Lab 1 Handout

Objectives:

Learn the design of ALU and Register Files which are the two main building blocks in a CPU. Refer to the "SMILE_CPU_lab1.ppt"

Practical:

Please complete the following exercises.

- 1. Design a 32-bit ALU that could perform the following arithmetic and logic operations:
 - Logic operations: AND, OR, XOR, NOP
 - Arithmetic operations: ADD, SUB
 - Shift & Rotate operations: SLL (Shift Left), SRR (Shift Right), RLL (Rotate Left) and RRL (Rotate Right)
 - a) Please write down the function table which describes the inputs, outputs and the control lines.
 - b) Modify the reference code for ALU and make it work. Then write a testbench to verify the correctness of the ALU.
- 2. Design a 32-bit register file contains 32 registers.
 - a) Please write down the function table which describes the inputs, outputs and the control lines.
 - b) Modify the reference code for register file and make it work. Then verify the register file using a testbench.
- 3. Design a datapath unit using the 32-bit ALU and 32-bit register file designed in (1) & (2). The datapath unit should be able to carry out the following operations:
 - a. Read and store data into the register file
 - b. Execute the ALU operations using the data from register file
 - c. Store the result back into the register file.