

# RAM

Really Awesome Memory

Akilesh Praveen — CMSC398E

UMD

April 27, 2020

# Agenda

## 1 Announcements

- Projects 5, 6, and 7

## 2 Intro + Background

# Announcements

# Projects 5, 6, 7

- Projects 5, 6, and 7 are now released on Piazza
- Relevant instructional material is/will be linked
- They can be done in **any order**, but I would suggest doing them in order (5, then 6, then 7)
- We already did a lecture on Project 5 and 6, today we'll be talking about **Project 7**

# Intro

# Intro

- We've built the ALU; the brains of the operation
- Now we need a few more things to take this from just a calculator circuit to an actual computer
  - Ways to **store** programs
  - Ways to **interpret** those programs
  - Ways to **execute** those programs
  - Ways to **store data** for those programs while they're executing
- We're going to use the digital logic circuit theory to build circuits to address all of these! (Projects 5, 6, and 7)

# Intro

- Ways to **store** programs - **ROM** (*Project 5*)
- Ways to **interpret** those programs - **389E Assembly** (*Project 5*)
- Ways to **execute** those programs - **Program Counter** (*Project 6*)
- Ways to **store data** for those programs while they're executing - **RAM** (*Project 7*)
- Today, we'll be talking about ways to store data for these programs, using registers of **RAM**.