ArchLab Release Notes

10/19/2016

• Fixed a bug in pipe/correctness.pl that allowed programs that are too long to get full credit. *Thanks to Jenna MacCarly, Carnegie Mellon*

4/1/2015

This is a major update of the Arch Lab that reflects the changes in Chapter 4 of CS:APP3e.

• Updated all tools and programs from Y86 (32-bit) to Y86-64 (64-bit).

7/29/2013

- Updated autograders to compute and summarize all autograded scores on the gradesheets.
- Fixed some typos in the writeup and the slides.
- In the writeup, updated references to problem numbers for iaddl and leave to include the corresponding problem numbers for the international version.

5/1/2011

This is a major update of the Arch Lab that reflects the changes in Chapter 4 of CS:APP2e.

- Students can now use the conditional move instructions to avoid the performance problems of conditional jumps.
- The benchmark test has a random selection of positive vs. negative numbers. So, conditional moves are really the way to go.
- The correctness check is more robust, looking for things like overshooting the array bounds.
- Added a 1000-byte limit on the size of the object code for the ncopy function.
- Added Perl scripts in src/ptest that provide comprehensive regression testing of the different Y86 simulators:
 - Tests each individual instruction type.
 - Tests all of the jump types under different conditions.
 - Tests different pipeline control combinations.
 - Tests many different hazard possibilities.
- Incorporated the regression tests in src/ptest into the autograding of the student solutions for parts B and C.

11/04/2004

• Fixed problem that caused some newer Linux distributions to get tk.h from /usr/local/include instead of /usr/include. *Thanks to Prof. Dr. Gerd Doeben-Henisch, Fachhochschule Frankfurt*.

12/22/2003

• Fixed minor bug that caused some compilers to complain. Changed type of return value from getopt() from char to int. *Thanks to Morgan Harvey, Portland State University*.

8/5/2002

• Initial release.