

# MACHINE LEVEL REPRESENTATION I

CAS CS 210 Computer Systems  
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CS:APP2e Ch 3.1-3.4

WHAT IS A CPU?  
WHAT IS IT DOING?

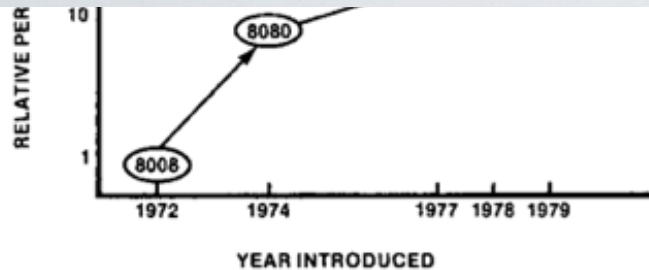


Figure 2-4. Relative Performance of the 8086 and 8088

## 2.2 Processor Architecture

Microprocessors generally execute a program by repeatedly cycling through the steps shown below (this description is somewhat simplified):

1. Fetch the next instruction from memory.
2. Read an operand (if required by the instruction).

2-3

### 8086 AND 8088 CENTRAL PROCESSING UNITS

3. Execute the instruction.
4. Write the result (if required by the instruction).

In previous CPUs, most of these steps have been performed serially, or with only a single bus cycle fetch overlap. The architecture of the 8086 and 8088 CPUs, while performing the same steps, allocates them to two separate processing units within the CPU. The execution unit (EU) executes instructions; the bus interface unit (BIU) fetches instructions, reads operands and writes results.

The two units can operate independently of one another and are able, under most circumstances, to extensively overlap instruction fetch with execution. The result is that, in most cases, the time normally required to fetch instructions “disappears” because the EU executes instructions that have already been fetched by the BIU. Figure 2-5 illustrates this overlap and compares it with traditional microprocessor operation. In the example, overlapping reduces the elapsed time required to execute three instructions, and allows two additional instructions to be prefetched as well.

The processor causes the system to perform the desired operations by reading the first instruction in the program, and performing the very simple task dictated by the specific pattern of bits in this instruction (referred to as "executing" that instruction). It then goes on to the next instruction in the program and executes it. This simple operation of fetching an instruction and executing it is performed over and over, each time on the next instruction in sequence. In this way the program instructs the processor to bring about the desired system operation.

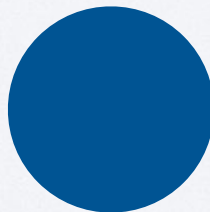
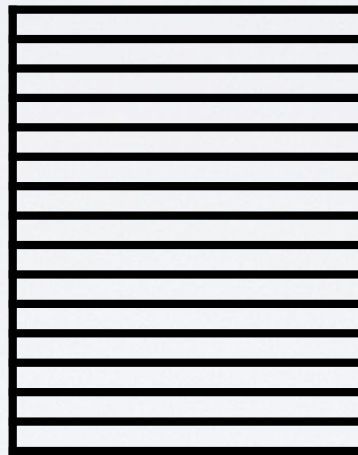
THE STORED PROGRAM  
&  
THE LOOP!

# STORED PROGRAM CONCEPT

PROGRAMS  
(INSTRUCTIONS)

DATA

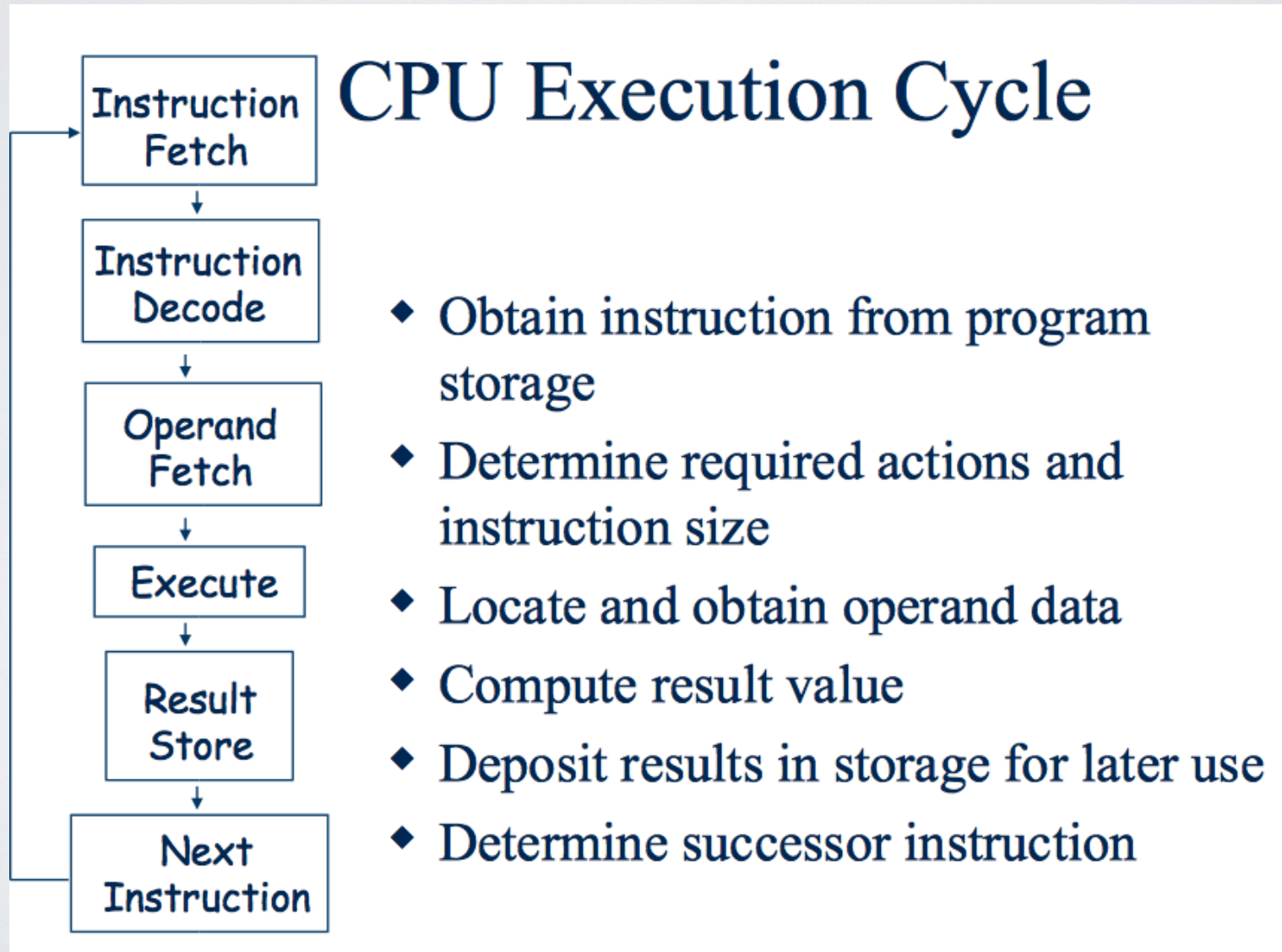
BOTH  
STORED IN  
MEMORY

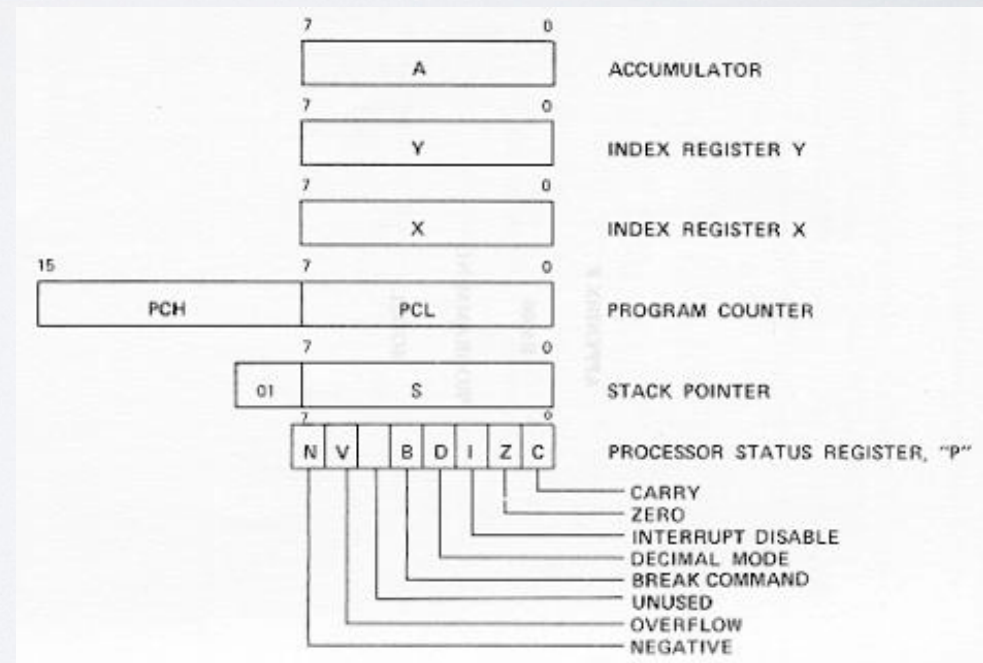
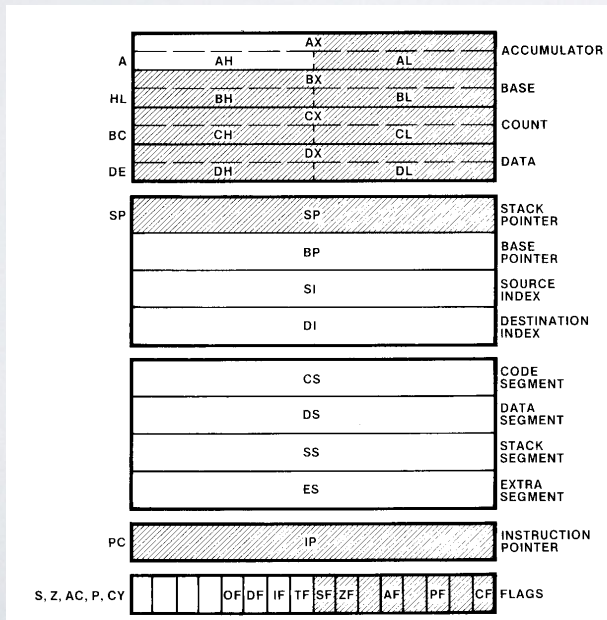
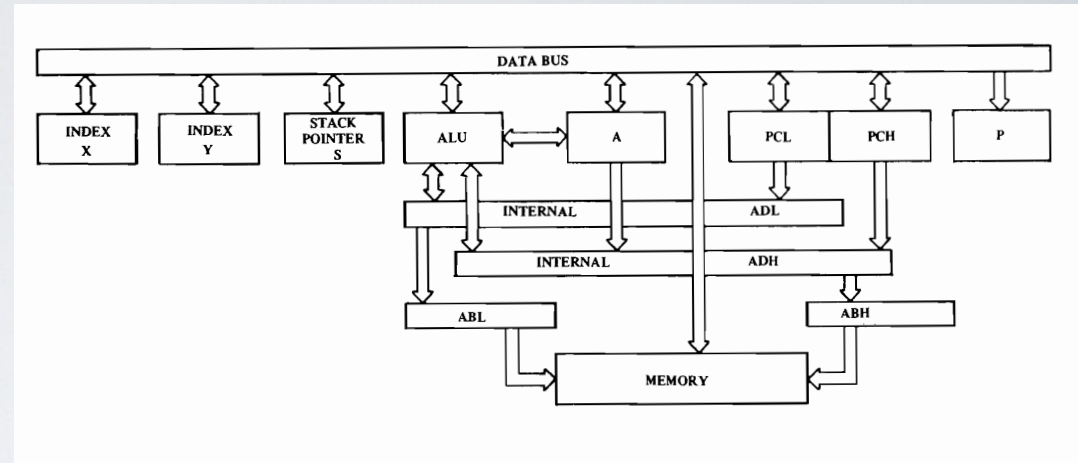
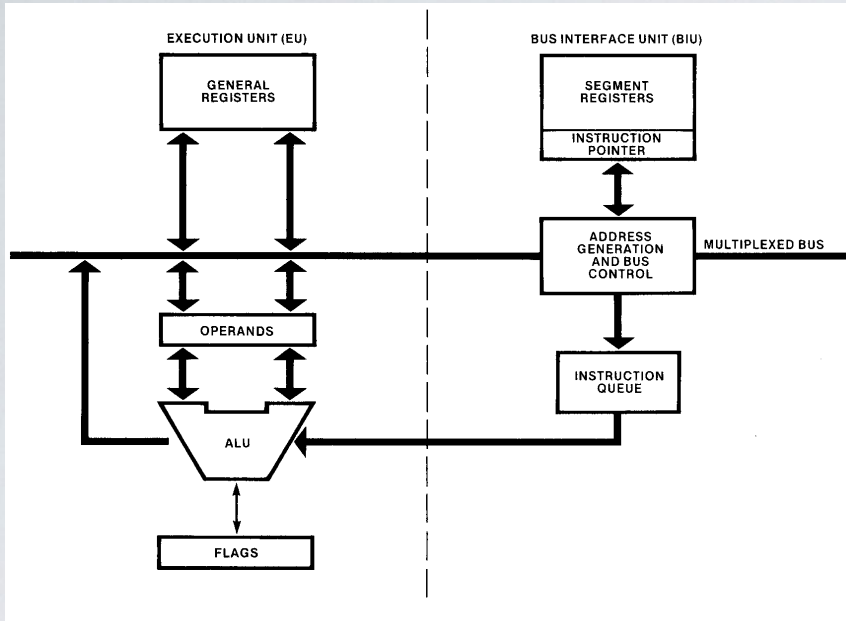


UNIFIED PROCESSING  
MODEL EMBODIED BY  
CPU -- INSTRUCTIONS  
JUST ANOTHER FORM  
OF DATA

# THE LOOP!

## THE HEART OF MACHINE



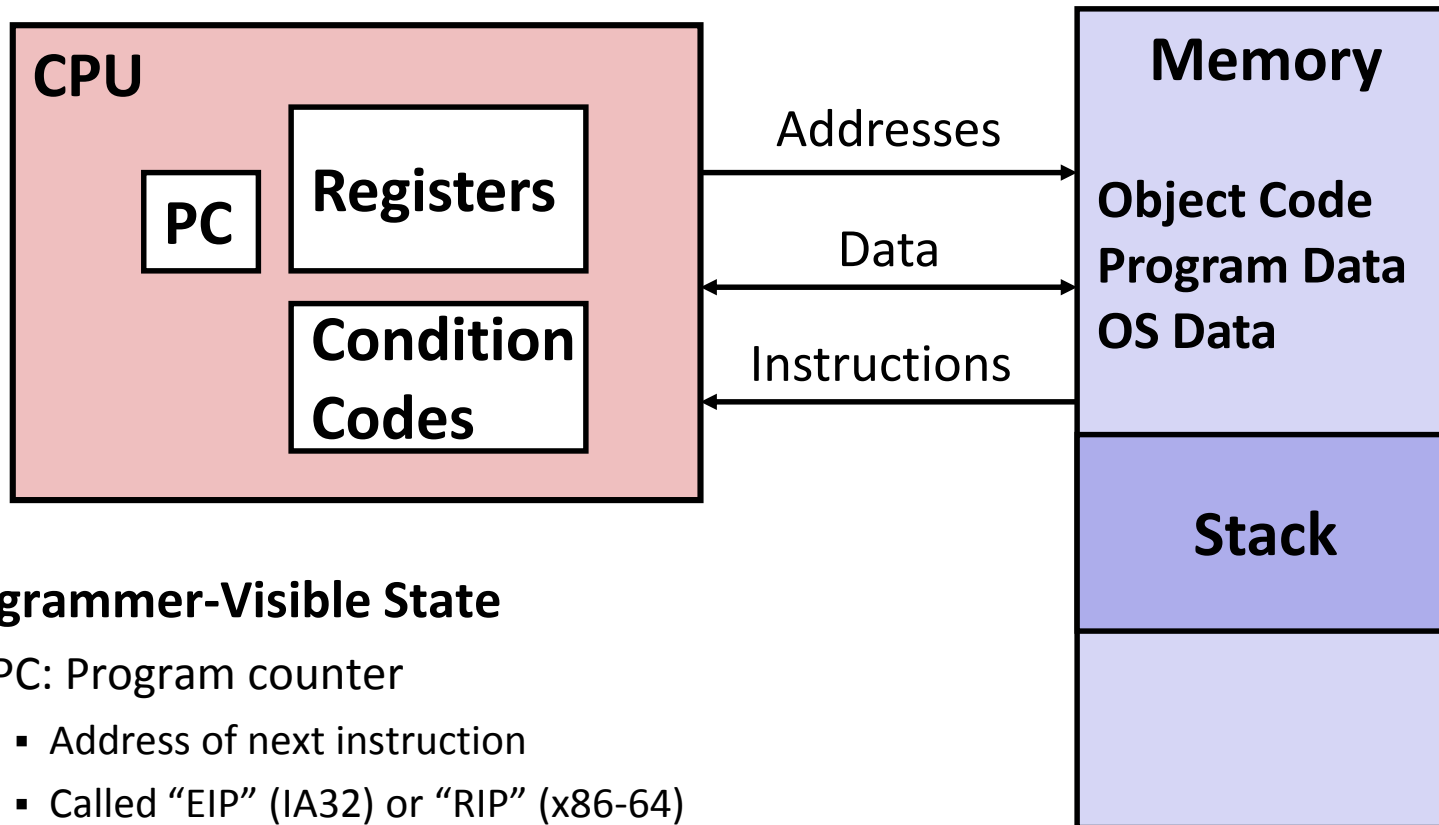




**Table 5-2 W65C02S OpCode Matrix**

MSD	W65C02S OpCode Matrix																MSD
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F	
0	BRK a	ORA (zp,x)			TSB zp •	ORA zp	ASL zp	RMB0 zp •	PHPS	ORA #	ASL A		TSB a •	ORA a	ASL a	BBR0 r •	0
1	BPL r	ORA (zp),y	ORA (zp) *		TRB zp •	ORA zp,x	ASL zp,x	RMB1 zp •	CLC i	ORA a,y	INC A *		TRB a •	ORA a,x	ASL a,x	BBR1 r •	1
2	JSR a	AND (zp,x)			BIT zp	AND zp	ROL zp	RMB2 zp •	PLPS	AND #	ROL A		BIT a	AND a	ROL a	BBR2 r •	2
3	BMI r	AND (zp),y	AND (zp) *		BIT zp,x •	AND zp,x	ROL zp,x	RMB3 zp •	SECI	AND a,y	DECA		BIT a,x *	AND a,x	ROL a,x	BBR3 r •	3
4	RTI s	EOR (zp,x)				EOR zp	LSR zp	RMB4 zp •	PHAS	EOR #	LSR A *		JMP a	EOR a	LSR a	BBR4 r •	4
5	BVC r	EOR (zp),y	EOR (zp) *			EOR zp,x	LSR zp,x	RMB5 zp •	CLCI	EOR a,y	PHYS •			EOR a,x	LSR a,x	BBR5 r •	5
6	RTS s	ADC (zp,x)			STZ zp •	ADC zp	ROR zp	RMB6 zp •	PLAS	ADC #	RORA		JMP (a)	ADC a	ROR a	BBR6 r •	6
7	BVS r	ADC (zp),y	ADC (zp) *		STZ zp,x •	ADC zp,x	ROR zp,x	RMB7 zp •	SEI i	ADC a,y	PLYS •		JMP (a,x) *	ADC a,x	ROR a,x	BBR7 r •	7
8	BRA r •	STA (zp,x)			STY zp	STA zp	STZ zp	SMB0 zp •	DEY i	BIT #	TXAI		STY a •	STA a	STX a	BBS0 r •	8
9	BCC r	STA (zp),y	STA (zp) *		STY zp,x	STA zp,x	STZ zp,y	SMB1 zp •	TYAI	STA a,y	TSXI		STZ a	STA a,x	STZ a,x •	BBS1 r •	9
A	LDY #	LDA (zp,x)	LDX # *		LDY zp	LDA zp	LDX zp	SMB2 zp •	TAY i	LDA #	TAX i		LDY a	LDA a	LDX a	BBS2 r •	A
B	BCS r	LDA (zp),y	LDA (zp) *		LDY zp,x	LDA zp,x	LDX zp,y	SMB3 zp •	CLVI	LDA A,y	TSXI		LDY a,x	LDA a,x	LDX a,x	BBS3 r •	B
C	CPY #	CMP (zp,x)			CPY zp	CMP zp	DEC zp	SMB4 zp •	INY i	CMP #	DEX i	WAI l •	CPY a	CMP a	DEC a	BBS4 r •	C
D	BNE r	CMP (zp),y	CMP (zp) *			CMP zp,x	DEC zp,x	SMB5 zp •	CLDI	CMP a,y	PHXS •	STP l •		CMP a,x	DEC a,x	BBS5 r •	D
E	CPX #	SBC (zp,x)			CPX zp	SBC zp	INC zp	SMB6 zp •	INXI	SBC #	NOP i		CPX a	SBC a	INC a	BBS6 r •	E
F	BEQ r	SBC (zp),y	SBC (zp) *			SBC zp,x	INC zp,x	SMB7 zp •	SEDI	SBC a,y	PLXS •			SBC a,x	INC a,x	BBS7 r •	F
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F	

# Assembly Programmer's View



## ■ Programmer-Visible State

- PC: Program counter
  - Address of next instruction
  - Called "EIP" (IA32) or "RIP" (x86-64)
- Register file
  - Heavily used program data
- Condition codes
  - Store status information about most recent arithmetic operation
  - Used for conditional branching

## ■ Memory

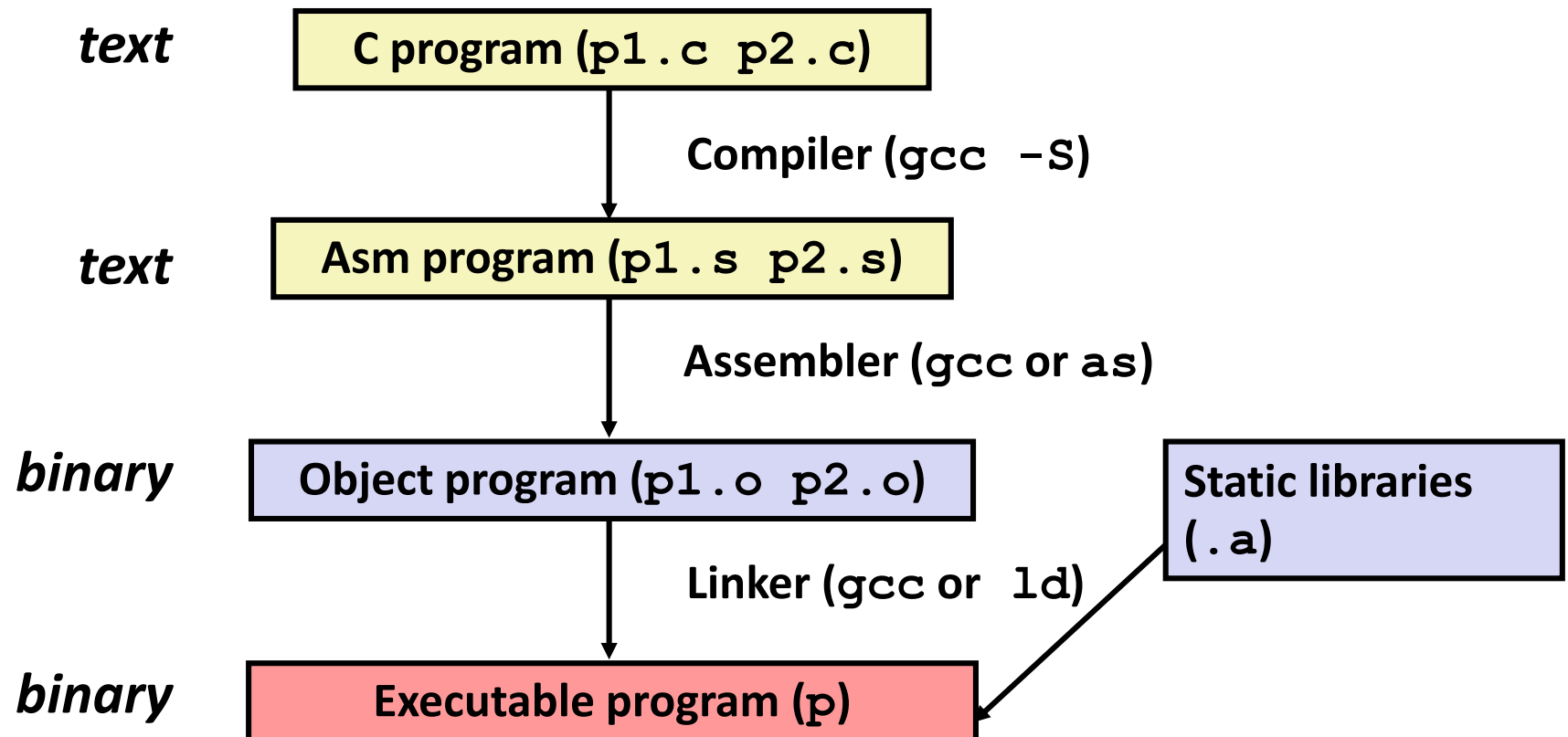
- Byte addressable array
- Code, user data, (some) OS data
- Includes stack used to support procedures

AS PROGRAMMERS WHAT  
HAVE WE BEEN DOING ALL  
THIS TIME?

HAVE WE REALLY BEEN  
PROGRAMMING THE  
COMPUTER?

# Turning C into Object Code

- Code in files `p1.c p2.c`
- Compile with command: `gcc -O p1.c p2.c -o p`
  - Use optimizations (`-O`)
  - Put resulting binary in file `p`



# Compiling Into Assembly

## C Code

```
int sum(int x, int y)
{
    int t = x+y;
    return t;
}
```

## Generated IA32 Assembly

```
sum:
    pushl %ebp
    movl %esp,%ebp
    movl 12(%ebp),%eax
    addl 8(%ebp),%eax
    {
    movl %ebp,%esp
    popl %ebp
    }
    ret
```

Obtain with command

```
gcc -O -S
code.c
```

Produces file code.s

Some compilers use single instruction "leave"

# Assembly Characteristics: Data Types

- **“Integer” data of 1, 2, or 4 bytes**
  - Data values
  - Addresses (untyped pointers)
- **Floating point data of 4, 8, or 10 bytes**
- **No aggregate types such as arrays or structures**
  - Just contiguously allocated bytes in memory

# Assembly Characteristics: Operations

- **Perform arithmetic function on register or memory data**
- **Transfer data between memory and register**
  - Load data from memory into register
  - Store register data into memory
- **Transfer control**
  - Unconditional jumps to/from procedures
  - Conditional branches

# Object Code

## Code for sum

0x401040 <sum>:

0x55

0x89

0xe5

0x8b

0x45

0x0c

0x03

0x45

0x08

0x89

0xec

0x5d

0xc3

- Total of 13 bytes
- Each instruction 1, 2, or 3 bytes
- Starts at address 0x401040

## ■ Assembler

- Translates `.s` into `.o`
- Binary encoding of each instruction
- Nearly-complete image of executable code
- Missing linkages between code in different files

## ■ Linker

- Resolves references between files
- Combines with static run-time libraries
  - E.g., code for `malloc`, `printf`
- Some libraries are *dynamically linked*
  - Linking occurs when program begins execution



# Machine Instruction Example

```
int t = x+y;
```

```
addl 8(%ebp),%eax
```

Similar to expression:

```
x += y
```

More precisely:

```
int eax;  
int *ebp;  
eax += ebp[2]
```

```
0x401046:    03 45 08
```

## ■ C Code

- Add two signed integers

## ■ Assembly

- Add 2 4-byte integers
  - “Long” words in GCC parlance
  - Same instruction whether signed or unsigned

## ■ Operands:

**x:** Register      **%eax**

**y:** Memory      **M[%ebp+8]**

**t:** Register      **%eax**

– Return function value in **%eax**

## ■ Object Code

- 3-byte instruction
- Stored at address **0x401046**

# Disassembling Object Code

## Disassembled

```
00401040 <_sum>:
  0:      55          push   %ebp
  1:      89 e5       mov    %esp, %ebp
  3:      8b 45 0c    mov    0xc(%ebp), %eax
  6:      03 45 08    add   0x8(%ebp), %eax
  9:      89 ec       mov    %ebp, %esp
  b:      5d          pop    %ebp
  c:      c3          ret
  d:      8d 76 00   lea   0x0(%esi), %esi
```

## ■ Disassembler

`objdump -d p`

- Useful tool for examining object code
- Analyzes bit pattern of series of instructions
- Produces approximate rendition of assembly code
- Can be run on either a `.out` (complete executable) or `.o` file

# Alternate Disassembly

## Object

```
0x401040:  
  0x55  
  0x89  
  0xe5  
  0x8b  
  0x45  
  0x0c  
  0x03  
  0x45  
  0x08  
  0x89  
  0xec  
  0x5d  
  0xc3
```

## Disassembled

```
0x401040 <sum>:      push    %ebp  
0x401041 <sum+1>:      mov     %esp, %ebp  
0x401043 <sum+3>:      mov     0xc(%ebp), %eax  
0x401046 <sum+6>:      add     0x8(%ebp), %eax  
0x401049 <sum+9>:      mov     %ebp, %esp  
0x40104b <sum+11>:     pop     %ebp  
0x40104c <sum+12>:     ret  
0x40104d <sum+13>:     lea    0x0(%esi), %esi
```

### ■ Within gdb Debugger

```
gdb p
```

```
disassemble sum
```

- Disassemble procedure

```
x/13b sum
```

- Examine the 13 bytes starting at `sum`

# What Can be Disassembled?

```
% objdump -d WINWORD.EXE
```

```
WINWORD.EXE:      file format pei-i386
```

```
No symbols in "WINWORD.EXE".
```

```
Disassembly of section .text:
```

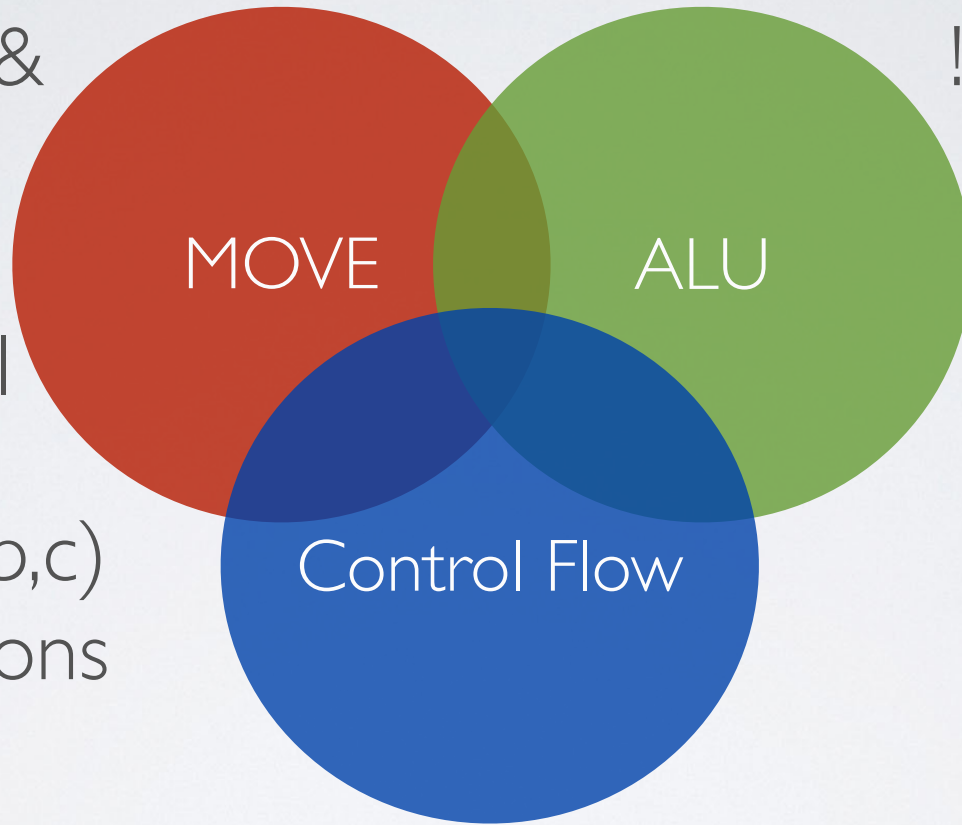
```
30001000 <.text>:
```

```
30001000:  55                push   %ebp
30001001:  8b ec            mov    %esp,%ebp
30001003:  6a ff            push  $0xffffffff
30001005:  68 90 10 00 30   push  $0x30001090
3000100a:  68 91 dc 4c 30   push  $0x304cdc91
```

- Anything that can be interpreted as executable code
- Disassembler examines bytes and reconstructs assembly source

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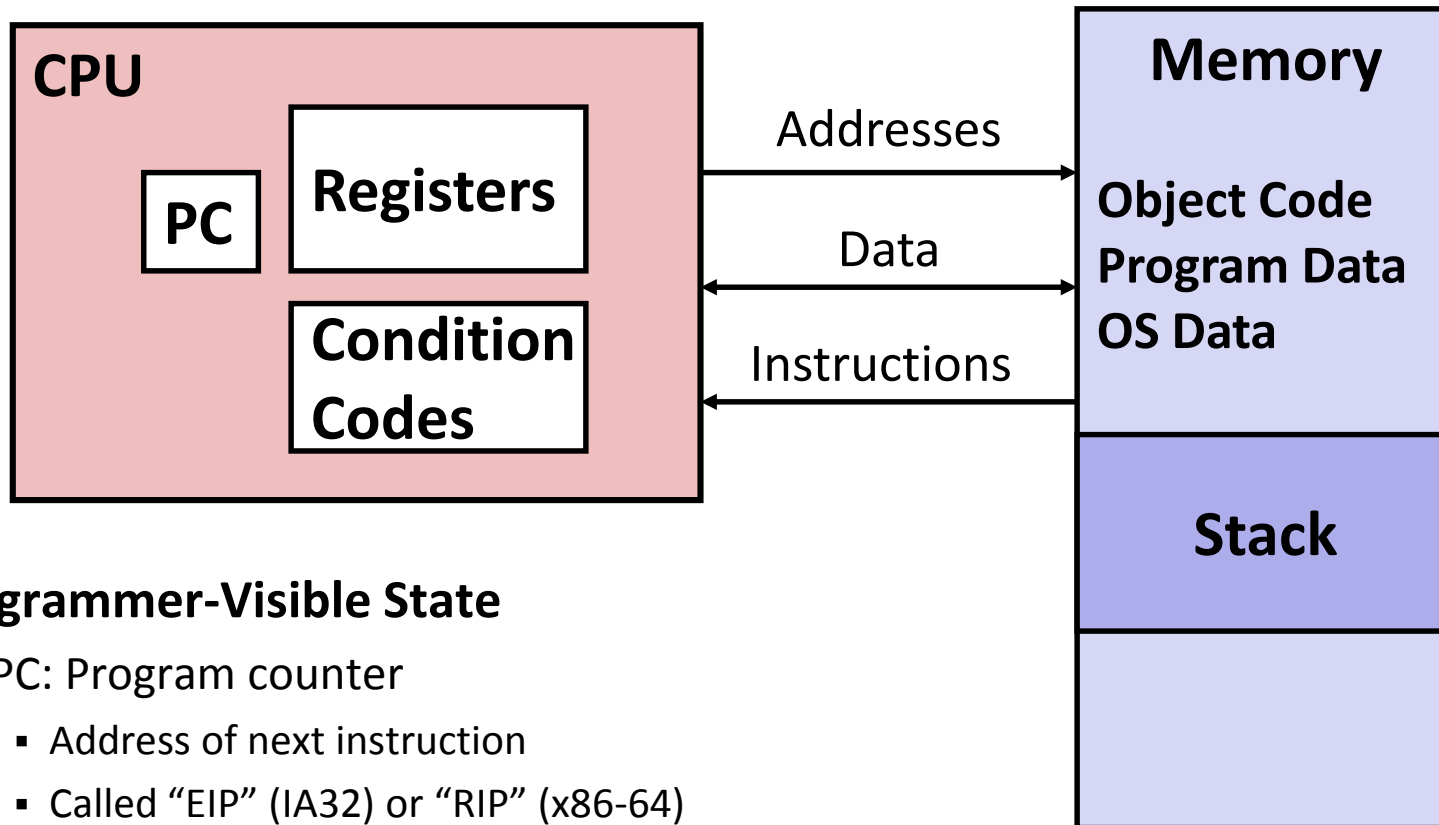
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global vs local  
variables  
foo(a,b,c)  
Functions

if;then;else  
for, while, goto

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