

Birla Institute of Technology and Science – Pilani, Hyderabad Campus
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CS F342: Computer Architecture Assignment (20 Marks)

1. (a) Implement 4-stage pipelined processor in Verilog. This processor supports load immediate (li), constant addition (addi) and Unconditional Jump (J) instructions only. The processor should implement forwarding to resolve data hazards. The processor has Reset, CLK as inputs and no outputs. The processor has instruction fetch unit, register file (with 8 8-bit registers), Execution and Writeback unit. Read and write operations on Register file can happen simultaneously and should be independent of CLK. The processor also contains three pipelined registers IF/ID, ID/EX and EX/WB. When reset is activated the PC, IF/ID, ID/EX, EX/WB registers are initialized to 0, the instruction memory and registerfile get loaded by **predefined values**. When the instruction unit starts fetching the first instruction the pipeline registers contain unknown values. When the second instruction is being fetched in IF unit, the IF/ID registers will hold the instruction code for first instruction. When the third instruction is being fetched by IF unit, the IF/ID register contains the instruction code of second instruction, ID/EX register contains information related to first instruction and so on. (Assume 8-bit PC. Also Assume Address and Data size as 8-bits) The instruction and its **8-bit instruction format** are shown below:

li DestinationReg, ImmediateData (Signextends data specified in instruction field (2:0) to 8-bits and stores it in register specified by register number in RDst field. Opcode for li is 00)

Opcode

| 00 | RDst | Immediate Data |
|-----|------|----------------|
| 7:6 | 5:3 | 2:0 |

Example usage: li R3, 4 (4 = 100 signextension will result in 1111100. This data moves in to R3.

addi DestinationReg, immediateData (adds data in register specified by register number in RDst field to sign extended data in immediate data field (2:0). Result is stored in register specified by register number in RDst field. Opcode for addi is 01)

Opcode

| 01 | RDst | Immediate Data |
|-----|------|----------------|
| 7:6 | 5:3 | 2:0 |

Example usage: addi R2, 3 3 gets sign extended to 8-bits 00000011 then is added to R2 ($R2 \leftarrow R2 + 00000011$)

j L1 (Jumps to an address generated by appending 2 MSB bits of PC+1 to the data specified in instruction field (5:0). Opcode for j is 11)

Opcode

| 11 | Partial Jump Address |
|-----|----------------------|
| 7:6 | 5:0 |

Example usage: j L1 (Jump address is calculated using Pseudo direct addressing)

Assume the register file contains 8 registers (R0-R7) each register can hold 8-bit data. On reset register file should get initialized such that R0 = 0, R1 = 1, R2 = 2, R3 = 3 ...etc. On reset assume that the instruction memory gets initialized with four instructions.

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li Rx, 3
addi Rx, 2
addi Ry, 3
j L1
li Rz, 4
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L1: addi Rz, -3

Where x, y, z are related to last 3 digits of your ID No.

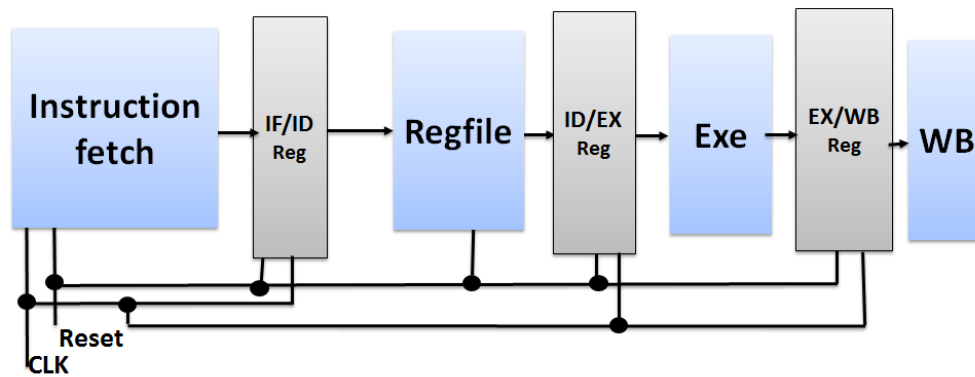
If ID number: 20XXXXXXABCH, then

$$x = A \bmod 8 \ (A \% 8),$$

$$y = (B+2) \bmod 8 \ ((B+2) \% 8),$$

$$z = (C+3) \bmod 8 \ ((C+3) \% 8),$$

A partial block level representation of 4-stage pipelined processor is shown below. **Please note that for registerfile implementation, both read and write are independent of CLK.** Write operation depends on control signal.



As part of the assignment three files should be submitted in zipped folder.

1. PDF version of this Document with all the Questions below answered with file name as IDNO_NAME.pdf.
2. Design Verilog Files for all the Sub-modules (instruction fetch, Register file, forwarding unit).
3. Design Verilog file for the main processor.

The name of the zipped folder should be in the format IDNO_NAME.zip

The due date for submission is 20-April-2018, 5:00 PM.

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Questions Related to Assignment

1. Draw the complete Datapath and show control signals of the 4-stage pipelined processor. A sample Datapath for 5-stage pipelined MIPS processor has been discussed in class. A ppt named Assignmenthelp.ppt contains this 5-stage processor and is uploaded in CMS. You can modify this according to your specification.

Answer:

2. List the control signals used and also the values of control signals for different instructions.

Answer:

| Instructions | Control Signals | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | | | |
| li | | | | | | |
| addi | | | | | | |
| j | | | | | | |

3. Implement the Instruction Fetch block. Copy the image of Verilog code of the Instruction fetch block here

Answer:

4. Implement the Register File and copy the image of Verilog code of Register file unit here.

Answer:

5. Determine the condition that can be used to detect data hazard?

Answer:

6. Implement the forwarding unit and copy the image of Verilog code of forwarding unit here.

Answer:

7. Implement complete processor in Verilog (using all the Datapath blocks). Copy the image of Verilog code of the processor here. (Use comments to describe your Verilog implementation)

Answer:

8. Test the processor design by generating the appropriate clock and reset. Copy the image of your testbench code here.

Answer:

9. Verify if the register file is getting updated according to the set of instructions (mentioned earlier).

Copy verified **Register file** waveform here (show only the Registers that get updated, CLK, and RESET):

Unrelated Questions

What were the problems you faced during the implementation of the processor?

Answer:

Did you implement the processor on your own? If you took help from someone whose help did you take? Which part of the design did you take help for?

Answer:

Honor Code Declaration by student:

- My answers to the above questions are my own work.
- I have not shared the codes/answers written by me with any other students. (I might have helped clear doubts of other students).
- I have not copied other's code/answers to improve my results. (I might have got some doubts cleared from other students).

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