Lecture 1: Introduction to Computer Systems

CS 105

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Abstraction



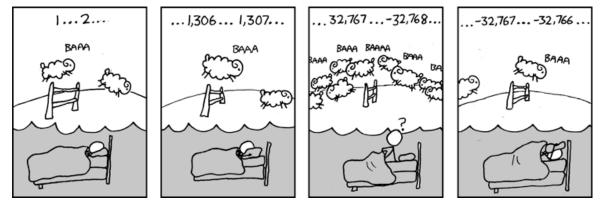






Correctness

- Example 1: Is $x^2 \ge 0$?
 - Floats: Yes!

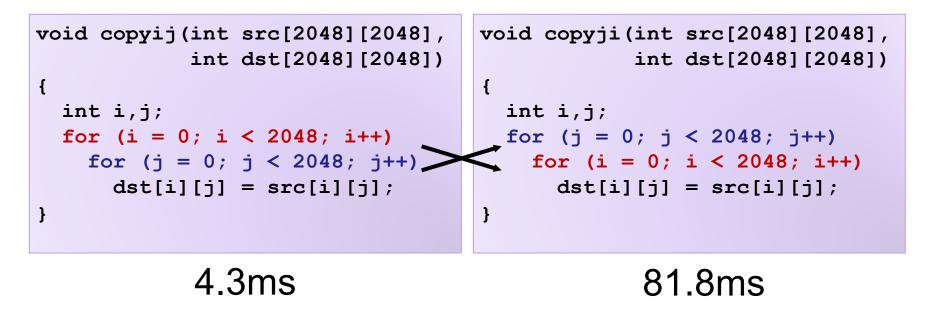


- Ints:
 - 40000 * 40000 → 160000000
 - 50000 * 50000 → ??

• Example 2: Is (x + y) + z = x + (y + z)?

- Ints: Yes!
- Floats:
 - (2³⁰ + -2³⁰) + 3.14 → 3.14
 - 2^30 + (-2^30 + 3.14) → ??

Performance



- Hierarchical memory organization
- Performance depends on access patterns
 - Including how step through multi-dimensional array

Security

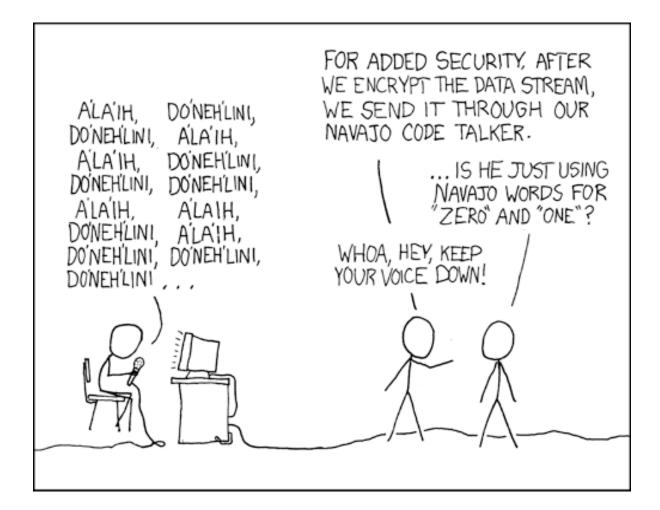
```
void admin_stuff(int authenticated){
    if(authenticated){
        // do admin stuff
    }
}
int dontTryThisAtHome(char * user_input, int size) {
    char data[size];
    int ret = memcpy(*user_input, data);
    return ret;
}
```

Bits

- a bit is a binary digit that can have two possible values
- can be physically represented with a two state device

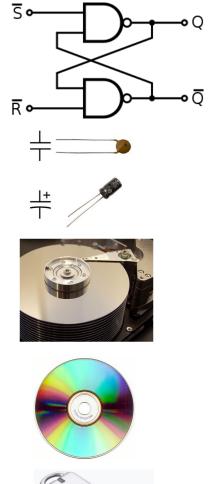


Bits



Storing bits

- Static random access memory (SRAM): stores each bit of data in a flip-flop, a circuit with two stable states
- Dynamic Memory (DRAM): stores each bit of data in a capacitor, which stores energy in an electric field (or not)
- Magnetic Disk: regions of the platter are magnetized with either N-S polarity or S-N polarity
- Optical Disk: stores bits as tiny indentations (pits) or not (lands) that reflect light differently
- Flash Disk: electrons are stored in one of two gates separated by oxide layers





Bytes and Memory

- A byte is a unit of eight bits
- Memory is an array of bytes
- An index into the array is an *address*, *location*, or *pointer*
 - Often expressed in hexadecimal
- We speak of the *value* in memory at an address
 - The value may be a single byte ...
 - ... or a multi-byte quantity starting at that address

Binary Numbers

4211

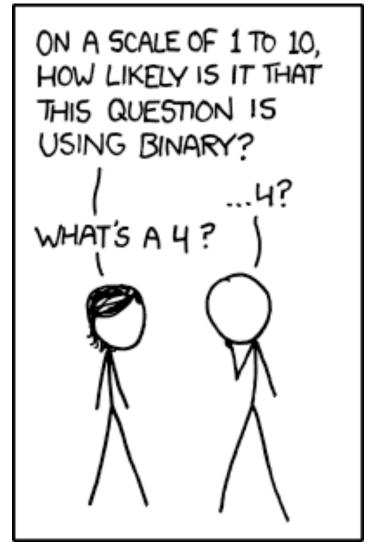
$= 4 \cdot 10^3 + 2 \cdot 10^2 + 1 \cdot 10^1 + 1 \cdot 10^0$ = 4211

1011

 $= 1 \cdot 2^3 + 0 \cdot 2^2 + 1 \cdot 2^1 + 1 \cdot 2^0 \\= 11$



Binary Numbers



Hexidecimal Numbers

- Use digits 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F
- Compute numbers base 16

1011

$$= 1 \cdot 2^{3} + 0 \cdot 2^{2} + 1 \cdot 2^{1} + 1 \cdot 2^{0}$$
$$= 11$$

 $= 1 \cdot 10^3 + 0 \cdot 10^2 + 1 \cdot 10^1 + 1 \cdot 10^0$ = 1011

$$= 1 \cdot 16^3 + 0 \cdot 16^2 + 1 \cdot 16^1 + 1 \cdot 16^0 = 4113$$

one byte is two digits in hex

ASCII characters

Char	Dec	Oct	Hex	Char	Dec	Oct	Hex	Char	Dec	Oct	Hex
(cn)	32	0040	0x20	@	64	0100	0x40		96	0140	0x60
(sp)	32	0040	0x20 0x21	A	65	0100	0x40 0x41	a	90 97	0140	0x60 0x61
	34	0041	0x21	B	66	0101	0x41 0x42	b	98	0141	0x62
#	35	0042	0x22	C	67	0102	0x42 0x43	C	99	0142	0x63
\$	36	0043	0x23	D	68	0103	0x43 0x44	d	100	0143	0x64
%	37	0045	0x25	E	69	0105	0x45	e	100	0145	0x65
&	38	0046	0x26	F	70	0106	0x46	f	101	0146	0x66
ĩ	39	0047	0x27	G	71	0107	0x47	g	102	0147	0x67
(40	0050	0x28	Ĥ	72	0110	0x48	h	100	0150	0x68
)	41	0051	0x29	ï	73	0111	0x40 0x49	ï	105	0151	0x69
*	42	0052	0x2a	J	74	0112	0x4a		106	0152	0x6a
+	43	0053	0x2b	ĸ	75	0113	0x4b	k	107	0153	0x6b
	44	0054	0x2c	Ľ	76	0114	0x4c	ï	108	0154	0x6c
-	45	0055	0x2d	М	77	0115	0x4d	m	109	0155	0x6d
	46	0056	0x2e	Ν	78	0116	0x4e	n	110	0156	0x6e
1	47	0057	0x2f	0	79	0117	0x4f	0	111	0157	0x6f
0	48	0060	0x30	Р	80	0120	0x50	р	112	0160	0x70
1	49	0061	0x31	Q	81	0121	0x51	q	113	0161	0x71
2	50	0062	0x32	Ř	82	0122	0x52	r	114	0162	0x72
3	51	0063	0x33	S	83	0123	0x53	s	115	0163	0x73
4	52	0064	0x34	Т	84	0124	0x54	t	116	0164	0x74
5	53	0065	0x35	U	85	0125	0x55	u	117	0165	0x75
6	54	0066	0x36	V	86	0126	0x56	v	118	0166	0x76
7	55	0067	0x37	W	87	0127	0x57	w	119	0167	0x77
8	56	0070	0x38	Х	88	0130	0x58	х	120	0170	0x78
9	57	0071	0x39	Y	89	0131	0x59	у	121	0171	0x79
:	58	0072	0x3a	Z	90	0132	0x5a	z	122	0172	0x7a
;	59	0073	0x3b	[91	0133	0x5b	{	123	0173	0x7b
<	60	0074	0x3c	Ň	92	0134	0x5c		124	0174	0x7c
=	61	0075	0x3d]	93	0135	0x5d	}	125	0175	0x7d
>	62	0076	0x3e	Λ	94	0136	0x5e	~	126	0176	0x7e
?	63	0077	0x3f	_	95	0137	0x5f				

x86 instructions

Machine code bytes

B8 22 11 00 FF

- 01 CA
- 31 F6
- 53

8B 5C 24 04

- 8D 34 48
- 39 C3

72 EB

C3

```
Assembly
foo:
   movl $0xFF001122, %eax
   addl %ecx, %edx
   xorl %es1, %es1
   pushl %ebx
   movl 4(%esp), %ebx
   leal (%eax,%ecx,2), %exi
   cmpl %eax, %ebx
   jnae foo
   ret1
```

Bits and Bytes Require Interpretation

0000000 00110101 00110000 00110001 (or 0x00353031) might be interpreted as

- The integer 3,485,745₁₀
- A floating point number close to 4.884569 x 10⁻³⁹
- The string "105"
- A portion of an image or video
- An address in memory

Information is Bits + Context

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```
#include<stdio.h>
int main(int argc, char** argv){
   printf("Hello world!\n");
   return 0;
```

}

Example Data Representations

C Data Type	x86-64
char	1
short	2
int	4
long	8
float	4
double	8
pointer	8

Memory Access in C

```
int x; // an integer
int *p; // a pointer to an integer
// normal initialization:
x = 0;
// silly, but illustrative:
p = &x; // & means "address of"
*p = 0; // * means "memory at address"
```

- & and * are inverses of one another
- prefix vs infix operators
- x occupies 4 bytes in memory; p occupies 8

Arrays

- Contiguous block of memory
- Pointer to start, then indexed by element size
 - Indices start at zero
- ary[k] is the same as * (ary+k)
 - Location of ary+k depends on the type of array elements

Arrays and Pointers Combined

int *p[47];

- Array of pointers ... or ... pointer to an array??
- It's an array of **47** pointers
 - p[3] is the fourth pointer in the array p
 - p[3] is the base of an array
 - p[3][6] is the integer at position 6 in the array p[3]

What is printed?

```
int a[100];
int *p[47];
p[3] = a+12;
for (int i = 0; i < 100; i++){
    a[i] = i;
}
printf("%d\n", p[3][4]);
```

Structs

- Heterogeneous records, like objects
- Typical linked list declaration:

```
typedef struct cell {
    int value;
    struct cell *next;
} cell_t;
```

• Usage with pointers:

p->next is an
bbreviation for
(*p).next

Compilation

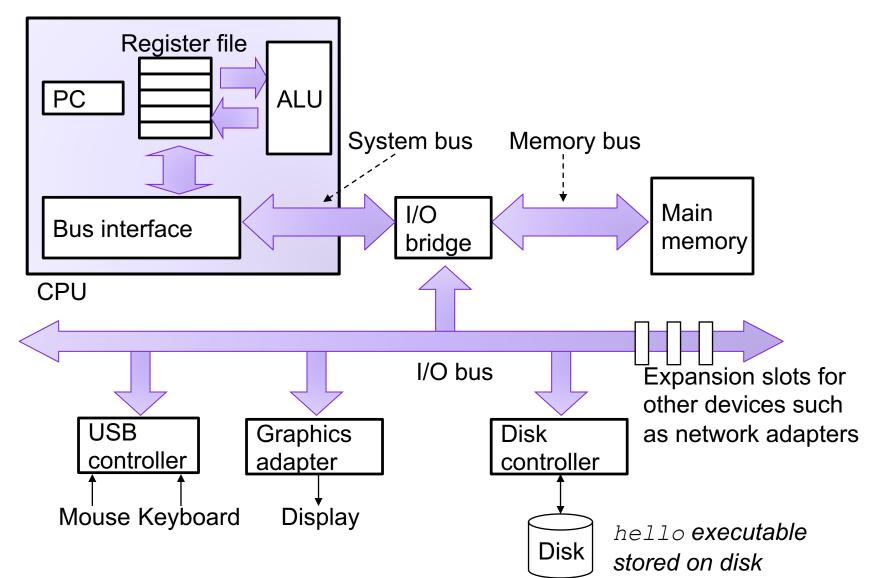
• gcc –o hello hello.c

6		printf.o					
hello.c Source program (text)	hello.i Modified source program (text)	hello.s Assembly program (text)	Assembler hello.o (as) Relocatable object programs (binary)	Linker (ld)	hello Executable object program (binary)		
<pre>#include<stdio.h> int main(int argc,</stdio.h></pre>	<pre> int printf(const cha restrict,)attribute((for(printf, 1, 2)) int main(int argc, char ** arg printf("Hello world!\n") return 0; }</pre>	<pre>subq leag mat_ movl)); movl movq movq movq movq call xorl</pre>	<pre>[%rsp, %rbp [\$32, %rsp [Lstr(%rip), %rax \$0, -4(%rbp) %edi, -8(%rbp) [%rsi, -16(%rbp) [%rax, %rdi \$0, %al</pre>	55 48 89 e5 48 83 ec 2 48 8d 05 2 c7 45 fc 0 89 7d f8 48 89 75 f 48 89 c7 b0 00 e8 00 00 0 31 c9 89 45 ec 89 c8 48 83 c4 2 5d c3	5 00 00 00 0 00 00 00 0 00		

Running a Program

• ./hello

A Computer System



LOGISTICS

Course staff



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The Course in a Nutshell

- Textbook
 - Bryant and O'Halloran, *Computer Systems: A Programmer's Perspective*, third edition, Pearson, 2016 (Recommended)

Classes

Monday and Wednesday, 1:15-2:30 or 2:45-4pm in Edmunds 101

Labs

- Mondays 7-8:15 in Edmunds 229/219
- Start Monday! Be sure to have an account and password

Mentor Session Schedule (Edmunds 227)								
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday		
LAB	7-9pm	7-9pm	7-9pm	2-4pm	2-4pm	2-4pm		

Grading

- Assignments
 - Introduced during labs, Due Fridays at 5pm
 - Tremendous fun, work in pairs
 - 45% of the grade
 - Seven late days
- Midterm exam
 - March 11
 - 20% of the grade each
- Final exam
 - Thursday, May 7 or Tuesday, May 12 or Friday, May 15 (2-5pm)
 - 30% of the grade
- Participation
 - 5% of the grade

Course website

https://www.cs.pomona.edu/classes/cs105

- All information is on the course website
- All course materials get posted on the course website
- Links from the course page:
 - Piazza, for questions and discussion
 - Lab assistants and mentors, schedule
 - Submission site
 - Grading site