

Computer Architecture Fall 2015 Project 1

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Team Work :

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Debug and testing
Report

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Data_Memory
Control signals for instructions `beq`, `j`, `lw`, `sw`
Multiplexers for branching and jumping

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Forwarding Unit
Hazard Detection Unit
Latches

How to implement the pipelined CPU :

Use latches to store the outputs of each stage, and propagate the output values to the next stage at rising edge.

Tools used:

Github, Sublime Text, Notepad++, ModelSim, cygwin, msys, WINDOWS!!!!!!!!!!

Module Implementation :

1. testbench.v
 - Put in my own signal to count stall and flush
2. Adder.v:
 - Output the sum of the two 32 bits inputs
3. ALU.v
 - Do the calculation for the two 32 bits inputs, and output the result and set the zero signal
4. ALU_Control.v
 - Input the last 6 bits from instruction and ALUOp code, then output the 3-bit ALU control code
5. Control.v
 - Set the signal lines according to the first 6 bits of the instruction.
6. CPU.v
 - Connect all components together.
7. Data_Memory.v
 - A module to simulate memory read / write.
8. Forwarding_Unit.v

- Sends signals to multiplexers to decide if data should be forwarded or not.
- 9. Hazard_Detection.v
 - Sends signals to indicate stall condition.
- 10. IF/ID flush
 - If branch taken or jump instruction then flush the pipeline by sending an all-zero instruction through IF/ID latch.
- 11. Instruction_Memory.v
 - Read the instruction from the memory at the input address.
- 12. MUX5.v
 - Select one 5-bit input from two 5-bit inputs
- 13. MUX32.v
 - Select one 32-bit input from two 32-bit inputs
- 14. PC.v
 - Program counter
- 15. Registers.v
 - Write the input to the register at rising edge, output the value of register at falling edge.
- 16. Sign_Extend.v
 - Extend a 16-bit input into a 32-bit output
- 17. IF_ID.v
 - The latch between Instruction Fetch stage and Instruction Decode stage
- 18. ID_EX.v
 - The latch between Instruction Decode stage and Execute stage
- 19. EX_MEM.v
 - The latch between Execute stage and Load/Store Memory stage.
- 20. MEM_WB.v
 - The latch between Load/Store Memory stage and Write Back stage

Problems and Solutions

1. Our output is different from the TA's output
 - Try to change some update timings to fix the output values.
2. Misunderstand the posedge, negedge, non-blocking assignment, blocking assignment.
 - Search tutorials and do some little experiments to understand the behaviors.