

CSE 3103: Microprocessor and Microcontroller

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Lecture 2

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- About Microprocessor
- History of CISC Processor
- History of RISC Processor
- CISC vs RISC

About Microprocessor

- A single IC package with numerous pins
- Consists of millions of transistors and other electronic components
- A single chip CPU
- Controls and performs all the computations and operations of a microcomputer
- Communicate with internal and external devices through port
- Two types of port:
 - 1 serial port
 - 2 parallel port

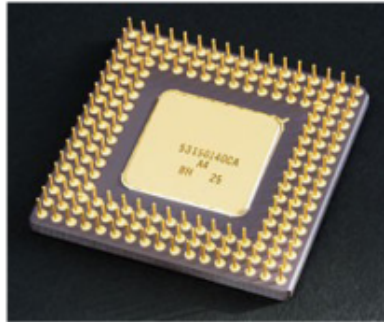


Figure 1

Organization of a Microprocessor

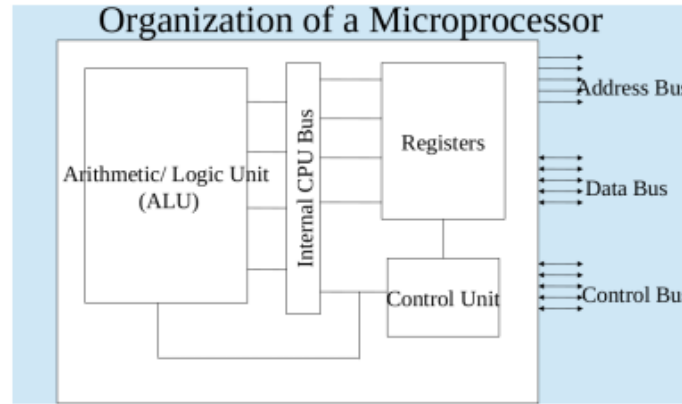


Figure 2

- A typical microprocessor consists of ALU in association with CU to process the instruction execution
- All the microprocessor are based on store-program concept: instructions are stored in the memory locations that are to be executed

Arithmetic Logic Unit

The data processing unit of the microprocessor. It performs:

- ① Arithmetic Operation (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).
- ② Logical Operation (OR, AND, NOT etc)
- ③ Decision Making.

- Minimal Internal memory.
- A set of registers used as storage space.
- ALU accesses this memory during its operation.
- Operates at a very high speed and a temporary memory.
- Purpose:
 - 1 Minimizes the main memory access.
 - 2 Used to control the operation of CPU and to control the execution of programs.

It coordinates and controls the operations of the central processing unit.

- ① Determines the instruction to be executed.
- ② Determines the operations to be performed.
- ③ Determines what data are needed and where they are stored.
- ④ Determines where the result to be stored.
- ⑤ Determines where the next instruction is located.
- ⑥ Causes the next instruction to be executed.
- ⑦ Transfer control to the next instruction.
- ⑧ It communicates with input devices to begin the transfer of data and instructions into memory and with output devices to begin the transfer of results from memory.

Execution Steps of a Microprocessor

- Basic steps performed by a microprocessor to perform an operation
 - fetch: reads each instruction from memory
 - decode: interprets the instruction
 - execute: performs the operation according to the instruction



Figure 3: Steps to execute an instruction

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What is an Architecture of a Computer

- Defined by the instructions a processor can execute
- Programs written for one processor can run on other processors of the same architecture
- Most commonly used architecture
 - IA32 (x86)
 - IA64
 - ARM
 - PowerPC
 - SPARC

What is Instruction

- Basic actions a processor can take
- opcode operand1,operand2,....;Comments
 - ADD AX,BX : Add value AX to BX and store in AX
 - CMP BX,10: Compare value in BX to 10
 - LDR R4,=HELLO`WORLD : Get the memory address value of HELLO`WORLD
 - LDR R3, [R4]: Get the value code 0x12345678 in R4
- Every program must be converted to the processor instructions of the computer it will be run on

Microprocessor Specification

- Word: Basic data size, processed by ALU. A 16 bit binary number is called the word in a 16-bit processor
- Memory word: Number of bits, stored in a register/memory element
- Word length: Number of bits processed at a time
- Bus: A x-bit processor has x-bit data bus. A x-bit processor can address 2^x different memory locations
- Clock: The oscillator generates a number of electronic pulses, used by the computer to synchronize operations. Transition from +ve to -ve or vice-verse is a cycle and the total amount of cycle/sec is hertz.
- MIPS: Microprocessor generally requires 10 clock cycles to complete a single instruction. Speed of a processor is measured with MIPS (million of instructions/sec)

Classification of Microprocessor

- Based on size of data bus:
 - 4-bit microprocessor
 - 8-bit microprocessor
 - 16-bit microprocessor
 - 32-bit microprocessor
 - 64-bit microprocessor
- Based on application:
 - General purpose microprocessor
 - Special purpose microprocessor
- Based on architecture:
 - Complex Instruction Set Computer (CISC) microprocessor
 - Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC) microprocessor