

► Agenda:

1. bridge gap between register machines and real-world micro-processors, and
2. introduce various design *paradigms*,
via two case-studies.

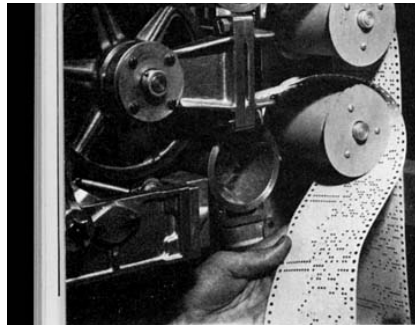
Part 1: ASCC: a Harvard architecture (1)

► **Example: Automatic Sequence Controlled Calculator (ASCC) [3].**

- Designed by Aiken and IBM; installed at Harvard University circa 1944,
- 23.0m² footprint; 4.3t weight,
- 72-element, 23-digit memory (i.e., decimal representation),
- upto ~ 3 operations per-second,
- programs read from paper tape via a tape reader.

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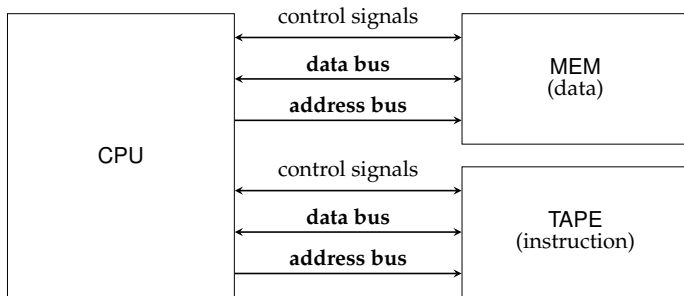
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► **Example:** Automatic Sequence Controlled Calculator (ASCC) [3].

- consider an imaginary, ASCC-like design which
 - is similar to an accumulator machine, so has an accumulator called A,
 - uses a 6-digit decimal representation of values,
 - understands instructions from some set,
- this design is an example of a **Harvard architecture**,
- i.e., there are two, *separate* data and instruction memories:



- the program, which is a sequence of instructions, is stored on TAPE.

Example (instruction set)

- ▶ `nop`, i.e., do nothing.
- ▶ `halt`, i.e., halt or stop execution.
- ▶ $A \leftarrow n$, i.e., load the number n into the accumulator A .
- ▶ $\text{MEM}[n] \leftarrow A$, i.e., store the number in accumulator A into address n of the memory.
- ▶ $A \leftarrow \text{MEM}[n]$, i.e., load the number in address n in memory into the accumulator A .
- ▶ $A \leftarrow A + \text{MEM}[n]$, i.e., add the number in address n of the memory to the accumulator A and store the result back in the accumulator.
- ▶ $A \leftarrow A - \text{MEM}[n]$, i.e., subtract the number in address n of the memory from the accumulator A and store the result back in the accumulator.
- ▶ $A \leftarrow A \oplus \text{MEM}[n]$, i.e., XOR the number in address n of the memory with the accumulator A and store the result back in the accumulator.

Algorithm (fetch-decode-execute cycle)

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2. Using the tape reader, fetch the next instruction in the program and store it in IR .
3. If
 - 3.1 $IR = \perp$ (i.e., an invalid instruction is encountered), or
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Part 1: ASCC: a Harvard architecture (4)

Example (compute $10 + 20$)

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An Aside: how imaginary is imaginary?

► Example:

- Released circa 1980, the **Intel 8051** [4] is a
 - 8-bit (i.e., has an 8-bit ALU and accumulator A),
 - Harvard architecture,micro-controller, with upto
 - 256B of internal data memory (or IRAM),
 - 64kB of external data memory (or XRAM), and
 - 64kB of program memory (or PRAM).
- The 8051 instruction set isn't *too* far off what we have, e.g.,

| | | |
|--------|-----------|---|
| NOP | \mapsto | |
| MOV x | \mapsto | $A \leftarrow x$ |
| MOV y | \mapsto | $A \leftarrow \text{MEM}[y]$ |
| MOV y | \mapsto | $\text{MEM}[y] \leftarrow A$ |
| ADDC y | \mapsto | $A \leftarrow A + \text{MEM}[y] + \text{carry}$ |
| SUBB y | \mapsto | $A \leftarrow A - \text{MEM}[y] - \text{carry}$ |
| XRL y | \mapsto | $A \leftarrow A \oplus \text{MEM}[y]$ |

where

- x is an 8-bit value, and y is an address in IRAM, and
- there are a *variety* of different versions of MOV.

Part 2: EDVAC: a Princeton (aka. von Neumann) architecture (1)

Hang on, what's the point of having one memory for data and another one for instructions ... they're the *same*!

If you keep real data *and* data that represents instructions both in *one* memory, you get a different **stored-program architecture** [13].

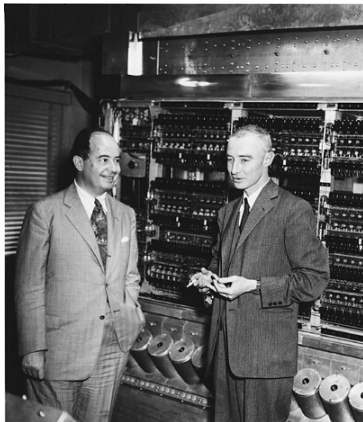


<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:JohnvonNeumann-LosAlamos.gif>

- ▶ **Example: Electronic Discrete Variable Automatic Computer (EDVAC) [1].**
 - ▶ Designed by Mauchly and Eckert; installed at US-based BRL circa 1949,
 - ▶ 45.0m² footprint; 7.8t weight,
 - ▶ 1000-element, 44-bit memory (i.e., binary representation),
 - ▶ upto ~ 1160 operations per-second,
 - ▶ programs read from magnetic tape into memory via a tape reader.

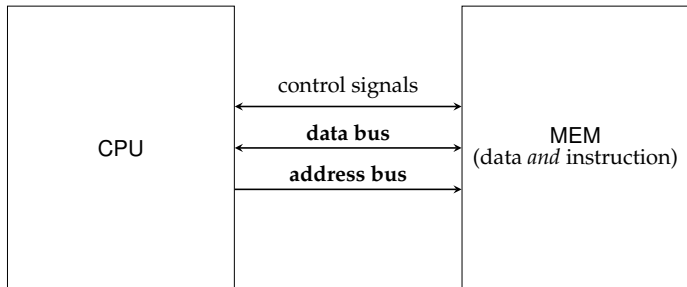
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- ▶ **Example: Electronic Discrete Variable Automatic Computer (EDVAC) [1].**
 - ▶ consider an imaginary, EDVAC-like design which
 - ▶ inherits the previous ASCC-like design,
 - ▶ adds a program counter called PC,
 - ▶ updates the instruction set, e.g., to allow control of PC and define an instruction encoding,
 - ▶ updates the fetch-decode-execute cycle to match.
 - ▶ this design is an example of a **Princeton architecture** (aka. **von Neumann architecture**),
 - ▶ i.e., there is one, *unified* data and instruction memory:



- ▶ the program, which is a sequence of instructions, is stored on MEM.

Example (instruction set)

- ▶ **00***nnnn* means nop.
- ▶ **10***nnnn* means halt.
- ▶ **20***nnnn* means $A \leftarrow n$.
- ▶ **21***nnnn* means $\text{MEM}[n] \leftarrow A$.
- ▶ **22***nnnn* means $A \leftarrow \text{MEM}[n]$.
- ▶ **30***nnnn* means $A \leftarrow A + \text{MEM}[n]$.
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- ▶ **32***nnnn* means $A \leftarrow A \oplus \text{MEM}[n]$.
- ▶ **40***nnnn* means $\text{PC} \leftarrow n$.
- ▶ **41***nnnn* means $\text{PC} \leftarrow n$ iff. $A = 0$.
- ▶ **42***nnnn* means $\text{PC} \leftarrow n$ iff. $A \neq 0$.

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2. From the address in PC, fetch the next instruction in the program and store it in IR.
3. Increment PC so it points to the next instruction.
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stored program \Rightarrow implication #1 = $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1. \text{ we can control PC, so} \\ 2. \text{ we can, e.g., write loops.} \end{array} \right.$

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Example (compute $10 + 20$, including programming mistake)

| CPU | | |
|-------|---|-------|
| state | = | reset |
| PC | = | 0 |
| IR | = | |
| | = | |
| A | = | 0 |

| MEM | | |
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| IR | = | 300005 |
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stored program \Rightarrow implication #2 = $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1. \text{ data and instructions are stored in MEM, so} \\ 2. \text{ we can, e.g., write self-modifying code.} \end{array} \right.$

Part 2: EDVAC: a Princeton (aka. von Neumann) architecture (7)

Example (compute $10 + 20$, including programming mistake)

| CPU | | |
|-------|---|--------|
| state | = | fetch |
| PC | = | 4 |
| IR | = | 000010 |
| | = | |
| A | = | 30 |

| MEM | | |
|---------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Address | Value | Semantics |
| 0 | 220004 | $A \leftarrow \text{MEM}[4]$ |
| 1 | 300005 | $A \leftarrow A + \text{MEM}[5]$ |
| 2 | 210003 | $\text{MEM}[3] \leftarrow A$ |
| 3 | 30 | nop |
| 4 | 10 | nop |
| 5 | 20 | nop |
| 6 | 0 | nop |
| 7 | 0 | nop |

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Example (compute $10 + 20$, including programming mistake)

| CPU | | |
|-------|---|--------|
| state | = | decode |
| PC | = | 5 |
| IR | = | 000010 |
| | = | nop |
| A | = | 30 |

| MEM | | |
|---------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Address | Value | Semantics |
| 0 | 220004 | $A \leftarrow \text{MEM}[4]$ |
| 1 | 300005 | $A \leftarrow A + \text{MEM}[5]$ |
| 2 | 210003 | $\text{MEM}[3] \leftarrow A$ |
| 3 | 30 | nop |
| 4 | 10 | nop |
| 5 | 20 | nop |
| 6 | 0 | nop |
| 7 | 0 | nop |

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Part 2: EDVAC: a Princeton (aka. von Neumann) architecture (7)

Example (compute $10 + 20$, including programming mistake)

| CPU | | |
|-------|---|---------|
| state | = | execute |
| PC | = | 5 |
| IR | = | 000010 |
| | = | nop |
| A | = | 30 |

| MEM | | |
|---------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Address | Value | Semantics |
| 0 | 220004 | $A \leftarrow \text{MEM}[4]$ |
| 1 | 300005 | $A \leftarrow A + \text{MEM}[5]$ |
| 2 | 210003 | $\text{MEM}[3] \leftarrow A$ |
| 3 | 30 | nop |
| 4 | 10 | nop |
| 5 | 20 | nop |
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Conclusions

Comparison

A Harvard architecture

- ▶ has high(er) area wrt. use of 2 buses,
- ▶ has high(er) bandwidth wrt. use of 2 buses,
- ▶ implies less flexible, static memory utilisation,
- ▶ can specialise instruction vs. data accesses,
- ▶ disallows self-modifying code.

Comparison

A Princeton architecture (aka. von Neumann architecture)

- ▶ has low(er) area wrt. use of 1 bus,
- ▶ has low(er) bandwidth wrt. use of 1 bus,
- ▶ implies more flexible, dynamic memory utilisation,
- ▶ cannot specialise instruction vs. data accesses,
- ▶ allows self-modifying code.

Definition

The term **memory wall** [12] refers to a gap between efficiency of instruction execution and memory access. If memory access latency and bandwidth are insufficient, the associated micro-processor may wait (i.e., becomes idle) until instructions and/or data are delivered: the efficiency of memory access will then limit the efficiency of instruction execution, vs. say clock frequency.

Definition

The term **von Neumann bottleneck**, as introduced by Backus [11], is a criticism of

1. the stored-program concept, essentially using a similar argument as the term memory wall [12],
2. the intellectual bottleneck (or limitation) implied by programmers focusing on and optimising for von Neumann architectures.

► Take away points:

1. Modulo some simplifications, this really *is* how micro-processors execute programs; fundamentally, there is no “magic” going on.
2. Both architectures are of historical, conceptual, *and* practical importance.
3. Both architectures are viable options, but *both*
 - conceptual constraints, e.g., the memory wall, *and*
 - practical constraints, e.g., area, clock frequency, power consumption,highlight the need for intelligent design and implementation.
4. Variants, e.g., so-called *modified* Harvard architectures, can act as an effective compromise.

Additional Reading

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