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A TOY computing machine

TOY is an imaginary machine similar to:

- Ancient computers.
- Today's smartphone processors.
- Countless other devices designed and built over the past 50 years.





Smartphone processor, 2010s



PDP-8, 1970s

Reasons to study TOY

Prepare to learn about computer architecture

- How does your computer's processor work?
- What are its basic components?
- How do they interact?



Learn about machine-language programming.

- How do Java programs relate to computer?
- Key to understanding Java references.
- Still necessary in modern applications.

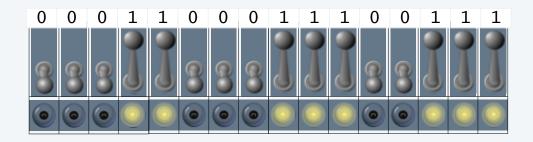
multimedia, computer games, embedded devices, scientific computing,...

Learn fundamental abstractions that have informed processor design for decades.

Bits and words

Everything in TOY is encoded with a sequence of bits (value 0 or 1).

- Why? Easy to represent two states (on and off) in real world.
- Bits are organized in 16-bit sequences called words.



More convenient for humans: hexadecimal notation (base 16)

- 4 hex digits in each word.
- Convert to and from binary 4 bits at a time.

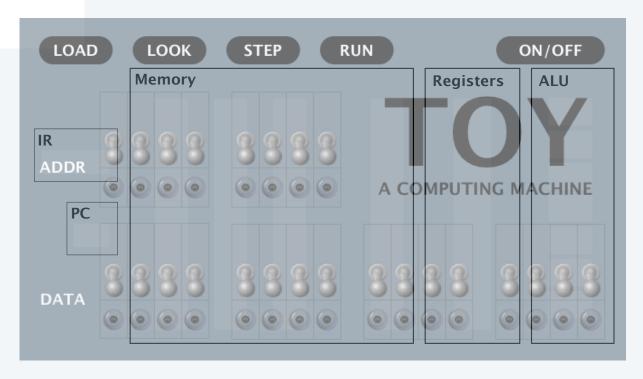
0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
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binary	hex
0000	0
0001	1
0010	2
0011	3
0100	4
0101	5
0110	6
0111	7
1000	8
1001	9
1010	Α
1011	В
1100	C
1101	D
1110	Е
1111	F

Inside the box

Components of TOY machine

- Memory
- Registers
- Arithmetic and logic unit (ALU)
- PC and IR



Memory

Holds data and instructions

- 256 words
- 16 bits in each word.
- Connected to registers.
- Words are addressable.

Use hexadecimal for addresses

- Number words from 00 to FF.
- Think in hexadecimal.

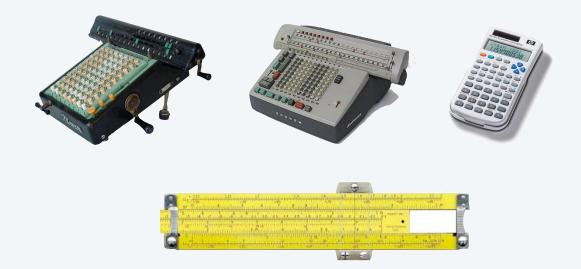
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Memory
              8 A O 1
   0 0 0 0
                          7 1 0 1
                                            F 0 F 0
           10
01 FFFE
           11 8 B O 2
                          8 A F F
                                            0 5 0 5
   0 0 0 D
           12 1 C A B
                         7680
                                            0 0 0 D
02
                      22
   0003
           13 9 C 0 3
                         7 B O O
                                         F3 1000
03
   0001
           14 0001
                         CA2B
                                            0 1 0 1
04
                      24
   0000
           15 0010
                         8 C F F
05
                                            0010
   0000
           16 0100
06
                         1 5 6 B
                                            0001
07
   0 0 0 0
           17 1000
                         B C 0 5
                                            0010
   0000
           18 0100
08
                         2 A A 1
                                            0 1 0 0
                      28
   0 0 0 0
           19 0 0 1 0
                         2 B B 1
                                            1000
09
0A
   0000
           1A 0001
                         C 0 2 4
                                            0 1 0 0
0B
   0000
           1B 0 0 1 0
                         0000
                                            0010
                      2 B
   0000
           10 0 1 0 0
                         0000
                                           0001
0C
   0000
           1D 1000
                         0000
                                            0010
0D
   0000
           1E 0 1 0 0
                                            0100
0E
                         0 0 0 0
   0000
           1F 0 0 1 0
                      2F
                         0000
                                         FF 0100
```

Table of 256 words completely specifies contents of memory.

Arithmetic and logic unit (ALU)

ALU.

- TOY's computational engine.
- A *calculator*, not a computer.
- Hardware that implements *all* data-type operations.
- How? Stay tuned for computer architecture lectures.





Registers

Registers

- 16 words, addressable in hex from 0 to F (use names R0 through RF)
- Scratch space for calculations and data movement.
- Connected to memory and ALU
- Q. Why not just connect memory directly to ALU?
- A. Too many different memory names (addresses).
- Q. Why not just connect memory locations to one another?
- A. Too many different connections.

Table of 16 words completely specifies contents of registers.

Registers

Program counter and instruction register

TOY operates by executing a sequence of instructions.

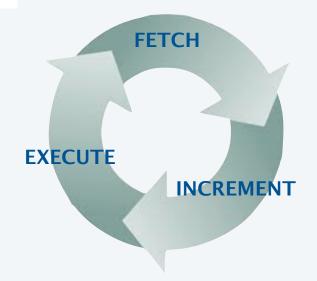
Critical abstractions in making this happen

- Program Counter (PC). Memory address of next instruction.
- Instruction Register (IR). Instruction being executed.

PC 10 IR 9 A 0 0

Fetch-increment-execute cycle

- Fetch: Get instruction from memory into IR.
- Increment: Update PC to point to *next* instruction.
- Execute: Move data to or from memory, change PC, or perform calculations, as specified by IR.

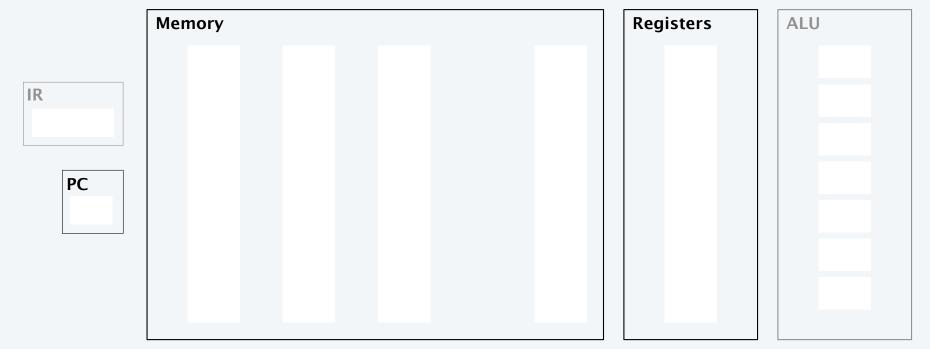


The state of the machine

Contents of memory, registers, and PC at a particular time

- Provide a record of what a program has done.
- Completely determines what the machine will do.

ALU and IR hold intermedate states of computation





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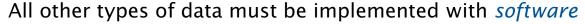
TOY data type

A data type is a set of values and a set of operations on those values.

TOY's data type is 16-bit 2s complement integers.

Two kinds of operations

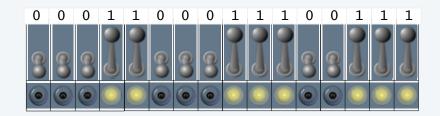
- Arithmetic.
- Bitwise.



- 32-bit and 64-bit integers.
- 32-bit and 64-bit floating point values.
- Characters and strings.
- ...

All values are represented in 16-bit words.





TOY data type (original design): Unsigned integers

Values. 0 to $2^{16}-1$, encoded in binary (or, equivalently, hex).

Example. 6375₁₀.

	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
binary	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
				212	+211				+27	+26	+25			+22	+21	+20
hex			1				8				E				7	
		1 ×	163			+ 8	× 16	2		+ 14	\times 16	5		+	7	
		40	96			+ 2	048			+ 2	224			+	7	

Operations.

- Add.
- Subtract.
- Test if 0.

Warning. TOY ignores overflow.

TOY data type (better design): 2s complement

Values. -2^{15} to $2^{15}-1$, encoded in 16-bit 2s complement.

includes negative integers!

Operations.

- Add.
- Subtract.
- Test if positive, negative, or 0.

16 bit 2s complement

- 16-bit binary representation of x for positive x.
- 16-bit binary representation of $2^{16} |x|$ for negative x.

Useful properties

- Leading bit (bit 15) signifies sign.
- 0000000000000000 represents zero.
- Add/subtract is the same as for unsigned.

decimal	hex	binary
+32,767	7FFF	0111111111111111
+32,766	7FFE	0111111111111110
+32,765	7FFD	011111111111111111
+3	0003	
+2	0002	
+1	0001	
0	0000	
-1	FFFF	
-2	FFFE	
-3	FFFD	
-32,766	8002	1000000000000010
-32,767	8001	1000000000000001
-32,768	8000	1000000000000000

2s complement: conversion

To convert from decimal to 2s complement

- If greater than +32,767 or less than -32,768 report error.
- Convert to 16-bit binary.
- If not negative, done.
- If negative, flip all bits and add 1.

To convert from 2s complement to decimal

- If sign bit is 1, *flip all bits and add 1* and output minus sign.
- Convert to decimal.

To add/subtract

- Use same rules as for unsigned binary.
- (Still) ignore overflow.

Examples

+1310	000000000001011	000D
-1310	1111111111110101	FFF5
+25610	000000100000000	0100
-25610	1111111100000000	FF00

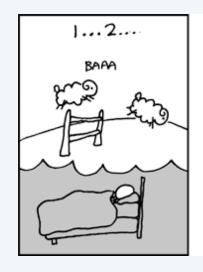
Examples

0001	0000000000000001	110
FFFF	1111111111111111	-110
FF0D	1111111100001101	-24310
00F3	000000011110011	+24310

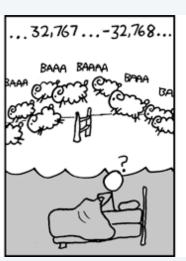
Example

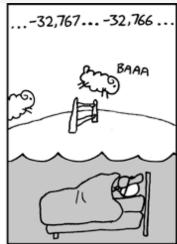
-25610	1111111100000000	FF00
+1310	+000000000001011	+000D
$=-243_{10}$	=1111111100001101	=FF0D

Overflow in 2s complement







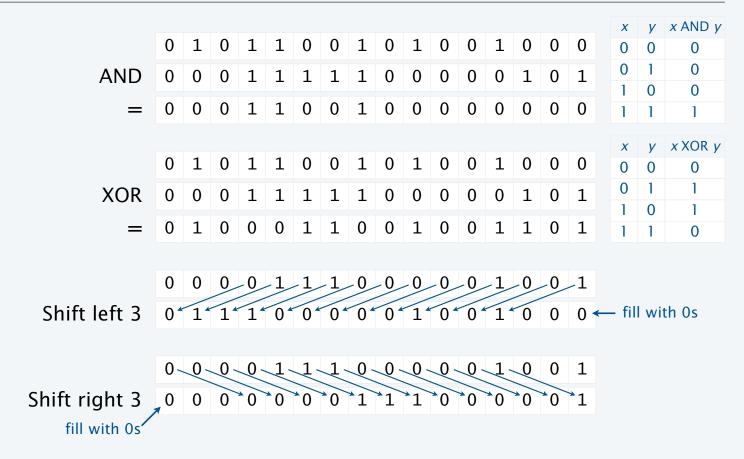


http://xkcd.com/571/

TOY data type: Bitwise operations

Operations

- Bitwise AND.
- Bitwise XOR.
- Shift left.
- Shift right.



Special note: Shift left/right operations also implement multiply/divide by powers of 2 for integers.

shift right fills with 1s if leading bit is 1



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TOY instructions

ANY 16-bit (4 hex digit) value defines a TOY instruction.

First hex digit specifies which instruction.

Each instruction changes machine state in well-defined ways.

category	opcodes	implements	changes
operations	123456	data-type operations	registers
data movement	789AB	data moves between registers and memory	registers, memory
flow of control	0 C D E F	conditionals, loops, and functions	PC

opcode	instruction
0	halt
1	add
2	subtract
3	and
4	xor
5	shift left
6	shift right
7	load address
8	load
9	store
Α	load indirect
В	store indirect
C	branch if zero
D	branch if positive
E	jump register
F	jump and link

Encoding instructions

ANY 16-bit (4 hex digit) value defines a TOY instruction.

Two different instruction formats

• Type 1: Opcode and 3 registers.

15 14 13 12	11 10 9 8	7 6 5 4	3 2 1 0
opcode	destination Rd	source Rs	source Rt

• Type 2: Opcode, 1 register, and 1 memory address.

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
	орс	ode		des	stina	tion	Rd			ad	dres	s AD	DR		

Examples

1 C A B	add RA to RB and put result in RC
8 B O 1	load contents of memory location 01 into RB

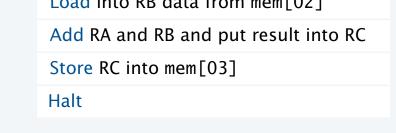
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0	1	halt	
1	1	add	
2	1	subtract	
3	1	and	
4	1	xor	
5	1	shift left	
6	1	shift right	
7	2	load address	
8	2	load	
9	2	store	
Α	1	load indirect	
В	1	store indirect	
C	2	branch if zero	
D	2	branch if positive	
E	2	jump register	
F	2	jump and link	

A TOY program

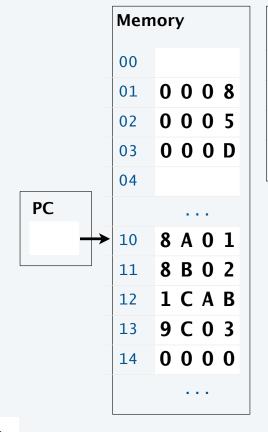
Add two integers

- Load operands from memory into registers.
- Add the registers.
- Put result in memory.

Load into RA data from mem[01] Load into RB data from mem[02] Add RA and RB and put result into RC Store RC into mem[03] Halt



- Q. How can you tell whether a word is an instruction?
- A. If the PC has its address, it is an instruction!



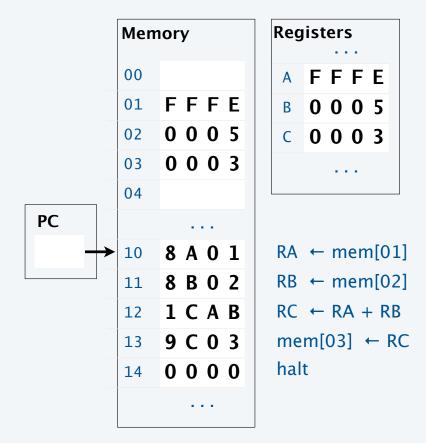
Registers					
Α	0	0	0	8	
В	0	0	0	5	
C	0	0	0	D	

```
RA \leftarrow mem[01]
RB \leftarrow mem[02]
RC \leftarrow RA + RB
mem[03] \leftarrow RC
halt
```

Same program with different data

Add two integers

- Load operands from memory into registers.
- Add the registers.
- Put result in memory.





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Outside the box

User interface

- Switches.
- Lights.
- Control Buttons.

First step: Turn on the machine!



Loading data into memory

To load data

- 6 . 0
- Set 8 memory address switches.
- Set 16 data switches to data encoding.
- Press LOAD to load data from switches into addressed memory word.



Looking at what's in the memory

To double check that you loaded the data correctly

- Set 8 memory address switches.
- Press LOOK to examine the addressed memory word.



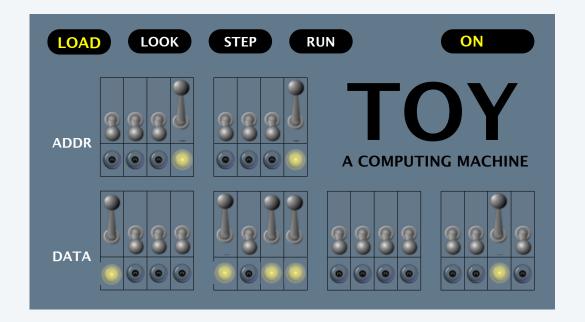
Use the same procedure as for data

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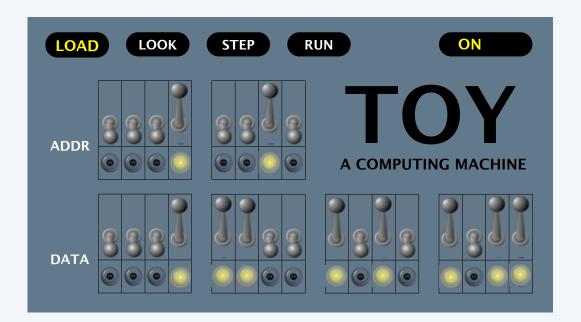
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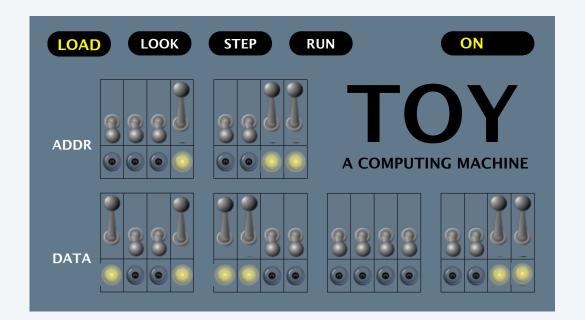
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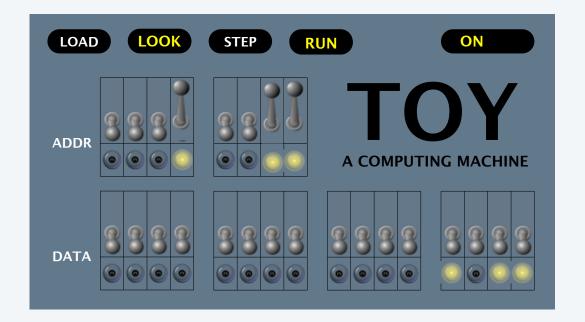


Running a program

To run a program, set the address switches to the address of first instruction and press RUN.

[data lights may flash, but all (and RUN light) go off when HALT instruction is reached]

To see the output, set the address switches to the address of expected result and press LOOK.





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Machine language programming

TOY instructions support the same basic programming constructs that you learned in Java.

- Primitive data types.
- Assignment statements.
- Conditionals and loops.
- Standard input and output (this section).
- Arrays (this section).

and can support advanced constructs, as well.

- Functions and libraries.
- Objects.

Conditionals and loops

To control the flow of instruction execution

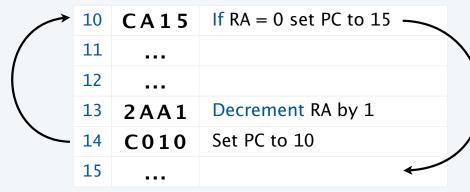
- Test a register's value.
- Change the PC, depending on the value.

opcode	instruction
C	branch if zero
D	branch if positive

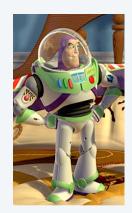
Example: Absolute value of RA

10	DA12	If RA > 0 set PC to 12 (skip 11)
11	2 A 0 A	Subtract RA from 0 (R0) and put result into RA
12		

Example: Typical while loop (assumes R1 is 0001)



```
while (a != 0) {
    ...
    a--;
}
```



To infinity and beyond!

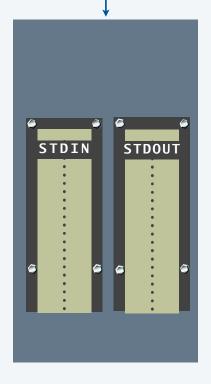
Standard input and output

An immediate problem

- We can't be using switches and lights all the time!
- One solution: Paper tape.



Need to bolt new I/O devices to the side of the machine.



Standard input and output

Punched paper tape

- Encode 16-bit words in two 8-bit rows.
- To write a word, punch a hole for each 1.
- To read a word, shine a light behind the tape and sense the holes.



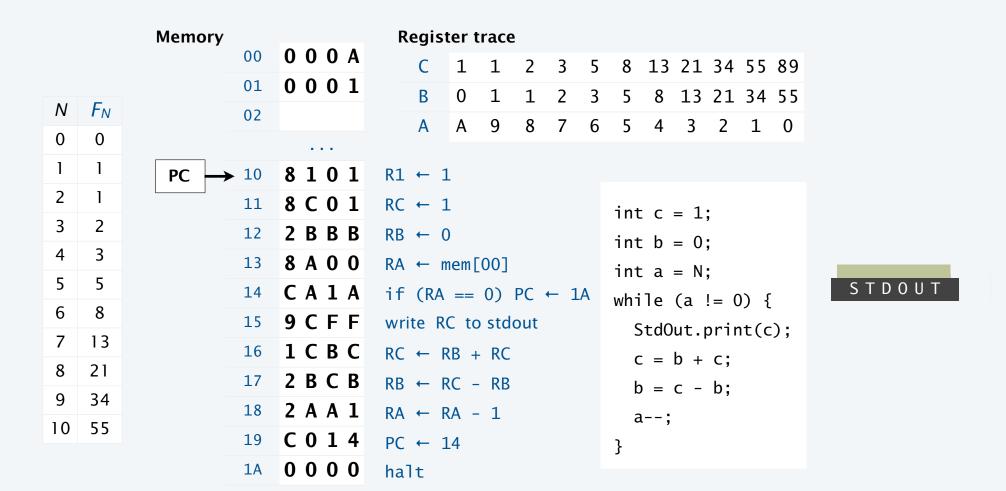
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1

TOY mechanism

- Connect hardware to memory location FF.
- To write the contents of a register to stdout, store to FF.
- To read from stdin into a register, load from FF.

Flow control and standard output example: Fibonacci numbers

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Arrays

To implement an array

- Keep items in an array contiguous starting at mem address a.
- Access a[i] at mem[a+i].

To access an array element, use indirection

- Keep array address in a register.
- Add index
- Indirect load/store uses contents of a register.

opcode	instruction
7	load address
Α	load indirect
В	store indirect

Example: Indirect store

	12	7680	Load the address 80 into R6	array starts at mem location 80
	13	7B00	Set RB to 0	b is the index
	16	156B	R5 ← R6 + RB	compute address of a[b]
(17	BC05	mem[R5] ← RC	a[b] ← c
	18	1BB1	RB ← RB + 1	increment b

Array of length 11

80 0 0 0	J
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Arrays example: Read an array from standard input

To implement an array

- Keep items in an array contiguous starting at mem location a.
- Access a[i] at mem[a+i].

```
\rightarrow 10 7 1 0 1 R1 \leftarrow 1
   11 8 A F F RA ← N
                                              int a = StdIn.read();
   12 7 6 8 0 R6 ← 80
                                              arr = new int[];
   13 7 B O O RB \leftarrow 0
                                              int b = 0;
   14 \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{B} if (RA == 0) PC \leftarrow 1B while (a != 0) {
   15 8 C F F read RC from stdin
                                                int c = StdIn.read();
   16 1 5 6 B R5 \leftarrow R6 + RB
   17 B C O 5 mem[R5] ← RC
                                                arr[b] = c;
   18 1 B B 1 RB ← RB + 1
                                                b++;
   19 2 A A 1 RA \leftarrow RA - 1
                                                a--;
   1A C O 1 4 PC ← 14
                 [begin array processing code]
   1B
```

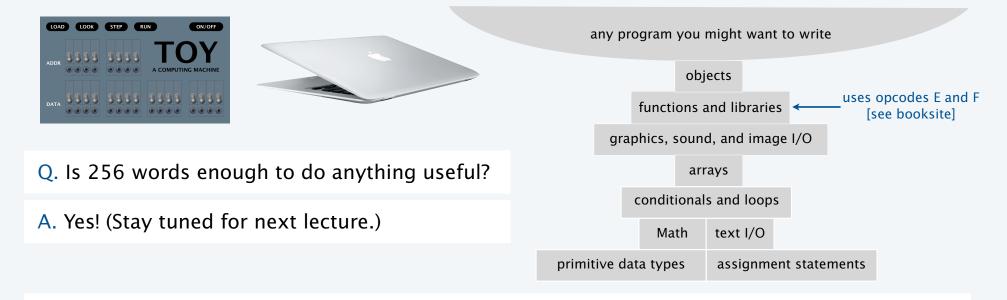
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TOY vs. your laptop

Two different computing machines

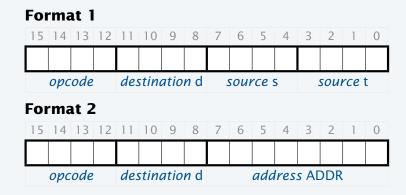
- Both implement basic data types, conditionals, loops, and other low-level constructs.
- Both can have arrays, functions, and other high-level constructs.
- Both have infinite input and output streams.



OK, we definitely want a faster version with more memory when we can afford it...

TOY reference card

opcode	operation	format	pseudo-code
0	HALT	1	HALT
1	add	1	$R[d] \leftarrow R[s] + R[t]$
2	subtract	1	$R[d] \leftarrow R[s] - R[t]$
3	and	1	$R[d] \leftarrow R[s] \& R[t]$
4	xor	1	$R[d] \leftarrow R[s] \land R[t]$
5	shift left	1	$R[d] \leftarrow R[s] \ll R[t]$
6	shift right	1	$R[d] \leftarrow R[s] \gg R[t]$
7	load addr	2	R[d] ← ADDR
8	load	2	$R[d] \leftarrow mem[ADDR]$
9	store	2	$mem[ADDR] \leftarrow R[d]$
Α	load indirect	1	$R[d] \leftarrow mem[R[t]]$
В	store indirect	1	$mem[R[t]] \leftarrow R[d]$
C	branch zero	2	if $(R[d] == 0)$ PC \leftarrow ADDR
D	branch positive	2	if $(R[d] > 0)$ PC \leftarrow ADDR
E	jump register	2	$PC \leftarrow R[d]$
F	jump and link	2	$R[d] \leftarrow PC; PC \leftarrow ADDR$



ZERO R0 is always 0. **STANDARD INPUT** Load from FF. **STANDARD OUTPUT** Store to FF.

Pop quiz 1 on TOY

Q. What is the interpretation of

1A75 as a TOY instruction?

1A75 as a 2s complement integer value?

OFFF as a TOY instruction?

OFFF as a 2s complement integer value?

8888 as a TOY instruction?

8888 as a 2s complement integer value? (Answer in base 16).

Pop quiz 2 on TOY

Q. How does one flip all the bits in a TOY register?

Pop quiz 3 on TOY

Q. What does the following TOY program leave in R2?

```
RC \leftarrow 10_{10}
   7 C O A
10
  7 1 0 1
              R1 ← 1
11
  7 2 0 1
              R2 ← 1
12
              R2 \leftarrow R2 + R2
   1 2 2 2
13
14 2 C C 1 RC ← RC – 1
15 D C 1 3
               if (RC > 0) PC \leftarrow 13
16 0000
               HALT
```



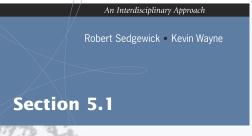












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