

Microprocessor is a controlling unit of a micro-computer, fabricated on a small chip capable of performing ALU (Arithmetic Logical Unit) operations and communicating with the other devices connected to it. Microprocessor consists of an ALU, register array, and a control unit. ALU performs arithmetical and logical operations on the data received from the memory or an input device. Register array consists of registers identified by letters like B, C, D, E, H, L and accumulator. The control unit controls the flow of data and instructions within the computer.

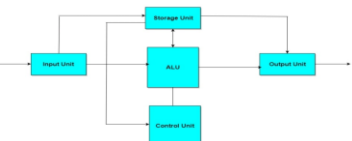
- **What is a bus? Explain different types of buses in 8085.**

Bus is a group of conducting wires which carries information, all the peripherals are connected to microprocessor through Bus. There are three types of Buses Address bus, data bus and control bus.

- **Address bus:** It is a group of conducting wires which carries address only. Address bus is unidirectional because data flow in one direction, from microprocessor to memory or from microprocessor to Input/output devices (That is, Out of Microprocessor). Length of Address Bus of 8085 microprocessor is 16 Bit (That is, Four Hexadecimal Digits), ranging from 0000 H to FFFF H, (H denotes Hexadecimal).
- **Data bus:** It is a group of conducting wires which carries Data only. Data bus is bidirectional because data flow in both directions, from microprocessor to memory or Input/Output devices and from memory or Input/Output devices to microprocessor. Length of Data Bus of 8085 microprocessor is 8 Bit (That is, two Hexadecimal Digits), ranging from 00 H to FF H, (H denotes Hexadecimal).
- **Control bus:** It is a group of conducting wires, which is used to generate timing and control signals to control all the associated peripherals, microprocessor uses control bus to process data, that is what to do with selected memory location.

- **Explain the architecture of computer System?**

Computer is an electronic machine that makes performing any task very easy. In computer, the CPU executes each instruction provided to it, in a series of steps, this series of steps is called Machine Cycle, and is repeated for each instruction. One machine cycle involves fetching of instruction, decoding the instruction, transferring the data, executing the instruction.



- **What is a microcontroller?**

A microcontroller is a small and low-cost microcomputer, which is designed to perform the specific tasks of embedded systems like displaying microwave's information, receiving remote signals, etc. The general microcontroller consists of the processor, the memory (RAM, ROM, EPROM), Serial ports, peripherals (timers, counters), etc.

- **Microcontroller & Microprocessor- Differentiate**

**Microcontroller:** Microcontrollers are used to execute a single task within an application. Its designing and hardware cost is low. \* Easy to replace. \* It is built with CMOS technology, which requires less power to operate. \* It consists of CPU, RAM, I/O ports.

**Microprocessor:** Microprocessors are used for big applications. \* Its designing and hardware cost is high. \* Not so easy to replace. \* Its power consumption is high because it has to control the entire system. \* It doesn't consist of RAM, ROM, I/O ports. It uses its pins to interface to peripheral devices.

- **Memory classification of computer systems**

A memory is just like a human brain. It is used to store data and instructions. Computer Memory is the storage space in the computer, where data is to be processed and instructions required for processing are stored. The memory is divided into large number of small parts called cells. Each location or cell has a unique address, which varies from zero to memory size minus one. For example, if the computer has 64k words, then this memory unit has 64 \* 1024 = 65536 memory locations. The address of these locations varies from 0 to 65535.

**Cache Memory:** Cache memory is a very high speed semiconductor memory which can speed up the CPU. It acts as a buffer between the CPU and the main memory. It is used to hold those parts of data and program which are most frequently used by the CPU. The parts of data and programs are transferred from the disk to cache memory by the operating system, from where the CPU can access them.

**Primary Memory:** Primary memory holds only those data and instructions on which the computer is currently working. It has a limited capacity and data is lost when power is switched off. It is generally made up of semiconductor devices. These memories are not as fast as registers. The data and instruction required to be processed resides in the main memory. It is divided into two subcategories RAM and ROM.

**Secondary Memory:** This type of memory is also known as external memory or non-volatile. It is slower than the main memory. These are used for storing data/information permanently. CPU directly does not access these memories, instead they are accessed via input-output routines. The contents of secondary memories are first transferred to the main memory, and then the CPU can access it. For example, disk, CD-ROM, DVD, etc.

**RAM Computer Memory**

RAM memory is very fast, it can be written to as well as read, it is volatile (so all data stored in RAM memory is lost when it loses power), and finally, it is very expensive compared to all types of secondary memory in terms of cost per gigabyte. It is because of the relative high cost of RAM compared to secondary memory types that most computer systems use both primary and secondary memory.

**DRAM:** DRAM stands for Dynamic RAM, and it is the most common type of RAM used in computers. The oldest type is known as single data rate (SDR) DRAM, but newer computers use faster dual data rate (DDR) DRAM. DDR comes in several versions including DDR2, DDR3, and DDR4, which offer better performance and are more energy efficient than DDR. However different versions are incompatible, so it is not possible to mix DDR2 with DDR3 DRAM in a computer system. DRAM consists of a transistor and a capacitor in each cell.

**SRAM:** SRAM stands for Static RAM, and it is a particular type of RAM which is faster than DRAM, but more expensive and bulkier, having six transistors in each cell. For those reasons SRAM is generally only used as a data cache within a CPU itself or as RAM in very high-end server systems. A small SRAM cache of the most immediately -needed data can result in significant speed improvements in a system

- **ROM Computer Memory**

ROM stands for read-only memory, and the name stems from the fact that while data can be read from this type of computer memory, data cannot normally be written to it. It is a very fast type of computer memory which is usually installed close to the CPU on the motherboard. ROM is a type of non-volatile memory, which means that the data stored in ROM persists in the memory even when it receives no power – for example when the computer is turned off. In that sense it is similar to secondary memory, which is used for long term storage.

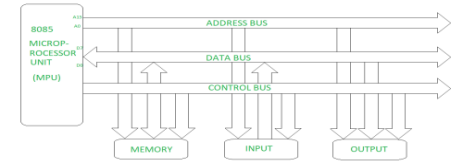
**PROM:** It stands for Programmable Read-Only Memory, and it is different from true ROM in that while a ROM is programmed (i.e. has data written to it) during the manufacturing process, a PROM is manufactured in an empty state and then programmed later using a PROM programmer or burner.

**EPROM:** It stands for Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory, and as the name suggests, data stored in an EPROM can be erased and the EPROM reprogrammed. Erasing an EPROM involves removing it from the computer and exposing it to ultraviolet light before re-burning it.

**EEPROM:** It stands for Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory, and the distinction between EPROM and EEPROM is that the latter can be erased and written to by the computer system it is installed in. In that sense EEPROM is not strictly read-only. However in many cases the write process is slow, so it is normally only done to update program code such as firmware or BIOS code on an occasional basis

- **8085 microprocessor bus organization architecture**

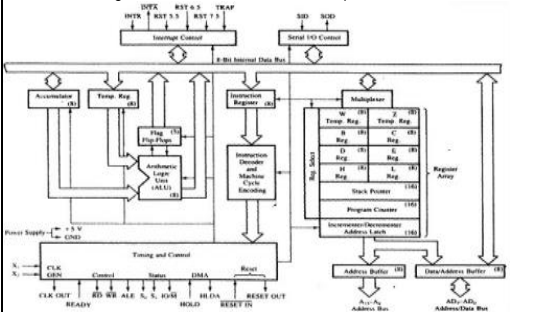
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- **8085 microprocessor Architecture with a neat diagram.**

8085 is pronounced as "eighty-eighty-five" microprocessor. It is an 8-bit microprocessor designed by Intel in 1977 using NMOS technology. It has the following configuration –

• 8-bit data bus • 16-bit address bus, which can address up to 64KB • A 16-bit program counter • A 16-bit stack pointer • Six 8-bit registers arranged in pairs: BC, DE, HL • Requires +5V supply to operate at 3.2 MHz single phase clock It is used in washing machines, microwave ovens, mobile phones, etc.



**Accumulator:** It is an 8-bit register used to perform arithmetic, logical, I/O & LOAD/STORE operations. It is connected to internal data bus & ALU.

**Arithmetic and logic unit:** As the name suggests, it performs arithmetic and logical operations like Addition, Subtraction, AND, OR, etc. on 8-bit data.

**General purpose register:** There are 6 general purpose registers in 8085 processor, i.e. B, C, D, E, H & L. Each register can hold 8-bit data. These registers can work in pair to hold 16-bit data and their pairing combination is like B-C, D-E & H-L.

**Program counter:** It is a 16-bit register used to store the memory address location of the next instruction to be executed. Microprocessor increments the program whenever an instruction is being executed, so that the program counter points to the memory address of the next instruction that is going to be executed.

**Flag register:** It is an 8-bit register having five 1-bit flip-flops, which holds either 0 or 1 depending upon the result stored in the accumulator.

**Address buffer and address-data buffer:** The content stored in the stack pointer and program counter is loaded into the address buffer and address-data buffer to communicate with the CPU. The memory and I/O chips are connected to these buses; the CPU can exchange the desired data with the memory and I/O chips.

- **Pin configuration of the 8085 microprocessor**

Properties: Single + 5V Supply, 4 Vectored Interrupts (One is Non Maskable) Serial In/Serial Out Port. Decimal, Binary, and Double Precision Arithmetic. Direct Addressing Capability to 64K bytes of memory. The Intel 8085A is a new generation, complete 8 bit parallel central processing unit (CPU). The 8085A uses a multiplexed data bus. The address is split between the 8 bit address bus and the 8 bit data bus. Figures are at the end of the document.

**A6 - A15 (Output 3 State) Address Bus:** The most significant 8 bits of the memory address or the 8 bits of the I/O address, 3 stated during Hold and Halt modes. AD0 - 7 (Input/Output 3-state) Multiplexed Address/Data Bus: Lower 8 bits of the memory address (or I/O address) appear on the bus during the first clock cycle of a machine state. It then becomes the data bus during the second and third clock cycles. 3 stated during Hold and Halt modes. **ALE (Output) Address Latch Enable:** It occurs during the first clock cycle of a machine state and enables the address to get latched into the on chip latch of peripherals. The falling edge of ALE is set to guarantee setup and hold times for the address information. ALE can also be used to strobe the status information. ALE is never 3-stated.

- **Use of HOLD pin of the microprocessor**

It supports Direct Memory Access (DMA). When an interfacing device needs to access the microprocessor, DMA controller places a high input on HOLD line. Microprocessor then relinquishes control of the bus and acknowledges the receipt of the request to the DMA controller. When the DMA operation is over, HOLD line will be brought down by the DMA controller and in turn, CPU will exit from the hold state.

- **Use of ALE pin of 8085?**

A positive going pulse on the ALE line indicates that the bits on AD7 — AD0 Are address bits. This signal is utilized to handle the low order address from the multiplexed bus and make a separate set of eight address lines.

- **Use of READY pin of 8085?**

Microprocessor waits until the signal on this line is high to access data from a peripheral device. This is used to delay the microprocessor Read or Write cycles until a slow peripheral device is ready to access the data.

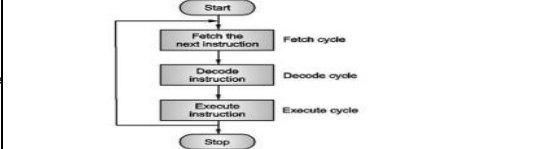
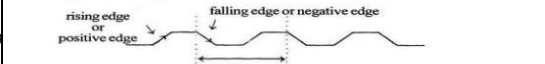
- **Timing diagram**

Timing Diagram is a graphical representation. It represents the execution time taken by each instruction in a graphical format. The execution time is represented in T-states. **Instruction Cycle:** The time required to execute an instruction is called instruction cycle. **Machine Cycle:** The time required to access the memory or input/output devices is called machine cycle. **T-State:** The machine cycle and instruction cycle takes multiple clock periods. A portion of an operation carried out in one system clock period is called as T-state.

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Time period,  $T = 1/f$ ; where  $f$  = Internal clock frequency



The time required to fetch an instruction and necessary data from memory and to execute it, is called an instruction cycle. Or the total time required to execute an instruction is given by:  $IC = F + EC$  (IC = Instruction Cycle, FC = Fetch Cycle, EC = Execute Cycle)

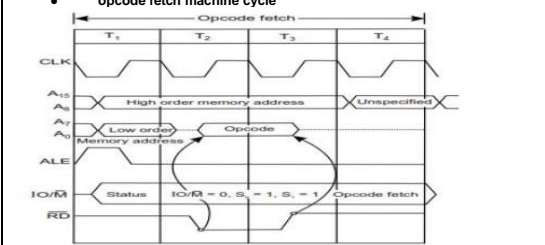
**Decode the instruction (Decode Cycle):** The opcode fetched from the memory goes to the data register, DR and then to instruction register, IR. From the IR it goes to the decoder circuitry which decodes the instruction. Decoder circuitry is within the microprocessor.

**Execute the instruction (Execute Cycle):** After the instruction is decoded, execution begins.

If the operand resides in the general purpose registers, execution is immediately performed. The time taken in decoding and execution of an instruction is one clock cycle. In some situations, an execution cycle may involve one or more read or write cycles or both.

- **Machine cycles of 8085 microprocessors**

The time needed for completing one operation of accessing memory, I/O or acknowledging an external request is termed as Machine cycle. It is composed of T-states. One subdivision of the operation completed in one clock period is termed as T-state. The 8085 microprocessor has 5 basic machine cycles. They are • Opcode fetch cycle (4T) • Memory read cycle (3 T) • Memory write cycle (3 T) • I/O read cycle (3 T) • I/O write cycle (3 T)



- Each instruction of the processor has one byte opcode. • The opcodes are stored in memory. So, the processor executes the opcode fetch machine cycle to fetch the opcode

from memory. • Hence, every instruction starts with the opcode fetch machine Cycle. • The time taken by the processor to execute the opcode fetch cycle is 4T. • In this time, the first 3 T-states are used for fetching the opcode from memory and the remaining T-states are used for internal operations by the processor.

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1	T <sub>1</sub>	The microprocessor places the higher order 8-bits of the memory address on A15 – A8 address bus and the lower order 8-bits of the memory address on AD7 – AD0 address / data bus.
2		The microprocessor makes the ALE signal HIGH and at the middle of T1 state, ALE signal goes LOW.
3		The status signals are changed as IO/M <sup>+</sup> = 0, S1 = 1 and S0 = 1. These status signals do not change throughout the OF machine cycle.
4	T <sub>2</sub>	The microprocessor makes the RD <sup>+</sup> line LOW to enable memory read and increments the Program Counter.
5		The contents on D7 – D0 (i.e. the Opcode) are placed on the address / data bus.
6	T <sub>3</sub>	The microprocessor transfers the Opcode on the address / data bus to Instruction Register (IR).
7		The microprocessor makes the RD <sup>+</sup> line HIGH to disable memory read.
8	T <sub>4</sub>	The microprocessor decodes the instruction.

#### Memory read machine cycle

• The memory read machine cycle is executed by the processor to read a data byte from memory. • The processor takes 3T states to execute this cycle. The instructions which have more than one byte word size will use the machine cycle after the opcode fetch machine cycle

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T <sub>2</sub>	The microprocessor makes the RD <sup>+</sup> line LOW to enable memory read and increments the Program Counter.  The contents on D7 – D0 (i.e. the data) are placed on the address / data bus.
T <sub>3</sub>	The data loaded on the address / data bus is moved to the microprocessor.  The microprocessor makes the RD <sup>+</sup> line HIGH to disable the memory read-operation.

- **Memory write machine**

The memory write machine cycle is executed by the processor to write a data byte in a memory location. • The processor takes 3T states to execute this machine cycle.

T <sub>1</sub>	The microprocessor places the higher order 8-bits of the memory address on A15 – A8 address bus and the lower order 8-bits of the memory address on AD7 – AD0 address / data bus.  The microprocessor makes the ALE signal HIGH and at the middle of T1 state, ALE signal goes LOW.  The status signals are changed as IO/M <sup>+</sup> = 0, S1 = 0 and S0 = 1. These status signals do not change throughout the memory write machine cycle.
T <sub>2</sub>	The microprocessor makes the WR <sup>+</sup> line LOW to enable memory write.  The contents of the specified register are placed on the address / data bus.
T <sub>3</sub>	The data placed on the address / data bus is transferred to the specified memory location.  The microprocessor makes the WR <sup>+</sup> line HIGH to disable the memory write operation.

- **I/O read machine cycle**

The I/O Read cycle is executed by the processor to read a data byte from I/O port or from the peripheral, which is I/O mapped in the system. • The processor takes 3T states to execute this machine cycle. • The IN instruction uses this machine cycle during the execution.

T state	Operation
T <sub>1</sub>	The microprocessor places the address of the I/O port specified in the instruction on A15 – A8 address bus and also on AD7 – AD0 address / data bus.  The microprocessor makes the ALE signal HIGH and at the middle of T1 state, ALE signal goes LOW.  The status signals are changed as IO/M <sup>+</sup> = 0, S1 = 1 and S0 = 0. These status signals do not change throughout the I/O read machine cycle.
T <sub>2</sub>	The microprocessor makes the RD <sup>+</sup> line LOW to enable I/O read.  The contents on D7 – D0 (i.e. the data) are placed on the address / data bus.
T <sub>3</sub>	The data loaded on the address / data bus is moved to the microprocessor i.e., to the accumulator.  The microprocessor makes the RD <sup>+</sup> line HIGH to disable the I/O read operation.

- **Various addressing modes of the 8085 microprocessor**

**Immediate Addressing Mode:** the source operand is always data. If the data is 8-bit, then the instruction will be of 2 bytes, if the data is of 16-bit then the instruction will be of 3 bytes. **Examples:** MOV B 45 (move the data 45H immediately to register B), LXI H3050 (load the H-L pair with the operand 3050H immediately), JMP address (jump to the operand address immediately)

**Register Addressing Mode:** the data to be operated is available inside the register(s) and register(s) is(are) operands. Therefore the operation is performed within various registers of the microprocessor. **Examples:** MOV A, B (move the contents of register B to register A), ADD B (add contents of registers A and B and store the result in register A), INR A (increment the contents of register A by one)

**Direct Addressing Mode:** the data to be operated is available inside a memory location and that memory location is directly specified as an operand. The operand is directly available in the instruction itself. **Examples:** LDA 2050 (load the contents of memory location into accumulator A), LHLD address (load contents of 16-bit memory location into H-L register pair), IN 35 (read the data from port whose address is 35)

**Register Indirect Addressing Mode:** the data to be operated is available inside a memory location and that memory location is indirectly specified by a register pair. **Examples:** MOV A, M (move the contents of memory location pointed by the H-L pair to the accumulator), LDAX B (move contents of B-C register to the accumulator), LXIH 9570 (load immediate the H-L pair with the address of the location 9570)

- **various instruction formats of 8085**

An instruction is a command to the microprocessor to perform a given task on a specified data. Each instruction has two parts: one is the task to be performed, called the operation code (opcode), and the second is the data to be operated on, called the operand. The operand (or data) can be specified in various ways. It may include 8-bit (or 16-bit) data, an internal register, a memory location, or 8-bit (or 16-bit) address. In some instructions, the operand is implicit.

**One-word or 1-byte instructions:** A 1-byte instruction includes the opcode and operand in the same byte. Operand(s) are internal register and are coded into the instruction.

**Two-word or 2-byte instructions:** In a two-byte instruction, the first byte specifies the operation code and the second byte specifies the operand. Source operand is a data byte immediately following the opcode.

**Three-word or 3-byte instructions:** In a three-byte instruction, the first byte specifies the opcode, and the following two bytes specify the 16-bit address. Note that the second byte is the low-order address and the third byte is the high-order address.

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