

Computer System Architecture, Spring Semester 2023  
Project Description  
Processor X Meals  
Deadline: Saturday 27/05/2023 at 11:59 pm

## Project Overview

*“Processor design is the design engineering task of creating a processor, a key component of computer hardware. The design process involves choosing an instruction set and a certain execution paradigm, and results in a microarchitecture. The mode of operation of any processor is the execution of lists of instructions. Instructions typically include those to compute or manipulate data values using registers, change or retrieve values in read/write memory, perform relational tests between data values and to control program flow.”*

In this project, you will simulate a fictional processor design and architecture using Java. You are asked to choose one of four processor packages described in the upcoming sections.

## 1 Package 1: Spicy Von Neumann Fillet *with extra shifts*

### 1.1 Memory Architecture

#### a) Architecture: Von Neumann

- Von Neumann Architecture is a digital computer architecture whose design is based on the concept of stored program computers where program data and instruction data are stored in the same memory.

#### b) Memory Size: 2048 \* 32

Main Memory	
2048 Rows	32 Bits / Row
	Data (1024 to 2047)
	Instructions (0 to 1023)

- The main memory addresses are from 0 to  $2^{11}-1$  (0 to 2047).
- Each memory block (row) contains 1 word which is 32 bits (4 bytes).
- The main memory is word addressable.
- Addresses from 0 to 1023 contain the program instructions.
- Addresses from 1024 to 2048 contain the data.

#### c) Registers: 33

- Size: 32 bits
- 31 General-Purpose Registers (GPRS)

- Names: R1 to R31
- 1 Zero Register
  - Name: R0
  - Hard-wired value “0” (cannot be overwritten by any instruction).
- 1 Program Counter
  - Name: PC
  - A program counter is a register in a computer processor that contains the address (location) of the instruction being executed at the current time.
  - As each instruction gets fetched, the program counter is incremented to point to the next instruction to be executed.

## 1.2 Instruction Set Architecture

a) Instruction Size: 32 bits

b) Instruction Types: 3

R-Format				
OPCODE	R1	R2	R3	SHAMT
4	5	5	5	13
I-Format				
OPCODE	R1	R2	IMMEDIATE	
4	5	5	18	
	J-Format			
	OPCODE		ADDRESS	
	4		28	

c) Instruction Count: 12

- The opcodes are from 0 to 11 according to the instructions order in the following table:

Name	Mnemonic	Type	Format	Operation
Add	ADD	R	ADD R1 R2 R3	$R1 = R2 + R3$
Subtract	SUB	R	SUB R1 R2 R3	$R1 = R2 - R3$
Multiply Immediate	MULI	I	MULI R1 R2 IMM	$R1 = R2 * IMM$
Add Immediate	ADDI	I	ADDI R1 R2 IMM	$R1 = R2 + IMM$
Branch if Not Equal	BNE	I	BNE R1 R2 IMM	IF( $R1 \neq R2$ ) { PC = PC+1+IMM }
And Immediate	ANDI	I	ANDI R1 R2 IMM	$R1 = R2 \& IMM$
Or Immediate	ORI	I	ORI R1 R2 IMM	$R1 = R2   IMM$
Jump	J	J	J ADDRESS	PC = PC[31:28]    ADDRESS
Shift Left Logical*	SLL	R	SLL R1 R2 SHAMT	$R1 = R2 \ll SHAMT$
Shift Right Logical*	SRL	R	SRL R1 R2 SHAMT	$R1 = R2 \gg SHAMT$
Load Word	LW	I	LW R1 R2 IMM	$R1 = MEM[R2 + IMM]$
Store Word	SW	I	SW R1 R2 IMM	$MEM[R2 + IMM] = R1$

\* SLL and SRL: R3 will be 0 in the instruction format.

“||” symbol indicates concatenation (0100 || 1100 = 01001100).

### 1.3 Datapath

#### a) Stages: 5

- All instructions regardless of their type must pass through all 5 stages even if they do not need to access a particular stage.
- Instruction Fetch (IF): Fetches the next instruction from the main memory using the address in the PC (Program Counter), and increments the PC.
- Instruction Decode (ID): Decodes the instruction and reads any operands required from the register file.
- Execute (EX): Executes the instruction. In fact, all ALU operations are done in this stage.
- Memory (MEM): Performs any memory access required by the current instruction. For loads, it would load an operand from the main memory, while for stores, it would store an operand into the main memory.
- Write Back (WB): For instructions that have a result (a destination register), the Write Back writes this result back to the register file.

#### b) Pipeline: 4 instructions (maximum) running in parallel

- Instruction Fetch (IF) and Memory (MEM) can not be done in parallel since they access the same physical memory.
- At a given clock cycle, you can either have the IF, ID, EX, WB stages active, or the ID, EX, MEM, WB stages active.
- Number of clock cycles:  $7 + ((n-1)*2)$ , where n = number of instructions – Imagine a program with 7 instructions:

$$* 7 + (6*2) = 19 \text{ clock cycles}$$

– You are required to understand the pattern in the example and implement it.

Package 1 Pipeline					
	Instruction Fetch (IF)	Instruction Decode (ID)	Execute (EX)	Memory (MEM)	Write Back (WB)
Cycle 1	Instruction 1				
Cycle 2		Instruction 1			
Cycle 3	Instruction 2	Instruction 1			
Cycle 4		Instruction 2	Instruction 1		
Cycle 5	Instruction 3	Instruction 2	Instruction 1		
Cycle 6		Instruction 3	Instruction 2	Instruction 1	
Cycle 7	Instruction 4	Instruction 3	Instruction 2		Instruction 1
Cycle 8		Instruction 4	Instruction 3	Instruction 2	
Cycle 9	Instruction 5	Instruction 4	Instruction 3		Instruction 2
Cycle 10		Instruction 5	Instruction 4	Instruction 3	
Cycle 11	Instruction 6	Instruction 5	Instruction 4		Instruction 3
Cycle 12		Instruction 6	Instruction 5	Instruction 4	

Cycle 13	Instruction 7	Instruction 6	Instruction 5		Instruction 4
Cycle 14		Instruction 7	Instruction 6	Instruction 5	
Cycle 15		Instruction 7	Instruction 6		Instruction 5
Cycle 16			Instruction 7	Instruction 6	
Cycle 17			Instruction 7		Instruction 6
Cycle 18				Instruction 7	
Cycle 19					Instruction 7

- The pattern is as follows:
  - You fetch an instruction every 2 clock cycles starting from clock cycle 1.
  - An instruction stays in the Decode (ID) stage for 2 clock cycles.
  - An instruction stays in the Execute (EX) stage for 2 clock cycles.
  - An instruction stays in the Memory (MEM) stage for 1 clock cycle.
  - An instruction stays in the Write Back (WB) stage for 1 clock cycle.
  - You can not have the Instruction Fetch (IF) and Memory (MEM) stages working in parallel. Only one of them is active at a given clock cycle.

## Guidelines

The following guidelines must be followed in all packages:

### Program Flow

- You must write your program in assembly language in a text file.
- You must read the instructions from the text file, and parse them according to their types/formats (opcode and other relevant fields).
- You must store the parsed version of the instructions in the memory (instruction segment of main memory or instruction memory according to your package).
- You should start the execution of your pipelined implementation by fetching the first instruction from the memory (instruction segment of main memory or instruction memory) at Clock Cycle 1.
- You should continue the execution based on the example provided in the Datapath section of each package reflecting the different stages working in parallel.
- The Clock Cycles can be simulated as a variable that is incremented after finishing the required stages at a given time.

- Example:

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fetch ();
decode (); execute ();
// memory (); //
writeback    ();
cycles++;

```

## Printings

The following items must be printed in the console after each Clock Cycle:

- a) The Clock Cycle number.
- b) The Pipeline stages:
  - Which instruction is being executed at each stage?
  - What are the input parameters/values for each stage?
- c) The updates occurring to the registers in case a register value was changed.
- d) The updates occurring in the memory (data segment of main memory or data memory according to your package) in case a value was stored or updated in the memory.
- e) The content of all registers after the last clock cycle.
- f) The full content of the memory (main memory or instruction and data memories according to your package) after the last clock cycle.