CHAPTER 5

Computer Organization

(Solutions to Odd-Numbered Problems)

Review Questions

- 1. The three subsystems are the central processing unit (CPU), the main memory, and the input/output.
- 3. The ALU performs arithmetic and logical operations.
- 5. The main memory stores data and programs when the program is being executed.
- The cache memory provides the CPU with fast access to part of data stored in main memory.
- 9. The surface of a magnetic disk is divided into circular rings called tracks. Each track is divided into sections called sectors. The width of a magnetic tape is divided into 9 tracks. The length of the tape may be divided into blocks.
- 11. An SCSI (small computer system interface) controller is a parallel interface that provides a daisy chain connection between devices and the buses. The FireWire interface is a high speed serial interface that transfers data in packets. It can use a daisy chain or tree configuration. USB is a serial controller that connects both low and high-speed devices to the computer bus. Multiple devices can be connected to a USB controller.
- 13. In the programmed I/O method, the CPU waits for the I/O device. A lot of CPU time is wasted by checking for the status of an I/O operation. In the interrupt-driven I/O method, the I/O device informs the CPU of its status via an interrupt. In direct memory access (DMA), the CPU sends its I/O requests to the DMA control-ler which manages the entire transaction.
- 15. Pipelining allows different types of phases belonging to different cycles to be done simultaneously. Pipelining can increase the throughput of the computer.

Multiple-Choice Questions

17. a	19. a	21. d	23. c	25. b	27. a
29. b	31. b	33. b	35. c	37. c	39. a

Exercises

- 41. We have 64 MB /(4 bytes per word) = 16 Mega words = $16 \times 2^{20} = 2^4 \times 2^{20} = 2^{24}$ words. Therefore, we need 24 bits to access memory words.
- 43. We need 4 bits to determine the instruction $(2^4 = 16)$. We need 4 bits to address a register $(2^4 = 16)$. We need 10 bits to address a word in memory $(2^{10} = 1024)$. The size of the instruction is therefore (4 + 4 + 10) or 18 bits.
- 45. The instruction register must be at least 18 bits (See solution to Exercise 43).
- 47. The data bus must be wide enough to carry the contents of one word in the memory. Therefore, it must be 18 bits (See Solution to Exercise 43).
- 49. The control bus should handle all instructions. The minimum size of the control bus is therefore 4 bits $(\log_2 16)$ (See Solution to Exercise 43).
- 51. The address bus uses 10 lines which means that it can address $2^{10} = 1024$ words. Since the memory is made of 1000 words and the system uses shared (memory-mapped I/O) addressing, 1024 - 1000 = 24 words are available for I/O controllers. If each controller has 4 registers, then 24/4 = 6 controllers can be accessed in this system.
- 53. Program S5-53 shows the instruction codes, the first column is not part of the code; it contains instruction addresses for reference. We type A on the keyboard. The program reads and stores it as we press the ENTER key.

(00) ₁₆	(1FFE) ₁₆	// $R_F \leftarrow M_{FE},$ Input A from keyboard to R_F
(01) ₁₆	(240F) ₁₆	// $M_{40} \leftarrow R_F$, Store A in M_{40}
(02) ₁₆	(1040) ₁₆	// $\mathbf{M}_{40} \leftarrow \mathbf{R}_0,$ Load A from \mathbf{M}_{40} to \mathbf{R}_0
(03) ₁₆	(A000) ₁₆	// $\mathbf{R_0} \leftarrow \mathbf{R_0} + 1$, Increment A
(04) ₁₆	(A000) ₁₆	// $\mathbf{R_0} \leftarrow \mathbf{R_0} + 1$, Increment A
(05) ₁₆	(A000) ₁₆	// $\mathbf{R_0} \leftarrow \mathbf{R_0} + 1$, Increment A
(06) ₁₆	(2410) ₁₆	// $M_{41} \leftarrow R_0$, Store The result in M_{41}
(07) ₁₆	(1F41) ₁₆	// $R_F \leftarrow M_{41},$ Load the result to R_F
(08) ₁₆	(2FFF) ₁₆	// $\mathbf{M}_{FF} \leftarrow \mathbf{R}_{F}$, Send the result to the monitor
(09) ₁₆	(0000) ₁₆	// Halt

Program S5-53

55. Program S5-55 shows the instructions. The first column is not part of the code; it contains the instruction addresses for reference. First, we type 0 and *n* (*n* has a minimum value of 2) from the key board. The program reads and stores them in registers R_0 and R_1 as we press the ENTER key. We then type the first number and

press ENTER. The program stores the first number in register R_2 . The program then decrements R_1 twice. We type the second number which is stored in register R_3 . The program adds the content of R_2 and R_3 and stores the result in register R_2 . The program then compares the value of R_1 with R_0 , If they are the same, it displays the result on the monitor and halts; otherwise, it jumps back to the second decrement statement and continues (instruction 04).

Program S5-55 Program for Exercise 55

(00) ₁₆	(10FE) ₁₆	// $R_F \leftarrow M_{FE},$ Input 0 from keyboard to R_0
(01) ₁₆	(11FE) ₁₆	// $\mathbf{R_F} \leftarrow \mathbf{M_{FE}}$, Input <i>n</i> from keyboard to $\mathbf{R_1}$
(02) ₁₆	(12FE) ₁₆	// $R_F \leftarrow M_{FE},$ Input the first number to R_2
(03) ₁₆	(B100) ₁₆	// $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - 1$ Decrement R_1
(04) ₁₆	(B100) ₁₆	// $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 - 1$ Decrement R_1
(05) ₁₆	(13FE) ₁₆	// $R_F \leftarrow M_{FE},$ Input the next number to R_3
(06) ₁₆	(3223) ₁₆	// $\mathbf{R}_2 \leftarrow \mathbf{R}_2 + \mathbf{R}_3$ Add \mathbf{R}_3 to \mathbf{R}_2 and store in \mathbf{R}_2
(07) ₁₆	(D104) ₁₆	// If $R0 \neq R1$ the PC = 04, otherwise continue
(08) ₁₆	(2FF2) ₁₆	// $M_{FF} \leftarrow R_2,$ Send the result to the monitor
(09) ₁₆	(0000) ₁₆	// Halt