CS3330 Overview

Changelog

Corrections made in this version not in first posting:

- 22 Feb 2017: slide 37 (endianness): "has first" to "byte first"; make it clearer which example is which

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> Should help you understand machine!
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But "clever" (optimizing) compiler might be confusingly indirect instead

homework: C environment

get a C compiler

options:

- lab accounts + SSH
- Linux (native or VM)
- online IDE (e.g. Cloud9, Koding)

assignment compatibility

supported platform: lab machines

many use laptops

- OS X natively, or Linux VM on anything

trouble? we'll say to use lab machines

most assignments: C and Unix-like environment

performance assignments: VMs not a good idea

- need precise timing

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X86-64 assembly

in theory, you know this (CS 2150)

in reality, ...

32 versus 64-bit note

some of you may have learned 32-bit in 2150

(the course has changed)

differences mostly: more, bigger registers

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Y86-64??

Y86: our textbook's X86-64 subset

much simpler than real X86-64 encoding
- (which we will not cover)

not as simple as 2150's ICBM
- variable-length encoding
- mostly full register set
- full conditional jumps
- stack-manipulation instructions

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most of the semester

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naive model:

one instruction = one time unit

number of instructions matters, but ...

program performance: two issues

parallelism

- fast hardware is parallel
- needs multiple things to do

caching

- accessing things recently accessed is faster
- need reuse of data/code

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debugging applications

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what is a segmentation fault really?

how does the operating system interact with programs?

if you want to handle them — writing OSs

Powers of Two

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2^0	1	
2^1	2	
2^2	4	
2^3	8	
2^4	16	
2^5	32	
2^6	64	
2^7	128	
2^8	256	
2^9	512	
$\mathbf{2^{10}}$	**1 024**	**K** (or Ki)

	...	
2^{11}	2 048	
2^{12}	4 096	
2^{13}	8 192	
2^{14}	16 384	
2^{15}	32 768	
2^{16}	65 536	
	...	
$\mathbf{2^{20}}$	1 048 576	**M** (or Mi)
	...	
$\mathbf{2^{30}}$	1 073 741 824	**G** (or Gi)
2^{31}	2 147 483 648	
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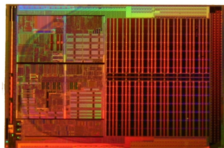

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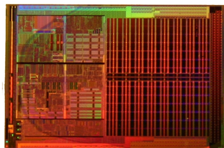

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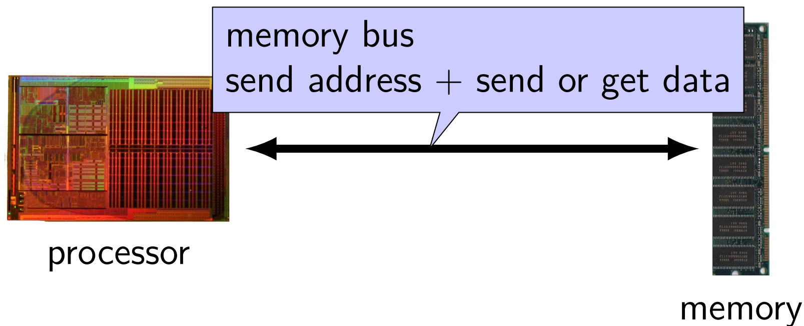

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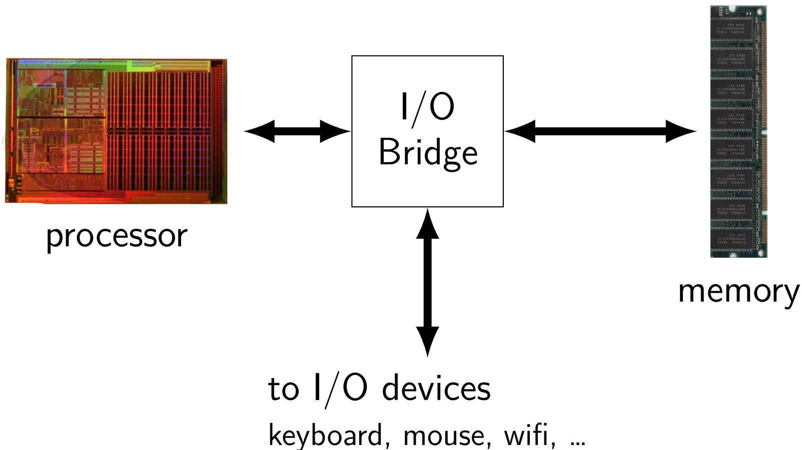

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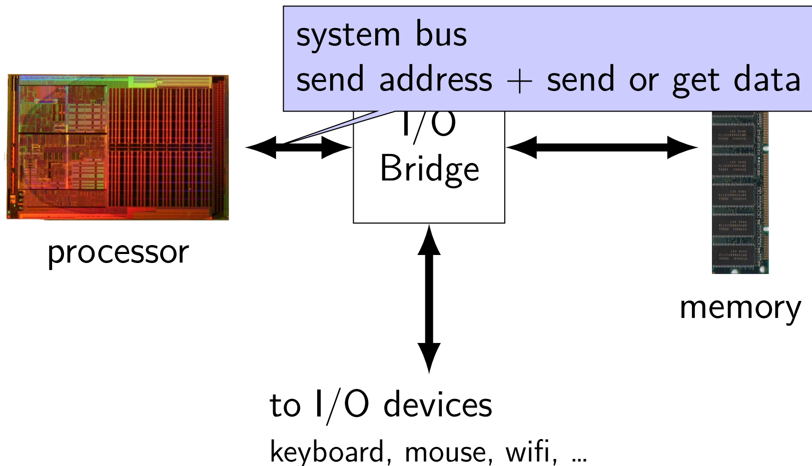

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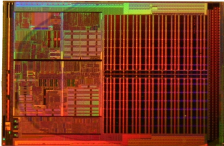

processor

CPU: send PC: `0x04000`

I/O Bridge

memory

MEM: send machine code: `pushq %rbp`

to I/O devices

keyboard, mouse, wifi, …

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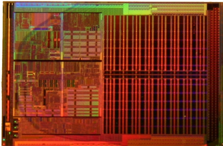

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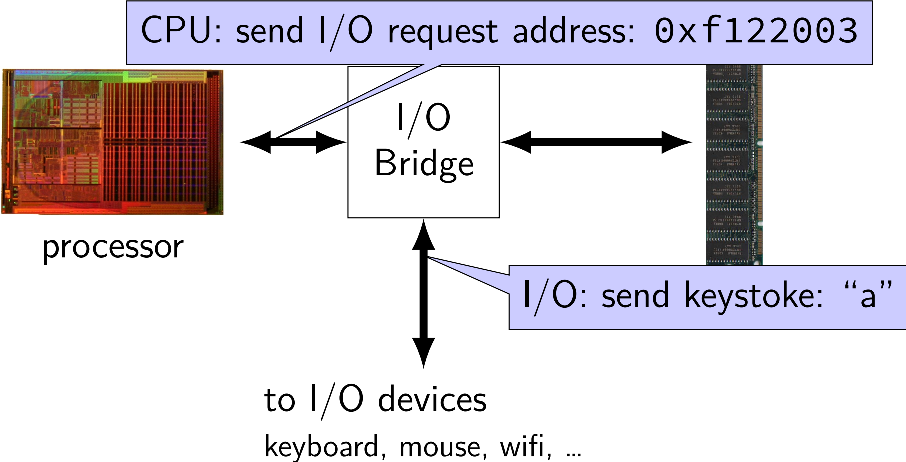

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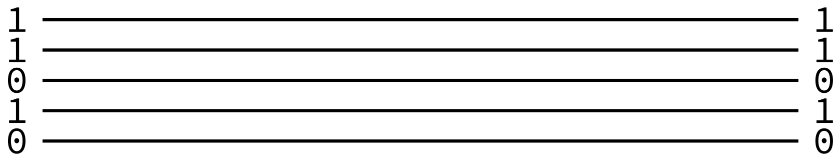

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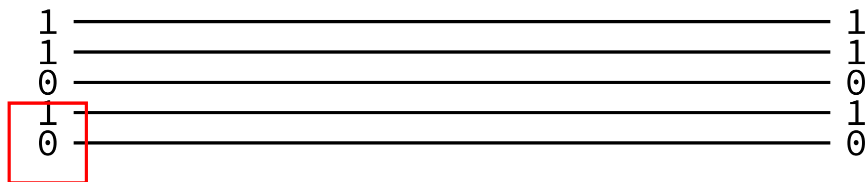

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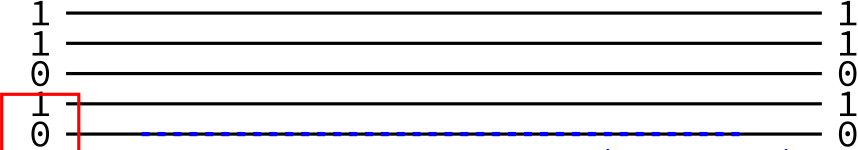

value propagates to rest of wire (small delay)

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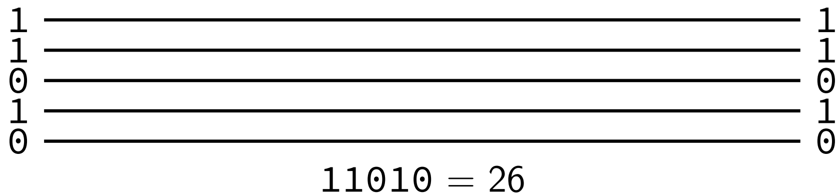

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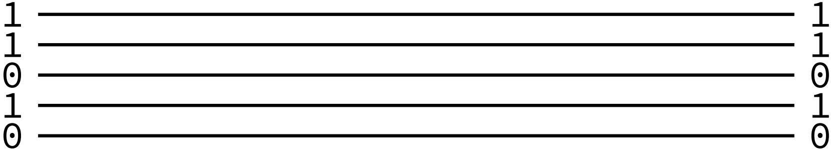

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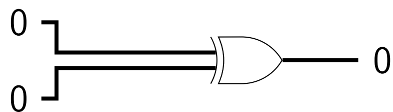

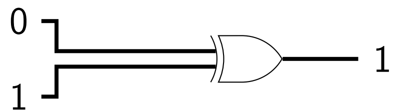

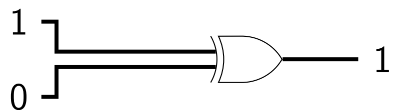

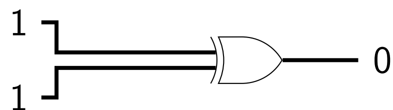

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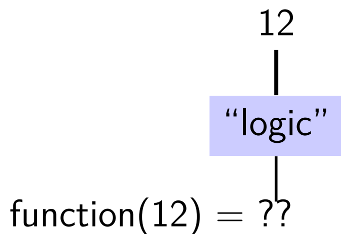

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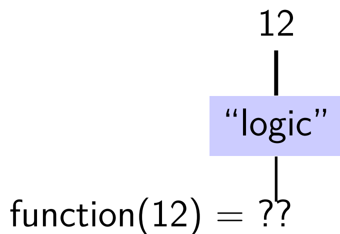

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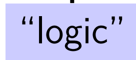
need not be same width as output

12



function(12) = ??

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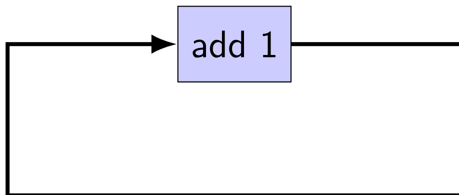

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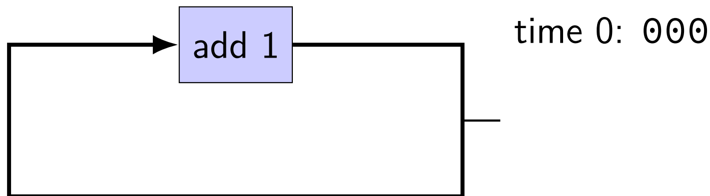

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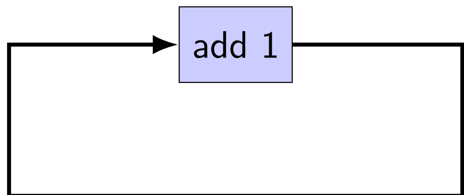

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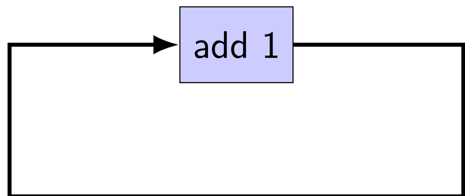

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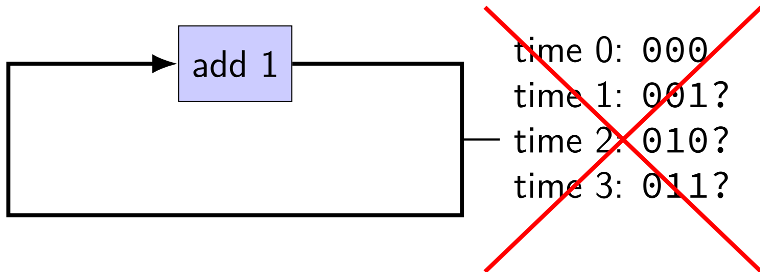

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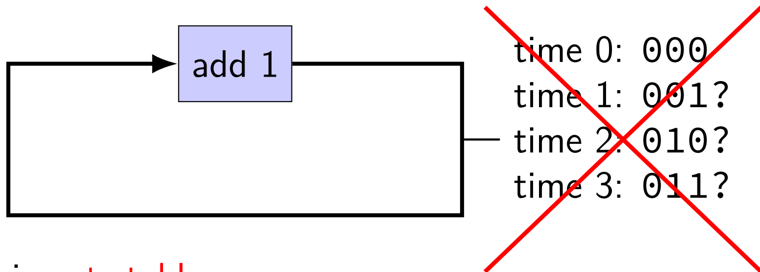

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halfway voltages — hard to predict behavior

circuits: state

logic performs calculations all the time

never stores values!

need extra elements to store values

registers, memory

more on these later in the course

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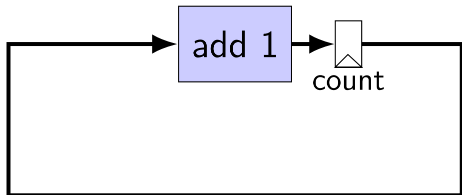

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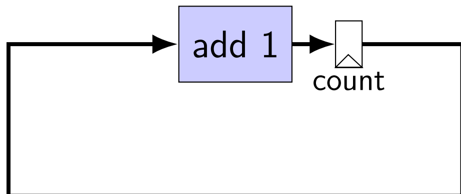

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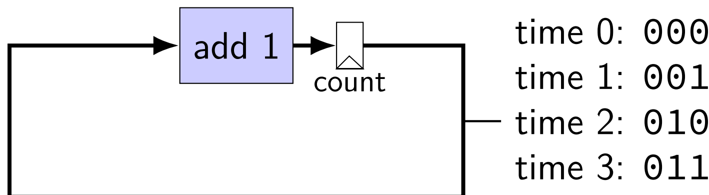

add register to store current count

updates based on “clock signal” (not shown)

avoids intermediate updates

much more on this later in the semester

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array of bytes (byte = 8 bits)

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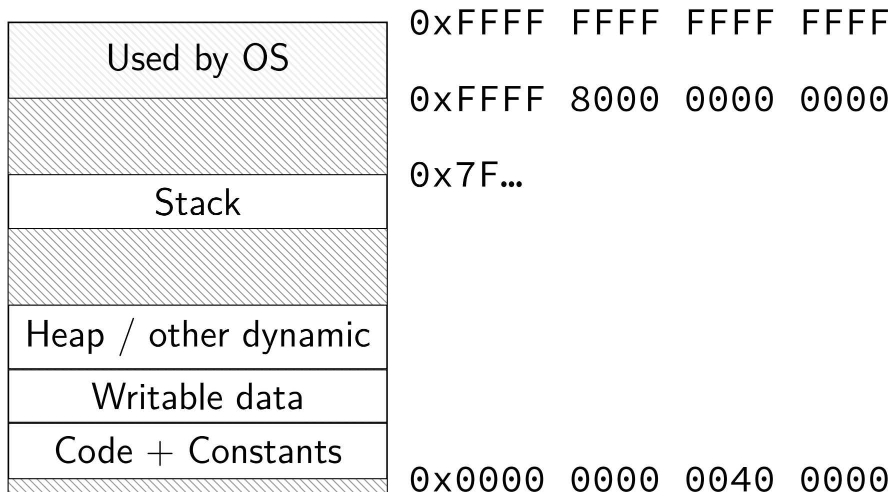

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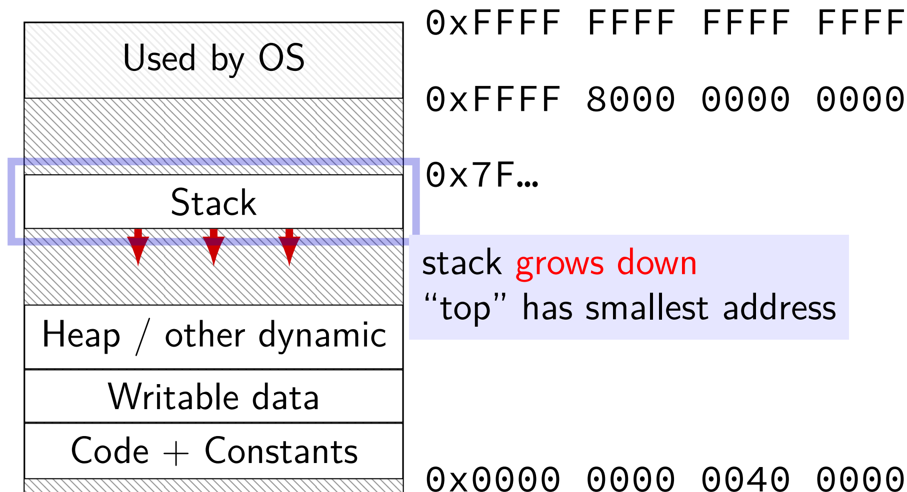

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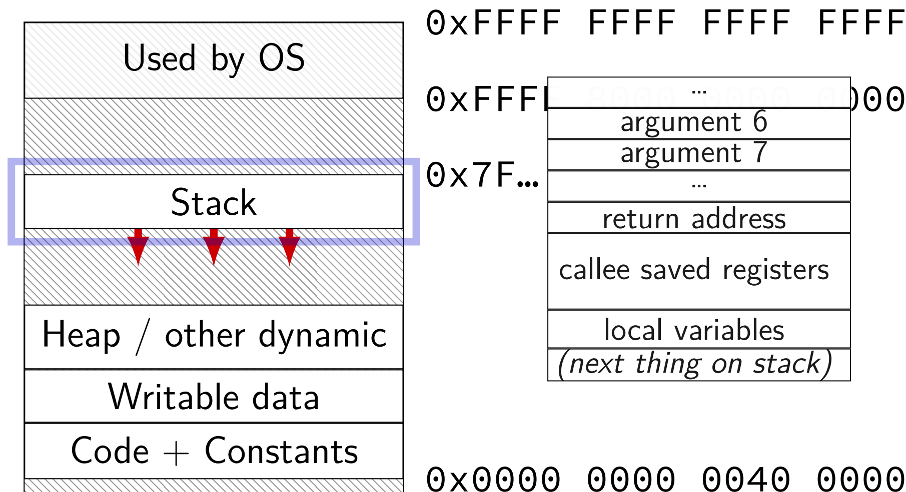

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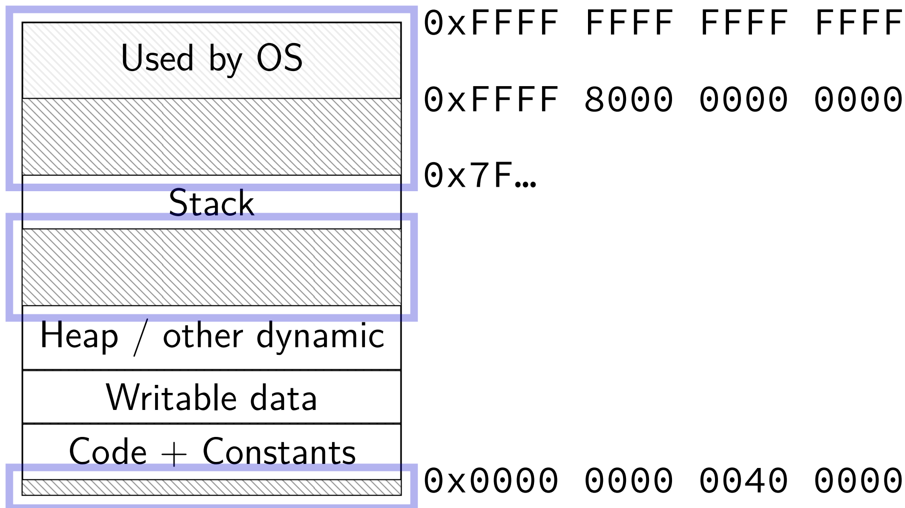


parallelism

hardware is parallel by default

much of this class:

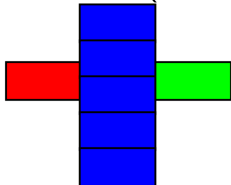
getting the most out of parallelism

parallelism and bottlenecks

Serial:

7 time units

Parallel (blue 5x faster):



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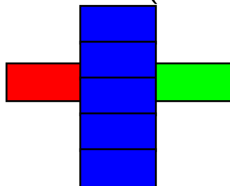

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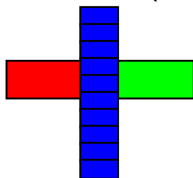

2 time units

Amdahl's Law

formula in textbook

benefits of speedup limited by non-sped-up parts

parallelism:

anything not parallelized will be significant

or in math:

$$\text{time} = \text{serial part} + \text{parallel part} \div \text{parallelism}$$

Not just parallelism

$$\text{time} = \text{serial part} + \text{parallel part} \div \text{parallelism}$$

$$\text{time} = \text{unoptimized part} + \text{optimized part} \div \text{speedup}$$

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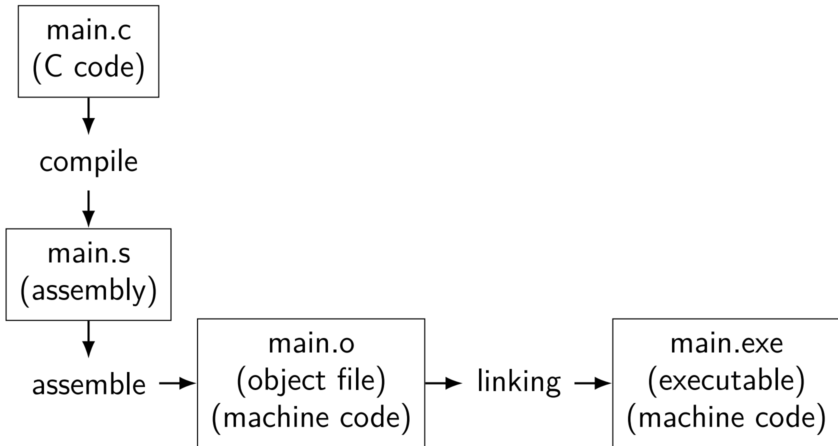

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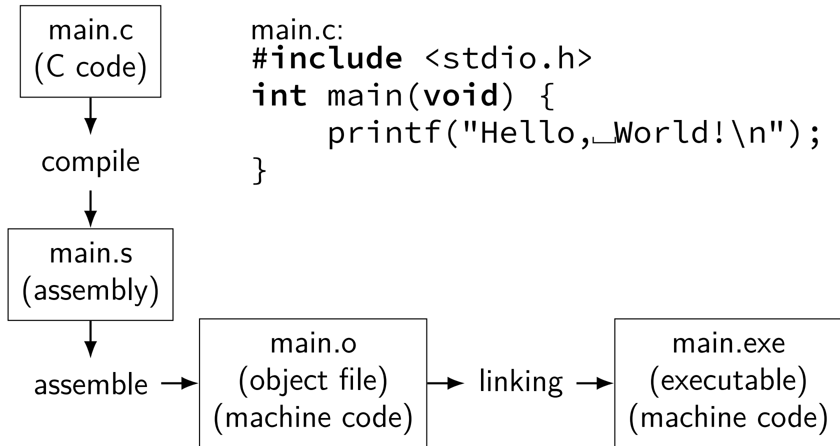

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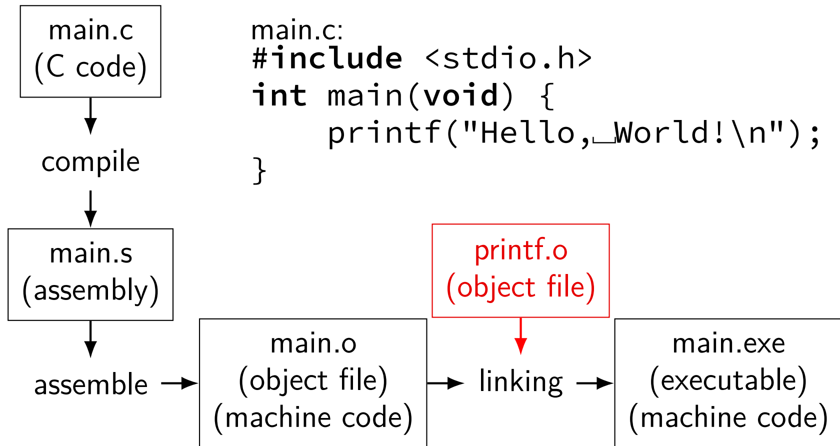

approximate outline

Weeks 1–2: C, assembly, bit fiddling

Weeks 3–5: Y86 instructions, basic CPU design

Exam 1

Weeks 7–9: pipelined CPUs

Weeks 10: caching

Exam 2

Weeks 11–12: performance programming

Weeks 13–15: exceptions and virtual memory

Final Exam

Coursework

quizzes — pre/post lecture

you will need to read

labs — mostly graded on effort (did you make reasonable progress?)

homework assignments — introduced by lab (mostly)

due at noon on the next lab day (mostly)

exams — multiple choice/short answer — 2 + final

Quizzes?

linked off course website (demo)

pre-quiz, on reading – released by Saturday evening, due Tuesday, 10:30 AM

post-quiz, on lecture topics — released Thursday evening, due following Saturday, 11:59PM

lowest 10% will be dropped

first quiz — tonight

short — mainly to get you used to it

Attendance?

Lecture: Recommended but not required.

Lectures are recorded to help you review.

Lab: Electronic, remote-possible submission, usually.
One exception.

Late policy

exceptional circumstance? contact us.

otherwise, for homeworks only:

- -10% up to 48 hours late
- -20% up to one week (168 hours) late
- -100% otherwise

late quizzes, labs: no

- we release answers
- talk to us if illness, etc.

TAs/Office Hours

office hours will be posted on calendar on the website

should be plenty

use them

Your TODO list

Quizzes!

- post-quiz for this lecture
- pre-quiz for next lecture

lab account and/or C environment working

- lab accounts should happen by this weekend

before lab next week

Grading

Quizzes: 10% (10% dropped)

Midterms (2): 30%

Final Exam (cumulative): 20%

Homework + Labs: 40%