

A-instruction:

Symbolic: @xxx

(xxx is a decimal value ranging from 0 to 32767, or a symbol bound to such a decimal value)

Binary: 0 vvvvvvvvvvvvvvvvv

(vv ... v = 15-bit value of xxx)

C-instruction:

Symbolic: dest = comp ; jump

(comp is mandatory.

If dest is empty, the = is omitted;

If jump is empty, the ; is omitted)

Binary: 111 a c c c c c c d d d j j j

comp		c	c	c	c	c	c
0		1	0	1	0	1	0
1		1	1	1	1	1	1
-1		1	1	1	0	1	0
D		0	0	1	1	0	0
A	M	1	1	0	0	0	0
!D		0	0	1	1	0	1
!A	!M	1	1	0	0	0	1
-D		0	0	1	1	1	1
-A	-M	1	1	0	0	1	1
D+1		0	1	1	1	1	1
A+1	M+1	1	1	0	1	1	1
D-1		0	0	1	1	1	0
A-1	M-1	1	1	0	0	1	0
D+A	D+M	0	0	0	0	1	0
D-A	D-M	0	1	0	0	1	1
A-D	M-D	0	0	0	1	1	1
D&A	D&M	0	0	0	0	0	0
D A	D M	0	1	0	1	0	1

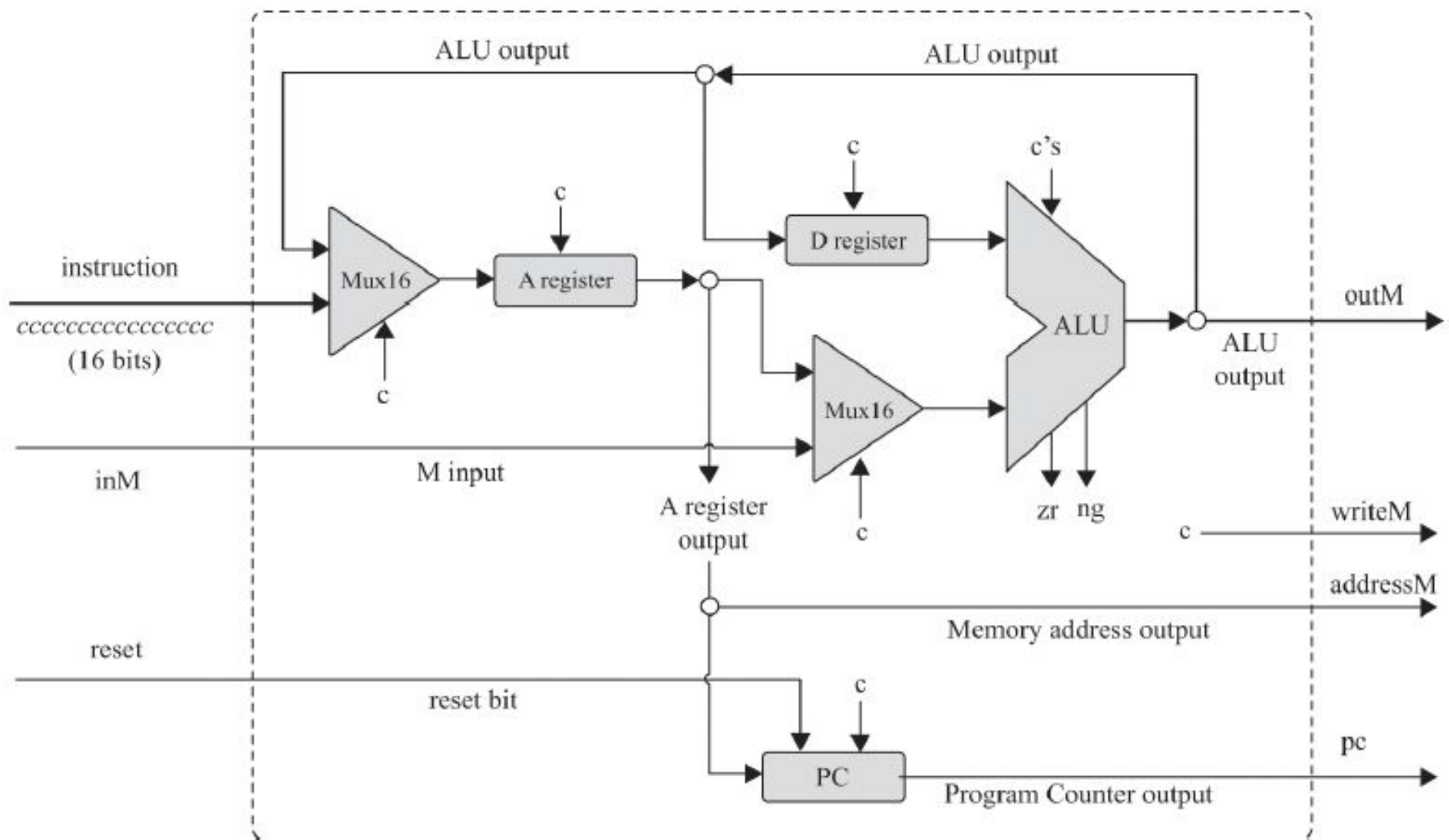
a == 0 a == 1

dest d d d Effect: store comp in:

null	0	0	0	the value is not stored
M	0	0	1	RAM[A]
D	0	1	0	D register (reg)
DM	0	1	1	D reg and RAM[A]
A	1	0	0	A reg
AM	1	0	1	A reg and RAM[A]
AD	1	1	0	A reg and D reg
ADM	1	1	1	A reg, D reg, and RAM[A]

jump j j j Effect:

null	0	0	0	no jump
JGT	0	0	1	if comp > 0 jump
JEQ	0	1	0	if comp = 0 jump
JGE	0	1	1	if comp ≥ 0 jump
JLT	1	0	0	if comp < 0 jump
JNE	1	0	1	if comp ≠ 0 jump
JLE	1	1	0	if comp ≤ 0 jump
JMP	1	1	1	unconditional jump



5.2.2 Central Processing Unit

The Hack CPU interface is shown in [figure 5.2](#). The CPU is designed to execute 16-bit instructions according to the Hack machine language specification presented in chapter 4. The CPU consists of an ALU, two registers named A and D, and a program counter named PC (these internal chip-parts are not seen outside the CPU). The CPU expects to be connected to an instruction memory, from which it fetches instructions for execution, and to a data memory, from which it can read, and into which it can write, data values. The `inM` input and the `outM` output hold the values referred to as M in the C-instruction syntax. The `addressM` output holds the address at which `outM` should be written.

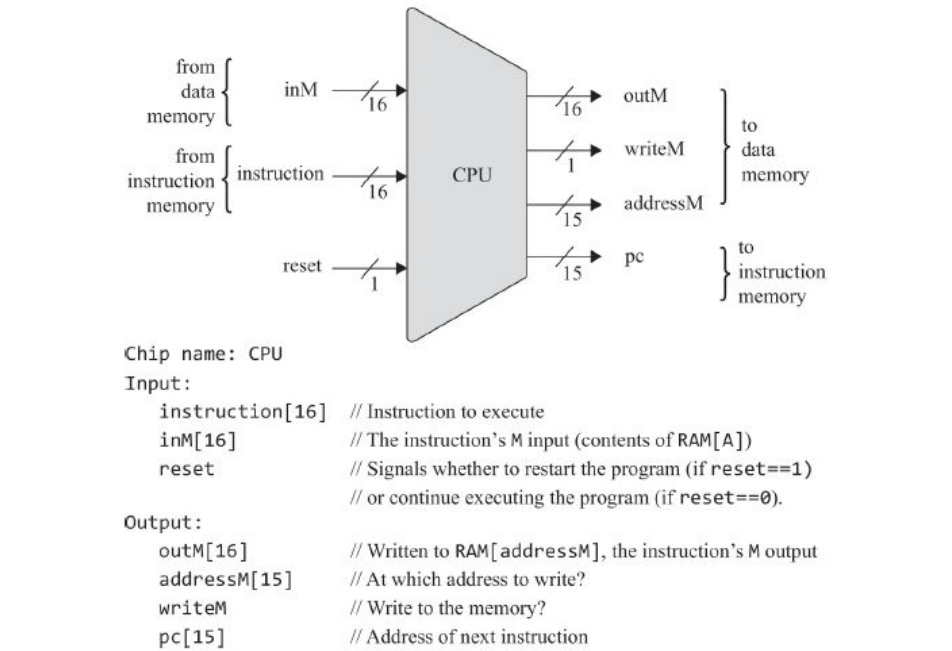


Figure 5.2 The Hack Central Processing Unit (CPU) interface.

If the instruction input is an A-instruction, the CPU loads the 16-bit instruction value into the A register. If instruction is a C-instruction, then (i) the CPU causes the ALU to perform the computation specified by the instruction and (ii) the CPU causes this value to be stored in the subset of {A,D,M} destination registers specified by the instruction. If one of the destination registers is M, the CPU's `outM` output is set to the ALU output, and the CPU's `writeM` output is set to 1. Otherwise, `writeM` is set to 0, and any value may appear in `outM`.

As long as the `reset` input is 0, the CPU uses the ALU output and the jump bits of the current instruction to decide which instruction to fetch next. If `reset` is 1, the CPU sets `pc` to 0. Later in the chapter we'll connect the CPU's `pc` output to the `address` input of the instruction memory chip, causing the latter to emit the next instruction. This configuration will realize the fetch step of the fetch-execute cycle.

The CPU's `outM` and `writeM` outputs are realized by *combinational* logic; thus, they are affected instantaneously by the instruction's execution. The `addressM` and `pc` outputs are *clocked*: although they are affected by the instruction's execution, they commit to their new values only in the next time step.

5.2.3 Instruction Memory

The Hack *instruction memory*, called ROM32K, is specified in [figure 5.3](#).

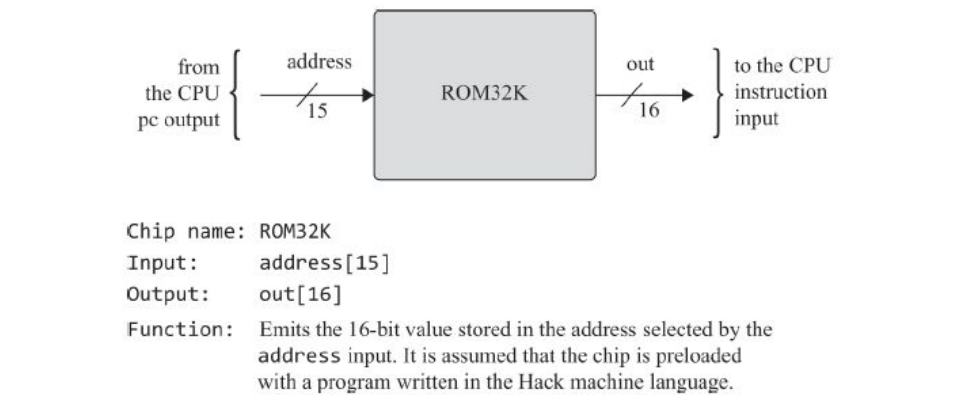
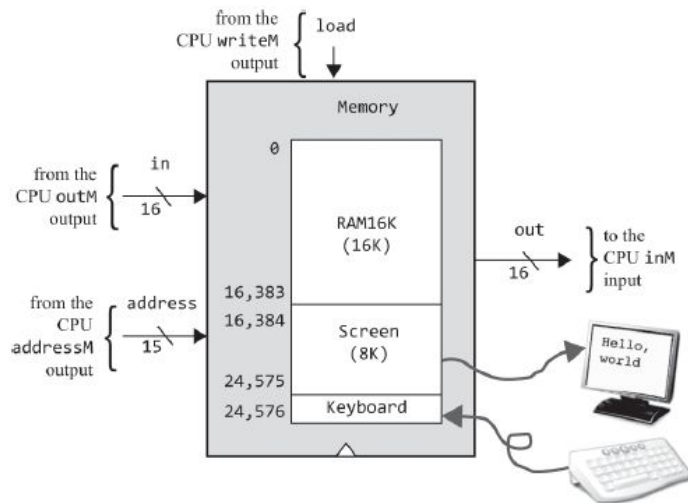


Figure 5.3 The Hack instruction memory interface.

5.2.5 Data Memory

The overall address space of the Hack *data memory* is realized by a chip named Memory. This chip is essentially a package of three 16-bit chip-parts: RAM16K (a RAM chip of 16K registers, serving as a general-purpose data store), Screen (a built-in RAM chip of 8K registers, acting as the screen memory map), and Keyboard (a built-in register chip, acting as the keyboard memory map). The complete specification is given in figure 5.6.



Chip name: Memory // Data memory
 Input: in[16] // What to write
 address[15] // Where to read/write
 load // Write-enable bit
 Output: out[16] // Value at the given address
 Function:

The complete address space of the Hack computer's data memory.
 Only the top 16K+8K+1 words of the address space are used.
 Accessing an address in the range 0 - 16383 results in accessing RAM16K;
 Accessing an address in the range 16384 - 24575 results in accessing Screen;
 Accessing the address 24576 results in accessing Keyboard;
 Accessing any other address is invalid.

Figure 5.6 The Hack data memory interface. Note that the decimal values 16384 and 24576 are 4000 and 6000 in hexadecimal.

5.3.3 Computer

We have reached the end of our hardware journey. The topmost Computer chip can be realized using three chip-parts: the CPU, the data Memory chip, and the instruction memory chip, ROM32K. Figure 5.9 gives the details.

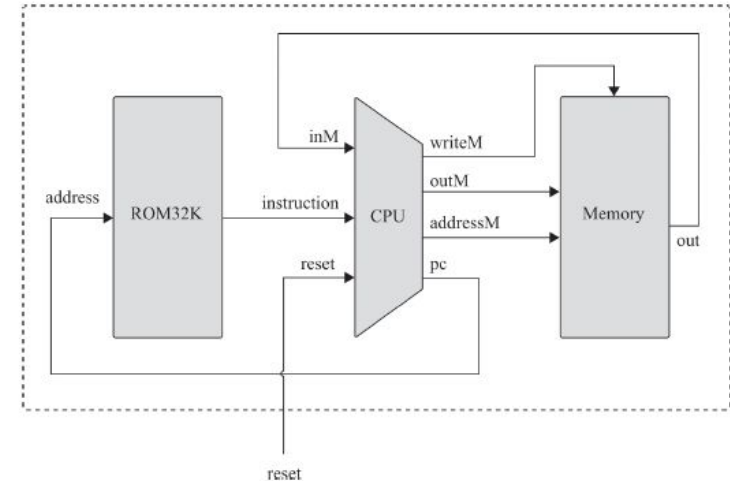


Figure 5.9 Proposed implementation of Computer, the topmost chip in the Hack platform.

The Computer implementation is designed to realize the following fetch-execute cycle: When the user asserts the *reset* input, the CPU's *pc* output emits 0, causing the instruction memory (ROM32K) to emit the first instruction in the program. The instruction will be executed by the CPU, and this execution may involve reading or writing a data memory register.