Welcome to "Computer Organization and Design Logic"

CS 64: Computer Organization and Design Logic
Lecture #1
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A Word About Registration for CS64

FOR THOSE OF YOU NOT YET REGISTERED:

- This class is almost FULL
 - I can take on the 2 people on the waitlist and that's it
 - Class limit is 70 ppl

 If you want to add this class AND you are not on the waitlist, see me after lecture

Your Instructor

Your instructor: **Ziad Matni, Ph.D.** (zee-ahd mat-knee)

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(please put CS64 at the start of the subject header!!)

My office hours: Mondays **1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**, at **SMSS 4409** (or by appointment)

Your TAs

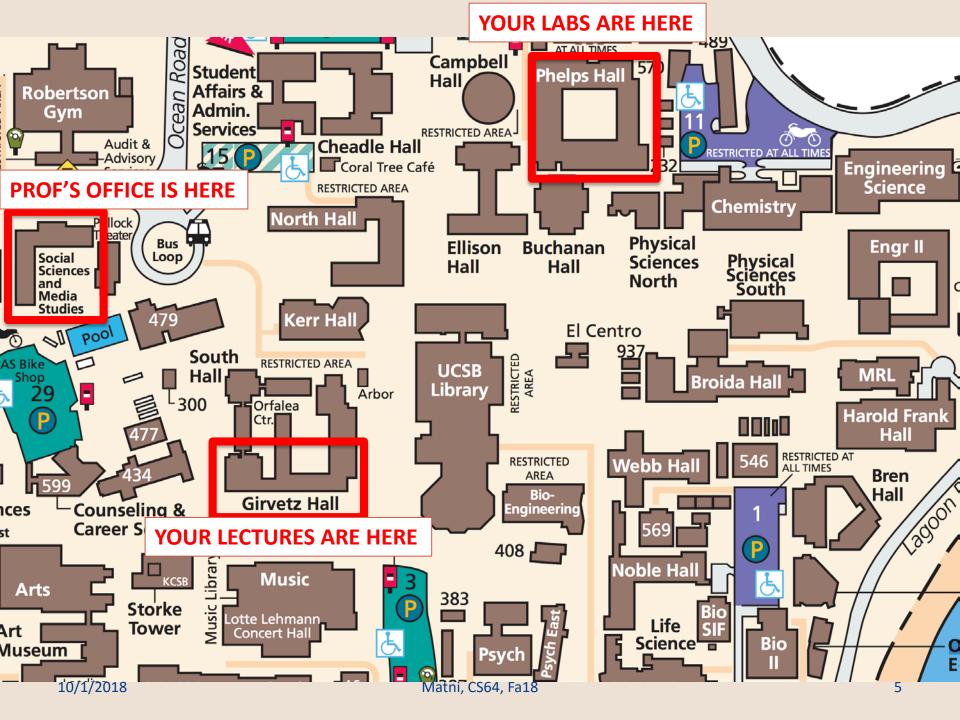
All labs will take place in **PHELPS 3525**All TA office hours will take place in "Open Lab" Time in **PHELPS 3525**

Teaching Assistant Office Hours

Bay-Yuan Hsu TBA – announced soon!

Harmeet Singh TBA – announced soon!

Your FIRST lab is TOMORROW (Tue. 10/2)



You!

With a show of hands, tell me... how many of you...

- A. Are Freshmen? Sophomores? Juniors? Seniors?
- B. Are CS majors? Other?
- C. Know: C, C++, Java, Python, JavaScript, PERL, Bash programming?
- D. Have NOT used a Linux or UNIX system before?
- E. Have seen actual "assembly code" before?
- F. Programmed in assembly before?
- G. Written/seen code for *firmware*?
- H. Understand basic binary logic (i.e. OR, AND, NOT)?
- Designed a digital circuit before?

This Class

- This is an introductory course in low-level programming and computer hardware.
 - Two separate but very intertwined areas
- What happens between your C/C++/Java/Python command:

int
$$a = 3$$
, $b = 4$, $c = a+b$;

and the actual "digital mechanisms" in the CPU that process this "simple" command?

This class will move fast – so please prepare accordingly.

Lecture Etiquette!

- I need you INVOLVED and ACTIVE!
- Phones OFF! and laptops/tablets are for NOTES only
 - No tweeting, texting, FB-ing, surfing, gaming, Snapchatting, spitting, etc.!
- To succeed in this class, take thorough notes
 - I'll provide my slides, but not class notes
 - Studies show that written notes are superior to typed ones!

Class Website

Website:

https://ucsb-cs64-f18.github.io

On there, I will keep:

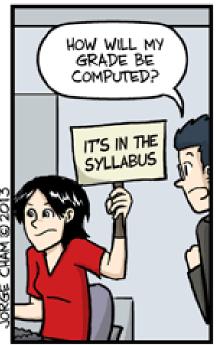
- Latest syllabus
- Class assignments
- Lecture slides (after I've given them)
 - Interesting handouts and articles

Just in Case...









IT'S IN THE SYLLABUS

This message brought to you by every instructor that ever lived.

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So... let's take a look at that syllabus...

Electronic version found at:

http://cs.ucsb.edu/~zmatni/syllabi/CS64F18_syllabus.pdf

A Simplified View of Modern Computer Architecture

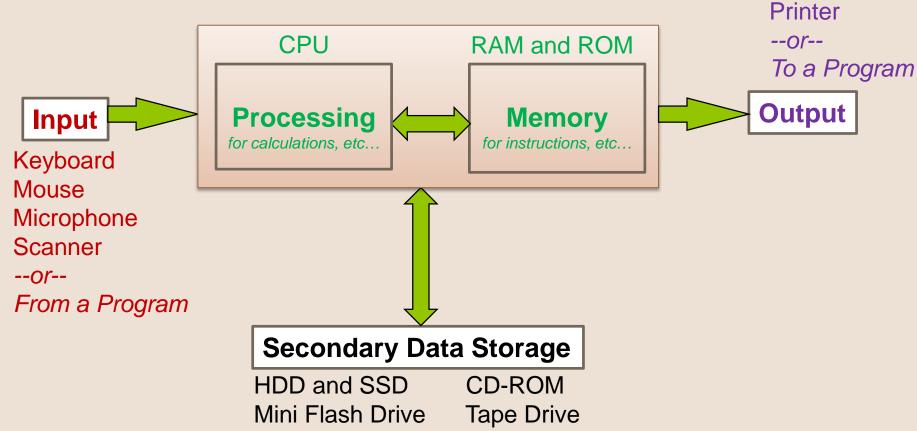
The 5 Main Components of a Computer:

a.k.a von Neumann Architecture

Display screen

Speakers

- 1. Processor
- 2. Memory
- 3. Input
- 4. Output
- 5. Secondary Data Storage



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Computer Memory

- Usually organized in two parts:
 - Address: Where can I find my data?
 - Data (payload): What is my data?
- The smallest representation of the data
 - A binary bit ("0"s and "1"s)
 - A common collection of bits is a byte
 - 8 bits = 1 byte
 - What is a nibble?
 - 4 bits = 1 nibble not used as often...
 - What is the minimum number of bits needed to convey an alphanumeric character? And WHY?

What is the Most Basic Form of Computer Language?

- Binary a.k.a Base-2
- Expressing data AND instructions in either "1" or "0"
 - So,

"01010101 01000011 01010011 01000010 00100001 00100001"

could mean an *instruction* to

"calculate 2 + 3"

Or it could mean an integer number

(856,783,663,333)

Or it could mean a string of 6 characters ("UCSB!!")

Or other things...!

So... Like...

What Processes Stuff In A Computer?

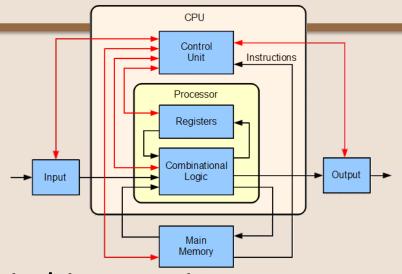
- The Central Processing Unit (CPU)
 - Executes program instructions

- Typical capabilities of CPU include:
 - Add
 - Subtract
 - Multiply
 - Divide
 - Move data from location to location

You can do just about anything with a computer with just these simple instructions!

Parts of the CPU

- The CPU is made up of 2 main parts:
 - The Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)
 - The Control Unit (CU)



- The ALU does the calculations in binary using "registers" (small RAM) and logic circuits
- The CU handles breaking down instructions into control codes for the ALU and memory

The CPU's Fetch-Execute Cycle

- Fetch the next instruction
- Decode the instruction

Get data if needed

Execute the instruction

Why is it a cycle???

This is what happens inside a computer interacting with a program at the "lowest" level

Computer Languages and the F-E Cycle

 Instructions get executed in the CPU in machine language (i.e. all in "1"s and "0"s)

Even small instructions, like
 "add 2 to 3 then multiply by 4",
 need multiple cycles of the CPU to get fully executed

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- In *low-level languages* (like assembly or machine lang.) you need to spell those cycles out
- In high-level languages (like C, Python, Java, etc...)don't
 - 1 HLL statement, like " $x = c^*(a + b)$ " is enough to get the job done
 - This would translate into multiple statements in LLLs

"high level" vs. "low level" Programming

- High Level computer languages are A LOT simpler to use!
- Uses syntax that "resembles" human language
- Easy to read and understand:

$$x = c^*(a + b)$$
 vs. 101000111010111

- But, still... the CPU NEEDS machine language to do what it's supposed to do!
- So SOMETHING has to "translate" high level code into machine language...
- These are: Compilers

Machine vs. Assembly Language

Machine language is the actual 1s and 0s

Example:

1011110111011100000101010101000

- Assembly language is one step above ML
 - Instructions are given mnemonic codes but still displayed one step at a time
 - Advantage? Better human readability

Example:

```
lw $t0, 4($gp) # fetch N
mult $t0, $t0, $t0 # multiply N by itself
# and store the result in N
```

Why Can Programs be Slow?

- After all, isn't just as "simple" as
 - 1. getting an instruction,
 - 2. finding the value in memory,
 - 3. and doing stuff to it???
- Yes... except for the "simple" part...
- Ordering the instructions matters
 Where in memory the value is matters
 How instructions get "broken down" matters
 What order these get "pipelined" matters
- Is there a better way to do this?

The Point...

 If you really want performance, you need to know how the "magic" works

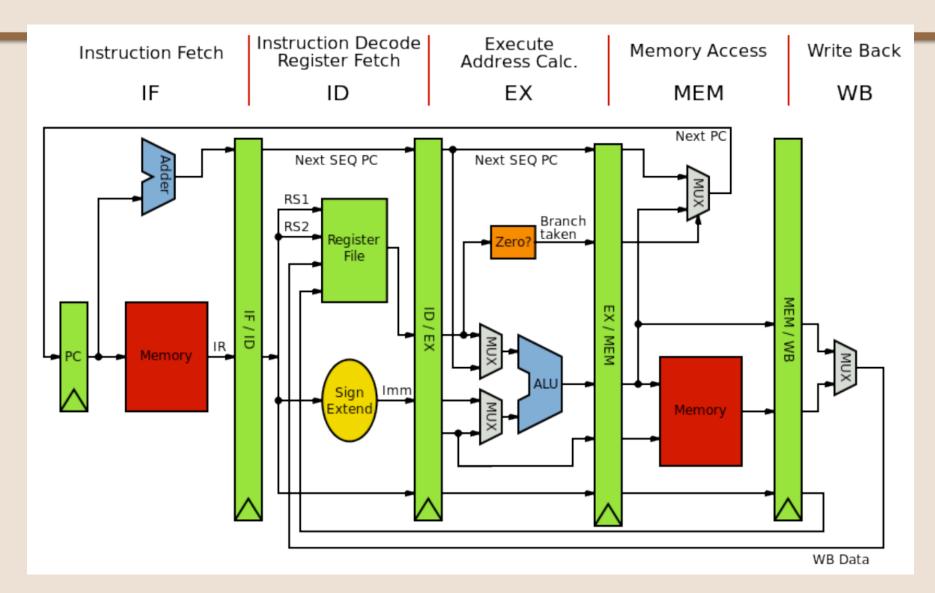
 If you want to write a naive compiler (CS 160), you need to know some low-level details of how the CPU does stuff

 If you want to write a fast compiler, you need to know tons of low-level details

So Why Digital Design?

- Because that's where the "magic" happens
- Logical decisions are made with 1s and 0s
- Physically (engineering-ly?), this comes from electrical currents switching one way or the other
- These currents modify semiconducting material that obeys the laws of electromagnetism that is... physics...

Digital Design of a CPU

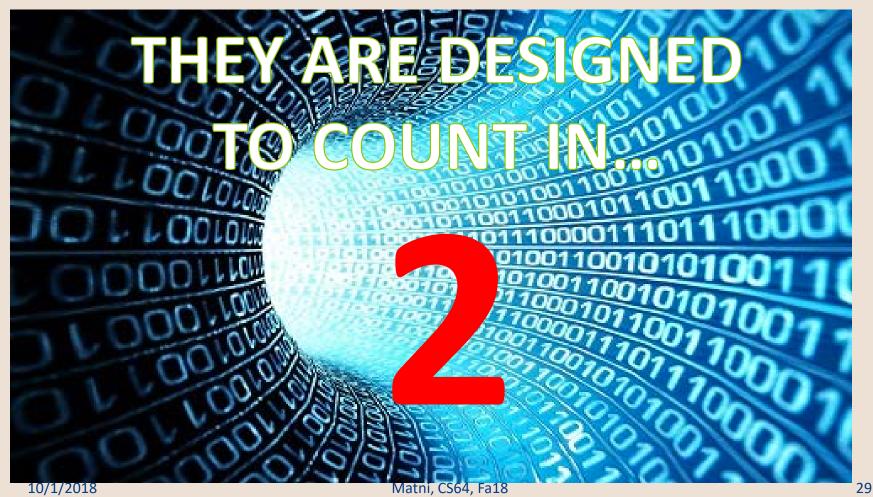


Digital Design in this Course

- We will not go into "deep" dives with digital design in this course
 - For that, check out CS 154 (Computer Architecture) and also courses in ECE

 We will, however, delve deep enough to understand the *fundamental* workings of digital circuits and how they are used for *computing purposes*.

COMPUTERS ARE DIGITAL MACHINES



Counting Numbers in Different Bases

- We "normally" count in 10s
 - Base 10: decimal numbers
 - We use 10 numerical symbols in Base 10: "0" thru "9"

- Computers count in 2s
 - Base 2: binary numbers
 - We use 2 numerical symbols in Base 2: "0" and "1"
- Represented with 1 bit $(2^1 = 2)$

Counting Numbers in Different Bases

Other convenient bases in computer architecture:

- Base 8: octal numbers
 - Number symbols are 0 thru 7
 - Represented with 3 bits $(2^3 = 8)$
- Base 16: hexadecimal numbers
 - Number symbols are 0 thru F:

$$A = 10$$
, $B = 11$, $C = 12$, $D = 13$, $E = 14$, $F = 15$

- Represented with 4 bits $(2^4 = 16)$
- Why are 4 bit representations convenient???

YOUR TO-DOs

- Read Handout #1
- Assignment #1
 - Meet up in the lab on Tuesday (tomorrow!)
 - Do the lab assignment: setting up CSIL + exercises
 - You have to submit it using turnin
 - Due on Friday, 10/5, by 11:59 PM

