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Welcome everybody to this talk about my Bachelor thesis. As this is a quite technical talk, feel free to ask questions at any time. The topic of my thesis was Extending Compiler Support for the BrainScaleS Plasticity Processor.

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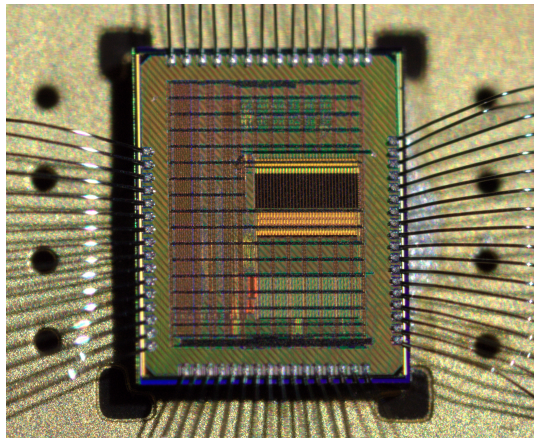


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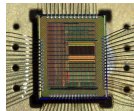
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as the title hints there are two main components to this talk, which are the plasticity processing unit (PPU) and Compilers. I will briefly talk about both of these and their applications. Afterwards I will explain, what I did during my thesis, which is of course followed by a short presentation of the result.

PPU Architecture

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Memory

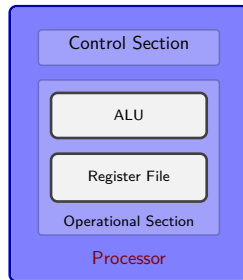
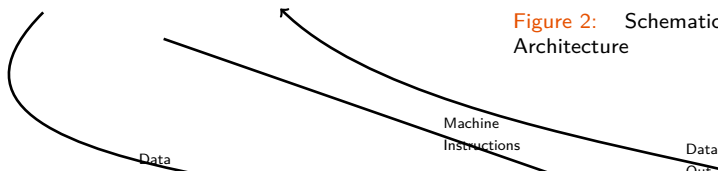


Figure 2: Schematic of Processor in von-Neumann Architecture



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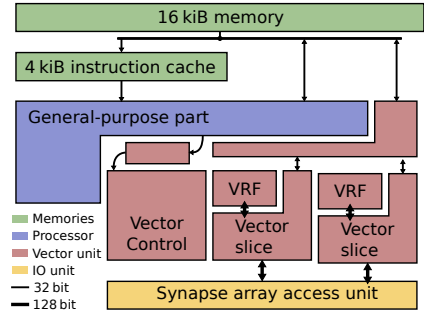
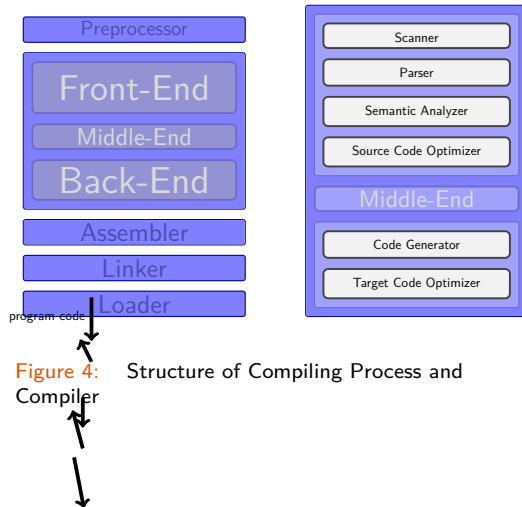


Figure 3: Structure of nux Architecture


GCC Structure

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