

Programming languages

Machine code:

```
000010 00000 00000 00000 10000 000000  
100011 00011 01000 00000 00001 000100  
000000 00001 00010 00110 00000 100000
```

Assembly code:

```
MOVE R2, 0  
ADD R2, R0, R2  
SUB R1, R1, 1
```

High-level language:

```
pWord = input("Enter the password").upper()
```

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There are two different types of programming language:

- **Low-level languages** – simple, closer to binary
- **High-level languages** – complex, closer to written English

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Machine code:

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```

- low-level language at a machine level
- the binary code that the CPU actually processes
- everything ends up as machine code – any other language needs to be translated into machine code
- very difficult for humans to code in
- different processors have different sets of machine code

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Assembly code:

```
MOVE R2, 0
```

```
ADD R2, R0, R2
```

```
SUB R1, R1, 1
```

- low-level language
- simple but limited set of instructions
- possible for humans to program in
- used to program embedded systems and hardware components directly
- 1:1 correspondence with machine code – one line of assembly code == one line of machine code
- therefore quick to translate into machine code

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High-level language:

```
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```

- for example, Python, Java, C# etc...
- most programs written in high-level languages
- more powerful
- closer to written English; easier and quicker to use
- has to be translated into machine code

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High level languages:

Such as Python, Java etc...

- can be used on many different systems
- much more powerful set of constructs (selection, repetition, arrays etc...)
- closer to our languages - easier and quicker to learn, use, debug etc...
- need to be converted to machine code - takes CPU time and less efficient to run

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Key points:

- Assembly Language and Machine Code are low-level languages
- most programs are written in high-level languages (e.g. Python)
- everything ends up as machine code
- there are advantages to using low-level languages