

Function Name

Description

Alternatives

x86-fetch-decode-execute

Top-level step function. Finds the operation mode (32/64 bit), instruction pointer for the start of the instruction, instruction prefixes, opcode and modR/M and SIB bytes (if present).

May call VEX or EVEX dispatch functions instead.

one-byte-opcode-execute

Big switch expression to call the correct operation specification function based on the current opcode

May escape to 2- and 3-byte opcode maps

x86-add/adc/sub/sbb/or/
and/xor/cmp-test-E-I

The operation specification function. Performs more decoding (e.g. extracting fields from the ModR/M byte); finds the operand values (by reading memory and registers)

gpr-arith/logic-spec-4

Dispatches control to the instruction semantic function. This is the 4-byte variant: alternatives exist for 1, 2 and 8 bytes.

Can also dispatch control to other semantic functions (e.g. for ADC, SUB, SBB etc. opcodes)

gpr-add-spec-4

Performs the calculation for 4-byte ADD opcodes (of which there may be more than one) and calculates the resulting flags.

Finally, the model state is updated: the result is written to a register and the flags are updated.

