

last time

speculative execution —- guess and check

- run guess immediately

- later check and maybe undo guess

branch prediction strategies

- static (based on code) v dynamic (based on history)

- cache-like tables for dynamic prediction

multiple issue, out-of-order processors

- in-order fetch

- out-of-order (as values ready) run instructions

- in-order 'commit' (finish)

register renaming

quiz Q1

20 ps register delay

1000 ps work + 7 pipeline registers = $1000 + 7 \times 20$

throughput at most 1 instruction / $(1000/7 + 20)$

quiz Q2

1 instruction per cycle base

+ .01 instruction per cycle extra (data hazards)

+ $.02 \times 3$ instruction per cycle extra (branch mispredict)

= average cycles per instruction

then times 500 ps/cycle

quiz Q3

need stalling so %r9 ready for subq

that stalling will make %r9 ready for xorq

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
F	D	E1	E2	E3	M	W					
	F	D*	D*	D	E1	E2	E3	M	W		
		F*	F*	F	D	E1	E2	E3	M	W	
					F	D	E1	E2	E3	M	W

quiz Q4

instruction / cycle:

addq %r8, %r9

imulq %r10, %r13

movq (%r9), %r10

subq %r8, %r9

nop

nop

xorq %r10, %r9

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
F	D	E1	E2	E3	M	W		
	F	D	E1	E2	E3	M	W	
		F	D	E1	E2	E3	M	W
			F	D	E1	E2	E3	M
				F	D	E1	E2	E3
					F	D	E1	E2
						F	D	E1

quiz Q5

$x \geq 0$

predicted as false first time loop runs (always wrong)

predicted as true other times (right all but last time)

$5 == x \% 10$

predicted as false 9/10 times, correct 8 of those times

predicted as true 1/10 times, wrong each time

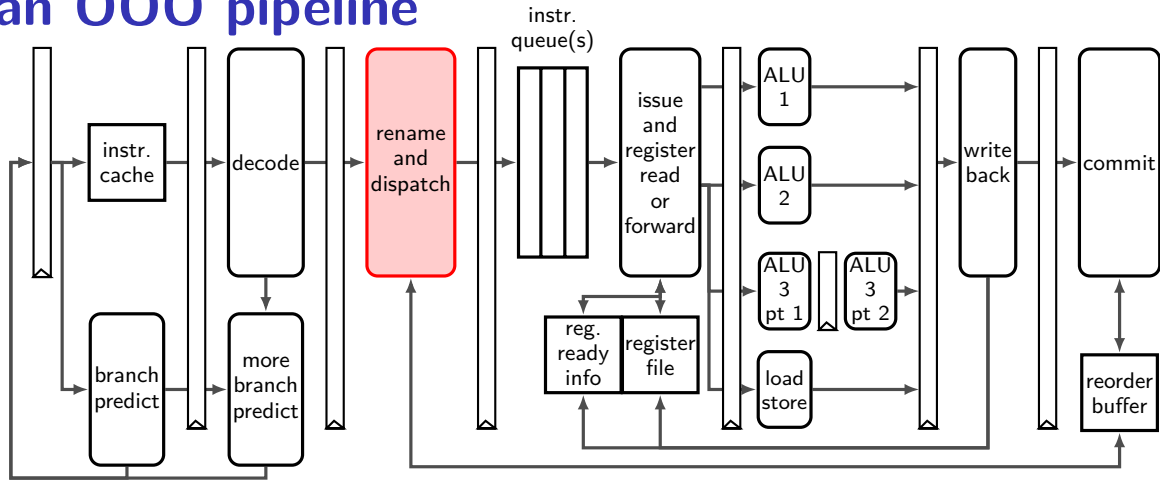
quiz Q6

A: less accurate since $5 == x \% 10$ and $x \geq 0$ tend to conflict

B, C: avoids mistraining from single exceptions to usual pattern

D: makes single exceptions to pattern worse for $5 == x \% 10$ condition

an OOO pipeline



register renaming

rename *architectural registers* to *physical registers*

architectural = part of instruction set architecture

different name for each version of architectural register

register renaming state

original	renamed
add %r10, %r8 ...	
add %r11, %r8 ...	
add %r12, %r8 ...	

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming state

original
add %r10, %r8 ...
add %r11, %r8 ...
add %r12, %r8 ...

renamed

table for architectural (external)
and physical (internal) name
(for next instr. to process)

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming state

original

```
add %r10, %r8  ...  
add %r11, %r8  ...  
add %r12, %r8  ...
```

renamed

list of available physical registers
added to as instructions finish

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (1)

original

```
add %r10, %r8
add %r11, %r8
add %r12, %r8
```

renamed

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (1)

original
add %r10, %r8
add %r11, %r8
add %r12, %r8

renamed
add %x19, %x13 → %x18

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13 %x18
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (1)

original	renamed
add %r10, %r8	add %x19, %x13 → %x18
add %r11, %r8	add %x07, %x18 → %x20
add %r12, %r8	

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13 %x18 %x20
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (1)

original	renamed
add %r10, %r8	add %x19, %x13 → %x18
add %r11, %r8	add %x07, %x18 → %x20
add %r12, %r8	add %x05, %x20 → %x21

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13%x18%x20%x21
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (1)

original	renamed
add %r10, %r8	add %x19, %x13 → %x18
add %r11, %r8	add %x07, %x18 → %x20
add %r12, %r8	add %x05, %x20 → %x21

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13 %x18%x20%x21
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05
...	...

free reg list

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

original

renamed

```
addq %r10, %r8
movq %r8, (%rax)
subq %r8, %r11
movq 8(%r11), %r11
movq $100, %r8
addq %r11, %r8
```

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

original

```
addq %r10, %r8
movq %r8, (%rax)
subq %r8, %r11
movq 8(%r11), %r11
movq $100, %r8
addq %r11, %r8
```

renamed

```
addq %x19, %x13 → %x18
```

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13 %x18
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

original

```
addq %r10, %r8
movq %r8, (%rax)
subq %r8, %r11
movq 8(%r11), %r11
movq $100, %r8
addq %r11, %r8
```

renamed

```
addq %x19, %x13 → %x18
```

```
movq %x18, (%x04) → (memory)
```

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13%x18
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

original	renamed
<code>addq %r10, %r8</code>	<code>addq %x19, %x13 → %x18</code>
<code>movq %r8, (%rax)</code>	<code>movq %x18, (%x04) → (memory)</code>
<code>subq %r8, %r11</code>	
<code>movq 8(%r11), %r11</code>	
<code>movq \$100, %r8</code>	
<code>addq %r11, %r8</code>	

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13%x18
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07
%r12	%x05

could be that $\%rax = 8 + \%r11$
could load before value written!
possible data hazard!

not handled via register renaming

option 1: run load+stores in order

option 2: compare load/store addresses

%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

original

```
addq %r10, %r8
movq %r8, (%rax)
subq %r8, %r11
movq 8(%r11), %r11
movq $100, %r8
addq %r11, %r8
```

renamed

```
addq %x19, %x13 → %x18
movq %x18, (%x04) → (memory)
subq %x18, %x07 → %x20
```

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13%x18
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07%x20
%r12	%x05

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

original

```
addq %r10, %r8
movq %r8, (%rax)
subq %r8, %r11
movq 8(%r11), %r11
movq $100, %r8
addq %r11, %r8
```

renamed

```
addq %x19, %x13 → %x18
movq %x18, (%x04) → (memory)
subq %x18, %x07 → %x20
movq 8(%x20), (memory) → %x21
```

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13%x18
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07%x20%x21
%r12	%x05

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

original

```
addq %r10, %r8
movq %r8, (%rax)
subq %r8, %r11
movq 8(%r11), %r11
movq $100, %r8
addq %r11, %r8
```

renamed

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addq %x19, %x13 → %x18
movq %x18, (%x04) → (memory)
subq %x18, %x07 → %x20
movq 8(%x20), (memory) → %x21
movq $100 → %x23
```

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13 %x18 %x23
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07%x20%x21
%r12	%x05

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming example (2)

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addq %r10, %r8
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movq $100, %r8
addq %r11, %r8
```

renamed

```
addq %x19, %x13 → %x18
movq %x18, (%x04) → (memory)
subq %x18, %x07 → %x20
movq 8(%x20), (memory) → %x21
movq $100 → %x23
addq %x21, %x23 → %x24
```

arch → phys register map

%rax	%x04
%rcx	%x09
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%r8	%x13% x18 %x23%x24
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x07%x20%x21
%r12	%x05

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

register renaming exercise

original

```
addq %r8, %r9
movq $100, %r10
subq %r10, %r8
xorq %r8, %r9
andq %rax, %r9
```

arch → phys

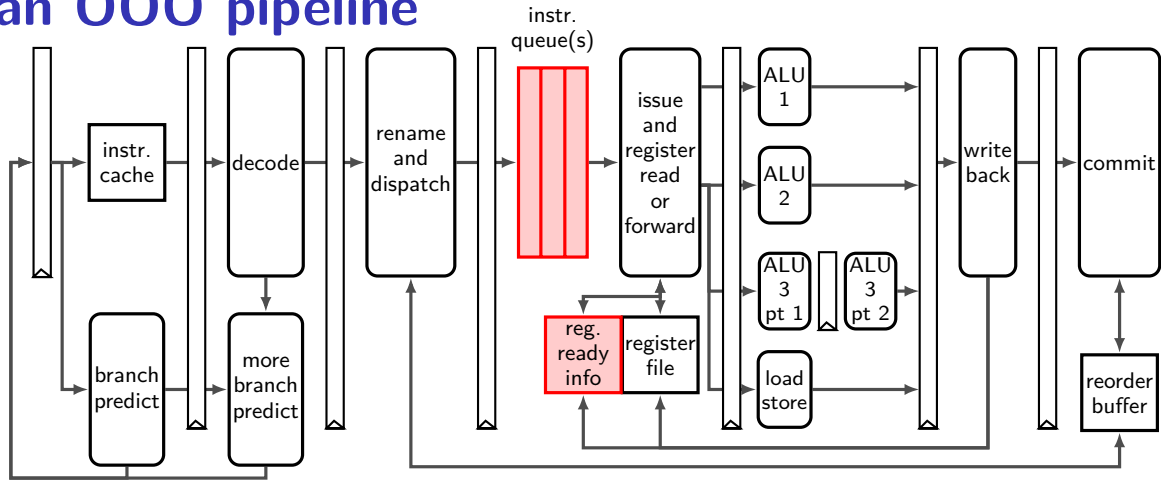
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%rcx	%x09
...	...
%r8	%x13
%r9	%x17
%r10	%x19
%r11	%x29
%r12	%x05
%r13	%x02
...	...

renamed

free
regs

%x18
%x20
%x21
%x23
%x24
...

an OOO pipeline



instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

#	instruction
1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
2	addq %x02, %x06 → %x07
3	addq %x03, %x07 → %x08
4	cmpq %x04, %x08 → %x09.cc
5	jne %x09.cc, ...
6	addq %x01, %x08 → %x10
7	addq %x02, %x10 → %x11
8	addq %x03, %x11 → %x12
9	cmpq %x04, %x12 → %x13.cc

... ...

execution unit

ALU 1

ALU 2

scoreboard

reg	status
%x01	ready
%x02	ready
%x03	ready
%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending
%x07	pending
%x08	pending
%x09	pending
%x10	pending
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

...

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

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5	jne %x09.cc, ...
6	addq %x01, %x08 → %x10
7	addq %x02, %x10 → %x11
8	addq %x03, %x11 → %x12
9	cmpq %x04, %x12 → %x13.cc

... ..

execution unit *cycle#* 1

ALU 1 1

ALU 2

scoreboard

reg	status
%x01	ready
%x02	ready
%x03	ready
%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending
%x07	pending
%x08	pending
%x09	pending
%x10	pending
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

...

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

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6	addq %x01, %x08 → %x10
7	addq %x02, %x10 → %x11
8	addq %x03, %x11 → %x12
9	cmpq %x04, %x12 → %x13.cc

... ..

execution unit cycle# 1

ALU 1 1

ALU 2

scoreboard

reg	status
%x01	ready
%x02	ready
%x03	ready
%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending
%x07	pending
%x08	pending
%x09	pending
%x10	pending
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

...

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

#	instruction
1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
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7	addq %x02, %x10 → %x11
8	addq %x03, %x11 → %x12
9	cmpq %x04, %x12 → %x13.cc

... ..

execution unit cycle# 1

ALU 1 1

ALU 2 —

scoreboard

reg	status
%x01	ready
%x02	ready
%x03	ready
%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending ready
%x07	pending
%x08	pending
%x09	pending
%x10	pending
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

...

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

#	instruction
1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
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5	jne %x09.cc, ...
6	addq %x01, %x08 → %x10
7	addq %x02, %x10 → %x11
8	addq %x03, %x11 → %x12
9	cmpq %x04, %x12 → %x13.cc

... ..

scoreboard

reg	status
%x01	ready
%x02	ready
%x03	ready
%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending ready
%x07	pending ready
%x08	pending
%x09	pending
%x10	pending
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

execution unit	cycle#	1	2
ALU 1		1	2
ALU 2		—	—

...

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

#	instruction
1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
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3	addq %x03, %x07 → %x08
4	cmpq %x04, %x08 → %x09.cc
5	jne %x09.cc, ...
6	addq %x01, %x08 → %x10
7	addq %x02, %x10 → %x11
8	addq %x03, %x11 → %x12
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... ..

scoreboard

reg	status
%x01	ready
%x02	ready
%x03	ready
%x04	ready
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%x06	pending ready
%x07	pending ready
%x08	pending ready
%x09	pending
%x10	pending
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

execution unit	cycle#	1	2	3	...
ALU 1		1	2	3	
ALU 2		—	—	—	

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

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1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
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... ...

scoreboard

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%x06	pending ready
%x07	pending ready
%x08	pending ready
%x09	pending
%x10	pending
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

execution unit	cycle# 1	2	3
ALU 1	1	2	3
ALU 2	—	—	—

...

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

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1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
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6	addq %x01, %x08 → %x10
7	addq %x02, %x10 → %x11
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... ...

scoreboard

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%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending ready
%x07	pending ready
%x08	pending ready
%x09	pending ready
%x10	pending ready
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

execution unit	cycle#	1	2	3	4	...
ALU 1		1	2	3	4	
ALU 2		—	—	—	6	

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

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1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
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... ...

scoreboard

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%x08	pending ready
%x09	pending ready
%x10	pending ready
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

execution unit	cycle#	1	2	3	4	...
ALU 1		1	2	3	4	
ALU 2		—	—	—	6	

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

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... ...

scoreboard

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%x03	ready
%x04	ready
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%x06	pending ready
%x07	pending ready
%x08	pending ready
%x09	pending ready
%x10	pending ready
%x11	pending
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

execution unit	cycle#	1	2	3	4	5	...
ALU 1		1	2	3	4	5	
ALU 2		—	—	—	6	7	

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

#	instruction
1	addq %x01, %x05 → %x06
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... ..

scoreboard

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%x01	ready
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%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending ready
%x07	pending ready
%x08	pending ready
%x09	pending ready
%x10	pending ready
%x11	pending ready
%x12	pending
%x13	pending
...	...

execution unit	cycle#	1	2	3	4	5	6	...
ALU 1		1	2	3	4	5	8	
ALU 2		—	—	—	6	7	—	

instruction queue and dispatch

instruction queue

#	instruction
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3	addq %x03, %x07 → %x08
4	cmpq %x04, %x08 → %x09.cc
5	jne %x09.cc, ...
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... ...

scoreboard

reg	status
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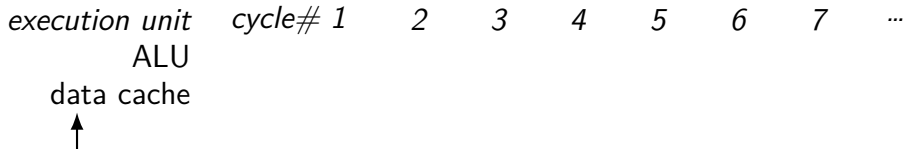
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2	mrmovq (%x05) → %x07
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5	addq %x01, %x07 → %x10

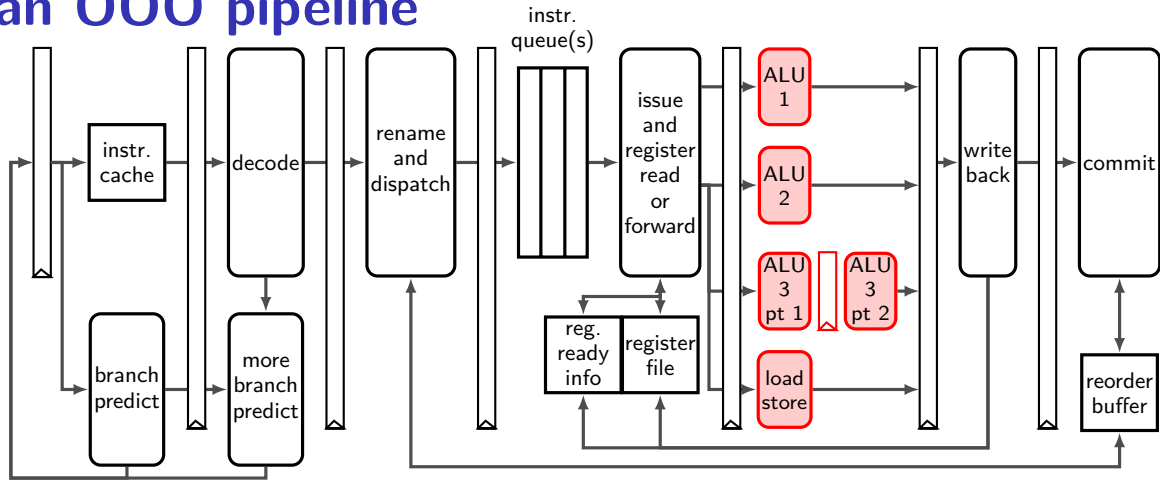
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an OOO pipeline



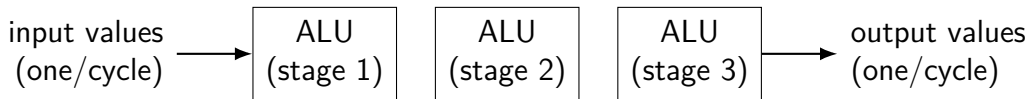
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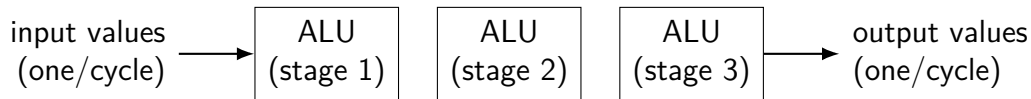
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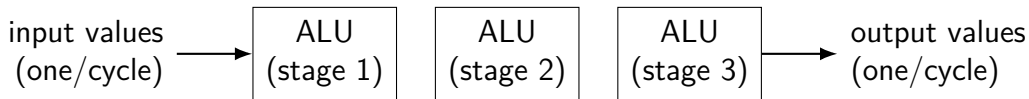
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3×3 cycles + any time to forward values

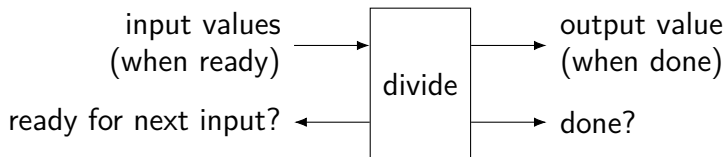
no parallelism!

execution units AKA functional units (2)

where actual work of instruction is done

e.g. the actual ALU, or data cache

sometimes unpipelined:



instruction queue and dispatch (multicycle)

scoreboard

instruction queue

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1	add %x01, %x02 → %x03
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ALU 3 (mul) start

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... ..

execution unit	cycle#	1
ALU 1 (add, cmp, jxx)		1
ALU 2 (add, cmp, jxx)		—
ALU 3 (mul) start		2
ALU 3 (mul) end		2

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execution unit	cycle#	1	2
ALU 1 (add, cmp, jxx)	1	6	
ALU 2 (add, cmp, jxx)	—	—	
ALU 3 (mul) start	2	3	
ALU 3 (mul) end		2	3

reg	status
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%x03	pending ready
%x04	ready
%x05	ready
%x06	pending (still)
%x07	ready
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ALU 1 (add, cmp, jxx)	1	6	—	—
ALU 2 (add, cmp, jxx)	—	—	—	—
ALU 3 (mul) start	2	3	7	—
ALU 3 (mul) end		2	3	7

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execution unit	cycle#	1	2	3	4
ALU 1 (add, cmp, jxx)	1	6	—	—	4
ALU 2 (add, cmp, jxx)	—	—	—	—	—
ALU 3 (mul) start	2	3	7	8	—
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register renaming: missing pieces

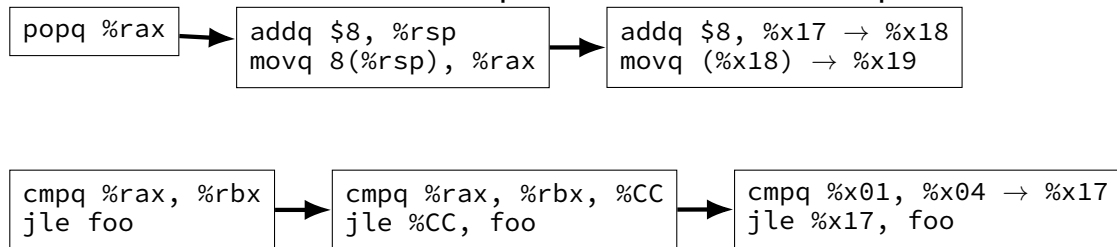
what about “hidden” inputs like `%rsp`, condition codes?

one solution: translate to instructions with additional register parameters

- making `%rsp` explicit parameter

- turning hidden condition codes into operands!

bonus: can also translate complex instructions to simpler ones



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some performance examples

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    jge loop1  
    ret
```

about 30B instructions

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example2:

```
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loop2:  
    addq %rbx, %rcx  
    addq %r8, %r9  
    decq %rax  
    jge loop2  
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check_passphrase

```
int check_passphrase(const char *versus) {  
    int i = 0;  
    while (passphrase[i] == versus[i] &&  
           passphrase[i]) {  
        i += 1;  
    }  
    return (passphrase[i] == versus[i]);  
}
```

number of iterations = number matching characters

leaks information about passphrase, oops!

exploiting check_passphrase (1)

guess	measured time
aaaa	100 ± 5
baaa	103 ± 4
caaa	102 ± 6
daaa	111 ± 5
aaaa	99 ± 6
faaa	101 ± 7
gaaa	104 ± 4
...	...

exploiting check_passphrase (2)

guess	measured time
daaa	102 ± 5
dbaa	99 ± 4
dcaa	104 ± 4
ddaa	100 ± 6
deaa	102 ± 4
dfaa	109 ± 7
dgaa	103 ± 4
...	...

timing and cryptography

lots of asymmetric cryptography uses big-integer math

example: multiplying 500+ bit numbers together

how do you implement that?

big integer multiplication

say we have two 64-bit integers x, y

and want to 128-bit product, but our multiply instruction only does 64-bit products

one way to multiply:

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can extend this idea to arbitrarily large numbers

number of smaller multiplies depends on size of numbers!

big integers and cryptography

naive multiplication idea:

number of steps depends on size of numbers

problem: sometimes the value of the number is a secret

e.g. part of the private key

oops! revealed through timing

big integer timing attacks in practice (1)

early versions of OpenSSL (TLS implementation) had timing attack

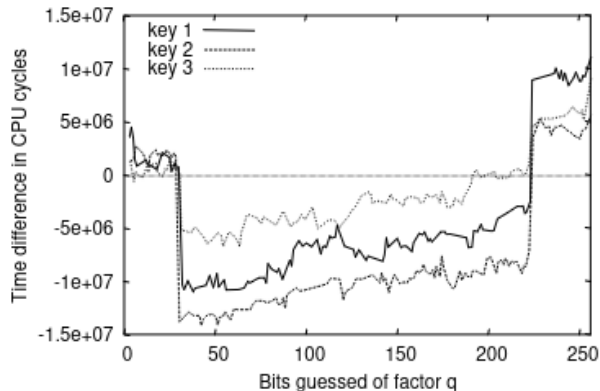
Brumley and Boneh, "Remote Timing Attacks are Practical" (Usenix Security '03)

attacker could figure out bits of private key from timing

why? variable-time multiplication and modulus operations

got faster/slower depending on how input was related to private key

big integer timing attacks in practice (2)



(a) The zero-one gap $T_g - T_{g_{hi}}$ indicates that we can distinguish between bits that are 0 and 1 of the RSA factor q for 3 different randomly-generated keys. For clarity, bits of q that are 1 are omitted, as the x -axis can be used for reference for this case.

browsers and website leakage

web browsers run code from untrusted webpages

one goal: can't tell what other webpages you visit

some webpage leakage (1)

...as you can see [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) ...

convenient feature 1: browser marks visited links

```
<script>
var the_color = window.getComputedStyle(
    document.querySelector('a[href=~"foo.com"]')
).color
if (color == ...) { ... }
</script>
```

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fix 1: `getComputedStyle` lies about the color

fix 2: limited styling options for visited links

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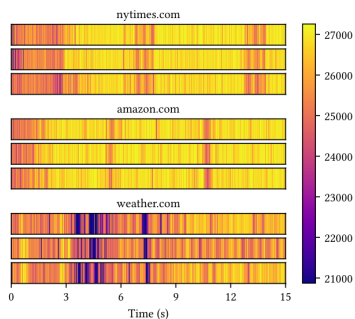


Figure 3: Example loop-counting traces collected over 15 seconds. Darker shades indicate smaller counter values and lower instruction throughput.

turns out, other webpages
create distinct “signatures”

Figure from Cook et al, “There’s Always a Bigger Fish: Clarifying Analysis of a Machine-Learning-Assisted Side-Channel Attack” (ISCA ’22)

inferring cache accesses (1)

suppose I time accesses to array of chars:

reading array[0]: 3 cycles

reading array[64]: 4 cycles

reading array[128]: 4 cycles

reading array[192]: 20 cycles

reading array[256]: 4 cycles

reading array[288]: 4 cycles

...

what could cause this difference?

array[192] not in some cache, but others were

inferring cache accesses (2)

some psuedocode:

```
char array[CACHE_SIZE];  
AccessAllOf(array);  
*other_address += 1;  
TimeAccessingArray();
```

suppose during these accesses I discover that `array[128]` is slower to access

probably because `*other_address` loaded into cache + evicted it

what do we know about `other_address`? (select all that apply)

- A. same cache tag B. same cache index C. same cache offset
- D. diff. cache tag E. diff. cache index F. diff. cache offset

some complications

caches often use physical, not virtual addresses

- (and need to know about physical address to compare index bits)

- (but can infer physical addresses with measurements/asking OS)

- (and often OS allocates contiguous physical addresses esp. w/ 'large pages')

storing/processing timings evicts things in the cache

- (but can compare timing with/without access of interest to check for this)

processor "pre-fetching" may load things into cache before access is timed

- (but can arrange accesses to avoid triggering prefetcher and make sure to measure with memory barriers)

some L3 caches use a simple hash function to select index instead