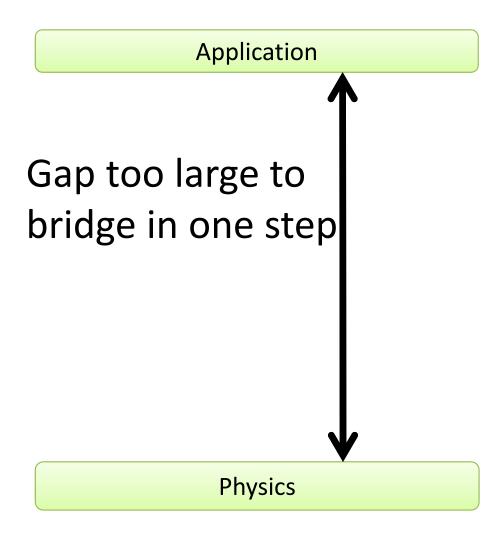
### What is Computer Architecture?



### What is Computer Architecture?

#### **Application**

Gap too large to bridge in one step

**Physics** 

In its broadest definition, computer architecture is the design of the abstraction/implementation layers that allow us to execute information processing applications efficiently using manufacturing technologies

# Abstractions in Modern Computing Systems

**Application** 

**Algorithm** 

**Programming Language** 

**Operating System/Virtual Machines** 

Instruction Set Architecture

Microarchitecture

Register-Transfer Level

Gates

Circuits

Devices

**Physics** 

Computer Architecture (ELE 475)

# Computer Architecture is Constantly Changing

Application
Algorithm
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#### **Application Requirements:**

- Suggest how to improve architecture
- Provide revenue to fund development

Architecture provides feedback to guide application and technology research directions

#### **Technology Constraints:**

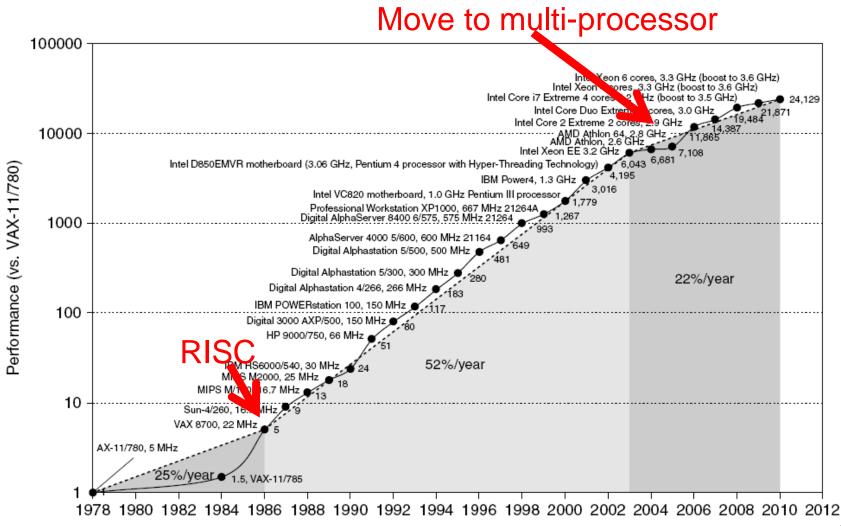
- Restrict what can be done efficiently
- New technologies make new arch possible

### **Computers Now**

- Sensor Networks
- Cameras
- Smartphones
- Mobile Audio Players
- Laptops
- Autonomous Cars
- Servers

- Game Players
- Routers
- Flying UAVs
- GPS
- eBooks
- Tablets
- Set-top Boxes

### Sequential Processor Performance



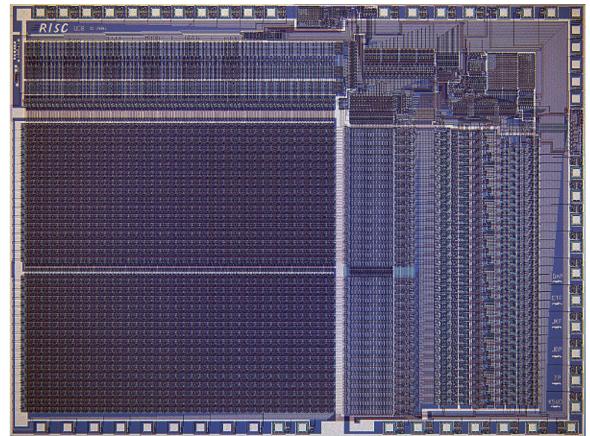
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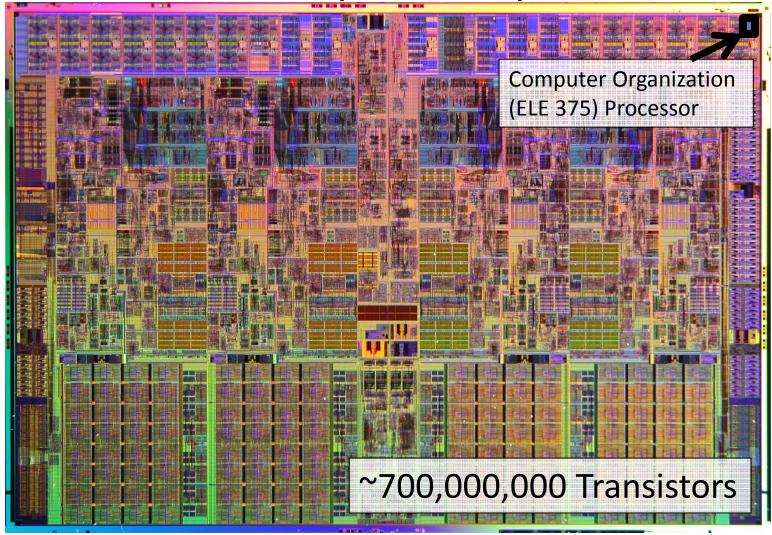
#### **Computer Organization**

Basic Pipelined Processor

~50,000 Transistors



# Course Content Computer Architecture (ELE 475)



Intel Nehalem Processor, Original Core i7, Image Credit Intel: 21
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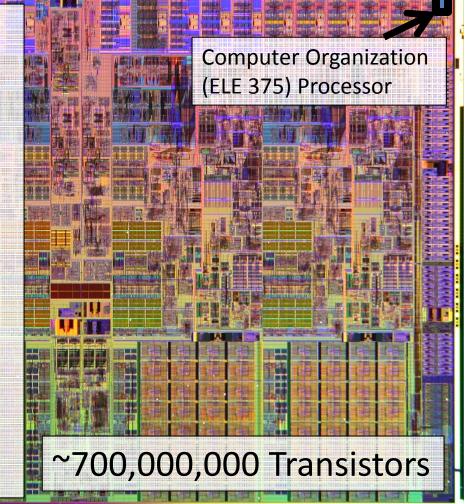
# Course Content Computer Architecture (ELE 475)

- Instruction Level Parallelism

   Superscalar
   Very Long Instruction Word (VLIW)

   Long Pipelines (Pipeline Parallelism)
   Advanced Memory and Caches
   Data Level Parallelism

   Vector
   GPU
  - Thread Level Parallelism
    - Multithreading
    - Multiprocessor
    - Multicore
    - Manycore



#### Architecture vs. Microarchitecture

#### "Architecture"/Instruction Set Architecture:

- Programmer visible state (Memory & Register)
- Operations (Instructions and how they work)
- Execution Semantics (interrupts)
- Input/Output
- Data Types/Sizes

#### Microarchitecture/Organization:

- Tradeoffs on how to implement ISA for some metric (Speed, Energy, Cost)
- Examples: Pipeline depth, number of pipelines, cache size, silicon area, peak power, execution ordering, bus widths, ALU widths

### Compatibility Problem at IBM

By early 1960's, IBM had 4 incompatible lines of computers!

```
701 \Rightarrow 7094
650 \Rightarrow 7074
702 \Rightarrow 7080
1401 \Rightarrow 7010
```

#### Each system had its own

- Instruction set
- I/O system and Secondary Storage: magnetic tapes, drums and disks
- assemblers, compilers, libraries,...
- market niche business, scientific, real time, ...

 $\Rightarrow$  IBM 360

# IBM 360: A General-Purpose Register (GPR) Machine

- Processor State
  - 16 General-Purpose 32-bit Registers
    - may be used as index and base register
    - Register 0 has some special properties
  - 4 Floating Point 64-bit Registers
  - A Program Status Word (PSW)
    - PC, Condition codes, Control flags
- A 32-bit machine with 24-bit addresses
  - But no instruction contains a 24-bit address!
- Data Formats
  - 8-bit bytes, 16-bit half-words, 32-bit words, 64-bit double-words

#### IBM 360: Initial Implementations

Model 30 . . . Model 70

Storage 8K - 64 KB 256K - 512 KB

Datapath 8-bit 64-bit

Circuit Delay 30 nsec/level 5 nsec/level

Local Store Main Store Transistor Registers

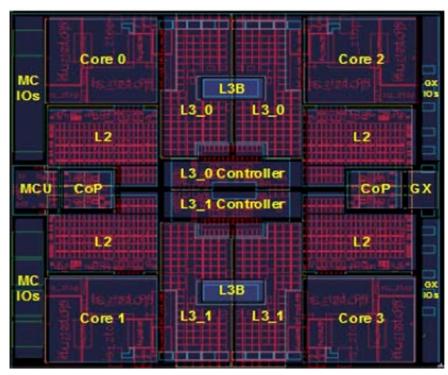
Control Store Read only 1µsec Conventional circuits

IBM 360 instruction set architecture (ISA) completely hid the underlying technological differences between various models.

Milestone: The first true ISA designed as portable hardware-software interface!

With minor modifications it still survives today!

# IBM 360: 47 years later... The zSeries z11 Microprocessor



[ IBM, Kevin Shum, HotChips, 2010]
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- 5.2 GHz in IBM 45nm PD-SOI CMOS technology
- 1.4 billion transistors in 512 mm<sup>2</sup>
- 64-bit virtual addressing
  - original S/360 was 24-bit, and S/370 was 31-bit extension
- Quad-core design
- Three-issue out-of-order superscalar pipeline
- Out-of-order memory accesses
- Redundant datapaths
  - every instruction performed in two parallel datapaths and results compared
- 64KB L1 I-cache, 128KB L1 D-cache on-chip
- 1.5MB private L2 unified cache per core, on-chip
- On-Chip 24MB eDRAM L3 cache
- Scales to 96-core multiprocessor with 768MB of shared L4 eDRAM

# Same Architecture Different Microarchitecture

#### **AMD Phenom X4**

- X86 Instruction Set
- Quad Core
- 125W
- Decode 3 Instructions/Cycle/Core
- 64KB L1 I Cache, 64KB L1 D Cache
- 512KB L2 Cache
- Out-of-order
- 2.6GHz

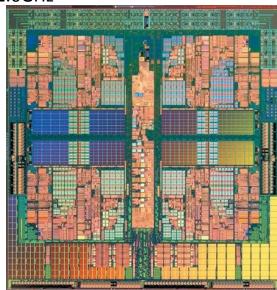


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#### **Intel Atom**

- X86 Instruction Set
- Single Core
- 2W
- Decode 2 Instructions/Cycle/Core
- 32KB L1 I Cache, 24KB L1 D Cache
- 512KB L2 Cache
- In-order
- 1.6GHz

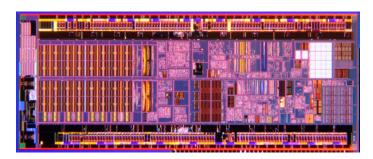


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# Different Architecture Different Microarchitecture

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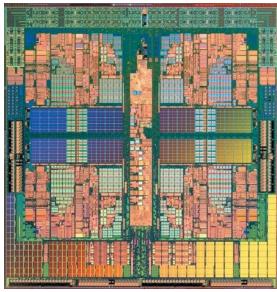


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#### **IBM POWER7**

- Power Instruction Set
- Eight Core
- 200W
- Decode 6 Instructions/Cycle/Core
- 32KB L1 I Cache, 32KB L1 D Cache
- 256KB L2 Cache
- Out-of-order
- 4.25GHz

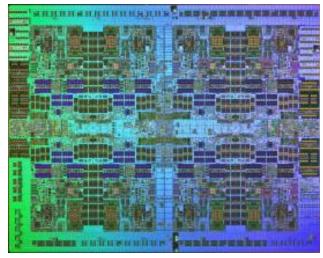
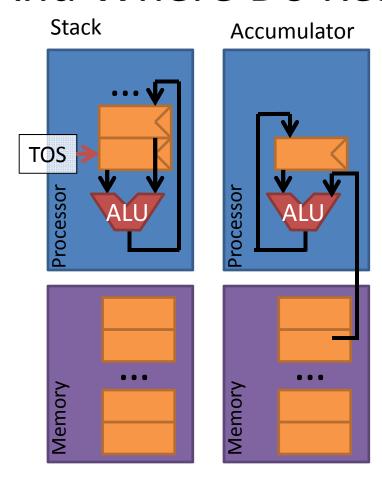
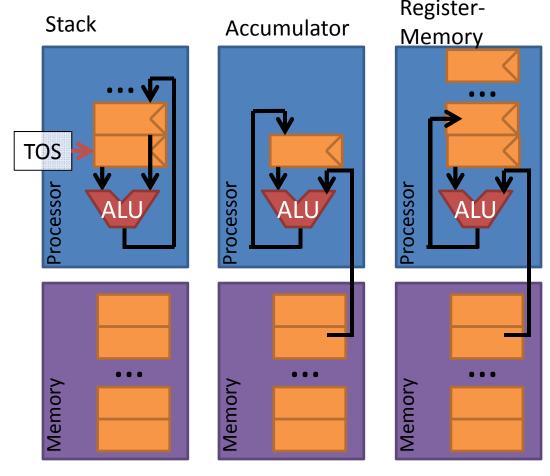


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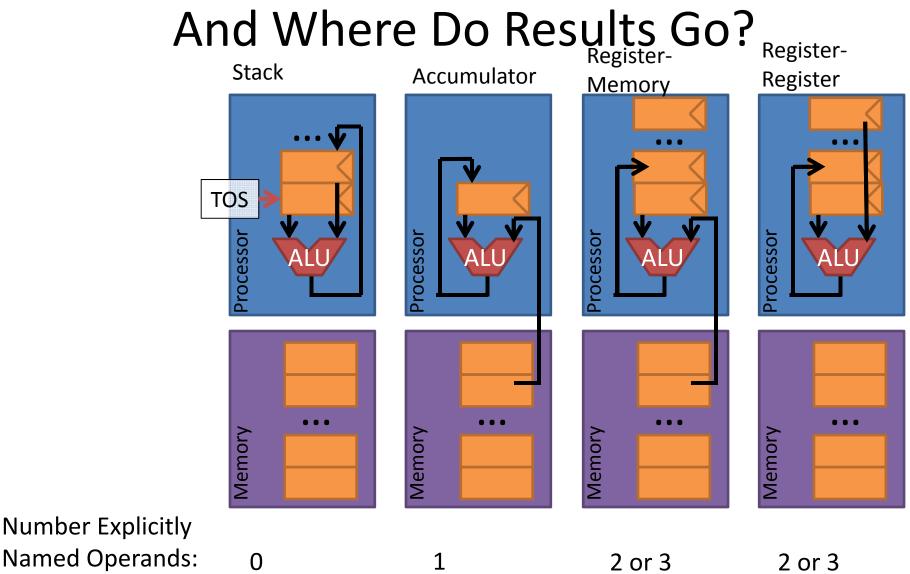


Stack TOS **Processor** Memory

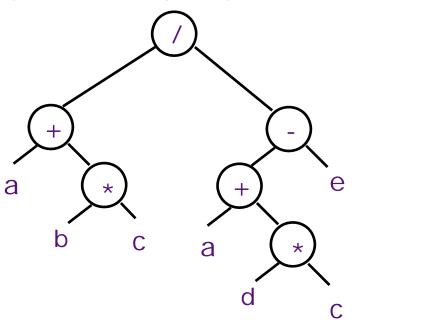




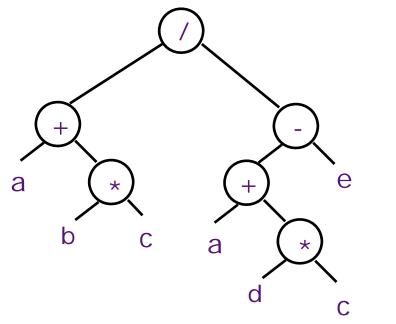
# Where Do Operands Come from



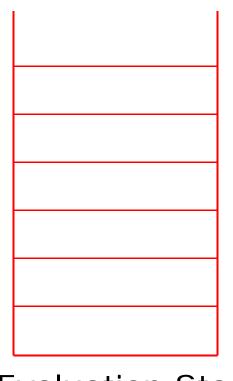
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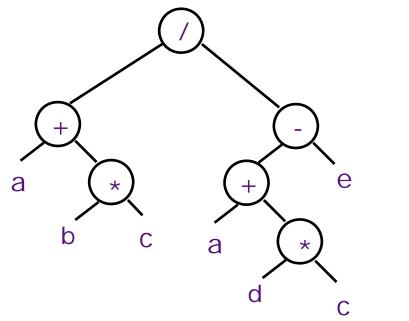
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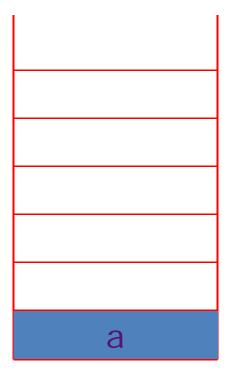
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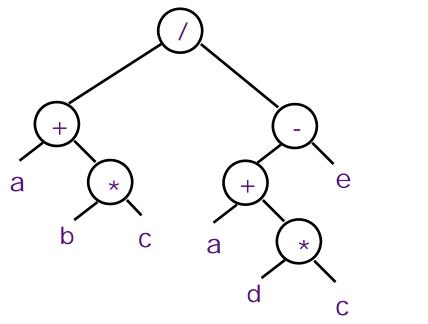
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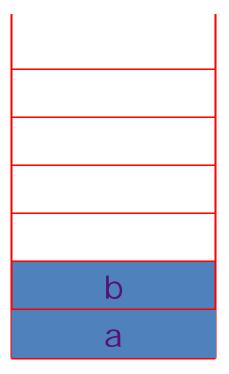
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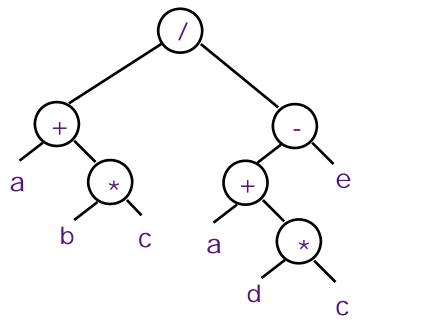
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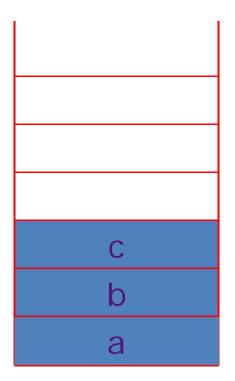
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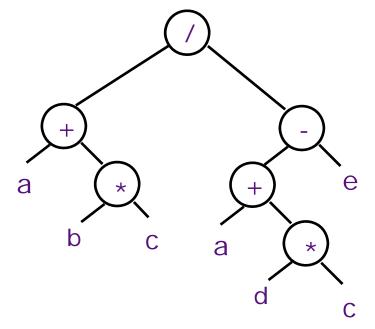
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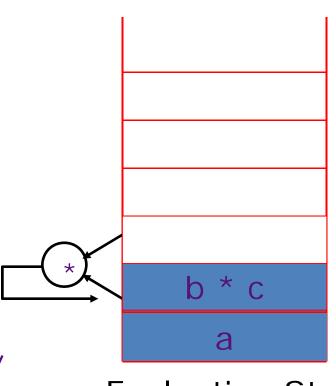
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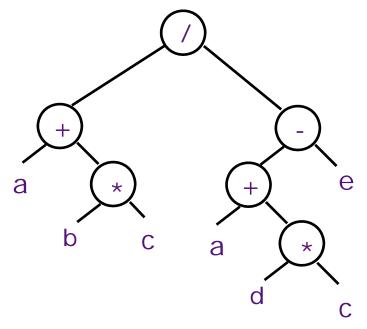
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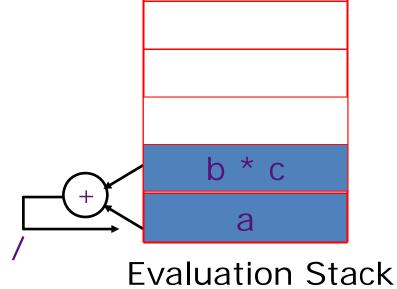
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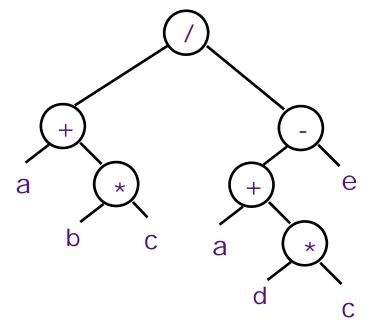
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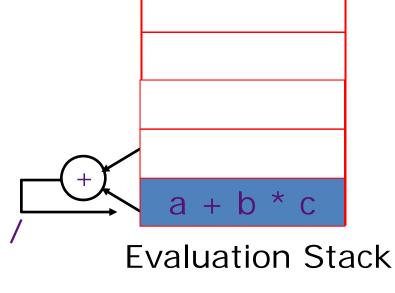
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$$(a + b * c) / (a + d * c - e)$$



Reverse Polish



### Hardware organization of the stack

- Stack is part of the processor state
  - ⇒ stack must be bounded and small ≈ number of Registers, not the size of main memory
- Conceptually stack is unbounded
  - ⇒a part of the stack is included in the processor state; the rest is kept in the main memory

# Stack Operations and Implicit Memory References

 Suppose the top 2 elements of the stack are kept in registers and the rest is kept in the memory.

```
Each push operation \Rightarrow 1 memory reference pop operation \Rightarrow 1 memory reference No Good!
```

 Better performance by keeping the top N elements in registers, and memory references are made only when register stack overflows or underflows.

# Stack Size and Memory References

program	stack (size = 2)	memory refs
push a	RO	a
push b	R0 R1	b
push c	R0 R1 R2	c, ss(a)
*	R0 R1	sf(a)
+	RO	
push a	R0 R1	а
push d	R0 R1 R2	d, ss(a+b*c)
push c	R0 R1 R2 R3	c, ss(a)
*	R0 R1 R2	sf(a)
+	R0 R1	sf(a+b*c)
push e	R0 R1 R2	e,ss(a+b*c)
-	R0 R1	sf(a+b*c)
/	RO	

### Stack Size and Memory References

abc\* + adc\* + e - /

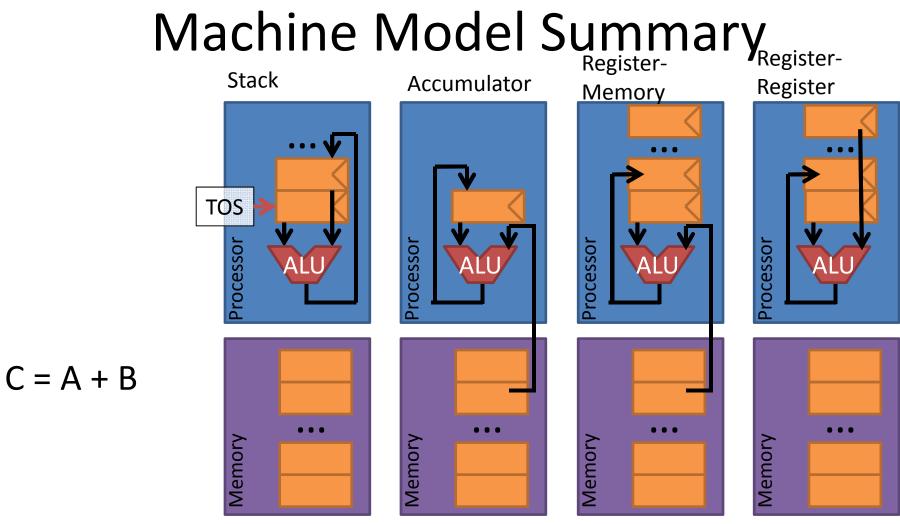
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_	R0 R1	sf(a+b*c)
/	RO	

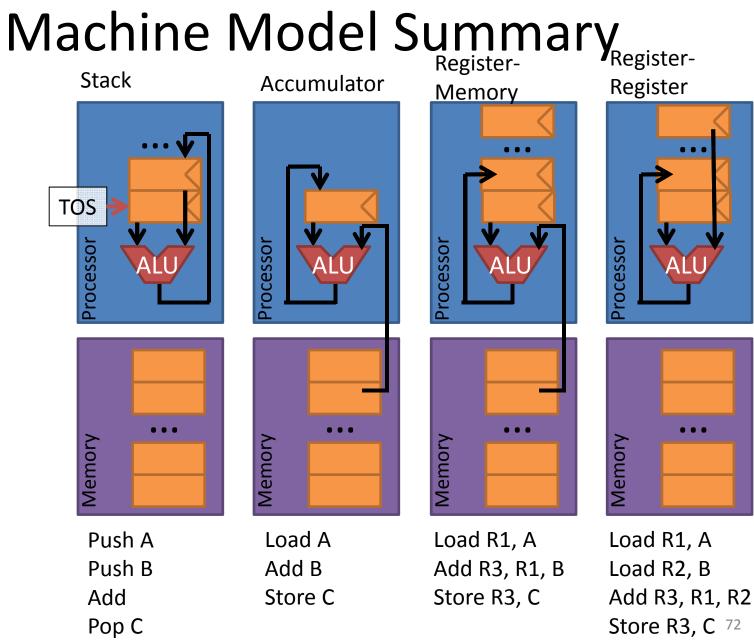
4 stores, 4 fetches (implicit) 67

#### Stack Size and Expression Evaluation

a b c \* + a d c \* + e - /

```
stack (size = 4)
                   program
                   push a
                                  RO
                   push b
                                  RO R1
                   push c
                                  R0 R1 R2
a and c are
                    *
                                  R0 R1
"loaded" twice
                                  R0
                   push a
                                  R0 R1
not the best
                   push d
                                  R0 R1 R2
use of registers!
                   push c
                                  R0 R1 R2 R3
                                  R0 R1 R2
                                  RO R1
                   +
                                  R0 R1 R2
                   push e
                                  RO R1
                                  R0
```





C = A + B

#### Classes of Instructions

- Data Transfer
  - LD, ST, MFC1, MTC1, MFC0, MTC0
- ALU
  - ADD, SUB, AND, OR, XOR, MUL, DIV, SLT, LUI
- Control Flow
  - BEQZ, JR, JAL, TRAP, ERET
- Floating Point
  - ADD.D, SUB.S, MUL.D, C.LT.D, CVT.S.W,
- Multimedia (SIMD)
  - ADD.PS, SUB.PS, MUL.PS, C.LT.PS
- String
  - REP MOVSB (x86)

# Addressing Modes: How to Get Operands from Memory

Addressing Mode	Instruction	Function
Register	Add R4, R3, R2	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + Regs[R2] **
Immediate	Add R4, R3, #5	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + 5 **
Displacement	Add R4, R3, 100(R1)	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + Mem[100 + Regs[R1]]
Register Indirect	Add R4, R3, (R1)	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + Mem[Regs[R1]]
Absolute	Add R4, R3, (0x475)	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + Mem[0x475]
Memory Indirect	Add R4, R3, @(R1)	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + Mem[Mem[R1]]
PC relative	Add R4, R3, 100(PC)	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + Mem[100 + PC]
Scaled	Add R4, R3, 100(R1)[R5]	Regs[R4] <- Regs[R3] + Mem[100 + Regs[R1] + Regs[R5] * 4]

### Data Types and Sizes

#### Types

- Binary Integer
- Binary Coded Decimal (BCD)
- Floating Point
  - IEEE 754
  - Cray Floating Point
  - Intel Extended Precision (80-bit)
- Packed Vector Data
- Addresses

#### Width

- Binary Integer (8-bit, 16-bit, 32-bit, 64-bit)
- Floating Point (32-bit, 40-bit, 64-bit, 80-bit)
- Addresses (16-bit, 24-bit, 32-bit, 48-bit, 64-bit)

### ISA Encoding

Fixed Width: Every Instruction has same width

Easy to decode

(RISC Architectures: MIPS, PowerPC, SPARC, ARM...)

Ex: MIPS, every instruction 4-bytes

Variable Length: Instructions can vary in width

Takes less space in memory and caches

(CISC Architectures: IBM 360, x86, Motorola 68k, VAX...)

Ex: x86, instructions 1-byte up to 17-bytes

#### **Mostly Fixed or Compressed:**

- Ex: MIPS16, THUMB (only two formats 2 and 4 bytes)
- PowerPC and some VLIWs (Store instructions compressed, decompress into Instruction Cache

#### (Very) Long Instruction Word:

- Multiple instructions in a fixed width bundle
- Ex: Multiflow, HP/ST Lx, TI C6000

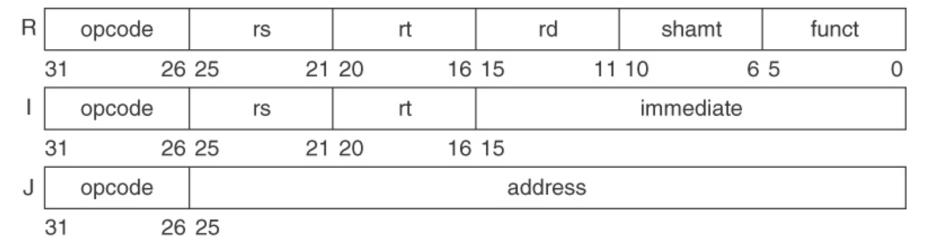
### x86 (IA-32) Instruction Encoding

Instruction Prefixes	Opcode	ModR/M	Scale, Index, Base	Displacement	Immediate
Up to four Prefixes (1 byte each)	1,2, or 3 bytes	1 byte (if needed)	1 byte (if needed)	0,1,2, or 4 bytes	0,1,2, or 4 bytes

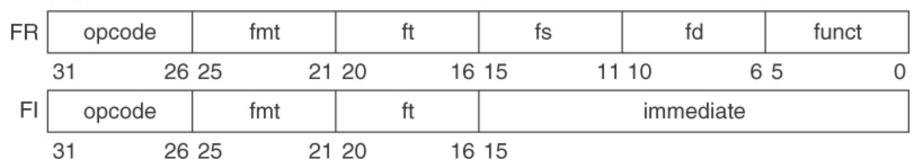
x86 and x86-64 Instruction Formats
Possible instructions 1 to 18 bytes long

### MIPS64 Instruction Encoding

#### Basic instruction formats



#### Floating-point instruction formats



### Real World Instruction Sets

Arch	Туре	# Oper	# Mem	Data Size	# Regs	Addr Size	Use
Alpha	Reg-Reg	3	0	64-bit	32	64-bit	Workstation
ARM	Reg-Reg	3	0	32/64-bit	16	32/64-bit	Cell Phones, Embedded
MIPS	Reg-Reg	3	0	32/64-bit	32	32/64-bit	Workstation, Embedded
SPARC	Reg-Reg	3	0	32/64-bit	24-32	32/64-bit	Workstation
TI C6000	Reg-Reg	3	0	32-bit	32	32-bit	DSP
IBM 360	Reg-Mem	2	1	32-bit	16	24/31/64	Mainframe
x86	Reg-Mem	2	1	8/16/32/ 64-bit	4/8/24	16/32/64	Personal Computers
VAX	Mem-Mem	3	3	32-bit	16	32-bit	Minicomputer
Mot. 6800	Accum.	1	1/2	8-bit	0	16-bit	Microcontroler

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