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Design Features:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Operand Selection Mechanism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Operand A Selection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Primary input from first source register (rs1) ➤ Secondary input from immediate value when needed ❖ Operand B Selection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Primary input from second source register (rs2) ➤ Secondary input from immediate value based on operation type 2. ALU Core Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Arithmetic Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ ADD: Addition of two 32-bit operands ➤ SUB: Subtraction of two 32-bit operands ❖ Logical Operations

- AND: Bitwise AND operation
- OR: Bitwise OR operation
- XOR: Exclusive OR operation

❖ **Shift Operations**

- SLL: Logical left shift
- SRL: Logical right shift
- SRA: Arithmetic right shift (sign-preserving)

❖ **Comparison Operations**

- SLT: Set less than (signed)
- SLTU: Set less than unsigned
- EQ: Equality comparison
- NEQ: Not equal comparison
- GE: Greater than or equal (signed)
- GEU: Greater than or equal unsigned

Project Description:

The RISC-V ALU module implements a comprehensive arithmetic logic unit supporting the RV32I base instruction set. The design focuses on efficient computation and logical operations with the following key aspects:

Core Functionality

1. Operand Processing

- 32-bit input operand handling
- Immediate value support
- Sign extension handling for signed operations

2. Computation Engine

- Dedicated arithmetic unit for ADD/SUB operations
- Optimized logic unit for AND/OR/XOR
- Barrel shifter for shift operations
- Comparison logic for all comparison operations

3. Result Generation

- 32-bit result output

- Zero flag generation
- Overflow detection for arithmetic operations
- Sign flag for comparison results

Important Signals/Flags

Core Control Signals:

```

1 input logic i_clk;           // System clock
2 input logic i_rst_n;        // Active-low reset
3 input logic i_ce;           // Clock enable
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```

Operation Control Signals:

```

1 input logic [`ALU_WIDTH-1:0] i_alu; // ALU operation selection
2 input logic [2:0] i_funct3; // Function type specifier
3 input logic [`OPCODE_WIDTH-1:0] i_opcode; // Instruction opcode

```

Data Input Signals:

```

1 input logic [4:0] i_rs1_addr; // Source register 1 address
2 input logic [31:0] i_rs1; // Source register 1 value
3 input logic [31:0] i_rs2; // Source register 2 value
4 input logic [31:0] i_imm; // Immediate value
5 input logic [31:0] i_pc; // Program counter value
6 input logic [4:0] i_rd_addr; // Destination register address

```

Data Output Signals:

```

1 output logic [31:0] o_y; // ALU result
2 output logic [31:0] o_rd; // Value for destination register
3 output logic [4:0] o_rd_addr; // Destination register address
4 output logic o_rd_valid; // Destination register value valid
5 output logic o_wr_rd; // Write enable for destination register
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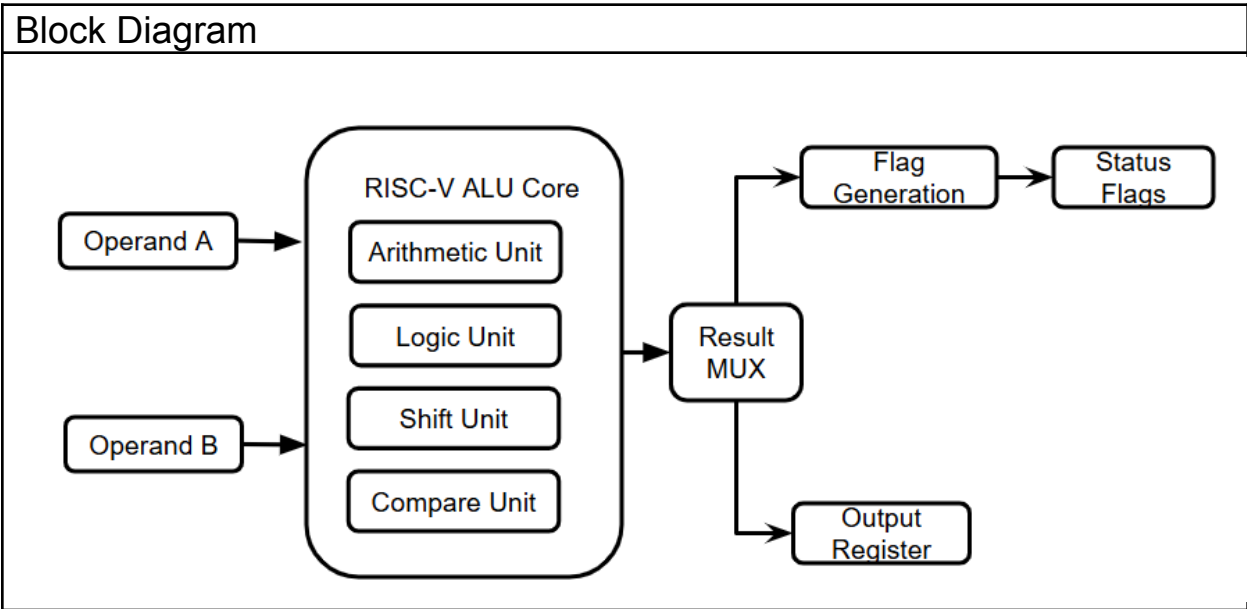
Design Signals

ALU Operation Encodings

```
1 `define ALU_WIDTH 14
2 `define ADD 0 // Addition
3 `define SUB 1 // Subtraction
4 `define SLT 2 // Set Less Than (signed)
5 `define SLTU 3 // Set Less Than Unsigned
6 `define XOR 4 // Exclusive OR
7 `define OR 5 // Logical OR
8 `define AND 6 // Logical AND
9 `define SLL 7 // Shift Left Logical
10 `define SRL 8 // Shift Right Logical
11 `define SRA 9 // Shift Right Arithmetic
12 `define EQ 10 // Equal
13 `define NEQ 11 // Not Equal
14 `define GE 12 // Greater/Equal (signed)
15 `define GEU 13 // Greater/Equal Unsigned
```

Opcode Encodings

```
1 `define OPCODE_WIDTH 11
2 `define RTYPE 0 // Register-type instructions
3 `define ITYPE 1 // Immediate-type instructions
4 `define LOAD 2 // Load instructions
5 `define STORE 3 // Store instructions
6 `define BRANCH 4 // Branch instructions
7 `define JAL 5 // Jump and Link
8 `define JALR 6 // Jump and Link Register
9 `define LUI 7 // Load Upper Immediate
10 `define AUIPC 8 // Add Upper Immediate to PC
11 `define SYSTEM 9 // System instructions
12 `define FENCE 10 // Memory fence
```



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