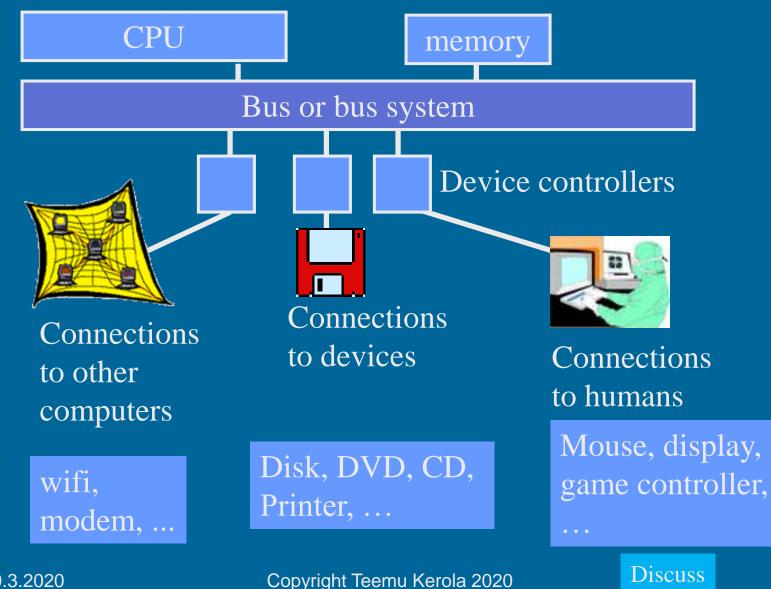
Lecture 1 Computer System

System levels Location of the program Representation of a program Speed of system devices



Computer



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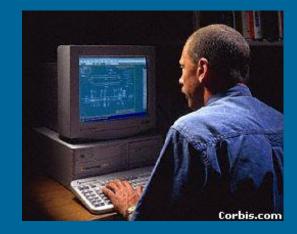
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Location and Representation of a Computer Program

- User view
 - Somewhere in system
 - In some form
 - Easy to execute
 - Click icon with a mouse



- E.g., after DOS, UNIX or Linux prompt
- Insert DVD to a DVD-station
- Insert memory stick to USB-port



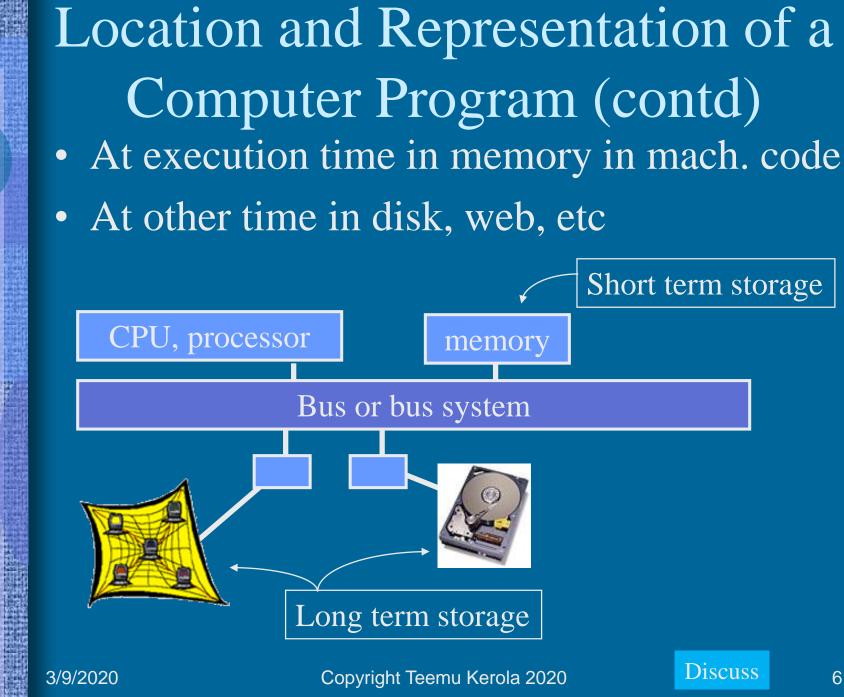
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Location and Representation of a Computer Program (contd)

Long term storage

- In some device where data is sustained without electricity
 - Hard disk, SSD, tape, CD, DVD, memory stick
- Described in some language
 - High level languages: Java, Fortran, C,
 - Data base description lang.: SQL, SQL*Forms,
 - Processor machine lang.: x86, MIPS, PA-RISC, ...
- Maybe packed in some fashion
 - zip, tar, gz, ...





Machine Language

- Processor instruction set defines its instruction set architecture (ISA)
- Each instruction is (e.g.) a 10-digit integer number

2234563212 5437658756

- Often given with symbolic assembly language
 - Instruction is composed of different fields
 - Some field values are described with symbols
 - Easier for humans to read/write
 - Easy to translate to (pure) machine language

LOAD R1, Sum opcode register variable

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Symbolic Assembly Language

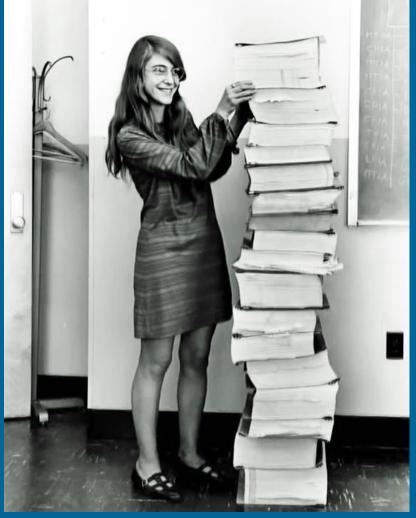
- Usual representation for machine language programs
 - "Readable machine language"
- Easy to translate to machine language
 - Relates directly to machine language
 - Often considered (slightly erroneously, but not much):

Symbolic assembly language \approx machine language

129543876 439874387	≈ ADD	R2, =5	; R2 \leftarrow Mem(Sum) ; R2 \leftarrow R2 + 5
544399765	JUMP	Loop	; PC \leftarrow Loop
	(code)		(; comment)
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Programming with Symbolic Assembly Language

- Margaret Hamilton and listing of AGC (Apollo Guidance Computer) source code
- AGC was programmed in assembly language
- Margaret Hamilton
 - Started to use the term
 "software development" to describe her programming principles in 1968
 - Augusta Ada Lovelace
 Award, 1986
 (Ada Lovelace, 1815-1852)



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High Level Language (HLL) vs. Machine Language

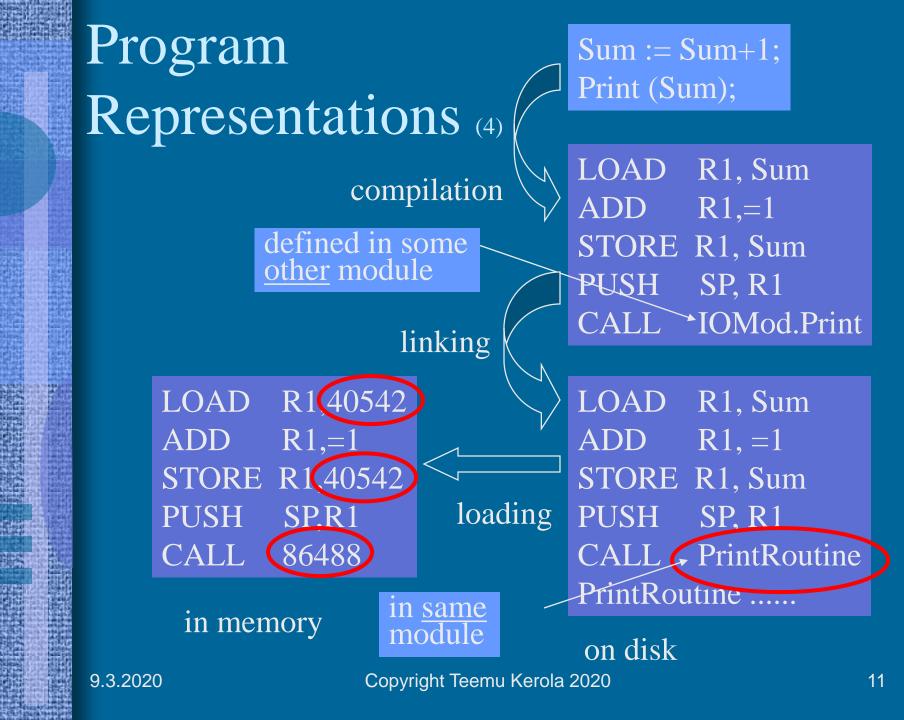
• Problem:

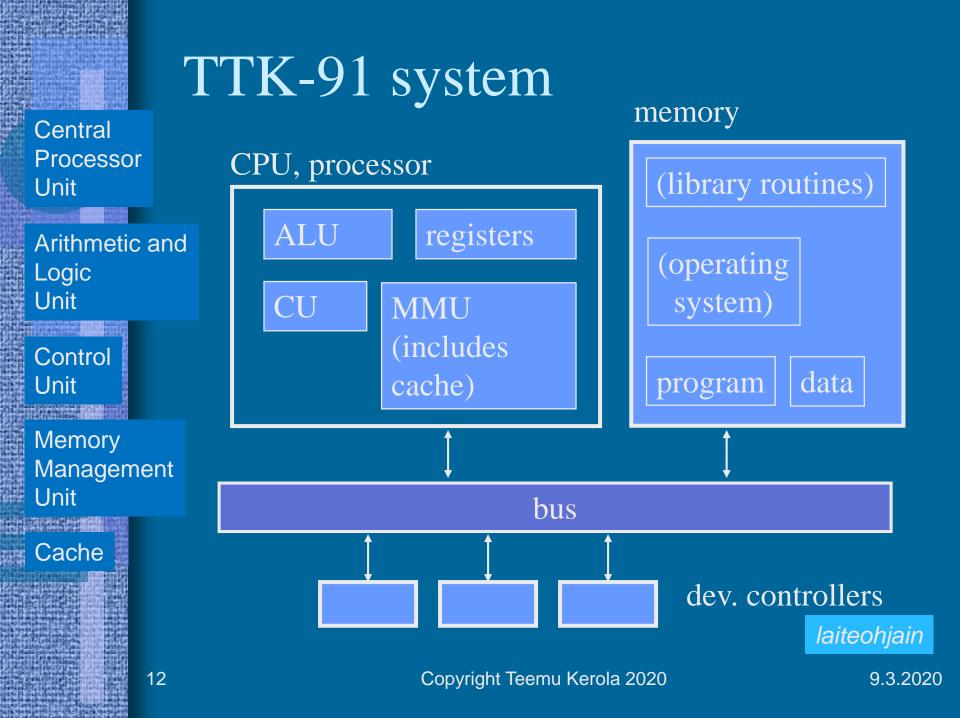
Program is stored in some <u>high level language</u> (e.g., Java or C) form in <u>long term memory</u> (e.g., hard disk), but for execution it must be in <u>machine language</u> for this processor in system <u>memory</u>.

- Solution: representation changes
 - compilation $HLL \rightarrow$ machine language
 - linking Combine with library modules
 - loading

Store

Compilation and linking can be done before execution, or partly during execution
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Speed of Different Devices

- Huge speed differences between different components of the system
 - CPU registers are the fastest
 - Cache is almost as fast
 - Memory is already pretty slow
 - I/O devices are really slow
 - Hard disk, SSD

– Some devices are extremely slow

- Magnetic tape, human interfaces
- Other computers are extremely slow
 - Cloud services, internet

1 ns?

50 ns?

10 ms?

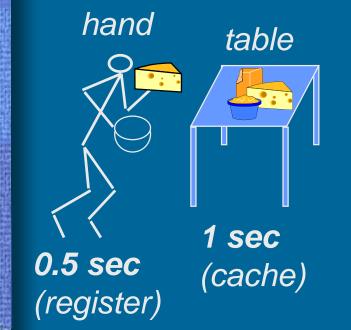
1 sec?

10 sec?

Teemu's Cheesecake

Speed of register, cache, memory, hard disk, and cloud as compared to getting cheese for cheese cake?

Europa (Jupiter)



fridge

10 sec (memory) **12 days** (disk)

moon

■ **4 years** (cloud, human)

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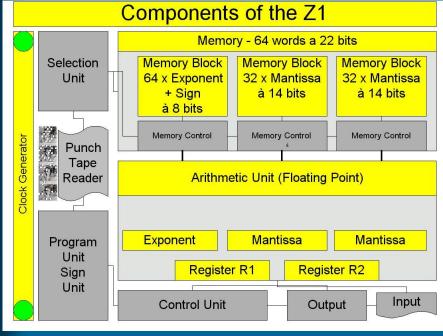


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Konrad Zuse: Z1 (1938 Germany)

- mechanical "calculator", clock cycle 1 Hz (turn handle!)
- multiplication 5 s
- data store 64W à 24b
- code from punch tape (film)





http://irb.cs.tu-berlin.de/~zuse/Konrad Zuse/en/Rechner Z1.html

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