UCS1401 COMPUTER ORGANIZATION AND ARCHITECTURE

Objectivies

- What is CA?
- Why CA?
- The Big Picture
- Performance



Computer

A *Computer* is a machine which solves problems for people written as programs.

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It is a Electronic data processing machine which takes data as input processes it, performs necessary calculations, stores the results and outputs the results as when required.
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Program

A *Program* is a sequence of statements/steps stating how to perform a task. For each step an arithmetic and logical operation is done. For each operation a different set of control signals is needed – i.e. an instruction. An *instruction* can be machine language instructions or assembly language instructions or even high level language instructions.

Hardware

- A *hardware* is something that is tangible.
- For e.g. CPU, Memory, I/O devices, Bus etc.

Software

- A *software* is a collection of programs.
- S/W system S/w & Appl s/w
- System s/w-
 - Ser of pgm designed to control the operation and extend the capability of computer system
 - compilers, linkers, loaders, assemblers
- Appl s/w -
 - It is a set of pgm designed to solve a specific problem
 - Banking s/w, payroll s/w

Firmware

• A *firmware* is software embedded in hardware during manufacture.

E.g. home appliances, etc

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- It deals with how features are implemented.
- Hidden from Programmer
- Information flow between components Example:
 - 1. Control signals
 - 2. Memory technology
 - 3. Interfaces
- It basically discuss how h/w components operates and how they are connected to form computer system.

Need for Computers

- Automatic
- Speed
- Accuracy
- Diligence
- Versatility

What is "Computer Architecture"

Computer Architecture = Instruction Set Architecture + Machine Organization

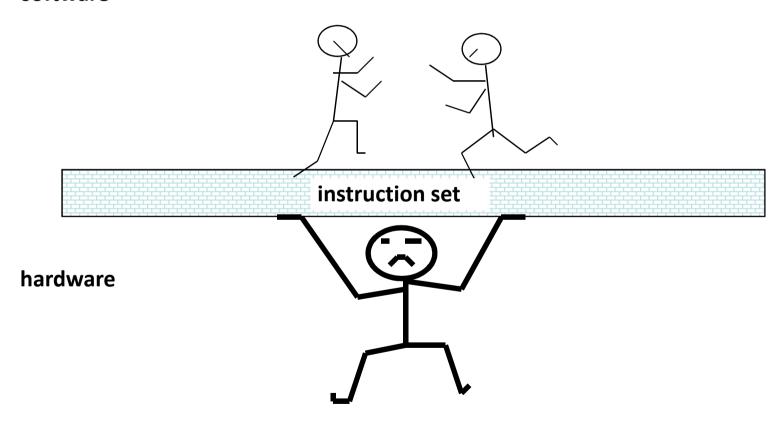
What is Computer Architecture...

- is concerned with the structure and behavior of the computer as seen by the user/programmer. It includes attributes such as
- Instruction Formats
- Addressing Modes
- Instruction Sets
- I/O Mechanisms
- -- The number of bits used
- -- Techniques for Memory management

For example, It is an architectural design issue whether the computer will have multiply instruction

The Instruction Set: a Critical Interface

software



Instruction Set Architectures

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Digital Alpha (v1, v3) 1992-97
HP PA-RISC (v1.1, v2.0) 1986-96
Sun Sparc (v8, v9) 1987-95
SGI MIPS (MIPS I, II, III, IV, V) 1986-96
Intel(8086,80286,80386, 1978-200x 80486,Pentium, MMX, Pentium pro, Itanium...)
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Organization

- Capabilities & Performance
 - Characteristics of Principal Functional Units
 - (e.g., Registers, ALU, Shifters, Logic Units, ...)

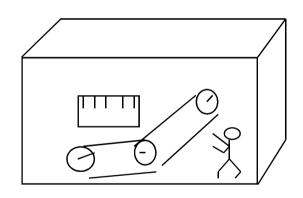
Organization

Logic Designer's View

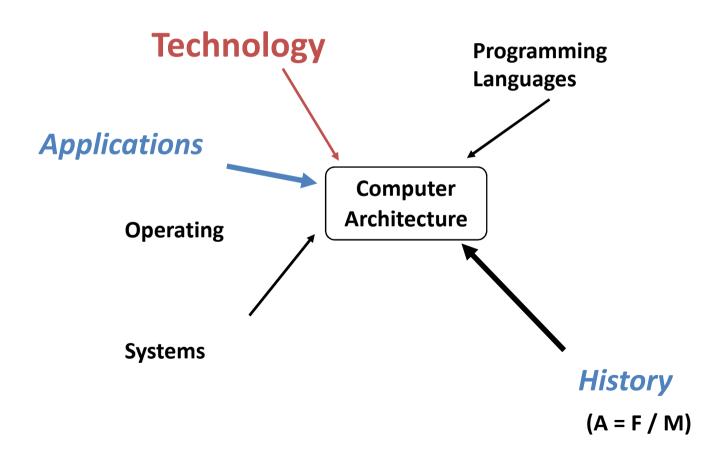
ISA Level

FUs & Interconnect

- Ways in which these components are interconnected
- Information flows between components
- Logic and means by which such information flow is controlled.
- Choreography of FUs to realize the ISA
- Register Transfer Level (RTL) Description



Forces on Computer Architecture



Why do Computer Architecture?

- It's exciting!
- It impacts every other aspect of electrical engineering and computer science

What does a CA Course Contain?

Computer Architecture and Engineering

Instruction Set Design

Interfaces

Compiler/System View

-"Building Architect"

Computer Organization

Hardware Components

Logic Designer's View

-"Construction Engineer"

Generations of Computers

First Generation (1945-54)

- Single CPU
- Accumulator based.
- Fixed point Execution
- All the operations.
- PC
- ALP and MLP
- Ex: ENIAC, Princeton IAS, IBM 701

II Generation (1955-64)

- Index Register
- Fixed point and Floating point.
- Multiplexed Memory
- Batch Processing
- Subroutine and Libraries.
- IOP
- RTL

II Generation (Contd..)

HLL such as FORTRAN, COBOL, ALGOL

• EX: IBM7090, UNIVAC LARC

III Generation (1965-74)

- Pipelining
- Cache memory
- Virtual Memory
- Multiprogramming
- Time sharing
- Ex: IBM 360/370, CDC 6600/7600,TI ASC
 DE PDP8

IV Generation (1975-90)

- Parallel Computers
- Shared Memory and Distributed Memory.
- Multiprocessing O.S (MACH)
- Ex:IBM3090,BBN TC 2000, VAX 9000
 CRAY X-MP

V-Generation

- MPP
- Scalable
- Latency Tolerant
- Terra flops
- Heterogeneous Processing.
- Ex: KABRU, FUJITSU, PARAGON