

## Tasks

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Testing / test cases

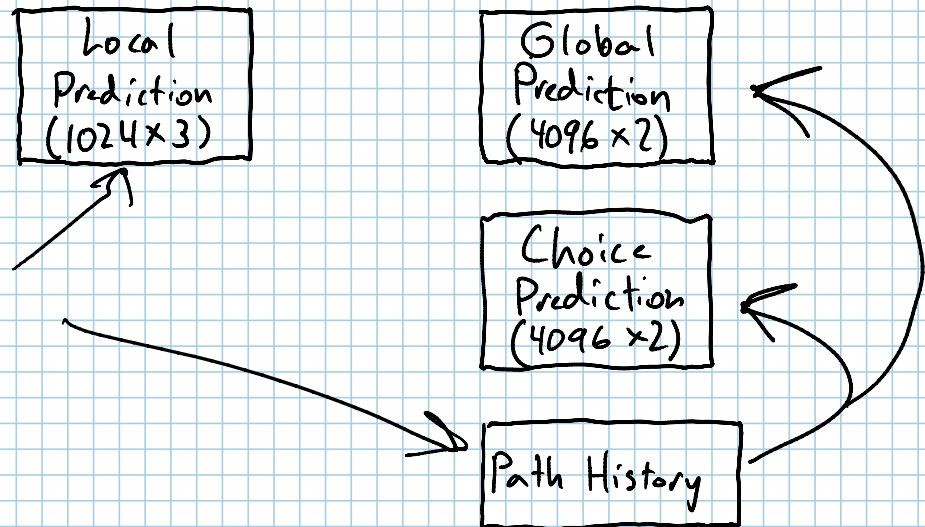
Dummy Framework

get\_prediction function

update\_predictor function

Data structures / access functions

Choice predictor functions - Rob



get\_prediction reads values in these arrays, and decides prediction

update\_predictor checks branch outcome, and sends result to the appropriate array

## Local Prediction Access Functions

```
int read_local_prediction(uint branch_addr)
//branch_addr : branch instruction address (value of PC)
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int read_local_prediction(uint branch_addr)
// branch_addr: branch instruction address (value of PC)
// returns counter value at index for branch
```

```
void update_local_prediction(uint branch_addr, bool taken)
// branch_addr: branch instruction address (value of PC)
// taken: True if branch was actually taken
// increment/decrement/saturate counter
```

## Global Prediction Access Functions

```
int read_global_prediction()
void update_global_prediction(uint path)
// path: path history bits
// This function will use Path History to determine
// how to update
```

## Choice Prediction Access Functions

```
int read_choice_prediction(uint branch_addr)
void update_choice_prediction(uint branch_addr, bool local)
// local: true if local predictor was right and global
// predictor was wrong
```

## Path History Access Functions

```
void update_path_history(bool taken)
// taken: true if branch was actually taken
// Update value of Path History bits (shift in taken)
// Update choice prediction at this index by calling
// update_choice_prediction()
```

## Top-level Functions

get\_prediction() would call read-xxx-prediction() fn's

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//needs to determine whether to use global or local  
//by calling read-choice-prediction(), then interpret  
//prediction counter value and return prediction

update\_predictor() would call update-xxx-prediction() fn's  
//needs to update Path History  
//Then, needs to update local history