CSC 252: Computer Organization
Spring 2021: Lecture 1

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- **Get CSUG account**
- **Make sure you have VPN setup!!!!**
- **Sign up for Blackboard**


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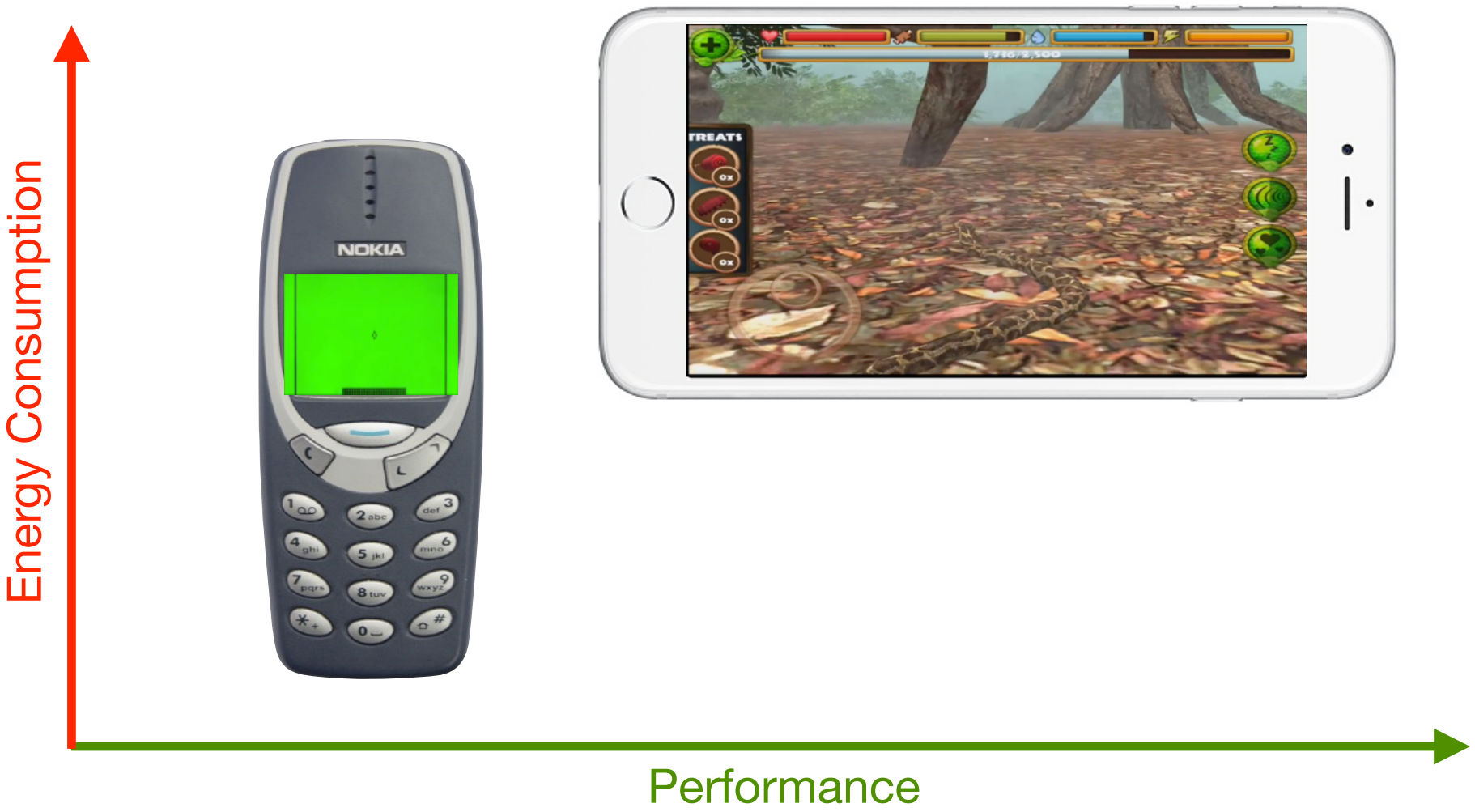

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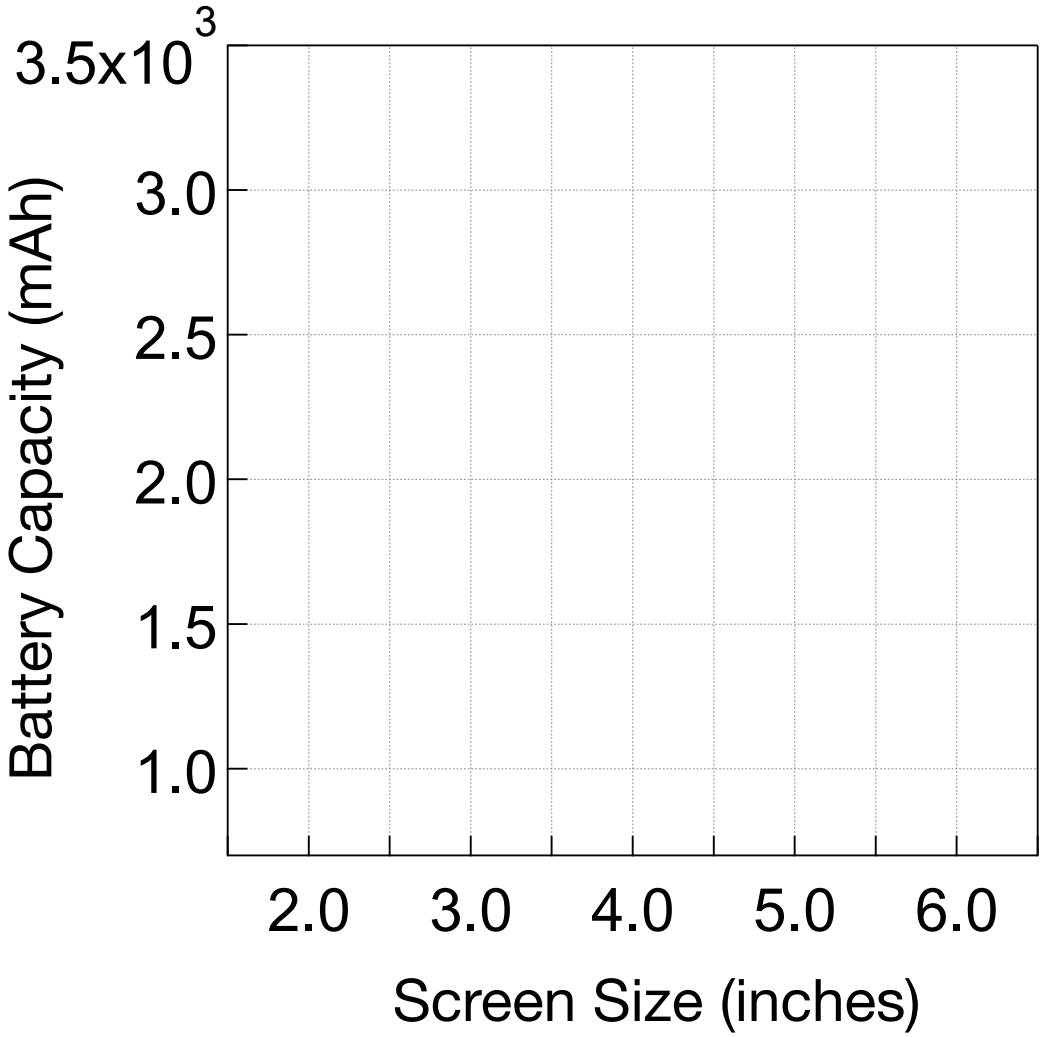

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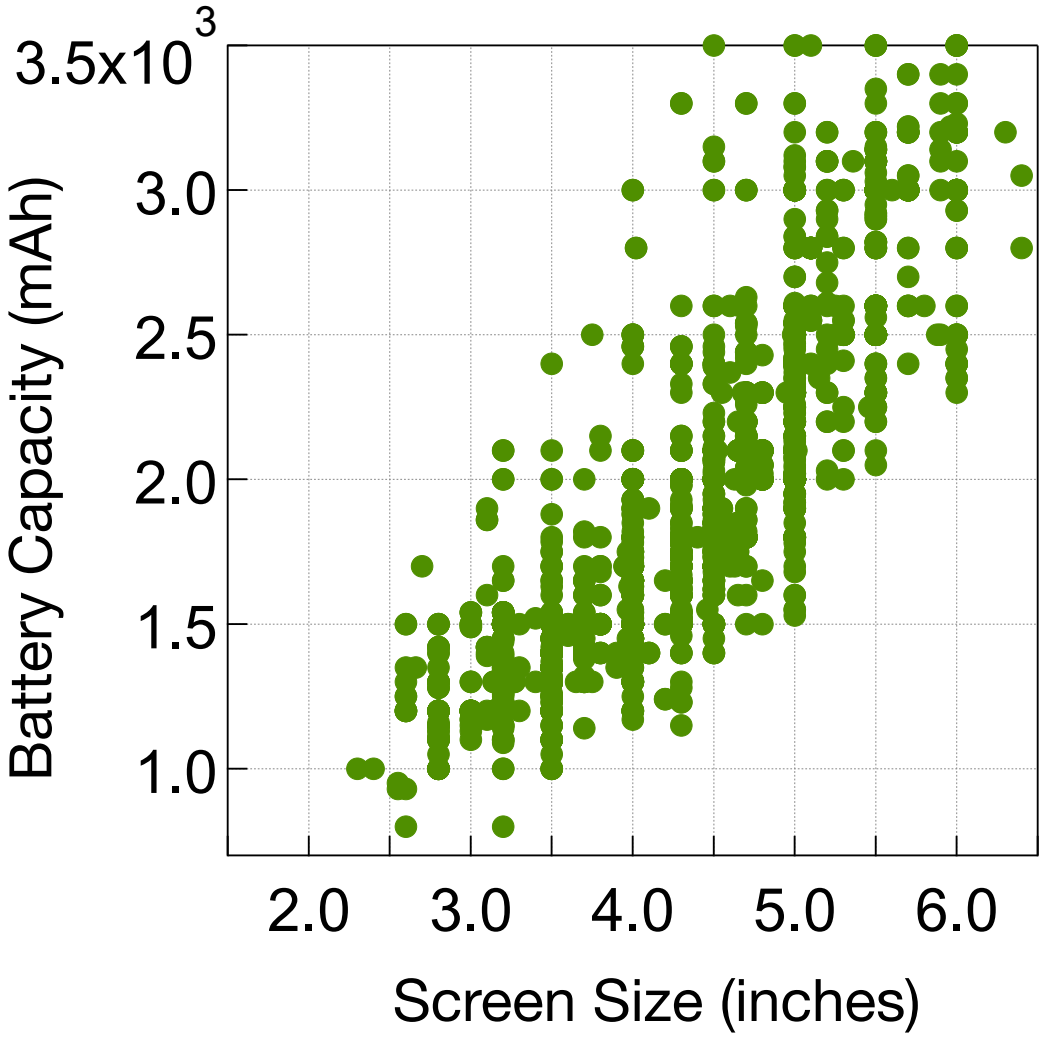

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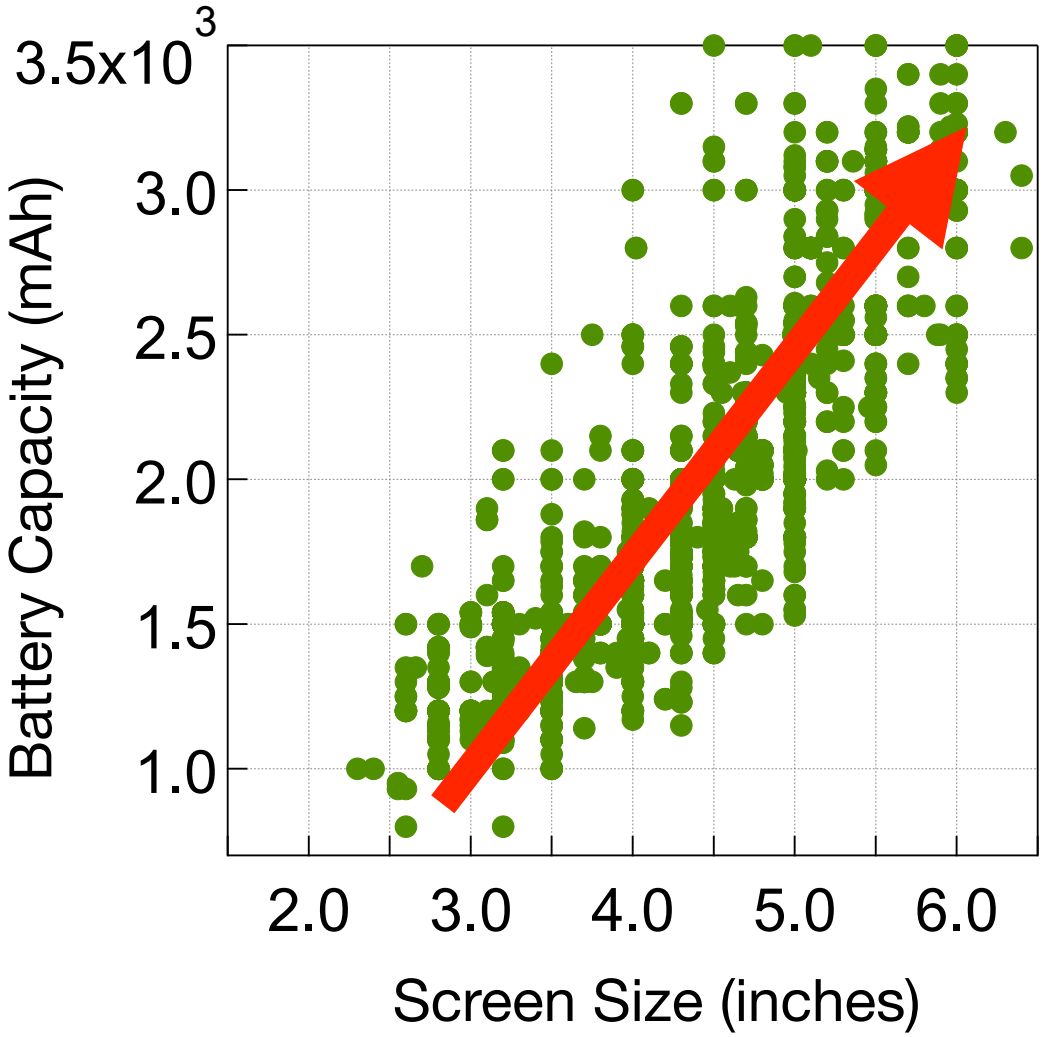

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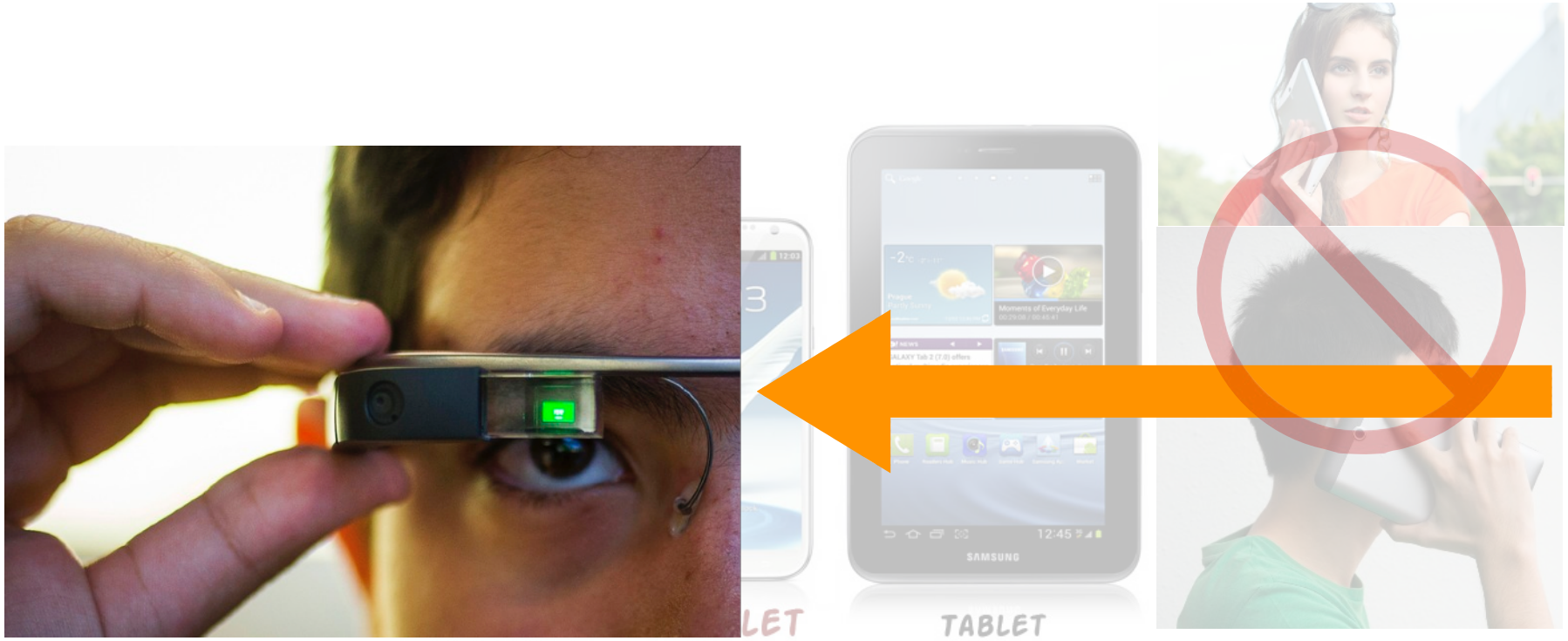

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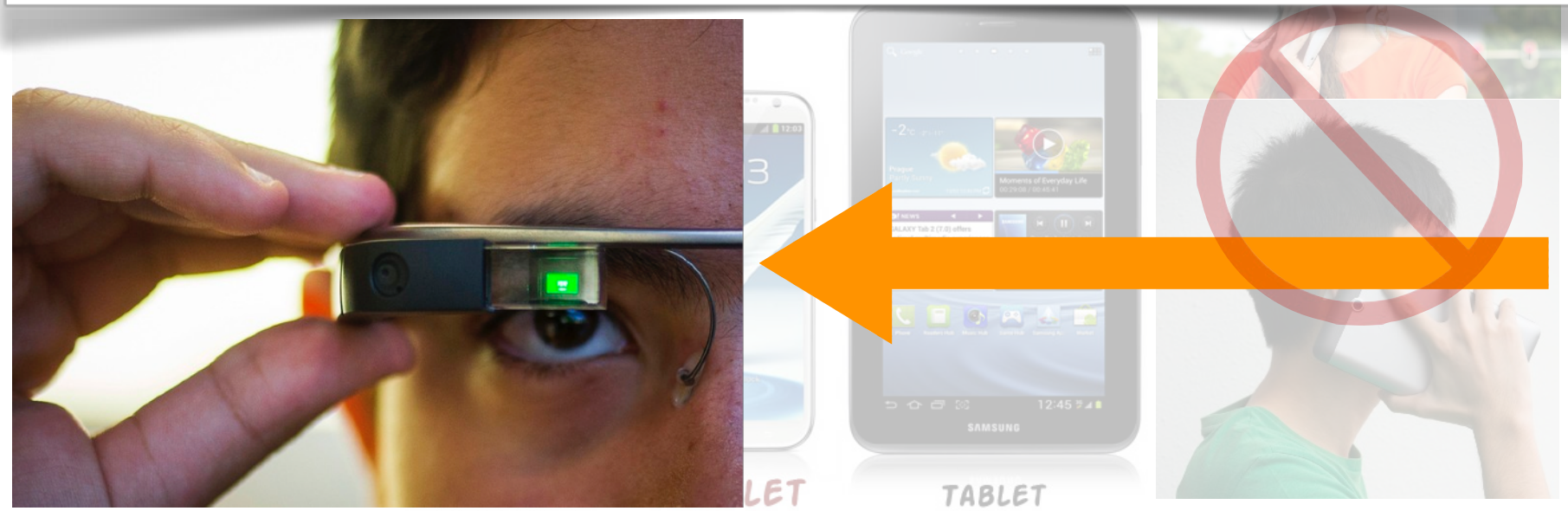

Outline: Class Introduction

- Introduction
  - What Are You Supposed to Learn in this Class?
    - What Is Computer Organization Anyways?
  - Instructor & TAs
  - What Do I Expect From You?
  - How am I Going to Teach?
  - Grading, Policies

Action Items

- Get a CSUG account.
  - cycle1.csug.rochester.edu (or cycle2, cycle3)
  - If you don't already have one, go to this link: https://accounts.csug.rochester.edu/
  - **YOU WILL NEED VPN to access these machines if you are not using campus WiFI!! Follow the instructions (https://tech.rochester.edu/remote-access-vpn-tutorials/) to set up the university VPN.**
  - **TAs will help with VPN setup too.**
- Sign up for Blackboard (https://learn.rochester.edu/)

Where to Find Stuff

- http://cs.rochester.edu/courses/252/spring2021/
  - General info
  - Programming assignments details
  - Slides
  - Practice problems, past exams

- CSUG machines for programming assignments submissions

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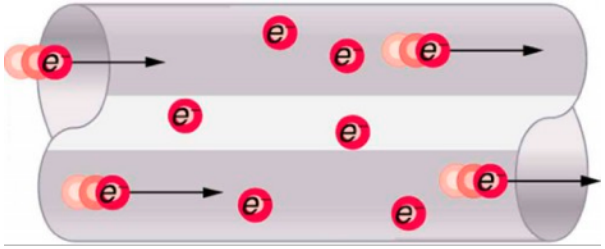

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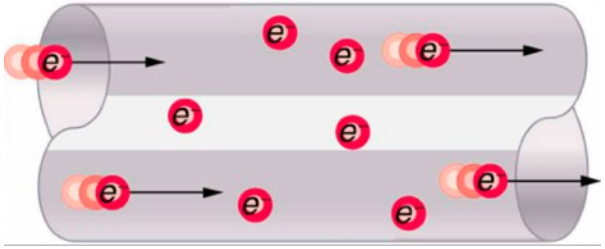

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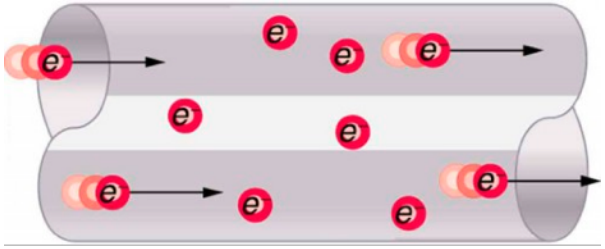

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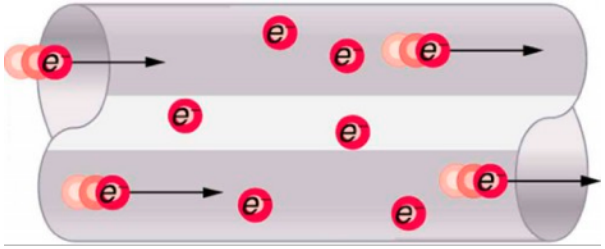

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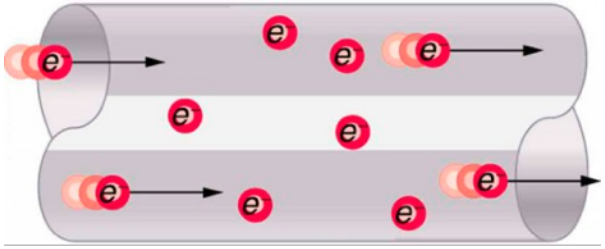

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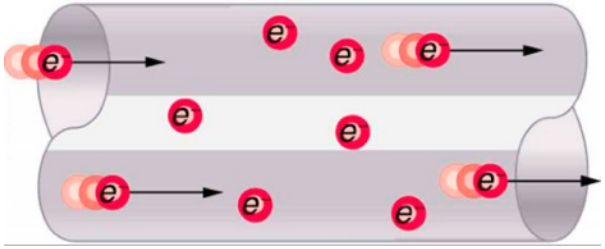

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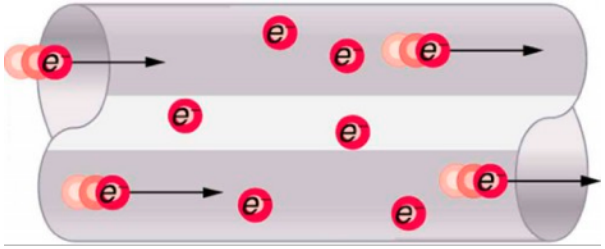

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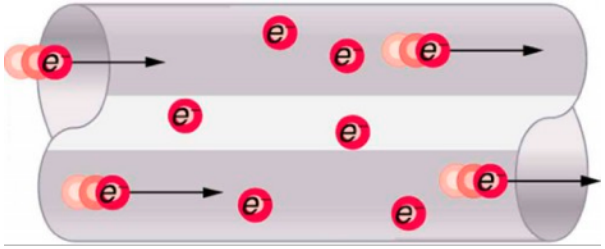

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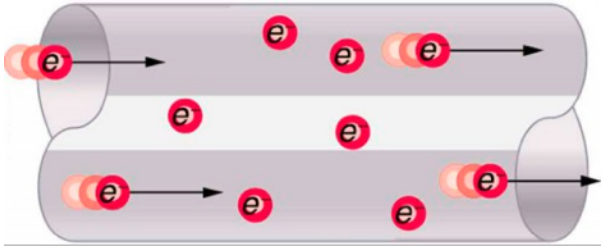

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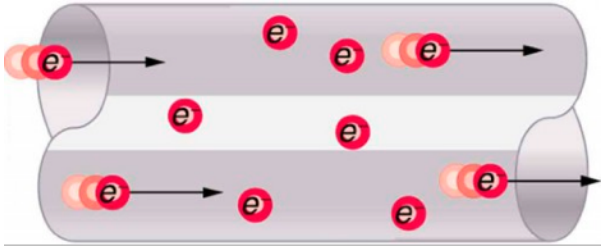

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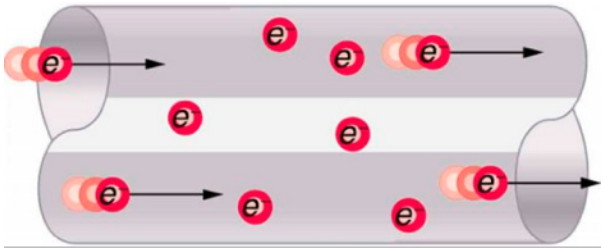

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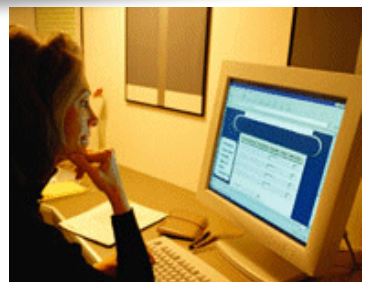

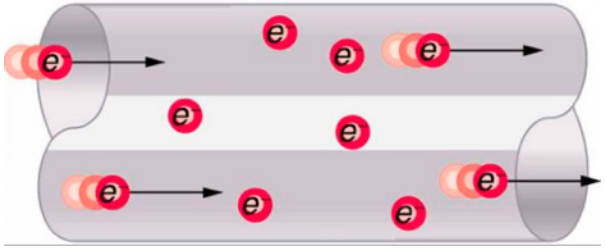

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C Program

```
void add() {
  int a = 1;
  int b = 2;
  int c = a + b;
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```

Pre-processor
Compiler

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Assembler
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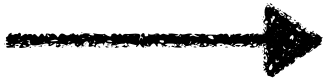

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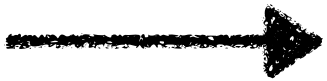

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- It translates a text file to an executable binary file (a.k.a., executable) consisting of a sequence of instructions
- Why binary? Computers understand only 0s and 1s
  - The subject of next lecture

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- Executables (i.e., instructions) are stored in “memory”
- Processors read instructions from memory and execute instructions one after another

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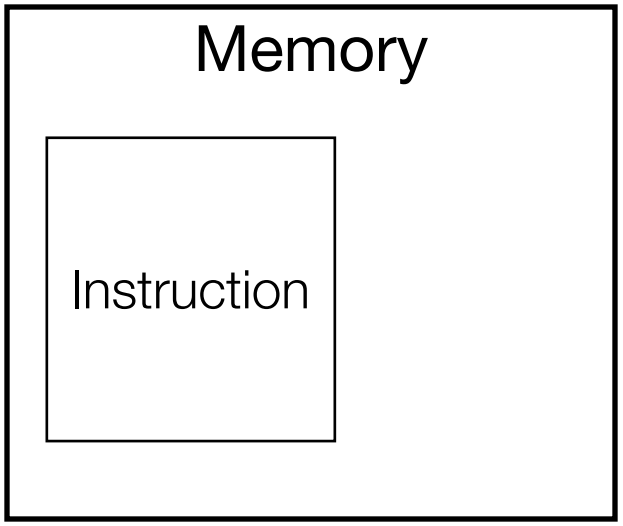

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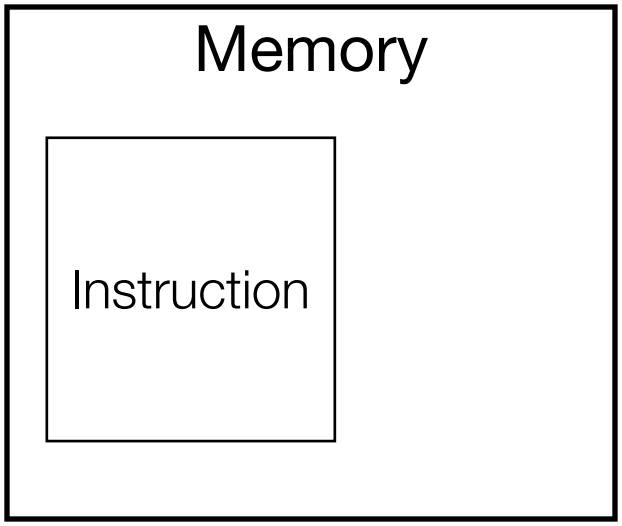

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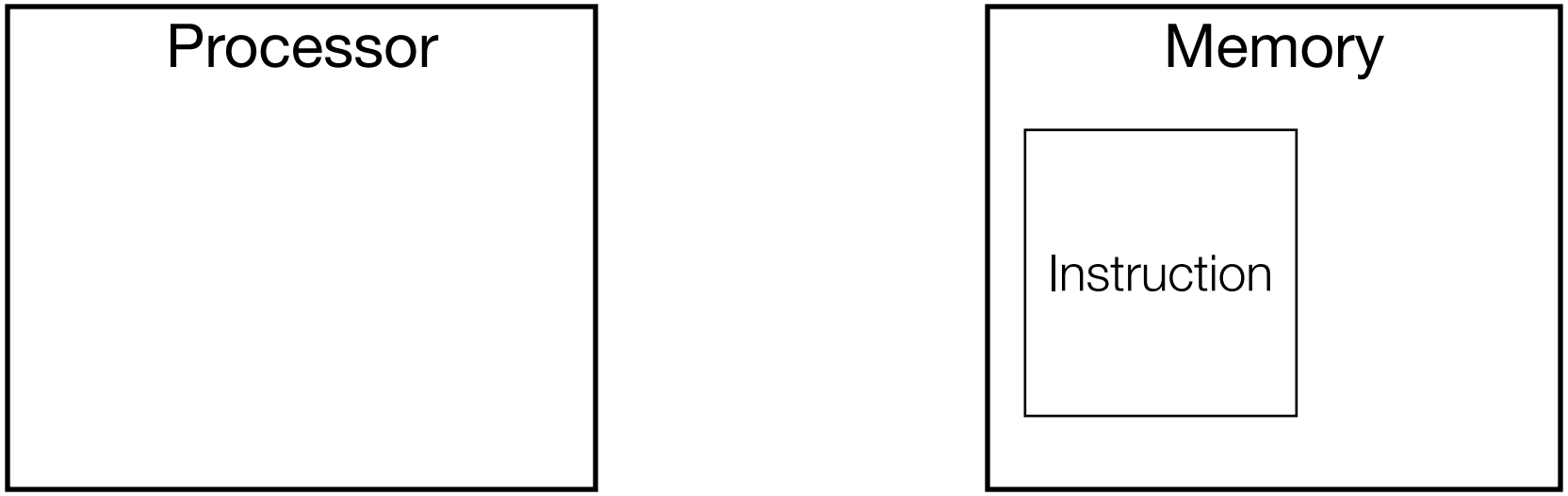

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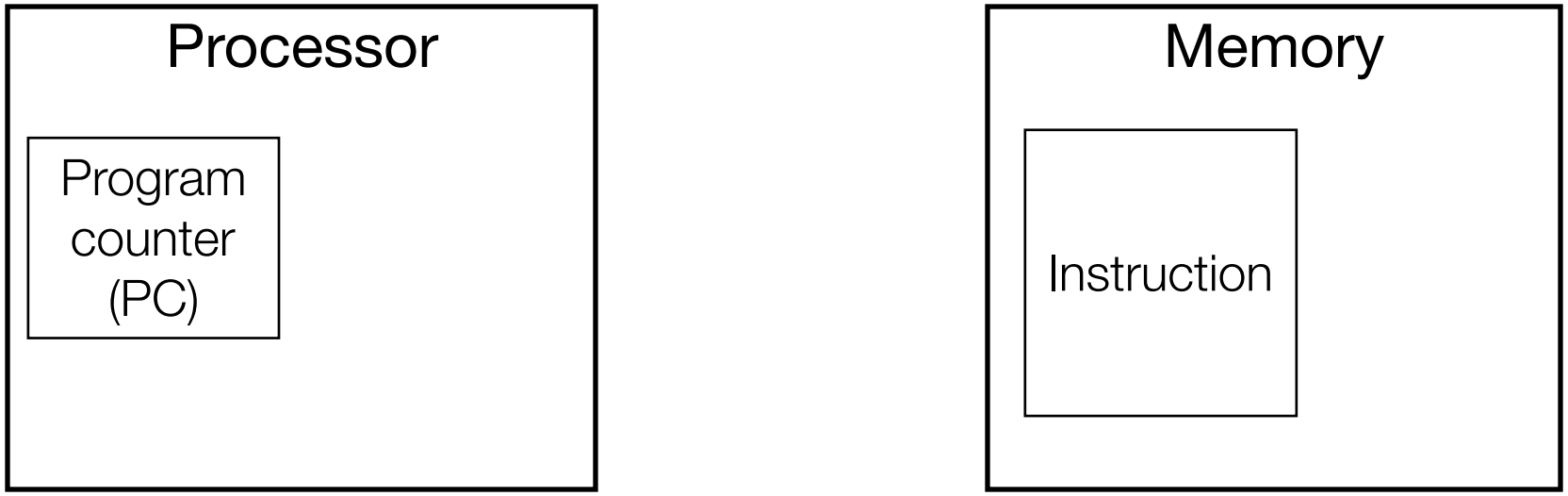

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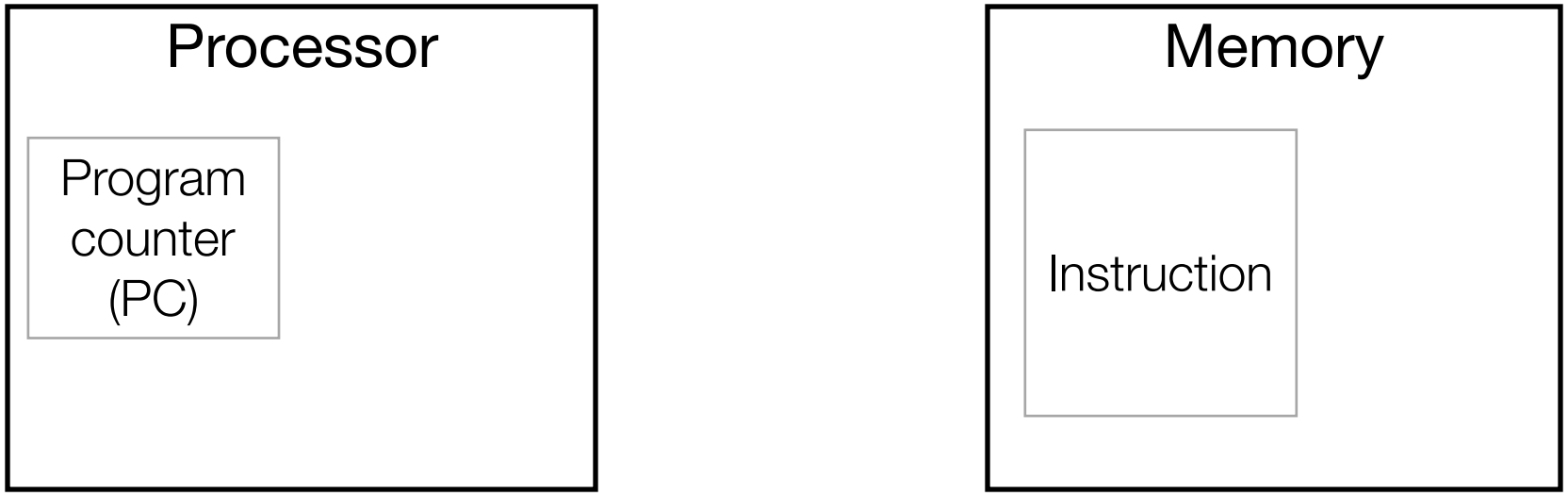

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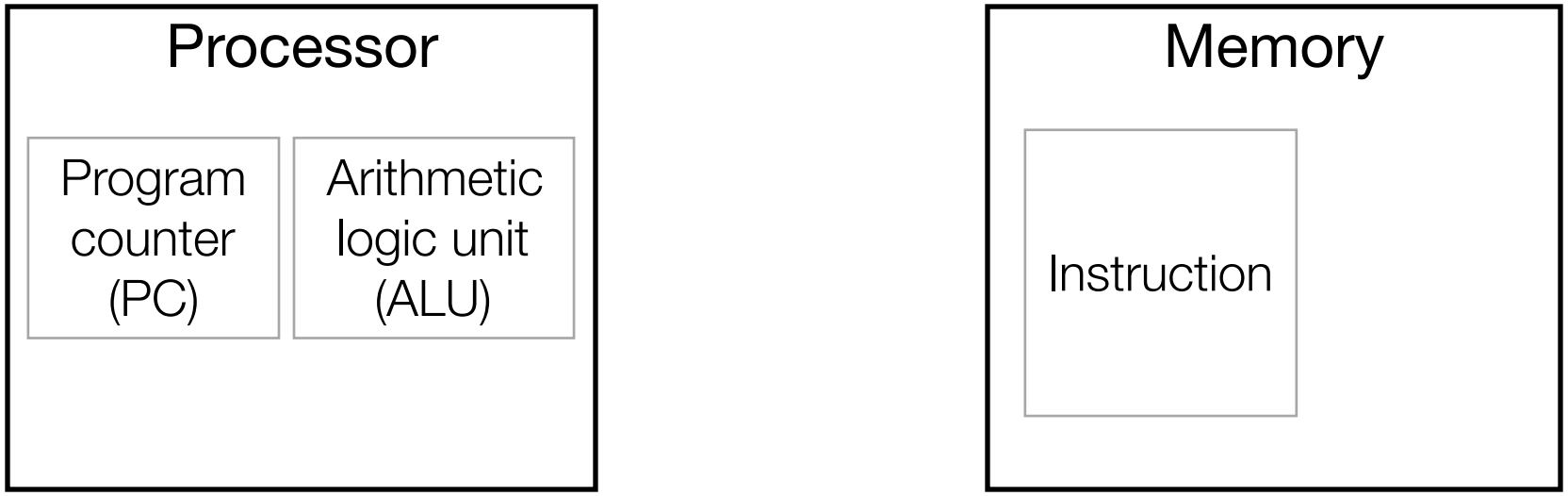

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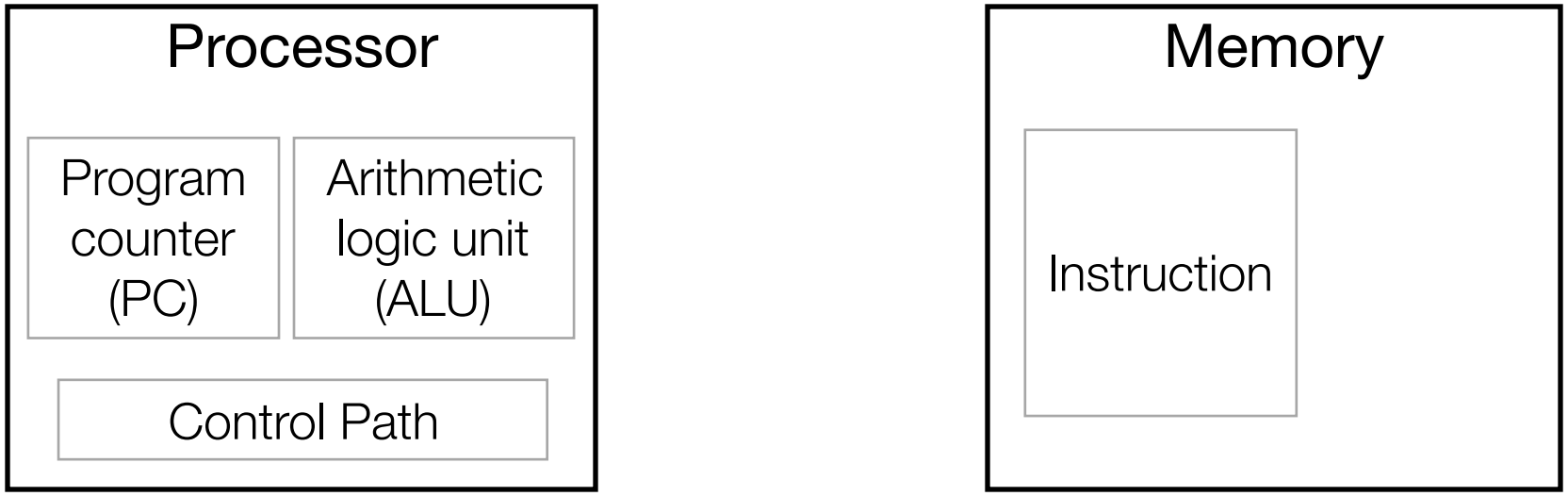

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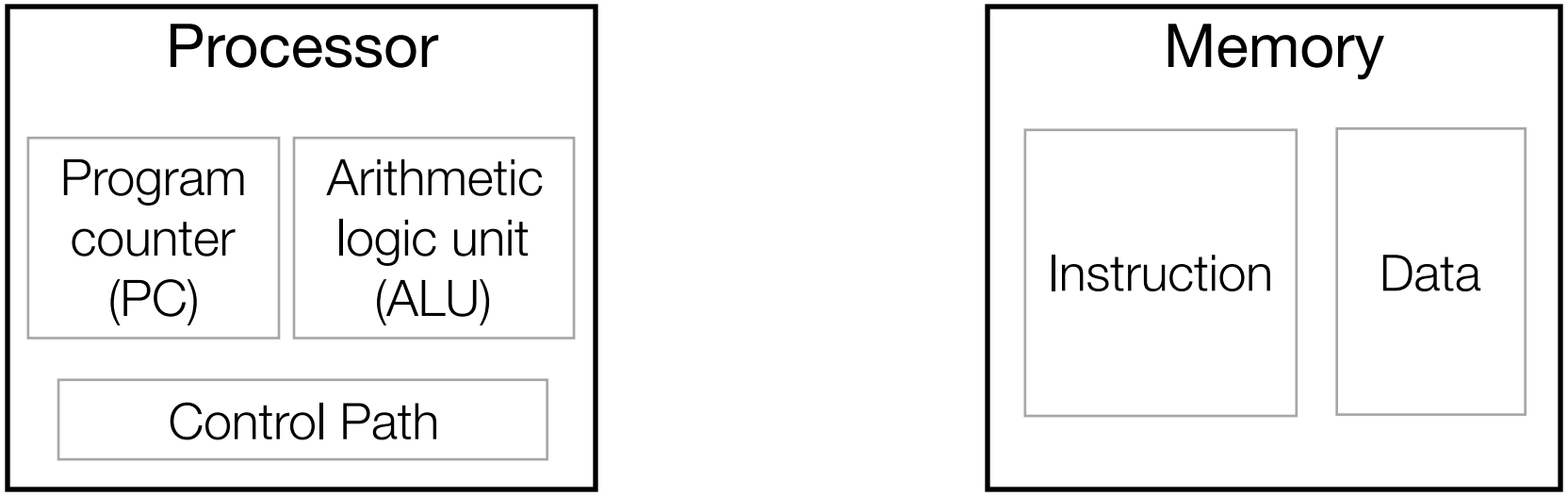

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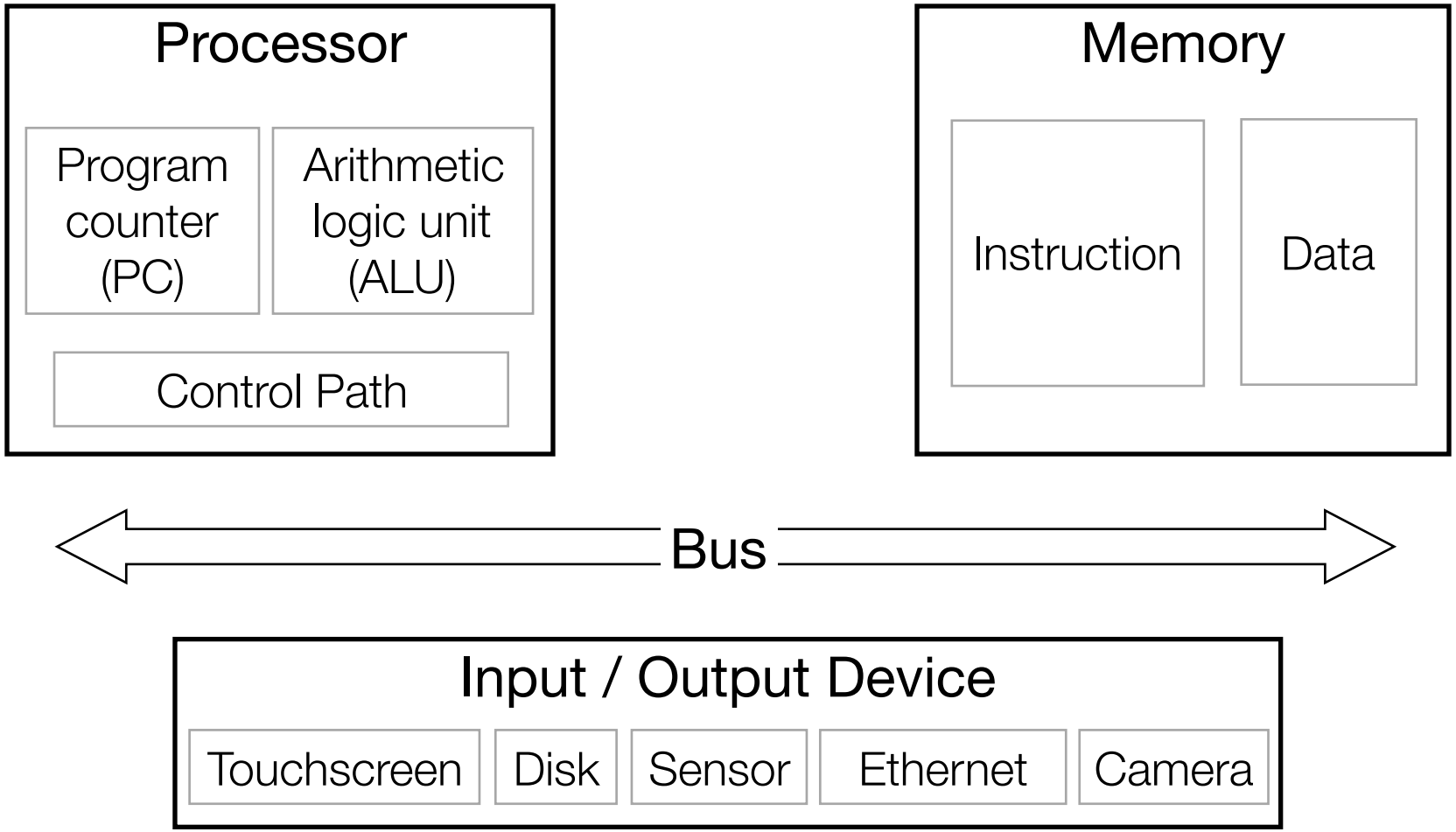

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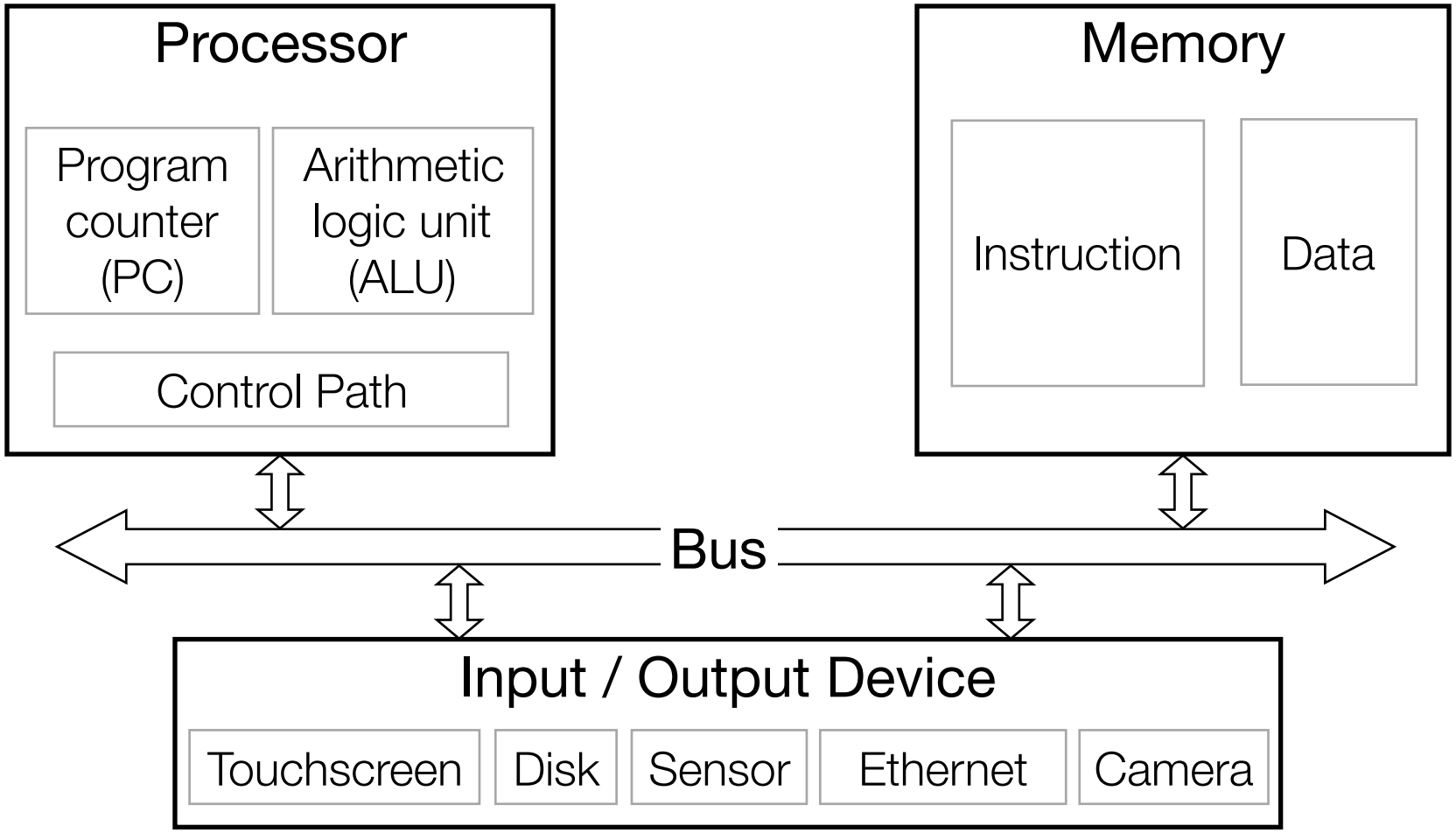

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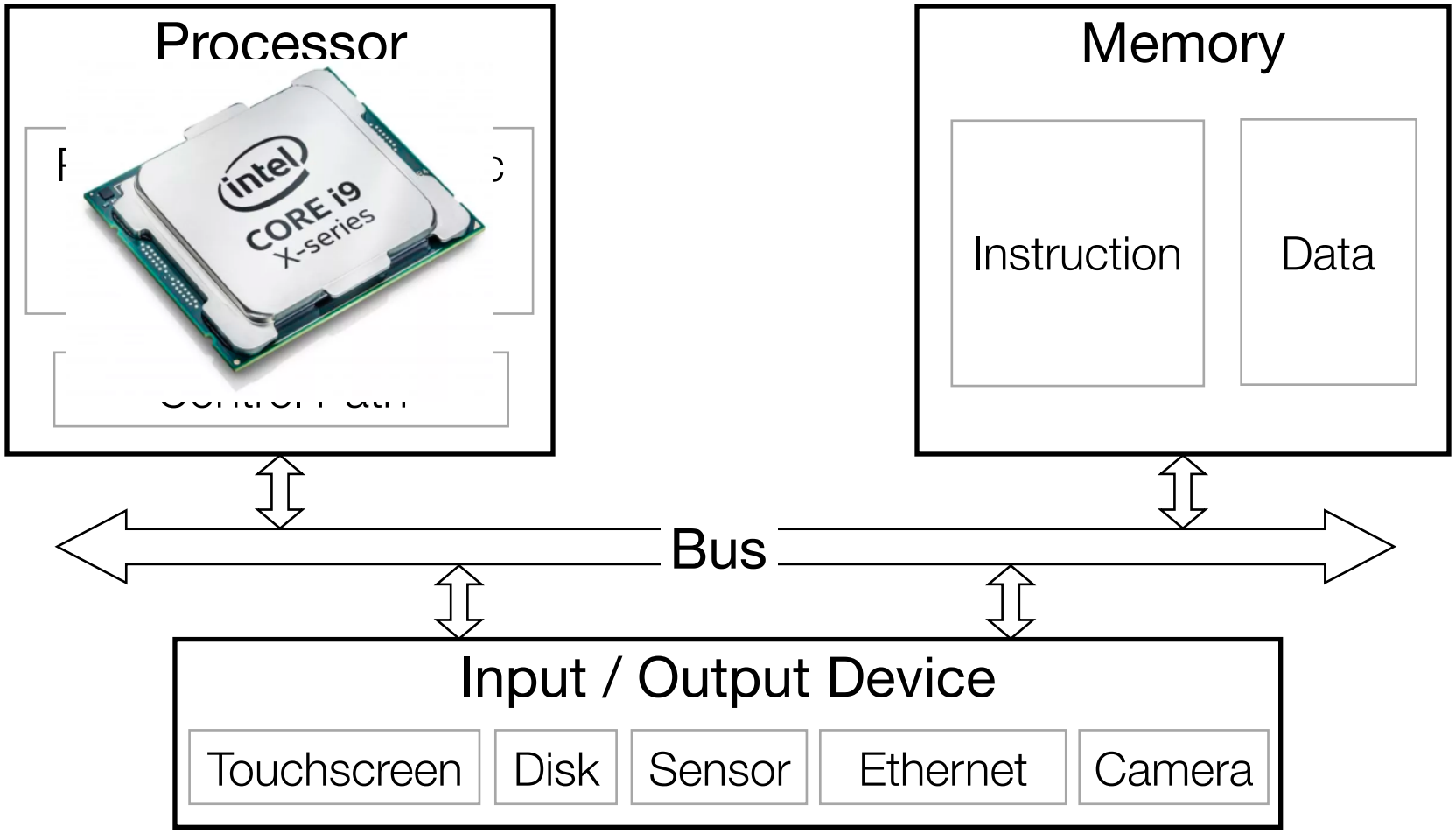

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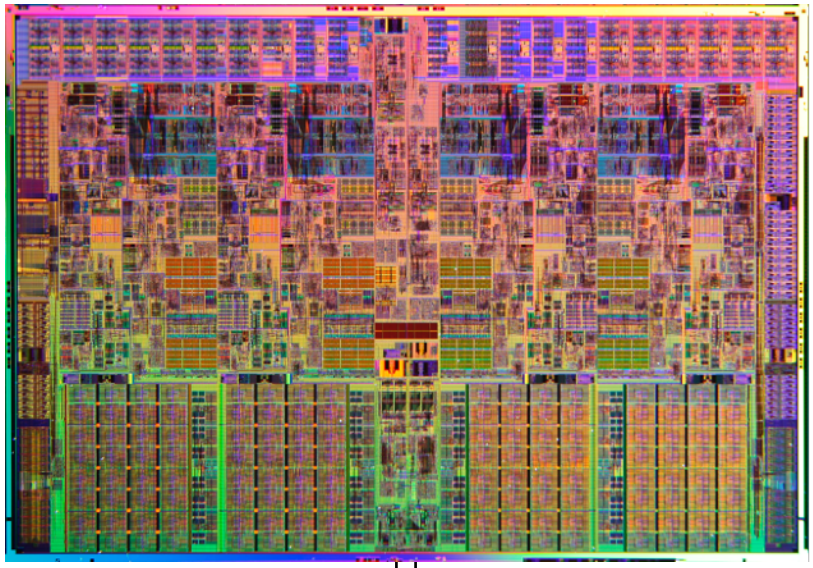

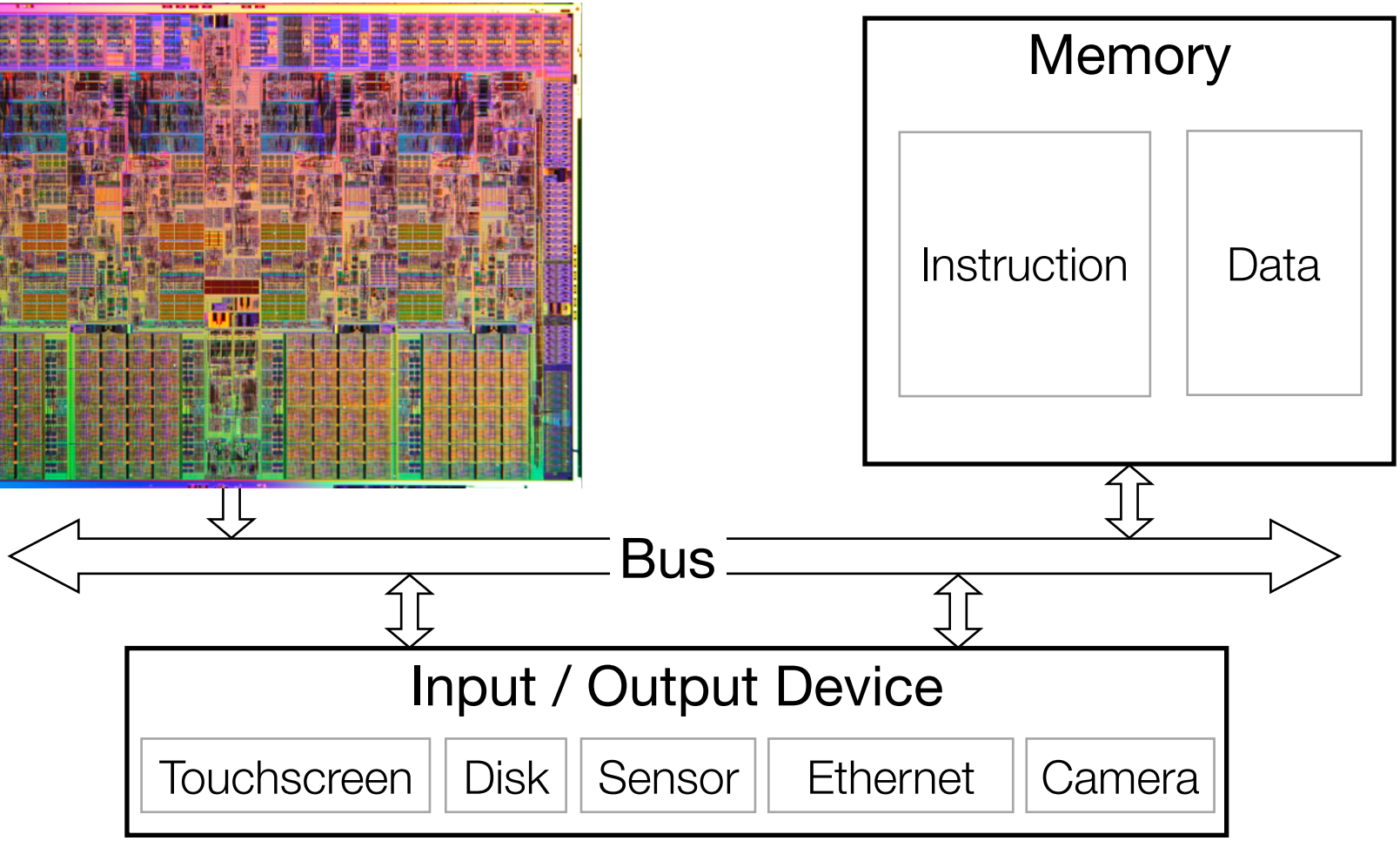

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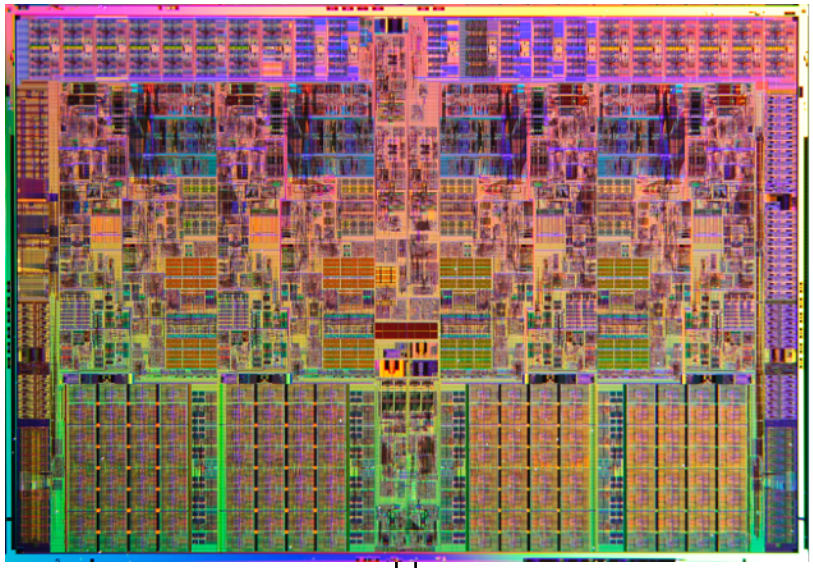

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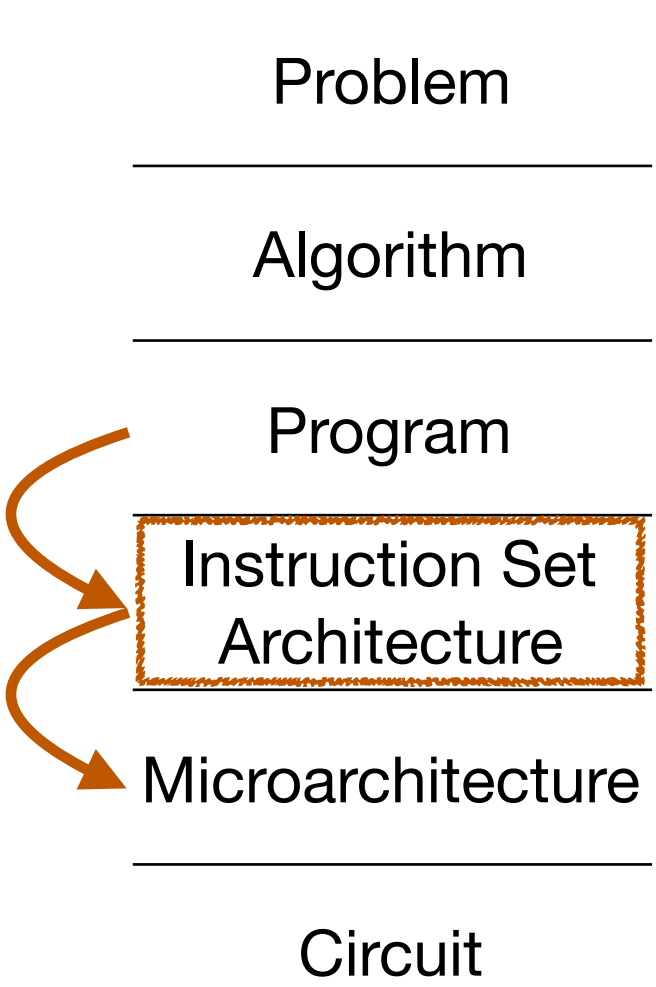

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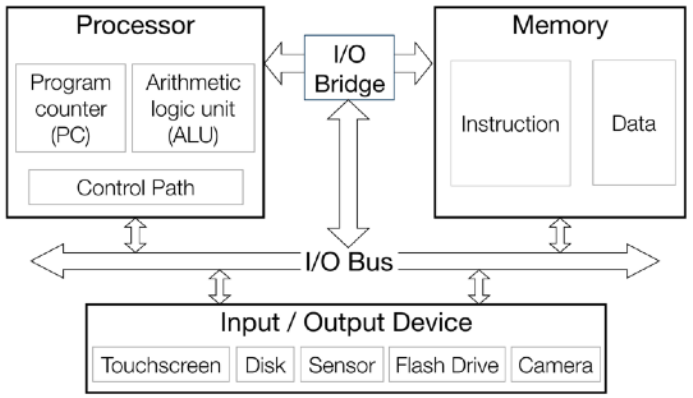

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- For programmer: no need to care how the instructions are implemented as long as they are somehow implemented
- Implementation of an ISA is called *microarchitecture*
- ISAs *abstract* away details of microarchitecture

Assembly program: add.s

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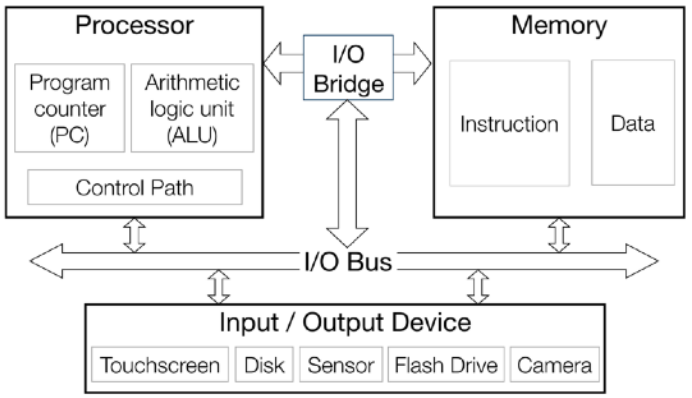

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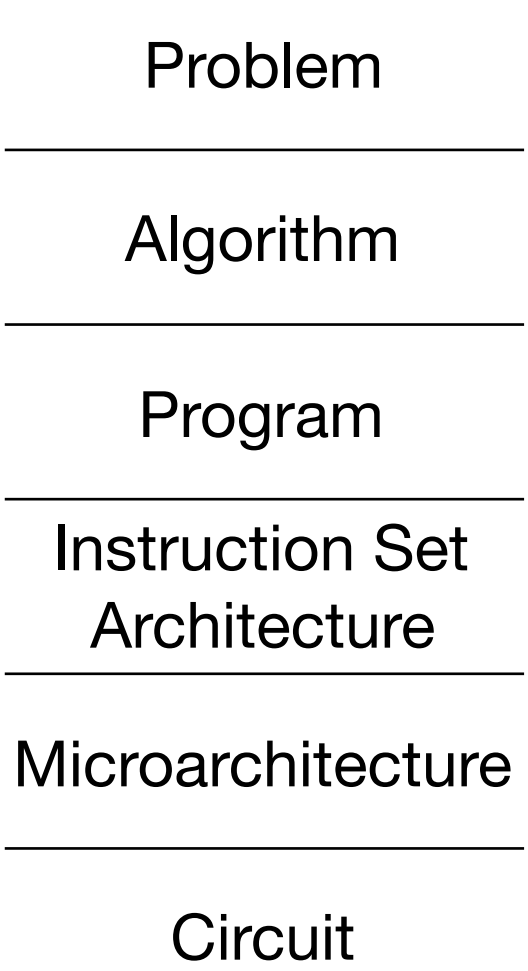

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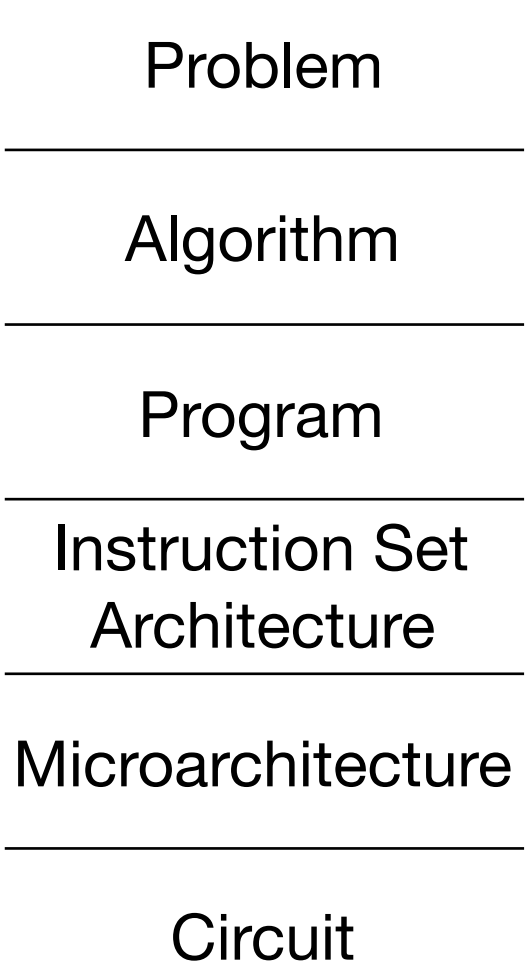

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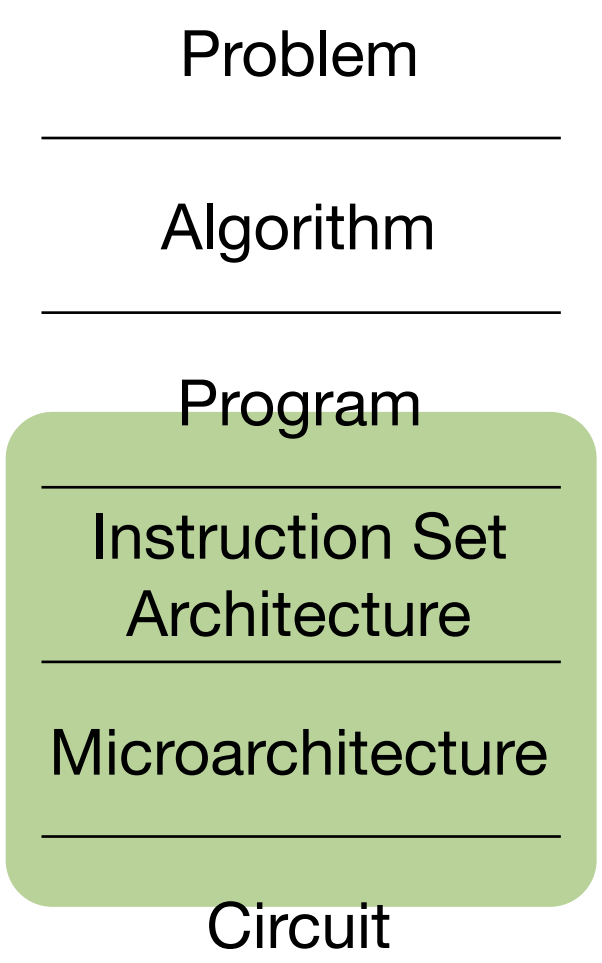

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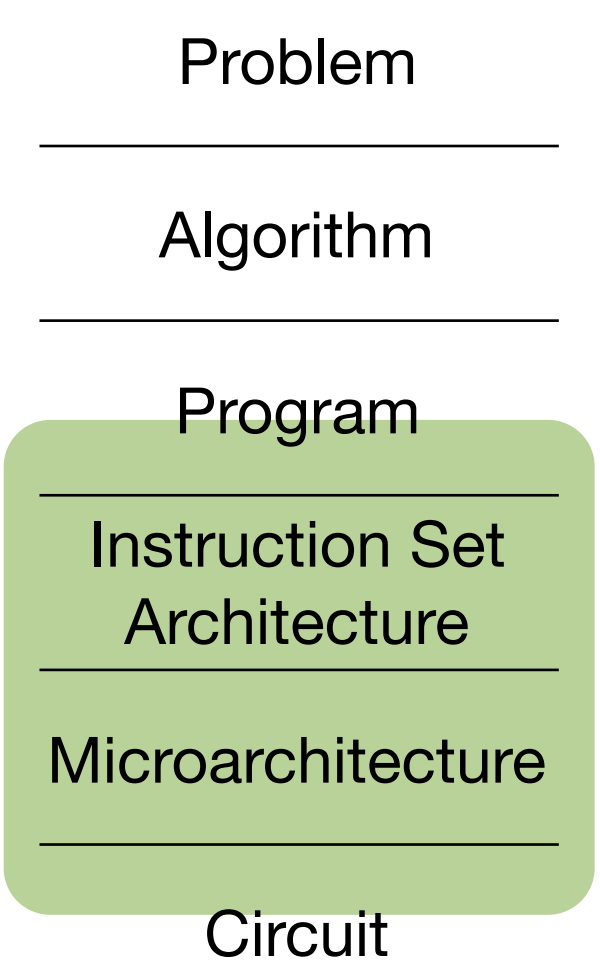

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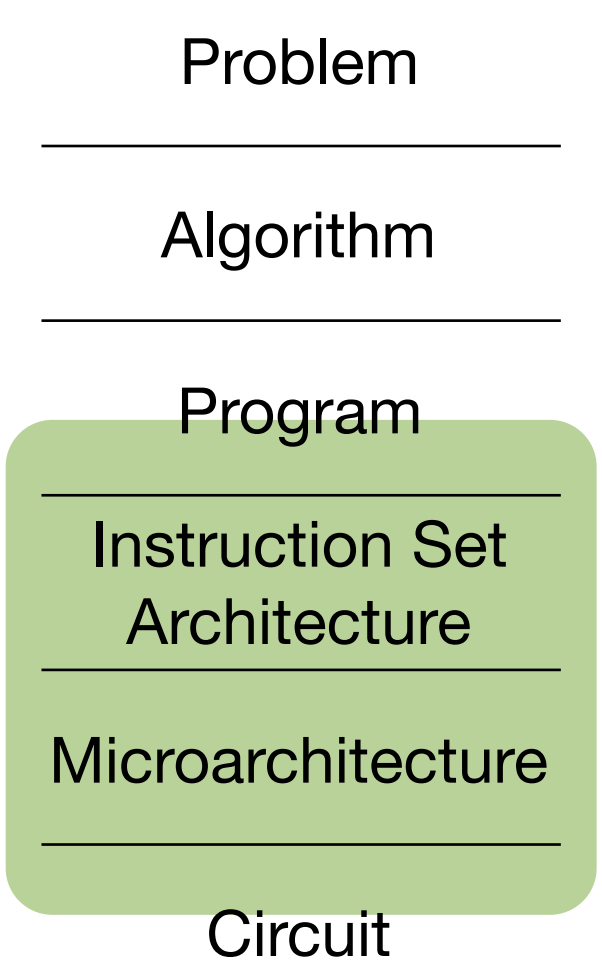

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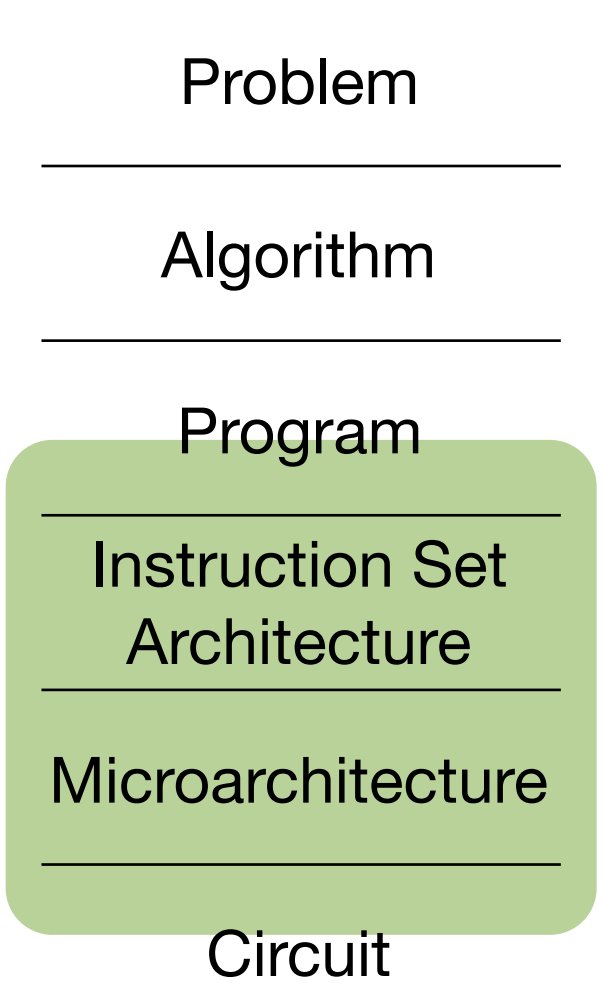

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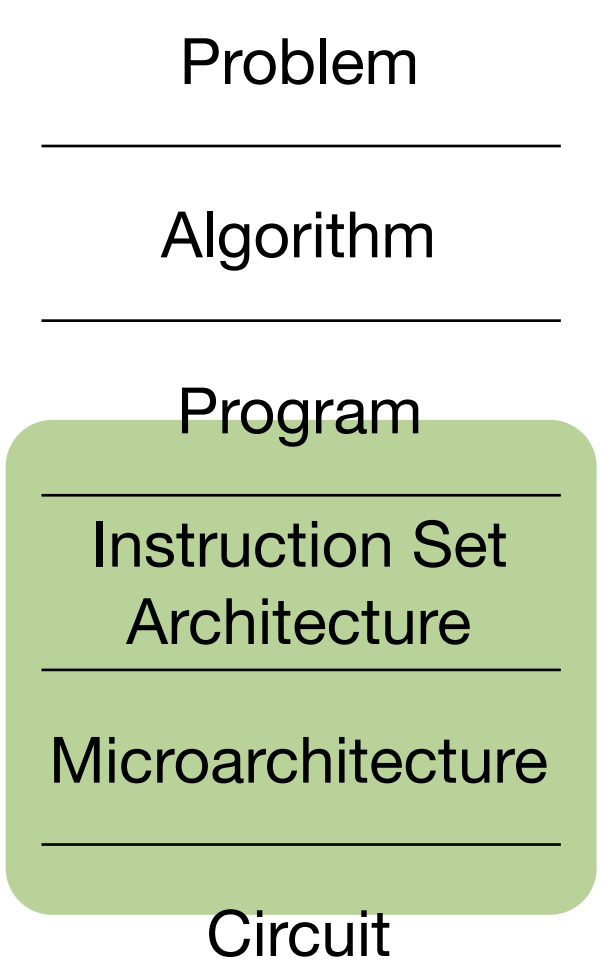

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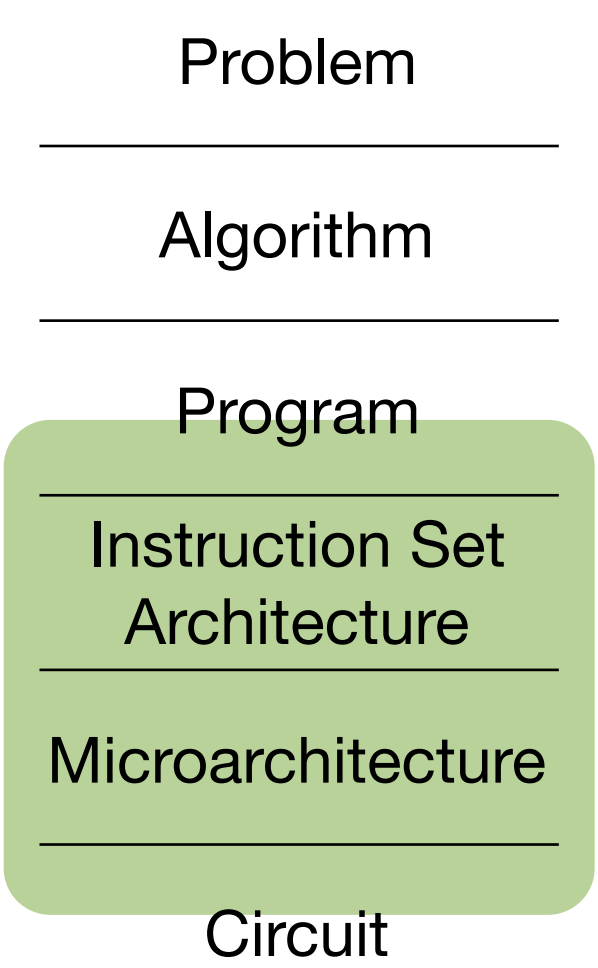

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- Lecture: It's a large part of what you pay for

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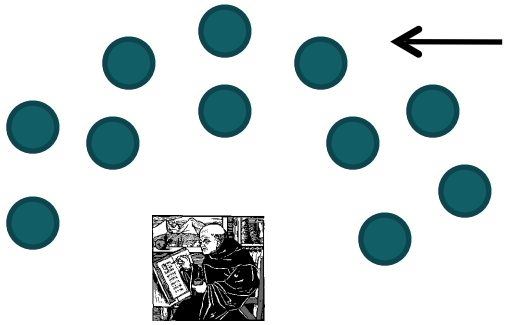

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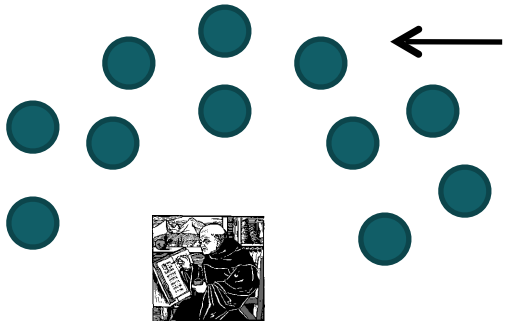

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  - Microsoft Visual Studio could be nice, but it's not what we use
  - The lack of Unix knowledge is a major problem according to our industry contacts
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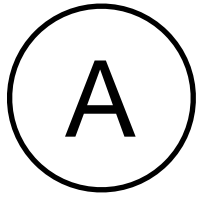

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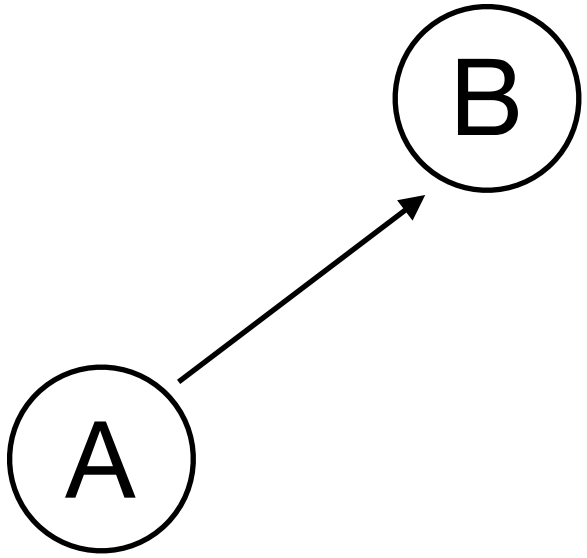

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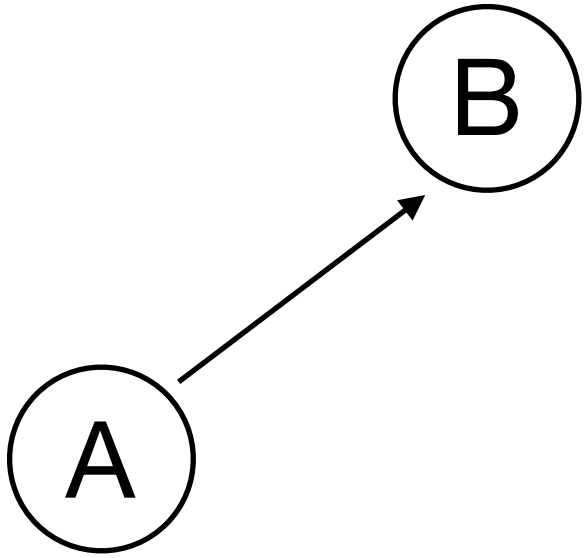

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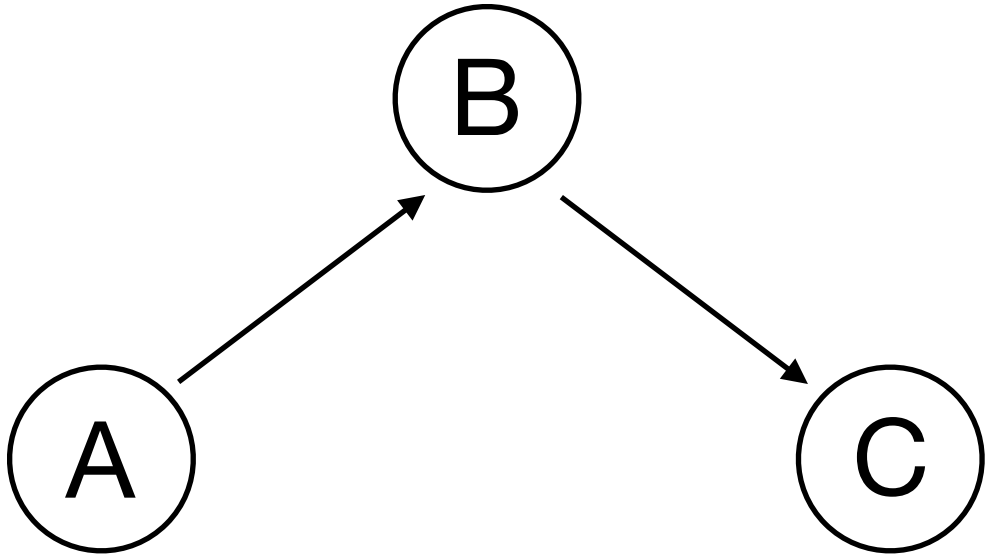

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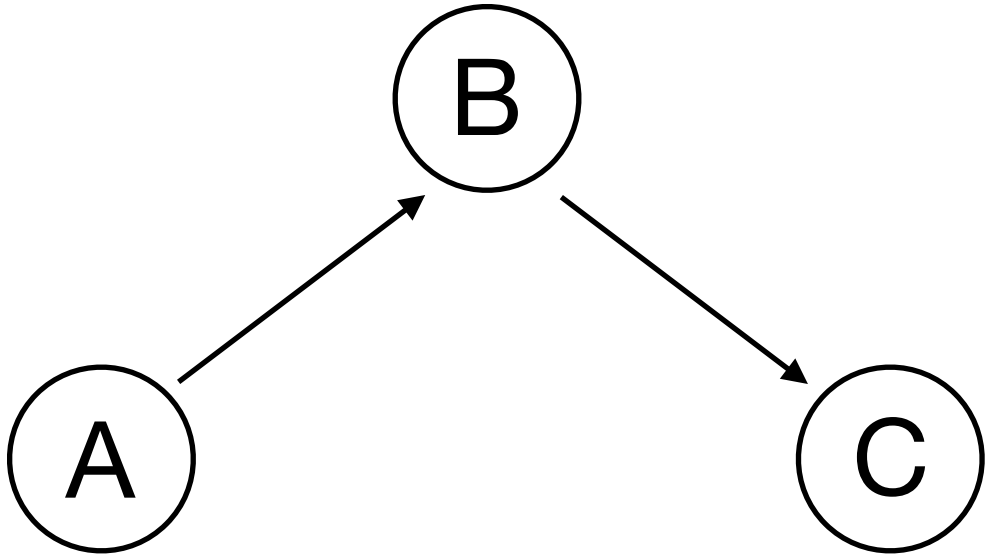

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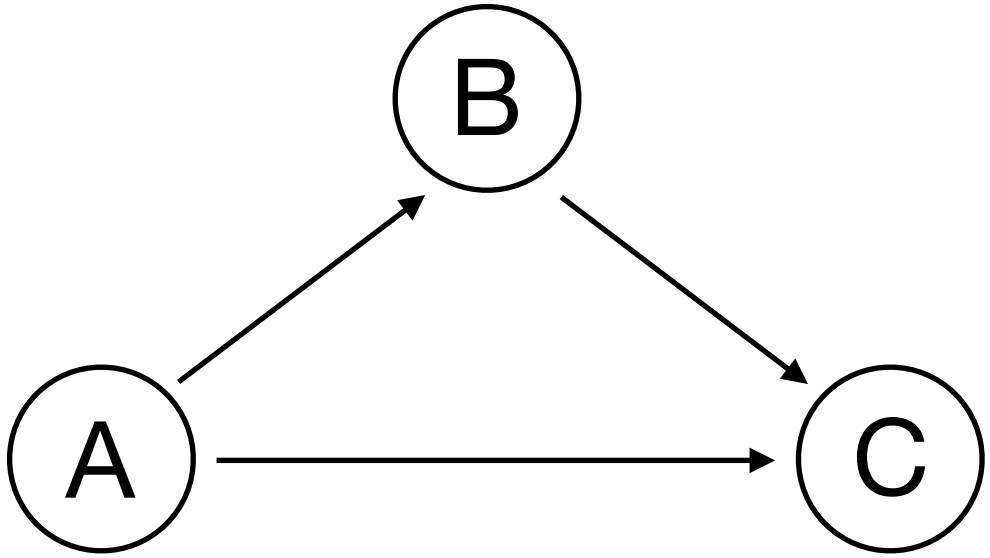

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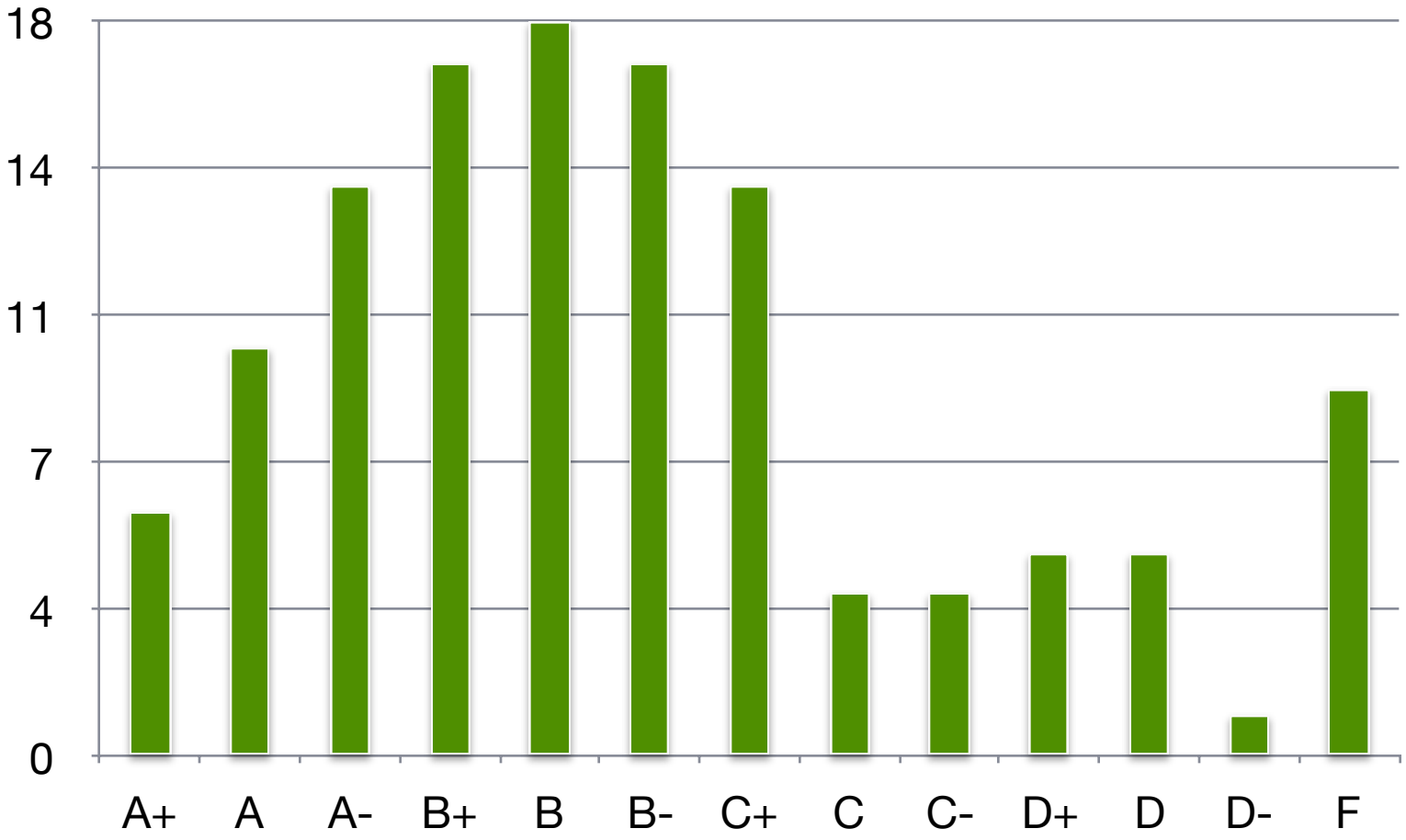

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