

Chapter Three

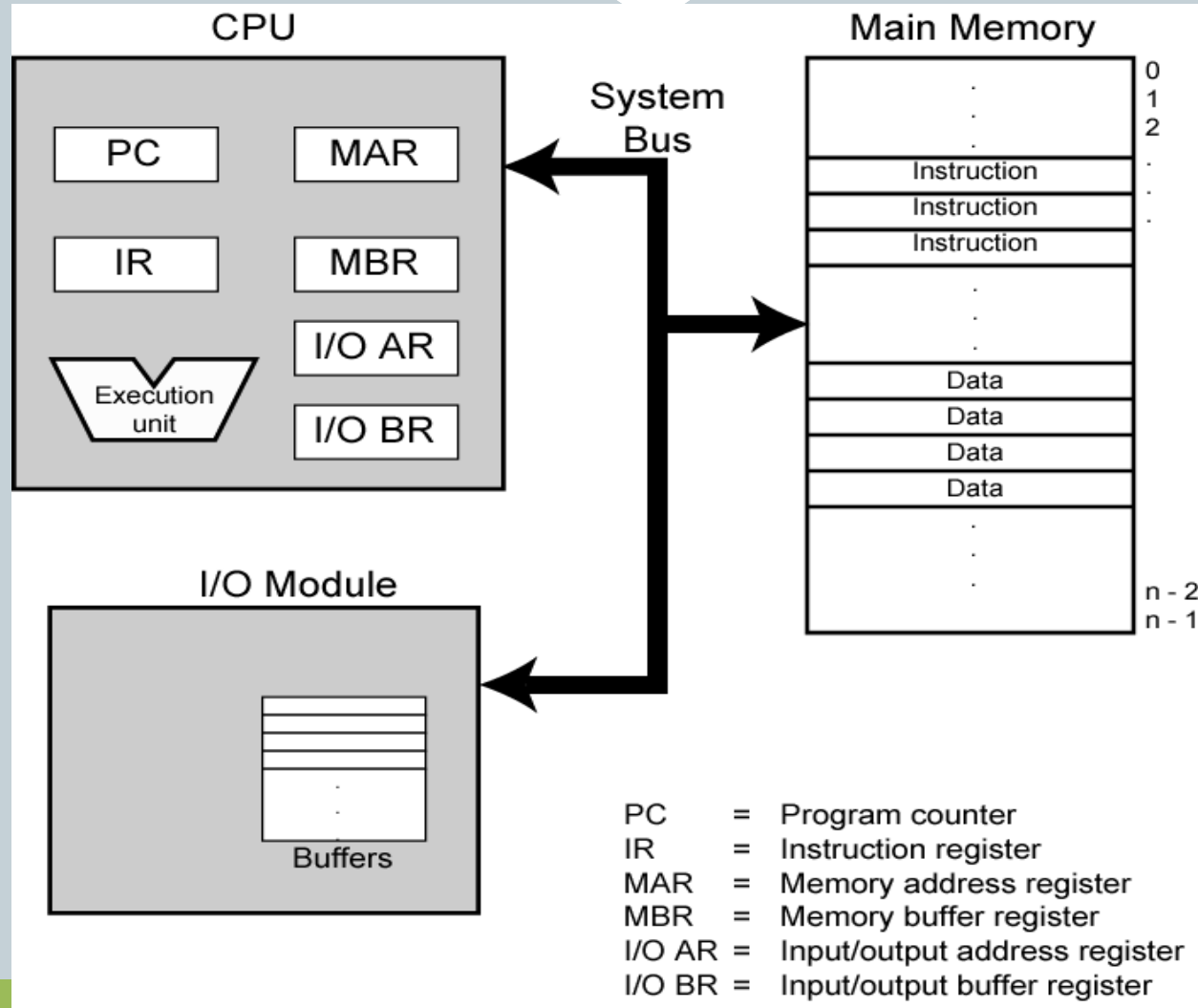
Top Level View of Computer Function and Interconnection

Part 1



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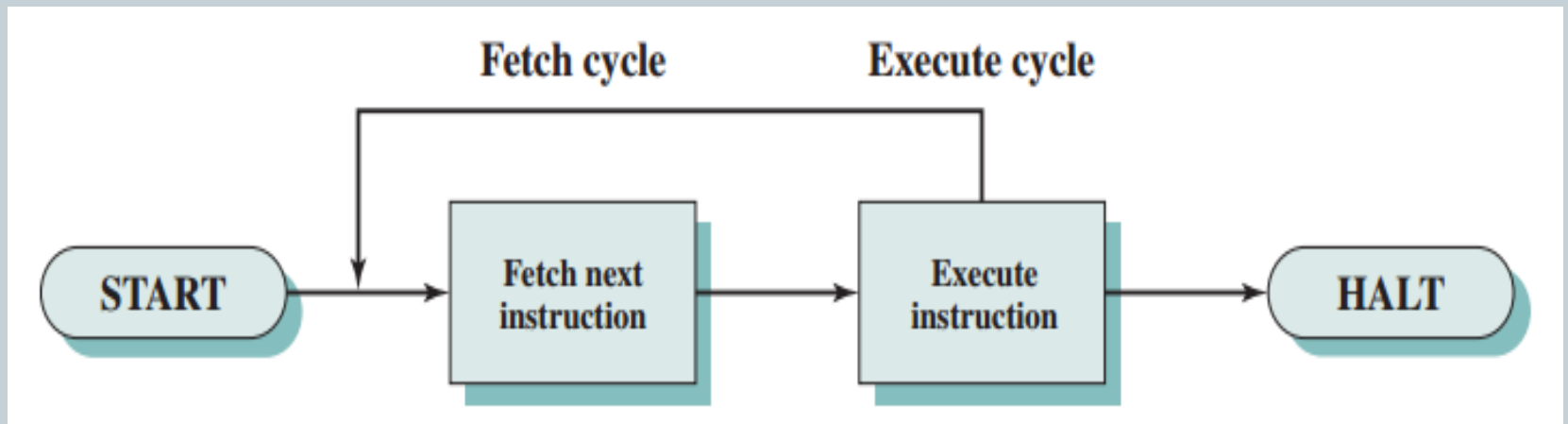
Computer Components



Instruction Cycle

Two steps:

- ❑ Fetch
- ❑ Execute



Fetch Cycle



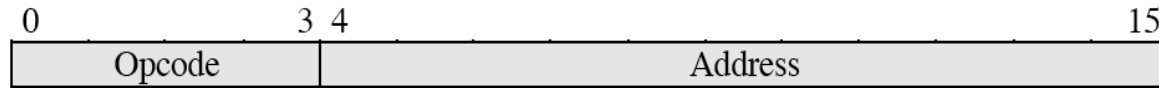
- Program Counter (**PC**) holds address of next instruction to fetch
- Processor fetches instruction from memory location pointed to by PC
- Increment PC
 - Unless told otherwise
- Instruction loaded into Instruction Register (**IR**)
- Processor interprets instruction and performs required actions

Execute Cycle

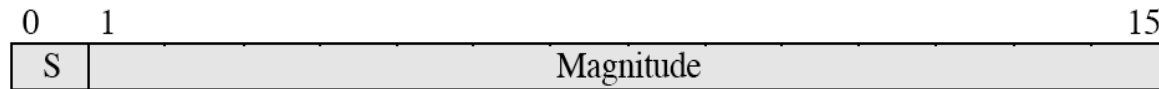


- **Processor-memory**
 - ✓ data transfer between CPU and main memory
- **Processor I/O**
 - ✓ Data transfer between CPU and I/O module
- **Data processing**
 - ✓ Some arithmetic or logical operation on data
- **Control**
 - ✓ Alteration of sequence of operations
e.g. jump
- **Combination of above**

Hypothetical Machine



(a) Instruction format



(b) Integer format

Program Counter (PC) = Address of instruction
Instruction Register (IR) = Instruction being executed
Accumulator (AC) = Temporary storage

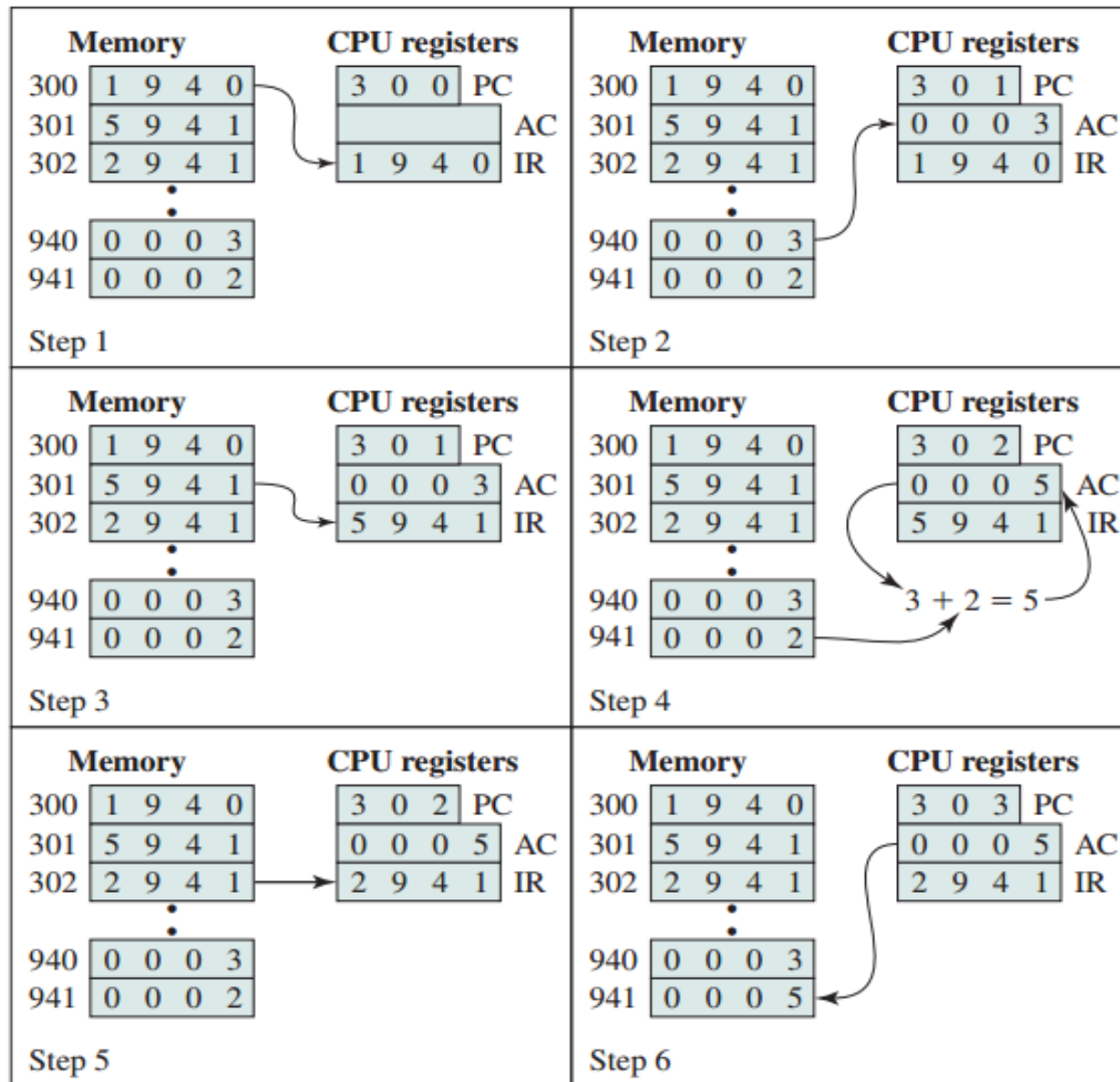
(c) Internal CPU registers

0001 = Load AC from Memory
0010 = Store AC to Memory
0101 = Add to AC from Memory

(d) Partial list of opcodes

Figure 3.4 Characteristics of a Hypothetical Machine

Example



Instruction State Diagram

