Introduction: Hello, World Below

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From Tetris to Nand, Slides

- 1. Slide 5: Name two purposes of an abstract interface.
- 2. Slide 7: What is the purpose of a library (OS method)? Describe an example of a library.
- 3. Slide 9: Is a virtual machine restricted to a single high-level language? Relate this model to a Linux system with C, C++, FORTRAN, and Ada compilers.
- 4. Slide 11: The virtual machine uses what architecture? What is the pre-condition for executing an add instruction?
- 5. Slide 14: Distinguish the location of a variable from its value. In the assignment sp = sp + 1, which is the value reference and which is the location reference?

Relate array usage to the notions of location and value.

- 6. Slide 15: Distinguish machine language from assembly language. If I open a machine language file in an editor, what will I see?
- 7. Slide 17: What part of a processor parses instructions? What part of a processor executes instructions?
- Slide 18: Distinguish architecture from organization.
 Describe three aspects of a processor's architecture.
 Describe three aspects of a processor's organization.
- 9. Slide 20: Distinguish between combinational and sequential logic.
- 10. Slide 21: What is the difference between OR and XOR?
- 11. Slide 23: Why do we say that the NAND gate is complete?
- 12. No slide: Could we treat the virtual machine language as a machine language and build the virtual machine from gates?