CSCI 2321 (Computer Design), Spring 2019 Homework 8

Credit: 15 points.

1 Reading

Be sure you have read, or at least skimmed, Chapter 4 up through section 4.4.

2 Problems

Answer the following questions. You may write out your answers by hand or using a word processor or other program, but please submit hard copy, either in class or in one of my mailboxes (outside my office or in the ASO).

- 1. (15 points) For this problem your mission is to describe what changes, if any, would be needed to the single-cycle implementation sketched in Figure 4.24 to allow it to execute additional instructions:
 - Would you need additional logic blocks or state elements? If so, what? Please be as detailed as you can; you may want to make a copy of Figure 4.24 and mark it up.
 - Would you need additional control signals?
 - What values would be needed for the existing control signals and any new ones? ("Existing control signals" here refers to the outputs of the logic blocks labeled Control and ALU control.)

Hint: It might be helpful to think about what had to be added to Figure 4.17 to have it support j (Figure 4.24).

Instructions to add:

- (a) The existing instruction bne.
- (b) A hypothetical instruction lwi (for "load word indexed") that loads a word from a memory location obtained by adding the contents of two registers. This would be an R-format instruction that in assembly language would look like

lwi rd,rs(rt)

where **rs**, **rt**, and **rd** are register numbers, and the result of executing the instruction would be to load into register **rd** the word obtained from data memory at the address given by adding the contents of registers **rs** and **rt**. For simplicity,¹assume that this instruction has its own distinct opcode, rather than having an opcode of 0 like the other R-format instructions. (Credit where credit is due: This question was inspired by problem 4.2 in the textbook.)

¹ I'm not sure this is even doable with an opcode of 0!

3 Honor Code Statement

Include the Honor Code pledge or just the word "pledged", plus at least one of the following about collaboration and help (as many as apply).² Text in *italics* is explanatory or something for you to fill in. For programming assignments, this should go in the body of the e-mail or in a plain-text file honor-code.txt (no word-processor files please).

- This assignment is entirely my own work. (Here, "entirely my own work" means that it's your own work except for anything you got from the assignment itself some programming assignments include "starter code", for example or from the course Web site. In particular, for programming assignments you can copy freely from anything on the "sample programs page".)
- I worked with *names of other students* on this assignment.
- I got help with this assignment from source of help ACM tutoring, another student in the course, the instructor, etc. (Here, "help" means significant help, beyond a little assistance with tools or compiler errors.)
- I got help from outside source a book other than the textbook (give title and author), a Web site (give its URL), etc.. (Here too, you only need to mention significant help — you don't need to tell me that you looked up an error message on the Web, but if you found an algorithm or a code sketch, tell me about that.)
- I provided help to names of students on this assignment. (And here too, you only need to tell me about significant help.)

4 Essay

Include a brief essay (a sentence or two is fine, though you can write as much as you like) telling me what about the assignment you found interesting, difficult, or otherwise noteworthy. For programming assignments, it should go in the body of the e-mail or in a plain-text file essay.txt (no word-processor files please).

 $^{^2}$ Credit where credit is due: I based the wording of this list on a posting to a SIGCSE mailing list. SIGCSE is the ACM's Special Interest Group on CS Education.