



Architecture Final Assessment

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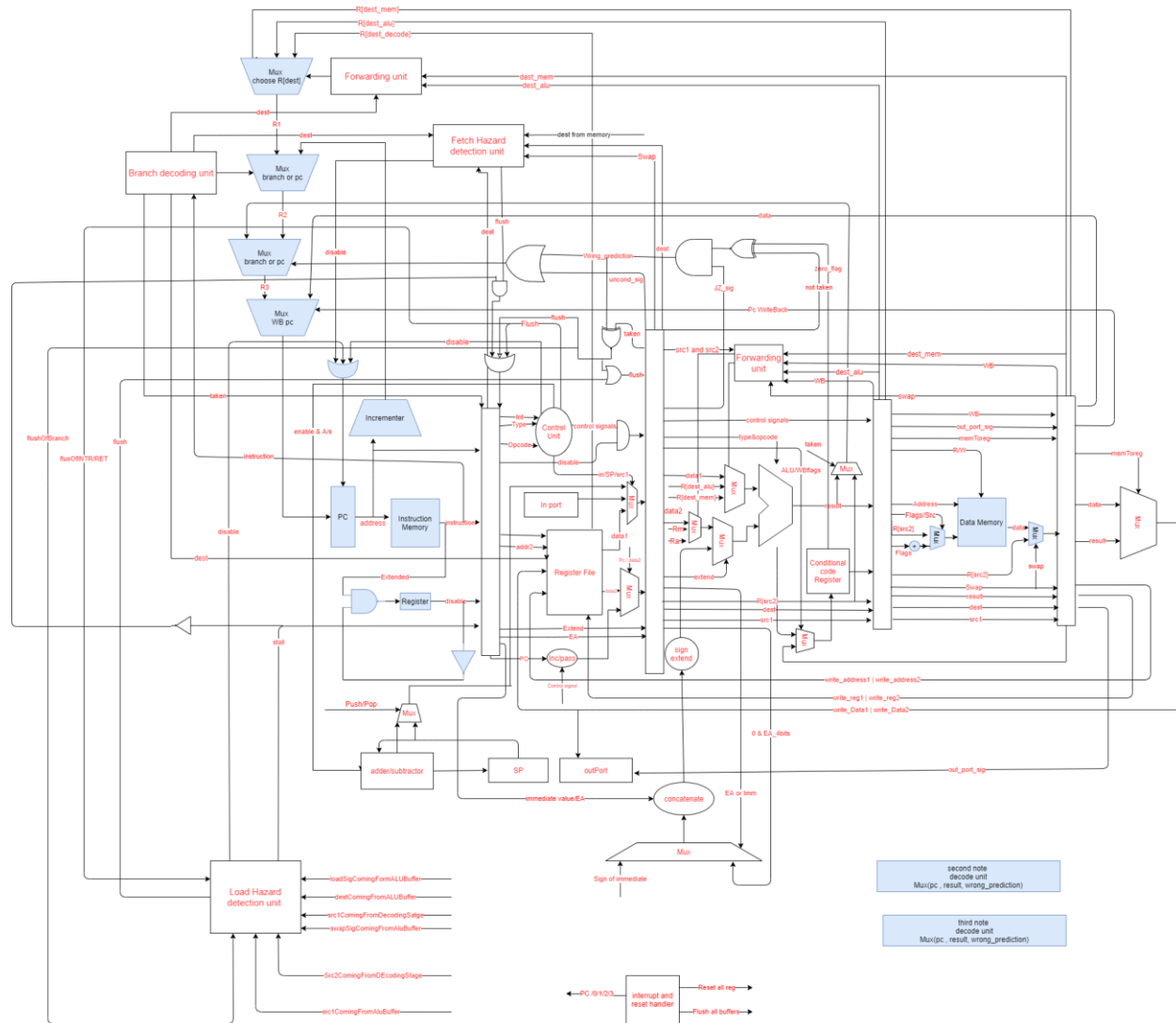
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Processor Design

Schematic link for better resolution:

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One operand

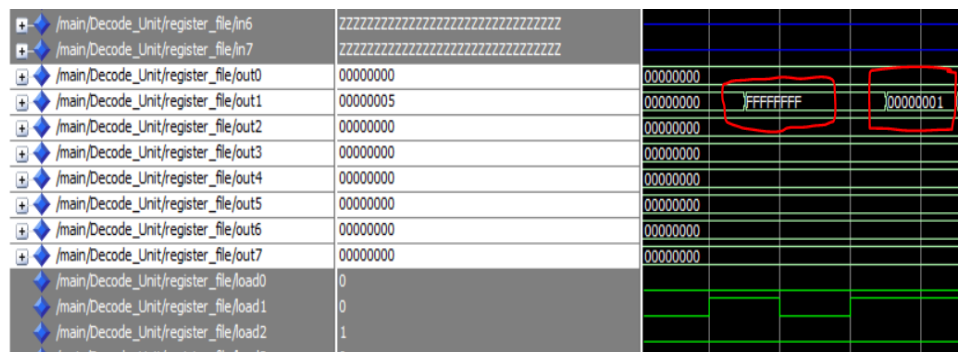
1	NOT R1	#R1 =FFFFFFFF , C--> no change, N --> 1, Z --> 0
2	NOP	#No change
3	inc R1	#R1 =00000000 , C --> 1 , N --> 0 , Z --> 1
4	in R1	#R1= 5,add 5 on the in port,flags no change
5	in R2	#R2= 10,add 10 on the in port, flags no change
6	NOT R2	#R2= FFFFFFFEF, C--> no change, N -->1,Z-->0
7	inc R1	#R1= 6, C --> 0, N -->0, Z-->0
8	Dec R2	#R2= FFFFFFFEE,C-->1 , N-->1, Z-->0
9	out R1	
10	out R2	

(Fig. 1)

1. Without forwarding units and hazard detection units

- **Hazards detected:**

- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 1 and instruction 3 (Look Fig. 1).



(Fig. 2)

As shown in (Fig. 2) (a screenshot from our simulation wave), R1 (out1) was incremented on the old value (00000000) not the new one (FFFFFFFF) so it became 00000001, however the correct result is 00000000.

- | Path | Value | Hex | Dec | Oct | Bin |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-----|-----|-----|
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/in7 | ???????????????????? | | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out0 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out1 | 00000006 | 00000005 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out2 | FFFFFFF7 | 00000010 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out3 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out4 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out5 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out6 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out7 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/load0 | 0 | | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/load1 | 0 | | | | |
| /main/Decode_Unit/register_file/load2 | 1 | | | | |

As shown (Fig. 3) R2 is “FFFFFFFF” which is the not operation of “00000000” (the old value), however the correct answer is “FFFFFFEF” which is the not operation of (“00000010”) which is taken from the input port.

- | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out0 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out1 | 00000006 | 00000005 | 00000006 | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out2 | 0000000F | 00000010 | FFFFFFF | 0000000F |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out3 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out4 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out5 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out6 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out7 | 00000000 | 00000000 | | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/load0 | 0 | | | |
| main/Decode_Unit/register_file/load1 | 0 | | | |

- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 8 and instruction 10 (Look Fig. 1)

- [illegible]

(Fig. 5)

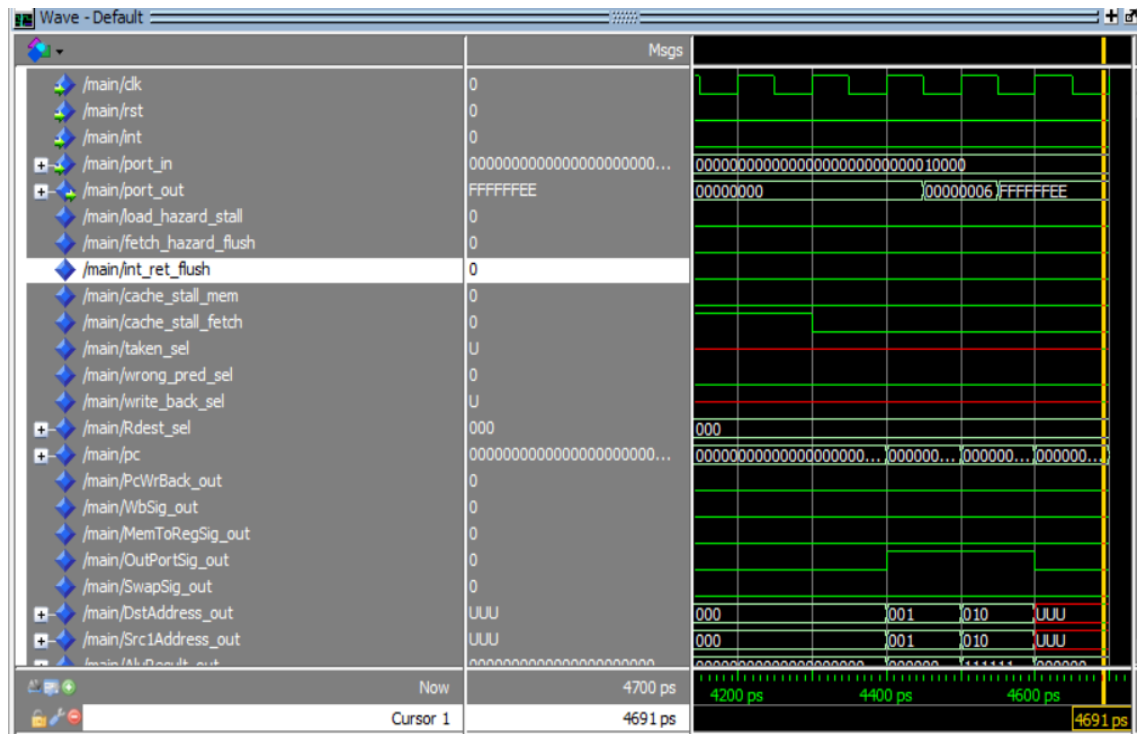
As shown in (Fig. 5), the out port contains wrong values of R1, and R2. The correct values should have been “00000006” and “FFFFFFFE”. This happened because of a lot of read after write hazards.

- **Solving the hazards by inserting “nop” in the code**

```
1 # all numbers in hex format
2 # we always start by reset signal
3 #this is a commented line
4 .ORG 0 #this means the the following line would be at address 0 , and this is the reset address
5 10
6 #you should ignore empty lines
7
8 .ORG 2 #this is the interrupt address
9 100
10
11 .ORG 10
12 NOT R1      #R1 =FFFFFFF , C--> no change, N --> 1, Z --> 0
13 NOP        #No change
14 Nop
15 inc R1      #R1 =00000000 , C --> 1 , N --> 0 , Z --> 1
16 in R1       #R1= 5,add 5 on the in port,flags no change
17 in R2       #R2= 10,add 10 on the in port, flags no change
18 nop
19 nop
20 NOT R2      #R2= FFFFFFFE, C--> no change, N -->1,Z-->0
21 inc R1
22 nop        #R1= 6, C --> 0, N -->0, Z-->0
23 Dec R2      #R2= FFFFFFFE,C-->1 , N-->1, Z-->0
24 nop
25 out R1
26 out R2
27
```

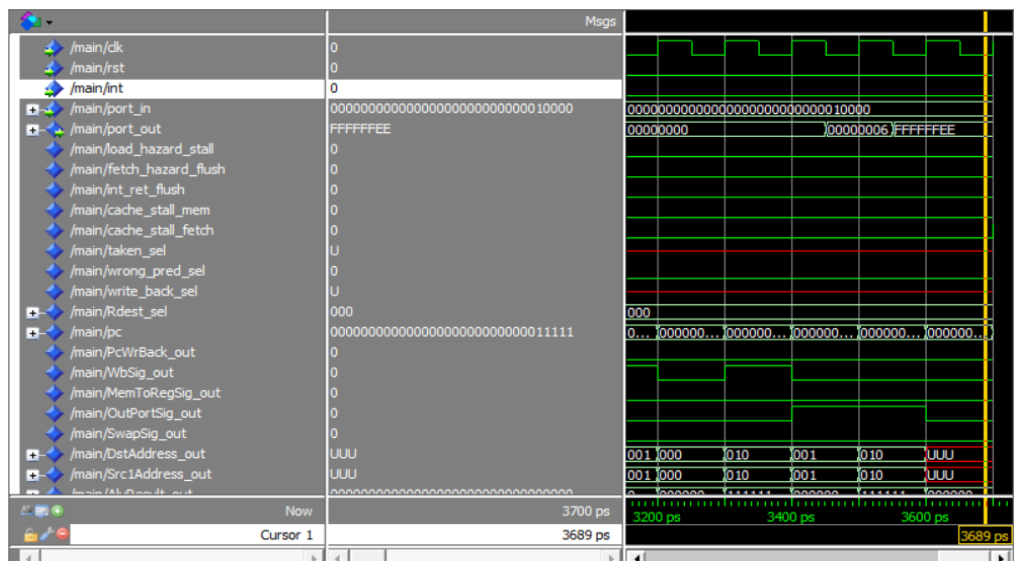
(Fig. 6)

As shown in (Fig. 6), we inserted no operations between any dependencies to prevent hazards. The output port contains the right values after these modifications (look Fig. 7).



2. With the forwarding units added

By adding the forwarding units there is no hazards and the output was correct (look Fig. 8)



3. Speed up due to adding forwarding units

As shown in (Fig. 7), in case of no forwarding units and handling hazards by inserting no operations, the program is executed in 4600 ps.

As shown in (Fig. 8), after adding all forwarding units, the program is executed in 3600 ps.

So the speed up equals $(4600/3600)$ 1.278.

Two operands

```

1  in   R1      #add 5 in R1
2  in   R2      #add 19 in R2
3  in   R3      #FFFD
4  in   R4      #F320
5  IADD R3,R5,2  #R5 = FFFF , flags no change
6  ADD  R1,R4,R4  #R4= F325 , C-->0, N-->0, Z-->0
7  SUB  R5,R4,R6  #R6= 0CDA , C-->1, N-->0, Z-->0
8  AND  R7,R6,R6  #R6= 00000000 , C-->no change, N-->0, Z-->1
9  OR   R2,R1,R1  #R1=1D , C--> no change, N-->0, Z--> 0
10 SHL  R2,2      #R2=64 , C--> 0, N -->0 , Z -->0
11 SHR  R2,3      #R2=0C , C -->1, N-->0 , Z-->0
12 SWAP R2,R5     #R5=0C ,R2=FFFF ,no change for flags
13 ADD  R5,R2,R2  #R2= 1000B (C,N,Z= 0)

```

(Fig. 10)

1. Without forwarding units

- **Hazards detected**

- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 3 and instruction 5 (see Fig. 10)

/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out0	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out1	00000005	00000005		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out2	00000019	00000019		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out3	0000FFFF	0000FFFF		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out4	0000F320	0000F320		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out5	00000002	00000002		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out6	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out7	00000000	00000000		

(Fig. 11)

As shown in (Fig. 11) R5 is 00000002 not FFFF, this happened because that instruction 5 depends on instruction 3 which has not written back in R3 yet.

- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 7 and instruction 5 and 6. See (Fig. 12)

/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out0	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out1	00000005	00000005		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out2	00000019	00000019		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out3	0000FFFF	0000FFFF		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out4	0000F325	0000F325		0000F325
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out5	00000002	00000002		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out6	FFFF0CE2	00000000		FF...
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out7	00000000	00000000		

(Fig. 12)

- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 7 and instruction 8.
- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 10 and instruction 11. See (Fig. 13)

/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out0	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out1	0000001D	0000001D		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out2	00000003	00000003		00000003
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out3	0000FFFF	0000FFFF		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out4	0000F325	0000F325		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out5	00000002	00000002		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out6	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out7	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/load0	0			

(Fig. 13)

- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 12 and instruction 11. See (Fig. 14)

/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out0	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out1	0000001D	0000001D		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out2	00000002	00000003		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out3	0000FFFF	0000FFFF		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out4	0000F325	0000F325		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out5	00000064	00000002		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out6	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out7	00000000	00000000		
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/load0	0			

(Fig. 14)

- Read after write hazard detected between instruction 12 and instruction 13
- **Solving the hazards by inserting no operations**

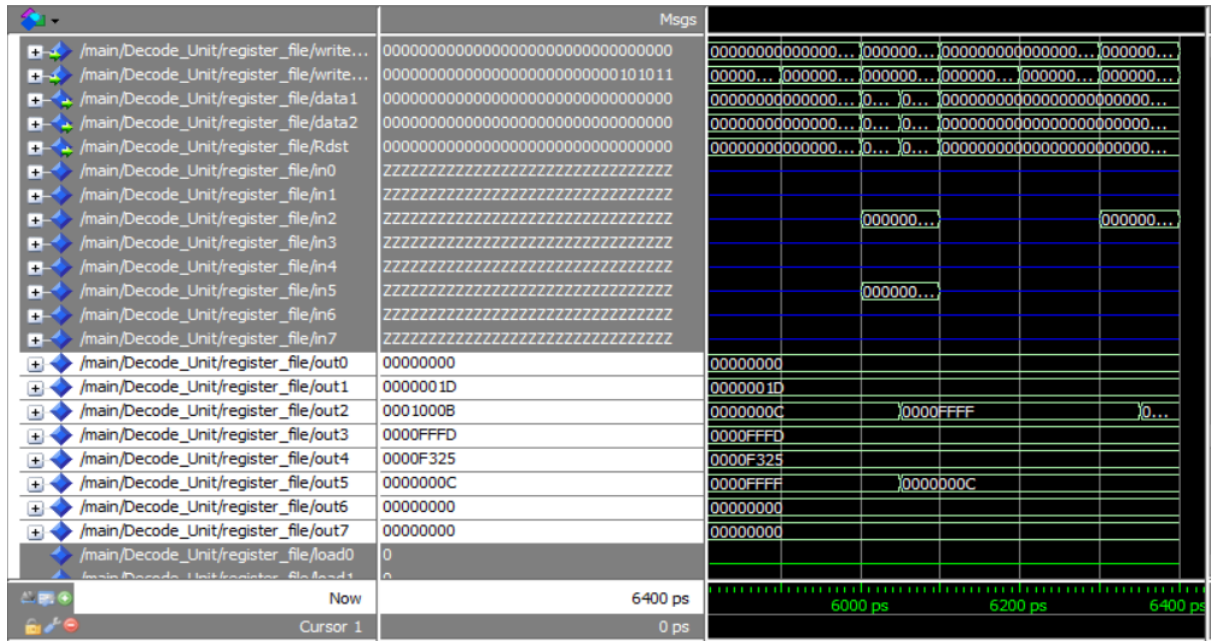
```

1  in   R1      #add 5 in R1
2  in   R2      #add 19 in R2
3  in   R3      #FFFD
4  in   R4      #F320
5  nop
6  IADD R3,R5,2  #R5 = FFFF , flags no change
7  ADD  R1,R4,R4  #R4= F325 , C-->0, N-->0, Z-->0
8  nop
9  nop
10 SUB  R5,R4,R6  #R6= 0CDA , C-->1, N-->0, Z-->0
11 nop
12 nop
13 AND  R7,R6,R6  #R6= 00000000 , C-->no change, N-->0, Z-->1
14 OR   R2,R1,R1  #R1=1D , C--> no change, N-->0, Z--> 0
15 SHL  R2,2      #R2=64 , C--> 0, N -->0 , Z -->0
16 nop
17 nop
18 SHR  R2,3      #R2=0C , C -->1, N-->0 , Z-->0
19 nop
20 nop
21 SWAP R2,R5     #R5=0C ,R2=FFFF ,no change for flags
22 nop
23 nop
24 ADD  R5,R2,R2  #R2= 1000B (C,N,Z= 0)

```

(Fig. 15)

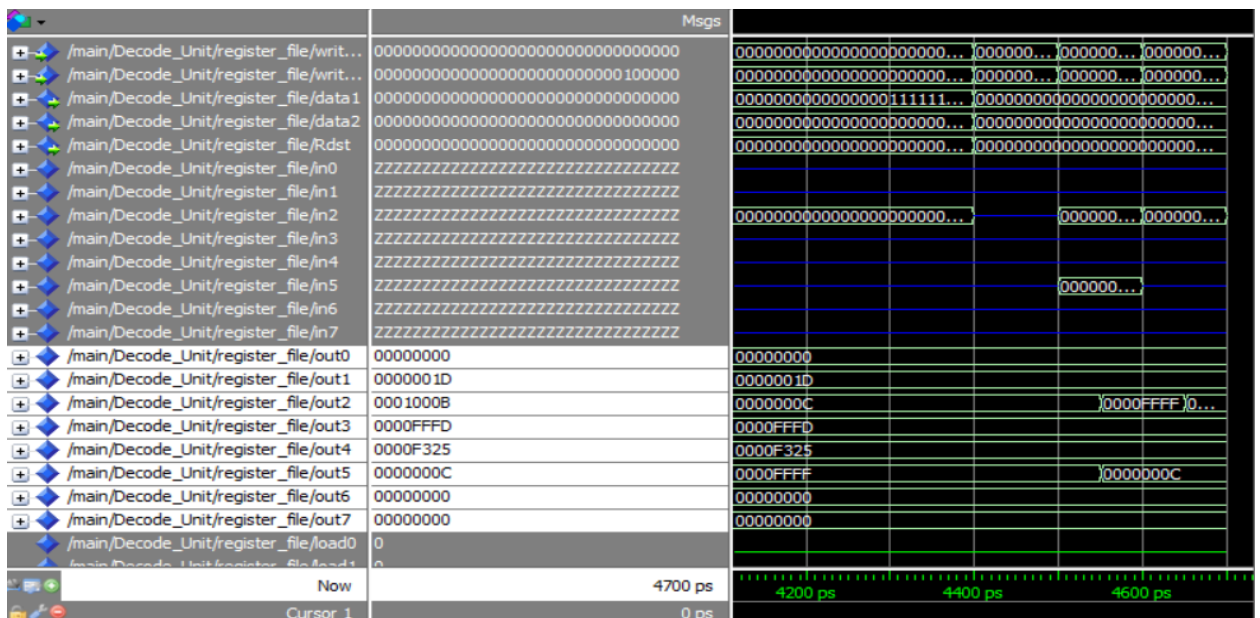
As shown in (Fig. 15), we inserted no operations between any dependencies to prevent hazards. The output contains the right values after these modifications (look Fig. 16).



(Fig. 16)

2. With the forwarding units added

By adding the forwarding units there is no hazards and the output was correct (look Fig. 17)



(Fig. 17)

3. Speed up due to adding the forwarding units.

As shown in (Fig. 16), in case of no forwarding units and handling hazards by inserting no operations, the program is executed in 6400 ps.

As shown in (Fig. 17), after adding all forwarding units, the program is executed in 4600 ps.

So the speed up = $6400/4600 = 1.4$.

Memory

Note ram is filled with garbage (UUUUU) in the beginning.
Assuming cache is 1 indexed.

Code

```
.ORG 2  #this is the interrupt address
100

.ORG 10
in R2      #R2=0CDAFE19 add 0CDAFE19 in R2
in R3      #R3=FFFF
in R4      #R4=F320
LDM R1,F5  #R1=F5
PUSH R1    #SP=7FC, M[7FE, 7FF] = F5
PUSH R2    #SP=7FA,M[7FC, 7FD]=0CDAFE19
POP R1     #SP=7FC,R1=0CDAFE19
POP R2     #SP=7FE,R2=F5
STD R2,200  #M[200, 201]=F5
STD R1,202  #M[202, 203]=0CDAFE19
LDD R3,202  #R3=0CDAFE19
LDD R4,200  #R4=5
```


1. Without Forward unit and hazard detection

- Read after write in PUSH R1
 - $\text{cache}[32][4] = \text{F5}$ $\text{cache}[32][4] = 0$

[illegible]

- Read after write in STD R2,200
 - $\text{cache}[0][0] = 0$ depending on wrong push cache[0][0] = 0CDAFE19

[illegible]

Solution : add **2** no operations before **each** hazard.

2. With Forward unit only

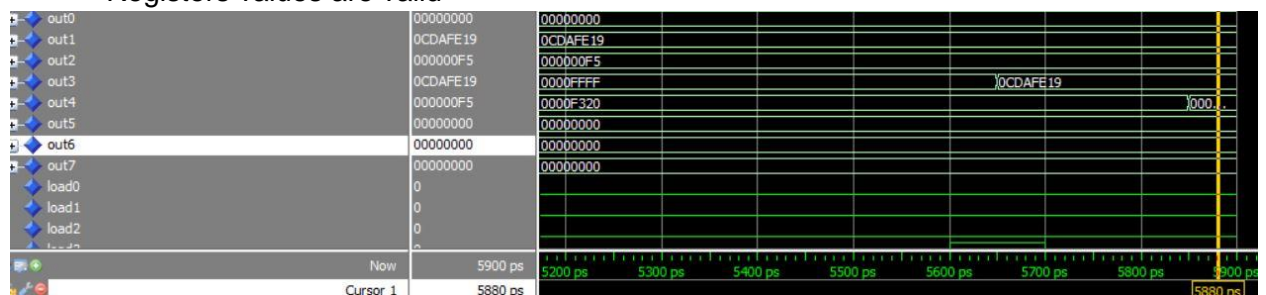
- Read after write in STD R2,200
 - Forward unit forwards wrong data (sp) as no hazard detection unit to stall processor [load use case]
 - $\text{cache}[0][0] = F5$ $\text{cache}[0][0] = \text{FFFFFFFE}$

[illegible]

- Solution to add **2** no operations before STD R2,200

3. With Forward unit and hazard detection

- Registers values are valid



- Memory data is valid

Substitute call R0 → jmp r0.

```
Ret →    LDM R7, 1B
          JMP R7
```

So returning 3B is impossible so the test case is valid until 18850ps.

1. Without Forward unit and hazard detection

- Read after write line 49 : STD R6,312
 - $\text{cache}[3][2] = 0$ $\text{cache}[3][2] = 0$
- Lucky wrong data is the same as valid data
- Error is repeated each iteration
- Solution : add 2 no operations before this instruction

[illegible]

- Read after write line 53 : OR R5,R5,R6
 - R[6] = 1 R[6] = 0
- Error is repeated each iteration
- Solution :** add 2 no operations before this instruction

out0	00000118	00000118							
out1	00000018	00000018							
out2	00000002	00000002							
out3	00000030	00000030							
out4	00000000	00000000							
out5	00000001	00000000						00000001	
out6	00000000	00000000							
out7	00000000	000000FF						00000000	
load0	0								

Having no flushes will execute two instructions after each jump or call.

2. With forward unit

- All problems are solved

R[6] = 1 after OR R5,R5,R6

/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out0	00000118	00000118							
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out1	00000018	00000018							
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out2	00000002	00000002							
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out3	00000030	00000030							
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out4	00000000	00000000							
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out5	00000001	00000000						00000001	
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out6	00000001	00000000							00000001
/main/Decode_Unit/register_file/out7	00000000	000000FF						00000000	

Adding a Hazard detection unit won't change anything as forward units solves all problems.

Using forward units the test case runs at 18850ps.

out0	00000118	00000118							
out1	00000038	00000038							
out2	00000002	00000002							
out3	00000050	00000050							
out4	00000000	00000000							
out5	00000001	00000001							
out6	00000000	00000000							
out7	000000FF	000000FF							
load0	0								
load1	0								
load2	0								
load3	0								
load4	0								

Now 19200 ps

18600 ps 18800 ps 19000 ps 19200 ps

Inserting stalls the case runs at 20600ps.

Speed up = $(20600/18850) = 1.09$

Branch

Unhandled instructions

- CALL instruction: replaced with JMP.
- RET instruction: replaced with LDM with any not used reg and JMP.

Modified code

.ORG 0 #this means the the following line would be at address 0 , and this is the reset address

10

#you should ignore empty lines

.ORG 2 #this is the interrupt address

100

.ORG 10

in R1 #R1=30

in R2 #R2=50

in R3 #R3=100

in R4 #R4=300

in R6 #R6=FFFFFFFF

in R7 #R7=FFFFFFFF

Push R4 #sp=7FC, M[7FE, 7FF]=300

JMP R1

INC R7 # this statement shouldn't be executed,

#check flag forwarding

.ORG 30

AND R1,R5,R5 #R5=0 , Z = 1

#try interrupt here

JZ R2 #Jump taken, Z = 0

INC R7 #this statement shouldn't be executed

#check on flag updated on jump

.ORG 50

JZ R3 #Jump Not taken

#check destination forwarding

NOT R5 #R5=FFFFFFFF, Z= 0, C--> not change, N=1

INC R5 #R5=0, Z=1, C=1, N=0

in R6 #R6=200, flag no change

JZ R6 #jump taken, Z = 0

INC R1 #this statement shouldn't be executed

.ORG 100

ADD R0,R0,R0 #N=0,Z=1,C=0

out R6

rti

#check on load use

.ORG 200

POP R6 #R6=300, SP=7FE


```

JMP R6      #SP=7FC, M[7FF]=half next PC,M[7FE]=other half next PC
              #try interrupt here
INC R6      #R6=401, this statement shouldn't be executed till call returns, C-
-> 0, N-->0,Z-->0
NOP
NOP
.ORG 300
Add R3,R6,R6 #R6=400
Add R1,R2,R1 #R1=80, C->0,N=0, Z=0
LDM R0, 202
JMP R0
INC R7      #this should not be executed
.ORG 500
NOP
NOP

```

1. Without Forward unit and hazard detection

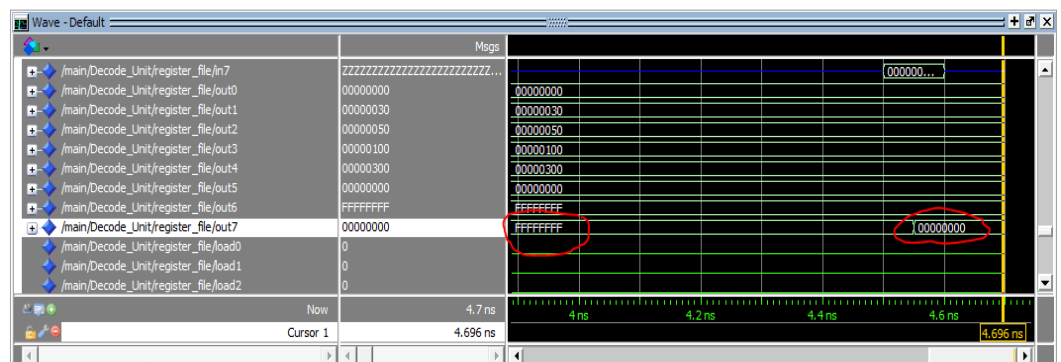
- Hazards types:

- Control hazards as in lines 20 and 21:

```

JMP R1
INC R7      # this statement shouldn't be executed.

```



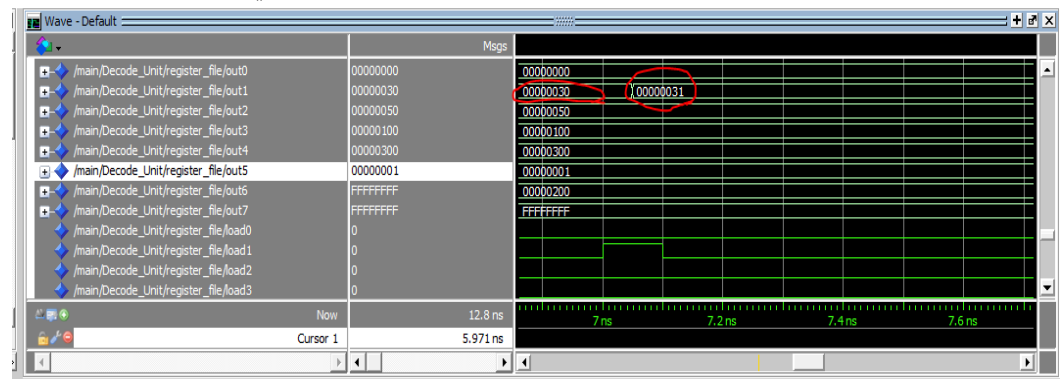
As shown in the figure: the increment instruction is executed.

Similarly, for the instructions in lines 38 and 39.

```

JZ R6      #jump taken, Z = 0
INC R1      #this statement shouldn't be executed

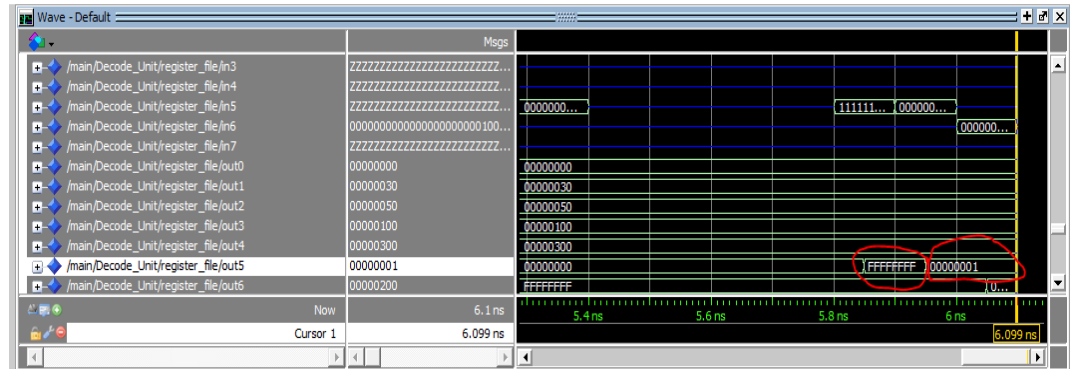
```



- Data hazards:

1. Read after write for R5 in lines 35 and 36:

```
NOT R5      #R5=FFFFFFFF, Z= 0, C--> not change, N=1
INC R5      #R5=0, Z=1, C=1, N=0
```

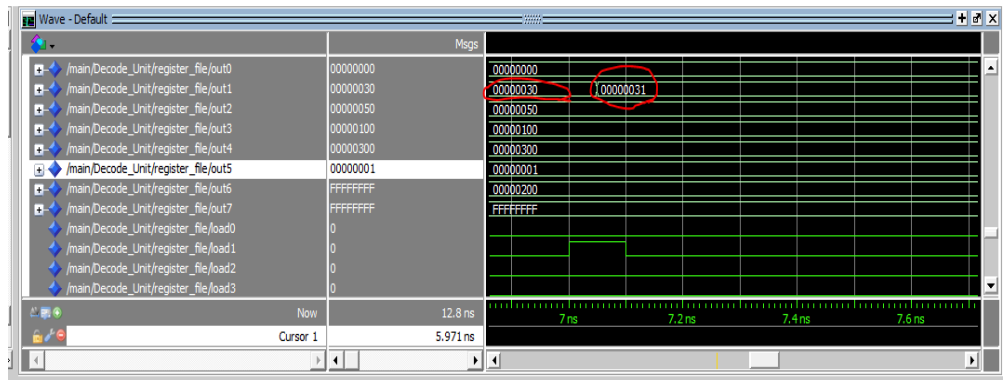


As shown in the figure the increment instruction is executed on the old value of R5 which is zero instead of using the new value resulted after not instruction.

2. Read after write for R6 in lines 37 and 38:

```
NOT R5      #R5=FFFFFFFF, Z= 0, C--> not change, N=1
INC R5      #R5=0, Z=1, C=1, N=0
in R6       #R6=200, flag no change
JZ R6       #jump taken, Z = 0
INC R1      #this statement shouldn't be executed
```

Another problem is that Zero flag is lost due to data hazard in R5. So, the jump will not be executed and the increment instruction will be executed as shown in the figures.



3. Load use case for R6 in lines 48 and 49:

```
POP R6      #R6=300, SP=7FE
JMP R6      #SP=7FC, M[7FF]=half next PC, M[7FE]=other half next PC
```

- Solving hazards using no operations the processor ends in 12350 ps with following code:

```
.ORG 0 #this means the the following line would be at address
0 , and this is the reset address
10
```

#you should ignore empty lines

```
.ORG 2 #this is the interrupt address
100
```

```
.ORG 10
in R1      #R1=30
in R2      #R2=50
in R3      #R3=100
in R4      #R4=300
in R6      #R6=FFFFFFFF
in R7      #R7=FFFFFFFF
nop
Push R4    #sp=7FC, M[7FE, 7FF]=300
JMP R1
INC R7     # this statement shouldn't be executed,
```

#check flag forwarding

```
.ORG 30
AND R1,R5,R5 #R5=0 , Z = 1
JZ R2        #Jump taken, Z = 0
INC R7       #this statement shouldn't be executed
```

#check on flag updated on jump

```
.ORG 50
JZ R3        #Jump Not taken
```

#check destination forwarding

```
NOT R5       #R5=FFFFFFFF, Z= 0, C--> not change, N=1
Nop
Nop
INC R5       #R5=0, Z=1, C=1, N=0
in R6       #R6=200, flag no change
nop
nop
JZ R6       #jump taken, Z = 0
INC R1      #this statement shouldn't be executed
```

```
.ORG 100
ADD R0,R0,R0 #N=0,Z=1,C=0
out R6
rti
```

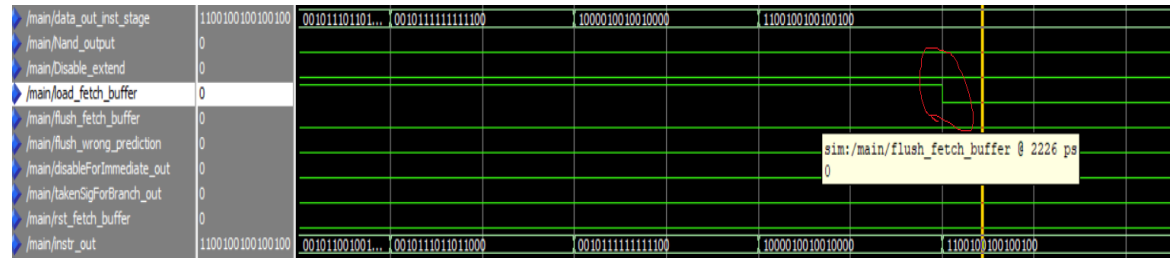
#check on load use


```
JMP R1
INC R7      # this statement shouldn't be executed.
```

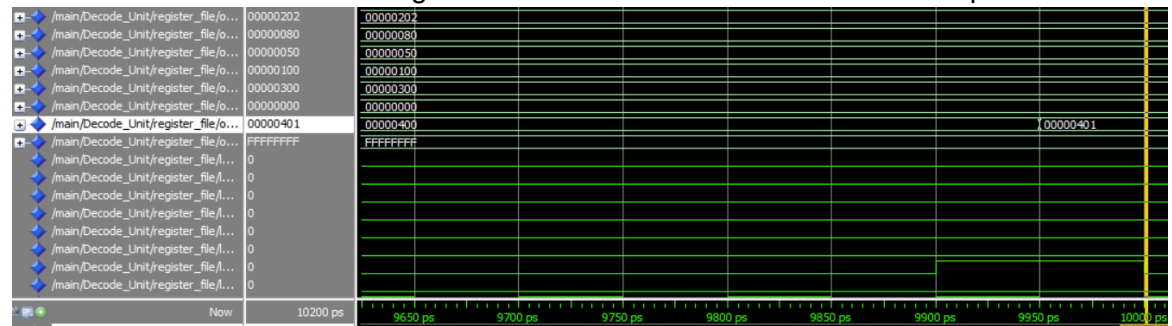
Similarly, for the instructions in lines 38 and 39.

```
JZ  R6      #jump taken, Z = 0
INC R1      #this statement shouldn't be executed
```

- **Solving hazards by stalling fetch when a branch operation is in the fetch stage until jmp is executed and Pc is updated :**



This is result with full forwarding and hazards removal which runs in 9950 ps



3. Calculating Speed up on using both forwarding and hazard detection units

$$\text{Speed up} = (12350/9950)=1.24$$

Not working modules

- Branch prediction is not working correctly.it is fully implemented but there is a bug and there is no time to fix it.