Introduction

- The project explains how to use and program a SAP, a simple 8-bit computer architecture that can perform basic operations.
- The SAP has a control panel, a hex keypad, a RAM, a register bank, an ALU, and a control ROM.
- The SAP can be operated in different modes: reset, program loading, full run, and single-step run.
- Modified Simple As Possible Computer(MSAP) is an updated version of SAP architecture that can perform arithmetic and logical operations more precisely.

Program Loading

- The program loading mode allows the user to load instructions and data into the RAM of the SAP.
- There are two ways to load a program: auto-load and manual load.
- Auto load reads a file named Code.txt and automatically loads the program into the RAM.
- Manual load lets the user enter the memory address and data from the hex keypad.

PC Run

- The PC run mode executes the program stored in the RAM of the SAP.
- There are two ways to run a program: full run and single-step run.
- Full run runs the program continuously until it encounters a halt instruction or an error.
- Single-step run runs one instruction at a time and allows the user to observe the changes in the SAP components.

Input Method from Keypad

- The input method from the keypad allows the user to provide input data to the SAP during program execution.
- There are different ways to give input depending on the run mode.
- In manual programming mode, only pressing the key buttons will do the job.
- In single-step run mode, after giving the input, one logic toggle in the single-step clock and one logic toggle in the input ready will complete the process.
- In full run mode, only one logic toggle in input ready will complete the process.

Programming

- The programming section describes how to write a program for the SAP using assembly language.
- The program should be written in a file named Code.txt using hexadecimal numbers and upper-case letters.
- The program should follow the syntax rules for direct and indirect addressing, data allocation, and subroutine functions.
- The program should be written sequentially to the memory address and terminated by HLT and RET instructions.

Explanation of control words

- Cp: Increase program counter by 1
- Lp: Loads to program counter
- Ep: Connects program counter to bus
- Ein: Connects input port to bus
- Lmr: Loads to MAR
- Erm: Enables ram, at Erm=1
- RW
- = 00 means data from ram is sent to lower nibble (8 bits) of bus
- =01 means data from ram is sent to MDR
- =10 means data from upper nibble from bus is received by ram
- =11 means data from lower nibble from bus is received by ram

Emd & Lmd:

00--- do nothing

01-- load data to lower nibble of MDR 10-- load data to higher nibble of MDR

11---

enable output of MDR

Lir: Loads to the Instruction register

J: Checks whether the jump condition is satisfied or not (absent in block diagram)

La: Loads to register A

Ea: Sends the data of register A to the bus

Eal: Sends result of ALU to bus

Lf: Updates flag register

S0,S1,S2

001 = CMP

010=XOR

011 = RCL

100= INC

101= MUL

000/111= no operation (HLT)

Lb: Loads to register B

Eb: Sends the data of register B to bus

Lt: Loads to Temporary register

Et: Sends the data of Temporary register to bus

Es, Id:

00= no operation

01= decrease stack pointer value by 1

10= increase stack pointer value by 1

11= Connects stack pointer register to bus

Eo: Enables output register

Lfb: Loads to flag register

Efb: Sends the data of flag register to bus

