

# **Computer Fundamentals**

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# **Computer**

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Why we use Computer?

How Computer Works?

Model of Computer

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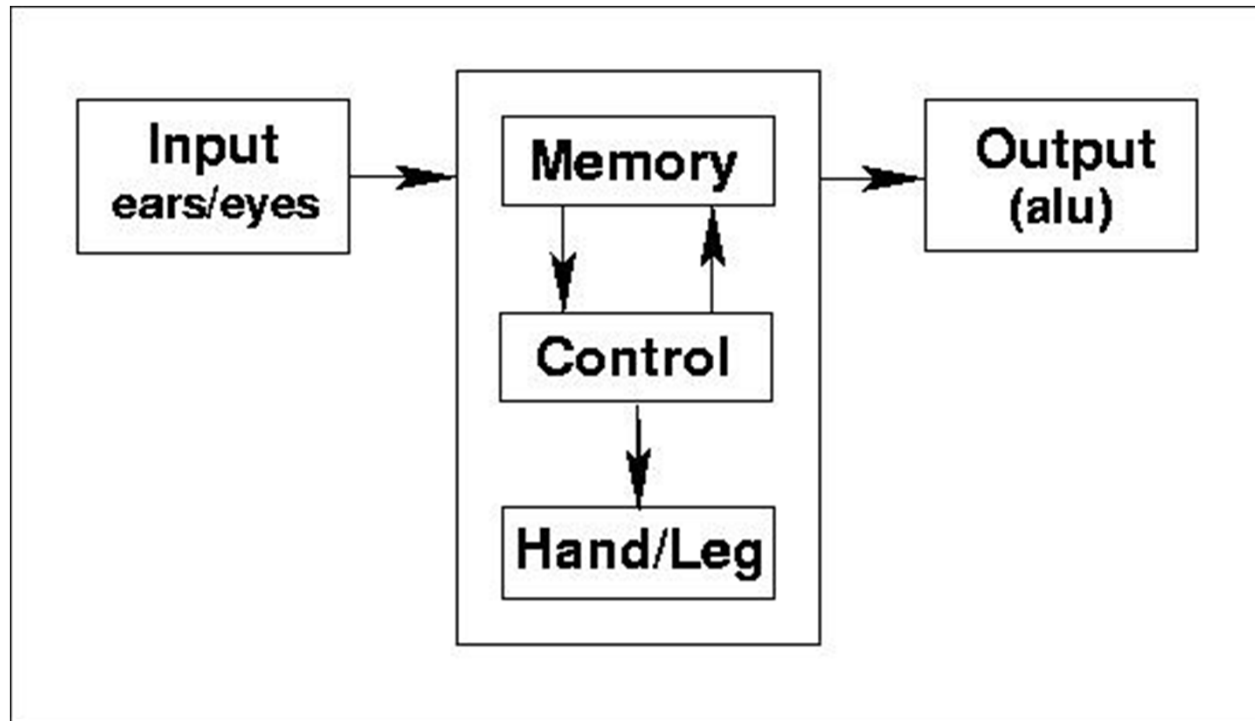
Work: Buy 1kg Alu

Action:

1. Take Bag, Money
2. Goto Market
3. Search for good Alu
4. Buy 1kg Alu
5. Go home

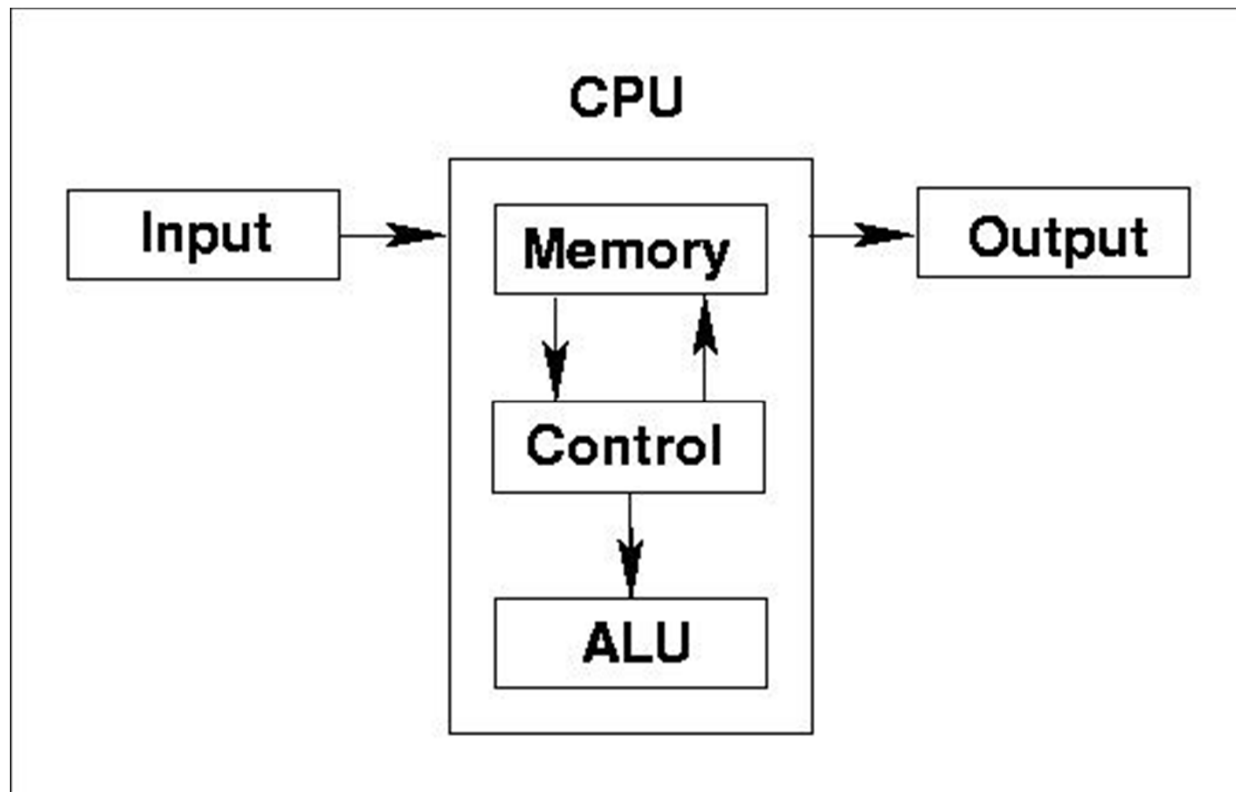
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# Computer Model

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**Algorithm**: Procedure/Method to achieve desired result

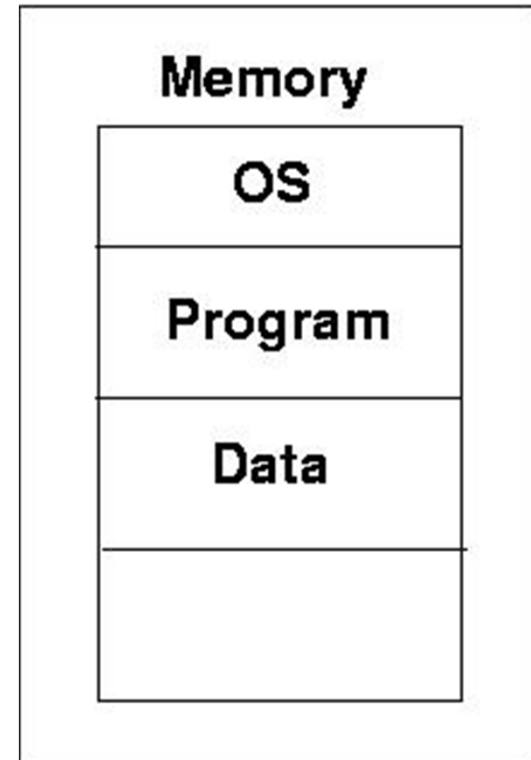
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Computer Program:  
Set of Instructions  
Executes in Sequence

**Body --- Hardware**

**Life --- Software**

- **Operating System, Compiler, editor, other tools,  
Application Software**



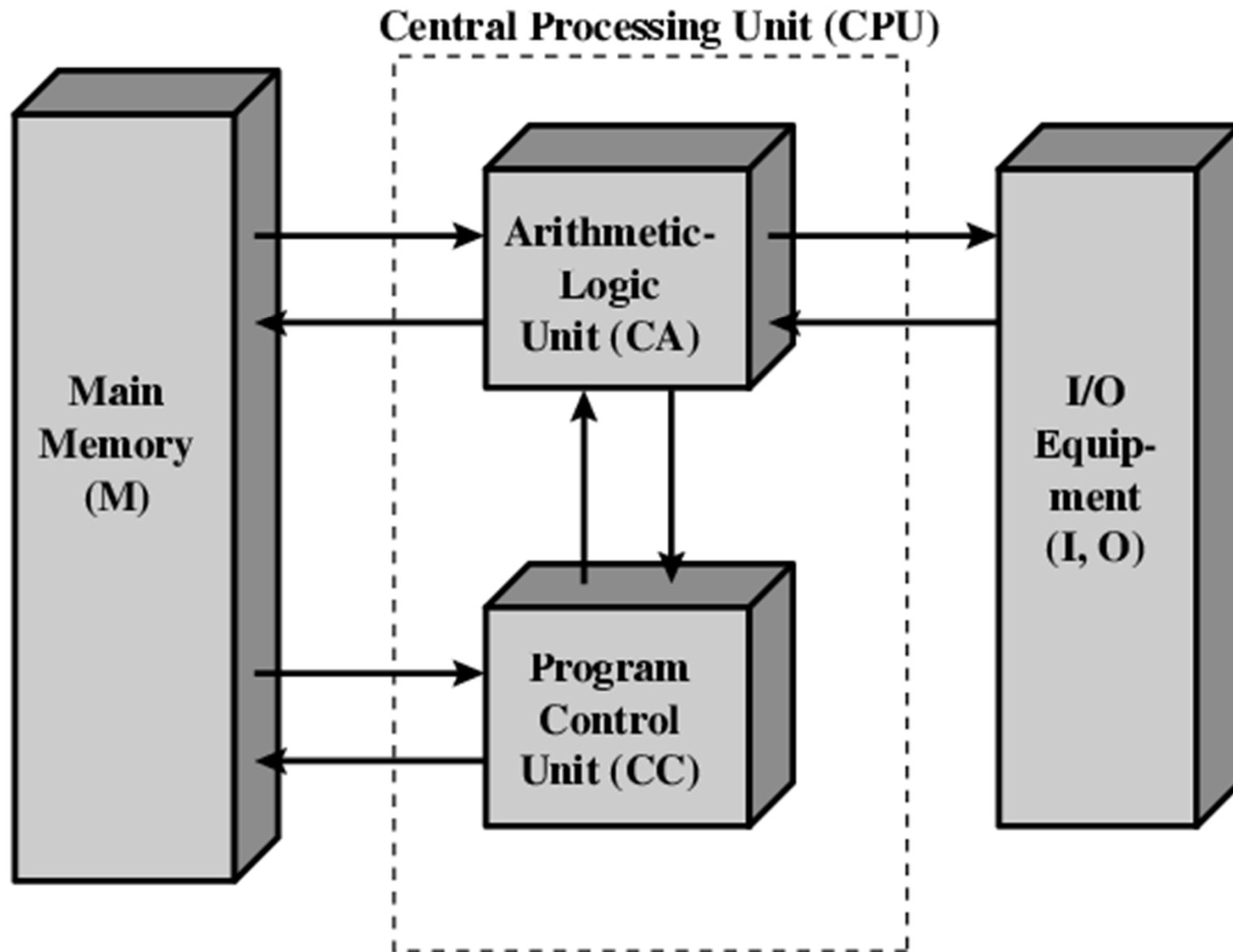
## **von Neumann**

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- Stored Program concept
- Main memory storing programs and data
- ALU operating on binary data
- Control unit interpreting instructions from memory and executing
- Input and output equipment operated by control unit
- Princeton Institute for Advanced Studies
  - IAS
- Completed 1952

# Structure of von Neumann machine

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# Architecture & Organization 1

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- Architecture is those attributes visible to the programmer
  - Instruction set, number of bits used for data representation, I/O mechanisms, addressing techniques.
  - e.g. Is there a multiply instruction?
- Organization is how features are implemented
  - Control signals, interfaces, memory technology.
  - e.g. Is there a hardware multiply unit or is it done by repeated addition?

## **Architecture & Organization 2**

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- All Intel x86 family share the same basic architecture
- The IBM System/370 family share the same basic architecture
- This gives code compatibility
  - At least backwards
- Organization differs between different versions

# **Computer : Structure & Function**

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- Structure is the way in which components relate to each other
- Function is the operation of individual components as part of the structure

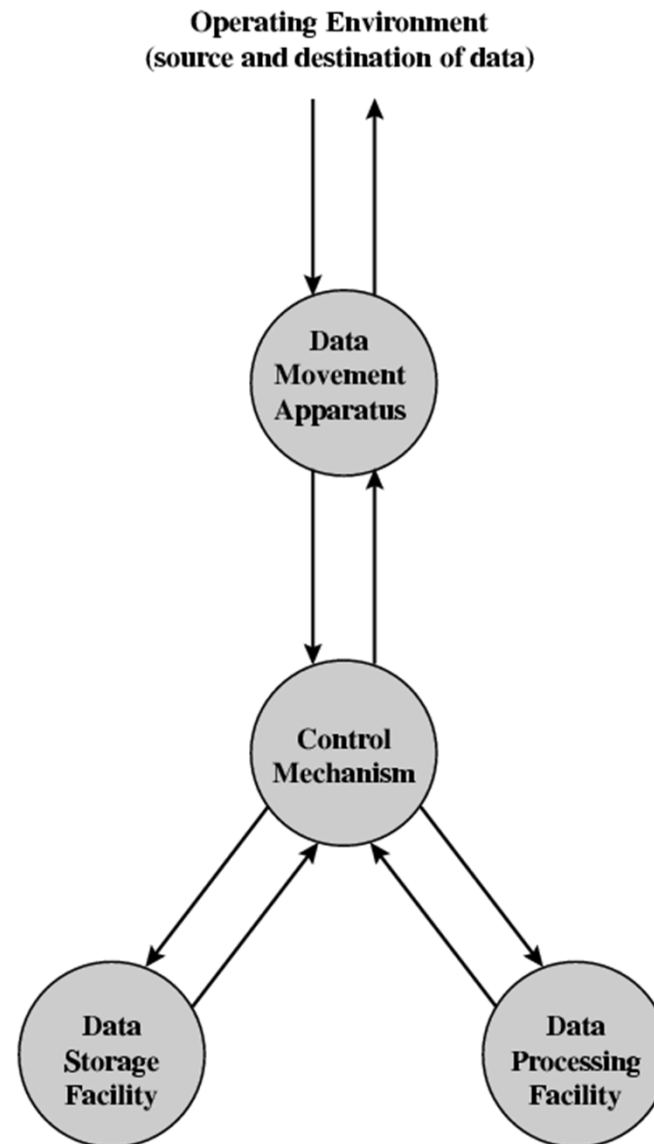
# Function

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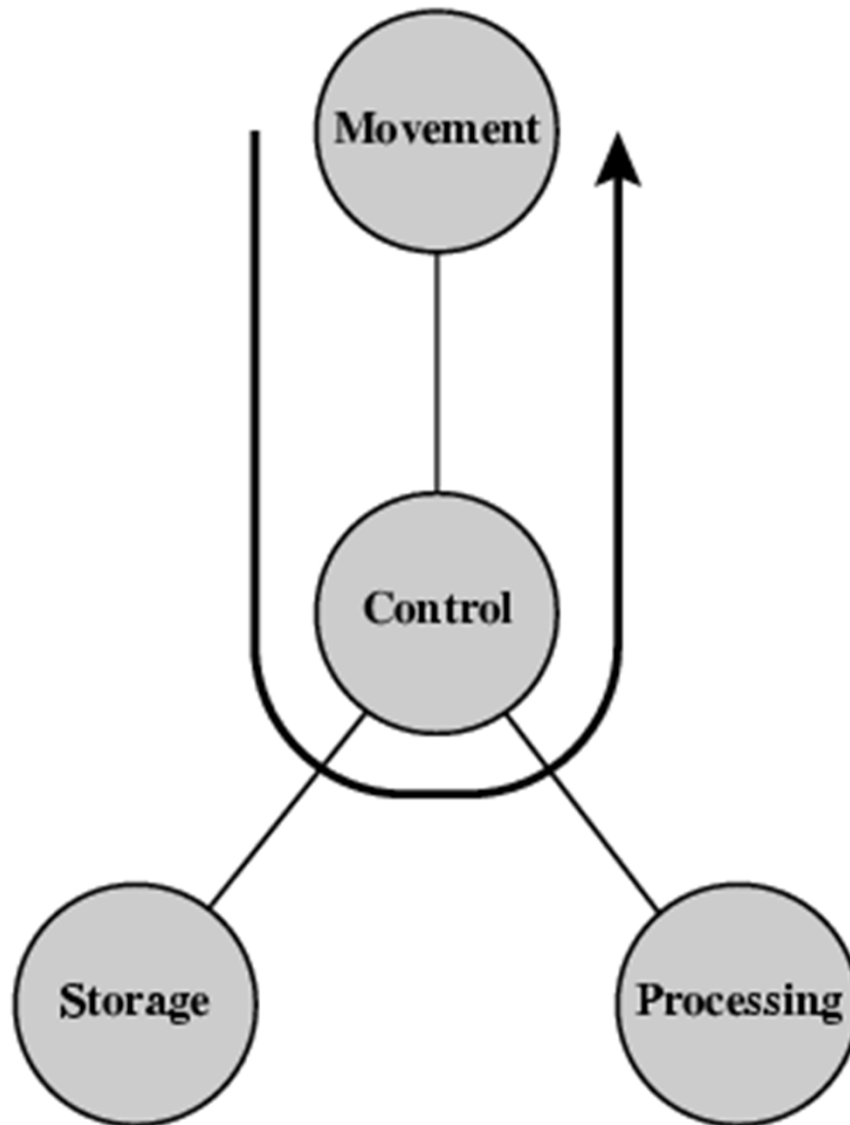
- All computer functions are:
  - Data processing
  - Data storage
  - Data movement
  - Control

# Functional View

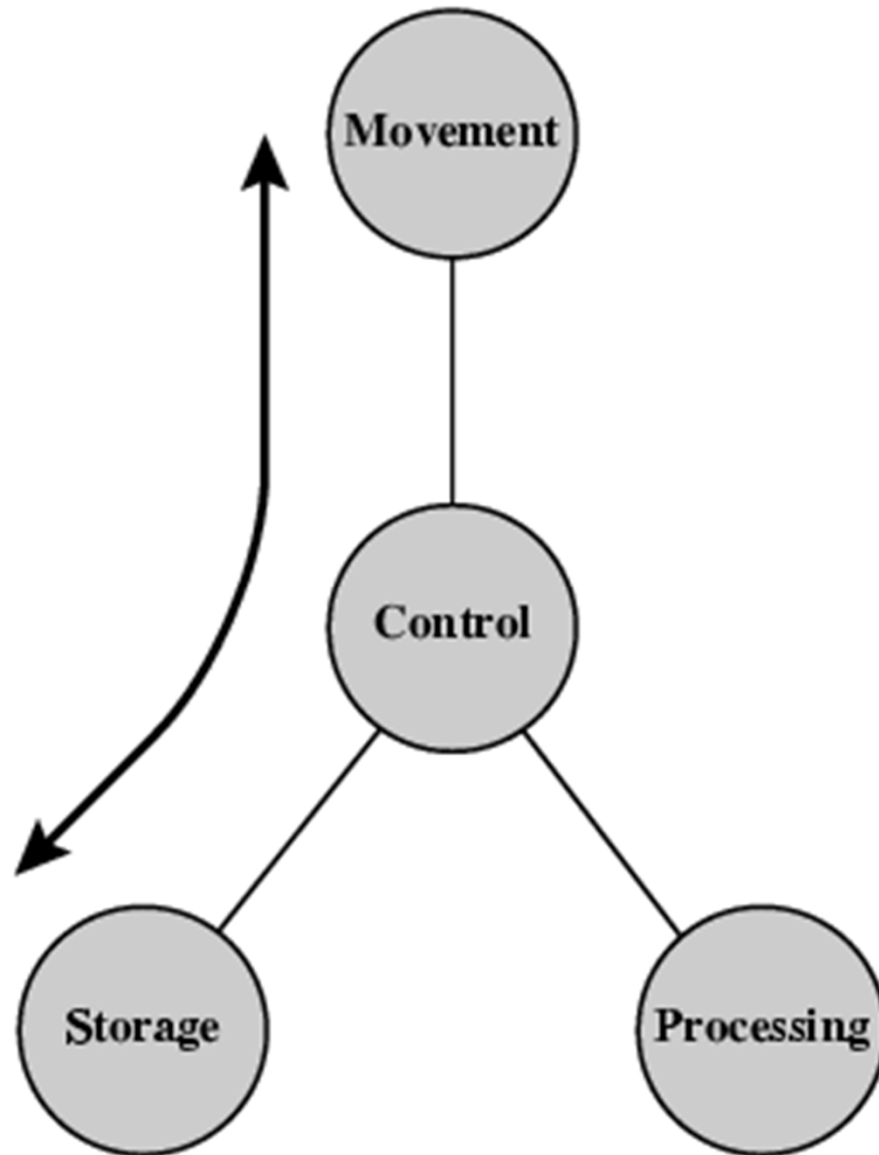
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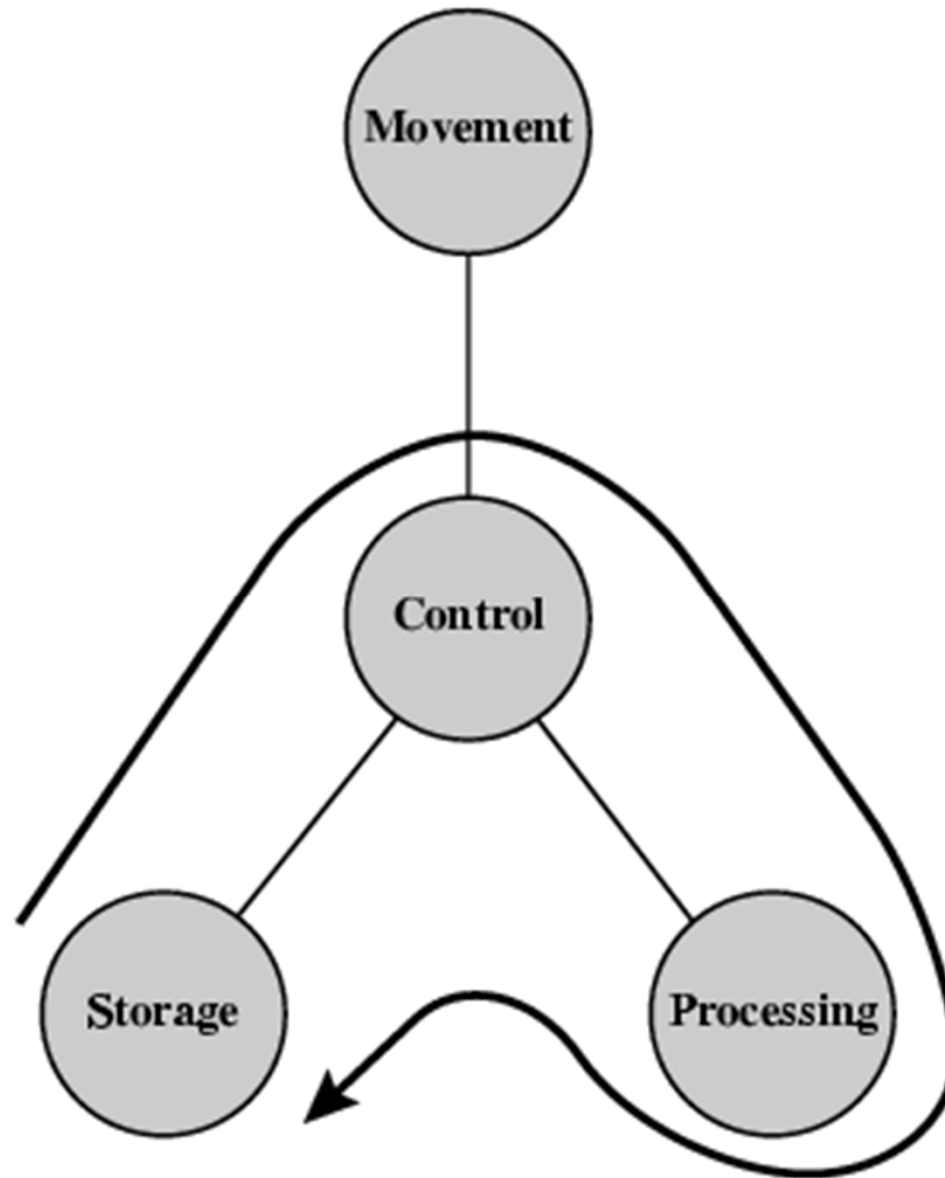
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# **Operations (b) Storage**



## **Operation (c) Processing from/to storage**

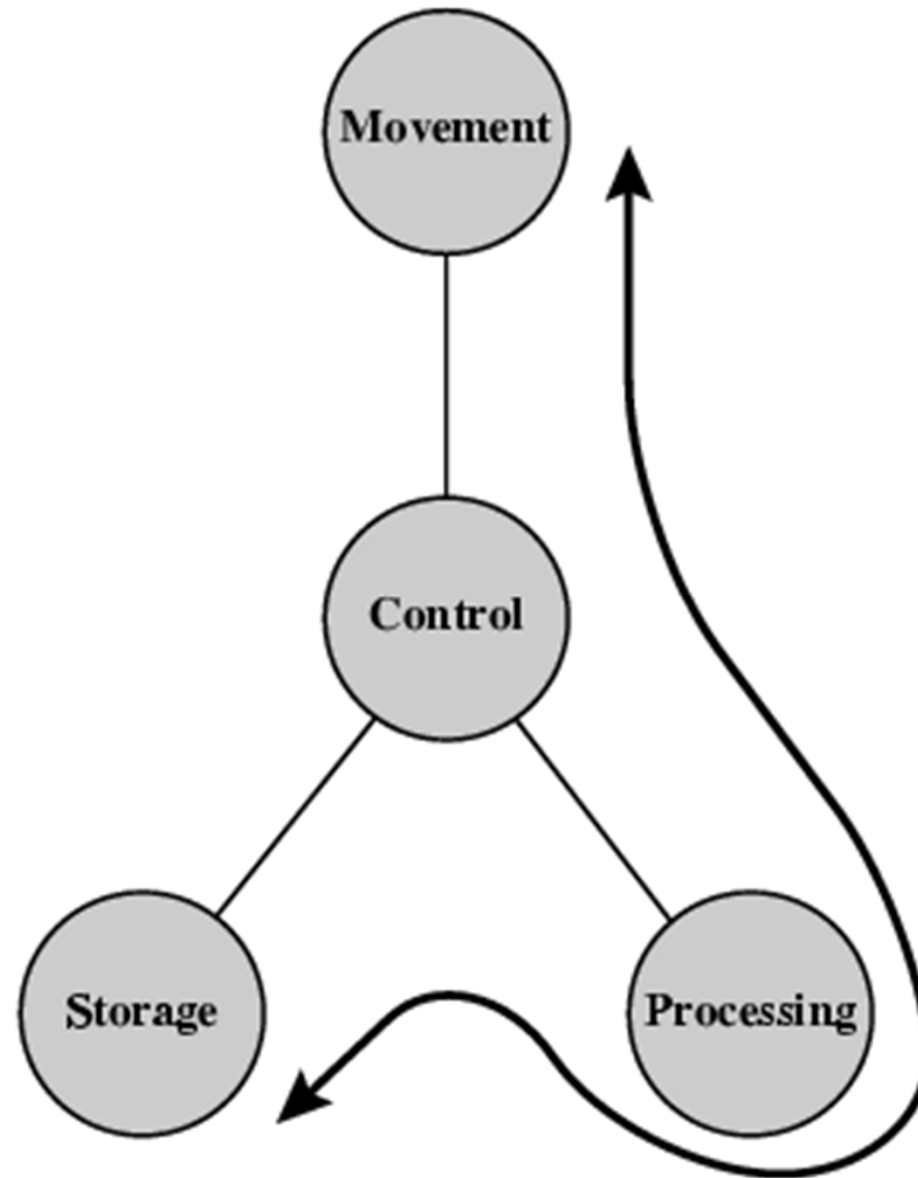




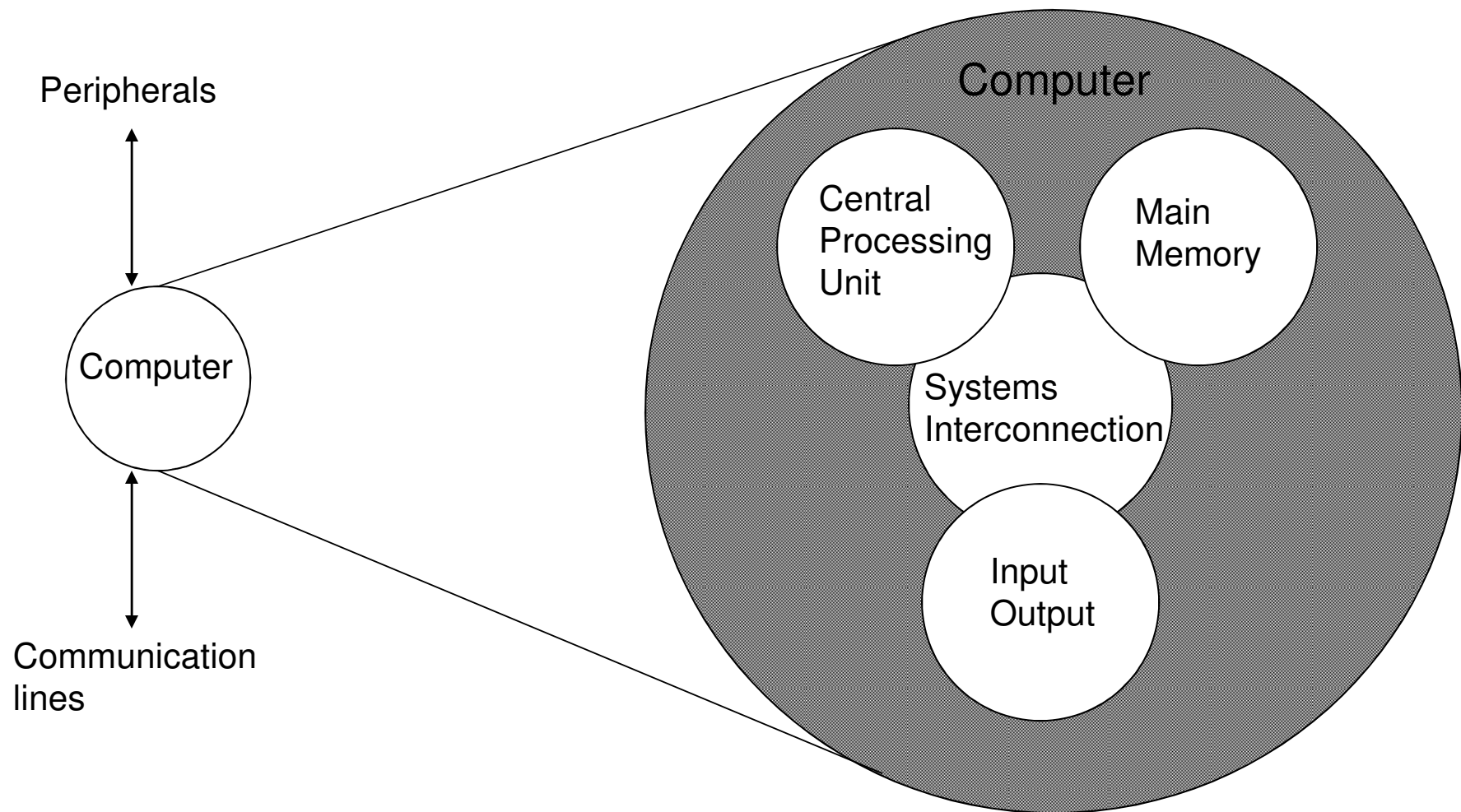
# Operation (d)

## Processing from storage to I/O

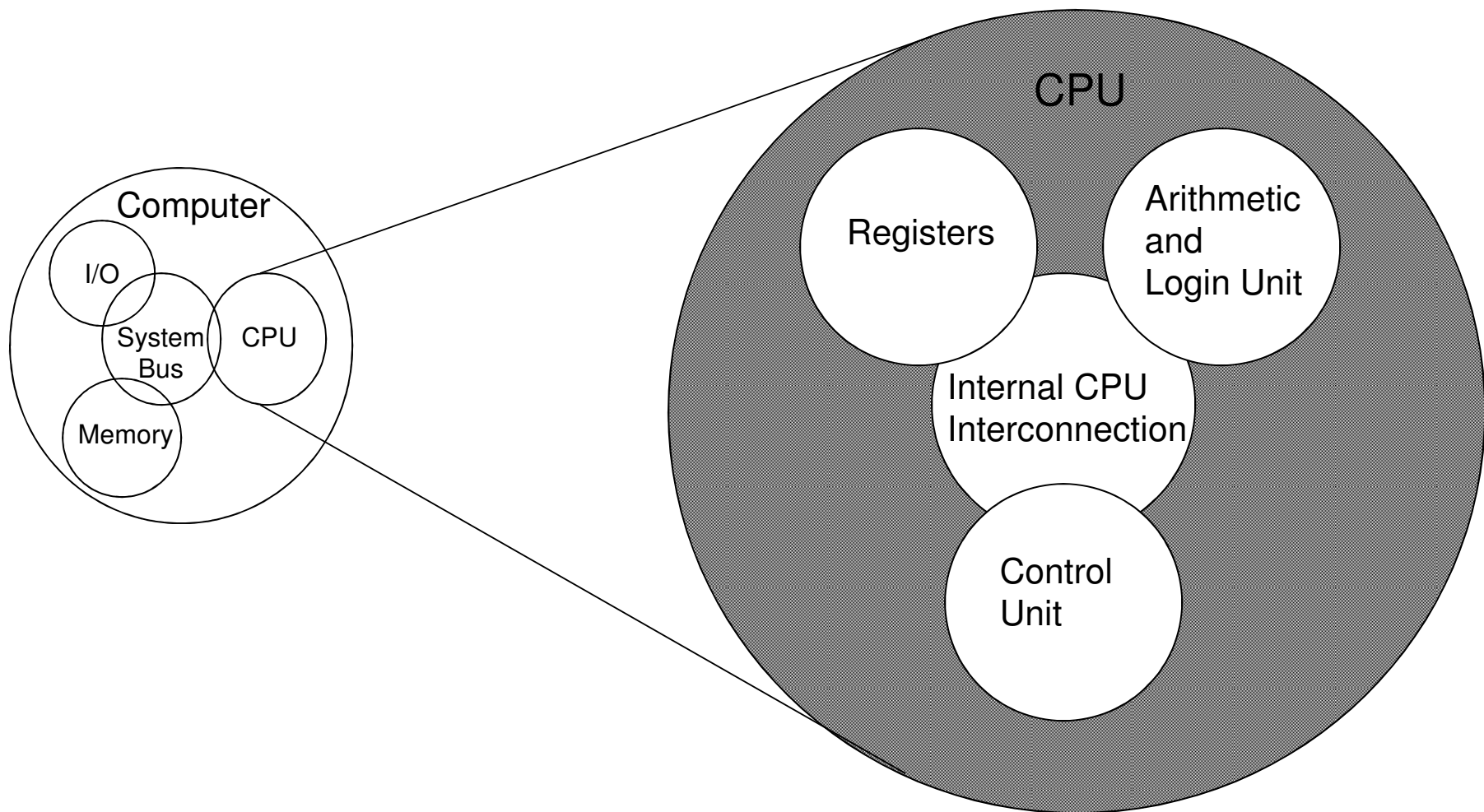
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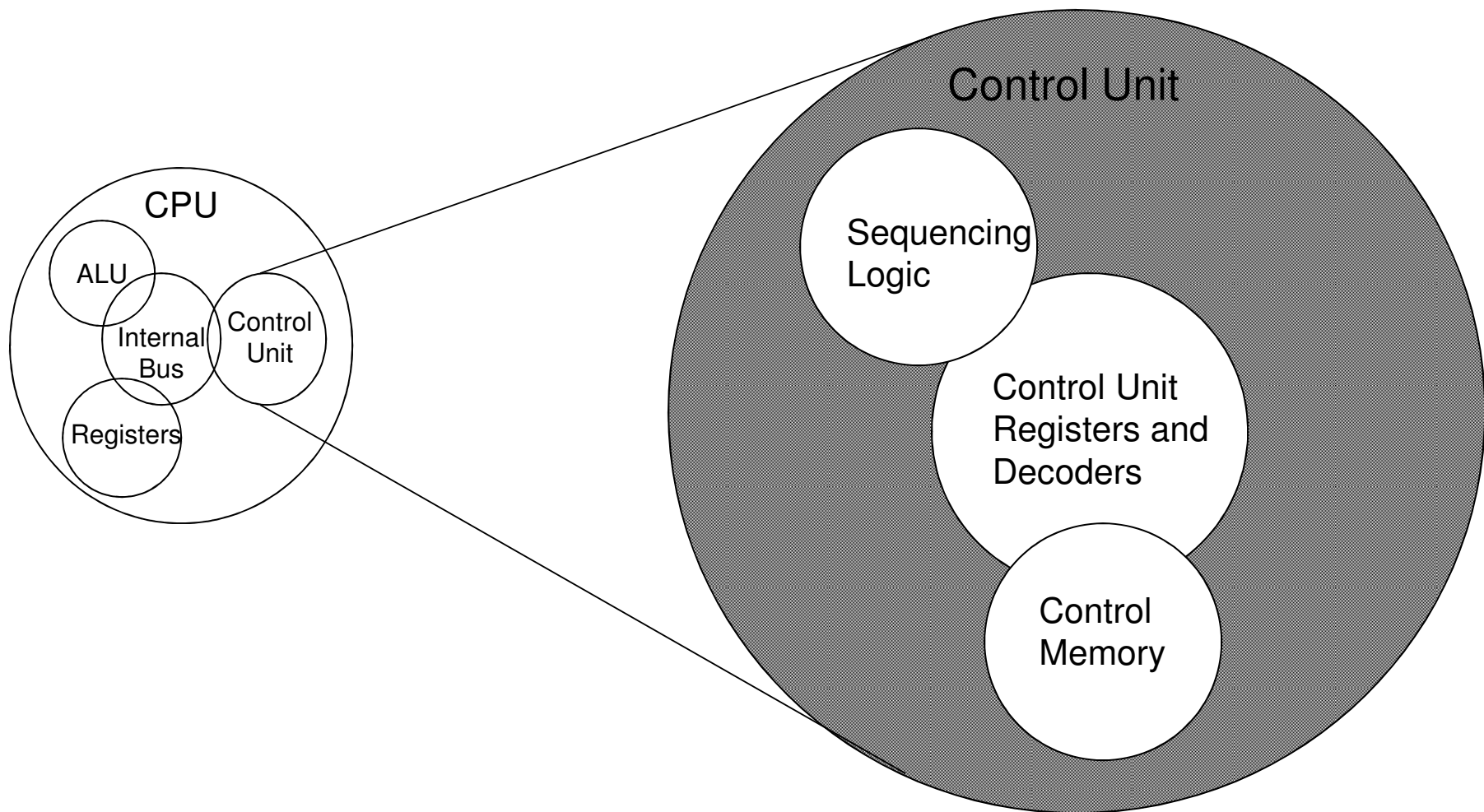
# Structure - Top Level



# Structure - The CPU



# Structure - The Control Unit



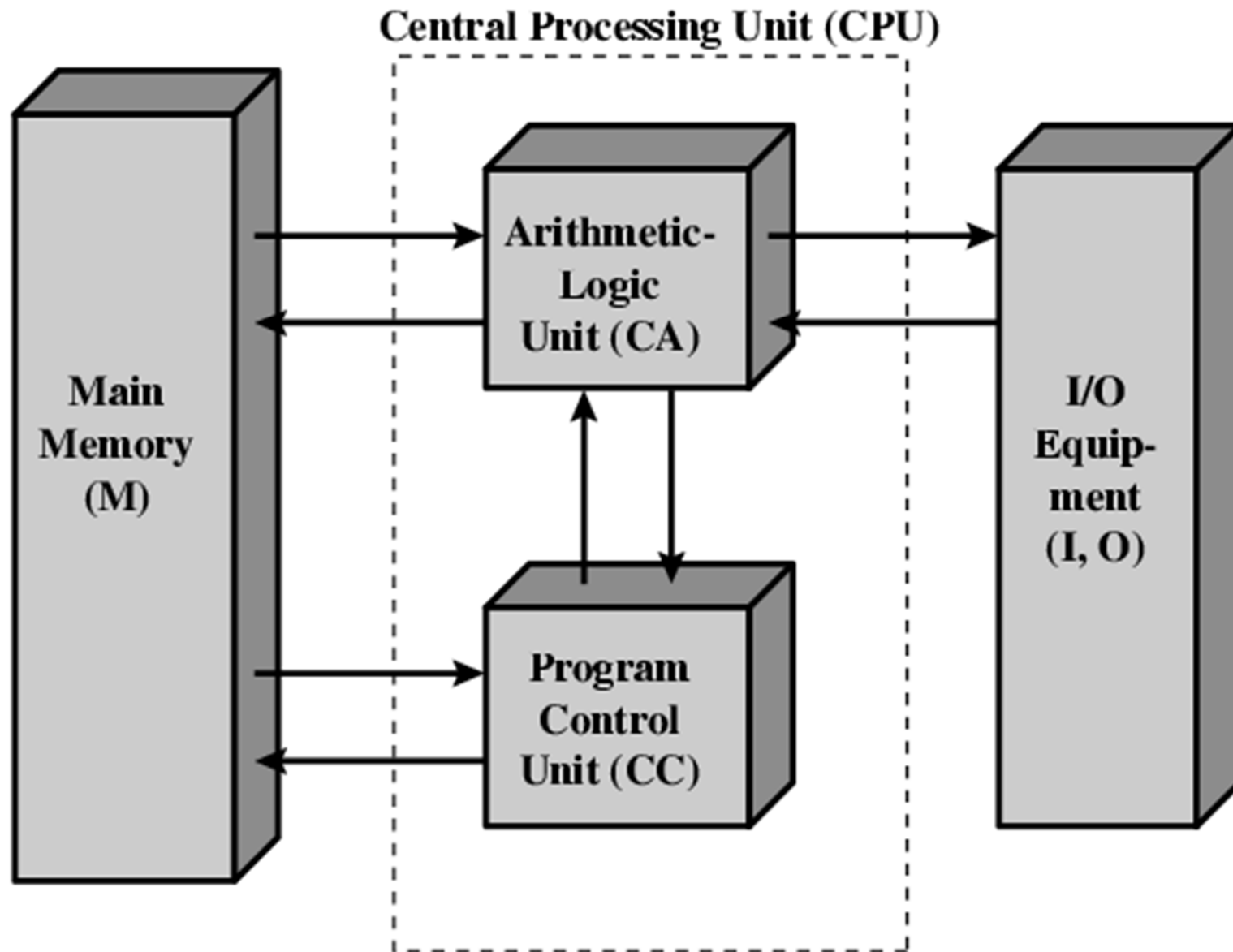
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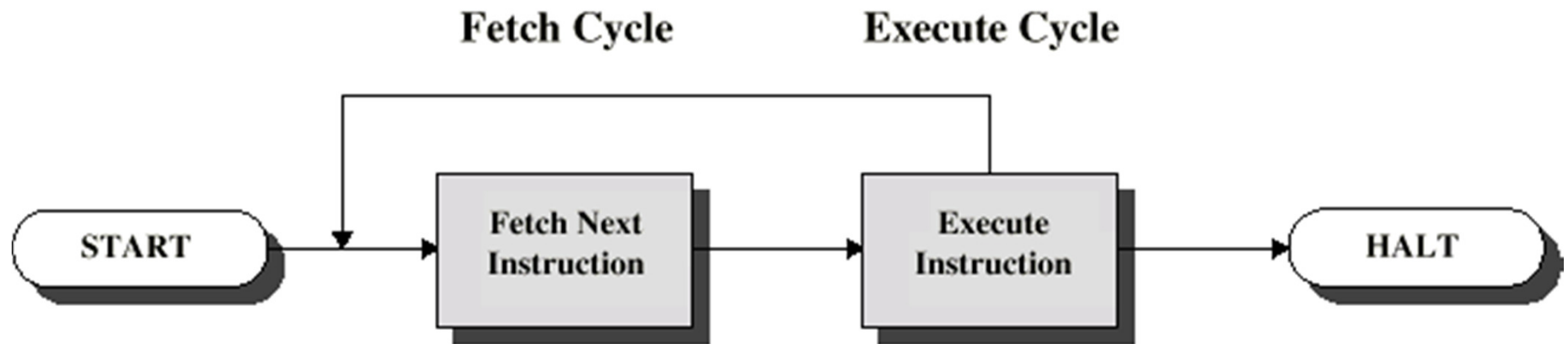
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- For each step, an arithmetic or logical operation is done
- For each operation, a different set of control signals is needed

# Instruction Cycle

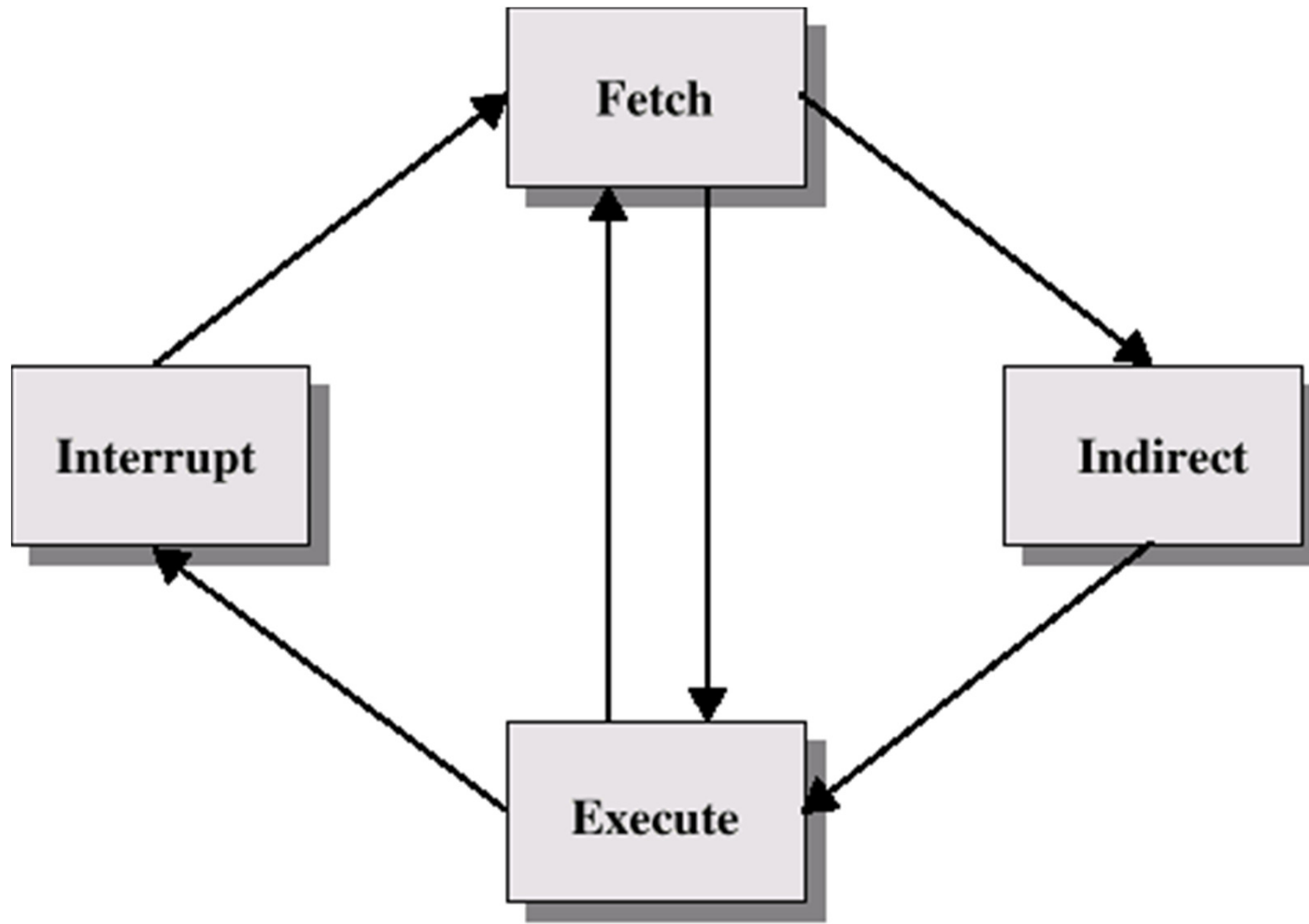
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- Two steps:
  - Fetch
  - Execute



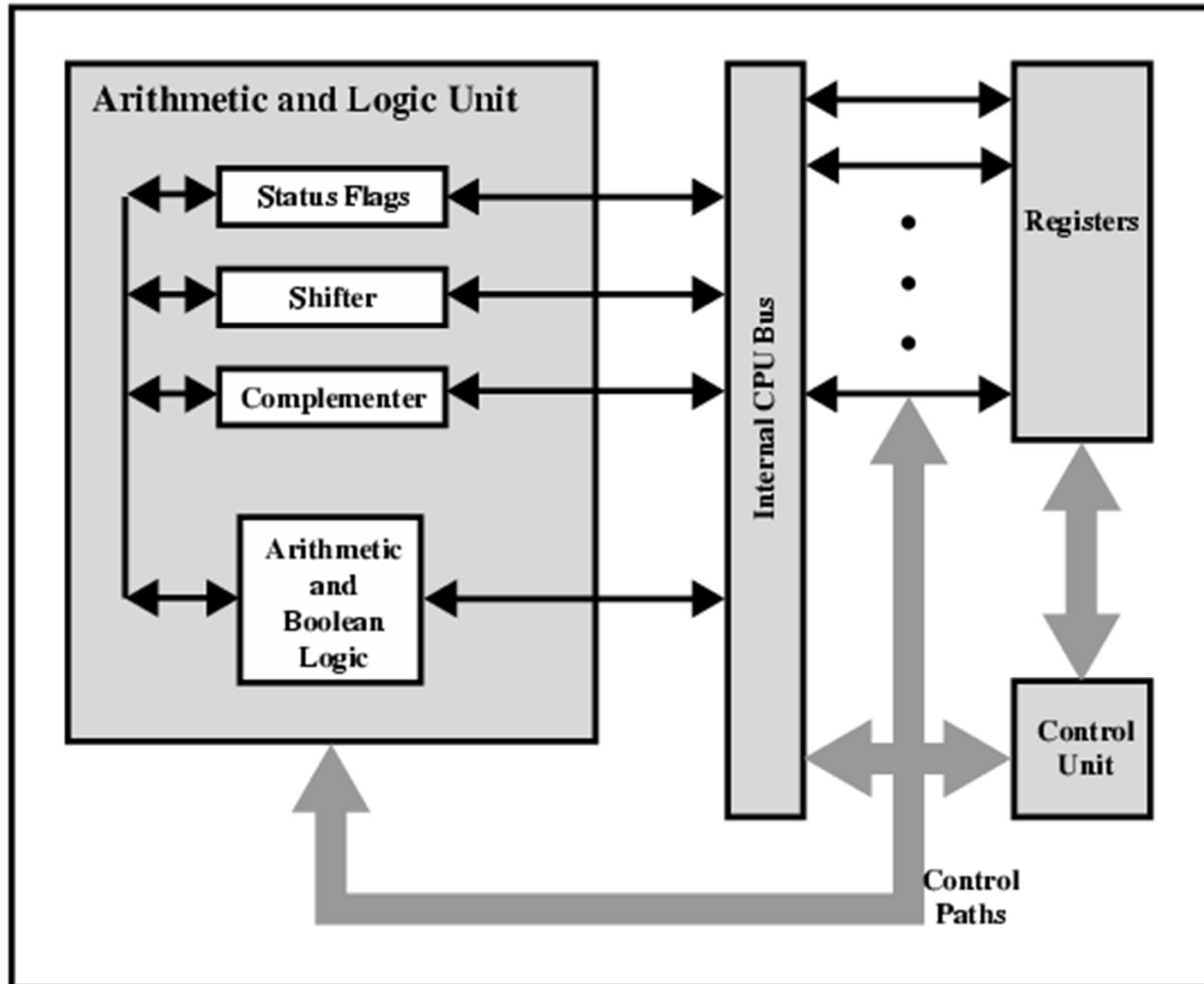


# **Instruction Cycle with Indirect**



# CPU Internal Structure

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# Registers

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- CPU must have some working space (temporary storage)
- Called registers
- Number and function vary between processor designs
- One of the major design decisions
- Top level of memory hierarchy

# **User Visible Registers**

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- General Purpose
- Data
- Address
- Condition Codes

## How Many GP Registers?

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- Between 8 - 32
- Fewer = more memory references
- More does not reduce memory references and takes up processor space
- Large enough to hold full address
- Large enough to hold full word
- Often possible to combine two data registers
  - C programming
  - `double int a;`
  - `long int a;`

## **Control & Status Registers**

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- Program Counter
- Instruction Register
- Memory Address Register
- Memory Buffer Register

# Condition Code Registers

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- Sets of individual bits
  - e.g. result of last operation was zero
- Can be read (implicitly) by programs
  - e.g. Jump if zero
- Can not (usually) be set by programs
- Needs for conditional instructions

## **Program Status Word**

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- A set of bits
- Includes Condition Codes
- Sign of last result
- Zero
- Carry
- Equal
- Overflow
- Interrupt enable/disable
- Supervisor



## **Function of Control Unit**

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- For each operation a unique code is provided
  - e.g. ADD, MOVE
- A hardware segment accepts the code and issues the control signals

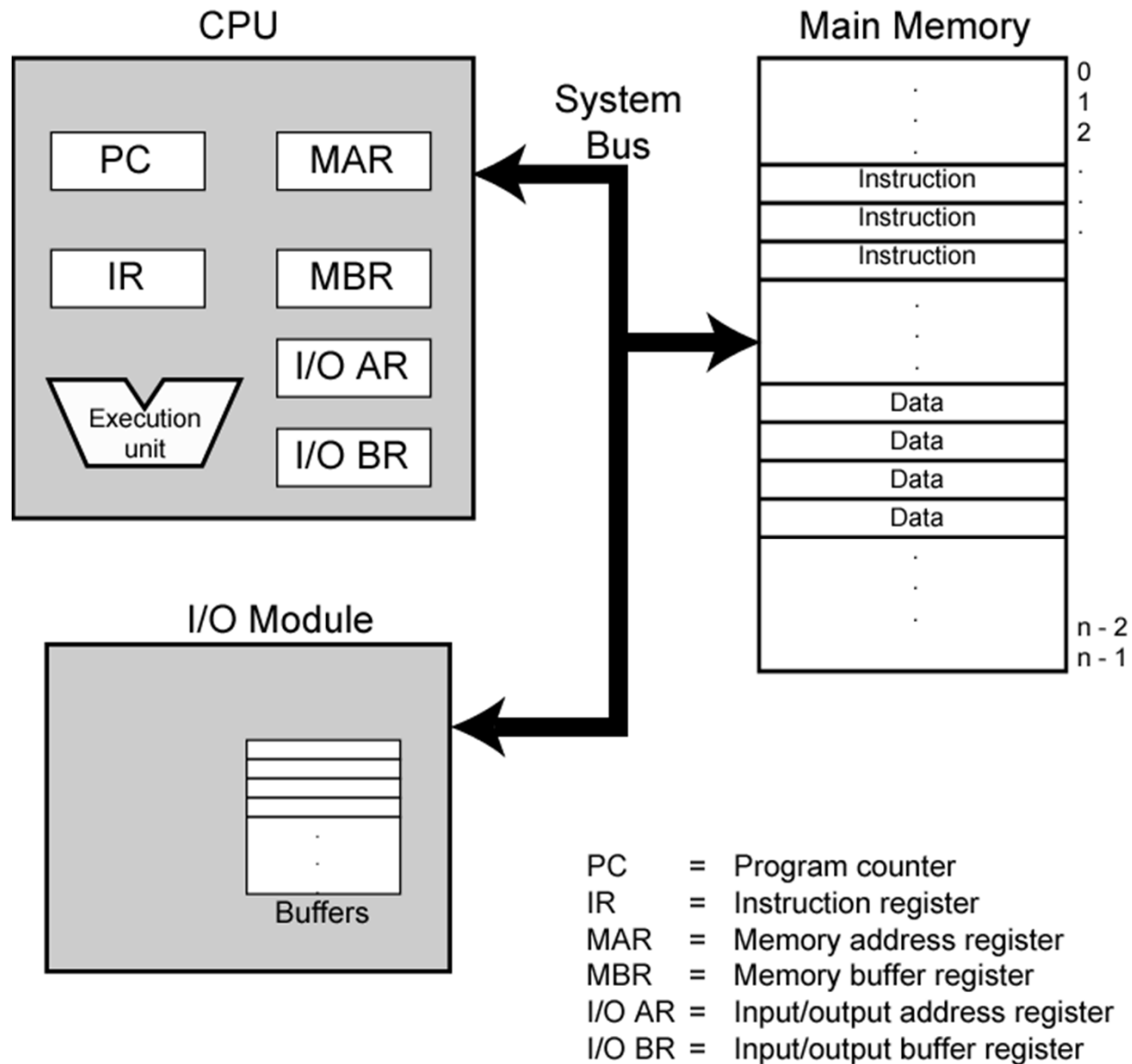
# Components

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- The Control Unit and the Arithmetic and Logic Unit constitute the Central Processing Unit
- Registers for internal storage
- Data and instructions need to get into the system and results out
  - Input/output
- Temporary storage of code and results is needed
  - Main memory

# Computer Components: Top Level View

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# Connecting

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- All the units must be connected
- Different type of connection for different type of unit
  - Memory
  - Input/Output
  - CPU

# Memory Connection

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- Receives and sends data
- Receives addresses (of locations)
- Receives control signals
  - Read
  - Write
  - Timing

## **Input/Output Connection(1)**

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- Similar to memory from computer's viewpoint
- Output
  - Receive data from computer
  - Send data to peripheral
- Input
  - Receive data from peripheral
  - Send data to computer

# What is a Bus?

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- A communication pathway connecting two or more devices
- Usually broadcast
- Often grouped
  - A number of channels in one bus
  - e.g. 32 bit data bus is 32 separate single bit channels

# Data Bus

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- Carries data
  - Remember that there is no difference between “data” and “instruction” at this level
- Width is a key determinant of performance
  - 8, 16, 32, 64 bit



## **Address bus**

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- Identify the source or destination of data
- e.g. CPU needs to read an instruction (data) from a given location in memory
- Bus width determines maximum memory capacity of system
  - e.g. 8080 has 16 bit address bus giving 64k address space

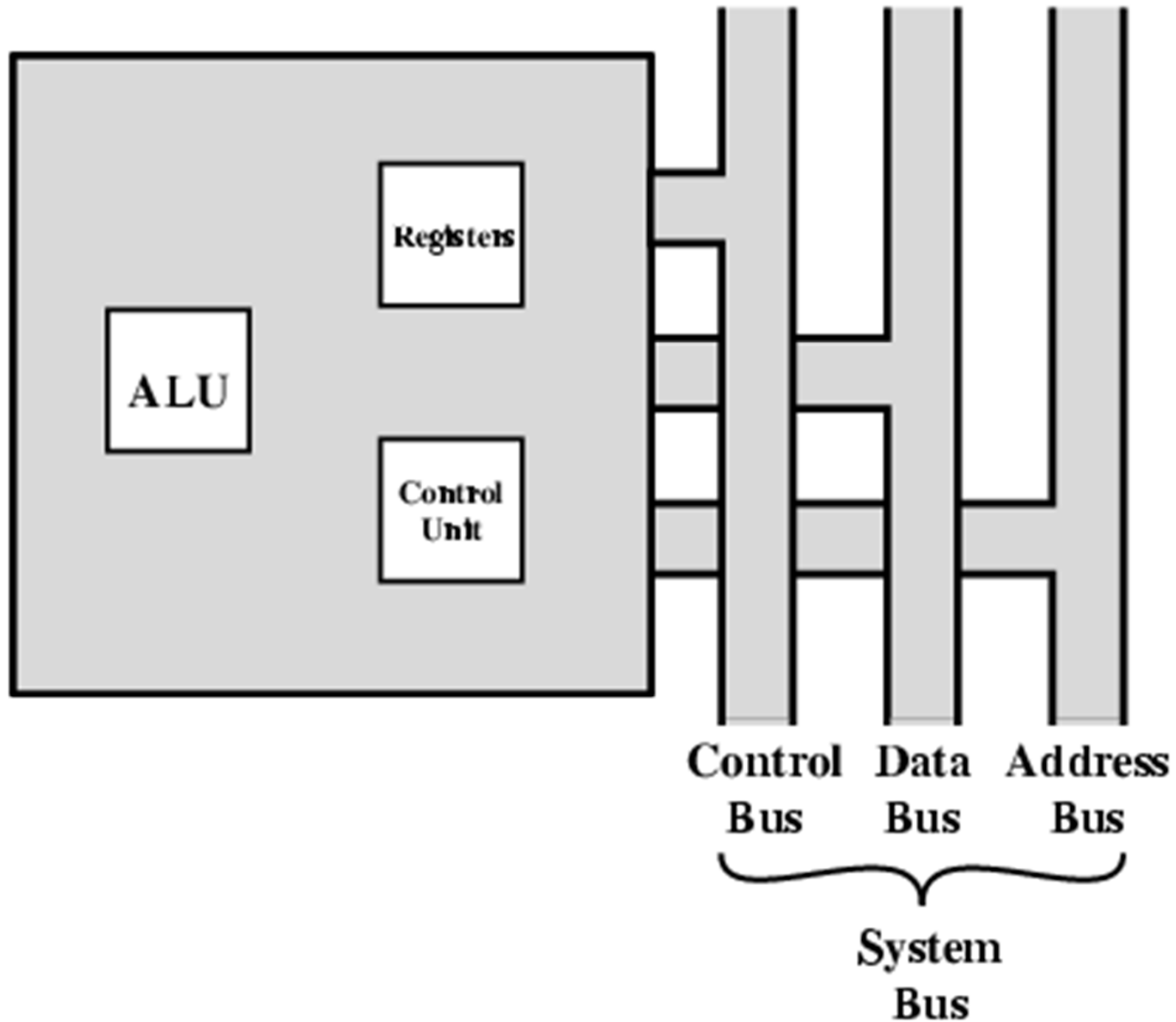
# Control Bus

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- Control and timing information
  - Memory read/write signal
  - Interrupt request
  - Clock signals

# CPU With Systems Bus

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# **Program Concept**

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- Hardwired systems are inflexible
- General purpose hardware can do different tasks, given correct control signals

# **Program Concept**

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- Operating Systems
  - Viewed as an Extended Machine

## **What is a program?**

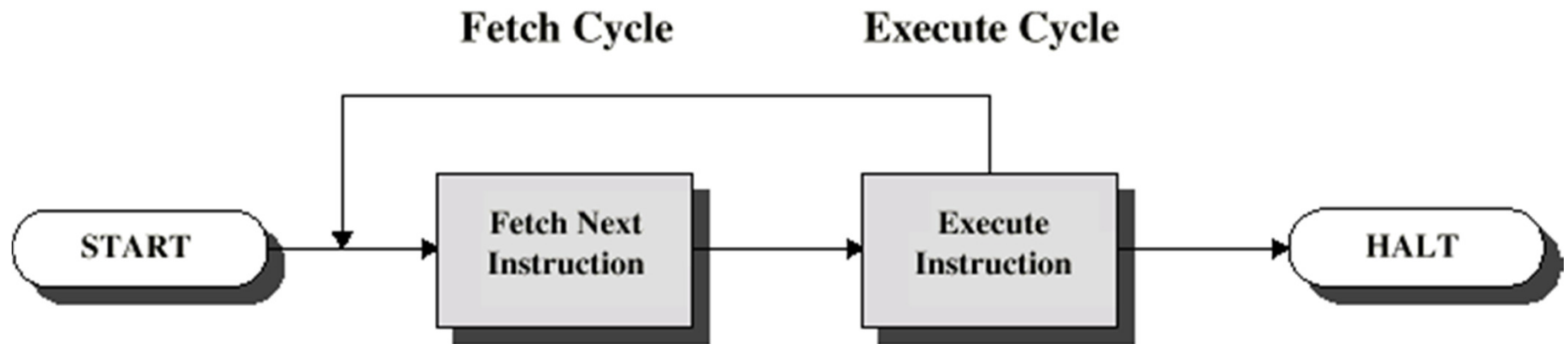
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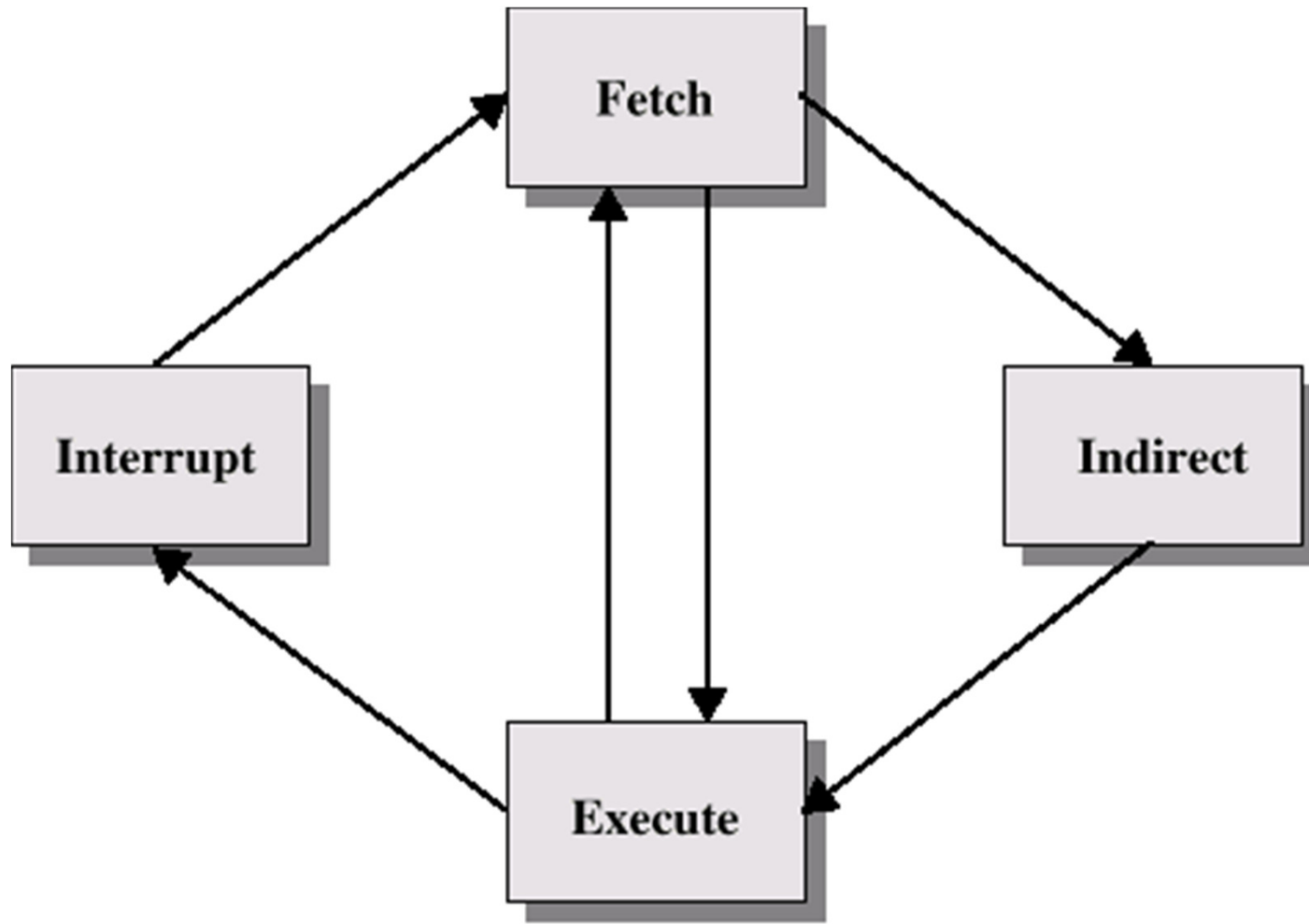
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# **Instruction Cycle with Indirect**





## **Indirect Cycle**

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- May require memory access to fetch operands
- Indirect addressing requires more memory accesses
- Can be thought of as additional instruction subcycle

# Fetch Cycle

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- Program Counter (PC) holds address of next instruction to fetch
- Processor fetches instruction from memory location pointed to by PC
- Increment PC
  - Unless told otherwise
- Instruction loaded into Instruction Register (IR)
- Processor interprets instruction and performs required actions

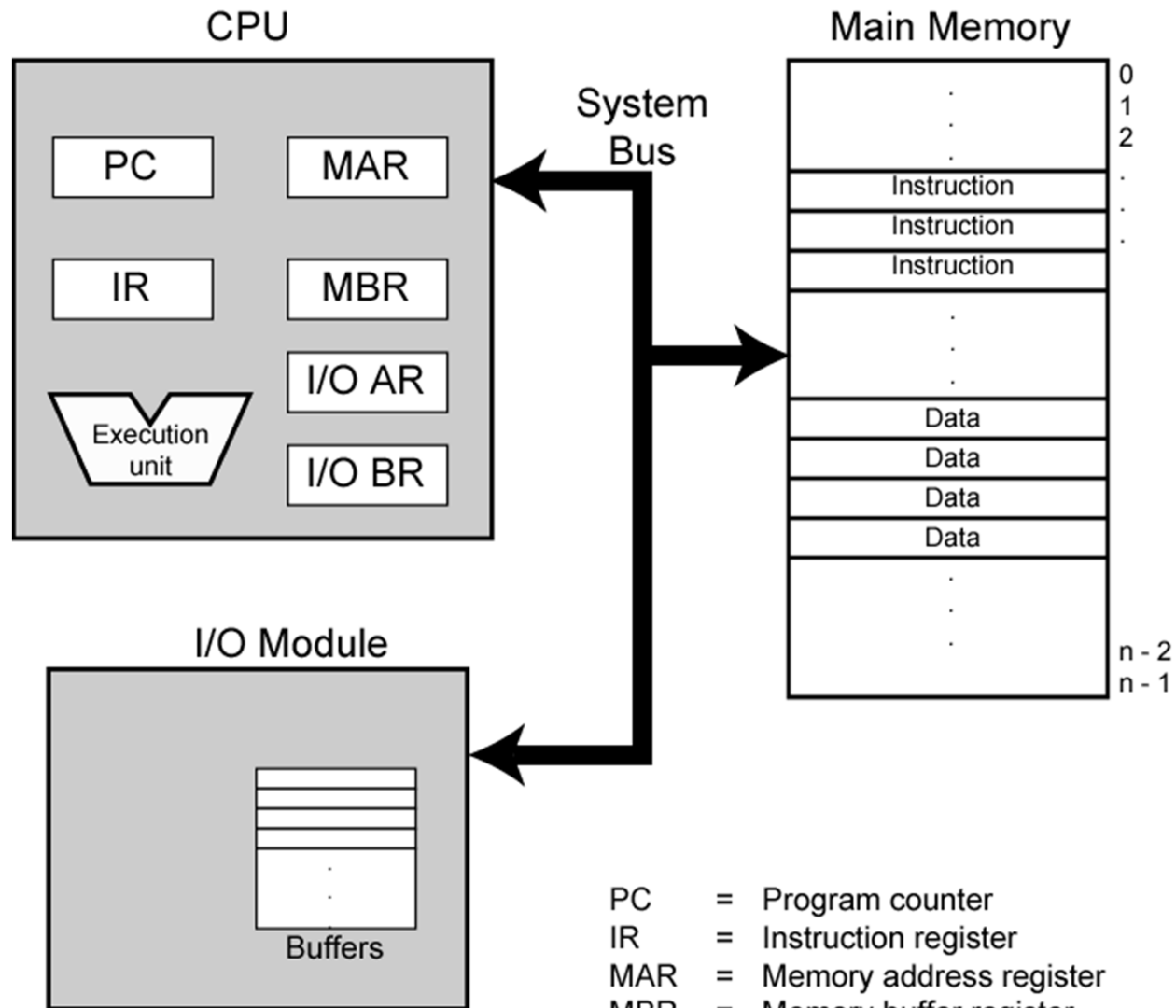
# Execute Cycle

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- Processor-memory
  - data transfer between CPU and main memory
- Processor I/O
  - Data transfer between CPU and I/O module
- Data processing
  - Some arithmetic or logical operation on data
- Control
  - Alteration of sequence of operations
  - e.g. jump
- Combination of above

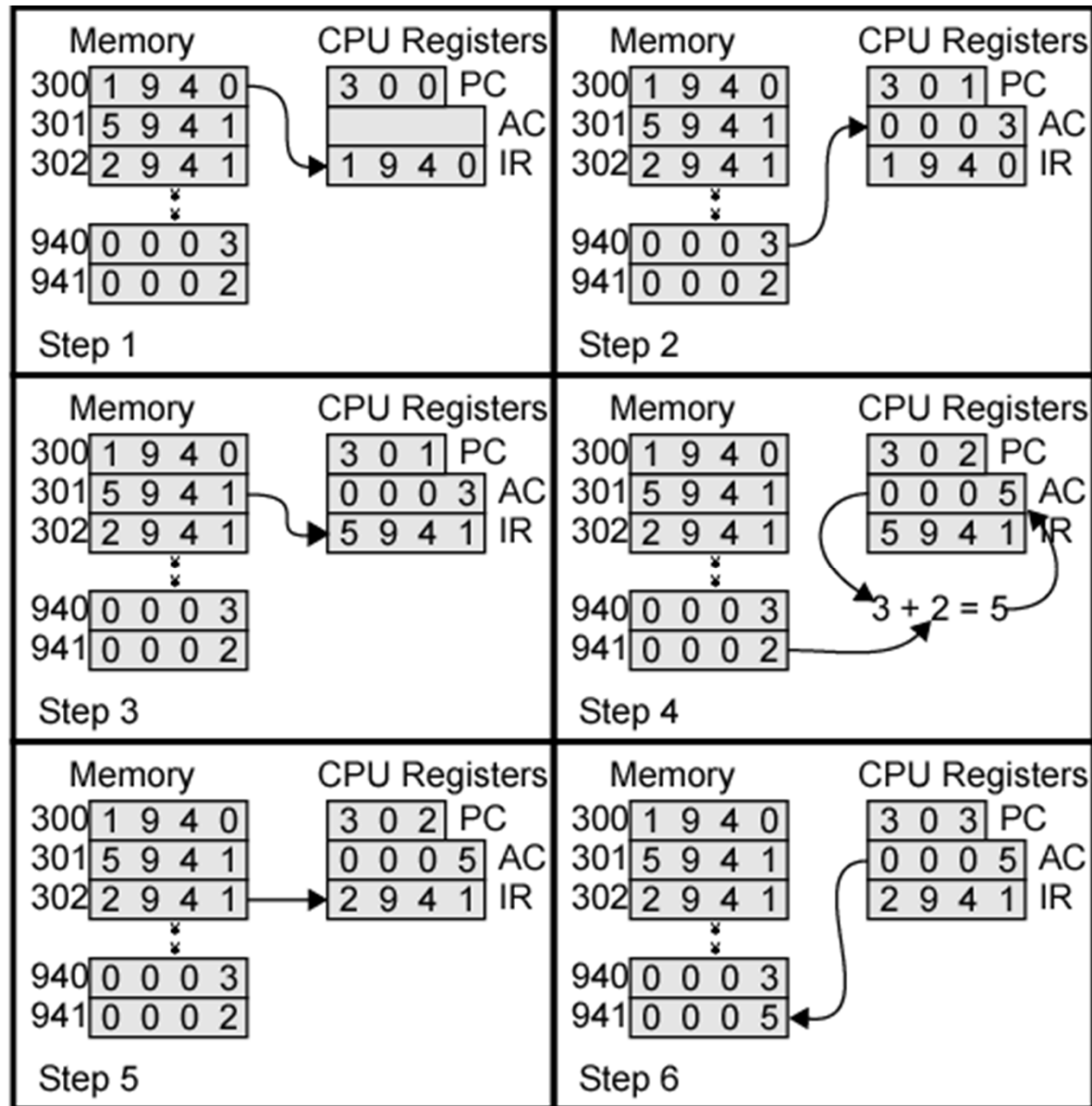
# Computer Components: Top Level View

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PC = Program counter  
IR = Instruction register  
MAR = Memory address register  
MBR = Memory buffer register  
I/O AR = Input/output address register  
I/O BR = Input/output buffer register

# Example of Program Execution



# Data Bus and Address Bus

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- Size of Address Bus:

SIZE	BINARY	DEC	HEXA	
8	0000 0000	0	00	
8	1111 1111	255	FF	
8	0101 0111	87	57	
8	0000 0110	6	06	
10	11 1111 1111	1023	3FF	
12	1111 1111 1111	4095	FFF	
16	1111 1111 1111 1111	$2^{16} - 1$	FFFF	
20	1111 1111 1111 1111 1111	$2^{20} - 1$	FFFFFF	
30	11 ..... 1111	$2^{30} - 1$	3FFFFFFF	
32	1111 ..... 1111	$2^{32} - 1$	FFFFFFFF	

# Data Bus and Address Bus

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- Size of Address Bus and Memory Capacity:

SIZE	BINARY	DEC	HEXA	
8	0000 0000	0	00	
8	1111 1111	255	FF	256
10	11 1111 1111	1023	3FF	1K
12	1111 1111 1111	4095	FFF	4K
16	1111 1111 1111 1111	$2^{16} - 1$	FFFF	64K
20	1111 1111 1111 1111 1111	$2^{20} - 1$	FFFFFF	1M
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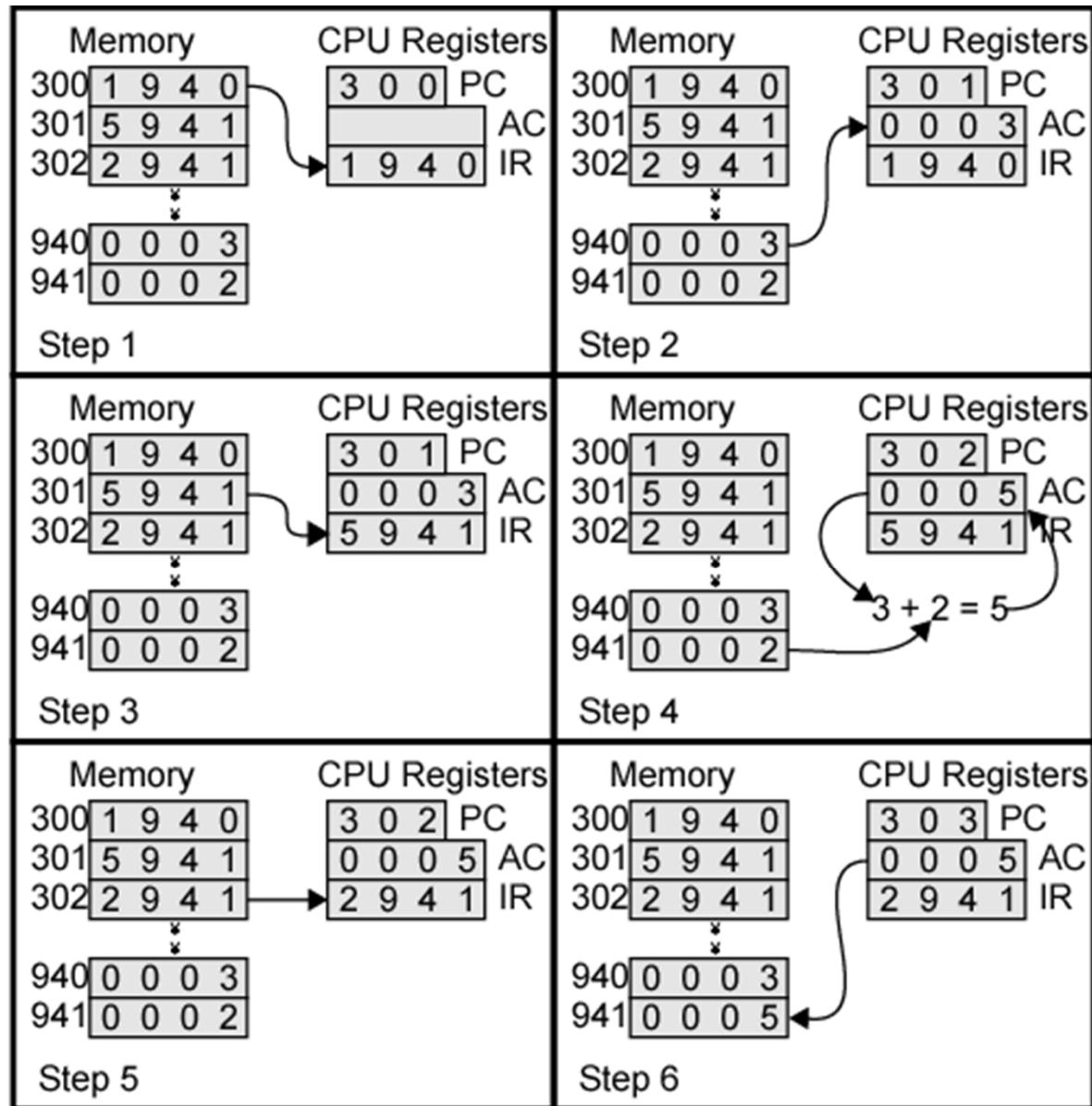
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- Size of Data Bus/Memory Location:

SIZE	BINARY	DEC	HEXA
8	0000 0000 1111 1111	0 - 255	00 - FF
12	0000 0000 0000 1111 1111 1111	0 - 4095	000 - FFF
16	0000 0000 0000 0000 1111 1111 1111 1111	0 – ( $2^{16} - 1$ )	0000- FFFF
20	0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111	0 – ( $2^{20} - 1$ )	00000 - FFFFF
32	0000 .....0000 1111 .....1111	0 – ( $2^{32} - 1$ )	00000000 – FFFFFFFF

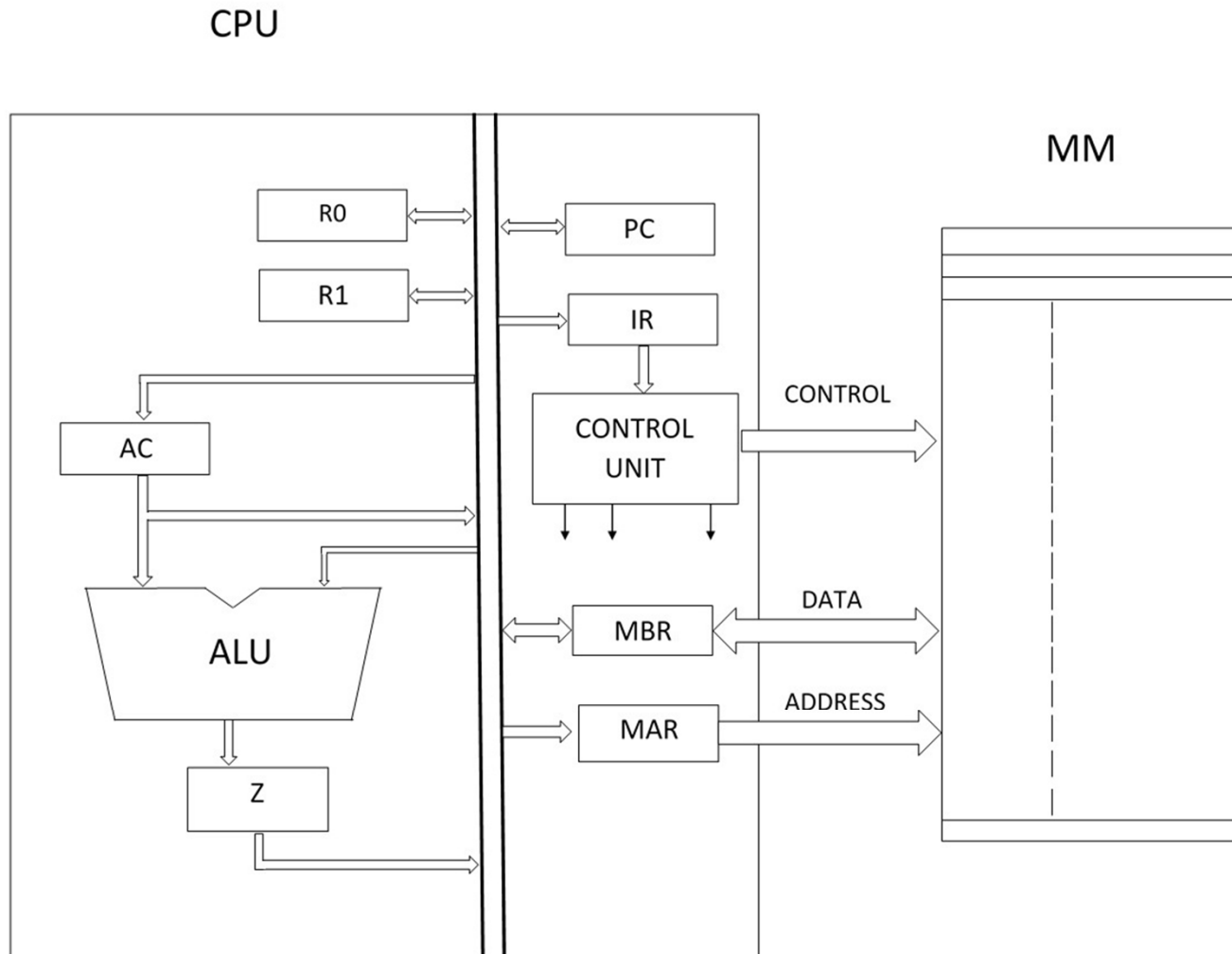


# Example of Program Execution



# CPU Organization

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# Machine Instruction

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Machine	Instruction Format				Assembly
Instruction	Operation	Address			Code
1940	0001	1001	0100	0000	LDA M
5941	0101	1001	0100	0001	ADD M
2941	0010	1001	0100	0001	STA M

(LDA M) LOAD AC: Load the accumulator by the contents of memory location specified in the instruction

(ADD M) ADD AC: Add the contents of memory location specified in the instruction to accumulator and store the result in accumulator

(STA M) STORE AC: Store the contents of accumulator the memory location specified in the instruction

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High Level Code	Assembly Code	Machine Code (HEX)
Y = X + Y	LDA X ADD Y STA Y	1940 5941 2941



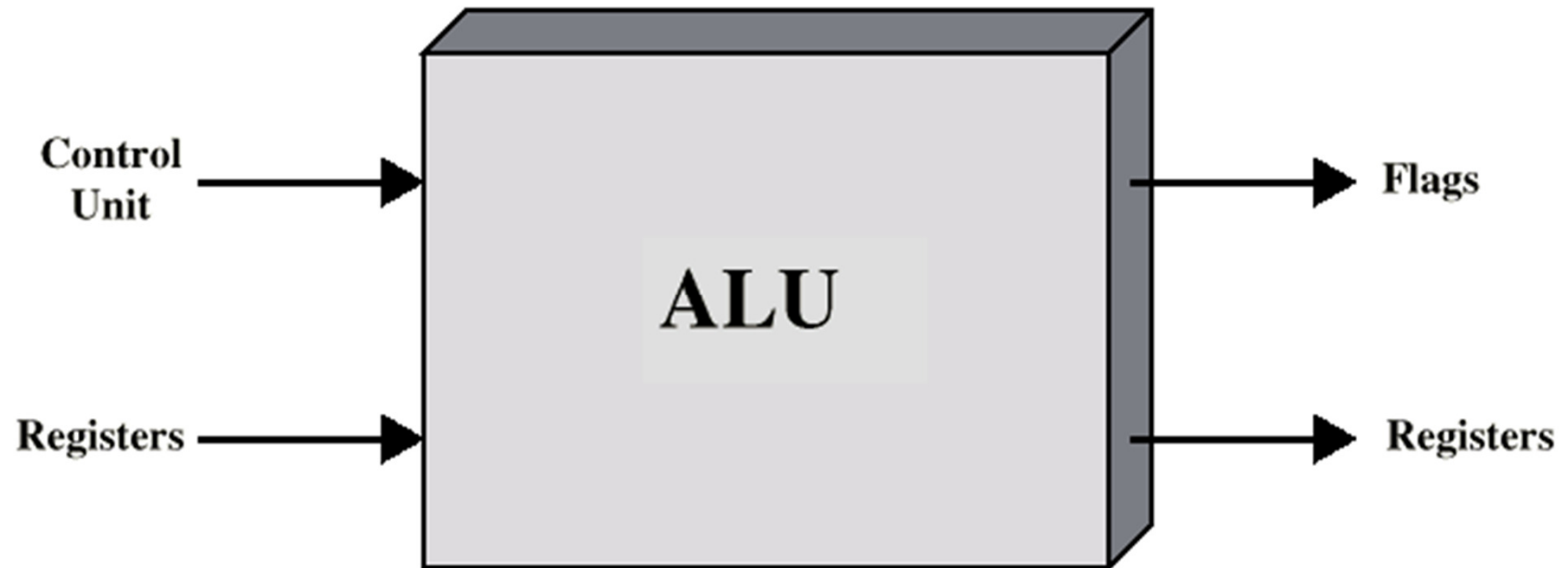
## **Arithmetic & Logic Unit**

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- Does the calculations
- Handles integers
- May handle floating point (real) numbers
- May be separate FPU (maths co-processor)
- May be on chip separate FPU

# ALU Inputs and Outputs

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# Integer Representation

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- Only have 0 & 1 to represent everything
- numbers stored in binary
  - e.g. 41=00101001
- No minus sign (negative nos.)
- No period (for real nos.)
- Negative Numbers
  - Sign-Magnitude
  - Two's compliment



# Sign-Magnitude

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- Left most bit is sign bit (MSB)
  - 0 means positive
  - 1 means negative
- $+18 = 00010010$
- $-18 = 10010010$
- Problems
  - Need to consider both sign and magnitude in arithmetic
  - Two representations of zero (+0 and -0)

## Two's Complement

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- $+3 = 00000011$
- $+2 = 00000010$
- $+1 = 00000001$
- $+0 = 00000000$
- $-1 = 11111111$
- $-2 = 11111110$
- $-3 = 11111101$

## Benefits

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- One representation of zero
- Arithmetic works easily
- Negating is fairly easy
  - $-3 = 00000011$
  - Boolean complement gives  $11111100$
  - Add 1 to LSB  $11111101$

## Negation Special Case 1

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- 0 = 00000000
- Bitwise not 11111111
- Add 1 to LSB +1
- Result 1 00000000
- Overflow is ignored, so:
- - 0 = 0 ✓

## Negation Special Case 2

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- -128 = 10000000
- bitwise not 01111111
- Add 1 to LSB +1
- Result 10000000
- So:
- $-(-128) = -128$  X
- Monitor MSB (sign bit)
- It should change during negation

## Range of Numbers

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- 8 bit 2s compliment
  - $+127 = 01111111 = 2^7 - 1$
  - $-128 = 10000000 = -2^7$
- 16 bit 2s compliment
  - $+32767 = 01111111 11111111 = 2^{15} - 1$
  - $-32768 = 10000000 00000000 = -2^{15}$

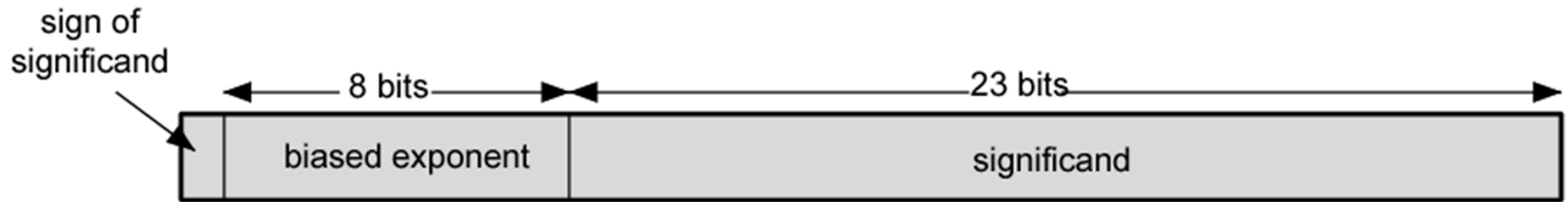
# Real Numbers

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- Numbers with fractions
- Could be done in pure binary
  - $1001.1010 = 2^4 + 2^0 + 2^{-1} + 2^{-3} = 9.625$
- Where is the binary point?
- Fixed?
  - Very limited
- Moving?
  - How do you show where it is?

# Floating Point

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(a) Format

- $\pm \text{.significand} \times 2^{\text{exponent}}$
- Misnomer
- Point is actually fixed between sign bit and body of mantissa
- Exponent indicates place value (point position)



# Floating Point Examples



(a) Format

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.1010001 \times 2^{10100} &= 0 \ 10010011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = 1.638125 \times 2^{20} \\
 -1.1010001 \times 2^{10100} &= 1 \ 10010011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = -1.638125 \times 2^{20} \\
 1.1010001 \times 2^{-10100} &= 0 \ 01101011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = 1.638125 \times 2^{-20} \\
 -1.1010001 \times 2^{-10100} &= 1 \ 01101011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = -1.638125 \times 2^{-20}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Examples

## **Signs for Floating Point**

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- Mantissa is stored in 2s compliment
- Exponent is in excess or biased notation
  - e.g. Excess (bias) 128 means
  - 8 bit exponent field
  - Pure value range 0-255
  - Subtract 128 to get correct value
  - Range -128 to +127

# Normalization

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- FP numbers are usually normalized
- i.e. exponent is adjusted so that leading bit (MSB) of mantissa is 1
- Since it is always 1 there is no need to store it
- (c.f. Scientific notation where numbers are normalized to give a single digit before the decimal point
- e.g.  $3.123 \times 10^3$ )

## FP Ranges

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- For a 32 bit number
  - 8 bit exponent
  - $\pm 2^{256} \approx 1.5 \times 10^{77}$
- Accuracy
  - The effect of changing lsb of mantissa
  - 23 bit mantissa  $2^{-23} \approx 1.2 \times 10^{-7}$
  - About 6 decimal places

# IEEE 754

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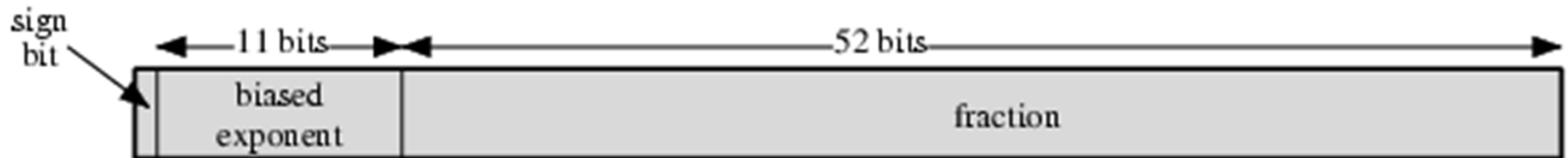
- Standard for floating point storage
- 32 and 64 bit standards
- 8 and 11 bit exponent respectively

# IEEE 754 Formats

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(a) Single format



(b) Double format

## **Other Codes**

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- Excess Code (Excess-128)
- GREY Code
- BCD (Binary Coded Decimal)

# **Character Representation**

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- ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange)
- EBCDIC (Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code)
- UNICODE