Embedded Systems and Microprocessor Systems

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Who Are You?

- How many of you have taken the course "Computer Organization Principle"?
- Interests?
- How much do you know about ARM microprocessors?

Advanced RISC Machine

ARM processors were in 6.1 billion chips shipped in 2010 14 billion chips shipped in 2015

RISC

VS.

CISC

ARMology

ARM1 (1985) -> ARM2(1987) -> ARMv2 -> ARM3 -> ARMv2a



ARM Ltd. (1990)

ARMv3(1990) -> ARM6 -> ARM7(1994) -> ARM8 -> ARM9 -> ARMv4T -> ARMv5T -> ARM10 -> ARMv6 -> ARMv7 (Cortex-M)(M3:2003) -> Cortex-A(2006) -> ARMv8(2011)

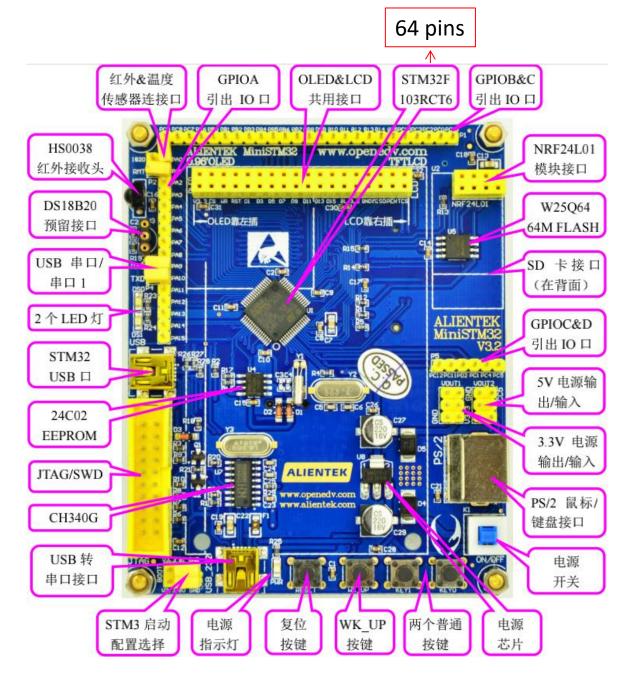
ARM7 ≠ ARMv7

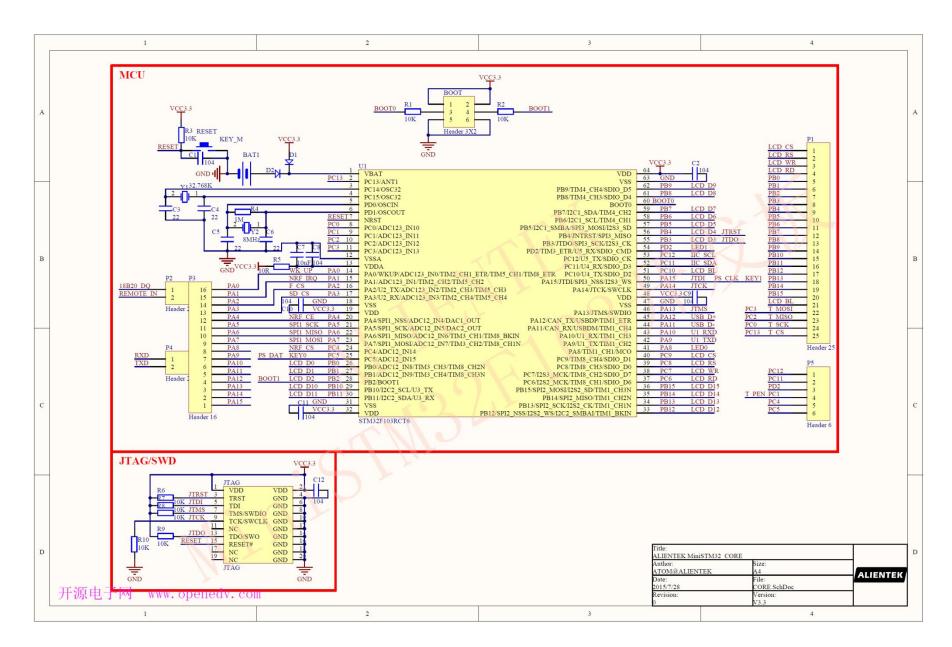
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STM32F103rc
STMicroelectronics

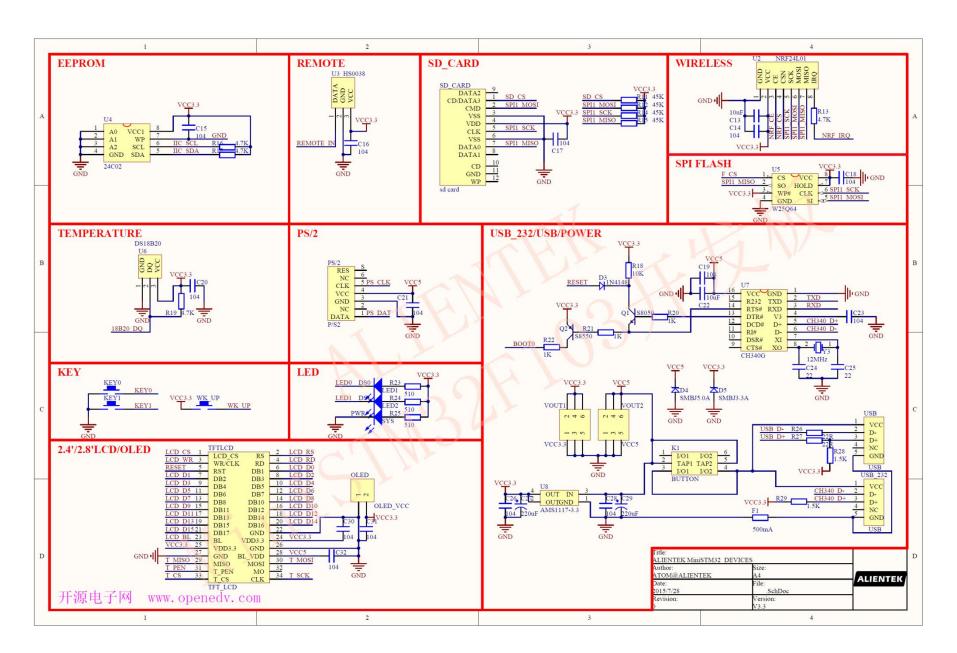
June 1, 2018, new announcement: Cortex-A76 (target for 3GHz)

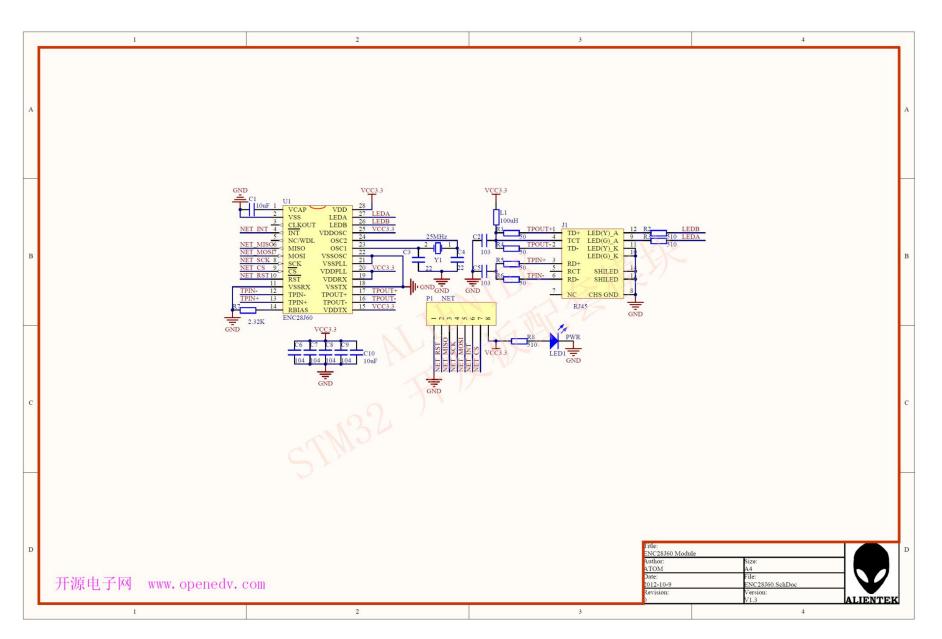
Some companies (Intel, Marvell, Qualcomm, Microsoft, Apple, Faraday and others) paid for 'architectural license' which allows to design own cores.

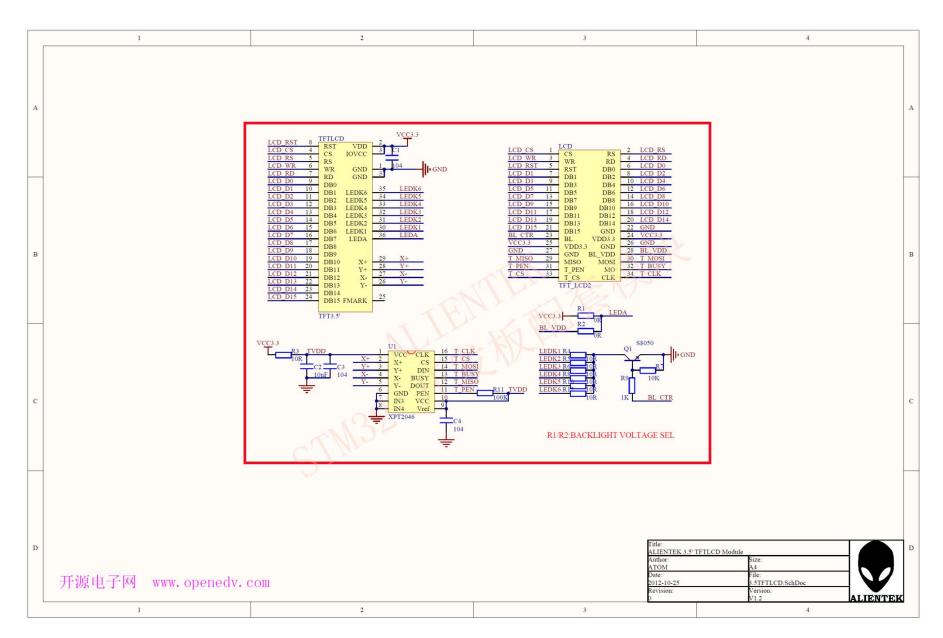
From mobile application market to notebook/desktop market

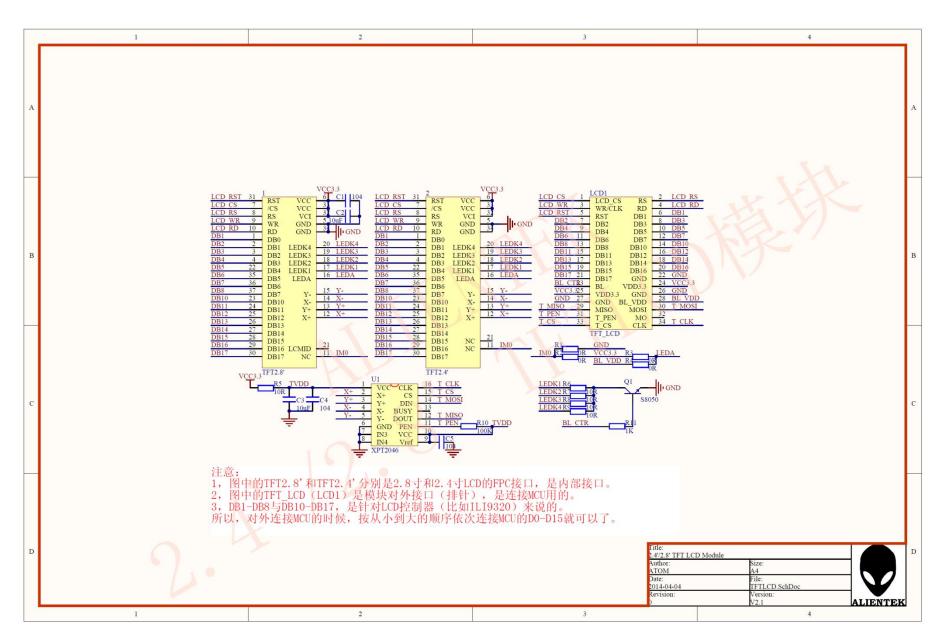


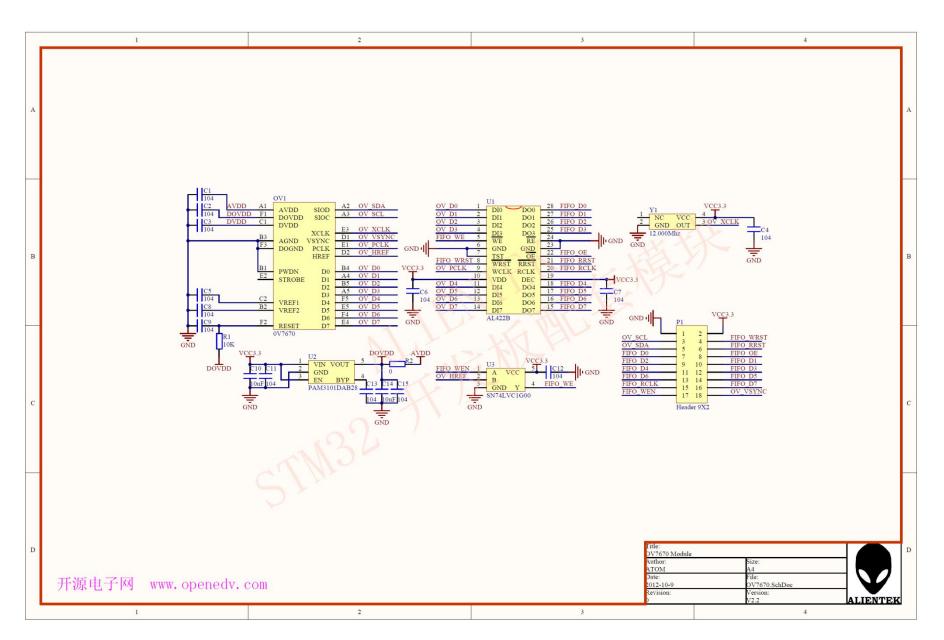






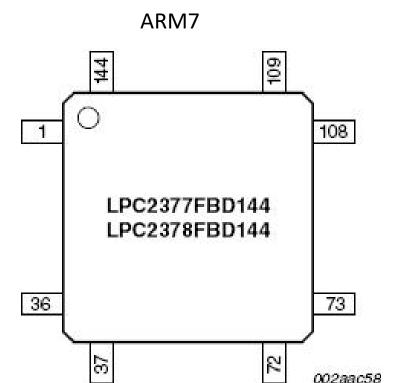




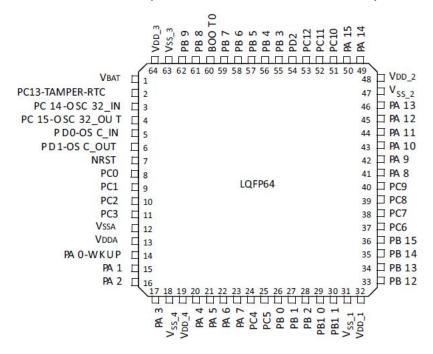


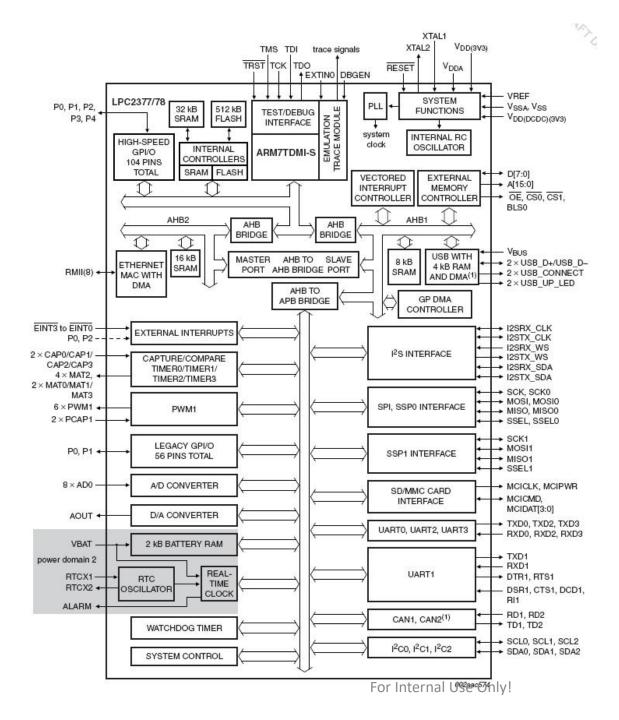
ARM7TDMI landed nearly everywhere – MP3 players, cell phones, microwaves and any place where microcontroller could be used.

According to <u>ARM Ltd. page about ARM7</u> the ARM7 family is the world's most widely used 32-bit embedded processor family

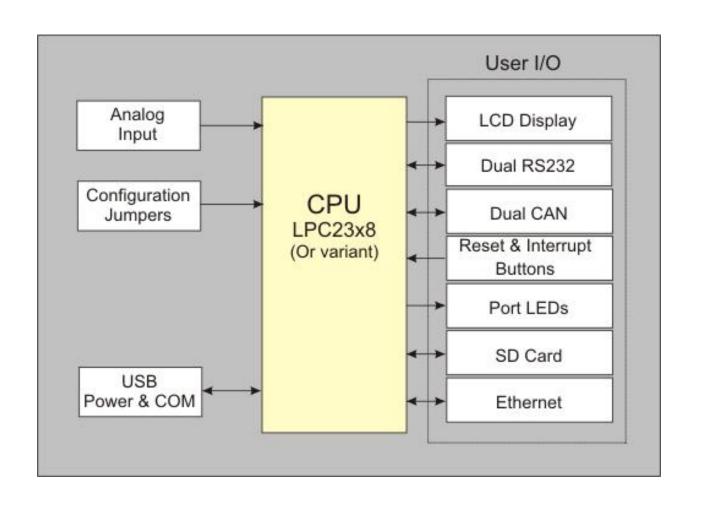


STM32F103xC/D/E performance line LQFP64 pinout





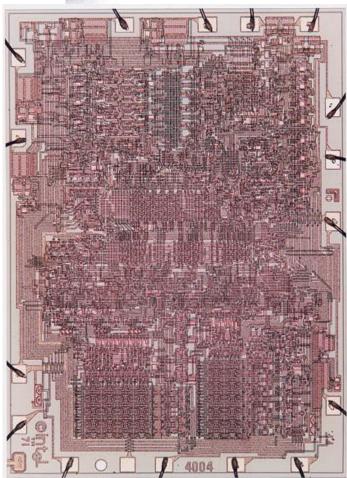
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Technical Reference Manual



What is a microprocessor?

- The part of a computer which does all the calculations is called the central processing unit (CPU).
- If a CPU is contained in one integrated circuit (silicon chip) it is called a microprocessor.
- The first microprocessor was the Intel 4004 which appeared in 1971. It was much less powerful than a 1970's computer because at that time integrated circuits only had a fraction of the number of transistors compared to modern integrated circuits





INTEL 4004

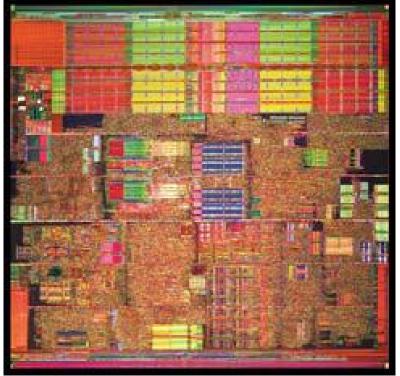
15 November 1971
2,300 transistors
10 micron (μm) gate length
4 bit address bus
100 kHz clock

Photograph of an Intel 4004 microprocessor

Modern microprocessors

- With the advance of integrated circuit technology, microprocessors have become more sophisticated and are now much more powerful than a 1970's computer.
- Now an integrated circuit has enough transistors to contain several microprocessors or alternatively a microprocessor and associated circuits such as memory, analogue to digital converters (ADC), digital to analogue converters (DAC) etc.





INTEL Pentium

Feb. 2004 (0.09 μm)
125 million transistors
0.09 μm gate length
36 bit address bus (64G)
upto 3.6 GHz clock
112 mm² die area
min. power 73 Watts

Photograph of an Intel Pentium microprocessor

The ARM microprocessor

- The ARM microprocessor is a example of a modern microprocessor which can be included (or embedded) in an integrated circuit containing many other circuits.
- It is designed by a British company, ARM Holdings PLC, which licenses the design to any integrated circuit manufacturer.
- All examples used in this course will refer to the ARM7 microprocessor where ARMv7 (Cortex-M3) is used in the laboratory exercises.

ARM7TDMI microprocessor

- 74,209 transistors
- 32 bit address bus (4G)
- 0.13 μm gate length
- upto 133 MHz clock
- 0.26 mm² die area
- max. power 8 mW

T: 16-bit Thumb code

D: on-chip Debug support

M: an enhanced Multiplier

I: EmbeddedICE hardware to give on-chip breakpoint and watchpoint support

In-Circuit Emulation

Revision - binary

- All computers work on information and data coded in binary; that is base 2.
- The ARM microprocessor is a 32 bit processor so that numbers generally have 32 binary digits e.g.
 - $-0011\ 1100\ 0100\ 0001\ 0101\ 0010\ 0100\ 1101_2$
 - which in decimal (base 10) is 1,010,913,869₁₀

Revision - hexadecimal

- Because 32 bit binary numbers are very long, we generally use hexadecimal or base 16.
- Each hexadecimal digit is equivalent to 4 bits so a 32 bit number will have 8 hexadecimal digits.
- Conversion between hex and binary is simply a matter of substitution using the following table:

Converting hex to/from binary

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Hex Binary
              Hex Binary
    0000
              8
                  1000
\mathbf{O}
    0001
              9
                  1001
    0010
                  1010
3
    0011
                  1011
              B
    0100
                  1100
5
    0101
                   1101
6
    0110
                  1110
                  1111
    0111
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Converting hex to/from binary

- So the binary number:
 - 0011 1100 0100 0001 0101 0010 0100 1101₂
 - converts to the following hexadecimal number:
 - 3C41524D₁₆ or
 - 0x3C41524D
 - Ox denotes a hexadecimal number

Representing characters

- As well as manipulating numbers, computers also manipulate characters e.g.
 - in a word processing package like Microsoft Word.
 - Characters must be coded in binary before computers can process them
 - the standard coding for characters is ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange).

ASCII

- ASCII is a 7 bit code and it codes for:
 - the standard 26 characters of English in both upper and lower case,
 - characters such as !#\$%&()*+,- ./:;<=>?@[\]^_
 - the characters for numbers 0 to 9 and
 - control 'characters' such as line feed, carriage return, delete, escape, backspace.
 - It does not code for \acute{e} or α or thousands of other non-English characters.

ASCII Table and Description

ASCII stands for American Standard Code for Information Interchange. Computers can only understand numbers, so an ASCII code is the numerical representation of a character such as 'a' or '@' or an action of some sort. ASCII was developed a long time ago and now the non-printing characters are rarely used for their original purpose. Below is the ASCII character table and this includes descriptions of the first 32 non-printing characters. ASCII was actually designed for use with teletypes and so the descriptions are somewhat obscure. If someone says they want your CV however in ASCII format, all this means is they want 'plain' text with no formatting such as tabs, bold or underscoring - the raw format that any computer can understand. This is usually so they can easily import the file into their own applications without issues. Notepad.exe creates ASCII text, or in MS Word you can save a file as 'text only'

Dec	Н	x Oct	Cha	rs	Dec	Нх	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Нх	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Нх	Oct	Html Ch	nr
0	0	000	NUL	(null)	32	20	040	6#32;	Space	64	40	100	«#64;	0	96	60	140	a#96;	*
1	1	001	SOH	(start of heading)	33	21	041	a#33;	1	65	41	101	A	A	97	61	141	a	a
2	2	002	STX	(start of text)	34	22	042	a#34;	rr	66	42	102	B	В	98	62	142	%#98 ;	b
3	3	003	ETX	(end of text)	35	23	043	a#35;	#	67	43	103	a#67;	C	99	63	143	6#99;	C
4				(end of transmission)	250	VE 252	VENETAS	a#36;		3 (7.3%)	07300	VIII. T. 1972	D		Parameter St.			d	
- 5				(enquiry)	87 - 637		X	a#37;		69	05.70	1000000	E		1000000			e	
6				(acknowledge)	179723		J. F. C. F. S.	a#38;		70			%#70 ;		A. T. S.	11.74. THE	1 7 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	f	
7	7	007	BEL	(bell)				6#39;		5.756.5	870.53		6#71;		700	30000	527-1-7500.1	g	
8	8	010	BS	(backspace)	0.000 (0.000)			(1	V 1985	7.7		6#72;		75.75.900		- TO THE	a#104;	
9	9	011	TAB	(horizontal tab)	3/255	577070	XF05-55	a#41;)	V		S4000 T-0	¢#73;		C-200000-11	No. 2015	7 6 5 6 5 6	i	
10	A	012	LF	(NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	a#42;	*	74	4A	112	a#74;		C0000000000000000000000000000000000000			j	
11	В	013	VT	(vertical tab)	77.50			6#43;		10.71250	1000 10		a#75;		CONTRACTOR.	25.55.07		k	
12	C	014	FF	(NP form feed, new page)	44	20	054	e#44;	,	76	4C	114	L	L	108	6C	154	l	1
13	D	015	CR	(carriage return)	45	2D	055	a#45;	-	77	4D	115	6#77;	M	109	6D	155	m	m
14	E	016	50	(shift out)	46	2E	056	a#46;		78	4E	116	%#78 ;	N	110	6E	156	n	n
15	F	017	SI	(shift in)	47	2F	057	6#47;	1	79	4F	117	6#79;	0	111	6F	157	o	0
16	10	020	DLE	(data link escape)	48	30	060	a#48;	0	80	50	120	%#80 ;	P	112	70	160	p	p
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				(device control 2)	50	32	062	a#50;	2	0.70	- C		6#82;		114	72	162	r	r
19	13	023	DC3	(device control 3)	51	33	063	6#51;	3	83	53	123	6#83;	S	115	73	163	s	3
20	14	024	DC4	(device control 4)	52	34	064	6#52;	4	84	54	124	a#84;	T	116	74	164	t	t
21	15	025	NAK	(negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	a#53;	5	85	55	125	6#85;	U	117	75	165	u	u
22	16	026	SYN	(synchronous idle)	54	36	066	a#54;	6	86	56	126	a#86;	V	118	76	166	v	V
23	17	027	ETB	(end of trans. block)	55	37	067	6#55;	7	87	57	127	a#87;				2000	w	
24	18	030	CAN	(cancel)	56	38	070	a#56;	8	88	58	130	6#88;	X	120	78	170	x	X
25	19	031	EM	(end of medium)	57	39	071	a#57;	9	89	59	131	6#89;	Y	121	79	171	y	Y
26	1A	032	SUB	(substitute)	58	ЗА	072	a#58;		90	5A	132	a#90;	Z	122	7A	172	z	Z
27	1B	033	ESC	(escape)	59	3B	073	6#59;	2	91	5B	133	6#91;	[123	7B	173	{	{
28	10	034	FS	(file separator)	60	30	074	a#60;	<	92	5C	134	\	1	124	70	174	6#124;	
29	1D	035	GS	(group separator)	61	3D	075	a#61;	=	93	5D	135	6#93;]	125	7D	175	}	}
30	1E	036	RS	(record separator)	62	ЗЕ	076	a#62;	>	94	5E	136	a#94;	٨	126	7E	176	~	~
31	1F	037	US	(unit separator)	63	3F	077	?	2	95	5F	137	a#95;	_	127	7F	177		DEL
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Extended ASCII Codes

As people gradually required computers to understand additional characters and non-printing characters the ASCII set became restrictive. As with most technology, it took a while to get a single standard for these extra characters and hence there are few varying 'extended' sets. The most popular is presented below.

128	Ç	144	É	161	í	177	*****	193	1	209	=	225	B	241	±
129	ü	145	æ	162	ó	178		194	Т	210	П	226	Γ	242	2
130	é	146	Æ	163	ú	179	1	195	H	211	ш	227	π	243	\leq
131	â	147	ô	164	ñ	180	+	196	_	212	L	228	Σ	244	6
132	ä	148	ö	165	Ñ	181	=	197	+	213	F	229	σ	245	1
133	à	149	ò	166	2	182	1	198	F	214	Г	230	μ	246	÷
134	å	150	û	167	0	183	П	199	F	215	#	231	τ	247	æ
135	ç	151	ù	168	ن	184	7	200	L	216	+	232	Φ	248	0
136	ê	152	-	169	_ \	185	4	201	F	217	١	233	•	249	100
137	ë	153	Ö	170	_	186	-	202	쁘	218	Г	234	Ω	250	12
138	è	154	Ü	171	1/2	187	ī	203	T	219		235	8	251	V
139	ï	156	£	172	1/4	188	긔	204	F	220		236	00	252	-
140	î	157	¥	173	1	189	Ш	205	=	221	1	237	ф	253	2
141	ì	158	\	174	«	190	4	206	#	222	1	238	8	254	•
142	Ä	159	f	175	>>	191	٦	207	_	223		239	0	255	
143	Å	160	á	176		192	L	208	1	224	α	240	=		

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Question

 The banner below is ASCII code - what does it say?

3C 41 52 4D 2E 50 4F 57 45 52 45 44 3E 0D 0A

Work on it for 2 minutes

Answer

3C 41 52 4D 2E 50 4F 57 45 52 45 44 3E 0D 0A

is ASCII code for:

"<ARM.POWERED>" "carriage return", "line feed"

Computer as a processor

- A computer processes data to provide information e.g.
 - a computer in a supermarket which controls the check-out tills.
 - When the bar code of a bag of sugar is passed over the bar code reader the data it contains is processed by the computer.
 - The computer provides information such as price and description to show on the till display and to print on the receipt.

Computer versus human

- A human can perform the same functions as a computer e.g.
 - the human could read the number next to the bar code,
 - look that number up in a table,
 - read out the price and description to the customer and write them down on the receipt.
- The only difference is computers can do this much more quickly and they don't make mistakes because they don't get tired.

Instructions

- For a human to perform a task he/she needs instructions e.g.
 - to knit a jumper
 - the instructions are the knitting pattern
 - to bake a cake
 - the instructions are in the recipe.
- Computers also need instructions
 - so that the data is processed into information correctly.

Example - video game

- E.g. a video game
 - has data in the form of
 - joystick movement,
 - button presses
 - provides information in
 - pictures and
 - sounds.
 - The instructions are stored in the machine.



Example - automatic pilot

E.g. an automatic pilot ('fly by wire')

- has data on
 - aircraft speed,
 height,
 direction and
 course.

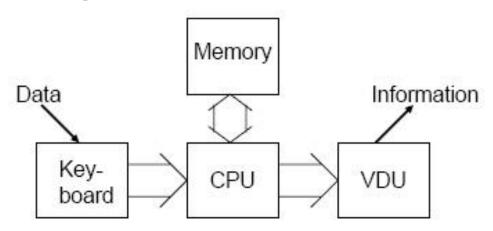
 Engines
 Flap
 Rudder
 Rudder
- provides information to control
 - the engines,
 - flaps and
 - rudder.
- Again the computer has stored instructions so that it does this correctly.

A simple computer

- So a simple computer needs to be able to receive data, process it and return information back.
- In addition the computer must be able to store instructions.
- A keyboard can receive data into the computer.
- A CPU (central processing unit) can process it.
- A VDU (visual display unit) can return the information to the user.
- And computer memory can store instructions.

A simple computer architecture

 A simple computer layout or 'architecture' could be as shown below. Data and information pass between the blocks as electrical signals.

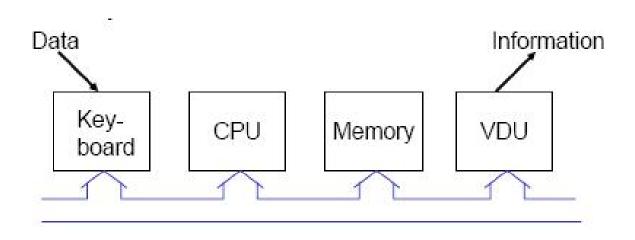


Architecture - is simplest best?

- Early computers (1950's) were laid out as shown on the previous slide.
- However this architecture can become very complicated if
 - more than one input device or
 - more than one output device needs to be connected
 - e.g. for the autopilot.
- If a CPU was connected to
 - 4 input devices,
 - 3 output devices &
 - 5 different memory devices
 - then it would need 12 connections using this architecture very problematical.

The Bus Architecture

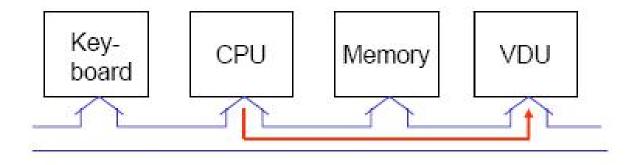
 The bus architecture can be extended over any number of devices. All devices have only one connection onto the 'bus'.



The Bus Architecture

A bus is a collection of electrical connections —

- normally 8, 16, 32 or 64 individual wires.
- 32 bits of data and information can pass along a 32 bit bus at the same time e.g.
 - the codes of 4 ASCII characters could go from CPU to VDU.

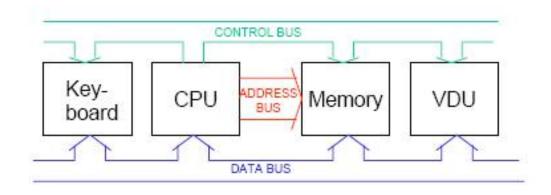


Controlling the Bus

- It is important that signals do not collide on the bus only one device at a time can send data.
- The CPU controls all movements on the bus using special wires to activate devices and to synchronize the sending and receiving devices.
- These special connections are known as the control bus and they are completely independent of the bus along which data is passed.
- To avoid confusion, this is called the data bus.

A Third Bus

- In addition to the data bus and control bus there is a third bus called the address bus.
- The address bus is used by the CPU to determine which location in memory is sending or receiving data.



What is in memory?

- Memory is used to store the instructions which the CPU uses to process the data.
- Memory can also be used to store data in the form of numbers or characters.
- All computer memories work in binary so that instructions and data must be coded in binary e.g.
 - characters can be coded in ASCII
 - Instructions are coded in 'machine code'.

What is computer memory?

- Computer memory is a very big sequential logic circuit made up of thousands or millions of simple logic gates, such as a D type latch, which can remember a 0 or a 1, that is one bit of data.
- Groups of these gates are collected together in a memory 'location'.
- There are typically 8 bits of data in one location.
- Each memory location has a unique memory address.

Memory organization.

- Taking the ARM7TDMI microprocessor as an example
 - at each memory location
 - it has 8 bits of data
 - 8 bits is known as a byte.
- The ARM is a 32 bit processor and addresses are 32 bits long from 0x00000000 to 0xFFFFFFF.
 - That means there can be up to 4,294,967,296 (or 2³²) different memory locations all with a unique memory address.
- In practice not all addresses are used for memory.

Some definitions.

- A byte is equal to 8 bits.
- A kilobyte is equal to 1024 bytes (1024 = 2^{10}).
- A megabyte (MB) is equal to 1024 kilobytes or 1048576 bytes ($1048576 = 2^{20}$).
- A gigabyte (GB) is equal to 1024 megabytes or 1073741824 bytes ($1073741824 = 2^{30}$).
- A 32 bit processor could be directly connected to 4GB of memory using a 32 bit address bus if every memory address had memory connected.

Some more definitions.

- Another term which is commonly used is a 'word'.
- The 'word' depends upon the processor used
 - for a 32 bit processor like the ARM
 - a word is equal to 32 bits or 4 bytes.
 - Similarly a 'half word' is 16 bits or 2 bytes.
 - Another way to say this is that the 'word length' is
 32.

Questions

- For the ARM processor how many words are there in a kilobyte?
- How many kilobytes are there in a gigabyte?
- Work at it for 4 minutes.

Answer

- For the ARM processor there are 256 words in one kilobyte.
 - Since there are 1024 bytes in one kilobyte and
 - a word is equal to 4 bytes in a 32 bit processor.

Answer

- There are 1048576 kilobytes in one gigabyte.
 - Since there are 1024 kilobyte in a megabyte and
 - there are 1024 'megs' in a 'gig'.

The Central Processing Unit

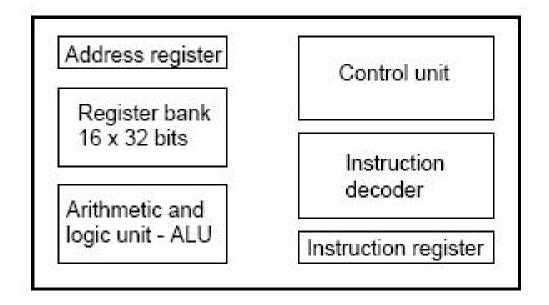
- The central processing unit or CPU is the part of a microprocessor system that does all the 'work'.
- It interprets the instructions stored in memory.
- It performs the calculations.
- It controls the flow of data along the data bus.
- It determines which memory address to use.

Inside the CPU

- The CPU is designed to perform all of these functions as efficiently as possible.
- It can be subdivided into a number of blocks;
 each with a distinct function.
- Every CPU is different and we will concentrate on the ARM7 'core' - the CPU for the ARM7 range of microprocessors.

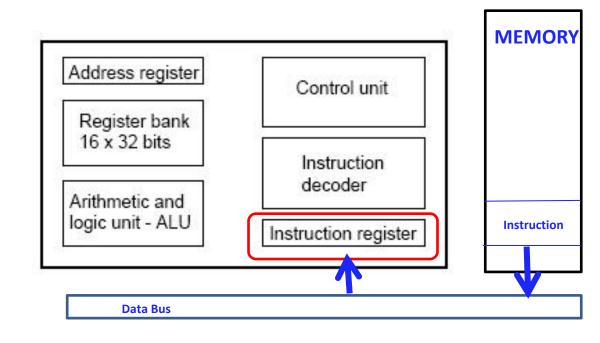
The ARM7 core

The basic building blocks of the ARM7 core are:



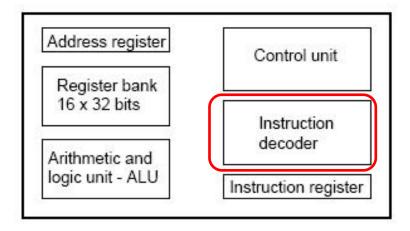
The instruction register

- The instructions stored in memory travel along the data bus to the CPU where they are loaded into the instruction register.
- ARM7 instructions are 32 bits long so the instruction register is a 32 bit memory device not part of the main memory.
- The process of loading the instruction register from memory is known as a 'fetch'.



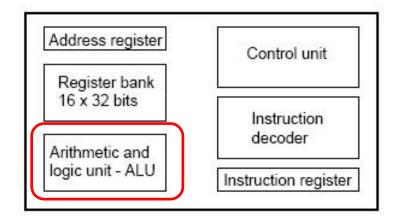
Instruction decoder, control unit

- The instructions are in 'machine code' and the instruction decoder determines the function of each instruction.
- The instruction decoder and control unit determine what the other parts of the CPU do.
- The control unit is also in charge of the control bus.
- The process of interpreting each instruction is known as the 'decode' cycle.



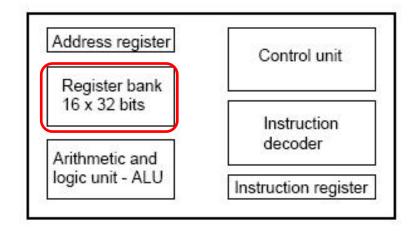
Arithmetic and logic unit

- The arithmetic and logic unit or ALU performs the mathematical functions as required.
- These may be arithmetic such as add, subtract or multiply or logical such as AND, OR, XOR etc.
- The process of performing each instruction is known as the 'execute' cycle.



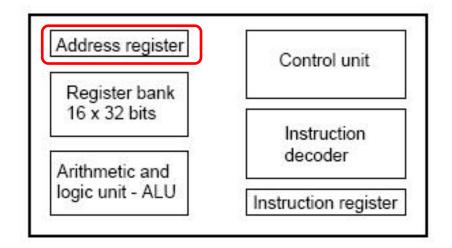
Register bank

- The register bank is a local memory for the CPU. It has 16 locations - each location can hold 32 bits of data.
- The registers are named r0, r1, r2, r3, ... etc. up to r15.
- They are used to hold data which is processed by the ALU and also hold the results of any calculation.
- Registers r13, r14 and r15 have special functions which we will cover later.



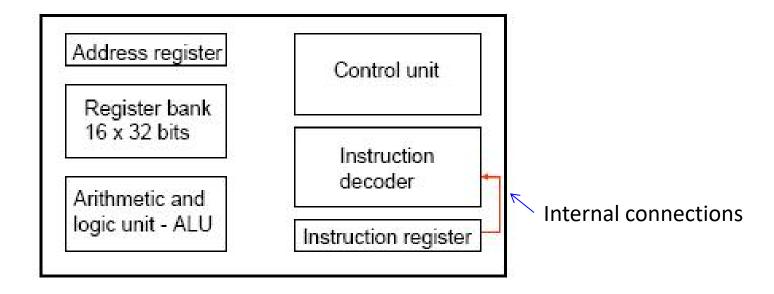
Address register

- The address register is a 32 bit memory device which holds a memory address value.
- Either this address may be for the memory location of the next instruction during the 'fetch' cycle.
- Or during the 'execute' cycle the address is for a memory location either containing data to be loaded into a register or where data from a register is to be stored.

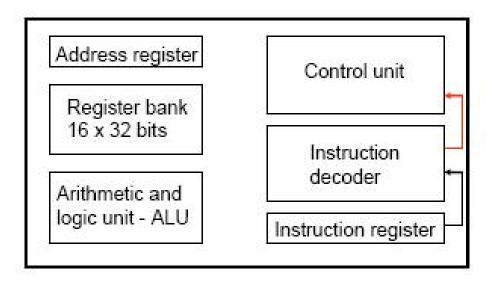


Fetch, decode, execute.

- The CPU performs three cycles sequentially.
 - During the fetch cycle an instruction in memory is loaded into the instruction register.
 - During the decode cycle the instruction is interpreted by the instruction decoder.
 - During the execute cycle
 - either the ALU performs a calculation on values held in registers or
 - a value in a register is stored into memory or
 - a value in memory is loaded into a register.

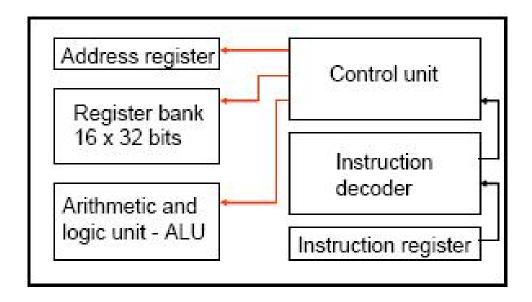


The instruction register is connected to the instruction decoder.

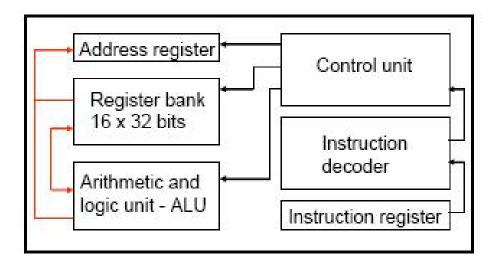


• The instruction decoder is connected to the control unit.

 The control unit is connected to the ALU, the register bank and the address register

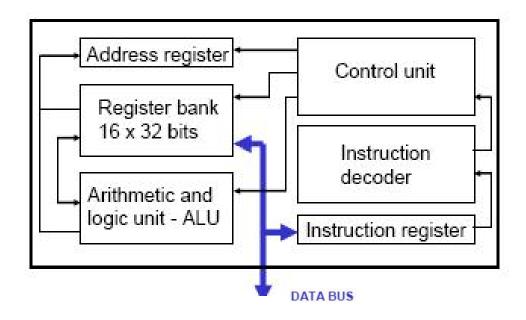


 The ALU and the register bank are connected to each other and the address register.



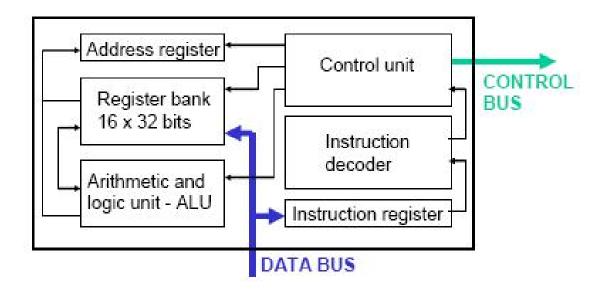
External connections

 The data bus is connected to both the instruction register and the register bank.



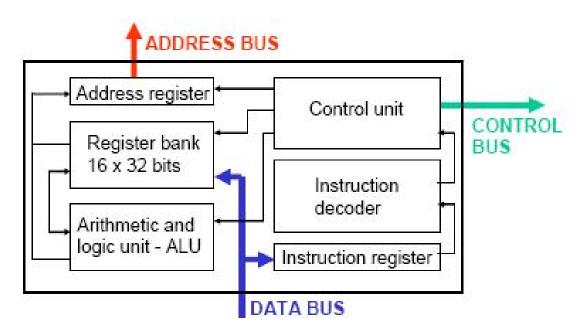
External connections

The control bus is connected to the control unit.



External connections

Address bus is connected to the address register



Program counter.

- Instructions are stored in memory so:
 - How does the CPU know the memory address for the next instruction in the computer program?
 - Register r15 always holds the memory address of the next instruction to be executed.
 - An alternative name for register r15 is the 'program counter'.

Instructions stored in memory.

- Instructions are 32 bits long, whereas memory locations are 8 bits long so one instruction occupies four locations in memory, e.g.
 - one instruction would be stored in 4 memory locations with addresses 0x00008000,0x00008001, 0x00008002 and 0x00008003.
 - The next instruction would be stored at addresses
 0x00008004, 0x00008005, 0x00008006 and 0x00008007 and so on.

Instructions stored in memory.

- In general instructions are in consecutive locations in memory so that they are executed in the same order as they appear in memory.
 - If the instruction being executed is stored at address 0x00008000,
 - the next instruction to be executed will be stored at address 0x00008004,
 - the next at 0x00008008,
 - the next at 0x0000800C and so on except when.....

Program counter.

- When an instruction is executing, the program counter, r15, increments by 4 so that it holds the memory address of the next instruction.
- EXCEPT when a 'branch' instruction is executed when the computer program 'branches' to another part of memory and the program counter holds a completely new memory address.

Simple instructions.

- One of the simplest instructions is to move a value into a register e.g.
 - move 114 into register r12
 - The machine code for this instruction is 0xE3A0C072
 - After the instruction is executed
 - register r12 will hold the value 0x00000072 (hexadecimal for 114)
 and
 - value in register r15, the program counter, will have increased by 4.
 - All other registers remain unchanged.

Machine code.

- Look at the machine code for the instruction;
 - move 114 into register r12, again.
 - 0xE3A0C072
 - 1110 0011 1010 0000 1100 0000 0111 0010
 - The value 114 is given in the least significant byte
 - 0xE3A0C072
 - 114 in decimal is 72 in hexadecimal.
 - Register r12 is given by the 5th digit
 - 0xE3A0C072
 - 12 in decimal is C in hexadecimal.

Question

- Registers r7, r12 and r15 hold the values 0xCCDDEEFF, 0xFEDCBA98 and 0x00000108 respectively.
- What values are held by registers r7, r12 and r15 after the execution of the instruction with machine code 0xE3A070CB?
- Work at it for 2 minutes.

Answer

- The machine code 0xE3A070CB means:
 - move the value CB₁₆ into register r7
 - So after the instruction is executed:
 - register r7 holds the value 0x000000CB,
 - register r12 is unchanged (OxFEDCBA98) and
 - register r15 is incremented by 4 and holds the value 0x0000010C ($C_{16} = 12_{10}$)

Another simple instruction.

- Another simple instruction is to move the value in one register to another register e.g.
 - move into r6 the value held in r14
 - The machine code for this instruction is
 - 0xE1A0600E
 - After the instruction is executed register
 - r6 will hold the same value as held in register r14 and
 - value in register r15, the program counter, will have increased by 4.
 - Other registers including r14 are unchanged.

Machine code.

- Look at the machine code for the instruction;
 - move into register r6 the value in register r14
 - 0xE1A0600E
 - Register r6 is given by the 5th hexadecimal digit
 - 0xE1A0600E
 - Register r14 is given by the last hexadecimal digit
 - 0xE1A0600E
 - 14 in decimal is E in hexadecimal.

Question

- Registers r7, r12 and r15 hold the values 0xCCDDEEFF, 0xFEDCBA98 and 0x0000010C respectively.
- What values are held by registers r7, r12 and r15 after the execution of the instruction with machine code 0xE1A0700C?
- Work at it for 2 minutes.

Answer

- The machine code 0xE1A0700C means:
 - move into register r⁷ the value held in register r¹² $(C_{16} = 12_{10})$
 - So after the instruction is executed:
 - register r7 holds the value 0xFEDCBA98,
 - register r12 is unchanged (OxFEDCBA98) and
 - register r15 is incremented by 4 and holds the value 0x00000110