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ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Recitations start this week (in Baldy 21)

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Quick overview on the weekend.

Revisit in detail throughout the week.

Do embedded exercises to check your understanding. No set due-date, but keep up so you don't fall behind.

Moving forward, I will generally post readings for the upcoming week by Thursday evening.



Last time

Low-level issues

Today Expressions and objects Memory diagrams

Coming up Class definitions Variables Method calls Object diagrams



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Please turn off and put away electronics:

PROFESSIONALISM

cell phones pagers laptops tablets etc.

REVIEW



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INSTRUCTION DECODING

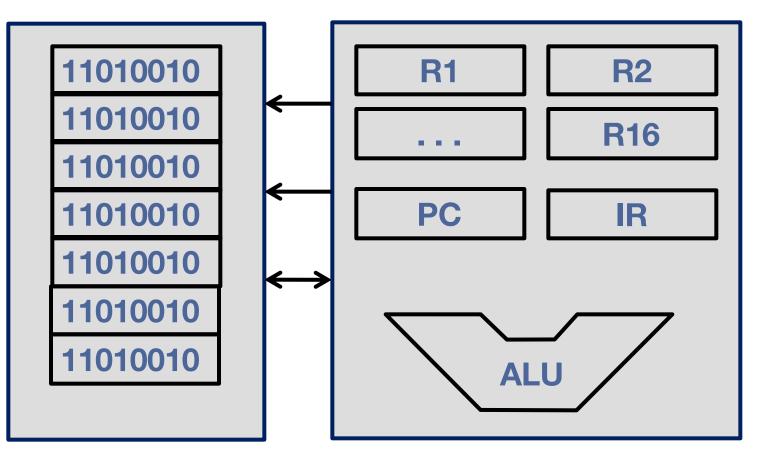
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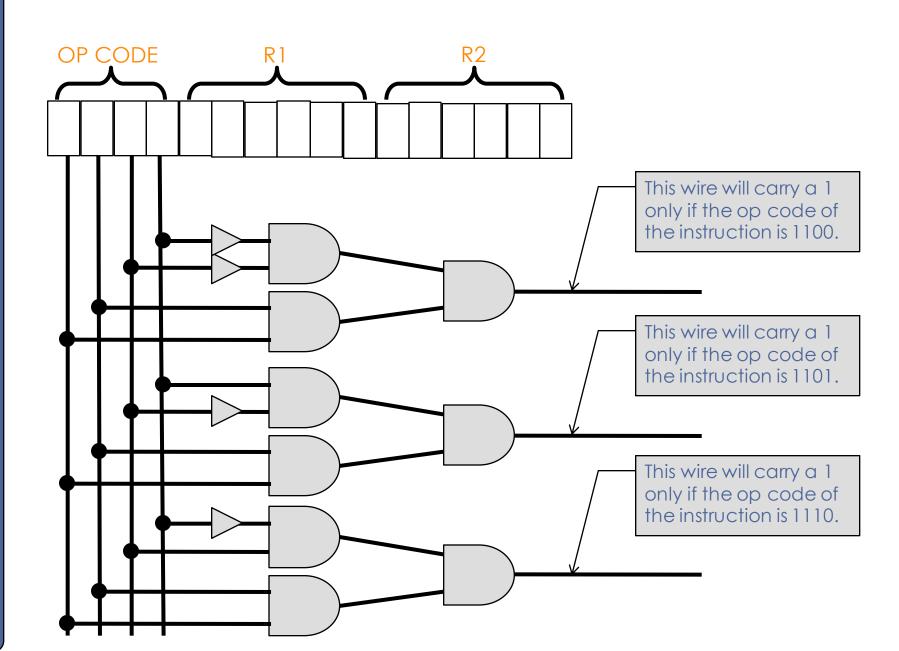
Memory (RAM)

Processor (CPU)





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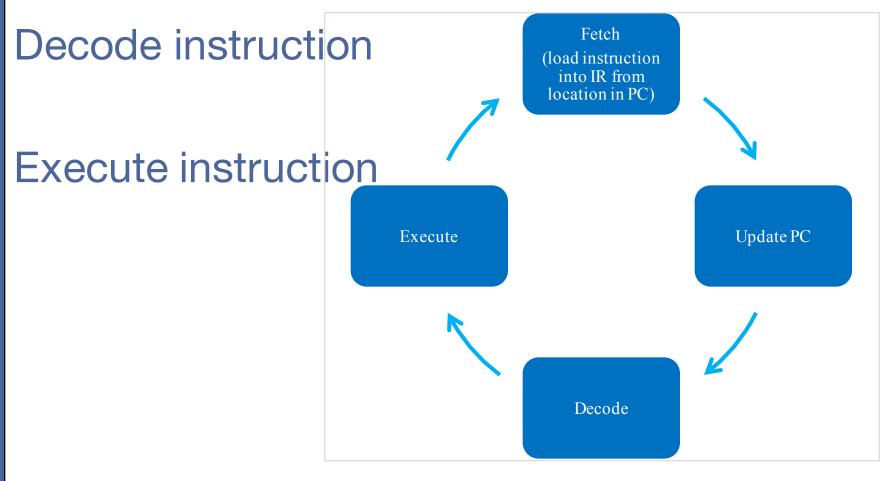
FETCH DECODE EXECUTE

cycle

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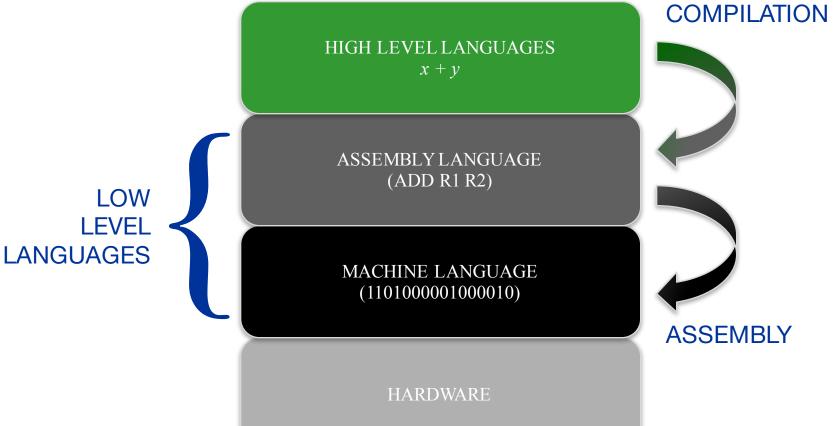
Fetch an instruction (& update PC)





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MOVING ON



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Is every formal language a "programming language"?

In other words, can any formal language be used to solve any computational problem?

No.



What makes a language a programming language? (Böhm-Jacopini theorem, 1966)

Sequencing Selection Repetition



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Sequencing

the language must permit the order of instructions to be specified

Selection

the language must permit different instructions to be executed based on the outcome of a decision

Repetition

the language must permit an instruction to be executed repeatedly, based on the the outcome of a decision



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Computation models

Turing Machine (en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Turing_machine) Lambda calculus (en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lambda_calculus) and others (en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Computable_function)

Examples of high-level programming languages Java C# Erlang Fortran

Prolog

Python

Lisp

ML

Ruby



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Richer syntax than Machine language (bit strings) Assembly language (mnemonic)

Improved readability/writeability

Must be translated (compiled) to machine language



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A modern high-level language

A (relatively) small and simple core language

Java

Object-oriented

Large libraries



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We will return to low-level issues later in the semester, and also in later courses.

This brief low-level discussion gives context for upcoming topics.

Now we turn to some higher-level issues.



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What did you have for breakfast today?





What did you have for breakfast today?

This exercise is due to Dr. Joe Bergin.



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The goal of this short activity is to demonstrate two things:

- 1. objects have state
- 2. objects have identity
- 3. objects have behaviors
- 4. sending a message to an object can trigger one of its behaviors



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OO software systems are systems of interacting objects.

Objects have

properties:

these are things that objects know

e.g. what you had for breakfast

behaviors:

these are things objects do e.g. being able to reply to the question "What did you have for breakfast?"



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new example1.BarnYard()

There are three parts to this expression: new example1.BarnYard ()



evaluating new example1.BarnYard()

produces a value

as a side effect causes an object to be created and initialized



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(part of) memory

07	
08	
09	
10	
11	
12	
13	
14	
15	

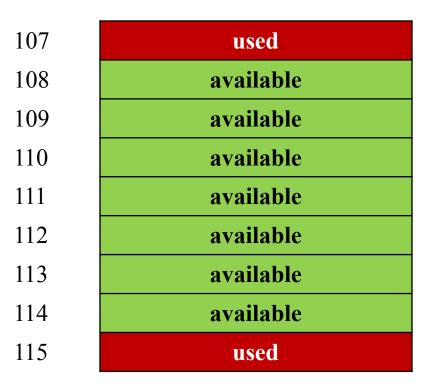
1	07
1	08
1	09
1	10
1	11
1	12
1	13
1	14
1	15

Understanding the side effect

At any given point in time some locations in memory are being actively used to hold information, while others are available for use.

For the sake of this example, let us assume that the memory locations with addresses 107 and 115 are in use, and locations with addressed 108 through 114 are available.

(part of) memory

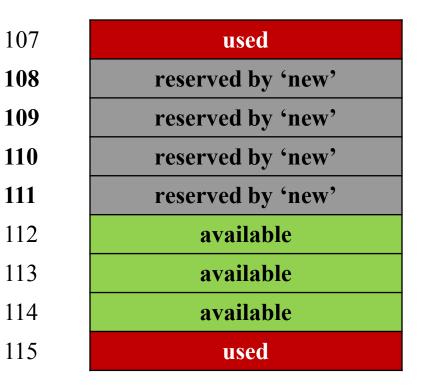


When evaluating an expression like 'new example1.BarnYard()', the operator 'new' first determines the size of the object to be created (let us say it is four bytes for the sake of this example).

107	used
108	available
109	available
110	available
111	available
112	available
113	available
114	available
115	used

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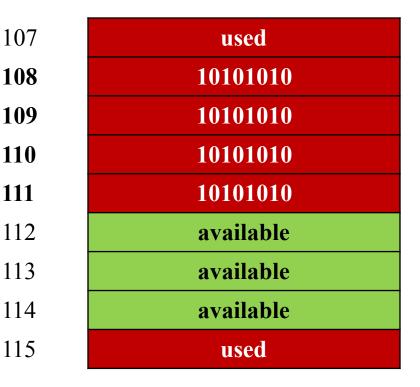
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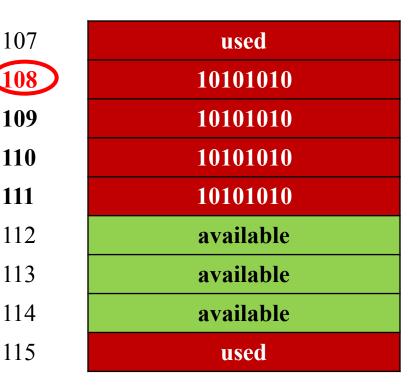


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The **starting address** of the block of memory holding the object's representation is the value of the 'new' expression. This address is called a '*reference*'.





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evaluating new example1.BarnYard()

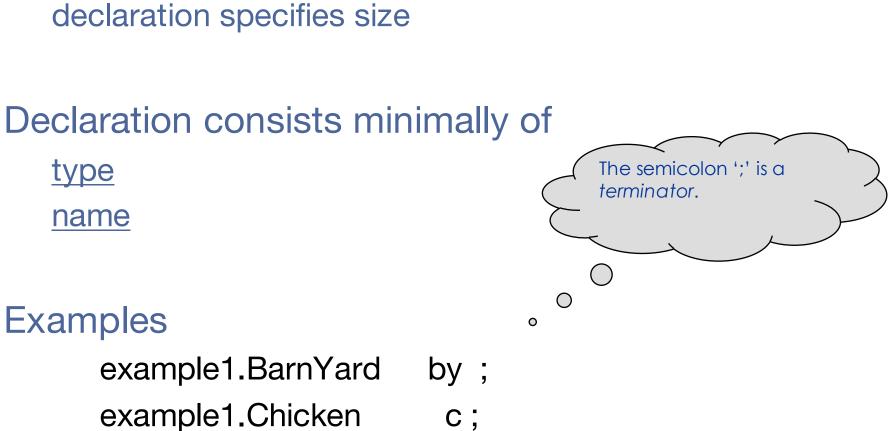
produces *a value* (which we call a reference)

causes a *side effect* (an object is created and initialized)

we can remember a reference value by storing it in <u>a variable</u>



Variables must be declared before use declaration specifies encoding scheme The variable declaration type name Examples







To associate a value with a variable, use an <u>assignment</u> <u>statement</u>:

SYNTAX: <variable> = <expression> ;

'=' is the ASSIGNMENT OPERATOR (it is <u>not</u> 'equals'!)

Example

by = new example1.BarnYard();

"by <u>is assigned</u> the value of the expression 'new example1.BarnYard()' " ...or...

"by <u>is assigned</u> a reference to a new example1.BarnYard() object" ...or...

"by is assigned a reference to a new BarnYard object" (example1 is implied)