

## # History of programming languages :-

- ① 1837 : Lady Ada Lovelace  
⇒ Charles Babbage is known as the father of computer because he created the first working machine.  
⇒ But the first computer program was written by Lady Ada Lovelace. [a program to compute Bernoulli numbers]
- ② 1949 : Kathleen Booth  
⇒ The first assembly language was written by Kathleen Booth.
- ③ 1957 :  
⇒ The first high level programming language called FORTRAN was designed by John Backus for scientific & engineering calculations.
- ④ 1958 :  
⇒ Some more high level languages were developed like ALGOL (Algorithmic language) & LISP for symbolic calculation. ALGOL laid the foundation of structured language.
- ⑤ 1959 :  
⇒ COBOL (Common Business Oriented Language) was formed for business data processing in finance.
- ⑥ 1964 :  
⇒ BASIC (Beginner's All purpose symbolic instruction code) was designed to be beginner friendly and teaching program to others.
- ⑦ 1972 :  
⇒ One of the most influential language called the mother of

all programming language, C was developed by Dennis Ritchie in USA.

It laid many important concepts which are used by all the programming language today.

Subsequently various other programming languages were developed for different sectors & applications

Pascal - (1970)

C++ - (1983)

Perl - (1987)

Python - (1991)

Java - (1995), Javascript, Ruby

C# - (2000)

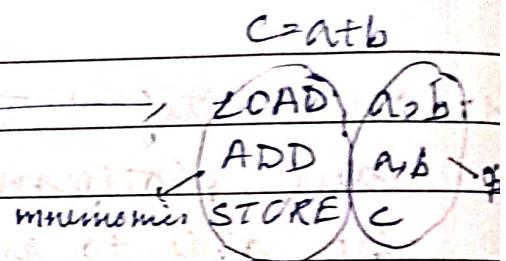
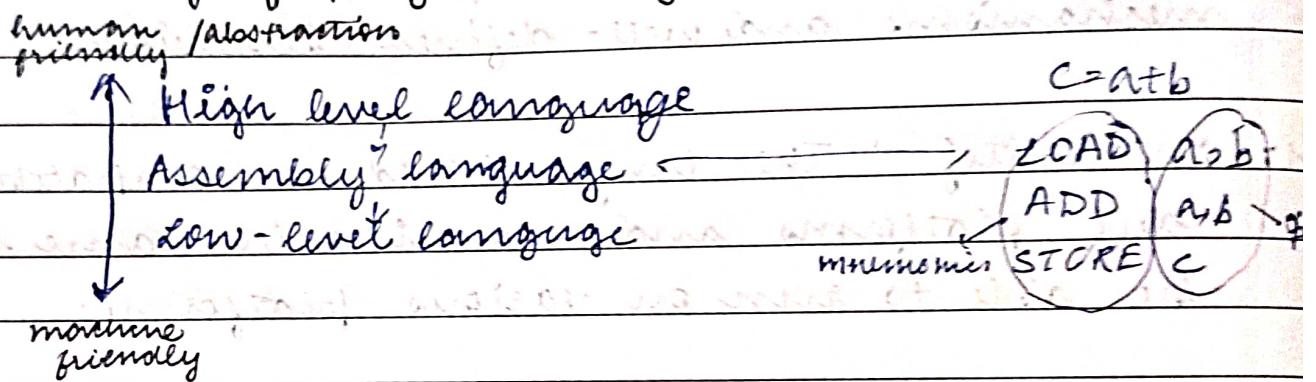
## # characteristics & features of a programming language

1. Readability
2. Writability
3. Reliability
4. Portability → Platform / machine independence
5. Library & community support
6. Performance
7. Scalability
8. Security
9. Documentation
10. Flexibility → paradigms

1. Readability → The lang. should have easy to read clear and concise syntax to make the code visually appealing.
2. Writability → It should allow developers to express their ideas in efficient code.
3. Reliability → It should offer proper error handling mechanisms and well-defined behaviour.
4. Portability → The lang. should be compatible across diff. platforms and machines i.e. same code should be able to run on various platforms.
5. Library & community support → Active community of developers can significantly enhance a programming language's capability and problem solving. This is because of wide range of libraries, tutorials, forums & resources.
6. Performance → A programming language should be efficient in code execution, memory management & optimisation.
7. Scalability → The lang. should provide tools and features for developing both small scale & large scale applications acc" to the requirements.
8. Documentation → The lang. should have a well structured & comprehensive documentation in order to guide new developers or to share knowledge.

9. security → The lang. should be able to handle common threats & security vulnerabilities.
10. flexibility → language should allow different programming paradigms to cater preferences and requirements of diff. developers.

## # Hierarchy of programming language:



**High level language**:- They are designed to be more human friendly and understandable. They are highly abstract from the details of computation.

Ex. C, C++, JAVA, Python

**Assembly language**:- They use mnemonics & symbols to represent machine instructions making them slightly understandable. They have lower abstraction & are machine dependent.

Ex. X86 Assembly, ARM Assembly

**Machine language**:- They consists of binary code and instruction & work directly with the computer hardware. They have almost no abstraction & are difficult to understand by humans.

	HLL	AL	ML
understanding	Highest	medium	lowest
readability	Highest easily readable	medium understandable if meanings of phenomena are known.	lowest difficult to understand
portability	Highly portable	less	not
efficiency	Least efficient	Moderate	Highly efficient
development time	Least time	Moderate time	Highly / most time
debugging	99%	99%	99%
application areas	General purpose programming	DS, hardware interfacing & optimization	used by compilers & assemblers
control on hardware	Least	Moderate	Highest control

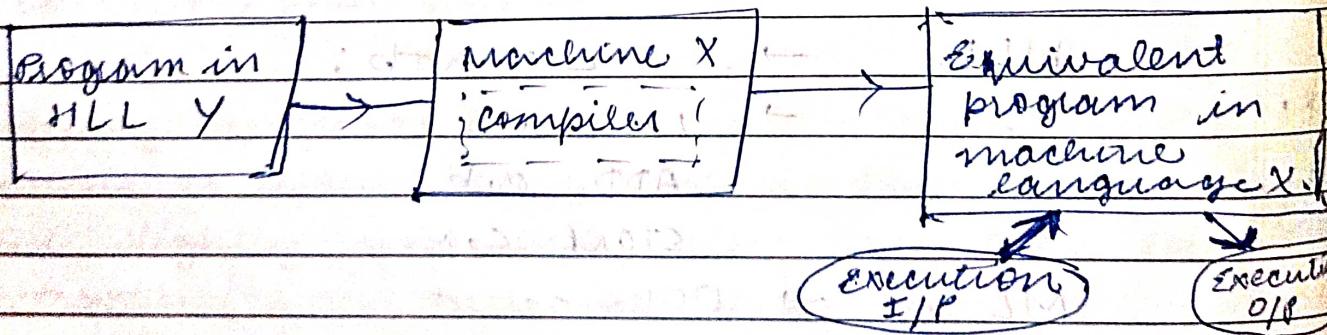
Ex:

HLL	$\rightarrow$	$c = a + b;$
AL	$\rightarrow$	LOAD a,b ADD a,b STORE c,a
ML	$\rightarrow$	001... --- -

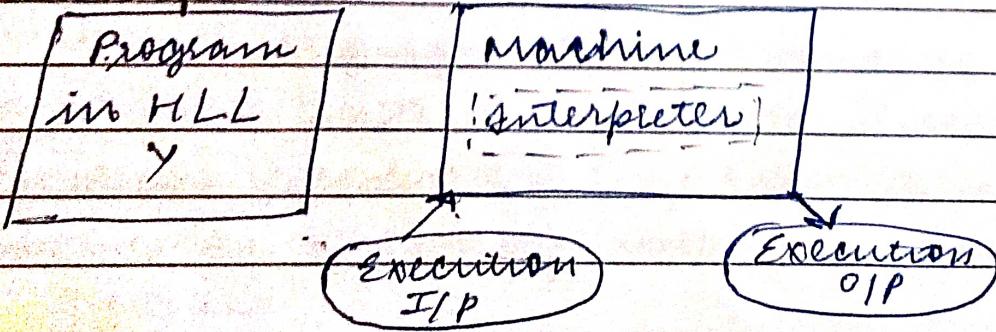
## # Language Translator :-

	Compiler	Assembler	Interpreter
I/P	entire source code in HLL	Assembly instructions machine code	line by line source code in
O/P	produces an executable file of machine code	machine code/ object code	outputs the code directly line by line
Efficiency (Execution speed)	highly efficient because entire program is executed at once	highly efficient	less efficient because it will always cover the program line by line
Errors	All errors are reported at once	limited error checking	errors are reported line by line as they occur.
Debugging	difficult bcoz all errors have to be solved before execution	NIE	easy because errors are solved at the time of their occurrence
Portability	not portable bcoz program needs to be recompiled for diff. platform.	not portable	portable (independent for each platform)
Memory	requires less overhead memory.	least memory usage.	more runtime & memory usage bcoz interpreter is loaded into memory each time.

## ① Compiler →



## ② Interpreter →



## # stages of program execution :-

1. writing / editing → (text editor)

2. compilation / interpretation →

3. linking →

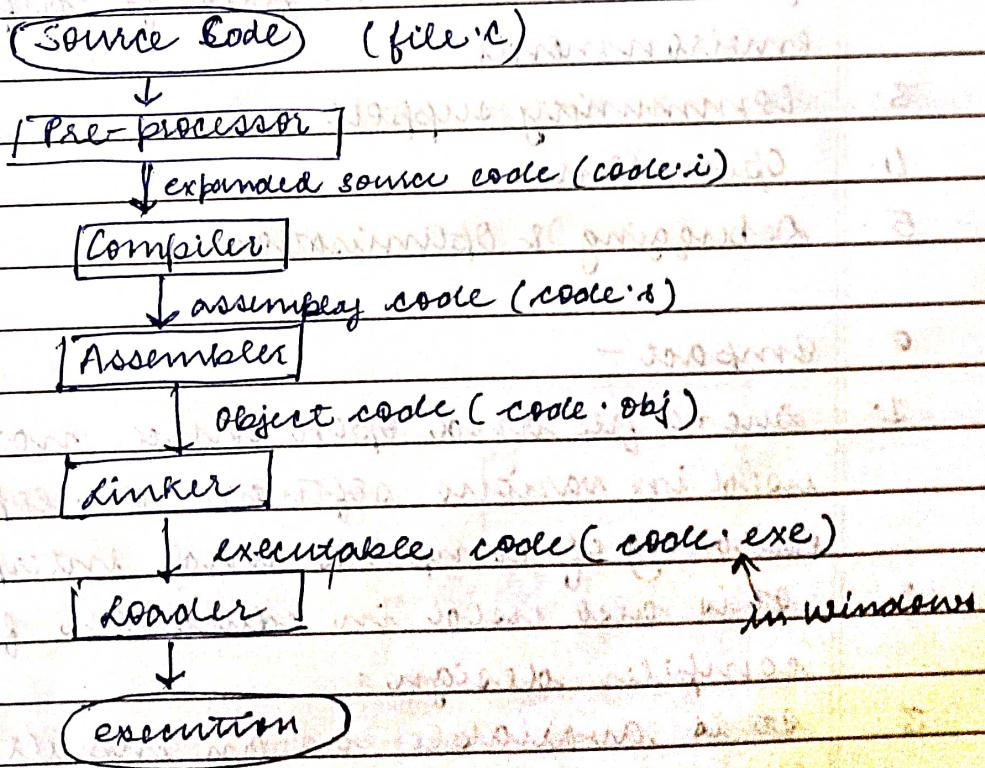
Linking in compiled languages, the object code might need to be linked with external libraries and other files to create a complete executable code. This process of linking is done by compiler itself.

4. loading → (OS)

After the object file is generated, the task of compilation is finished. Now, the OS loads the executable file into memory (RAM). It includes allocation of all the program elements into separate memory locations along with their addressing.

5. Execution :-

### CASE STUDY OF C :-



## # Case study on GCC:-

- o History :- GCC stands for (GNU compiler collection). It is widely used open-source compiler system developed by FSF (Free software Foundation) in early 1980s. Its first official version was released in 1981 (GCC 1).

### o Features :-

1. Language support → It supports C, C++, Ada, FORTRAN etc.
2. Portability (cross-platform) → GCC can target multiple platforms due to its cross compilation property. Developers can write code for one system and generate executable files for different machine environments.
3. Community support
4. Open source
5. Debugging & Optimisation

### o Impact -

1. Due to free and open source nature, GCC is widely used in various software development projects, building of compilers and interpreters.
2. It is also used in education field for teaching compiler design.
3. It is available as an inbuilt compiler on all Linux based operating system.

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Syntax  $\rightarrow$  It is defined as the arrangement of words / elements in a statement of a programming language. It is basically a set of rules concerned with the arrangement of elements and not the meaning of statements.

Characteristics  $\rightarrow$

- 1. Readable
- 2. Writable
- 3. Verifiable
- 4. Translatable
- 5. Unambiguous

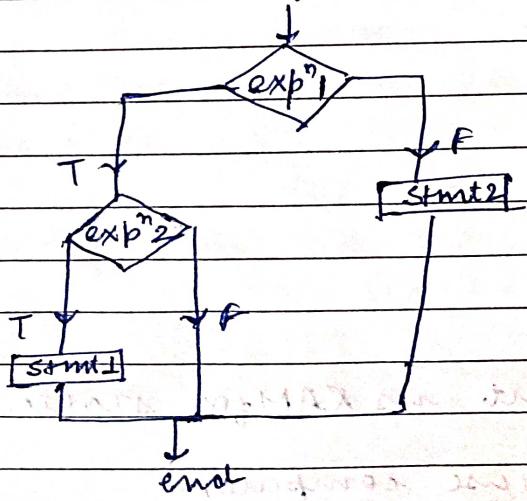
Ex. of unambiguous :-

Pascal or ALGOL

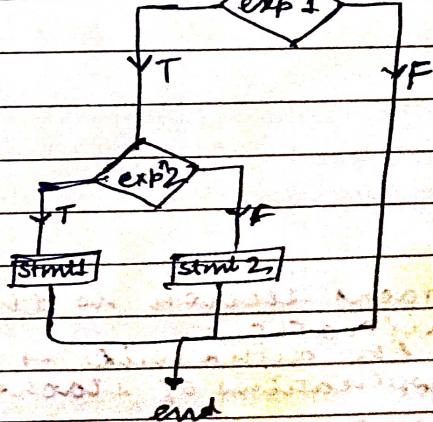
- (i) if expression then statement1 else statement2
- (ii) if expression then statement1 + statmt 2

$\Rightarrow$  if expression then if exp<sup>n</sup>2 then statmt 1 else statmt 2

case I begin



Case II  
begin



## Absolute elements of a programming language

1. Character set (a-z, A-Z, 0-9)
  2. Identifier rules
  3. Operators → < = - (script)
  4. Keywords - if ( ) while ( )  
then  
else
  5. Comments → // # (script)
  6. Delimiters - { }, ( ), [ ], ;
  7. Blank spaces - Ex. Python [C/C++]  
(needed) (not needed)
  8. Free-field & fixed-field formats  
C/C++, Java Assembly lang.
  9. Operations or expressions

# semantics → It refers to the meaning associated with the statements of a language.

→ semantic errors are usually encountered at runtime  
Ex. name collisions, division by 0, type mismatch

# Data Objects →

It represents a location or container for storing data values in memory. whenever a data object is created certain properties or characteristics get associated with it. These properties are called binding.

Ex. name, value, type, location, size, lifetime

variable, constants, literal  
value can't change in the whole program. Ex. # define MAX 30 constant

# Data Type → A class of data objects together with a set of operations for creating and manipulating them.

Also, built-in derived user-defined  
It can be classified as follows:

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graph TD; A[Data Type] --> B[Elementary]; A --> C[Structured]; A --> D[Linear]; A --> E[Non-linear];  
B --> F["containing a single data object"]; C --> G["aggregate of various data objects"]
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Linear Non-linear

## # Specification of elementary data types

1. Attributes → features that distinguish the data object from others like name, type, etc.  
all the attributes in a data object are stored in a descriptor (Dope Vector)  
array of storage area
2. Values → an ordered set of possible values (range) that data type can contain
3. Operations → Operations are mathematical functions with a well-defined domain and range of values.
  - each operation has a signature to specify its rules and descriptions.

Syntax : Operation : arg-type  $\times$  arg-type  $\rightarrow$  result-type  
name

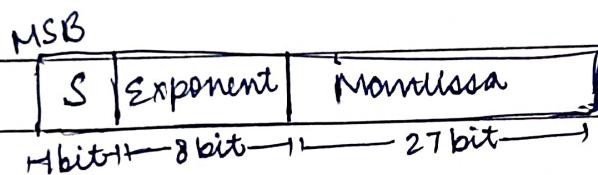
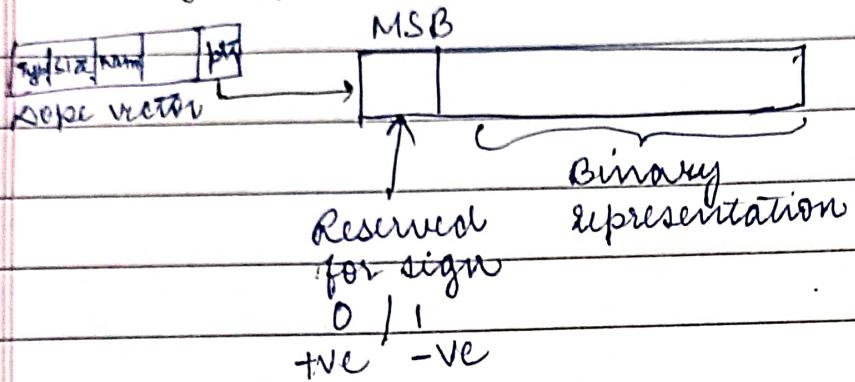
example :  $+ : \text{int} \times \text{int} \rightarrow \text{int}$   
 $= : \text{int} \times \text{int} \rightarrow \text{Boolean}$   
 $\text{SQR} : \text{real} \rightarrow \text{real}$

4. sub-type: If a data type is a part of a larger class then it is declared as its sub-type.  
Ex. in C; long, short, char, all are sub-types of integer.  
In Pascal; the data type small integer is a sub-type of integer with range 1 to 20.

## # Implementation of elementary data types :-

1. Storage representation → All the values contained data objects along with the decoded instructions are represented in strings of binary nos. The representation is strongly influenced by the underline hardware of the machine.

Storage of "integers in memory :-"



2. Operation implementation:-

i) Directly as a hardware operation.

Ex: basic logic gates like AND, OR or NOT are used to perform logical or relational operations, circuits such as half adder, full adder, parallel adder are used to perform basic arithmetic operations.

ii) Implemented as a func" or sub-program.

Ex: complex operations such as square root, multiplication can be implemented by an algo. to be executed on hardware.