
  @R1
  M=1
(END)
```

The assembler
replaces all the
symbols with
physical addresses

Assembler /
loader

(the assembler
generates binary
instructions;
Here we show their
symbolic versions,
for readability)

Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
3	D;JGE
4	@1
5	M=-1
6	@10
7	0;JMP
8	@1
9	M=1
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
...	

Watch out for loose ends

Pseudocode

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
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  if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
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  goto END
POS:
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END:
```

Signum.asm

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// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
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  @R0
  D=M
  @POS
  D;JGE
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  @R1
  M=-1
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  @END
  0;JMP
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  @R1
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(END)
```

Memory

0	@0
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2	@8
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POS:
  R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

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// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
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  // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
  @R0
  D=M
  @POS
  D; JGE
  // R1 = -1
  @R1
  M=-1
  // goto END
  @END
  0; JMP
(POS)
  // R1 = 1
  @R1
  M=1
(END)
```

Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
3	D; JGE
4	@1
5	M=-1
6	@10
7	0; JMP
8	@1
9	M=1
10	0111111000111110
11	1010101001011110
12	0100100110011011
13	1110010011111111
14	0101011100110111
...	

The memory is
never empty

Watch out for loose ends

Pseudocode

```
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// else R1 = -1
  if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
  R1 = -1
  goto END
POS:
  R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
  // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
  @R0
  D=M
  @POS
  D;JGE
  // R1 = -1
  @R1
  M=-1
  // goto END
  @END
  0;JMP

(POS)
  // R1 = 1
  @R1
  M=1

(END)
```

Program
execution:



Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
3	D;JGE
4	@1
5	M=-1
6	@10
7	0;JMP
8	@1
9	M=1
10	0111111000111110
11	1010101001011110
12	Malicious
13	Code
14	0101011100110111
...	

Watch out for loose ends

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END:
```

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  // goto END
  @END
  0;JMP

(POS)
  // R1 = 1
  @R1
  M=1
(END)
```

Program
execution:

Memory

0	@0
1	D=M
2	@8
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...	

Terminating programs properly

Pseudocode

```
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// else R1 = -1
  if (R0 ≥ 0) goto POS
  R1 = -1
  goto END
POS:
  R1 = 1
END:
```

Signum.asm

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
  // if R0 >= 0 goto POS
  @R0
  D=M
  @POS
  D; JGE
  // R1 = -1
  @R1
  M=-1
  // goto END
  @END
  0; JMP
(POS)
  // R1 = 1
  @R1
  M=1
(END) ←
```


Terminating programs properly

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Assembler /
loader

Infinite loop

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Best practice

Terminate every
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By the way...

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END:
```

Better:

```
// if R0 >= 0 then R1 = 1
// else R1 = -1
  R1 = -1
  if (R0 < 0) goto END
  R1 = 1
END:
```

Best practice

Optimize your pseudocode before writing it in machine language.

Program example 3: Max

Pseudocode

```
// R2 = max(R0, R1)
// if (R0 > R1) then R2 = R0
// else          R2 = R1
...
```

write



Max2.asm

```
//// You do it
```

- Start by writing the pseudocode
- Write the assembly code in a text file named Max2.asm
- Load Max2.asm into the CPU emulator
- Put some values in R0 and R1
- Run the program, one instruction at a time
- Inspect the result, R2.

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Example: Compute $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + N$

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```
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// Usage: put a value >= 1 in R0
    i = 1
    sum = 0
LOOP:
    if (i > R0) goto STOP
    sum = sum + i
    i = i + 1
    goto LOOP
STOP:
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M=0
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// if(i > R0) goto STOP
@i
D=M
@R0
D=D-M
@STOP
D;JGT
// sum = sum + i
@sum
D=M
@i
D=D+M
@sum
M=D
// i = i + 1
@i
M=M+1
// goto LOOP
@LLOOP
0;JMP
```

(code continues here)

```
(STOP)
// R1 = sum
@sum
D=M
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M=D
// infinite loop
(END)
@END
0;JMP
```

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Example 1: Set the register at address *addr* to -1

Input: R0 holds *addr*

```
// Sets RAM[R0] to -1
// Usage: Put some non-negative value in R0
@R0
A=M
M=-1
```

In Hack, pointer-based access is realized by setting the address register to the address that we want to access, using the instruction:

A = ...

RAM		
0	1015	R0
1		R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16		
17		
...		
255		
256		
...		
1012		
1013		
1014		
1015	-1	desired result
1016		
...		

example:
addr = 1015

Pointers

Example 2: Get the value of the register at address *addr*

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```
// Gets R1 = RAM[R0]  
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```

?

RAM		
0	1013	R0
1	75	R1 desired result
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16		
17		
...		
255		
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example:
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Pointers

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RAM		
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...		...
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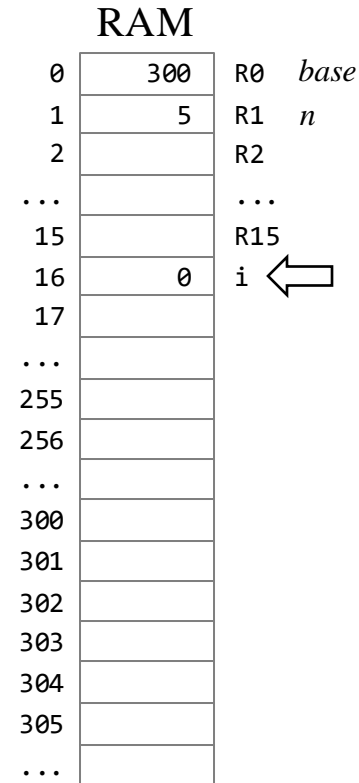
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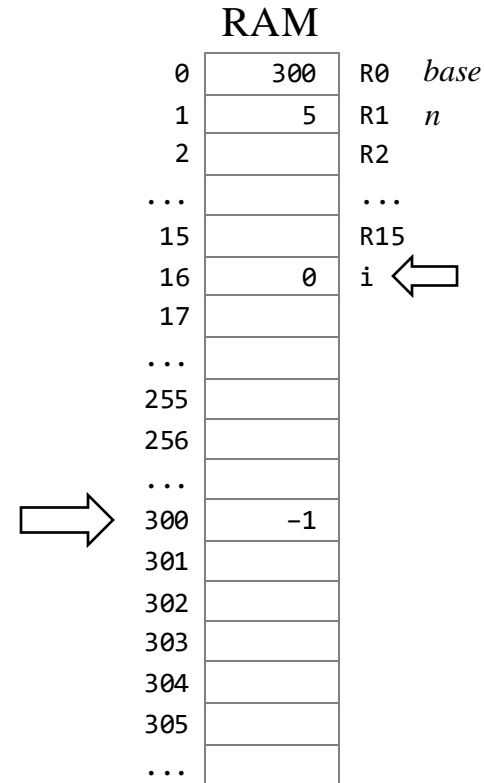


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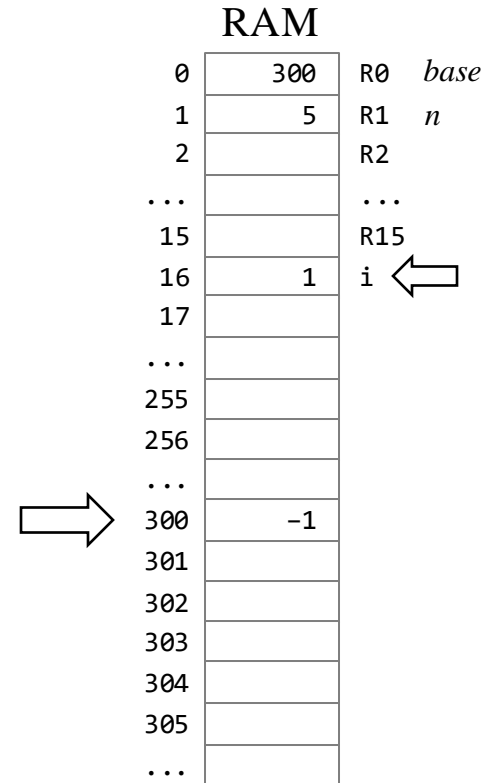


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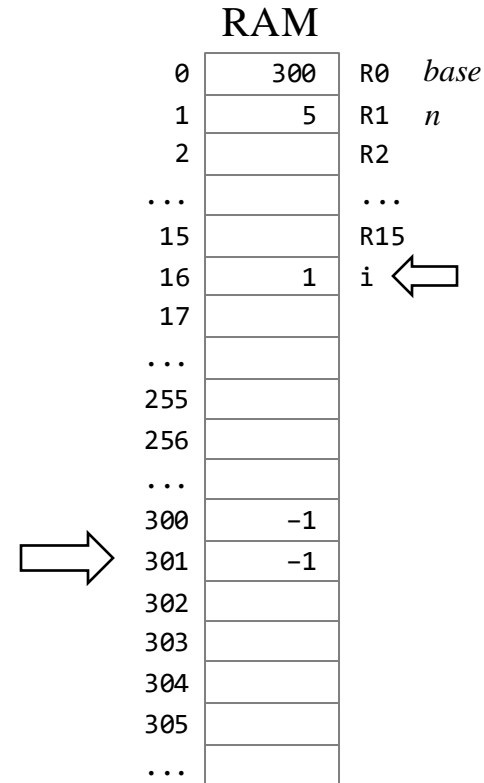


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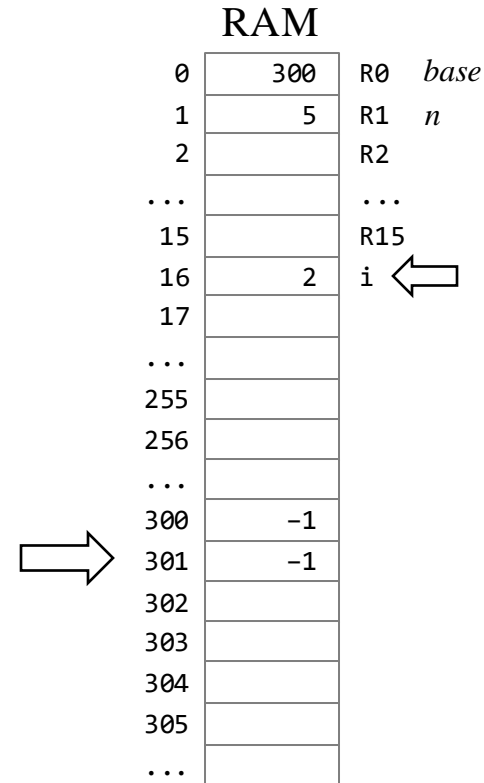


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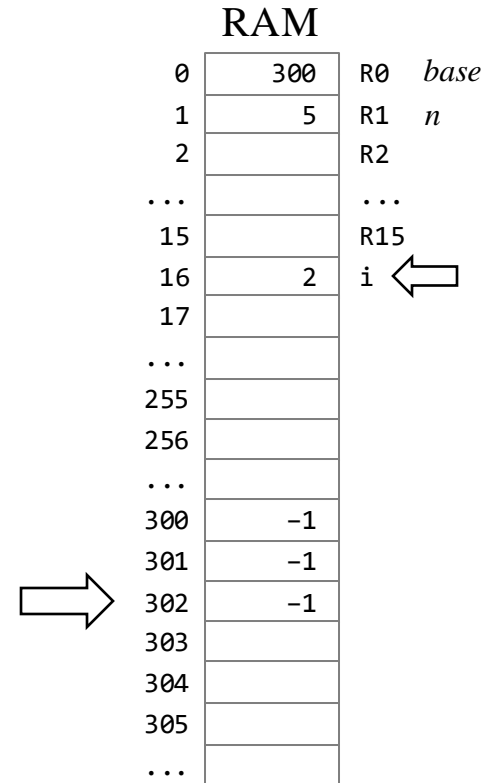


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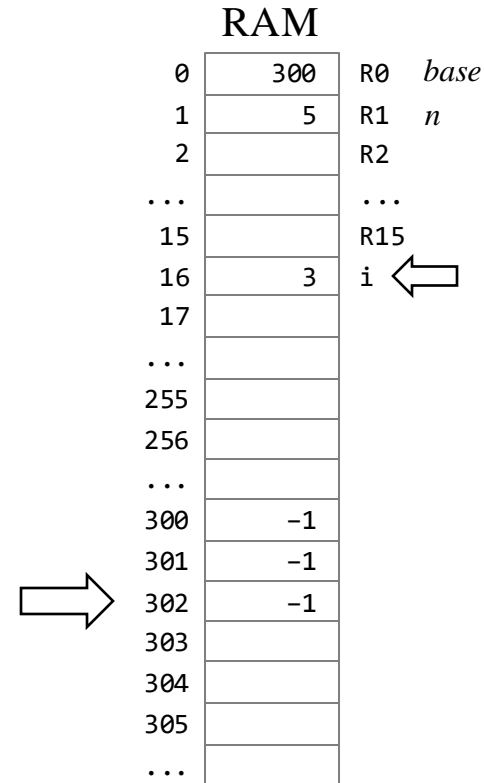


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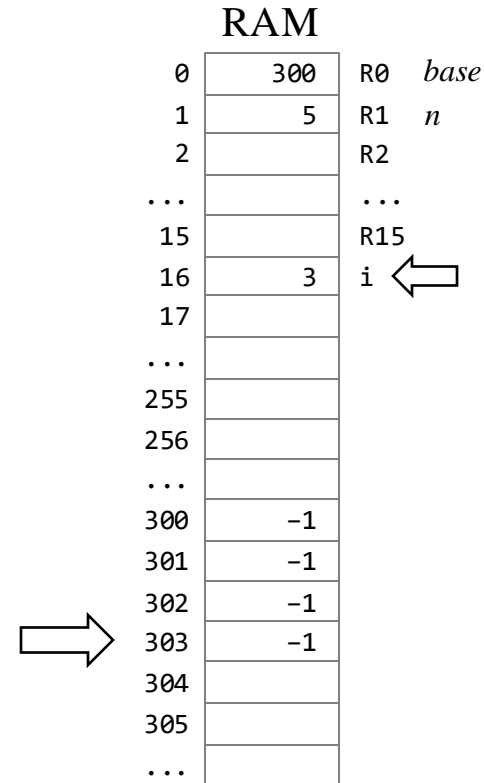


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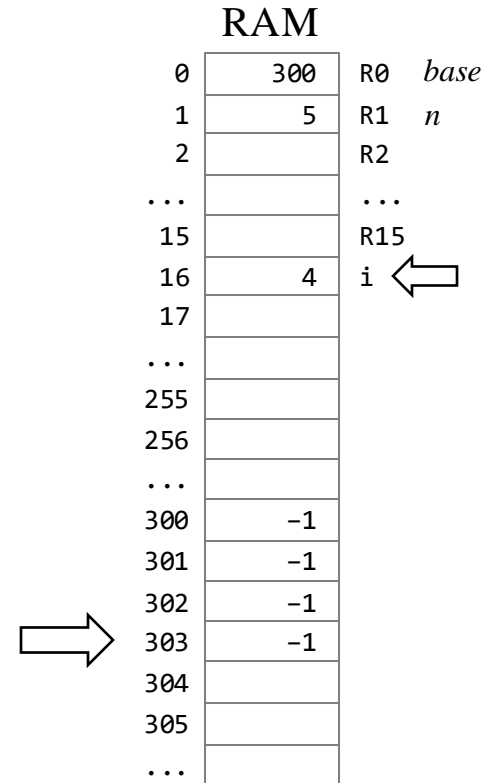


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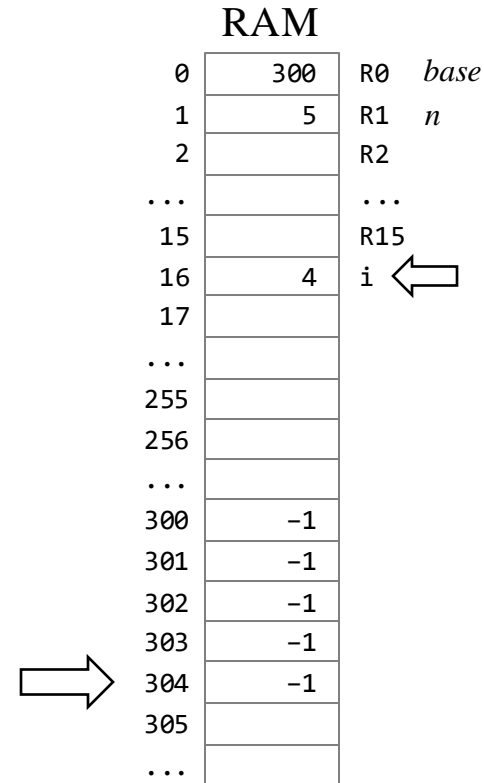


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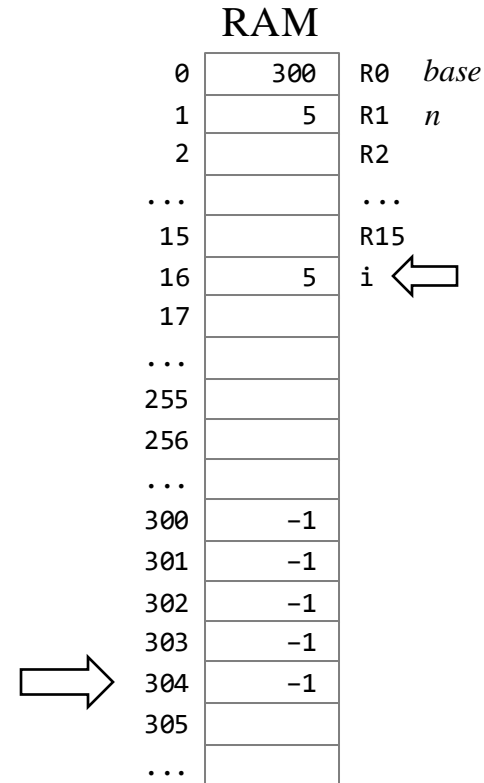


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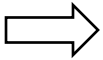
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    i = 0
LOOP:
    if (i == R1) goto END
    RAM[R0+i] = -1
    i = i + 1
    goto LOOP
END:
```

RAM		
0	300	R0 <i>base</i>
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2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16	5	i
17		
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Assembly code

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(LLOOP)
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    @R1
    D=D-M
    @END
    D;JEQ
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    D=M
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Sneak preview to compilation: Handling arrays

High-level code (Java example)

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...
// Enters some values into the array
// (code omitted)
...
// Sums up the array elements
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}
...
```

Memory state just
before executing the
for loop:

RAM		
0		R0
1		R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16	5034	arr
17	0	sum
...		
75		
76		
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...		
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Hack assembly

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@arr  
D=M  
@j  
A=D+M  
D=M  
@sum  
M=M+D  
...
```

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}  
...  
// Increments each array element  
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}  
...
```

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5038	7	
5036		
...		

Sneak preview to compilation: Handling arrays

High-level code (Java example)

```
...
// Variable declarations
int[] arr = new int[5];
int sum = 0;
...
// Enters some values into the array
// (code omitted)
...
// Sums up the array elements
for (int j=0; j<5; j++) {
    sum = sum + arr[j];
}
...
// Increments each array element
for (int j=0; j<5; j++) {
    arr[j] = arr[j]+1
}
...
```

Compiler

Hack assembly

```
...
// sum = sum + arr[j]
@arr
D=M
A=D+M
D=M
@sum
M=M+D
...
// arr[j] = arr[j] + 1
?
```

RAM

0		R0
1		R1
2		R2
...		...
15		R15
16	5034	arr
17	359	sum
...	5	j
75		
76		
...		
255		
256		
...		
5034	100	
5035	50	
5036	200	
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5036		
...		

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...  
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}  
...
```

Compiler

Hack assembly

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M=M+D  
...  
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@arr  
D=M  
@j  
A=D+M  
M=M+1  
...
```

RAM

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1		R1
2		R2
...		...
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16	5034	arr
17	359	sum
...	5	j
75		
76		
...		
255		
256		
...		
5034	100	
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5036	200	
5037	2	
5038	7	
5036		
...		

Every high-level array access `arr[expression]` in any programming language can be compiled into Hack code that realizes the access using the low-level idiom

$$A = arr + expression$$

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The A-instruction

Instruction set

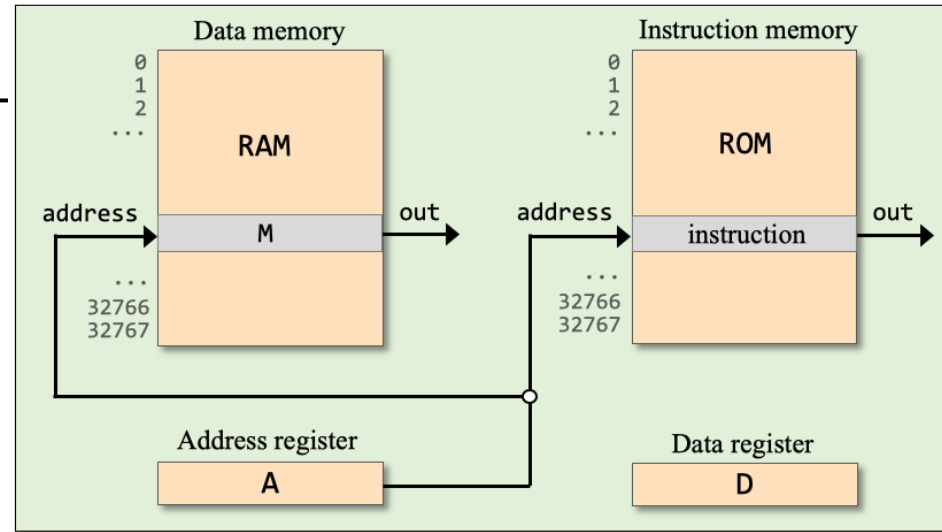
➔ A - instruction

- C - instruction

Syntax:

@xxx

where *xxx* is either a constant, or
a symbol bound to a constant



Semantics:

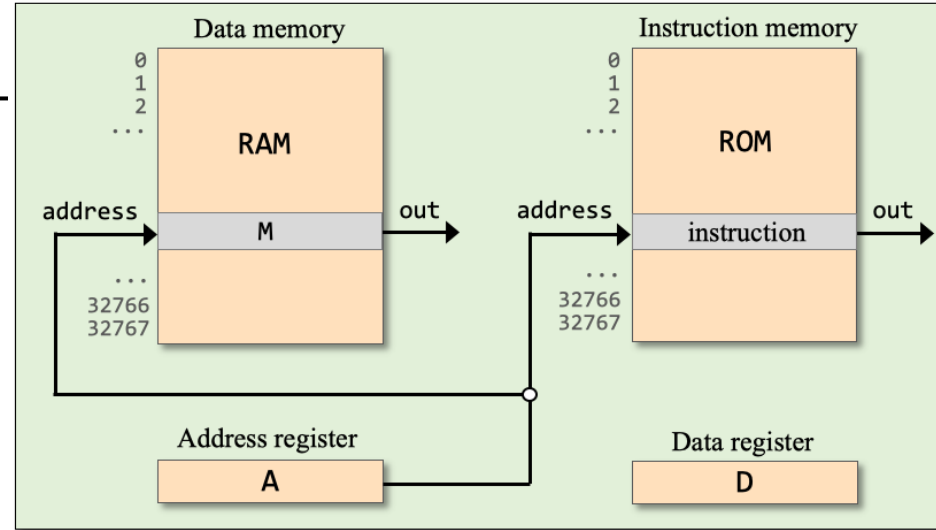
- Sets the A register to the *xxx*
- Side effects:
 - RAM[A] becomes the selected RAM location
 - ROM[A] becomes the selected ROM location

The C-instruction

Instruction set

- A - instruction

➡ C - instruction



The C-instruction

Syntax: `dest = comp ; jump` “*dest =*” and “*;**jump*” are optional

where:

comp = `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 = `null, M, D, DM, A, AM, AD, ADM` M stands for RAM[A]

jump = `null, JGT, JEQ, JGE, JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP`

Semantics

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest*;

If (*comp jump* 0), branches to execute ROM[A]

The C-instruction

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where:

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`M, !M, -M, M+1, M-1, D+M, D-M, M-D, D&M, D|M`

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Semantics

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest*;

If (*comp jump* 0), branches to execute ROM[A]

Examples:

```
// Sets the D register to -1
D = -1
```

The C-instruction

Syntax: `dest = comp ; jump` “*dest =*” and “*; jump*” are optional

where:

comp = `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`

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Semantics

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest*;

If (*comp jump* 0), branches to execute ROM[A]

Examples:

```
// Sets D and M to the value of the D register, plus 1
DM=D+1
```

The C-instruction

Syntax: `dest = comp ; jump` “*dest =*” and “*; jump*” are optional

where:

comp = 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
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Semantics

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest*;

If (*comp jump* 0), branches to execute ROM[A]

Examples:

```
// If (D-1 = 0) jumps to execute the instruction stored in ROM[56]
@56
D-1;JEQ
```

The C-instruction

Syntax: `dest = comp ; jump` “*dest =*” and “*; jump*” are optional

where:

`comp =` 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 =` null, M, D, DM, A, AM, AD, ADM M stands for RAM[A]

`jump =` null, JGT, JEQ, JGE, JLT, JNE, JLE, JMP

Semantics

Computes the value of *comp* and stores the result in *dest*;

If (*comp jump* 0), branches to execute ROM[A]

Examples:

```
// goto LOOP
@LOOP
0;JMP // The 0; prefix is a syntax convention
```

Recap: A-instructions and C-instructions

They normally come in pairs:

```
// RAM[5] = RAM[5] - 1  
@5  
M=M-1
```

To set up for a C-instruction that operates on M,
Use an A-instruction to select the target address

```
// if D=0 goto 100  
@100  
D;JEQ
```

To set up for a C-instruction that specifies a jump,
Use an A-instruction to select the target address

Observation: It makes no sense that a C-instruction will use the same address to access the data memory and the instruction memory simultaneously;

Best practice rule

A C-instruction should specify either M, or a jump directive, but not both

Syntax convention: A C-instruction that mentions M should not have a jump directive, and vice versa

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Hack machine language specification

Two versions

- Symbolic
- Binary

The binary specification is not intended for writing *low-level programs*; It is intended for writing *assemblers* (chapter 6).

We describe it here, for completeness.

The Hack language specification

A instruction Symbolic: $@xxx$ (xxx is a decimal value ranging from 0 to 32767, or a symbol bound to such a decimal value)

Binary: $0vvvvvvvvvvvvvvvv$ ($vv \dots v = 15\text{-bit value of } xxx$)

C instruction Symbolic: $dest = comp; jump$ ($comp$ is mandatory.
If $dest$ is empty, the $=$ is omitted;
If $jump$ is empty, the $;$ is omitted)

Binary: $111acccccddjjj$

Predefined symbols:

symbol	value
R0	0
R1	1
R2	2
...	...
R15	15
SP	0
LCL	1
ARG	2
THIS	3
THAT	4
SCREEN	16384
KBD	24576

comp		c	c	c	c	c	c	dest	d	d	d	Effect: store comp in:
0		1	0	1	0	1	0	null	0	0	0	the value is not stored
1		1	1	1	1	1	1	M	0	0	1	RAM[A]
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0	D	0	1	0	D register (reg)
D		0	0	1	1	0	0	DM	0	1	1	RAM[A] and D reg
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0	A	1	0	0	A reg
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1	AM	1	0	1	A reg and RAM[A]
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1	AD	1	1	0	A reg and D reg
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1	ADM	1	1	1	A reg, D reg, and RAM[A]
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1	jump j j j Effect:				
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1	null	0	0	0	no jump
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1	JGT	0	0	1	if comp > 0 jump
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0	JEQ	0	1	0	if comp = 0 jump
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0	JGE	0	1	1	if comp ≥ 0 jump
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0	JLT	1	0	0	if comp < 0 jump
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1	JNE	1	0	1	if comp ≠ 0 jump
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1	JLE	1	1	0	if comp ≤ 0 jump
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0	JMP	1	1	1	unconditional jump
D A	D M	0	1	0	1	0	1					

$a == 0$ $a == 1$

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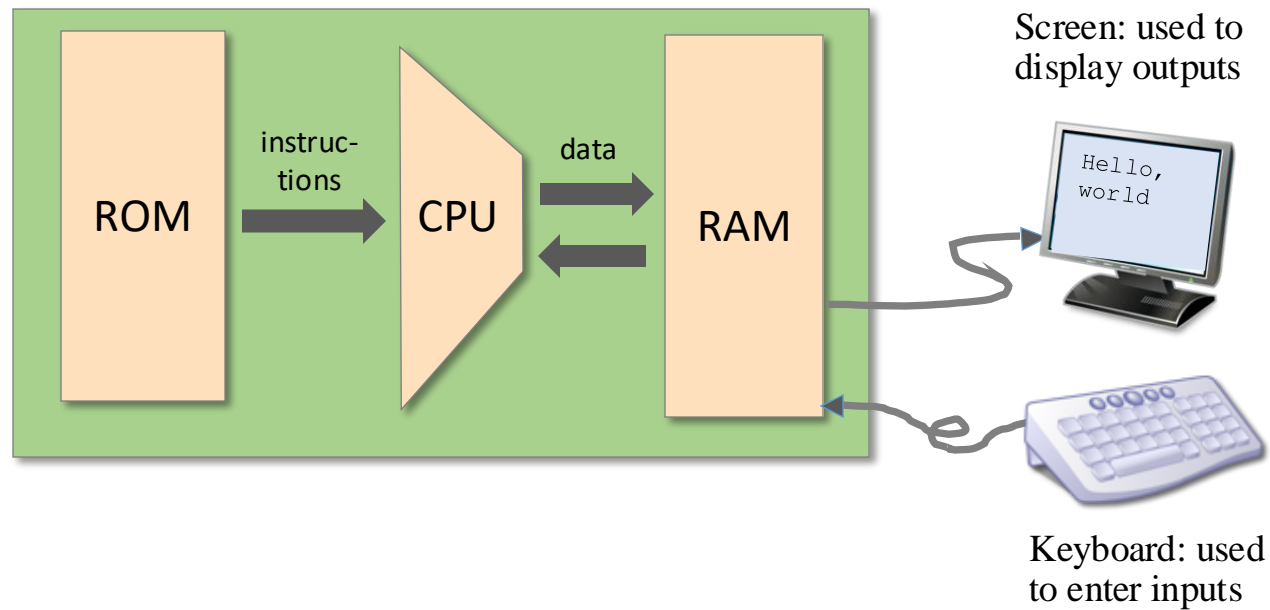
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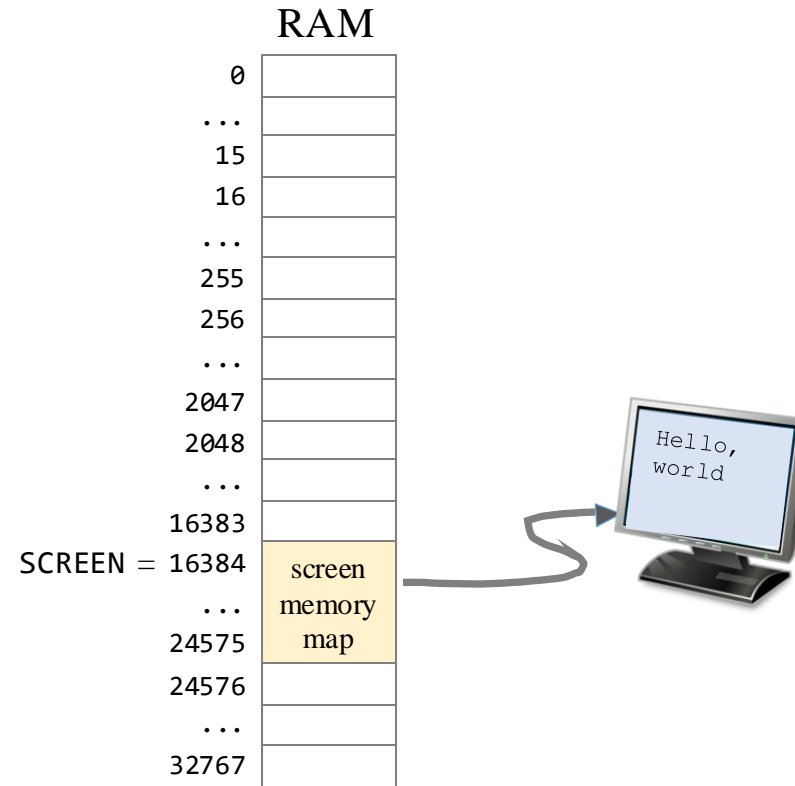
High-level I/O handling (later in the course):

I/O libraries for handling text, graphics, audio, video, ...

Low-level I/O handling:

Manipulating bits directly, using memory resident *bitmaps*.

Bitmaps



Screen memory map:

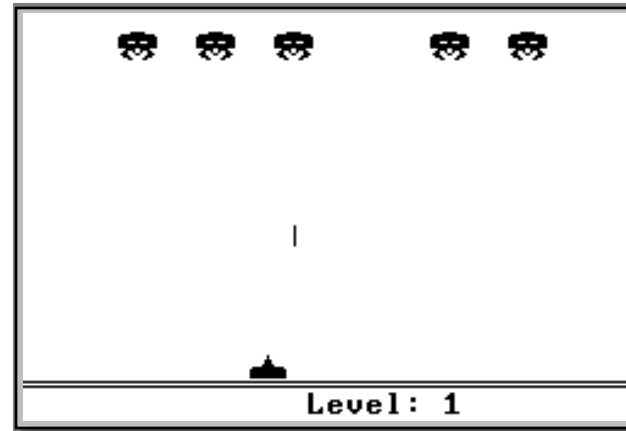
An 8K memory block, dedicated to representing a black-and-white display unit

Base address: SCREEN = 16384 (predefined symbol)

Output is rendered by writing bits in the screen memory map.

Bitmaps

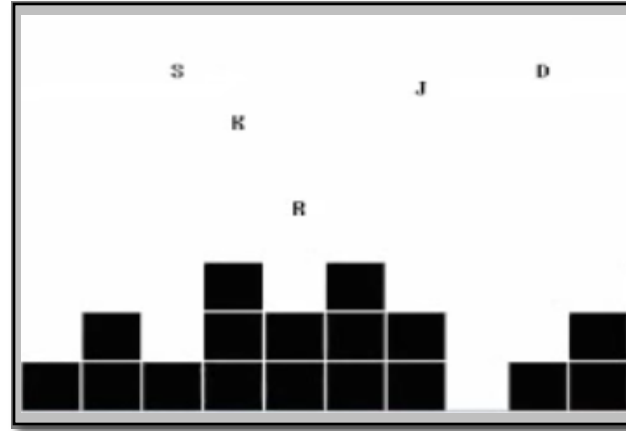
Physical screen



Screen shots of computer games
developed on the Hack computer

Bitmaps

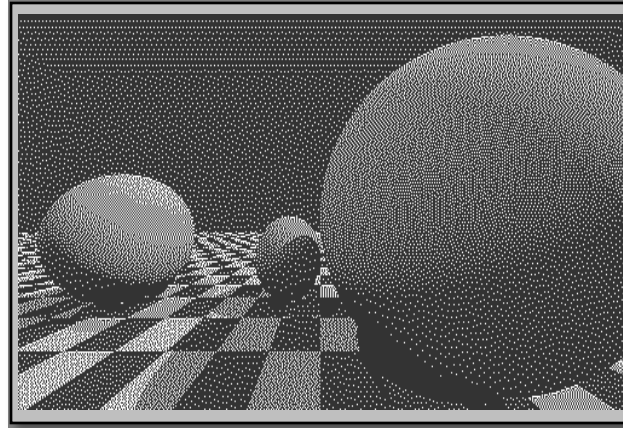
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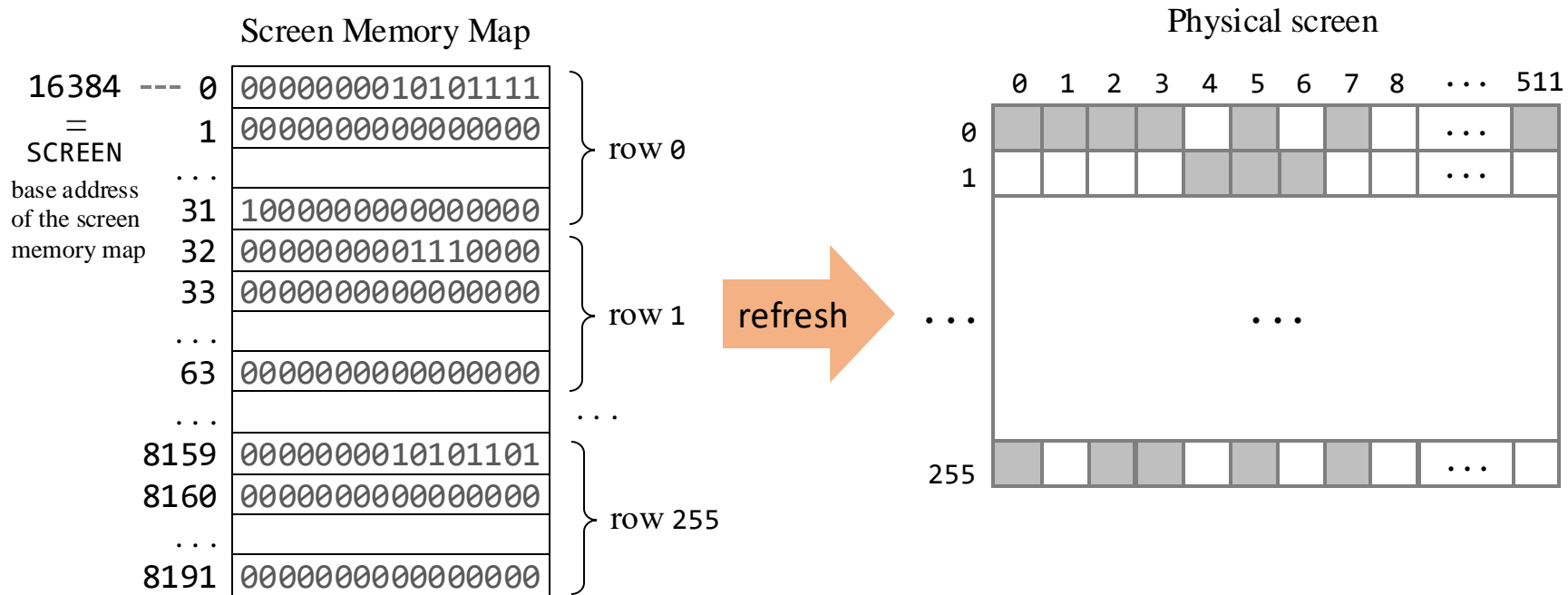
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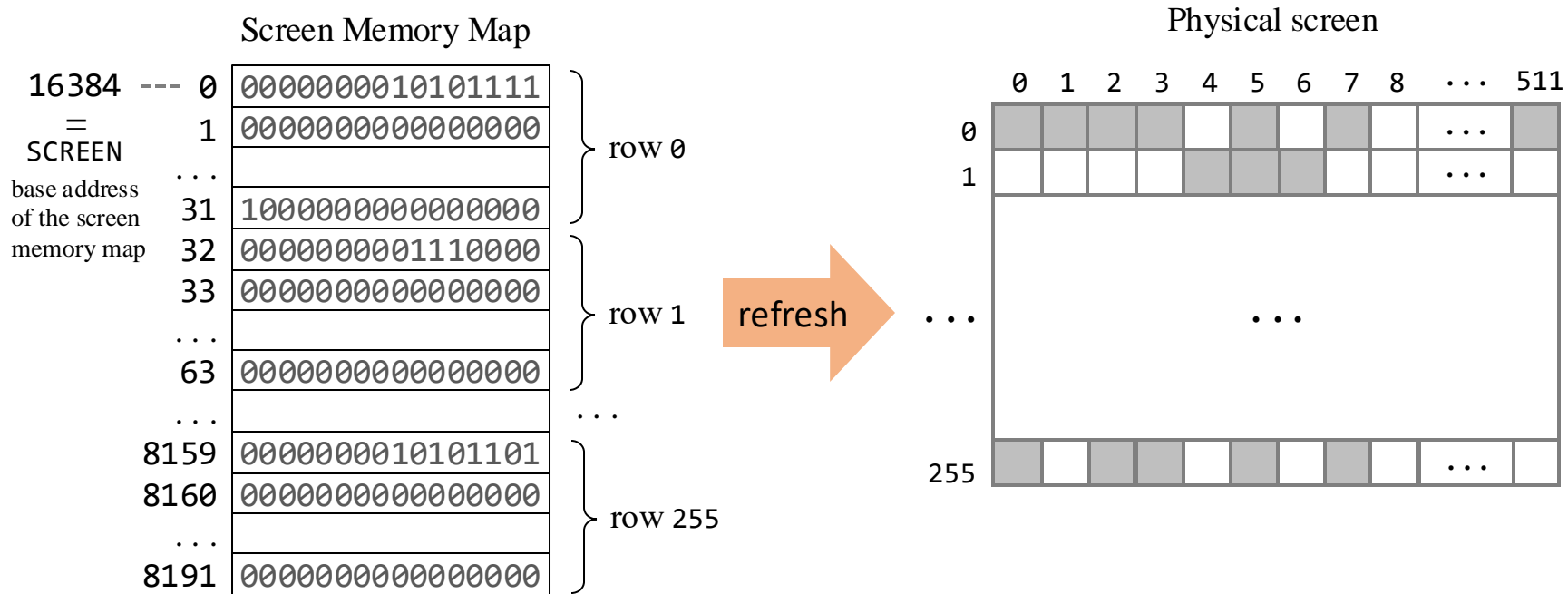
Bitmaps



Mapping

The (row, col) pixel in the physical screen is represented by the $(col \% 16)th$ bit in RAM address $SCREEN + 32 * row + col / 16$

Bitmaps



To set the (row, col) pixel to black or white:

$addr \leftarrow SCREEN + 32 * row + col / 16$

$word \leftarrow RAM[addr]$

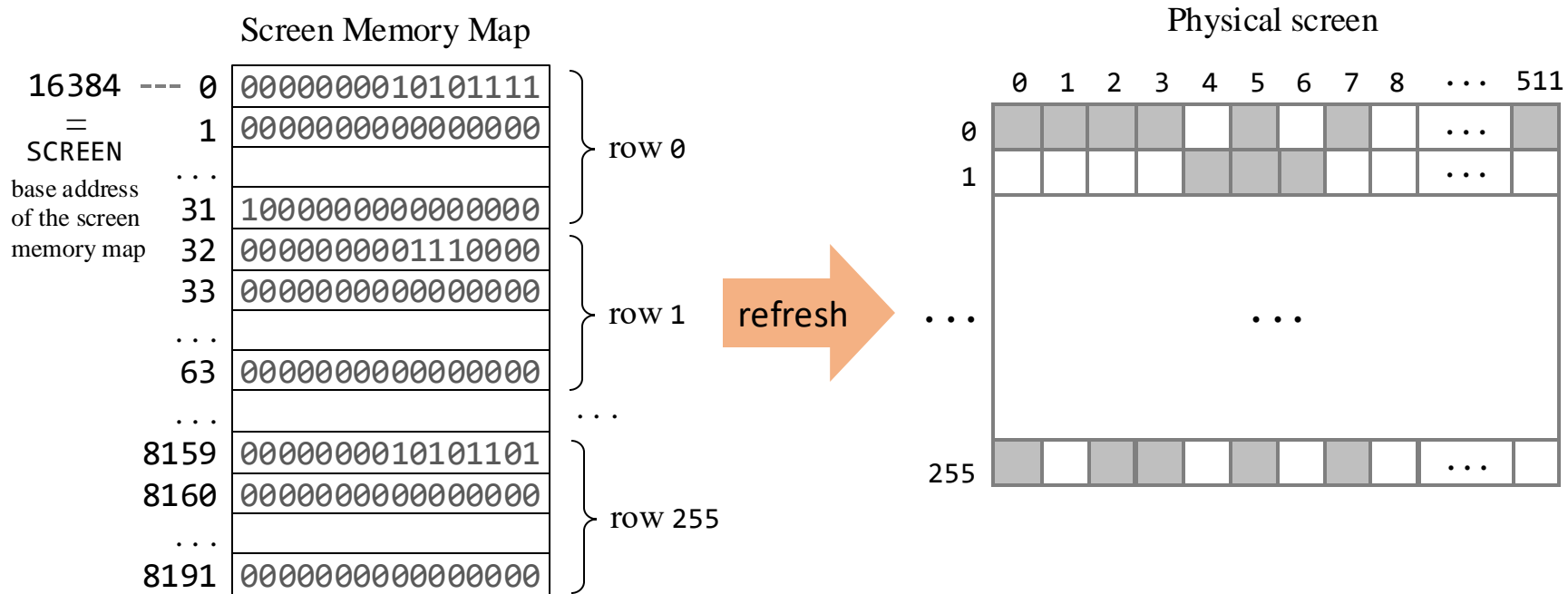
Set the $(col \% 16)th$ bit of $word$ to 0 or 1

$RAM[addr] \leftarrow word$

Not to worry...

Cool Bitmap Editor coming up

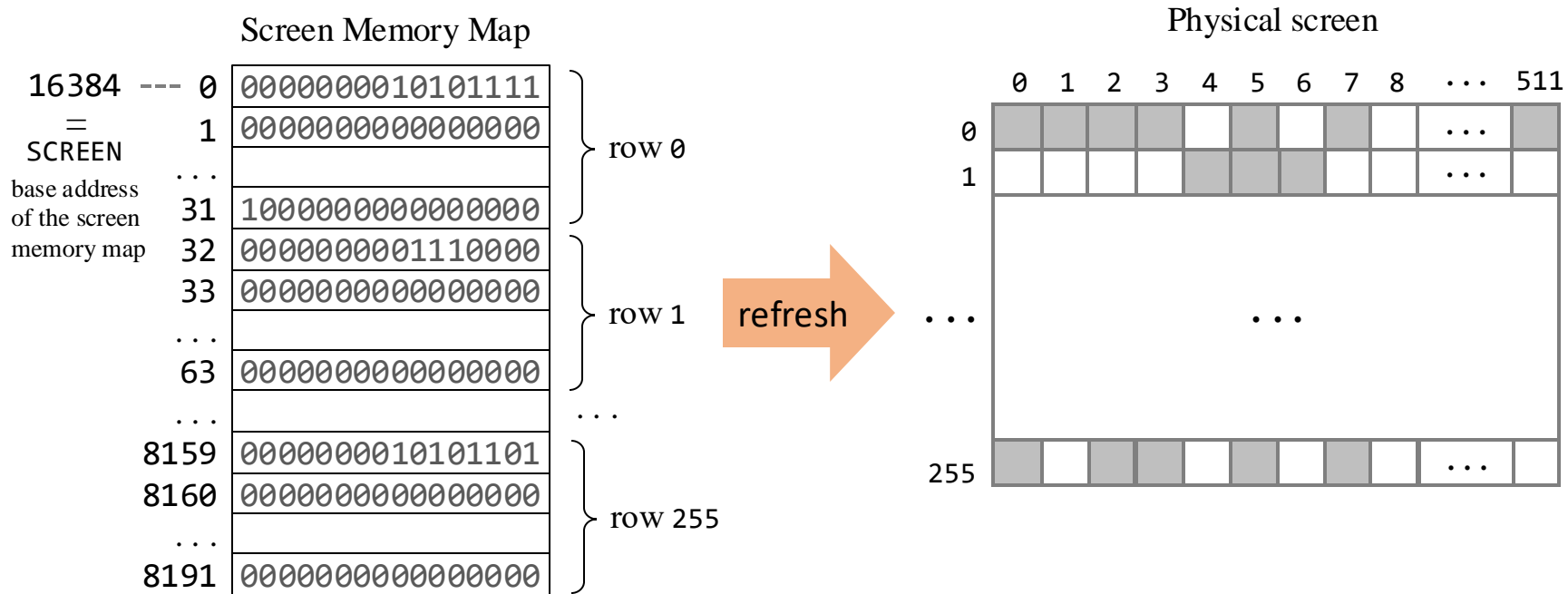
Bitmaps



Examples of simple patterns that can be easily drawn:

```
// Sets the first (left) 16 pixels
// of the top row to black
@SCREEN
M=-1      // -1 = 1111111111111111
```

Bitmaps



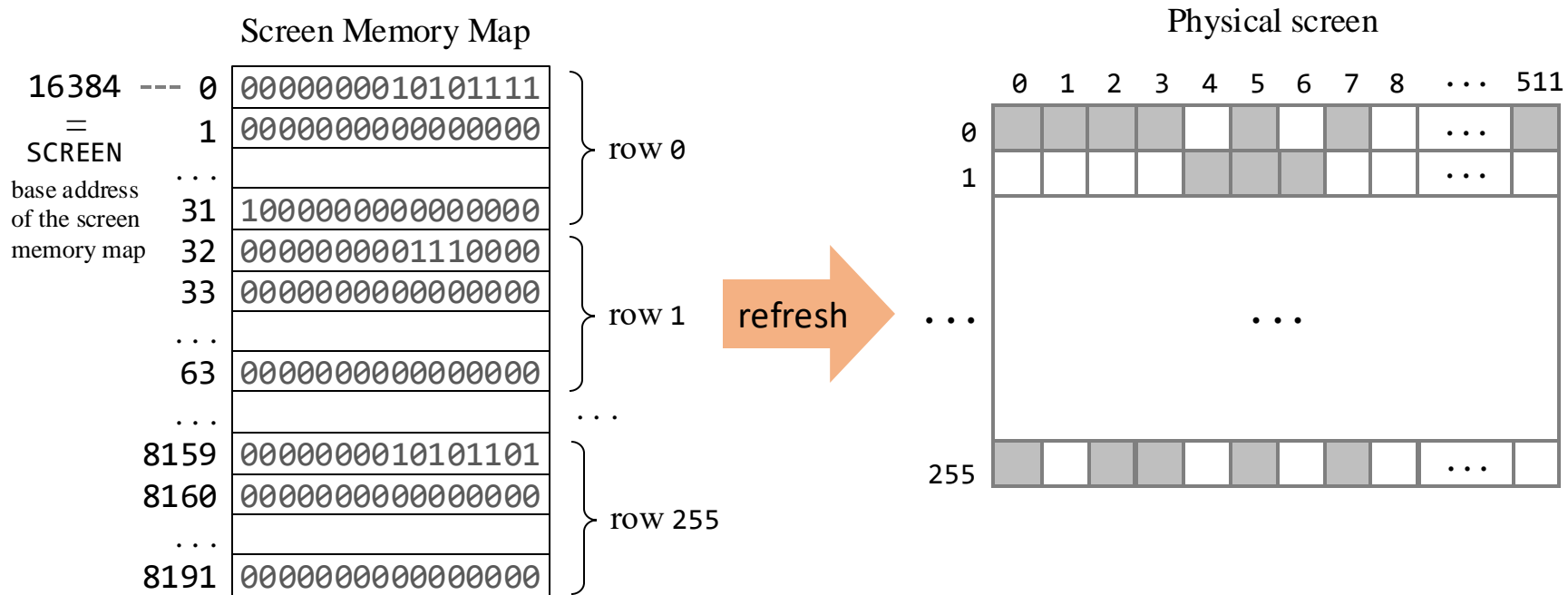
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```

```
// Sets the first 16 pixels  
// of row 2 to black
```

?

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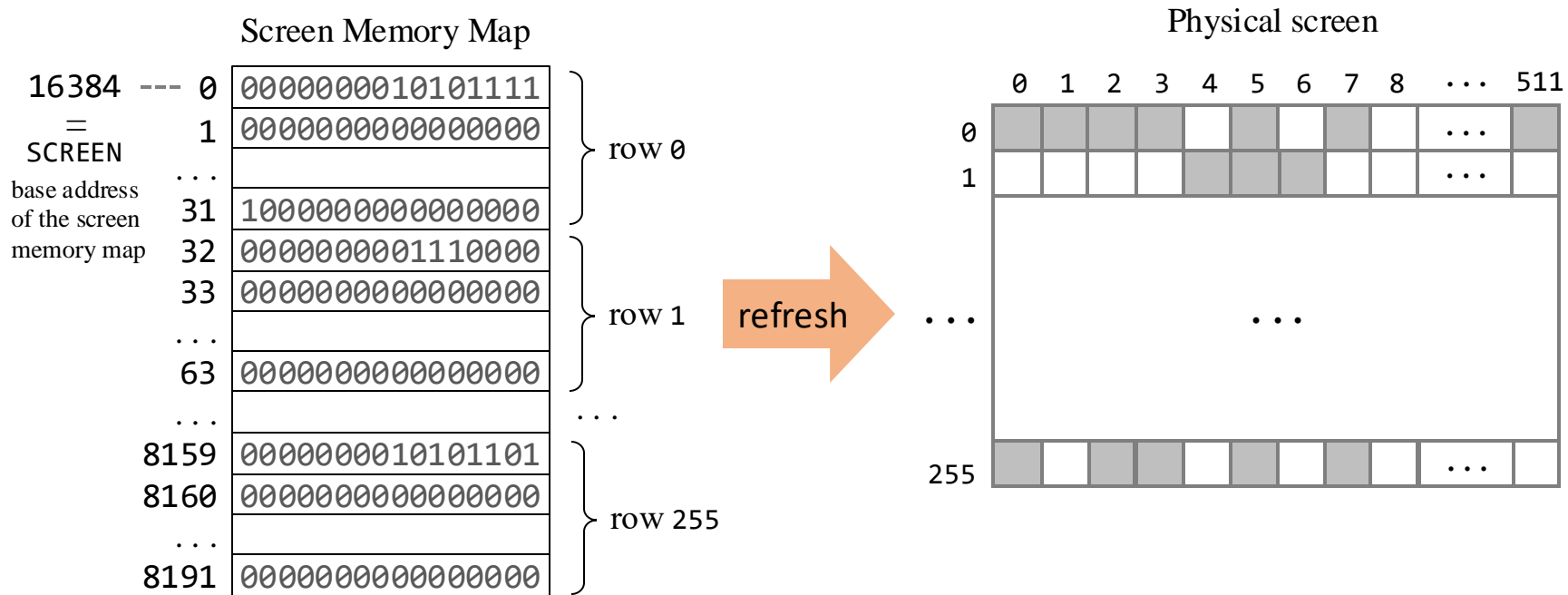


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```
// Sets the first 16 pixels
// of row 2 to black
@64
D=A
@SCREEN
A=A+D
M=-1
```

Bitmaps



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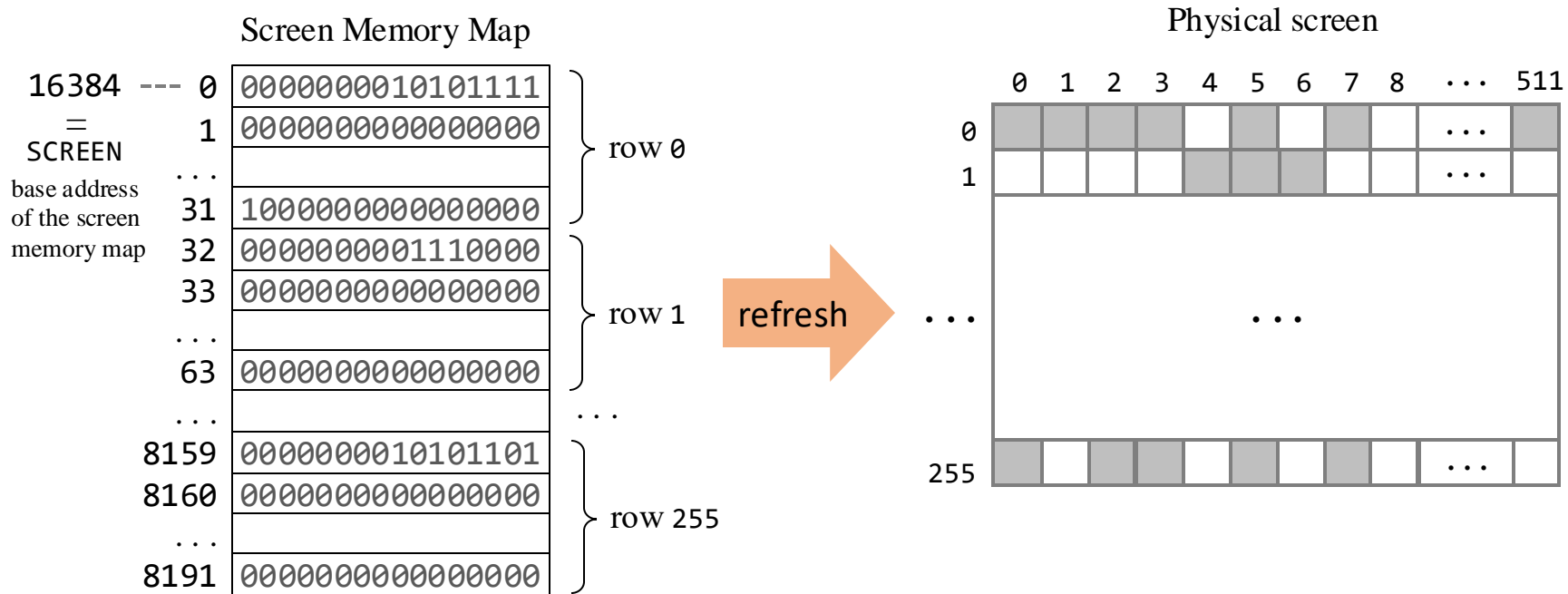
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M=-1
```

```
// Sets the entire screen
// to black / white
```

(Project 4)

Bitmaps



Simple
graphics
program:



Bitmap Editor

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1																
2																
3																
4																
5																
6																
7																
8																
9																
10																
11																
12																
13																
14																
15																
16																

00001111111100000 = 4064

0001100000110000 = 6192

0001001010010000 = 4752

...

[Bitmap editor](#) (web-based tool)

The developer draws a pixelated image on a 2D grid;

The tool generates assembly code that draws the image in the RAM;

The generated code can be copy-pasted into the developer's code.

...

0111111011111100 = 32508

Note: The editor generates either Jack code or Hack assembly code – see the radio buttons at the very bottom of the editor's GUI.

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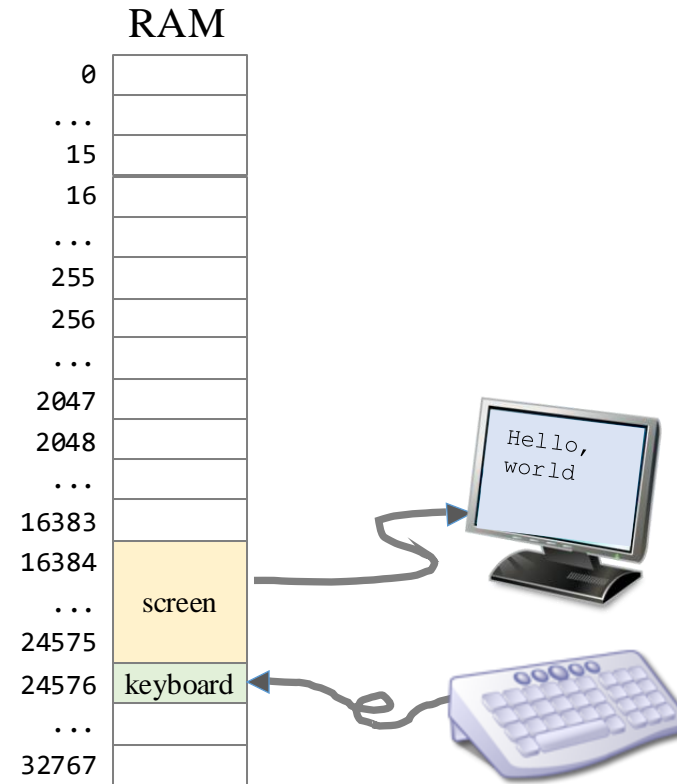
Input

High-level input handling (later in the course)

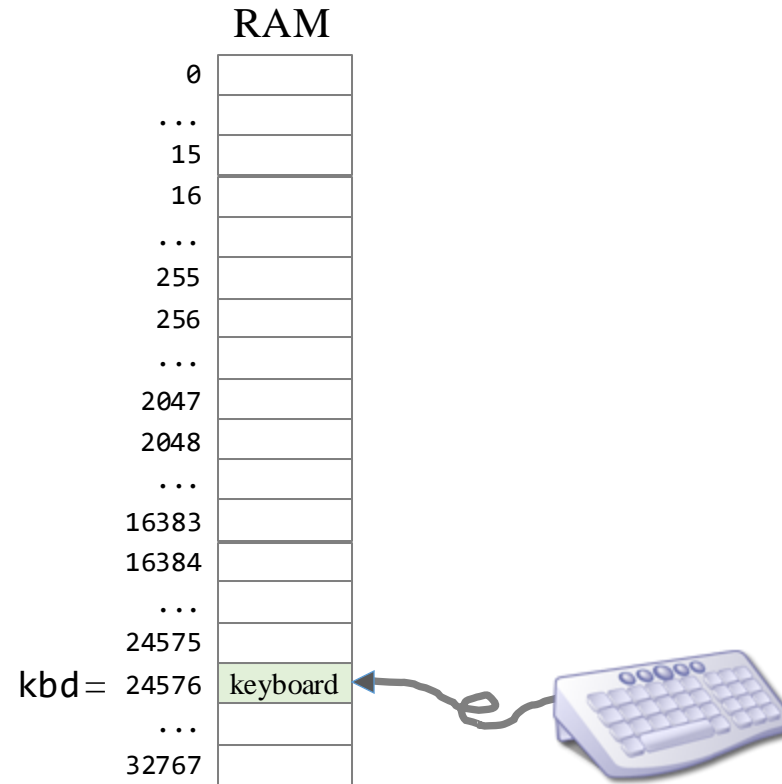
readInt, readString, ...

Low-level input handling

Read bits.



Input



Keyboard memory map

A single 16-bit memory location, dedicated to representing the keyboard.

Base address: KBD = 24576 (predefined symbol)

Reading inputs is affected by probing this register.

The Hack character set

key	code
(space)	32
!	33
“	34
#	35
\$	36
%	37
&	38
‘	39
(40
)	41
*	42
+	43
,	44
-	45
.	46
/	47

key	code
0	48
1	49
...	...
9	57

:	58
;	59
<	60
=	61
>	62
?	63
@	64

key	code
A	65
B	66
C	...
...	...
Z	90

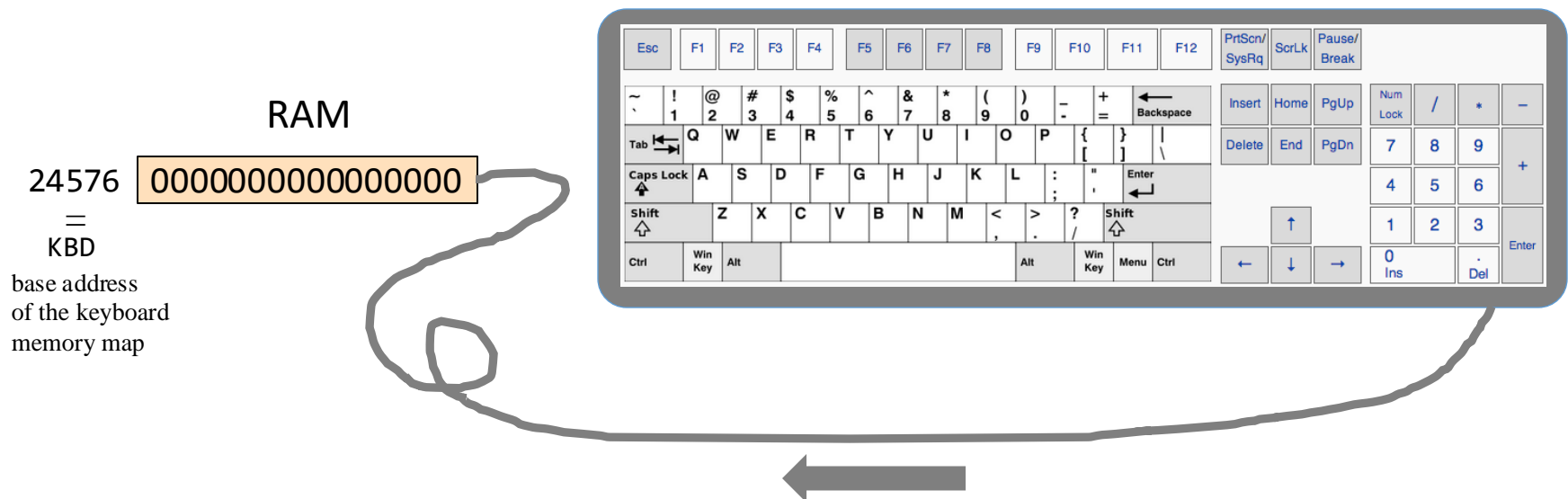
[91
/	92
]	93
^	94
_	95
`	96

key	code
a	97
b	98
c	99
...	...
z	122

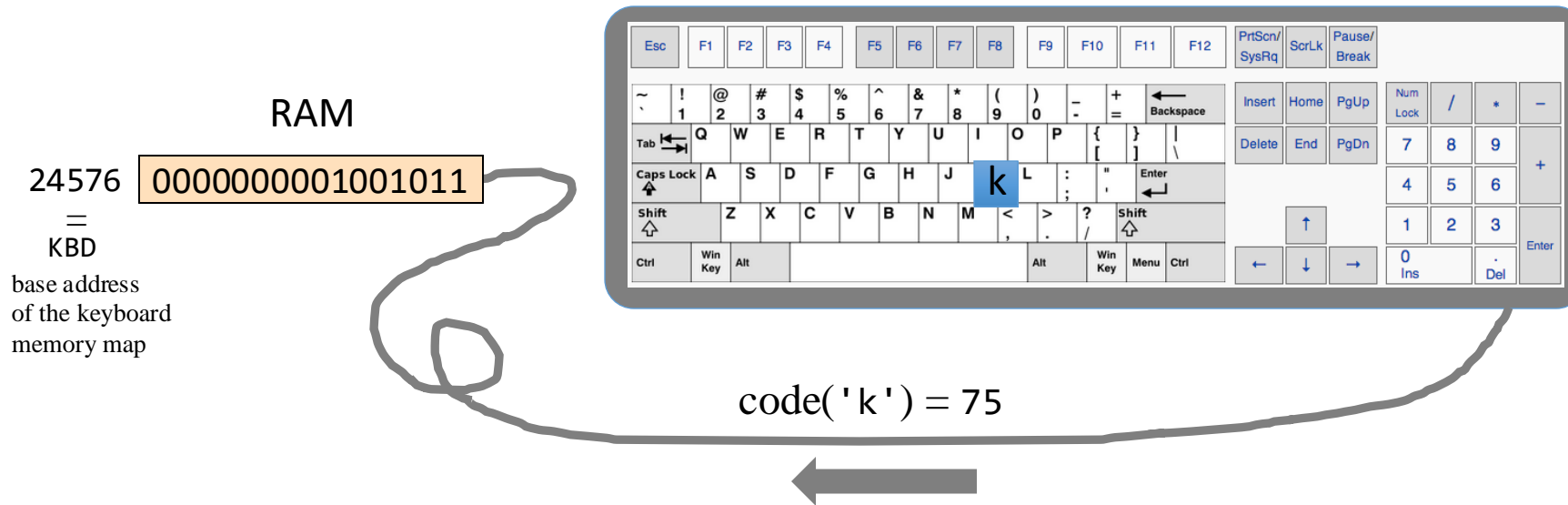
{	123
	124
}	125
~	126

key	code
newline	128
backspace	129
left arrow	130
up arrow	131
right arrow	132
down arrow	133
home	134
end	135
Page up	136
Page down	137
insert	138
delete	139
esc	140
f1	141
...	...
f12	152

(Subset of Unicode)

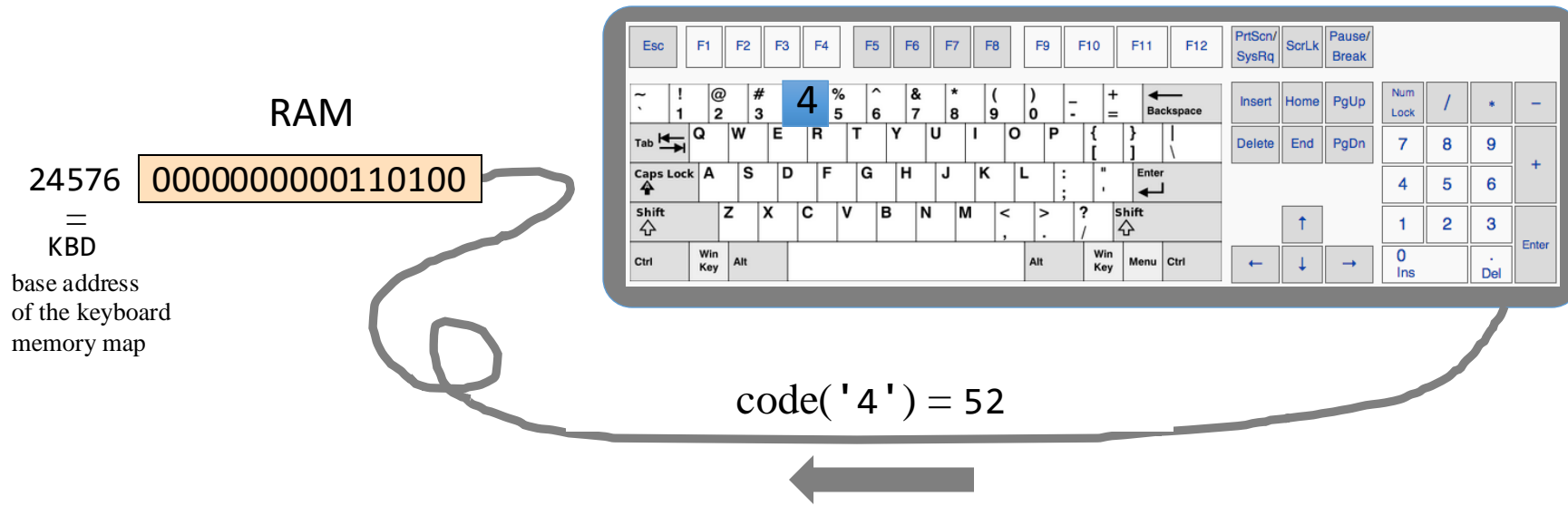


Memory mapped input



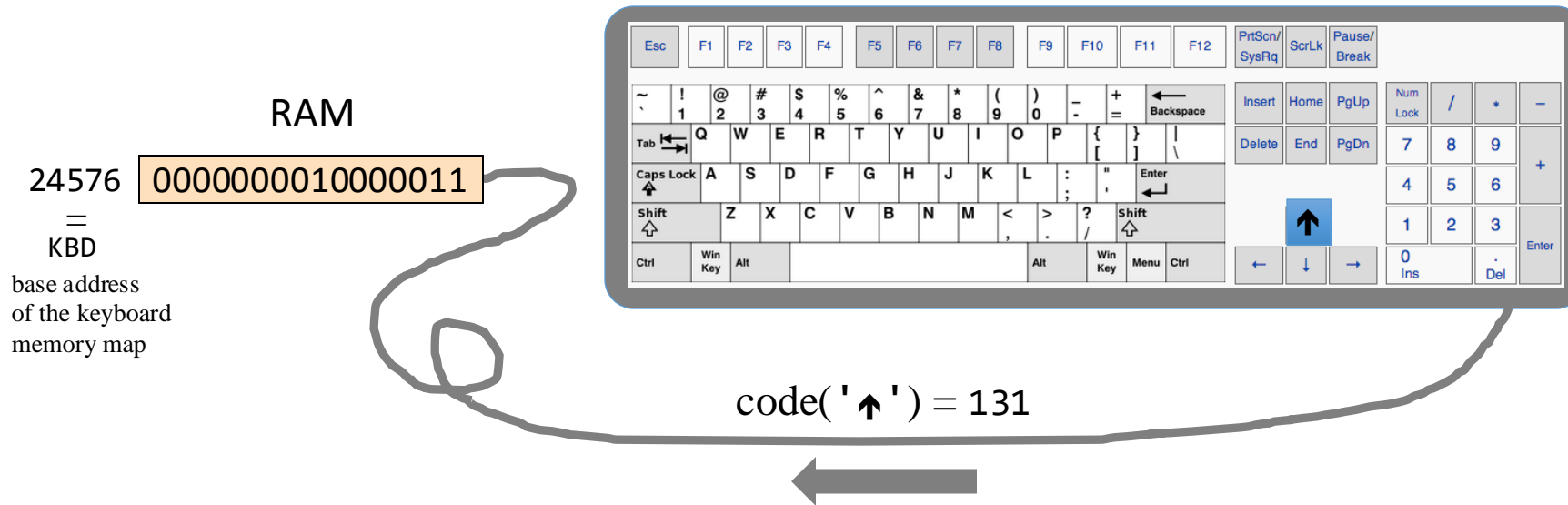
When a key is pressed on the keyboard,
the key's character code appears in the keyboard memory map.

Memory mapped input



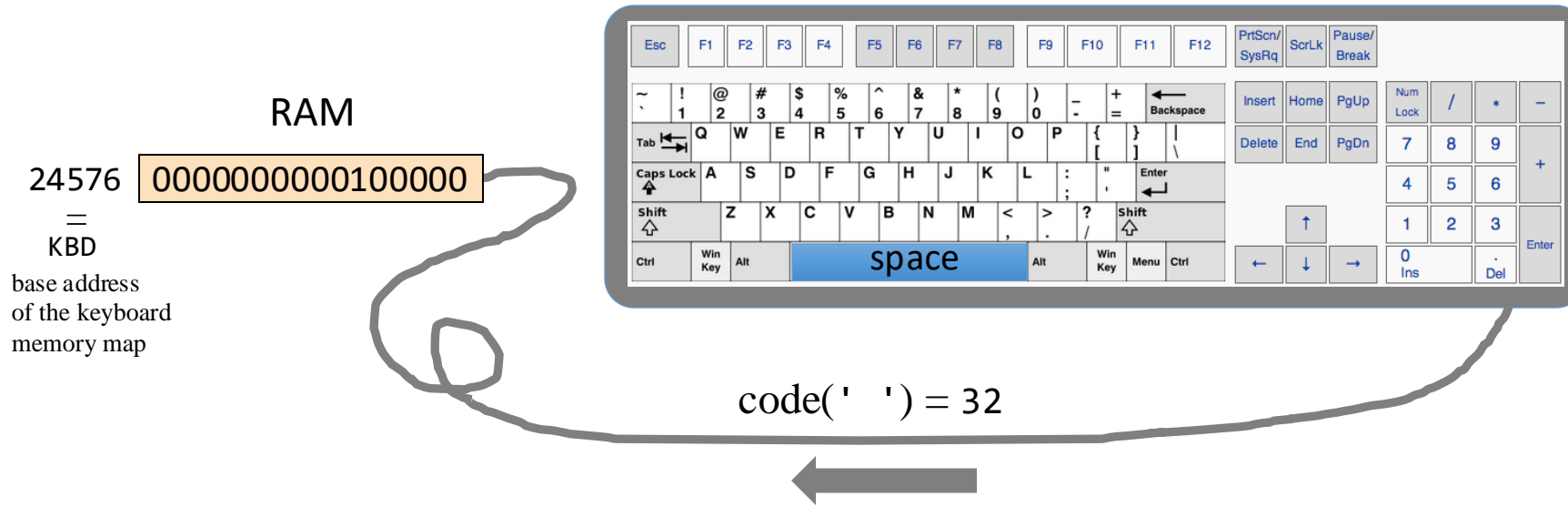
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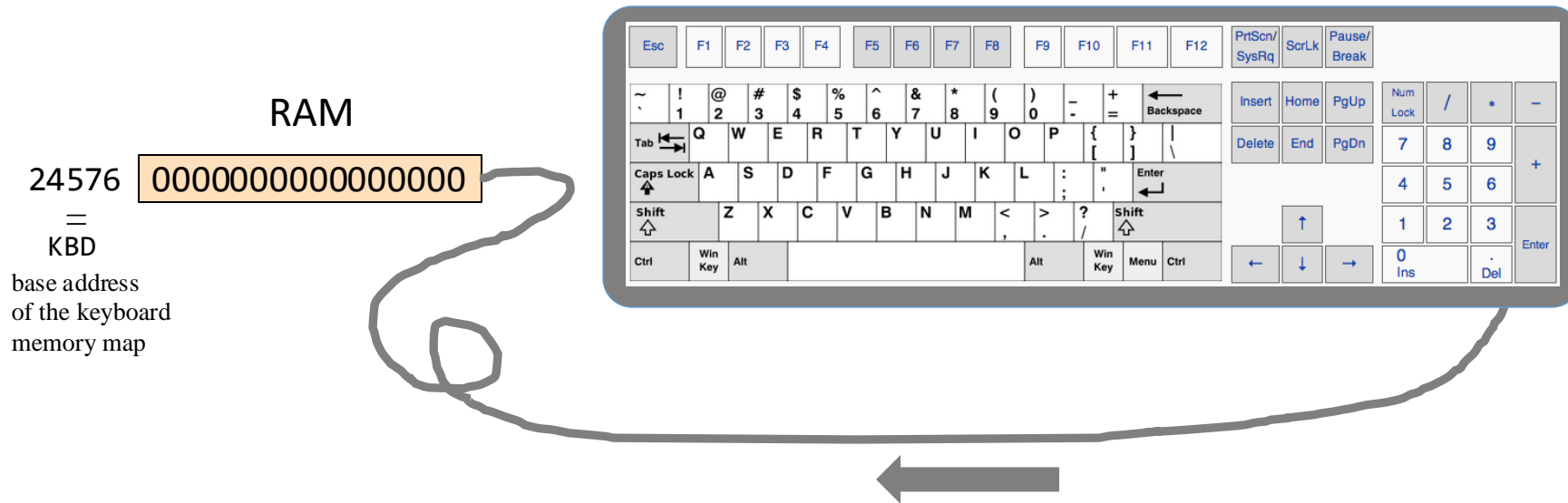
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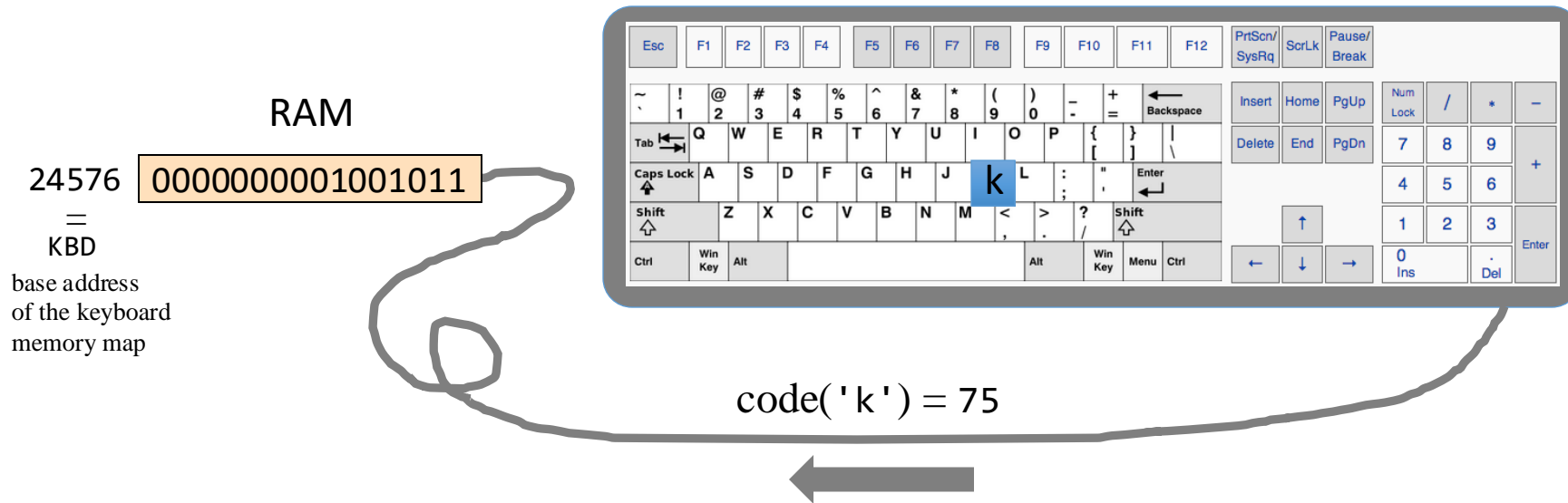
When a key is pressed on the keyboard,
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Memory mapped input



When no key is pressed, the resulting code is 0.

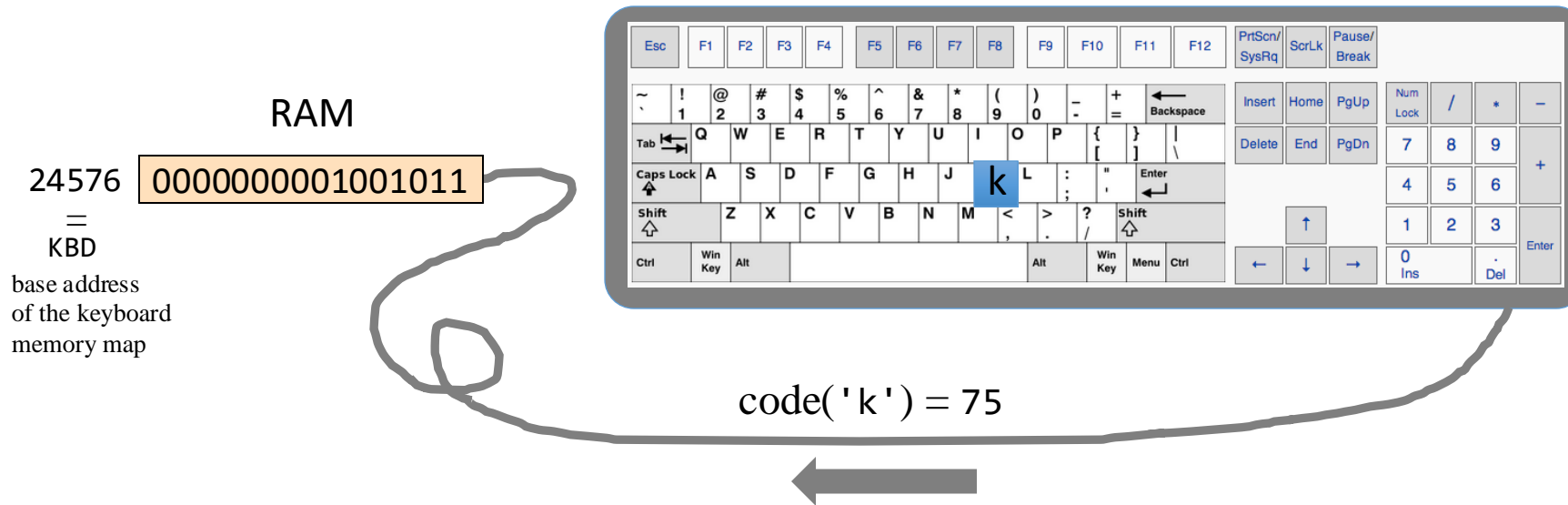
Reading inputs



Examples:

```
// Set D to the character code of  
// the currently pressed key
```

Reading inputs



Examples:

```
// Set D to the character code of  
// the currently pressed key
```

```
@KBD
```

```
D=M
```

```
// If the currently pressed key is 'q', goto END
```

```
@KBD
```

```
D=M
```

```
@113 // 'q'
```

```
D=D-A
```

```
@END
```

```
D;JEQ
```

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Objectives

Gain a hands-on taste of:

- Low-level programming
- Assembly language
- The Hack computer

Tasks

- Write a simple algebraic program: `Mult`
- Write a simple interactive program: `Fill`
- Get creative: Define and write some program of your own (optional).

Mult: a program that computes $R2 = R0 * R1$

CPU Emulator (2.5) - /Users/admin/Dropbox (Slate Team)/hack/project solutions/04/mult/Mult.hack

File View Run Help

Slow Fast Animate: No animation View: Scr... Format: D...

ROM

0	
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	
11	
12	
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14	
15	
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19	
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21	
22	
23	
24	
25	
26	
27	
28	

code:
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RAM

0	6
1	7
2	42
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	0
8	0
9	0
10	0
11	0
12	0
13	0
14	0
15	0
16	42
17	-1
18	0
19	0
20	0
21	0
22	0
23	0
24	0
25	0
26	0
27	0
28	0

PC 20 A 20

D 42

ALU

D Input : 42

M/A Input : 20

ALU output : 0

Mult: a program that computes $R2 = R0 * R1$

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File View Run Help

Slow Fast Animate: No animation View: Scr... Format: D...

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code:
Project 4

RAM

0	6
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2	42
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10	0
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14	0
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23	0
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```
set PC 0,  
set RAM[0] 2,  
set RAM[1] 4;  
repeat 150 {  
  ticktock;  
}  
output;  
  
set PC 0,  
set RAM[0] 6,  
set RAM[1] 7;  
repeat 210 {  
  ticktock;  
}  
output;
```

The supplied test script sets up and executes several tests of the Mult program.

D 42

ALU

D Input : 42

M/A Input : 20

ALU output : 0

PC 20 A 20

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A 20

Multiplication algorithm

- Repetitive addition (simple, inefficient)
- Bitwise multiplication (sophisticated, efficient)

Either approach is fine for this project.

D 42

ALU

D Input : 42

M/A Input : 20

ALU output : 0

Fill: a simple interactive program

The screenshot shows the CPU Emulator (2.5) interface. The title bar indicates the file path: `/Users/admin/Dropbox (Slate Team)/hack/project solutions/04/mult/Mult.hack`. The menu bar includes File, View, Run, and Help. The toolbar contains icons for file operations, execution (single step, run, break), and animation controls (Slow, Fast, No animation, Scr..., D...). The main window is divided into several sections:

- ROM:** A list of memory addresses from 0 to 28. Address 20 is highlighted in yellow. The text "code: Project 4" is displayed in the background.
- RAM:** A list of memory addresses from 0 to 28. Address 0 is highlighted in yellow. The value 6 is shown next to address 0.
- PC (Program Counter):** A register showing the value 20.
- A (Accumulator):** A register showing the value 20.
- D (Data Register):** A register showing the value 42.
- ALU (Arithmetic Logic Unit):** A diagram showing the ALU output. The D Input is 42, the M/A Input is 20, and the ALU output is 0.
- Text Display:** A large text area in the center of the window displaying the message: "When the user presses a keyboard key (any key), the entire screen becomes black".

Fill: a simple interactive program

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PC 20 A 20

The screen remains black as long as the key is pressed.

D 42

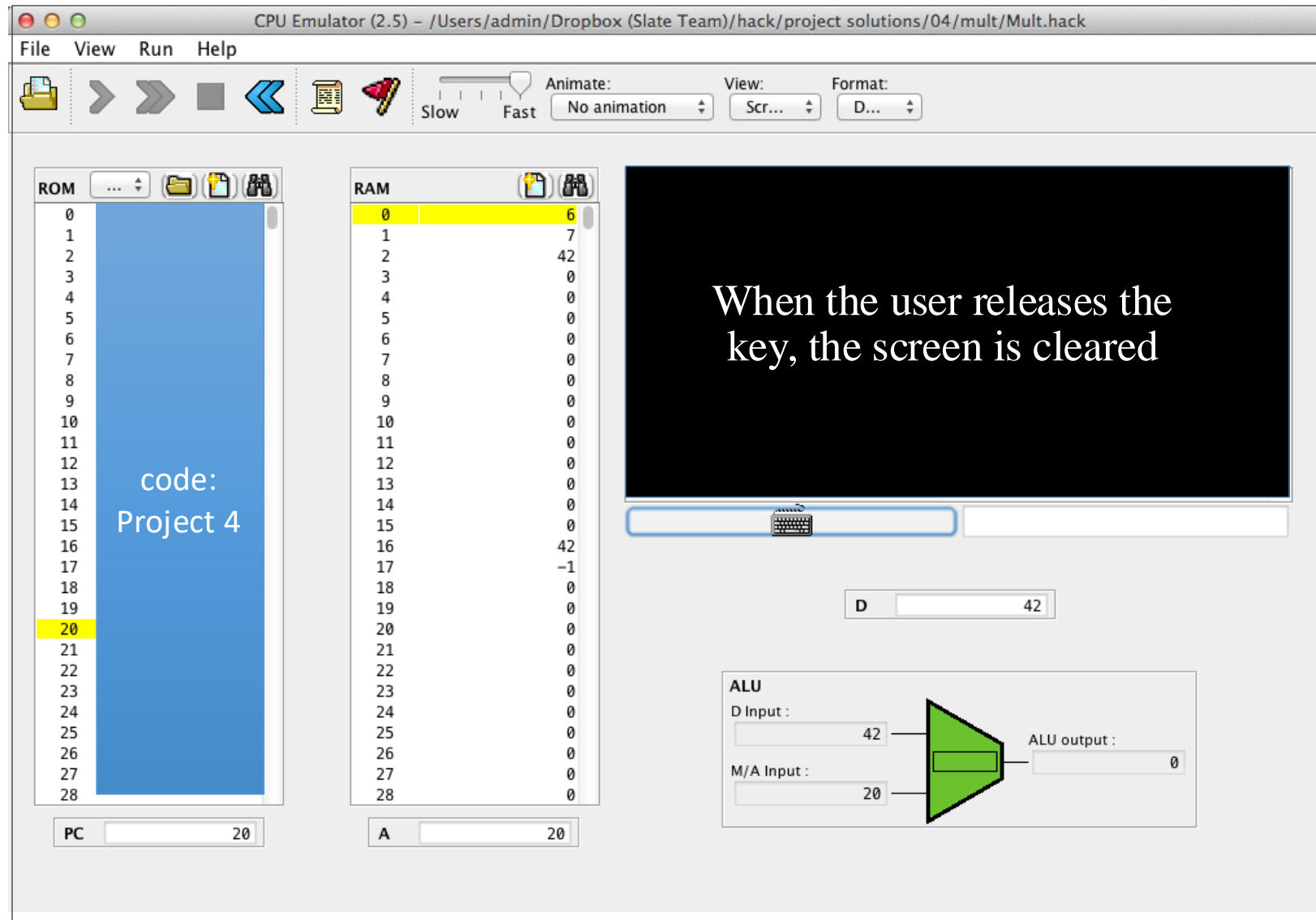
ALU

D Input : 42

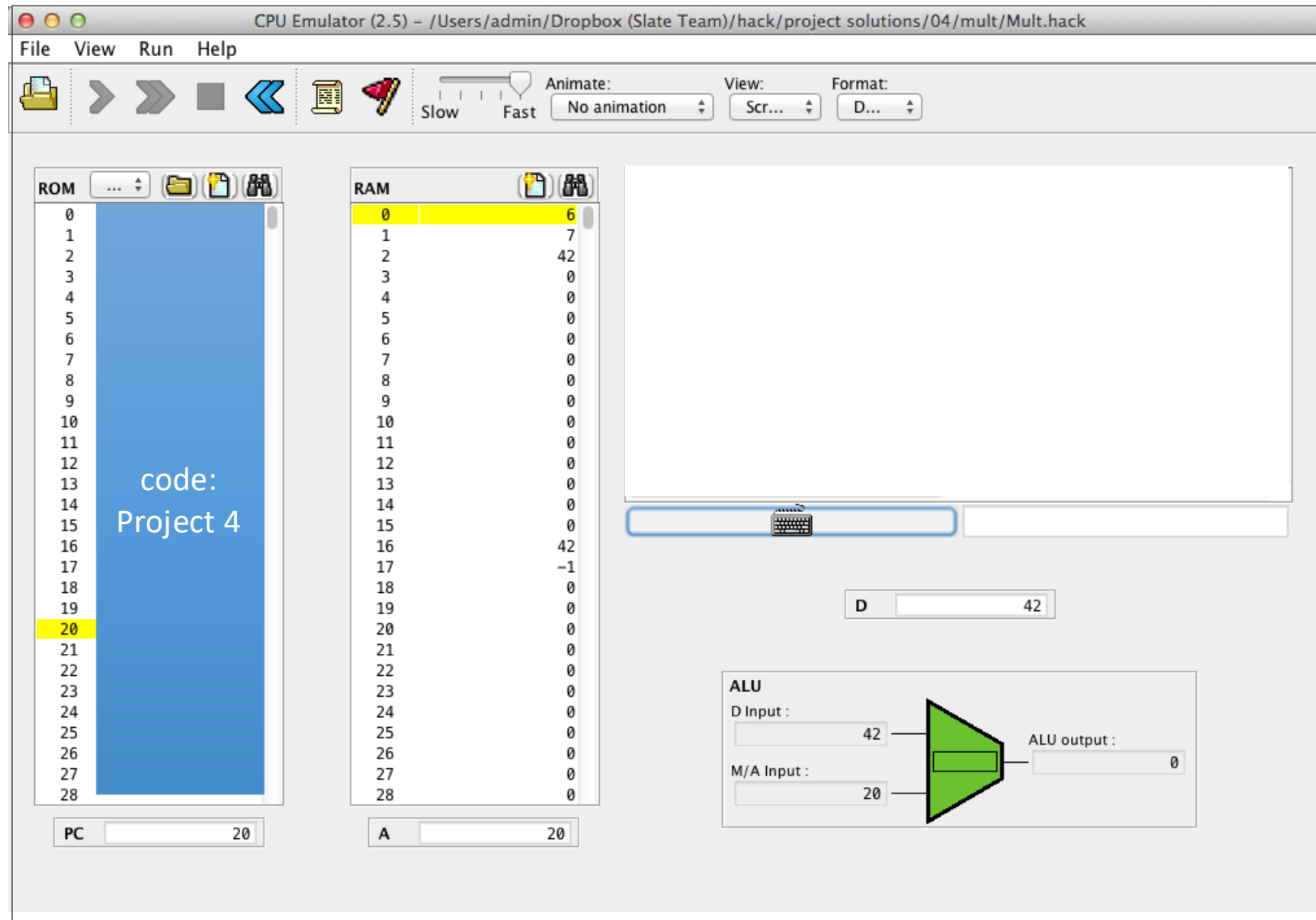
M/A Input : 20

ALU output : 0

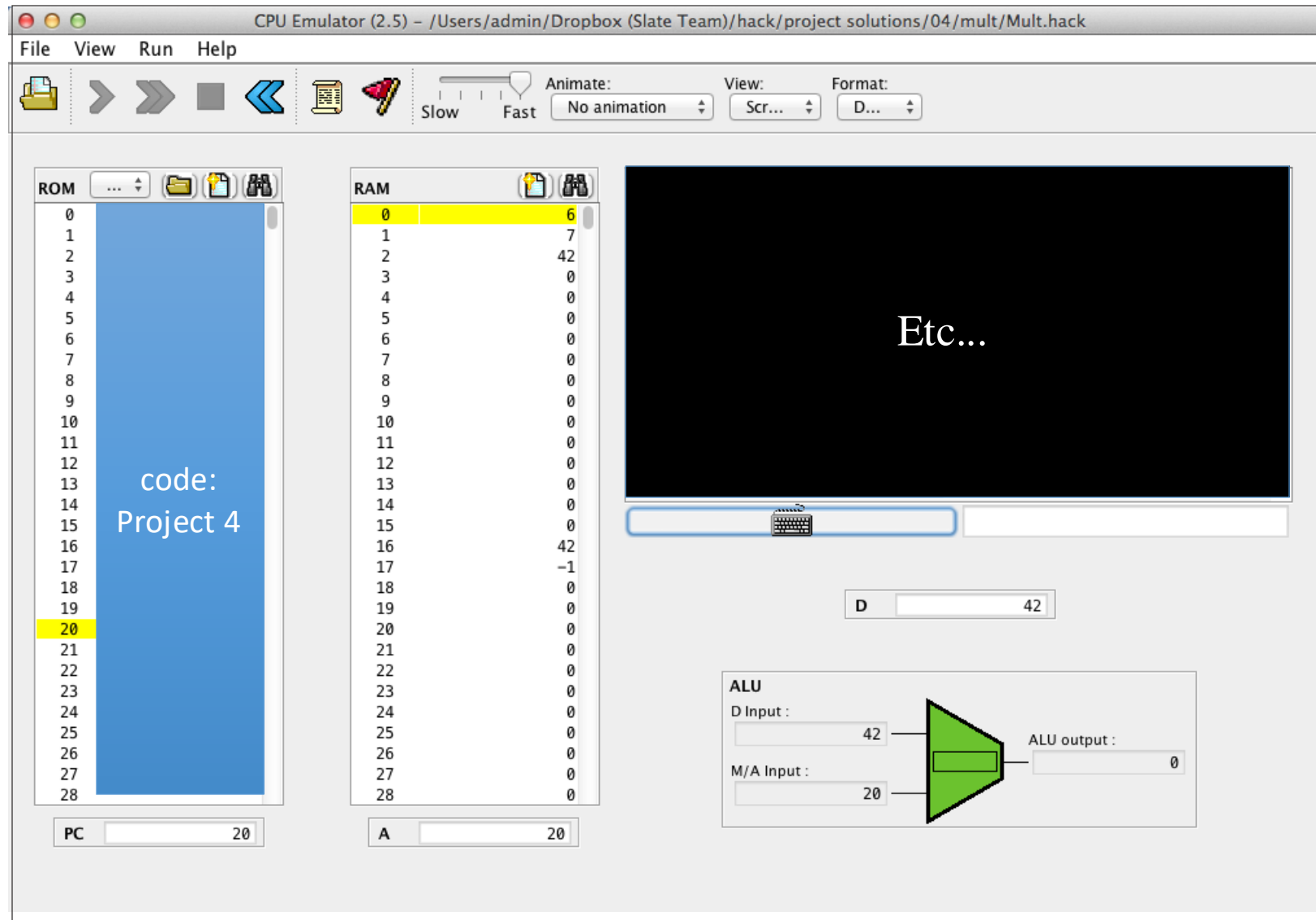
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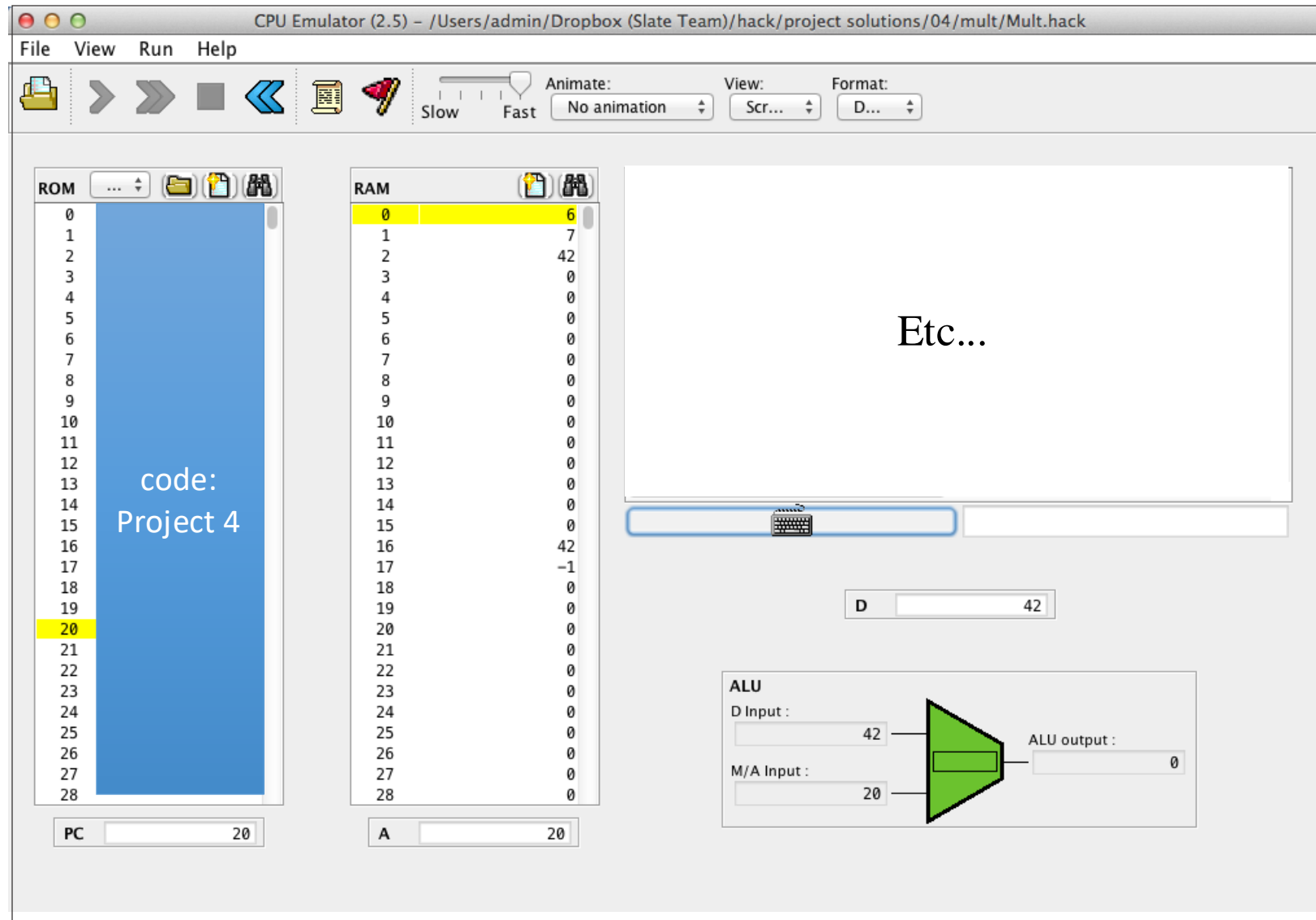
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Algorithm

- Execute an infinite loop that listens to the keyboard input
- When a key is pressed (any key),
execute code that writes "black" in every pixel
- When no key is pressed, execute code that writes "white" in every pixel

Tip: This program requires working with pointers.

Task 3: Define and write a program of your own

Any ideas?
It's your call!

Implementation notes

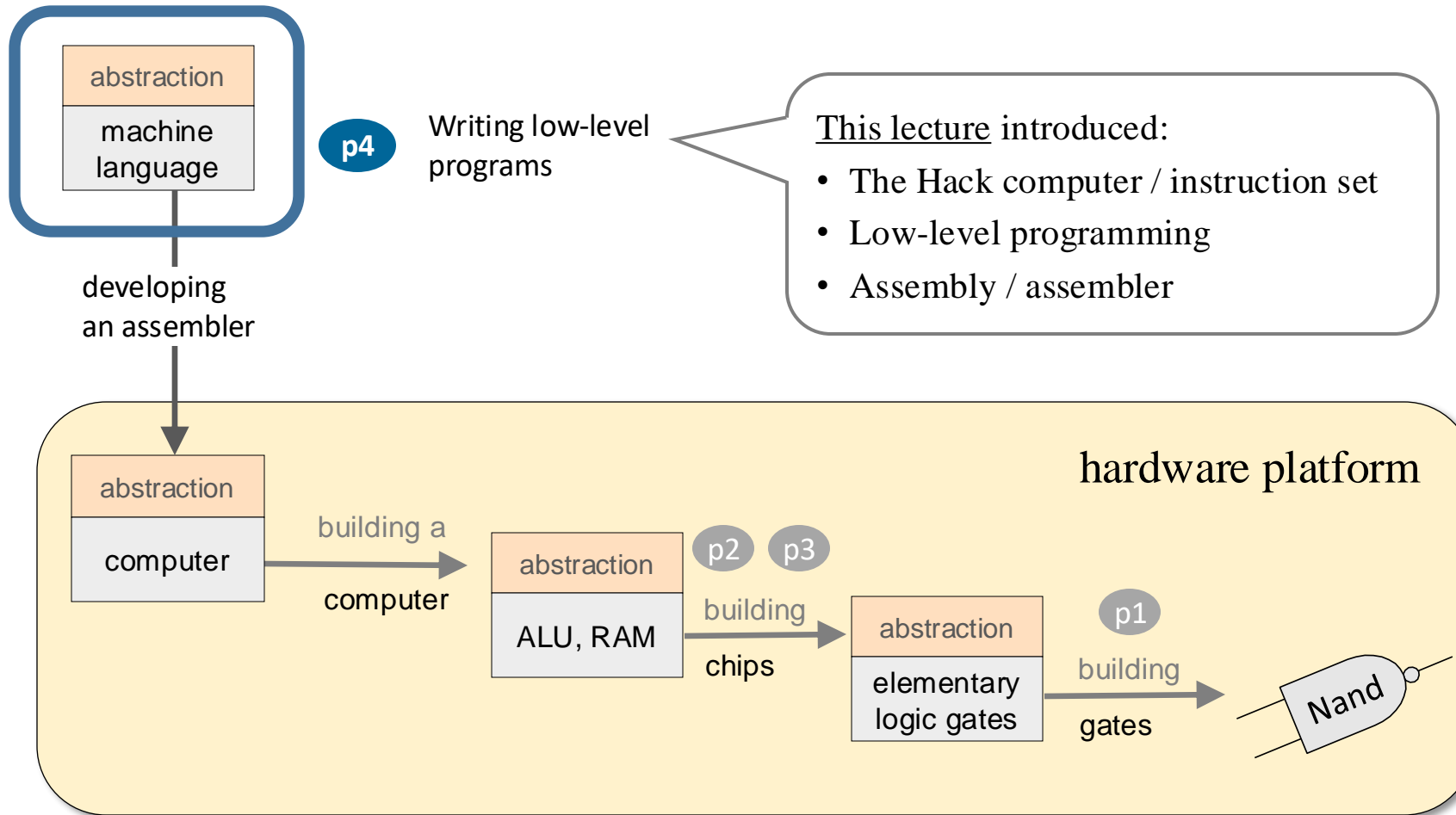
Well-written low-level code is

- Compact
- Efficient
- Elegant
- Self-describing

Tips

- Use symbolic variables and labels
- Use sensible documentation
- Use sensible variable and label names
- Variables: lower-case
- Labels: upper-case
- Use indentation
- Start by writing pseudocode.

Nand to Tetris Roadmap: Hardware



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