# 8086 Microprocessor Design Project

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#### 1 Introduction

This document provides detailed instructions to develop an 8086 microprocessor board using Cadence® OrCAD® Capture software. Included are the schematics of individual IC components and their description. Details of the ICs include decoding, programming specifications, and descriptions of IC pinouts.

#### 1.1 Purpose

As per the project description, this document is to serve as the only documentation of the operational and functional specifications of the Intel 8086. The documentation is to be thorough and concise to provide information to design a similar board.

#### 1.2 Scope and Organization of Document

The document will elaborate on the individual building blocks of the 8086 board. The integrated circuit (IC) chips used in designing the board will be discussed, along with brief, high-level overviews of their pinouts, their various connections and their functionalities. The connections and dependencies between the different components such as memory and IO devices will be discussed in detail.

The document is organized into sections that cover the individual components and their IC pinouts, functionalities, connections and role in the 8086 board. Schematics of the different components and their circuitry are included. Code snippets, including the VHDL (VHSIC Hardware Description Language) implementations of the decoding hardware and the Assembly implementations of the data and memory addressing, are also incorporated in the document.

#### 2 8086 Microprocessor

The 8086 microprocessor is an enhanced version of the 8085 microprocessor developed by Intel in 1978. It is a 16-bit microprocessor, with 20 address lines and 16 data lines to provide up to 1 MB of physical memory.

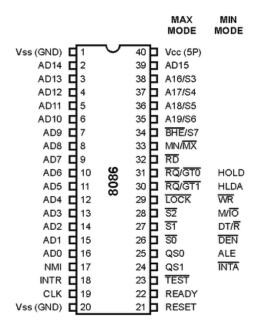


Figure 1: 8086 Microprocessor

#### 2.1 Features

The 8086 microprocessor is known for its significant advancements since its predecessors. The most prominent features include, but are not limited to:

- 6 bytes of cache memory for faster processing
- Pipelining stages: Fetch Stage and Execute Stage
- Instruction queue
- 256 vectored interrupts
- Maximum and minimum modes of operation, suitable for multiple and single processors respectively

#### 2.2 Address and Data Buses

The 8086 CPU has a unidirectional address bus with 20 address lines and a bidirectional data bus with 16 data lines. [1] The address bus is used to select the desired memory or I/O device by generating a unique address which corresponds to the memory location or the location of I/O device of the system.

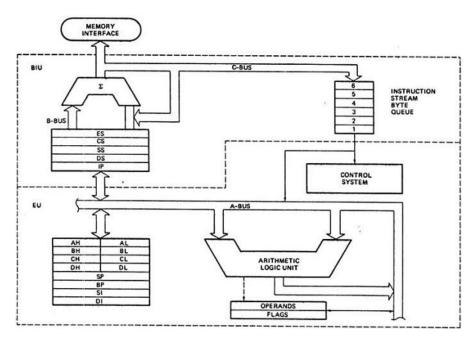


Figure 2: Architecture of 8086

The data bus is used to transfer data between the CPU and memory and the CPU and I/O devices.

The address bus is denoted as  $A_{19} - A_0$  (20 lines) and the data bus  $D_{15} - D_0$  (16 lines). The peripheral devices implemented with the 8086 in this document however consist of 8-bit data bus architectures. The data bus would therefore be multiplexed and more commonly denoted as  $D_7 - D_0$  (8 lines).

#### 2.3 Control Bus

The control bus of 8086 carries control signals which are used to specify the memory and I/O devices. [1] The bus is bidirectional and assists the CPU in synchronizing control signals to internal devices and external components. It is comprised of interrupt lines, byte enable lines, read/write signals and status lines.

#### 2.4 Pinouts

Refer to Appendix B for the pinouts of the chip.

- 3 Decoding
- 3.1 Programming Logic Device 16L8
- 3.2 Programming the PLD

## 4 Clock Generator - 8284

## 4.1 Description

### 5 Memory Architecture

- 5.1 Static Random Access Memory CY7C199
- 5.2 Interfacing Memory Banks with the Microprocessor
- 5.3 Addressing
- 5.4 CMOS Flash Memory 28F010
- 5.5 Flash Memory Implementation
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- 6.5 Command Words to Program the 8279
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## 7 Programmable Interval Timer - 8254

- 7.1 Description
- 7.2 Programming
- 7.3 Addressing
- 7.4 Assembly Implementation

### 8 External Headers

- 8.1 Description
- 8.2 Interfacing 30-Pin Headers with the 8255
- 8.3 Addressing
- 8.4 Assembly Implementation and Programming of the 8255
- 8.5 Interfacing 14-Pin Headers with the 8254
- 8.6 Interfacing 14-Pin Headers with the 8259
- 8.7 Interfacing 60-Pin External Header to the Address, Data and Control Bus

- 9 Interrupt Controller 8259
- 9.1 Description
- 9.2 Implementing a Master Interrupt Controller
- 9.3 Addressing
- 9.4 Assembly Implementation and Programming

### 10 UART

- 10.1 16550 UART
- 10.2 Addressing the 16550
- 10.3 Programming the 16550
- 10.4 Assembly Implementation
- 10.5 MAX-235 and D-SUB-9
- 10.6 Device Descriptions and Implementations

# 11 LCD Display

- 11.1 Addressing
- 11.2 Assembly Implementation

### 12 LEDs and DIP Switches

- 12.1 Seven-Segment LEDs
- 12.2 Addressing
- 12.3 LEDs
- 12.4 Addressing
- 12.5 DIP Switches
- 12.6 Addressing

### A Appendix A: Schematics

### B Appendix B: Pinouts

#### **B.1** 8086 Chipset

- $M/\overline{IO}$ : (Memory/I/O) indicates if the address is a memory or I/O address
- $\overline{INTA}$ : (Interrupt Acknowledgment) generated in response to INTR to put the interrupt vector on the data bus
- ALE: (Address Latch Enable) when 1, address data bus contains a memory or I/O address
- $\bullet$   $\overline{DEN}$ : (Data Bus Enable) activates external data bus buffers

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