

Lab Assignment 1:



RISC-V instruction set architecture and programming of Nios V/m processor



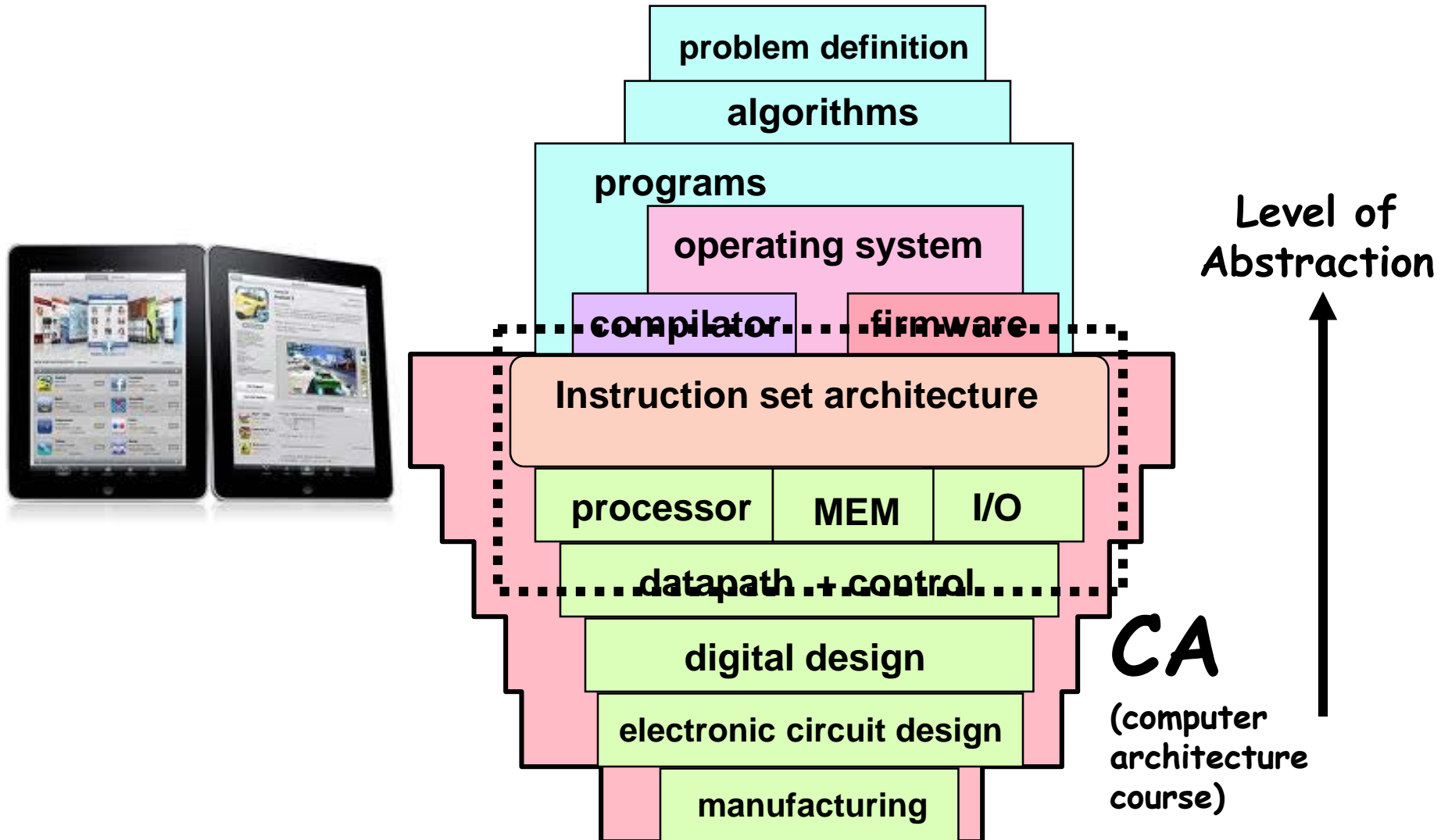
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Hierarchy of computer abstraction levels



Example of the Hierarchical Description

Programming Language

High Level Language Program

Compiler

```
temp = v[k];
v[k] = v[k+1];
v[k+1] = temp;
```

Abstract Architecture
Programmer's Model

Assembler Language Program

Assembler

```
lw $15,0($2)
lw $16,4($2)
sw $16,0($2)
sw $15,4($2)
```

Hardware Model of the Abstract Architecture

Machine Language Program

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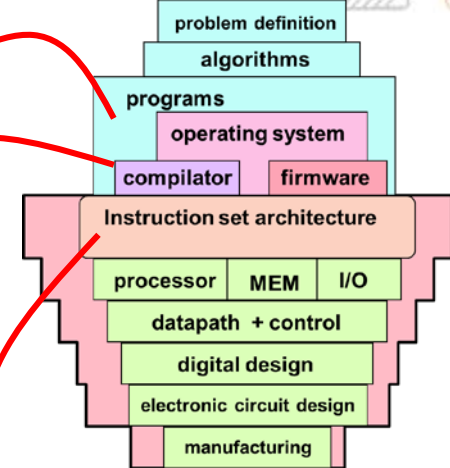
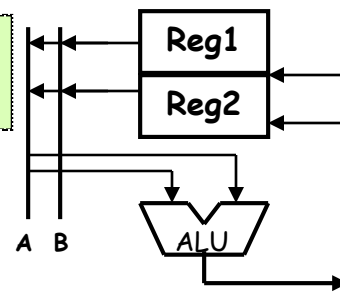
Instruction Set Architecture (ISA)

Machine Interpretation

ALUOP[0:3] <= InstReg[9:11] & MASK

Microarchitecture:
Hardware Model of the Concrete Architecture

Specification of data path and control



```
0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000
1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110
1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001
0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111
```

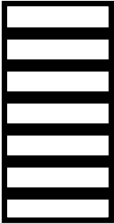
Nios V



P: PROCESSOR

Registers

PC



ALU:
+, -, X, :, etc.



Control
Unit



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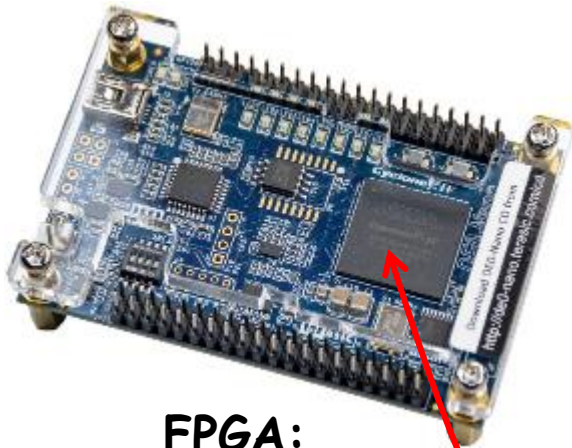
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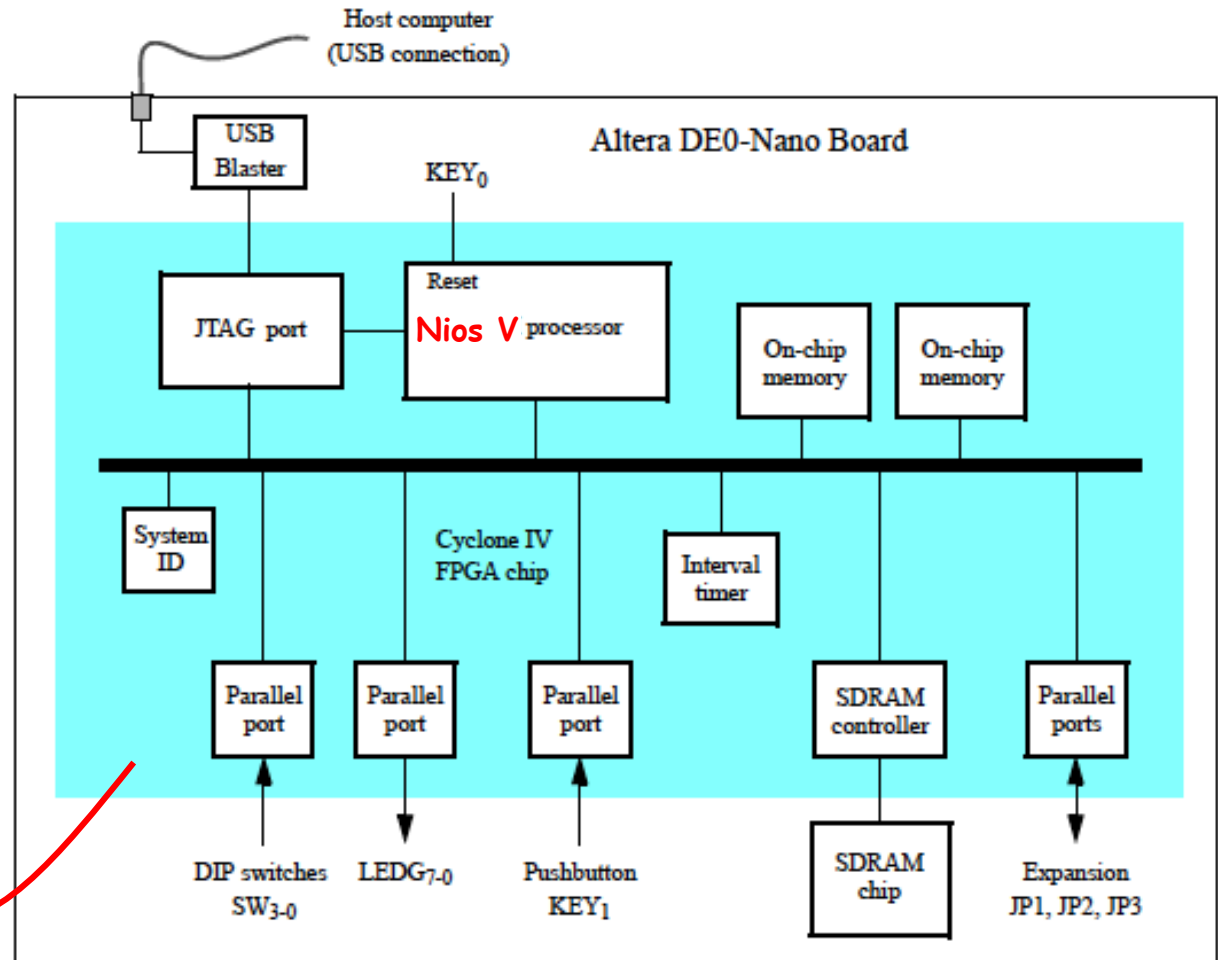
Nios V-based system-on-chip computer



Terasic
DE0-Nano board



FPGA:
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programmable
gate array

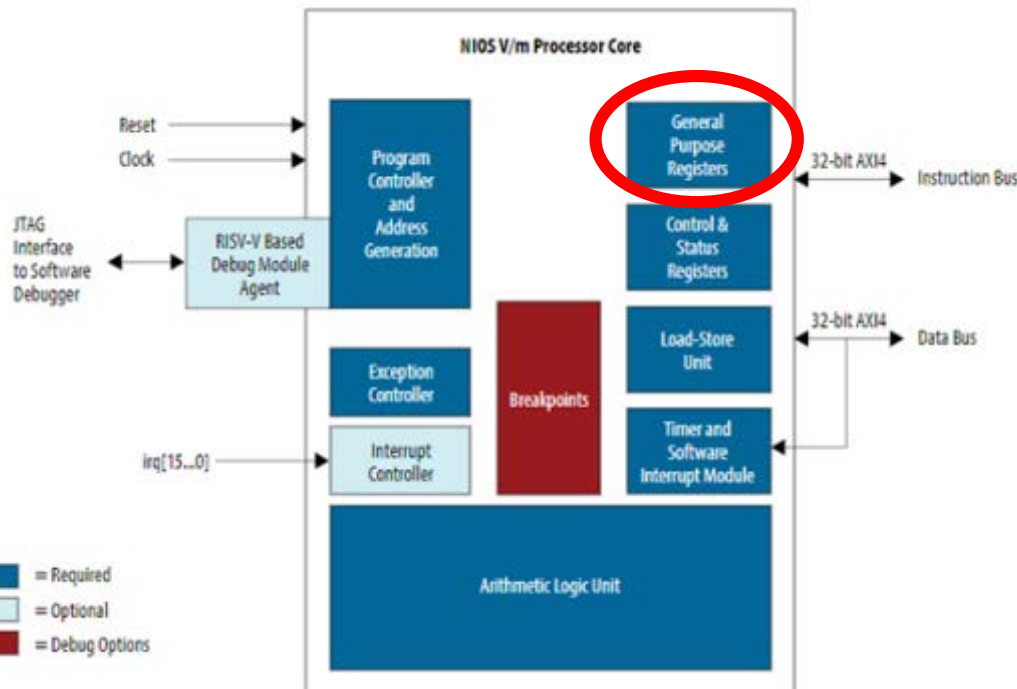


General-Purpose Register File



Nios V/m processor implementation supports a flat register file.

The register file contains thirty-two 32-bit general-purpose integer registers.



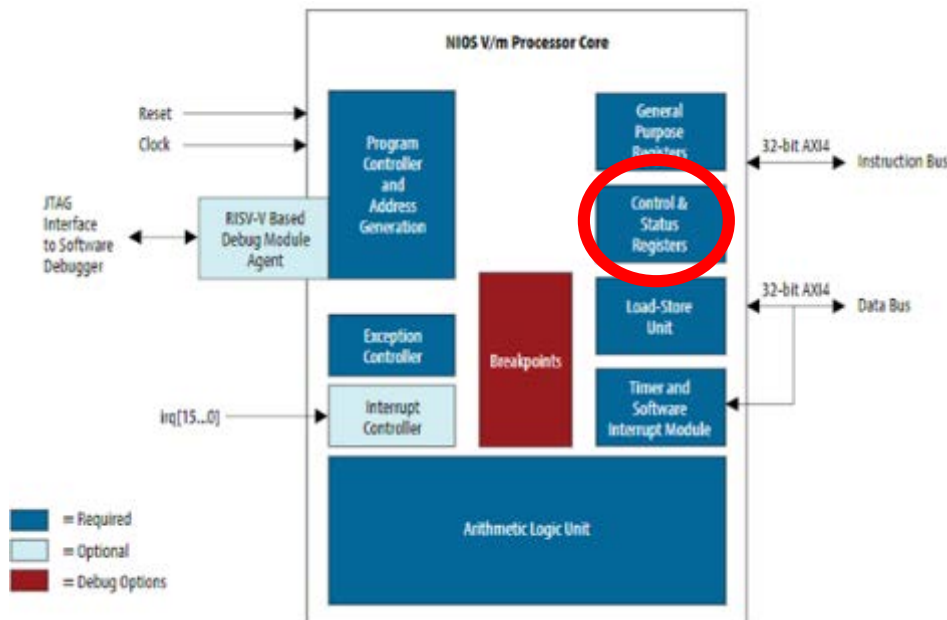
Register Name	ABI Name	Description
x0	zero	Hard-Wired Zero
x1	ra	Return Address
x2	sp	Stack Pointer
x3	gp	Global Pointer
x4	tp	Thread Pointer
x5	t0	Temporary/Alternate Link Register
x6-7	t1-t2	Temporary Register
x8	s0/fp	Saved Register (Frame Pointer)
x9	s1	Saved Register
x10-11	a0-a1	Function Argument/Return Value Registers
x12-17	a2-a7	Function Argument Registers
x18-27	s2-s11	Saved Registers
x28-31	t3-t6	Temporary Registers

Control and Status Registers

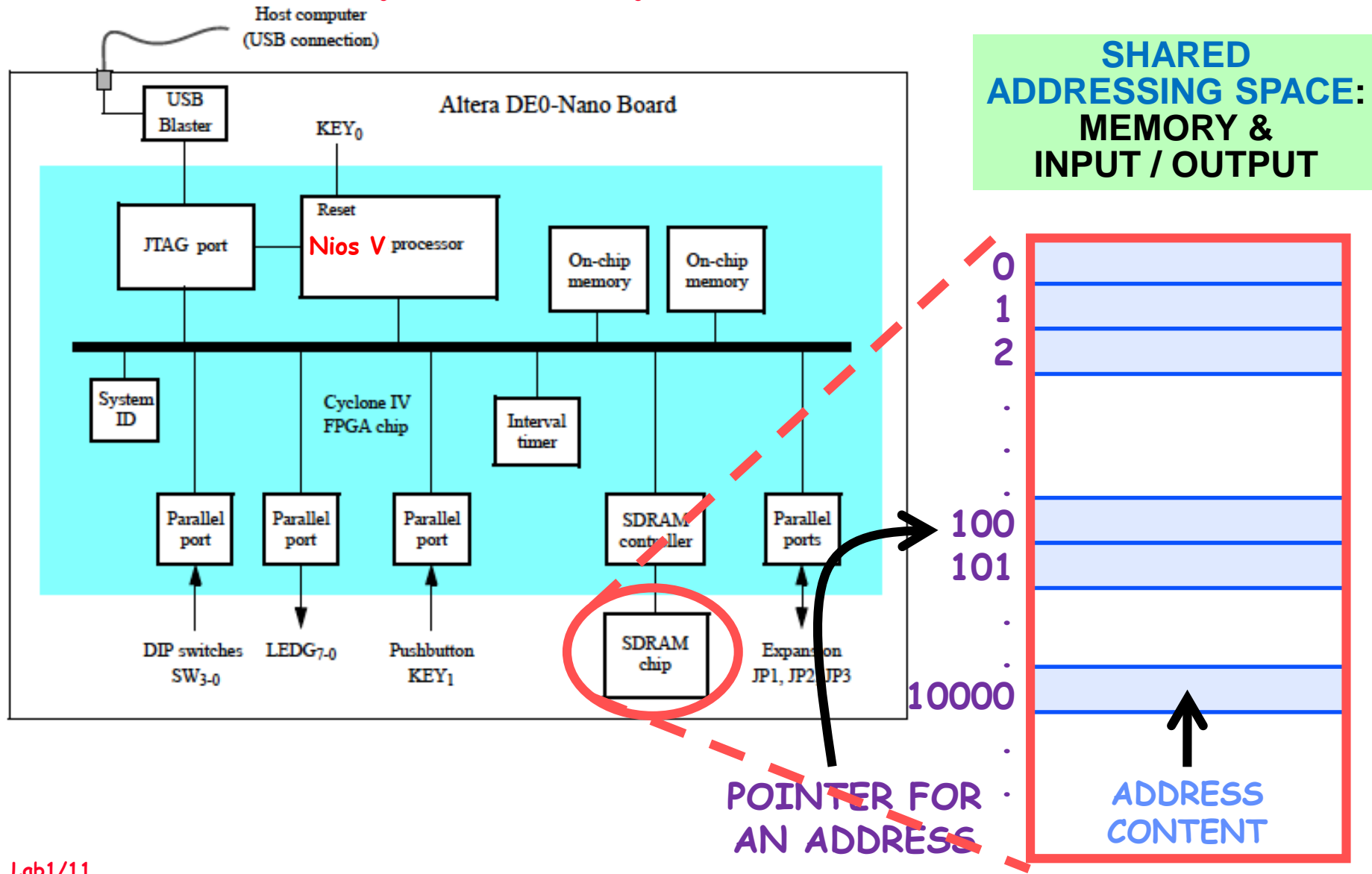
Register	Description
misa	Machine ISA
mvendorid	Machine Vendor ID
marchid	Machine Architecture ID
mimpid	Machine Implementation ID
mstatus	Machine Status
mcause	Machine trap cause
mtvec	Trap vector base address

Register	Description
mhartid	Machine Hardware thread ID
mepc	Machine exception program counter
mie	Machine interrupt enable
mip	Machine interrupt pending
mtval	Machine trap value
mscratch	Scratch register

Table 1.3: RISC-V Machine Mode Registers



Connection to memory and input/output devices



RISC-V/Nios V addressing Modes



Addressing modes in RISC-V determine how memory addresses are calculated for load and store instructions. These modes define how the base address, offset, and index registers are combined to form the effective memory address.

- Immediate: `LW xd, imm(xs1)`
- Register: `LW xd, (xs1)`
- Base: `LW xd, offset(xs1)`
- Indexed: `LW xd, offset(xs1, xs2)`

RISC-V instruction types given their formats



RISC-V Instruction Set

Core Instruction Formats

31	27	26	25	24	20	19	15	14	12	11	7	6	0	
funct7				rs2		rs1		funct3		rd		opcode		R-type
imm[11:0]						rs1		funct3		rd		opcode		I-type
imm[11:5]				rs2		rs1		funct3		imm[4:0]		opcode		S-type
imm[12 10:5]				rs2		rs1		funct3		imm[4:1 11]		opcode		B-type
imm[31:12]										rd		opcode		U-type
imm[20 10:1 11 19:12]										rd		opcode		J-type

RISC-V instruction types given the involved operations



RV32I Base Integer Instructions

ALU

Inst	Name	FMT	Opcode	funct3	funct7	Description (C)	Note
add	ADD	R	0110011	0x0	0x00	$rd = rs1 + rs2$	msb-extends
sub	SUB	R	0110011	0x0	0x20	$rd = rs1 - rs2$	
xor	XOR	R	0110011	0x4	0x00	$rd = rs1 \wedge rs2$	
or	OR	R	0110011	0x6	0x00	$rd = rs1 \vee rs2$	
and	AND	R	0110011	0x7	0x00	$rd = rs1 \& rs2$	
sll	Shift Left Logical	R	0110011	0x1	0x00	$rd = rs1 \ll rs2$	
srl	Shift Right Logical	R	0110011	0x5	0x00	$rd = rs1 \gg rs2$	
sra	Shift Right Arith*	R	0110011	0x5	0x20	$rd = rs1 \gg rs2$	zero-extends
slt	Set Less Than	R	0110011	0x2	0x00	$rd = (rs1 < rs2)?1:0$	
sltu	Set Less Than (U)	R	0110011	0x3	0x00	$rd = (rs1 < rs2)?1:0$	
addi	ADD Immediate	I	0010011	0x0	imm[5:11]=0x00	$rd = rs1 + imm$	msb-extends
xori	XOR Immediate	I	0010011	0x4		$rd = rs1 \wedge imm$	
ori	OR Immediate	I	0010011	0x6		$rd = rs1 \vee imm$	
andi	AND Immediate	I	0010011	0x7		$rd = rs1 \& imm$	
slli	Shift Left Logical Imm	I	0010011	0x1		$rd = rs1 \ll imm[0:4]$	
srli	Shift Right Logical Imm	I	0010011	0x5		$rd = rs1 \gg imm[0:4]$	
srai	Shift Right Arith Imm	I	0010011	0x5		$rd = rs1 \gg imm[0:4]$	
slti	Set Less Than Imm	I	0010011	0x2		$rd = (rs1 < imm)?1:0$	
sltiu	Set Less Than Imm (U)	I	0010011	0x3		$rd = (rs1 < imm)?1:0$	zero-extends
lui	Load Upper Imm	U	0110111			$rd = imm \ll 12$	
auipc	Add Upper Imm to PC	U	0010111			$rd = PC + (imm \ll 12)$	

RISC-V instruction types given the involved operations



ALU

Standard Extensions

RV32M Multiply Extension

Inst	Name	FMT	Opcode	funct3	funct7	Description (C)
mul	MUL	R	0110011	0x0	0x01	$rd = (rs1 * rs2)[31:0]$
mulh	MUL High	R	0110011	0x1	0x01	$rd = (rs1 * rs2)[63:32]$
mulsu	MUL High (S) (U)	R	0110011	0x2	0x01	$rd = (rs1 * rs2)[63:32]$
mulu	MUL High (U)	R	0110011	0x3	0x01	$rd = (rs1 * rs2)[63:32]$
div	DIV	R	0110011	0x4	0x01	$rd = rs1 / rs2$
divu	DIV (U)	R	0110011	0x5	0x01	$rd = rs1 / rs2$
rem	Remainder	R	0110011	0x6	0x01	$rd = rs1 \% rs2$
remu	Remainder (U)	R	0110011	0x7	0x01	$rd = rs1 \% rs2$

RISC-V instruction types given the involved operations



RV32I Base Integer Instructions

MEMORY

Inst	Name	FMT	Opcode	funct3	funct7	Description (C)	Note
lb	Load Byte	I	0000011	0x0		$rd = M[rs1+imm][0:7]$	
lh	Load Half	I	0000011	0x1		$rd = M[rs1+imm][0:15]$	
lw	Load Word	I	0000011	0x2		$rd = M[rs1+imm][0:31]$	
lbu	Load Byte (U)	I	0000011	0x4		$rd = M[rs1+imm][0:7]$	zero-extends
lhu	Load Half (U)	I	0000011	0x5		$rd = M[rs1+imm][0:15]$	zero-extends
sb	Store Byte	S	0100011	0x0		$M[rs1+imm][0:7] = rs2[0:7]$	
sh	Store Half	S	0100011	0x1		$M[rs1+imm][0:15] = rs2[0:15]$	
sw	Store Word	S	0100011	0x2		$M[rs1+imm][0:31] = rs2[0:31]$	

RISC-V instruction types given the involved operations



RV32I Base Integer Instructions

BRANCH AND JUMPS

Inst	Name	FMT	Opcode	funct3	funct7	Description (C)	Note
beq	Branch ==	B	1100011	0x0		if(rs1 == rs2) PC += imm	
bne	Branch !=	B	1100011	0x1		if(rs1 != rs2) PC += imm	
blt	Branch <	B	1100011	0x4		if(rs1 < rs2) PC += imm	
bge	Branch ≥	B	1100011	0x5		if(rs1 ≥ rs2) PC += imm	
bltu	Branch < (U)	B	1100011	0x6		if(rs1 < rs2) PC += imm	zero-extends
bgeu	Branch ≥ (U)	B	1100011	0x7		if(rs1 ≥ rs2) PC += imm	zero-extends
jal	Jump And Link	J	1101111			rd = PC+4; PC += imm	
jalr	Jump And Link Reg	I	1100111	0x0		rd = PC+4; PC = rs1 + imm	
ecall	Environment Call	I	1110011	0x0	imm=0x0	Transfer control to OS	
ebreak	Environment Break	I	1110011	0x0	imm=0x1	Transfer control to debugger	

RISC-V instruction types given the involved operations

Pseudo Instructions

Pseudoinstruction	Base Instruction(s)	Meaning
la rd, symbol	auipc rd, symbol[31:12] addi rd, rd, symbol[11:0]	Load address
l{b h w d} rd, symbol	auipc rd, symbol[31:12] l{b h w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rd)	Load global
s{b h w d} rd, symbol, rt	auipc rt, symbol[31:12] s{b h w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rt)	Store global
fl{w d} rd, symbol, rt	auipc rt, symbol[31:12] fl{w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rt)	Floating-point load global
fs{w d} rd, symbol, rt	auipc rt, symbol[31:12] fs{w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rt)	Floating-point store global
nop	addi x0, x0, 0	No operation
li rd, immediate	<i>Myriad sequences</i>	Load immediate
mv rd, rs	addi rd, rs, 0	Copy register
not rd, rs	xori rd, rs, -1	One's complement
neg rd, rs	sub rd, x0, rs	Two's complement
negw rd, rs	subw rd, x0, rs	Two's complement word
sext.w rd, rs	addiw rd, rs, 0	Sign extend word
seqz rd, rs	sltiu rd, rs, 1	Set if = zero
snez rd, rs	sltu rd, x0, rs	Set if ≠ zero
sltz rd, rs	slt rd, rs, x0	Set if < zero
sgtz rd, rs	slt rd, x0, rs	Set if > zero
fmv.s rd, rs	fsgnj.s rd, rs, rs	Copy single-precision register
fabs.s rd, rs	fsgnjx.s rd, rs, rs	Single-precision absolute value
fneg.s rd, rs	fsgnjn.s rd, rs, rs	Single-precision negate
fmv.d rd, rs	fsgnj.d rd, rs, rs	Copy double-precision register
fabs.d rd, rs	fsgnjx.d rd, rs, rs	Double-precision absolute value
fneg.d rd, rs	fsgnjn.d rd, rs, rs	Double-precision negate
beqz rs, offset	beq rs, x0, offset	Branch if = zero
bnez rs, offset	bne rs, x0, offset	Branch if ≠ zero
blez rs, offset	bge x0, rs, offset	Branch if ≤ zero
bgez rs, offset	bge rs, x0, offset	Branch if ≥ zero
bltz rs, offset	blt rs, x0, offset	Branch if < zero
bgtz rs, offset	blt x0, rs, offset	Branch if > zero
bgt rs, rt, offset	blt rt, rs, offset	Branch if >
ble rs, rt, offset	bge rt, rs, offset	Branch if ≤
bgtu rs, rt, offset	bltu rt, rs, offset	Branch if >, unsigned
bleu rs, rt, offset	bgeu rt, rs, offset	Branch if ≤, unsigned
j offset	jal x0, offset	Jump
jal offset	jal x1, offset	Jump and link
jr rs	jalr x0, rs, 0	Jump register
jalr rs	jalr x1, rs, 0	Jump and link register
ret	jalr x0, x1, 0	Return from subroutine
call offset	auipc x1, offset[31:12] jalr x1, x1, offset[11:0]	Call far-away subroutine
tail offset	auipc x6, offset[31:12] jalr x0, x6, offset[11:0]	Tail call far-away subroutine
fence	fence iorw, iorw	Fence on all memory and I/O

Example of a RISC-V assembler program



```
.text                                /* executable code follows */
.global _start

_start:

    la    x16, 0x10000010            /* green LED base address */
    la    x15, 0x10000040            /* slider switch base address */
    la    x17, 0x10000050            /* pushbutton KEY base address */
    la    x19, LEDG_bits
    lw     x6, 0(x19)                /* load pattern for LEDG lights */

DO_DISPLAY:
    lw     x4, 0(x15)                /* load slider (DIP) switches */
    lw     x5, 0(x17)                /* load pushbuttons */
    beq    x5, x0, NO_BUTTON
    mv     x6, x4                    /* use SW values on LEDG */
    add    a0, zero, x4
    add    a1, zero, 8
    jal    ra, rotl
    add    x4, a0, zero
    or     x6, x6, x4
    add    a0, zero, x4
    add    a1, zero, 8
    jal    ra, rotl
```

Program
zone

Section 1:
main

Example of a RISC-V assembler program



```
add    x4, a0, zero
or     x6, x6, x4
add    a0, zero, x4
add    a1, zero, 8
jal    ra, rotl
add    x4, a0, zero
or     x6, x6, x4
```

WAIT:

```
lw     x5, 0(x17)      /* load pushbuttons */
bne    x5, x0, WAIT    /* wait for button release */
```

NO_BUTTON:

```
sw     x6, 0(x16)      /* store to LEDG */
add    a0, zero, x6
add    a1, zero, 1
jal    ra, rotl
add    x6, a0, zero
li     x7, 150000       /* delay counter */
```

DELAY:

```
addi   x7, x7, -1
bne    x7, x0, DELAY
j      DO_DISPLAY
```

Program
zone

Section 1:
main

Example of a RISC-V assembler program



rotl:

```
sll    a2, a0, a1
sub    a4, zero, a1
srl    a3, a0, a4
or     a0, a2, a3
ret
```

```
.data
LEDG_bits:
.word 0x0F0F0F0F

.end
```

/* data follows */

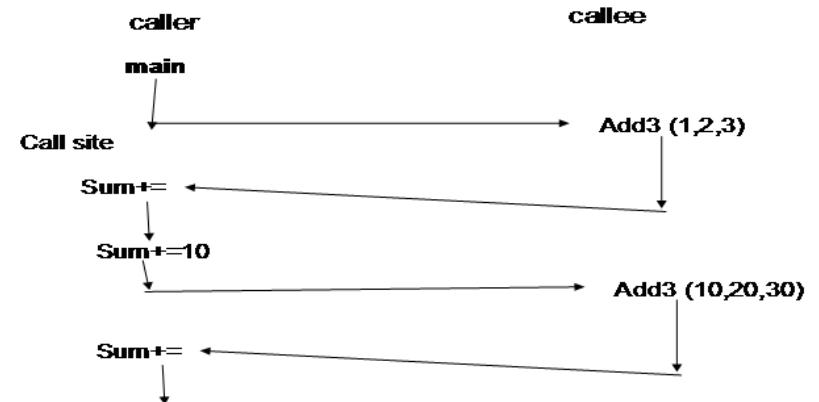
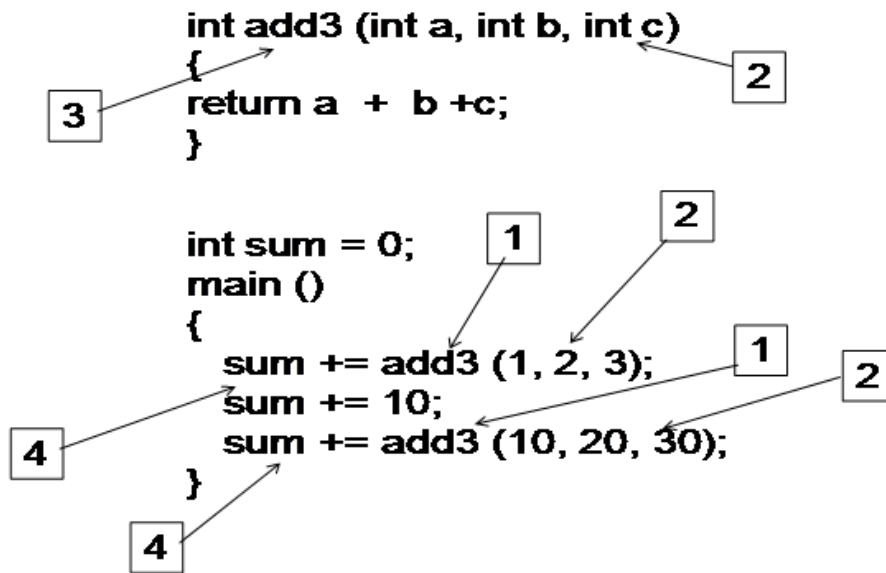
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Section 2:
subroutine

Data
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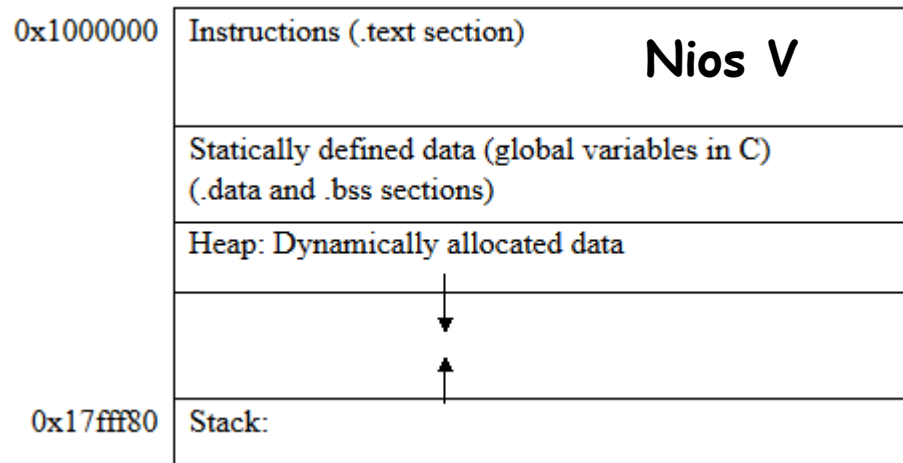
Subroutines





Stack

- LIFO data structure
- Stack Pointer: $sp \leftarrow 0x017fff80$
- li sp, 0x017fff80





Stack

- Operations:

- Push

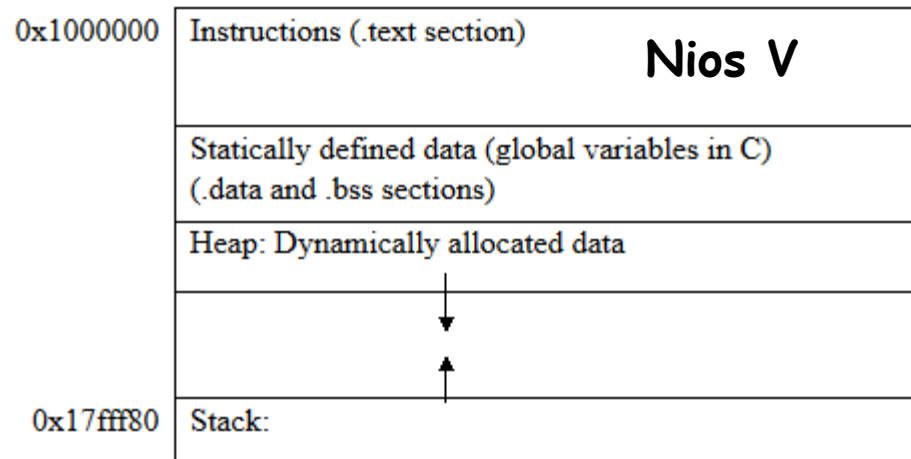
- » `sw r31, 0(sp)`

- » `addi sp, sp, -4`

- Pop

- » `addi sp, sp, 4`

- » `lw r31, 0(sp)`



Example

sp →	0x6fff0	01	02	03	04
	0x6fff4	10	20	30	40
	0x6fff8	11	22	33	44
	0x6fffc	55	66	77	88

`lw r9, 8(sp) -> r9 <- Mem32[sp+8] = 0x44332211`

`lb r10, 0xd(sp) -> r10 <- Mem8[sp+0xd]=0x66`



Subroutines in assembler

```
.org 0x1000
```

```
boo:
```

```
    call coo
```

```
    ...
```

```
coo:
```

```
    ret
```

Calling to a
subroutine:

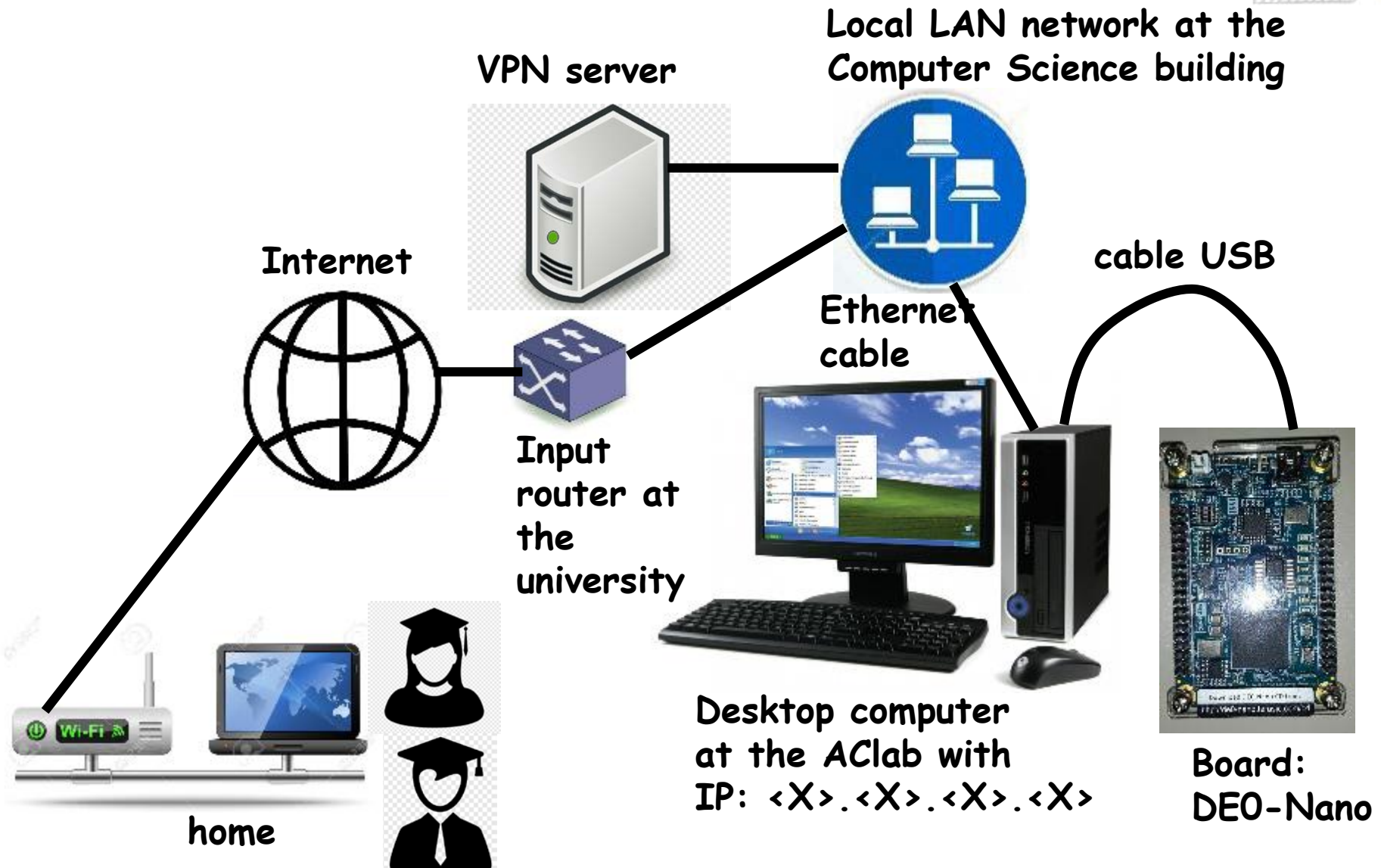
$x1 = PC + 4$

$PC = coo$

Return from a subroutine,
equivalent to: $j\ x1$:

$PC = x1$

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Hardware framework for Nios V/m



Quartus Prime Standard 23.1 Design Suite

Compilation Report - "NiosV/m"

Top-level Entity Name	DEO_Nano_Basic_Computer	← SoC
→ Family	Cyclone IV E	
Device	EP4CE22F17C6	
Timing Models	Final	
→ Total logic elements	7,829 / 22,320 (35 %)	
Total registers	4118	
Total pins	95 / 154 (62 %)	
Total virtual pins	0	
→ Total memory bits	135,808 / 608,256 (22 %)	
Embedded Mul. 9-bit ele	0 / 132 (0 %)	
Total PLLs	1 / 4 (25 %)	
→ FMAX (slow Model)	119.33 MHz	

Hardware framework for Nios V/g

Quartus Prime Standard 23.1 Design Suite

Compilation Report - "NiosV/g"

	Top-level Entity Name	DEO_Nano_Basic_Computer	← SoC
→	Family	Cyclone IV E	
	Device	EP4CE22F17C6	
	Timing Models	Final	
→	Total logic elements	11,409 / 22,320 (51 %)	
	Total registers	6357	
	Total pins	95 / 154 (62 %)	
	Total virtual pins	0	
→	Total memory bits	207,504 / 608,256 (34 %)	
	Embedded Mul. 9-bit ele	8 / 132 (6 %)	
	Total PLLs	1 / 4 (25 %)	
→	FMAX (slow Model)	91.22 MHz	

Part I: executing an example program



**Nios V Command Shell
(Quartus Prime 23.1std)**

```
Administrador: Nios V Command Shell (Quartus Prime 23.1std)
Entering Nios V shell
Microsoft Windows [Versión 10.0.19045.5011]
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[niosv-shell] C:\altera\23.1std> _
```

**Terasic FPGA-based
DE0-Nano board**





Software framework

Nios V Command Shell
(Quartus Prime Standard 23.1 Design Suite)

Main commands:

BSP project

```
$ cd <BSP directory>
```

```
$ bash
```

```
$ niosv-bsp.exe -c -t=hal -s=<*.sopcinfo> settings.bsp
```

```
|  
|--> output: settings.bsp
```

*Platform Designer 23.1
designs the soft SoC system*





niosv-bsp.exe command

```
dbenitez@DESKTOP-928IF1H:/mnt/c/altera/12.1sp1/University_Program/NiosII_Computer_Systems/DE0-Nano/DE0-Nano_Basic_Computer_NiosVm/verilog/software/niosv/ACpracticalniosv/lab1_bsp$ niosv-bsp.exe -c -t=hal -s=../../../../../nios_system.sopcinfo settings.bsp
2024.10.28.10:27:41 Info: Searching for BSP components with category: os_software_element
2024.10.28.10:27:41 Info: Creating BSP settings.
2024.10.28.10:27:41 Info: Initializing SOPC project local software IP
2024.10.28.10:27:41 Info: Finished initializing SOPC project local software IP. Total time taken = 2 seconds
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Searching for BSP components with category: driver_element
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Searching for BSP components with category: software_package_element
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Loading drivers from ensemble report.
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Finished loading drivers from ensemble report.
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Evaluating default script "c:\altera\23.1std\quartus\..\niosv\scripts\bsp-defaults\bsp-set-defaults.tcl".
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Tcl message: "STDIO character device is JTAG_UART"
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Tcl message: "System timer device is intel_niosv_m_0"
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Tcl message: "Default linker sections mapped to Onchip_memory_SRAM"
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Tcl message: "No bootloader located at the reset address."
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Tcl message: "Application ELF allowed to contain code at the reset address."
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Tcl message: "The alt_load() facility is enabled."
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Tcl message: "The .rwddata section is copied into RAM by alt_load()."
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Saving BSP settings file.
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Default memory regions will not be persisted in BSP Settings File.
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Generated file "C:\altera\12.1sp1\University_Program\NiosII_Computer_Systems\DE0-Nano\DE0-Nano_Basic_Computer_NiosVm\verilog\software\niosv\ACpracticalniosv\lab1_bsp\settings.bsp"
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Generating BSP files in "C:\altera\12.1sp1\University_Program\NiosII_Computer_Systems\DE0-Nano\DE0-Nano_Basic_Computer_NiosVm\verilog\software\niosv\ACpracticalniosv\lab1_bsp"
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Default memory regions will not be persisted in BSP Settings File.
2024.10.28.10:27:42 Info: Generated file "C:\altera\12.1sp1\University_Program\NiosII_Computer_Systems\DE0-Nano\DE0-Nano_Basic_Computer_NiosVm\verilog\software\niosv\ACpracticalniosv\lab1_bsp\settings.bsp"
2024.10.28.10:27:44 Info: Finished generating BSP files. Total time taken = 2 seconds
```



Software framework

Nios V Command Shell
(Quartus Prime Standard 23.1 Design Suite)

Main commands:

C program project

\$ cd <source code directory>

\$ niosv-app.exe -a=. -b=<BSP directory> -s=<*.c> output: CMakeLists.txt

C source code



Makefile

\$ cmake -S . -G "Unix Makefiles" -B build

|

|--> output: build directory and Makefile

\$ make -C build --> output: <*.elf>, executable file



Software framework

Nios V Command Shell
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Main commands:



C compiling

```
$ riscv32-unknown-elf-gcc.exe -I<include dir.> -c <*.c> -o <*.obj>
```

Assembling

```
$ riscv32-unknown-elf-as.exe <*.s> -o <*.s.obj> --> output:  
<*.s.obj>
```

 RISC-V source code

Linking

```
$ riscv32-unknown-elf-ld.exe -g -o <*.elf> -T linker.x -nostdlib -e  
_start -u _start <*.s.obj> --> output: <*.elf>
```



Software framework

Nios V Command Shell
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Main commands:

Dumping

```
$ riscv32-unknown-elf-objdump.exe -Sdtx <*.elf> > <*.elf.objdump>
|
|--> output: <*.elf.objdump>
```

Reporting

```
$ niosv-stack-report.exe -p riscv32-unknown-elf- <*.elf>
```


riscv32-unknown-elf-objdump.exe



```

3 lab1_part1.elf
4 architecture: riscv:rv32, flags 0x00000112:
5 EXEC_P, HAS_SYMS, D_PAGED
6 start address 0x08000000
7
8 Program Header:
9 0x70000003 off 0x000010b8 vaddr 0x00000000 paddr 0x00000000 align 2**0
10     filesz 0x0000002e memsz 0x00000000 flags r--
11     LOAD off 0x00001000 vaddr 0x08000000 paddr 0x08000000 align 2**12
12     filesz 0x000000b4 memsz 0x000000b4 flags r-x
13     LOAD off 0x000010b4 vaddr 0x080000b4 paddr 0x080000b8 align 2**12
14     filesz 0x00000004 memsz 0x00000004 flags rw-
15     LOAD off 0x000000bc vaddr 0x080000bc paddr 0x080000bc align 2**12
16     filesz 0x00000000 memsz 0x00000000 flags rw-
17
18 Sections:
19 Idx Name      Size      VMA      LMA      File off  Algn
20 0 .exceptions 00000000 08000000 08000000 000010b8 2**0
21     CONTENTS
22 1 .text      000000b4 08000000 08000000 00001000 2**2
23     CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, CODE
24 2 .rodata    00000000 080000b4 080000bc 000010b8 2**0
25     CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
26 3 .rwdata    00000004 080000b4 080000b8 000010b4 2**0
27     CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
28 4 .bss       00000000 080000bc 080000bc 000010bc 2**0
29     ALLOC
30 5 .onchip_memory_SRAM 00000000 080000bc 080000bc 000010b8 2**0
31     CONTENTS
32 6 .onchip_memory 00000000 09000020 09000020 000010b8 2**0
33     CONTENTS
34 7 .riscv.attributes 0000002e 00000000 00000000 000010b8 2**0
35     CONTENTS, READONLY
36
37 SYMBOL TABLE:
38 08000000 l d .exceptions 00000000 .exceptions
39 08000000 l d .text 00000000 .text
40 080000b4 l d .rodata 00000000 .rodata
41 080000bc l d .bss 00000000 .bss
42 080000bc l d .onchip_memory_SRAM 00000000 .onchip_memory_SRAM
43 09000020 l d .onchip_memory 00000000 .onchip_memory
44 00000000 l d .riscv.attributes 00000000 .riscv.attributes
45 00000000 l df *ABS* 00000000 lab1_part1.s.obj
46 080000b4 l .rwdata 00000000 LEDG_bits
47 08000024 l .text 00000000 DO_DISPLAY
48 08000078 l .text 00000000 NO_BUTTON

```

```

67
68 Disassembly of section .text:
69
70 08000000 <_start>:
71 8000000: 10000837      lui a6,0x10000
72 8000004: 01080813      addi a6,a6,16 # 10000010 <__alt_mem_Onchip_memory+0x70000010>
73 8000008: 100007b7      lui a5,0x10000
74 800000c: 04078793      addi a5,a5,64 # 10000040 <__alt_mem_Onchip_memory+0x70000040>
75 8000010: 100008b7      lui a7,0x10000
76 8000014: 05088893      addi a7,a7,80 # 10000050 <__alt_mem_Onchip_memory+0x70000050>
77 8000018: 00000997      auipc s3,0x0
78 800001c: 09c98993      addi s3,s3,156 # 80000b4 <__tdata_end>
79 8000020: 0009a303      lw t1,0(s3)
80
81 08000024 <DO_DISPLAY>:
82 8000024: 0007a203      lw tp,0(a5)
83 8000028: 0008a283      lw t0,0(a7)
84 800002c: 04028663      beqz t0,8000078 <NO_BUTTON>
85 8000030: 00020313      mv t1,tp
86 8000034: 00400533      add a0,zero,tp
87 8000038: 00800593      li a1,8
88 800003c: 064000ef      jal ra,80000a0 <rotl>
89 8000040: 00050233      add tp,a0,zero
90 8000044: 00436333      or t1,t1,tp
91 8000048: 00400533      add a0,zero,tp
92 800004c: 00800593      li a1,8
93 8000050: 050000ef      jal ra,80000a0 <rotl>
94 8000054: 00050233      add tp,a0,zero
95 8000058: 00436333      or t1,t1,tp
96 800005c: 00400533      add a0,zero,tp
97 8000060: 00800593      li a1,8
98 8000064: 03c000ef      jal ra,80000a0 <rotl>
99 8000068: 00050233      add tp,a0,zero
100 800006c: 00436333      or t1,t1,tp
101
102 08000070 <WAIT>:
103 8000070: 0008a283      lw t0,0(a7)
104 8000074: fe029ee3      bnez t0,8000070 <WAIT>
105
106 08000078 <NO_BUTTON>:
107 8000078: 00682023      sw t1,0(a6)
108 800007c: 00600533      add a0,zero,t1
109 8000080: 00100593      li a1,1
110 8000084: 01c000ef      jal ra,80000a0 <rotl>
111 8000088: 00050333      add t1,a0,zero
112 800008c: 000253b7      lui t2,0x25
113 8000090: 9f038393      addi t2,t2,-1552 # 249f0 <_start-0x7fdb610>
114

```



niosv-stack-report.exe

```
dbenitez@DESKTOP-928IF1H:/mnt/c/altera/12.1sp1/University_Program/NiosII_Computer_Systems/DE0-Nano/DE0-Nano_Basic_Computer_NiosVm/verilog/software/niosv/ACpracticalniosv/lab1_bin$ make
riscv32-unknown-elf-ld.exe -g -T ../practical1_esp/linker.x -nostdlib -e _start -u _start --defsym __alt_stack_pointer=0x08001F00 --defsym __alt_stack_base=0x08002000 --defsym __alt_heap_limit=0x08002000 --defsym __alt_heap_start=0x08002000 -o lab1_part1.elf lab1_part1.s.obj
riscv32-unknown-elf-ld.exe: warning: lab1_part1.elf has a LOAD segment with RWX permissions
niosv-stack-report.exe -p riscv32-unknown-elf- lab1_part1.elf
lab1_part1.elf
* 184 B - Program size (code + initialized data).
* 256 B - Free for stack.
* 0 B - Free for heap.
riscv32-unknown-elf-objdump.exe -Sdtx lab1_part1.elf > lab1_part1.elf.objdump
riscv32-unknown-elf-objcopy.exe -O binary lab1_part1.elf lab1_part1.hex
```



Software framework

Nios V Command Shell
(Quartus Prime Standard 23.1 Design Suite)

Main commands:

Verify USB connection is established between PC and DE0-Nano
`$jtagconfig.exe`

1) USB-Blaster [USB-0]
020F30DD 10CL025(Y|Z)/EP3C25/EP4CE22

Configuring FPGA of real board DE0-Nano
`$ quartus_pgm.exe -c 1 -m JTAG -o "p;<*.sof>@1"`

Downloading executable program to RAM memory
`$ niosv-download.exe -g <*.elf>`

Output messages on terminal
`$ juart-terminal.exe --> output: "Hello from Nios V, I am alive !!!"`



niosv-download.exe

```
dbenitez@DESKTOP-928IF1H:/mnt/c/altera/12.1sp1/University_Program/NiosII_Computer_Systems/DE0-Nano/DE0-Nano_Basic_Computer_NiosVm/verilog/software/niosv/ACpracticalniosv/lab1_bin$ quartus_pgm.exe -c 1 -m JTAG -o "p;../../../../DE0_Nano_Basic_Computer.sof@1"
Info: *****
Info: Running Quartus Prime Programmer
Info: Version 23.1std.0 Build 991 11/28/2023 SC Standard Edition
Info: Copyright (C) 2023 Intel Corporation. All rights reserved.
Info: Your use of Intel Corporation's design tools, logic functions
Info: and other software and tools, and any partner logic
Info: functions, and any output files from any of the foregoing
Info: (including device programming or simulation files), and any
Info: associated documentation or information are expressly subject
Info: to the terms and conditions of the Intel Program License
Info: Subscription Agreement, the Intel Quartus Prime License Agreement,
Info: the Intel FPGA IP License Agreement, or other applicable license
Info: agreement, including, without limitation, that your use is for
Info: the sole purpose of programming logic devices manufactured by
Info: Intel and sold by Intel or its authorized distributors. Please
Info: refer to the applicable agreement for further details, at
Info: https://fpgasoftware.intel.com/eula.
Info: Processing started: Mon Oct 28 11:06:19 2024
Info: Command: quartus_pgm -c 1 -m JTAG -o p;../../../../DE0_Nano_Basic_Computer.sof@1
Info (213045): Using programming cable "USB-Blaster [USB-0]"
Info (213011): Using programming file ../../../../../../DE0_Nano_Basic_Computer.sof with checksum 0x005DE1F1 for device EP4CE2
2F17@1
Info (209060): Started Programmer operation at Mon Oct 28 11:06:20 2024
Info (209016): Configuring device index 1
Info (209017): Device 1 contains JTAG ID code 0x020F30DD
Info (209007): Configuration succeeded -- 1 device(s) configured
Info (209011): Successfully performed operation(s)
Info (209061): Ended Programmer operation at Mon Oct 28 11:06:22 2024
Info: Quartus Prime Programmer was successful. 0 errors, 0 warnings
Info: Peak virtual memory: 4446 megabytes
Info: Processing ended: Mon Oct 28 11:06:22 2024
Info: Elapsed time: 00:00:03
Info: Total CPU time (on all processors): 00:00:00
dbenitez@DESKTOP-928IF1H:/mnt/c/altera/12.1sp1/University_Program/NiosII_Computer_Systems/DE0-Nano/DE0-Nano_Basic_Computer_NiosVm/verilog/software/niosv/ACpracticalniosv/lab1_bin$
```



LEDs turning on and off





Part II: Designing a simple program

**Nios V Command Shell
(Quartus Prime 23.1std)**

```
Administrador: Nios V Command Shell (Quartus Prime 23.1std)
Entering Nios V shell
Microsoft Windows [Versión 10.0.19045.5011]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. Todos los derechos reservados.
[niosv-shell] C:\altera\23.1std> _
```

**Terasic FPGA-based
DE0-Nano board**



RISC-V example assembler program

lab1_part2.s

```
.text /* executable code follows */

.global _start
_start:

/* initialize base addresses of parallel ports */
la x15, RESULT /* x15: point to the start of data section */
lw x16, 4(x15) /* x16: counter, initialized with n */
addi x17, x16, 8 /* x17: point to the first number */
lw x18, (x17) /* x18: largest number found */

LOOP:
addi x16, x16, -1 /* Decrement the counter */
beq x16, zero, DONE /* Finished if r5 is equal to 0 */
addi x17, x17, 4 /* Increment the list pointer */
lw x19, (x17) /* Get the next number */
bge x18, x19, LOOP /* Check if larger number found */
add x18, x19, zero /* Update the largest number found */
j LOOP

DONE:
sw x18, (x15) /* Store the largest number into RESULT */

STOP:
j STOP /* Remain here if done */

.data /* software variables follow */

RESULT:
.skip 4 /* Space for the largest number found */

N:
.word 7 /* Number of entries in the list */

NUMBERS:
.word 4, 5, 3, 6, 1, 8, 2 /* Numbers in the list */

.end
```

Figure 7: Example of RISC-V program for the Nios V/m soft processor.



Open On-Chip Debugger (OpenOCD)

Terminal-1: OpenOCD

```
$ sh
$ openocd-cfg-gen ./niosv.cfg
$ openocd -f ./niosv.cfg
```

Terminal-2: Compile, link and configure

```
$ cd lab1_part2
$ sh
# compiling and link
$ make
# configuring the FPGA
$ make configure
```

Terminal-3: GDB debugger

```
$ cd lab1_part2
$ sh
$ riscv32-unknown-elf-gdb
(gdb) target extended-remote localhost:3333
(gdb) file lab1_part2.elf
(gdb) load
(gdb) info registers
```




Question 1

Question 1.

Examine the disassembled code of the `lab1_part2.elf` file (see `lab1_part2.elf.objdump` file). Note the difference in comparison with the original source code. Make sure that you understand the meaning of each instruction. Observe also that your program was loaded into memory locations with the starting address `0x08000000`. These addresses correspond to the on-chip SRAM memory, which was selected when specifying the system parameters.

Note that the pseudoinstruction `la x15, RESULT` in the original source code has been replaced with two machine instructions, `auipc a5,0x0` and `addi a5,a5,56`, which load the 32-bit address `RESULT` into register `a5` in two parts. `auipc a5,0x0` initializes the `a5` register to the current value of the PC register: `0x08000000`. `addi a5,a5,56` adds `56 = 0x38` to the `a5` register. The register `x5` is named `a5`.

- Examine the disassembled code to see the difference in comparison with the original source program. Make sure that you understand the meaning of each instruction.



Question 2

Remove the breakpoint. Then, set the Program Counter to 0x8000008, which will bypass the first two instructions which load the address `RESULT` into register `a5`. Also, set the value in register `a5` to 0x8000004. Run the program.

Terminal-3: GDB debugger

```
(gdb) b *0x80000034
(gdb) continue
(gdb) info registers
```

Question 2.

What will be the result of this execution?