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Instructions

- Partial credit may be given for incomplete answers, so please write down as much of the solution as you can.
- Please write legibly! If we can't read it from 3 feet away, we won't grade it!
- Put your name and login on each page.
- This exam will count for 16% of your grade.

Grading Results

<i>Question</i>	<i>Max. Points</i>	<i>Points Earned</i>
1	30	
2	35	
3	35	
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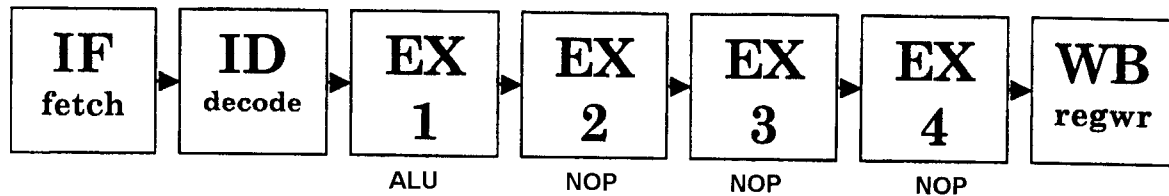
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Question 1: Pipelined Processors (Jack & John's Questions)

Suppose we design a 7 stage pipelined processor with 4 execution/memory stages (EX1 through EX4) and hardware interlocks:

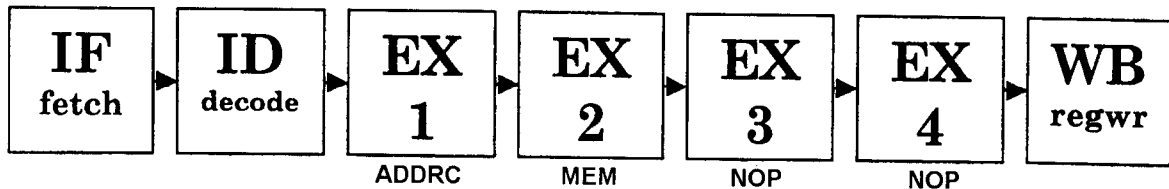
Assume an integer ALU latency of 0 and branches are still delayed and calculated in the decode stage (like in the 5-stage pipeline). Additionally, assume that the register file is designed so that when a value is written then it will be ready later in that same cycle.

Stage usage for R-type integer instructions:



Suppose that data memory accesses take 2 EX cycles: one cycle to calculate the effective address (*addrc*), and one cycle to access the result (*mem*) (like the 5-stage pipeline) for both floating-point stores and integer stores.

Stage usage for memory access instructions:



We have additional stages (EX3 and EX4) because our processor supports floating-point operations.

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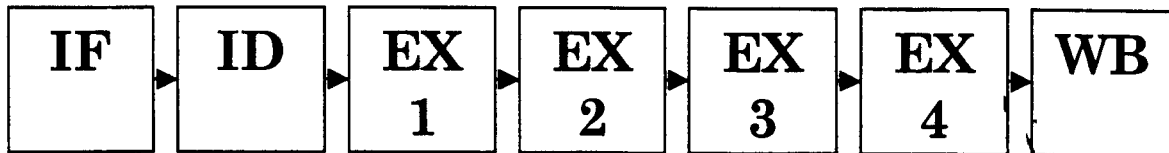
1a: Suppose that this processor requires a 2-cycle latency between the following instructions:

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add.d F4, F0, F2
s.d      F4, 0(R1)
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(*add.d* is a floating-point addition instruction, and *s.d* is a floating-point store. F0, F2, F4 refer to floating point registers, and R1 refers to a regular integer register.)

Similar to the pictures for integer and memory instructions, fill in the values for the stages used for a FLOATING POINT ALU operation. If a stage is unused, put 'nop'. If a label is not obvious (like 'fetch') please explain it.

Stages used for a floating-point ALU instruction:



1b: How did you figure out the stages in 1a without us telling you? Please be brief but precise.

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1c: Imagine that the following loop had just finished executing its 100th iteration on the 7-stage pipeline. How many more clock cycles will it take for the pipeline to finish the 101st iteration?

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Loop: l.d      F0, 0(R1)
      add.d   F4, F0, F2
      s.d     F4, 0(R1)
      addiu  R1, R1, -8
      bne    R1, R2, Loop
```

Answer: _____ clock cycles

1d: Reorder the instructions from question 1c so that the number of stalls is minimized. How many cycles are there between the finishing of the 100th and 101st iterations now?

Reordered code:

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Answer: _____ clock cycles

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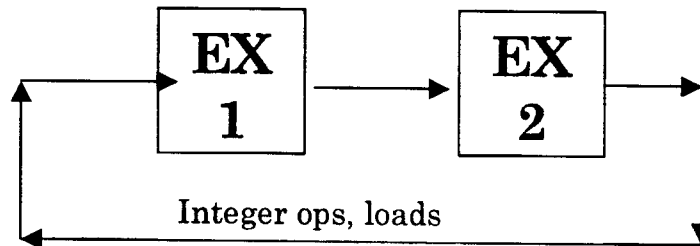
1e: A forwarding path from stage X to stage Y is written as:

X to Y

This means that the register after stage X can forward some value to the beginning of stage Y (i.e. after the register between stage Y-1 and Y).

In the table below, we have listed all of the possible forwarding paths to the ID and EX2 stages. We'd like you to tell us which ones are useful (in the sense that a forwarding circuit between the two stages will do useful work). If a forwarding path is useful, then also tell us what kinds of data will be forwarded along the path. For this problem, you may assume that there are **three general types of data that can be forwarded: integer ops, loads, and floating point ops.**

The path from EX2 to EX1 and the data that it carries is provided as an example.



Forwarding Path	Useful?	If yes, which values can be forwarded? For which types of instructions?
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EX2 to EX1	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	We can forward load values from memory back for integer ops.
ID to ID	YES NO	
EX1 to ID	YES NO	
EX2 to ID	YES NO	
EX3 to ID	YES NO	
EX4 to ID	YES NO	

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Forwarding Path	Useful?	If yes, which values can be forwarded? For which types of instructions?
ID to EX2	YES NO	
EX1 to EX2	YES NO	
EX2 to EX2	YES NO	
EX3 to EX2	YES NO	
EX4 to EX2	YES NO	

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Question 2: Single Cycle Processor (Jack's Question)

Your single-cycle processor seems to be executing random instructions. You have been chosen by your group to investigate and find out why. On the next page you will find a picture of your datapath (note that this is a **slightly different datapath** than shown in lecture), and the control table is below. You suspect that the controller may be broken. You may assume that the modules within the datapath (i.e. extender, alu) all work.

	PCSrc	RegDst	RegWr	ExtOp	ALUSrc	ALUctr	MemWr	MemToReg
addu	0	0	1	1	X	0	0	0
subu	0	1	1	X	0	0	0	0
ori	0	1	1	0	X	2	0	0
Lw	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Sw	0	x	0	0	1	0	1	x
beq	Equal	x	0	X	0	3	0	x
Jr	2	x	0	X	x	X	0	x

"Equal" means that PCSrc takes on the value of the equal signal coming out of the =0? module. This will either be 0 or 1.

Looking at your partners' online notebooks, you find the following (you may assume these to be correct):

- The register file (regWr) and data memory (MemWr) both write when their respective write signals are 1
- The extender will zero extend if the ExtOp bit is 0, and the extender will sign extend when the ExtOp control bit is 1.
- The data memory reads asynchronously but has synchronous writes (just like your single cycle lab).
- The =0? module will output 1 if the input to the module is 0, else it will output 0.

The ALUctr encoding is as follows:

Control bits	Operation
0	add
1	sub
2	or
3	Xor

For the following stream of instructions, what does your broken processor actually do? The first instruction has already been done for you as an example. If there is more than one possibility, please list all of them (note that this may be a different instruction, correct behavior, or an undefined instruction). If the incorrect result does not match a valid MIPS instruction, please give a sequence of instructions that correspond to the behavior. Also give a **very brief** explanation of your possibilities. For simplicity, we have used the actual register numbers rather than the names.

Question 2: Single Cycle Processor [continued]

Original Instruction	Possibilities
addu \$1, \$2, \$0	addu \$1, \$2, \$0 (if aluSrc is 0—correct behavior) addiu \$1, \$2, 33(if aluSrc is 1—incorrect behavior)
subu \$4, \$5, \$6	
ori \$7, \$8, 0x0025	
beq \$11, \$12, 24	
sw \$10, -12(\$31)	
lw \$9, -16(\$29)	

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Question 3: Multicycle Processor (Kurt's Question)

We'd like to give you a feel for how microprogramming can help out with tricky CISC instructions. We'd like you to implement a new addressing mode (register indirect: i.e. register value is an address with no offset) for the sub instruction:

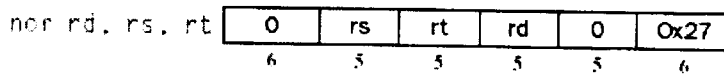
sub.mem \$rd \$rs \$rt # Mem[\$rd] = Mem[\$rs] - Mem[\$rt]

Your solutions to 3a-d will be graded, in part, on elegance!

3a: Please come up with a suitable machine representation for sub.mem. You may assume that opcode 14_{hex} and funct 14_{hex} are both unused. Make your representation clean and complementary to the MIPS datapath.

Here's an example of what we are looking for (for *nor*):

NOR



Now do the same for sub.mem.

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Question 3: Multicycle [continued] - Datapath

Field Name	Values For Field	Function of Field
ALU	Add	ALU Adds
	Sub	ALU subtracts
	Func	ALU does function code (Inst[5:0])
	Or	ALU does logical OR
SRC1	PC	PC \Rightarrow 1 st ALU input
	rs	R[rs] \Rightarrow 1 st ALU input
SRC2	4	4 \Rightarrow 2 nd ALU input
	rt	R[rt] \Rightarrow 2 nd ALU input
	Extend	sign ext imm16 (Inst[15:0]) \Rightarrow 2 nd ALU input
	Extend0	zero ext imm16 (Inst[15:0]) \Rightarrow 2 nd ALU input
	ExtShft	2 nd ALU input = sign extended imm16 \ll 2
ALU Dest	rd-ALU	ALUout \Rightarrow R[rd]
	rt-ALU	ALUout \Rightarrow R[rt]
	rt-Mem	Mem input = R[rt]
Memory	Read-PC	Read Memory using the PC for the address
	Read-ALU	Read Memory using the ALUout register for the address
	Write-ALU	Write Memory using the ALUout register for the address
MemReg	IR	Mem input = IR
PC Write	ALU	ALU value \Rightarrow PCibm
	ALUoutCond	If ALU Zero is true, then ALUout \Rightarrow PC
Sequence	Seq	Go to next sequential microinstruction
	Fetch	Go to the first microinstruction
	Dispatch	Dispatch using ROM

3c: Above is the microassembly language description from lecture. Please describe any additions or modifications to microassembly language necessary to support sub.mem. Be sure to include the field name, the new field values, as well as **EXACTLY** which control lines are set when the field value is asserted. **Be precise and print legibly!**

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Question 3: Multicycle [continued] - Datapath

3e. **EXTRA CREDIT: QUITE DIFFICULT AND NOT WORTH MANY POINTS:**

(We suggest that you finish all the other problems on the exam before you attempt this one.) 5 EC points.

Using your new datapath and control from above, please implement the Subtract and Branch if Negative (SBN) instruction in microcode:

```
sbn $rs $rt immed # Mem[$rs] = Mem[$rs]-Mem[$rt]
                  # if (Mem[$rs]<0) goto PC+4+immed
```

Please give a machine representation (like 3a), draw any changes to the datapath (like 3b), explain any new microassembly fields and values (like 3c), and give the complete microassembly sequence (like 3d).

Again: No new registers.

Hint: You already have the sub.mem part almost done – the hard part is figuring out how to jump.

Machine Representation:

Datapath Changes

(You may assume your new datapath from 3b.)

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Question 3: Multicycle [continued] - Datapath

3e continued:

Additions to microassembly language:

SBN microassembly implementation (complete):