

Chapter 6

Assembler

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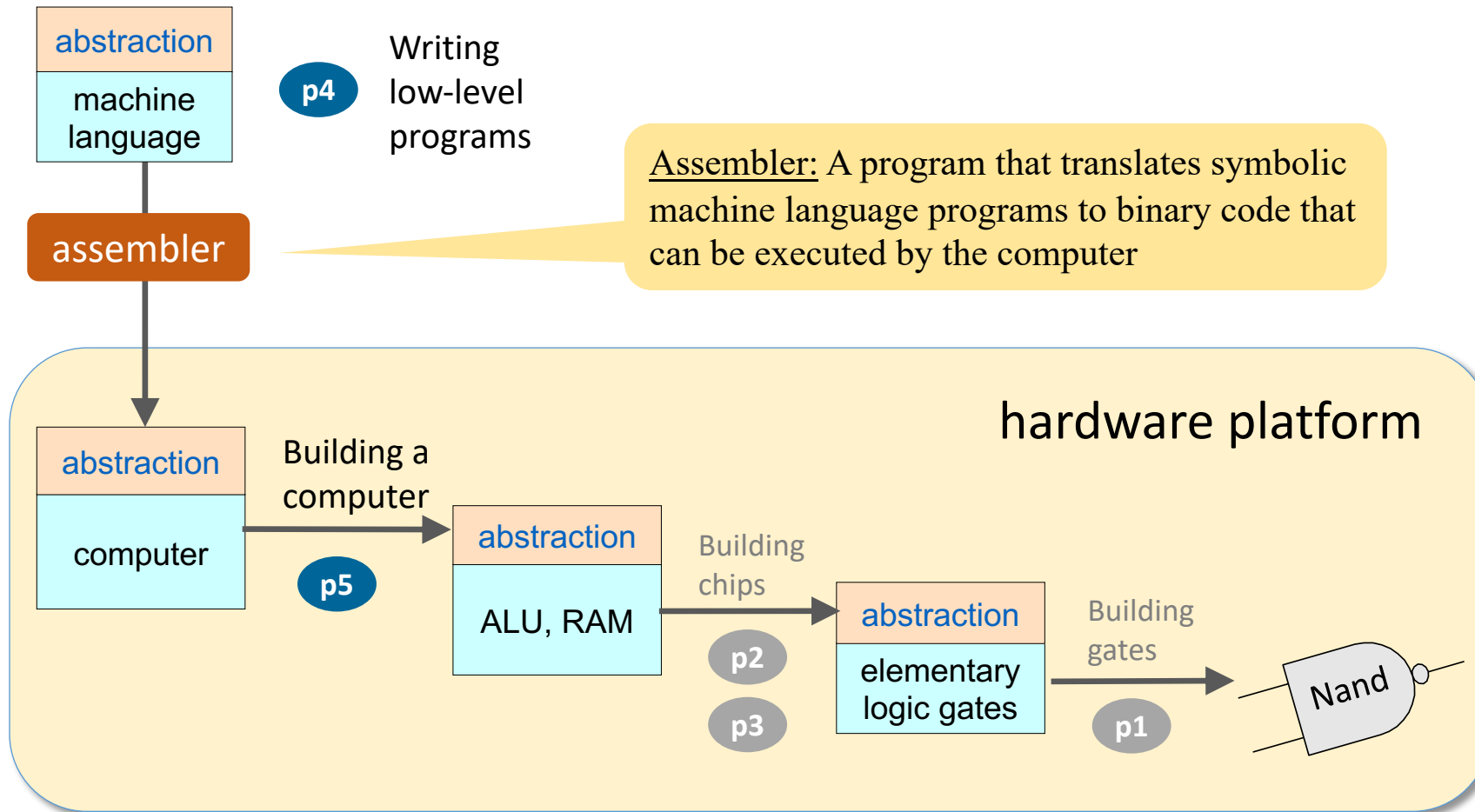
The Elements of Computing Systems

(1st and 2nd editions)

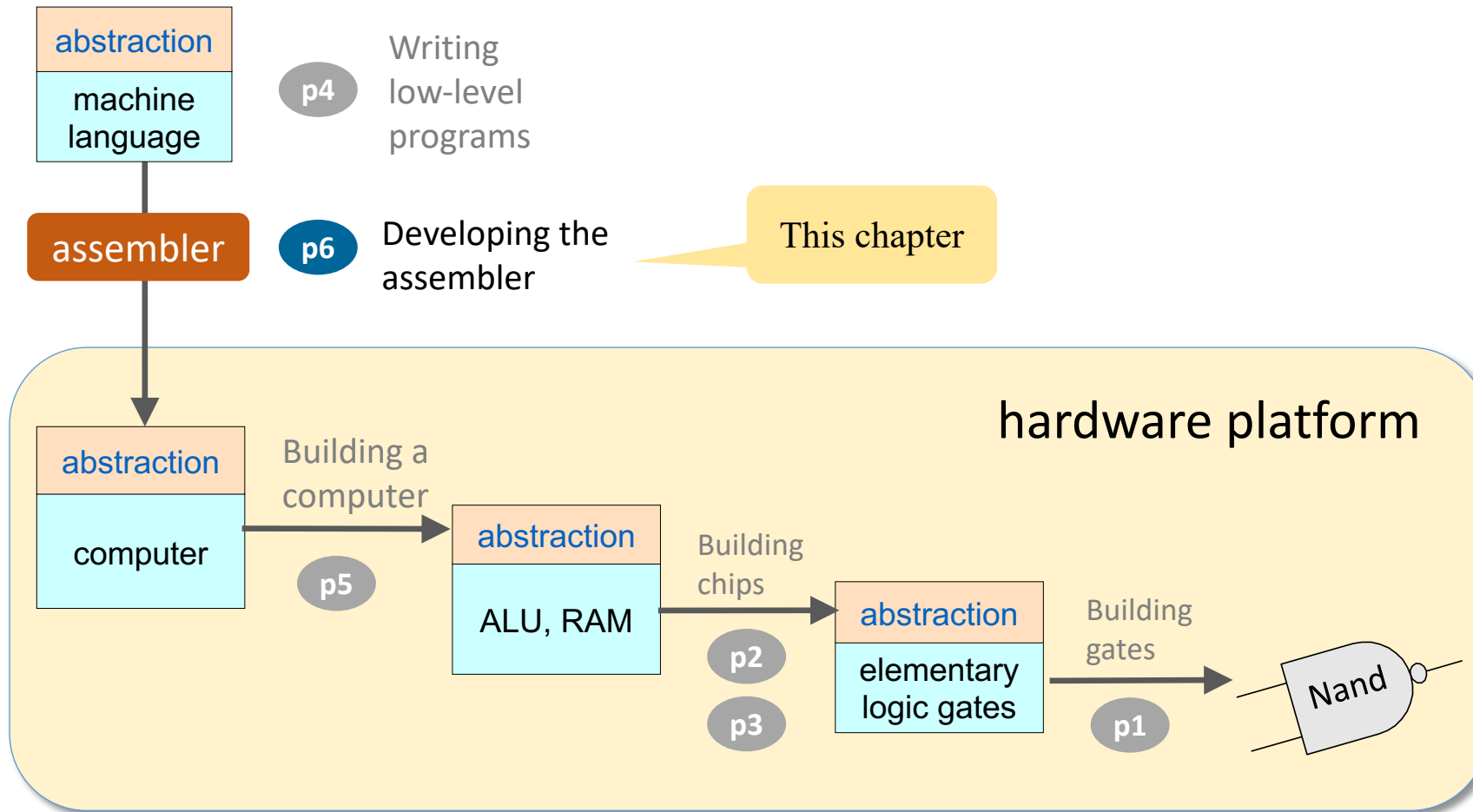
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The assembler

Symbolic low-level program

```
// Program: Sum1ToN (R0 represents N)
// Computes R1 = 1 + 2 + 3 + ... + R0
// Usage: put a value >= 1 in R0
// i = 1
@i
M=1
// sum = 0
@sum
M=0
(LLOOP)
// if(i > R0) goto STOP
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D=M
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// goto LOOP
@LOOP
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...
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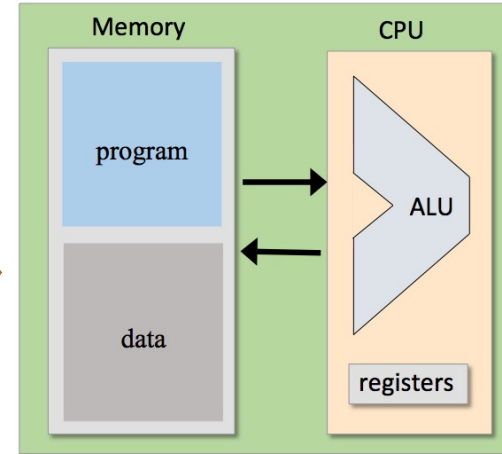
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Binary code

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1100000010101010
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...
```

load and execute

Computer



Why write an assembler?

- Because it is the “linchpin” that connects the hardware platform and the software hierarchy that sits on top of it
- Because it provides a simple example of key software engineering techniques (parsing, code generation, symbol tables, ...)

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Translating A-instructions

Symbolic syntax:

@xxx

translate

Binary syntax:

0vvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvv

Where xxx is a non-negative decimal value, or a symbol bound to such a value

Where:

0 is the A-instruction op-code, and
vvv ... v is the value in binary

Example:

@17

becomes

00000000000010001

Implementation

Simple: Translate the decimal value into its 16-bit representation.

Translating C-instructions

Symbolic syntax: $dest = comp ; jump$

Binary syntax: $1\ 1\ 1\ a\ c\ c\ c\ c\ c\ c\ d\ d\ d\ j\ j\ j$

<i>comp</i>		<i>c</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>c</i>
0		1	0	1	0	1	0
1		1	1	1	1	1	1
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0
D		0	0	1	1	0	0
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0
D A	D M	0	1	0	1	0	1

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

<i>dest</i>	<i>d</i>	<i>d</i>	<i>d</i>	effect: the value is stored in:
null	0	0	0	the value is not stored
M	0	0	1	RAM[A]
D	0	1	0	D register
DM	0	1	1	D register and RAM[A]
A	1	0	0	A register
AM	1	0	1	A register and RAM[A]
AD	1	1	0	A register and D register
ADM	1	1	1	A register, D register, and RAM[A]

<i>jump</i>	<i>j</i>	<i>j</i>	<i>j</i>	effect:
null	0	0	0	no jump
JGT	0	0	1	if $comp > 0$ jump
JEQ	0	1	0	if $comp = 0$ jump
JGE	0	1	1	if $comp \geq 0$ jump
JLT	1	0	0	if $comp < 0$ jump
JNE	1	0	1	if $comp \neq 0$ jump
JLE	1	1	0	if $comp \leq 0$ jump
JMP	1	1	1	Unconditional jump

Implementation: Simple: Translate each field of the symbolic instruction ($dest$, $comp$, $jump$) into its binary code, and assemble the codes into a 16-bit instruction.

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Binary:

Example: $D = D+1 ; JLE$



1110011111010110

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Example: $A = -1$



Binary:

1110111010100000

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Program translation

Symbolic code

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// sum = 0
@sum
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(LOOP)
// if i>R0 goto STOP
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D=D-M
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D;JGT
// sum += i
@i
D=M
@sum
M=D+M
// i++
@i
M=M+1
@LOOP
0;JMP
(STOP)
@sum
D=M
...
```



Translate

Need to handle:

- White space
- Instructions
- Symbols

We'll start with programs
that have no symbols,
and handle symbols later

Binary code

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no symbols

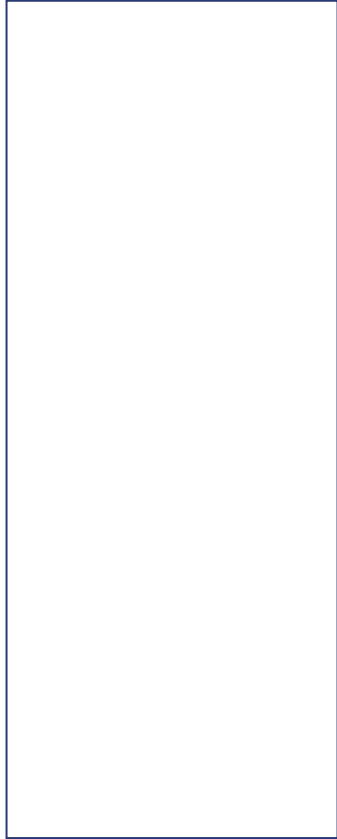


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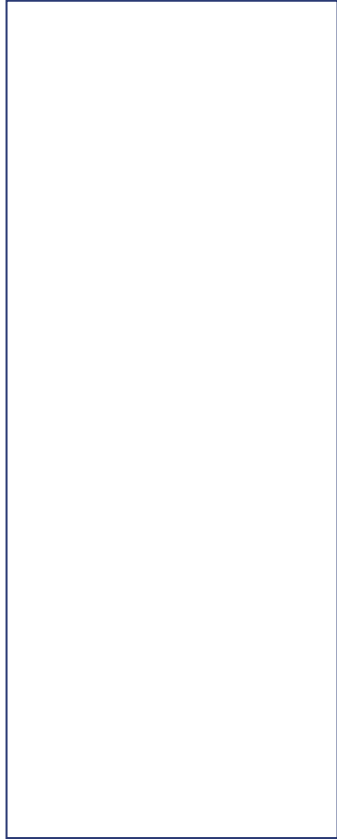


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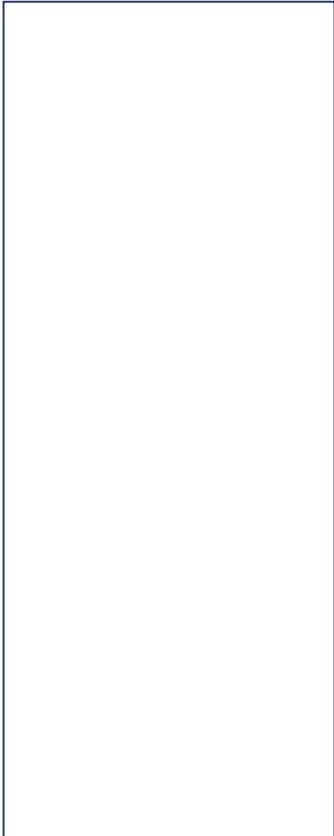
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Ignore it

White space:

- Empty lines,
- Comments,
- Indentation

Binary code



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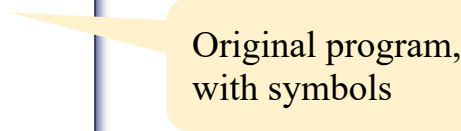
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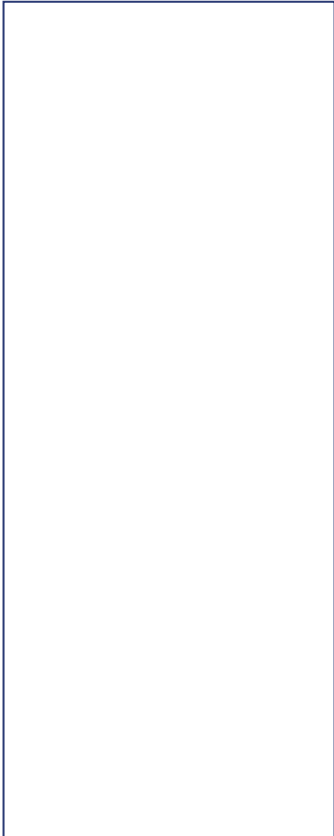
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Handling symbols

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23 predefined symbols:

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

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Translating @preDefinedSymbol :

Replace *preDefinedSymbol* with its *value*

Example: @R15  00000000000001111

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@sum
D=M
...
```

Symbols

- Predefined symbols
- Label symbols
- Variable symbols

This particular program uses two label symbols: LOOP, STOP

Handling symbols

Symbolic code

```
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@i
M=1
// sum = 0
@sum
M=0
(LLOOP)
// if i>R0 goto STOP
@i
D=M
@R0
D=D-M
@STOP
D;JGT
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@i
D=M
@sum
M=D+M
// i++
@i
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2  @sum
3  M=0
  (LOOP)
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4  @i
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6  @R0
7  D=D-M
8  @STOP
9  D;JGT
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12 @sum
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<u>symbol</u>	<u>value</u>
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STOP	18

Translating @labelSymbol :

Replace *labelSymbol* with its *value*

Example: @LOOP → 000000000000000100

Handling symbols

Symbolic code

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Handling symbols

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This particular program uses two variable symbols: i, sum

Handling symbols

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Variable symbols

- Any symbol *xxx* which is neither predefined, nor defined elsewhere using an (*xxx*) label declaration, is treated as a *variable*
- Each variable is bound to a running memory address, starting at 16

Example:

<u>symbol</u>	<u>value</u>
i	16
sum	17

This particular program uses two variable symbols: i, sum

Handling symbols

Symbolic code

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i	16
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Translating *@variableSymbol* :

- If *variableSymbol* is seen for the first time, bind to it a *value*, from 16 onward
Else, it has a *value*
- Replace *variableSymbol* with its *value*.

Example: *@sum*  00000000000010001

Handling symbols

Symbolic code

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...
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Symbol table

<i>symbol</i>	<i>value</i>
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R1	1
R2	2
...	...
R15	15
SCREEN	16384
KBD	24576
SP	0
LCL	1
ARG	2
THIS	3
THAT	4
LOOP	4
STOP	18
i	16
sum	17

A data structure that the assembler creates and uses during the program translation

Contains the predefined symbols, label symbols, variable symbols, And their bindings.

Handling symbols

Symbolic code

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Initialization:

Creates the table and adds all the predefined symbols

Handling symbols

Symbolic code

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2  @i
3  M=1
4  // sum = 0
5  @sum
6  M=0
7  (LOOP)
8  // if i>R0 goto STOP
9  @i
10 D=M
11 D=D-M
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A data structure that the assembler creates and uses during the program translation

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First pass: Counts lines and adds the label symbols

Handling symbols

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A data structure that the assembler creates and uses during the program translation

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First pass: Counts lines and adds the label symbols

Second pass: Generates binary code; In the process, adds the variable symbols

(details, soon)

Translating programs

Symbolic code

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```



Translate

Need to handle:

- ✓ White space
- ✓ Instructions
- ✓ Symbols

Binary code

```
0000000000010000
1110111111001000
0000000000010001
1110101010001000
0000000000010000
1111110000010000
0000000000000000
1111010011010000
0000000000010010
1110001100000001
0000000000010000
1111110000010000
0000000000010001
1111000010001000
0000000000010000
1111101111001000
0000000000000100
1110101010000111
0000000000010001
1111110000010000
...
```

Chapter 6: Assembler

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Assembler: Usage

Input (*Prog.asm*): a text file containing a sequence of lines, each being a comment, an A instruction, or a C-instruction

Output (*Prog.hack*): a text file containing a sequence of lines, each being a string of sixteen 0 and 1 characters

```
// Computes R1=1 + ... + R0
// i = 1
@i
M=1
// sum = 0
@sum
M=0
(LOOP)
// if i>R0 goto STOP
@i
D=M
@R0
D=D-M
...
```

Assembler

```
0000000000010000
1110111111001000
0000000000010001
1110101010001000
0000000000010000
1111110000010000
0000000000000000
1111010011010000
0000000000010010
1110001100000001
0000000000010000
1111110000010000
0000000000010001
...
```

Usage: (if the assembler is implemented in Java)

```
$ java HackAssembler Prog.asm
```

Action: Creates a *Prog.hack* file, containing the translated Hack program

Assembler: Algorithm

Initialize:

Opens the input file (*Prog.asm*),
and gets ready to process it
Constructs a symbol table,
and adds to it all the predefined symbols

First pass:

Reads the program lines, one by one,
focusing only on (*label*) declarations.
Adds the found labels to the symbol table

Second pass (main loop):

(starts again from the beginning of the file)

While there are more lines to process:

Gets the next instruction, and parses it

If the instruction is *@symbol*

 If *symbol* is not in the symbol table, adds it

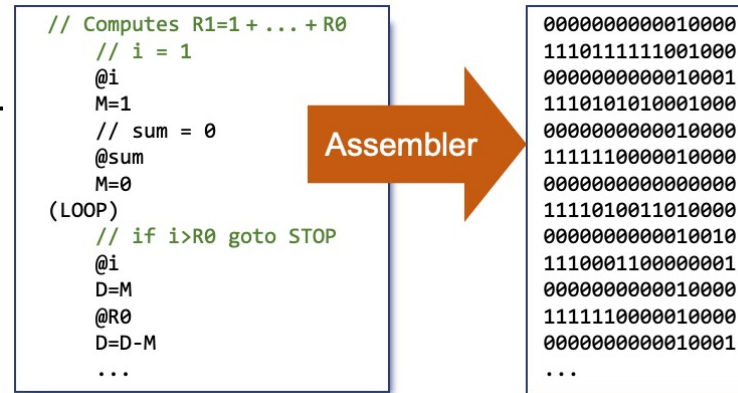
 Translates the *symbol* to its binary value

If the instruction is *dest = comp ; jump*

 Translates each of the three fields into its binary value

Assembles the binary values into a string of sixteen 0's and 1's

Writes the string to the output file.

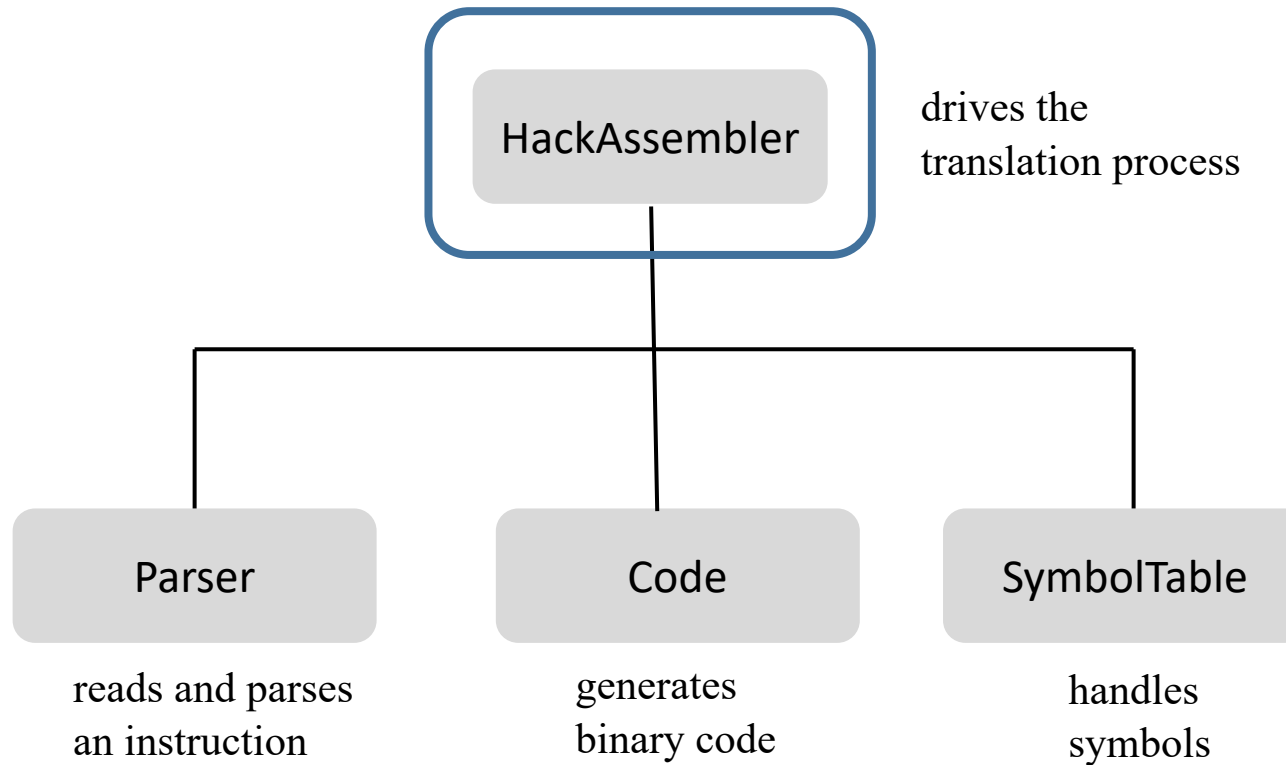


Assembler implementation options

- Manual

➡ Program-based

Assembler: Architecture



Proposed architecture

- Four software modules
- Can be realized in any programming language

HackAssembler

Initialize:

Opens the input file (*Prog.asm*) and gets ready to process it

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focusing only on (*label*) declarations.

Adds the found labels to the symbol table

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 Translates the *symbol* into its binary value

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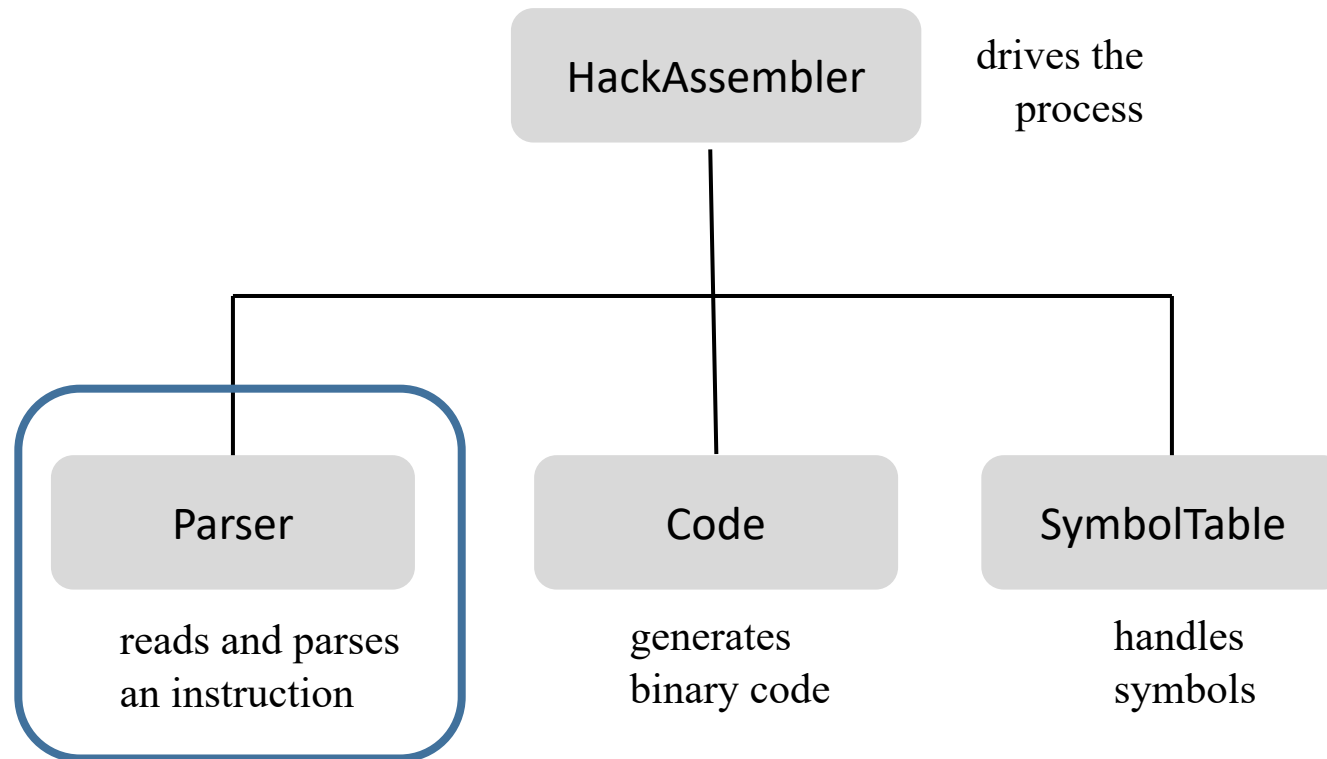
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The HackAssembler
implements the
assembly algorithm,
using the services of:

- Parser
- Code
- SymbolTable

Assembler API



Parser API

Routines:

- Constructor / initializer: Creates a Parser and opens the source text file
- Getting the current instruction:
 - hasMoreLines()**: Checks if there is more work to do (boolean)
 - advance()**: Gets the next instruction and makes it the *current instruction* (string)
- Parsing the *current instruction*:
 - instructionType()**: Returns the current instruction type (constant):
 - A_INSTRUCTION for @xxx, where xxx is either a decimal number or a symbol
 - C_INSTRUCTION for *dest = comp ; jump*
 - L_INSTRUCTION for (*label*)

Examples:	current instruction	
	@17	instructionType() returns A_INSTRUCTION
	@sum	instructionType() returns A_INSTRUCTION
	D=0	instructionType() returns C_INSTRUCTION
	(END)	instructionType() returns L_INSTRUCTION

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 - symbol()**: Returns the instruction's *symbol* (string)

Used if the current instruction is
@symbol or *(symbol)*

Examples:	current instruction	
	@sum	symbol() returns "sum"
	(LOOP)	symbol() returns "LOOP"

Parser API

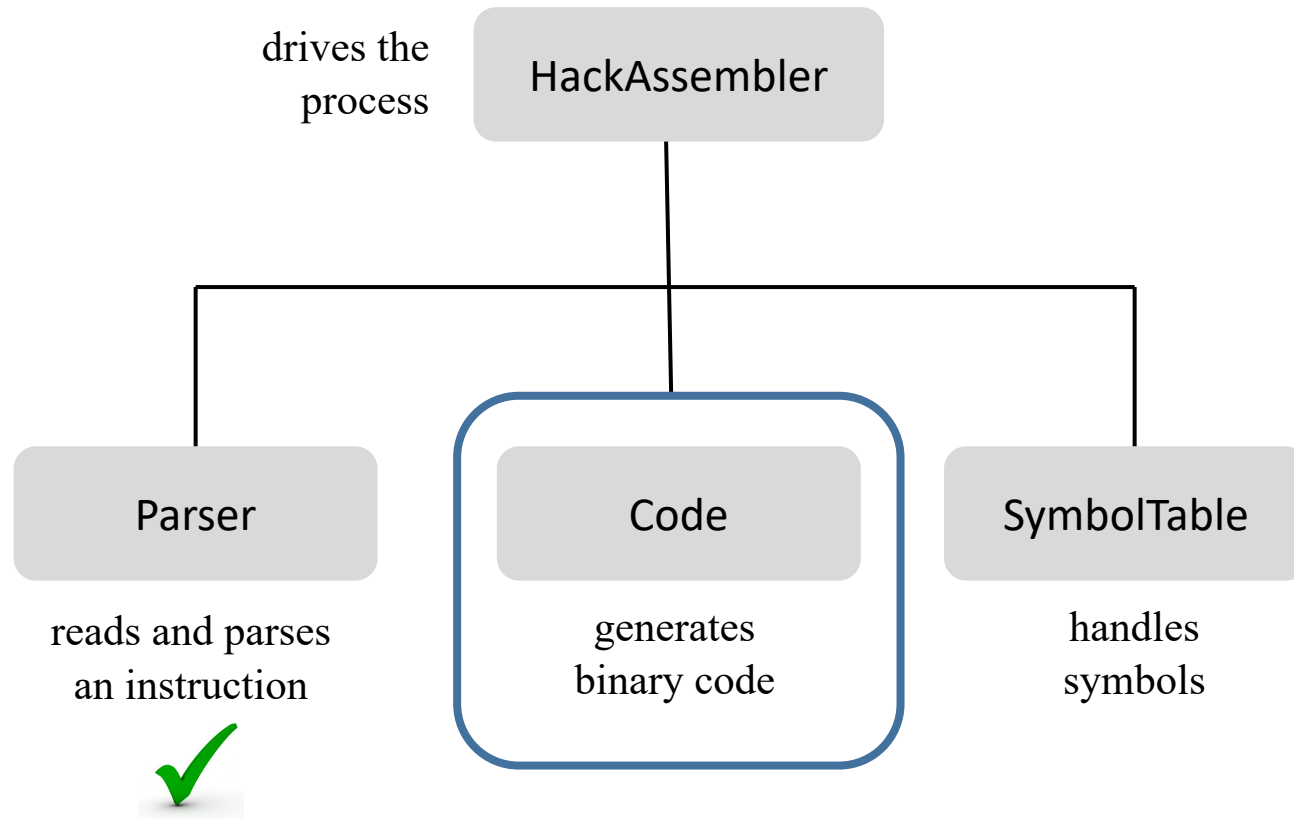
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- Parsing the *current instruction*:
 - instructionType()**: Returns the instruction type
 - symbol()**: Returns the instruction's *symbol* (string)
 - dest()**: Returns the instruction's *dest* field (string)
 - comp()**: Returns the instruction's *comp* field (string)
 - jump()**: Returns the instruction's *jump* field (string)

Used if the current instruction is
dest = comp ; jump

Examples:	current instruction			
	D=D+1;JLE	dest() returns "D"	comp() returns "D+1"	jump() returns "JLE"
	M=-1	dest() returns "M"	comp() returns "-1"	jump() returns null

Implementation



Code API

Deals only with C-instructions: *dest = comp ; jump*

Routines:

`dest(string)`: Returns the binary representation of the parsed *dest* field (string)

`comp(string)`: Returns the binary representation of the parsed *comp* field (string)

`jump(string)`: Returns the binary representation of the parsed *jump* field (string)

According to the language specification:

<i>comp</i>		c	c	c	c	c	c
0		1	0	1	0	1	0
1		1	1	1	1	1	1
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0
D		0	0	1	1	0	0
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0
D A	D M	0	1	0	1	0	1

a == 0

a == 1

<i>dest</i>	d	d	d
null	0	0	0
M	0	0	1
D	0	1	0
DM	0	1	1
A	1	0	0
AM	1	0	1
AD	1	1	0
ADM	1	1	1

<i>jump</i>	j	j	j
null	0	0	0
JGT	0	0	1
JEQ	0	1	0
JGE	0	1	1
JLT	1	0	0
JNE	1	0	1
JLE	1	1	0
JMP	1	1	1

Examples:

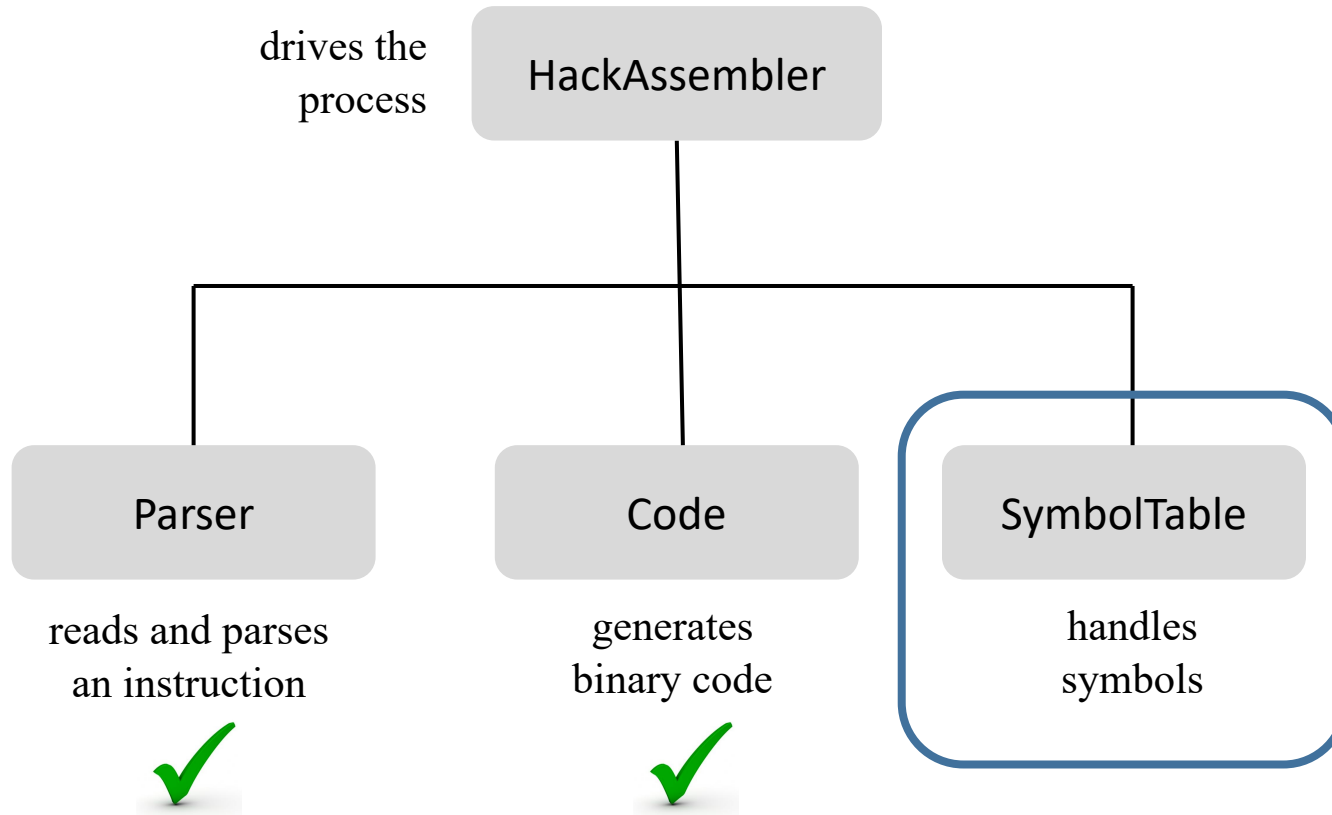
`dest("DM")` returns "011"

`comp("A+1")` returns "0110111"

`comp("D&M")` returns "1000000"

`jump("JNE")` returns "101"

Implementation



SymbolTable API

Routines

Constructor / initializer: Creates and initializes a SymbolTable

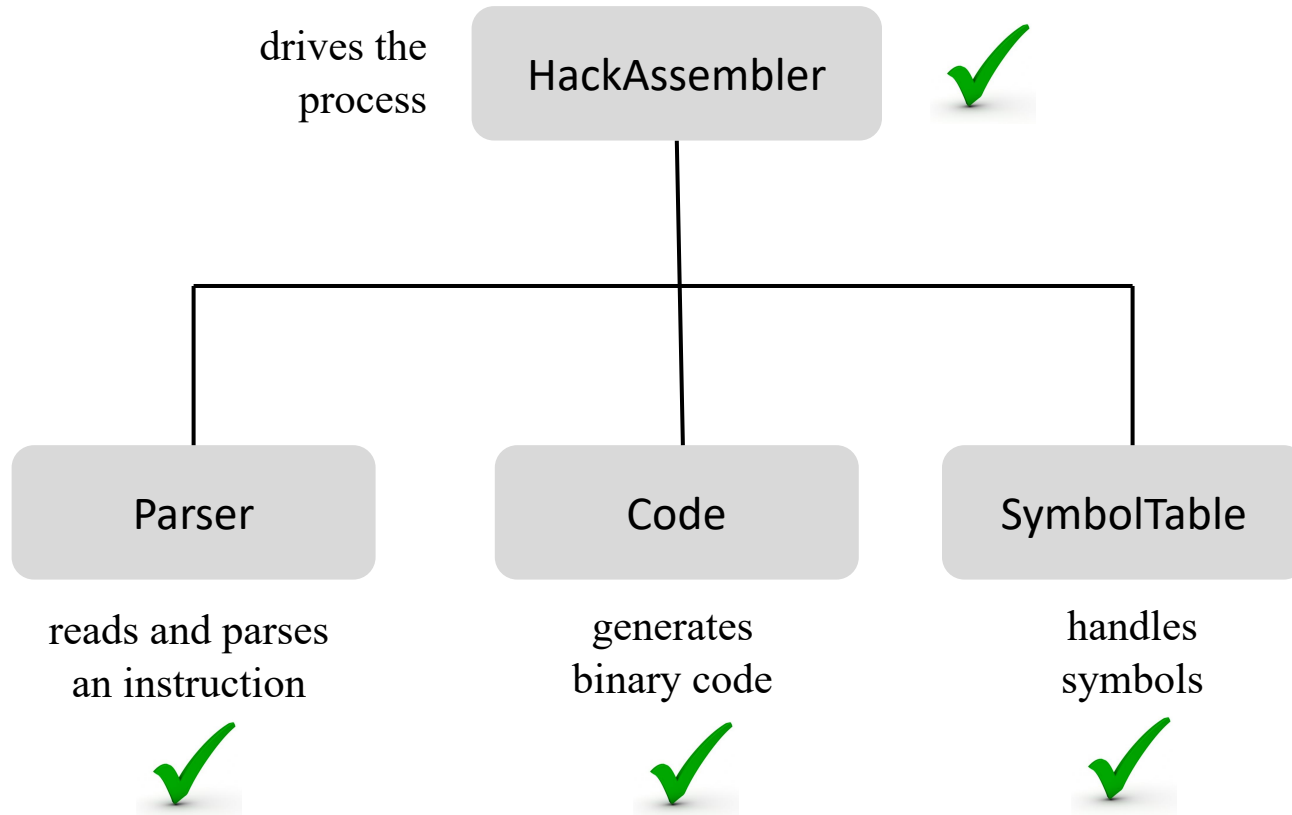
addEntry(symbol (string), address (int)): Adds <symbol, address> to the table (void)

contains(symbol (string)): Checks if symbol exists in the table (boolean)

getAddress(symbol (string)): Returns the address (int) associated with symbol

Symbol table: (example)	<i>symbol</i>	<i>address</i>
	R0	0
	R1	1
	R2	2
	...	...
	R15	15
	SCREEN	16384
	KBD	24576
	SP	0
	LCL	1
	ARG	2
	THIS	3
	THAT	4
	LOOP	4
	STOP	18
	i	16
	sum	17

HackAssembler: Drives the translation process



Assembler API (detailed)

Parser module:

<i>Routine</i>	<i>Arguments</i>	<i>Returns</i>	<i>Function</i>
Constructor / initializer	Input file or stream	—	Opens the input file/stream and gets ready to parse it.
hasMoreLines	—	boolean	Are there more lines in the input?
advance	—	—	Skips over whitespace and comments, if necessary. Reads the next instruction from the input, and makes it the current instruction. This method should be called only if hasMoreLines is true. Initially there is no current instruction.
instructionType	—	A_INSTRUCTION, C_INSTRUCTION, L_INSTRUCTION (constants)	Returns the type of the current instruction: A_INSTRUCTION for @xxx, where xxx is either a decimal number or a symbol. C_INSTRUCTION for dest=comp;jump L_INSTRUCTION for (xxx), where xxx is a symbol.
symbol	—	string	If the current instruction is (xxx), returns the symbol xxx. If the current instruction is @xxx, returns the symbol or decimal xxx (as a string). Should be called only if instructionType is A_INSTRUCTION or L_INSTRUCTION.
dest	—	string	Returns the symbolic dest part of the current C-instruction (8 possibilities). Should be called only if instructionType is C_INSTRUCTION.
comp	—	string	Returns the symbolic comp part of the current C-instruction (28 possibilities). Should be called only if instructionType is C_INSTRUCTION.
jump	—	string	Returns the symbolic jump part of the current C-instruction (8 possibilities). Should be called only if instructionType is C_INSTRUCTION.

Assembler API (detailed)

Code module:

<i>Routine</i>	<i>Arguments</i>	<i>Returns</i>	<i>Function</i>
dest	string	3 bits, as a string	Returns the binary code of the <i>dest</i> mnemonic.
comp	string	7 bits, as a string	Returns the binary code of the <i>comp</i> mnemonic.
jump	string	3 bits, as a string	Returns the binary code of the <i>jump</i> mnemonic.

SymbolTable module:

<i>Routine</i>	<i>Arguments</i>	<i>Returns</i>	<i>Function</i>
Constructor	—	—	Creates a new empty symbol table.
addEntry	symbol (string), address (int)	—	Adds <symbol, address> to the table.
contains	symbol (string)	boolean	Does the symbol table contain the given symbol?
getAddress	symbol (string)	int	Returns the address associated with the symbol.

HackAssembler module:

We propose no API; Implement as you see fit.

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Developing a Hack Assembler

Contract

- Develop a program that translates symbolic Hack programs into binary Hack instructions
- The source program (input) is supplied as a text file named *Prog.asm*
- The generated code (output) is written into a text file named *Prog.hack*
- Assumption: *Prog.asm* is error-free

Usage (if the assembler is implemented in Java):

```
$ java HackAssembler Prog.asm
```

Staged development plan

1. Develop a basic assembler that translates programs that have no symbols
2. Develop an ability to handle symbols
3. Morph the basic assembler into an assembler that translates any program

Testing

Prog.asm

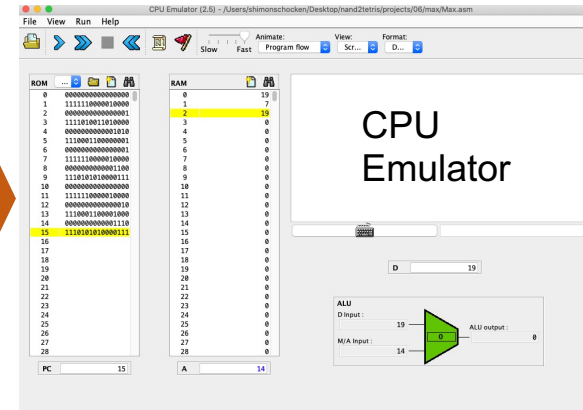
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@i
M=1
// sum = 0
@sum
M=0
(LOOP)
// if i > R0 goto STOP
@i
D=M
@R0
D=D-M
@STOP
D;JGT
...
```

Your
assembler

Prog.hack

```
0000000000010000
1110111111001000
0000000000010001
1110101010001000
0000000000010000
1111100000100000
0000000000000000
1111010011010000
0000000000010010
1110001100000001
0000000000010000
1111100000100000
0000000000010001
1111000010001000
0000000000010000
...
```

Load /
Run



Or use a supplied test script that loads
Prog.hack into the CPU emulator and
tests it using pre-defined testing scenarios

Test programs

- Add.asm
- Max.asm
- Rect.asm
- Pong.asm
- MaxL.asm
- RectL.asm
- PongL.asm

(with symbols)

(same programs, without symbols,
for unit-testing the basic assembler)

Testing

Add.asm

```
// Computes RAM[0] =  
//      2 + 3  
  
@2  
D=A  
  
@3  
D=D+A  
  
@0  
M=D
```

The screenshot shows a CPU emulator window with a menu bar (File, View, Run, Help) and a toolbar with icons for file operations, execution, and animation. The main area is divided into several sections:

- ROM:** A list of memory addresses (0-28) with corresponding binary values. Address 0 contains 0000000000000010, address 1 contains 1110110000010000, and address 2 contains 0000000000000011.
- RAM:** A list of memory addresses (0-28) with corresponding values. Address 0 is highlighted in yellow and contains the value 5.
- PC (Program Counter):** A register showing the value 32767.
- A (Accumulator):** A register showing the value 0.
- D (Data Register):** A register showing the value 5.
- ALU (Arithmetic Logic Unit):** A diagram showing the ALU with inputs D Input (5) and M/A Input (0), and an output ALU output (5).

On the right side of the emulator window, there is a text box with the following text:

Testing on the CPU emulator:

1. Translate Add.asm using your assembler
2. Load the translated Add.hack
3. Run the code, inspect R0.

Note: When loading a binary *Prog.hack* file into the CPU emulator, the emulator may translate it back to symbolic code (depending on the emulator's version).

To inspect the binary code, select this option from the ROM menu.

Testing

Max.asm

```
// Computes RAM[2] =  
// max(RAM[0],RAM[1])  
  
@R0  
D=M  
@R1  
D=D-M  
@OUTPUT_RAM0  
D;JGT  
// Output RAM[1]  
@R1  
D=M  
@R2  
M=D  
@END  
0;JMP  
  
(OUTPUT_RAM0)  
@R0  
D=M  
@R2  
M=D  
  
(END)  
@END  
0;JMP
```

CPU Emulator (2.5) - /Users/shimonschocken/Desktop/nand2tetris/projects/06/max/Max.asm

File View Run Help

Animate: Program flow View: Scr... Format: D...

Slow Fast

ROM

0	0000000000000000
1	111111000010000
2	000000000000001
3	111101001101000
4	000000000001010
5	111000110000001
6	000000000000001
7	111111000010000
8	000000000001100
9	1110101010000111
10	000000000000000
11	111111000001000
12	000000000000010
13	1110001100001000
14	000000000001110
15	1110101010000111
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	
21	
22	
23	
24	
25	
26	
27	
28	

PC 15

RAM

0	19
1	7
2	19
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	0
17	0
18	0
19	0
20	0
21	0
22	0
23	0
24	0
25	0
26	0
27	0
28	0

A 14

D 19

ALU

D Input : 19

M/A Input : 14

ALU output : 0

Testing on the CPU emulator:
Translate and load, then:
Put test values in R0 and R1,
run the code, inspect R2.

Testing

Max.asm

```
// Computes RAM[2] =  
// max(RAM[0],RAM[1])  
  
@R0  
D=M  
@R1  
D=D-M  
@OUTPUT_RAM0  
D;JGT  
  
// Output RAM[1]  
@R1  
D=M  
@R2  
M=D  
@END  
0;JMP  
  
(OUTPUT_RAM0)  
@R0  
D=M  
@R2  
M=D  
  
(END)  
@END  
0;JMP
```

with symbols

MaxL.asm

```
// Computes RAM[2] =  
// max(RAM[0],RAM[1])  
  
@0  
D=M  
@1  
D=D-M  
@12  
D;JGT  
  
// Output RAM[1]  
@1  
D=M  
@2  
M=D  
@16  
0;JMP  
  
@0  
D=M  
@2  
M=D  
  
@16  
0;JMP
```

without symbols

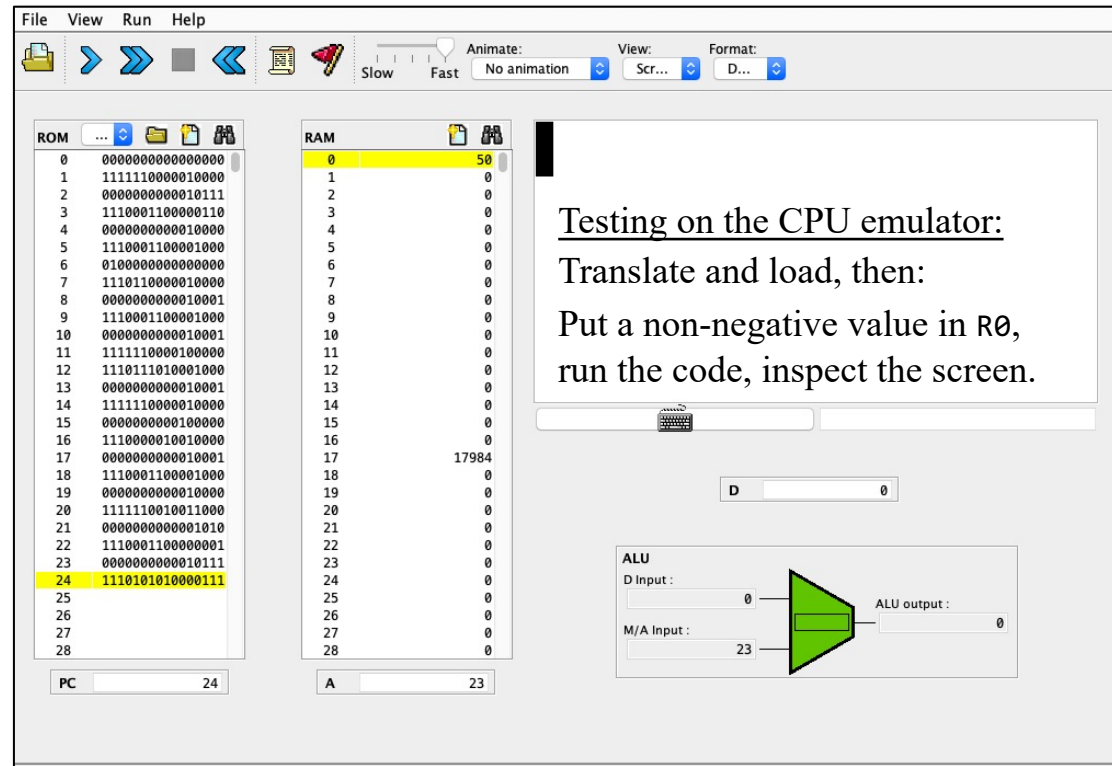
For unit-testing the
basic assembler

(Each symbol was
replaced with its value)

Testing

Rect.asm

```
// Draws a rectangle.  
@R0  
D=M  
@n  
M=D  
@i  
M=0  
@SCREEN  
D=A  
@address  
M=D  
(LOOP)  
@i  
D=M  
@n  
D=D-M  
@END  
D;JGT  
...
```



Draws a rectangle, 16 pixels wide and R0 lines high

Testing

Rect.asm

```
// Draws a rectangle.  
@R0  
D=M  
@n  
M=D  
@i  
M=0  
@SCREEN  
D=A  
@address  
M=D  
  
(LOOP)  
@i  
D=M  
@n  
D=D-M  
@END  
D;JGT  
...
```

with symbols

RectL.asm

```
// Draws a rectangle.  
@0  
D=M  
@16  
M=D  
@17  
M=0  
@16384  
D=A  
@18  
M=D  
  
(LOOP)  
@17  
D=M  
@16  
D=D-M  
@27  
D;JGT  
...
```

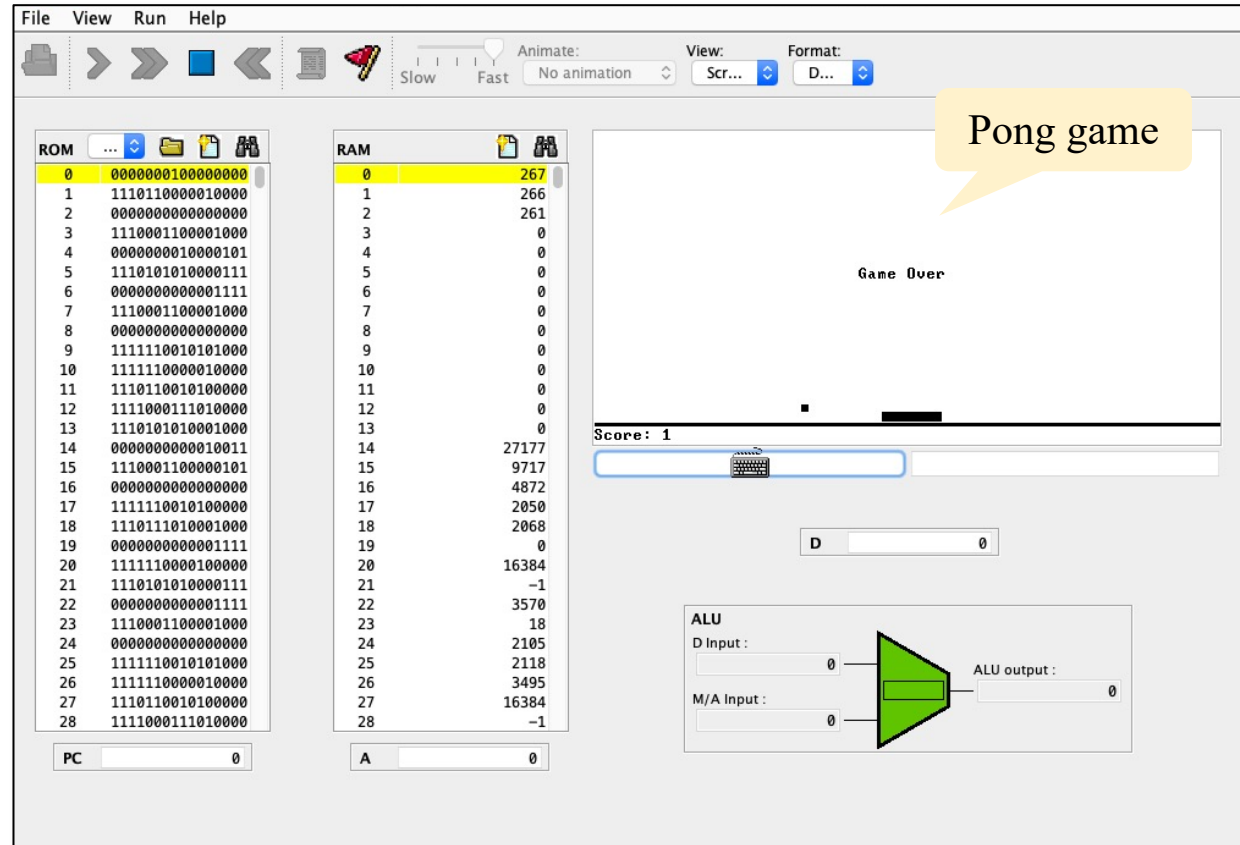
without symbols

For unit-testing the
basic assembler

Testing

Pong.asm

```
// Pong.asm
@256
D=A
@SP
M=D
@133
0; JMP
@R15
M=D
@SP
AM=M-1
D=M
A=A-1
D=M-D
M=0
@END_EQ
D; JNE
@SP
A=M-1
M=-1
(END_EQ)
@R15
A=M
...
```



Translate and load, and then play the game:

Select “no animation”, set the speed slider to “fast”, and run the code. Move the paddle using the left- and right-arrow keys.

Testing

Pong.asm

```
// Pong.asm
@256
D=A
@SP
M=D
@133
0;JMP
@R15
M=D
@SP
AM=M-1
D=M
A=A-1
D=M-D
M=0
@END_EQ
D;JNE
@SP
A=M-1
M=-1
(END_EQ)
@R15
A=M
...
```

Background

- The original Pong program was written in the high-level Jack language
- The computer's operating system is also written in Jack
- The Pong code + the OS code were compiled by the Jack compiler, creating a single Pong.asm file

The compiled code (Pong.asm) has:

No white space, and

Compiler-generated addresses and symbols (which may look strange)

28,374 instructions

Testing option II: Using the hardware simulator

1. Use your assembler to translate *Prog.asm*, generating the executable file *Prog.hack*
2. Put the *Prog.hack* file in a folder containing the chips that you developed in project 5:
Computer.hdl, *CPU.hdl*, and *Memory.hdl*
3. Load *Computer.hdl* into the Hardware Simulator
4. Load *Prog.hack* into the ROM32K chip-part
5. Run the clock to execute the program.

Testing option III: Using the supplied assembler

The screenshot shows a file comparison window with three panels: Source, Destination, and Comparison. The Source panel displays the assembly code for *Prog.asm*. The Destination panel shows the binary representation of *Prog.asm* translated by the supplied assembler. The Comparison panel shows the binary representation of *Prog.hack* translated by the user's assembler. A blue arrow points from the Source panel to the Destination panel. A large blue equals sign is placed between the Destination and Comparison panels. Yellow callout boxes identify each panel. The status bar at the bottom indicates "File compilation & comparison succeeded".

Source
Prog.asm
test file

Prog.hack file,
translated by the
supplied assembler

Prog.hack file,
translated by **your**
assembler

File compilation & comparison succeeded

1. Use your assembler to translate *Prog.asm*, generating the executable file *Prog.hack*
2. Load *Prog.asm* into the supplied assembler, and load *Prog.hack* as a compare file
3. Translate *Prog.hack*, and inspect the comparison feedback messages.

Project 6

Guidelines: www.nand2tetris.org (projects section)

Files: nand2tetris/projects/06 (on your PC)

Tools

- The programming language in which you develop your assembler
- CPU emulator (for testing the translated programs)
- Assembler (if you plan to use it)

Guides

- [CPU emulator tutorial](#)
- [Assembler tutorial](#)

Chapter 6: Assembler

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The Industrial Revolution (1760 – 1840) / Case in Point: Textile



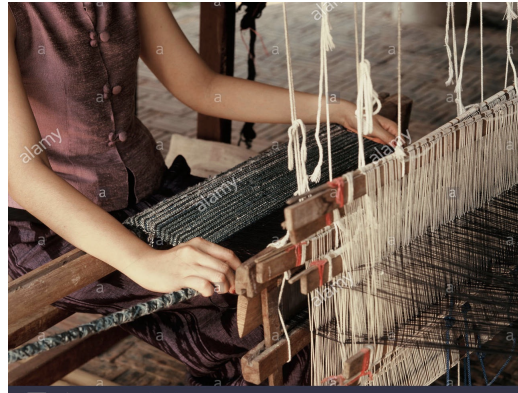
Cotton picking



cleaning



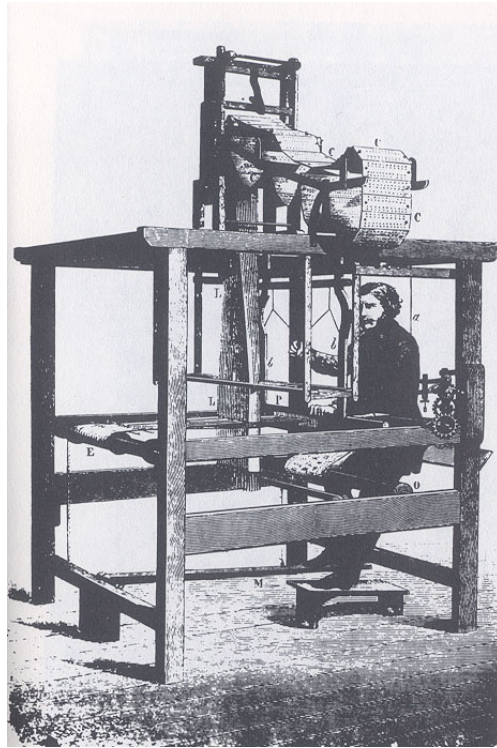
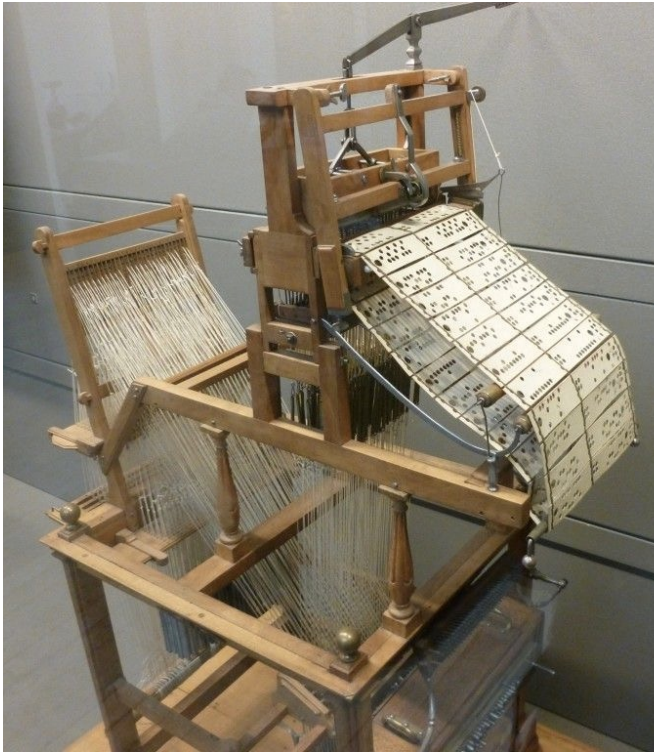
spinning



weaving

- Until 1800: labor intensive / slavery / child labor
- Industrial revolution: all key processes are mechanized.

The Industrial Revolution (1760 – 1840) / Case in Point: Textile



Jacquard loom (1801)

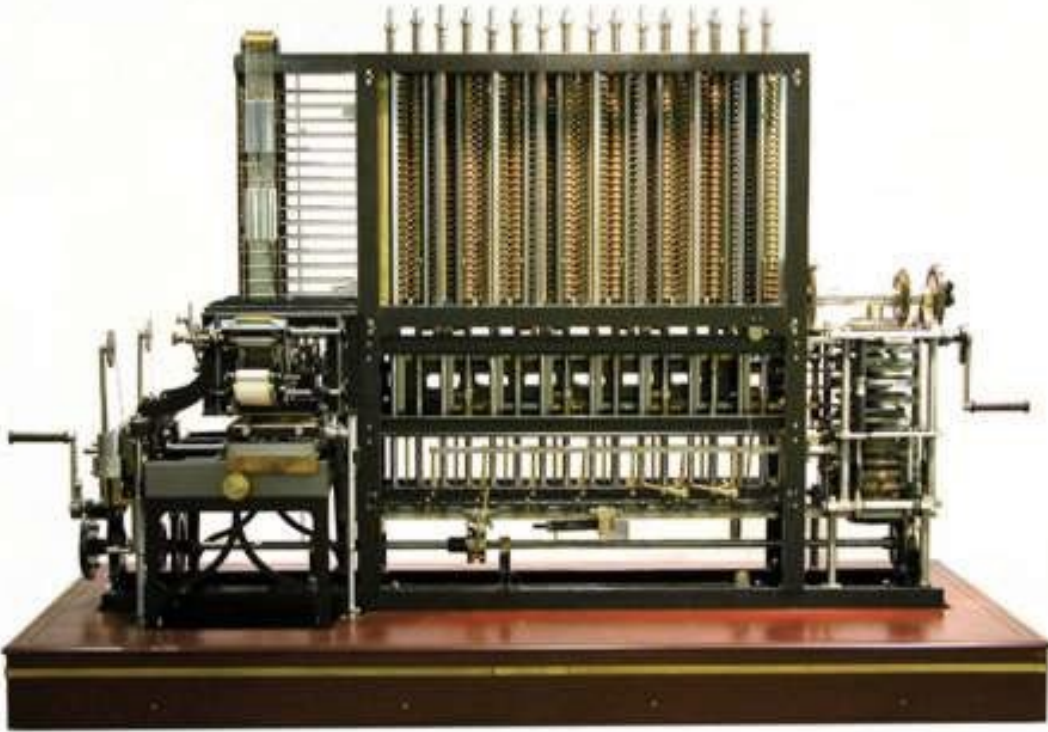
- The weaving instructions were programmed by punched cards
- The cards coded instructions for the loom's hardware.

The Industrial Revolution (1760 – 1840) / Case in Point: Textile



- The weaving instructions were programmed by punched cards
- The cards coded instructions for the loom's hardware.

The Analytic Engine (1837)



- An early mechanical computer, designed by Charles Babbage
- Designed to tabulate data collected in a UK national census

- Featured a simple programming model with conditional branching
- Software = punched cards



Ada Lovelace (1815 – 1852)



Ada's insight:

If you want to give a computer instructions, don't start by punching cards ("binary code")

Instead, write the instructions on paper, using a *symbolic language*

When convinced that the symbolic program is error-free, translate it into punched cards.



- Ada Augusta King-Noel, Countess of Lovelace
- Gifted mathematician and writer
- Worked closely with Babbage on the Analytic Engine.

Ada Lovelace (1815 – 1852)



Diagram for the computation by the Engine of the Numbers of Bernoulli. See Note G. (page 722 *et seq.*)

Number of Operation.	Nature of Operation.	Variables acted upon.	Variables receiving results.	Indication of change in the value on any Variable.	Statement of Results.	Data.												Working Variables.											
						$1V_1$	$1V_2$	$1V_3$	$1V_4$	$1V_5$	$1V_6$	$1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	$1V_{11}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	$1V_{16}$	$1V_{17}$	$1V_{18}$	$1V_{19}$	$1V_{20}$	$1V_{21}$	$1V_{22}$	$1V_{23}$	
						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	$\times$	$1V_2 \times 1V_3$	$1V_4$	$1V_5$	$1V_6$	1	2	n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n	2n		
2	$-$	$1V_4 - 1V_5$	$1V_6$	$1V_7$	$1V_8$	1	...	...	2n-1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
3	$+$	$1V_5 + 1V_6$	$1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
4	$+$	$1V_6 + 1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
5	$+$	$1V_{11} + 1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
6	$+$	$1V_{13} + 1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	$1V_{16}$	$1V_{17}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
7	$-$	$1V_3 - 1V_4$	$1V_5$	$1V_6$	$1V_7$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
8	$+$	$1V_2 + 1V_3$	$1V_4$	$1V_5$	$1V_6$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
9	$+$	$1V_6 + 1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
10	$\times$	$1V_{11} \times 1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
11	$+$	$1V_{12} + 1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	$1V_{16}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
12	$-$	$1V_{10} - 1V_{11}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
13	$-$	$1V_6 - 1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
14	$+$	$1V_5 + 1V_6$	$1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
15	$+$	$1V_6 + 1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
16	$\times$	$1V_8 \times 1V_{11}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
17	$-$	$1V_6 - 1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
18	$+$	$1V_1 + 1V_2$	$1V_3$	$1V_4$	$1V_5$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
19	$+$	$1V_6 + 1V_7$	$1V_8$	$1V_9$	$1V_{10}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
20	$\times$	$1V_9 \times 1V_{11}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
21	$\times$	$1V_{12} \times 1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	$1V_{16}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
22	$+$	$1V_{12} + 1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	$1V_{16}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
23	$-$	$1V_{10} - 1V_{11}$	$1V_{12}$	$1V_{13}$	$1V_{14}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
24	$+$	$1V_{13} + 1V_{14}$	$1V_{15}$	$1V_{16}$	$1V_{17}$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
25	$+$	$1V_1 + 1V_2$	$1V_3$	$1V_4$	$1V_5$	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		

Early program, written by Ada, to compute Bernoulli numbers on the Analytic Engine

Early program, written by Ada, to compute Bernoulli numbers on the Analytic Engine

- Often described as “the first programmer”
- The programming language Ada is named after her.

Ada Lovelace (1815 – 1852)

“The Analytical Engine might act upon other things besides numbers...

Suppose, for instance, that the fundamental relations of pitched sounds in the science of harmony and of musical composition were susceptible of such expression and adaptations...

If so, the engine might compose elaborate and scientific pieces of music of any degree of complexity.”

(1840!)

