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HW5 Sample Solution

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EX:

- Add the offset with the base address from R6
- Add PC+4 with the lower 16bits of instruction (useless)
- One reg destination is selected by mux (useless)

MEM:

- Write the value of R16 into the target address in DMEM
- Calculate the PCsrc signal for branch (useless)

HW 5. 4

```
LOOP:
  add $1, $2, $1
  lw  $2, 0($1)
  lw  $2, 16($2)
  slt $1, $2, $5
  beq $1, $9, LOOP
```

4.16.4(b) Show a pipeline execution diagram for the third iteration of this loop, from the cycle in which we fetch the first instruction of that iteration up to (but not including) the cycle in which we can fetch the first instruction of the next iteration. Show all instructions that are in the pipeline during these cycles (not just those from the third iteration). Assume that no stalls due to control hazards, that there are no delay slots, and that the pipeline has full forwarding support.

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Solution:

```
                lw  $1, 0($1)WB
                lw  $1, 0($1)EX   MEM WB
                beq $1, $0, LOOP NOP EX   MEM WB
LOOP: (3rd)     lw  $1, 0($1)IF  NOP ID   EX   MEM WB
                add $1, $1, $2        IF  ID   NOP EX   MEM WB
                lw  $1, 0($1)            IF  NOP ID   EX   MEM
                lw  $1, 0($1)                IF  ID   NOP
                beq $1, $0, LOOP                 IF  NOP
LOOP: (4th)     lw  $1, 0($1)
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Notice that load-use hazard must be dealt with stall.

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The percentage we use DMEM is just the sum of percentages of `sw` and `lw`.

  a. 25%+5% = 30%
  b. 20%+10% = 30%

HW 5. 8

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- MemtoReg: 0; RegWrite: 1

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PCsrc = 0.

- Reason for in EX: one clock cycle earlier to select the correct result of pc (useful for branch instructions)
- Reason for in MEM: PCsrc is dependent on ALUzero and need further AND calculation. May exceed the cycle length.

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The only difference is that originally load-use harzard only affects the very next instruction with RAW dependency while in this 6-stage version, it will affect next 2 intructions.

- With Forwarding: I2 - I4($2) (not in 5-stage), I3 - I4($2)
- Without Forwarding: I1 - I2 I3($1), I2 - I4($2), I3 - I4($1)

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Without forwarding, the written reg can only be updated after two cycles of the execution. (stall active for load-use)

$1 = 0; $2 = 0; $3 = 30 \lor 0 = 30_{dec}

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Tips

Things you must know before entering E2-401/E2-301.

- Time: 14:00 - 15:40, Oct 29
- What is CPI, CPU Time etc.
- Big Endian and Small Endian
- How to work like assembler and compiler
- Design logic behind single-cycle and pipeline structure
- How to determine the critical path and cycle time
- Control signals for every instruction
- What is each stage working on for different instructions
- How to support `bne`, `jr` and `jal` for at least single-cycle
- Never stuck on one single problem

Good Luck !