

A Configurable Open-Source RISC-V Processor

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Resumen:

Wally is an open-source RISC-V processor that is configurable, runs Linux, and is accompanied by detailed microarchitectural descriptions and figures in a forthcoming textbook: RISC-V System-on-Chip Design. These features make Wally ideal for both the classroom and research. Because its configurations range from a small rv32e embedded core up to a high-performance rv64gc core, Wally can be used in small, low-power systems or for performance-sensitive applications. Also, because Wally is accompanied by detailed descriptions of microarchitectural design choices, users may also expand or swap in other algorithms or design choices to optimize for power, performance, or area. We developed Wally to provide in-depth coverage on how to design and optimize microprocessors and use them in a system-on-chip, applying contemporary design and verification tools. The forthcoming book describes detailed designs and tradeoffs for the functional blocks in and around a processor. Presently, no textbook on the market describes microarchitecture in sufficient detail to fully implement a non-toy system. This talk will give an overview of the Wally processor and SoC and its key features.

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