

Object Oriented Programming With A Limited Instruction Set

SSBC Version 5 Revision 0 (Abstract RTN)

Processor State:

PC<15..0>: Program Counter
 SP<15..0>: Stack Pointer
 MR<15..0>: Memory Register
 Ri<7..0>: Register i (0 ≤ i ≤ 3)
 IR<7..0>: Instruction Register
 Z: 1-bit Zero Flag
 N: 1-bit Negative Flag
 fault: 1-bit Fault Indicator
 halt: 1-bit Halt Indicator
 Reset: Rest Signal

Main Memory:

MEM[0..2¹⁶-1]<7..0>

Instruction Format:

opcode<3..0> := IR<3..0>

Operands/Address:

ii<7..0> := MEM[PC]
 s1<7..0> := MEM[SP+1]
 s2<7..0> := MEM[SP+2]
 ext<15..0> := MEM[PC]#MEM[PC+1]

Program Status Word:

PSW<7..0> := Z#N#6#0:

Instruction Interpretation:

Ins_interpretation := (Reset → (PC ← 0x0; SP ← 0xFFFF; halt ← 0x0;
 Fault ← 0x0; ins_interpretation): (NOT Reset) and (NOT Fault) →
 (IR ← MEM[PC]; set_fault; (NOT Fault) → (PC ← PC+1; ins_exe));

Fault Detection:

Set_fault := fault ← NOT (0 ≤ opcode ≤ 0xA)

Instruction Execution:

Ins_exe := (
 Noop (:= opcode=0) → PC ← PC+1;
 Halt (:= opcode=1) → halt ← 0x1;
 Pushimm (:= opcode=2) → MEM[SP] ← ii; (SP ← SP-1; PC ← PC+1);
 Pushext (:= opcode=3) → MEM[SP] ← MEM[ext];
 (SP ← SP-1; PC ← PC+2);
 Popinh (:= opcode=4) → SP ← SP+1;
 Popext (:= opcode=5) → MEM[ext] ← s1; (SP ← SP+1; PC ← PC+2);
 Jnz (:= opcode=6) → (NOT Z) → PC ← ext;
 Jnn (:= opcode=7) → (NOT N) → PC ← ext;
 Add (:= opcode=8) → MEM[SP+2] ← s1+s2;
 (Z ← NOT (R2<7> OR R2<6> .. OR R2<0>); N ← R2<7>; SP ← SP+1;
 Sub (:= opcode=9) → MEM[SP+2] ← s1-s2;
 (Z ← NOT (R2<7> OR R2<6> .. OR R2<0>); N ← R2<7>; SP ← SP+1;
 Nor (:= opcode=10) → MEM[SP+2] ← s1 NOR s2; SP ← SP+1;
); ins_interpretation);

Memory Map:

PSW mapped to 0xFFFFB
 Port A (read only) mapped to 0xFFFFC
 Port B (read only) mapped to 0xFFFFD
 Port C (read only) mapped to 0xFFFFE
 Port D (read only) mapped to 0xFFFFF

Notation:

→ if-then: true condition on left yields value and/or Action on right
 ← Register transfer: register on LHS stores value from RHS
 : Parallel Separator: actions or evaluations carried out simultaneously
 ; Sequential Separator: RHS evaluated and/or performed after LHS
 := Definition: text substitution

Description

What is SSBC?

The SSBC is a simple stack based computer. It is an 8 bit computer with a 16 bit address space and an 11 opcode instruction set.

What is the SSBC Compiler?

The SSBC Compiler is a compiler that takes a high level language with object oriented features such as C++ and compiles it into SSBC machine code.

Why is this significant?

By designing a compiler for the SSBC we are able to show that object oriented programming can be achieved on a stack based computer with a limited instruction set.

An example using a function pointer can be seen on the right. Top Right (C++) Bottom Right (SSBC)

Function Pointer Example (C++)

```
#include <iostream>

// Takes an integer and squares it
int square(int x) {
    return x*x;
}

int main() {
    // declare function pointer that
    // takes an integer as a parameter
    int (*calcSqrArea)(int);

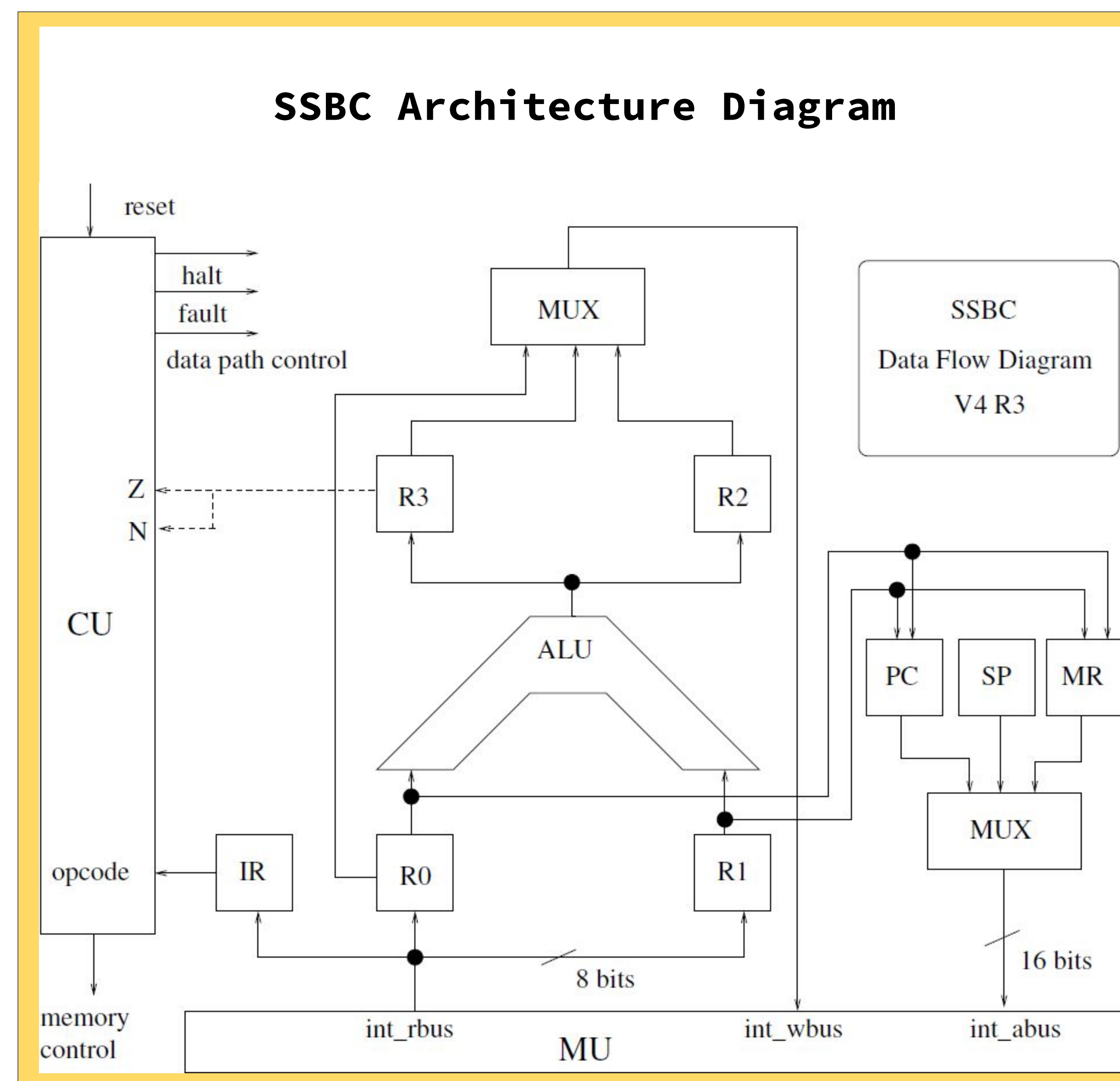
    // point function pointer at
    // square function
    calcSqrArea = &square;

    // calcSqrArea(2) has same functionality
    // as square(2)
    int area = calcSqrArea(2);

    std::cout << area << std::endl;

    return 0;
}
```

SSBC Architecture Diagram



Function Pointer Example (SSBC)

```
//point function pointer at
square function
00000010 pushimm
00000000 H:square
00000101 popext
00000000 calcSqrArea_HIGH
00101110
00000010 pushimm
00101111 L:square
00000101 popext
00101101 calcSqrArea_LOW
00101111

//compute calcSquareArea(2)
00000010 pushimm
00100010 L:return
00000010 pushimm
00000000 H:return
00000010 pushimm
00000010 2
00000010 pushimm
00000000 0
00000101 popext
11111111 PSW
11111011
00000011 pushext
00000000 calcSqrArea_HIGH
00101110
00000101 popext
00000000 jump_HIGH
00100010
00000011 pushext
00101101 calcSqrArea_LOW
00101111
00000101 popext
00000000 jump_LOW
00100011
00000110 jnz
00000000 jump_HIGH: 0
00000000 jump_LOW: 0

//return:
//save result to variable area
00000101 popext
00000000 area
00110000

//print value in area to port A
00000011 pushext
00000000 area
01110000
00001000 add
00000101 popext
11111111 portA
00000000 result
01110000
00000010 pushimm
11111111 -1
00000011 pushext
00000000 i
01101111
00001001 sub
00000000 calcSqrArea_HIGH: 0
00000000 calcSqrArea_LOW: 0
00000000 area: 0
01101111
00000010 pushimm
00000000 x
00000000 0
01101110
00000011 pushext
00000000 x
01101110
00000000 0
00000101 popext
00000000 i
00111111
00000000 square_return_HIGH
01101100
00000101 popext
00000000 square_return_LOW
01101110
00000011 pushext
00000000 result
01110000
00000110 jnz
00000000 square_return_HIGH
00000000 square_return_LOW

//reserve memory for square's
variables
00000000 x: 0
00000000 i: 0
00000000 result: 0

//return:
01100011
00000011 pushext
00000000 x
01101110
```