

8-Bit CPU Manual

Breadboard Computing

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1 Overview

2 Processor Architecture

2.1 Registers:

- ◇ A Register: REG_A_0, REG_A_1, ..., REG_A_7
- ◇ B Register: REG_B_0, REG_B_1, ..., REG_B_7
- ◇ Temporary Register: REG_TMP_00, REG_TMP_01, ..., REG_TMP_15
- ◇ Memory Address Register: REG_MAR_00, REG_MAR_01, ..., REG_MAR_15
- ◇ Memory Buffer Register: REG_MBR_0, REG_MBR_1, ..., REG_MBR_7
- ◇ Flag Register: REG_F_0, REG_F_1, ..., REG_F_7
- ◇ Instruction Register: REG_IR_0, REG_IR_1, ..., REG_IR_7

2.2 Buses

- ◇ Data Bus: BUS_0, BUS_1, ..., BUS_7
- ◇ Address Bus: ADDRESS_00, ADDRESS_01, ..., ADDRESS_15

2.3 Flags

- ◇ REG_F_0: sign flag(1 → result is negative; 0 → result is non-negative)
- ◇ REG_F_1: parity flag(1 → result is odd; 0 → result is even)
- ◇ REG_F_2: zero flag(1 → result is not equal to zero; 0 → result is equal to zero)
- ◇ REG_F_3: carry flag(for unsigned number operations: 1 → result is out of range; 0 → result is correct)
- ◇ REG_F_4: overflow flag(for signed number operations: 1 → result is out of range; 0 → result is correct)

2.4 Signals

Clock			
CLK		signal generated by clock with specified frequency	
$\overline{\text{CLK}}$		inverted signal generated by clock with specified frequency	

Table 1: Clock Signals Description

Arithmetic Logic Unit			
REG_A_LOAD	A0	load data from data bus to register A	combined with CLK
REG_B_LOAD	A1	load data from data bus to register B	combined with CLK
ALU_OPC_0	A2	bit 0 of operation code to perform	
ALU_OPC_1	A3	bit 1 of operation code to perform	
ALU_OPC_2	A4	bit 2 of operation code to perform	
ALU_OPC_3	A5	bit 3 of operation code to perform	
ALU_OPC_4	A6	bit 4 of operation code to perform	
REG_F_LOAD	A7	load flags of current operation to flag register	combined with CLK
$\overline{\text{REG_F_OUT}}$	B0	pass data from flag register to data bus	
$\overline{\text{ALU_OUT}}$	B1	pass current operation result to data bus	

Table 2: Arithmetic Logic Unit Signals Description

2.5 Instructions

2.6 Instruction Cycle

- ◇ Fetch(fixed number of cycles)

Data Bus - Address Bus Connector			
REG_TMPH_LOAD	B2	load data from data/address bus to higher bits of temporary register	combined with CLK
REG_TMPL_LOAD	B3	load data from data/address bus to lower bits of temporary register	combined with CLK
$\overline{\text{REG_TMPH_OUT}}$	B4	pass data from higher bits of temporary register to data/address bus	
$\overline{\text{REG_TMPL_OUT}}$	B5	pass data from lower bits of temporary register to data/address bus	
$\overline{\text{REG_TMP_PASS_ADDRESS}}$	B6	enable passing address from address bus/temporary register to temporary register/address bus	
$\overline{\text{REG_TMPH_PASS_DATA}}$	B7	enable passing data from data bus/msb of temporary register to msb of temporary register/data bus	
$\overline{\text{REG_TMPL_PASS_DATA}}$	C0	enable passing data from data bus/lsb of temporary register to lsb of temporary register/data bus	
REG_TMP_ADDRESS_DIR	C1	address direction selector: from address bus/temporary register to temporary register/address bus	
REG_TMPH_DATA_DIR	C2	data flow direction selector: from data bus/msb of temporary register to msb of temporary register/data bus	
REG_TMPL_DATA_DIR	C3	data flow direction selector: from data bus/lsb of temporary register to lsb temporary register/data bus	

Table 3: Data Bus - Address Bus Connector Signals Description

Program Counter			
$\overline{\text{PC_LOAD}}$	C4	load address from address bus to program counter	
$\overline{\text{PC_RST}}$	C5	set program counter to 0x0000	
PC_TICK	C6	increment program counter	combined with CLK
$\overline{\text{PC_OUT}}$	C7	pass data from program counter to address bus	

Table 4: Program Counter Signals Description

- ◇ Decode(variable number of cycles)
- ◇ Execute(variable number of cycles)

2.7 Decoder

Input: $MI_7I_6I_5I_4I_3I_2I_1I_0C_3C_2C_1C_0$:

- ◇ M - operating mode,
- ◇ $I_7I_6I_5I_4I_3I_2I_1I_0$ - instruction,

Stack Counter			
$\overline{\text{STC_LOAD}}$	D0	load address from address bus to stack counter	
STC_RST	D1	set stack counter to 0x0000	
STC_TICK	D2	increment/decrement stack counter; increment/decrement depends on mode	combined with $\overline{\text{CLK}}$
STC_MODE	D3	stack counter operation selector: increment or decrement	
$\overline{\text{STC_OUT}}$	D4	pass data from stack counter to address bus	

Table 5: Stack Counter Signals Description

Memory Unit			
REG_MAR_LOAD	D5	load data from address bus to memory address register	combined with CLK
REG_MBR_LOAD	D6	load data from data bus to memory buffer register	combined with CLK
$\overline{\text{MEM_OUT}}$	D7	read data to memory buffer register from memory at address from memory address register	
$\overline{\text{MEM_IN}}$	E0	write data from memory buffer register to memory at address from memory address register	
MEM_PART	E1	additional bit of memory address; it is used to easy memory division	
$\overline{\text{ZERO_PAGE}}$	E2	clear higher bits of memory address; it is used to faster access to memory at low addresses	
REG_MBR_WORD_DIR	E3	data flow direction selector: pass data from data bus/memory buffer register to memory buffer register/data bus	
$\overline{\text{REG_MAR_USE_BTNS}}$	E4	use buttons to enter value to set to memory address register	
$\overline{\text{REG_MBR_USE_BTNS}}$	E5	use buttons to enter value to set to memory buffer register	
$\overline{\text{REG_MBR_USE_BUS}}$	E6	use bus to pass value to set to memory buffer register or get value from memory buffer register	

Table 6: Memory Unit Signals Description

◇ $C_3C_2C_1C_0$ - microcode counter

Control Unit			
IR_LOAD	F0	load instruction from data bus	combined with $\overline{\text{CLK}}$
MCC_TICK	F1	increment microcode counter	combined with $\overline{\text{CLK}}$
$\overline{\text{MCC_RST}}$	F2	set microcode counter to 0	

Table 7: Control Unit Signals Description