

EECS 370 - Lecture 11

Multi-Cycle Data Path



Announcements

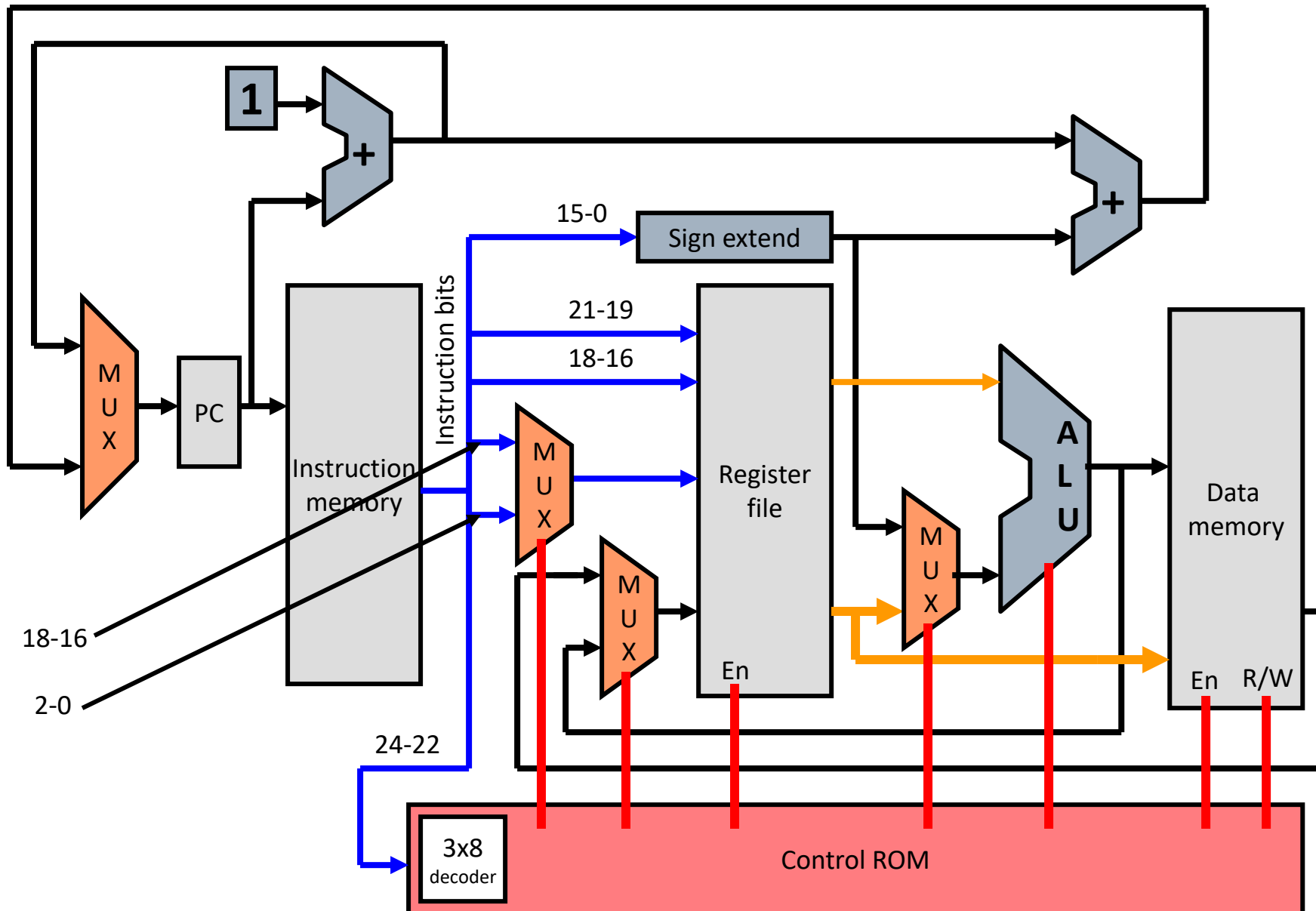
- P2
 - Two parts: part a is due **Thu 2/16**
- HW 3
 - Posted on website, due **Mon 2/20**
 - **3 submissions on Gradescope**
 - Individual part
 - Group part
 - Practice exam (also group)
- Midterm exam **Thu March 9, 7-9pm**
 - More details soon
- Questions about symbol & relocation tables?
 - <https://eecs370.github.io/#resources>

Lingering questions from last time

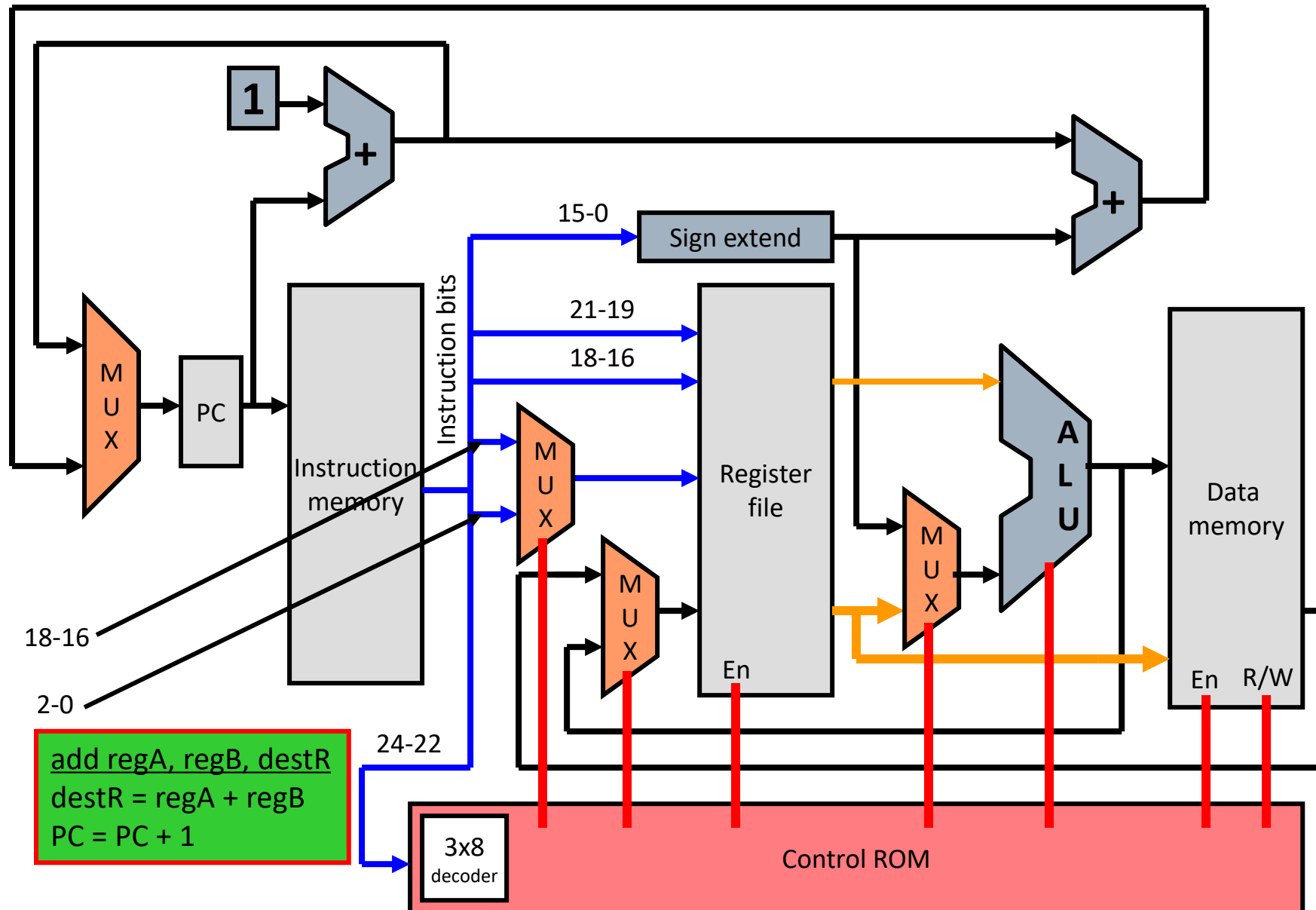
- "Is it correct that Mealy and Moore machines can perform transitions in similar ways, but a Moore machine's output is determined by state only (rather than state and input)?"
 - Correct! Mealy machines tend to be a bit more compact, but unstable inputs result in unstable outputs
- Remember, you can post questions on Slido, or fill out this "end of lecture" form:



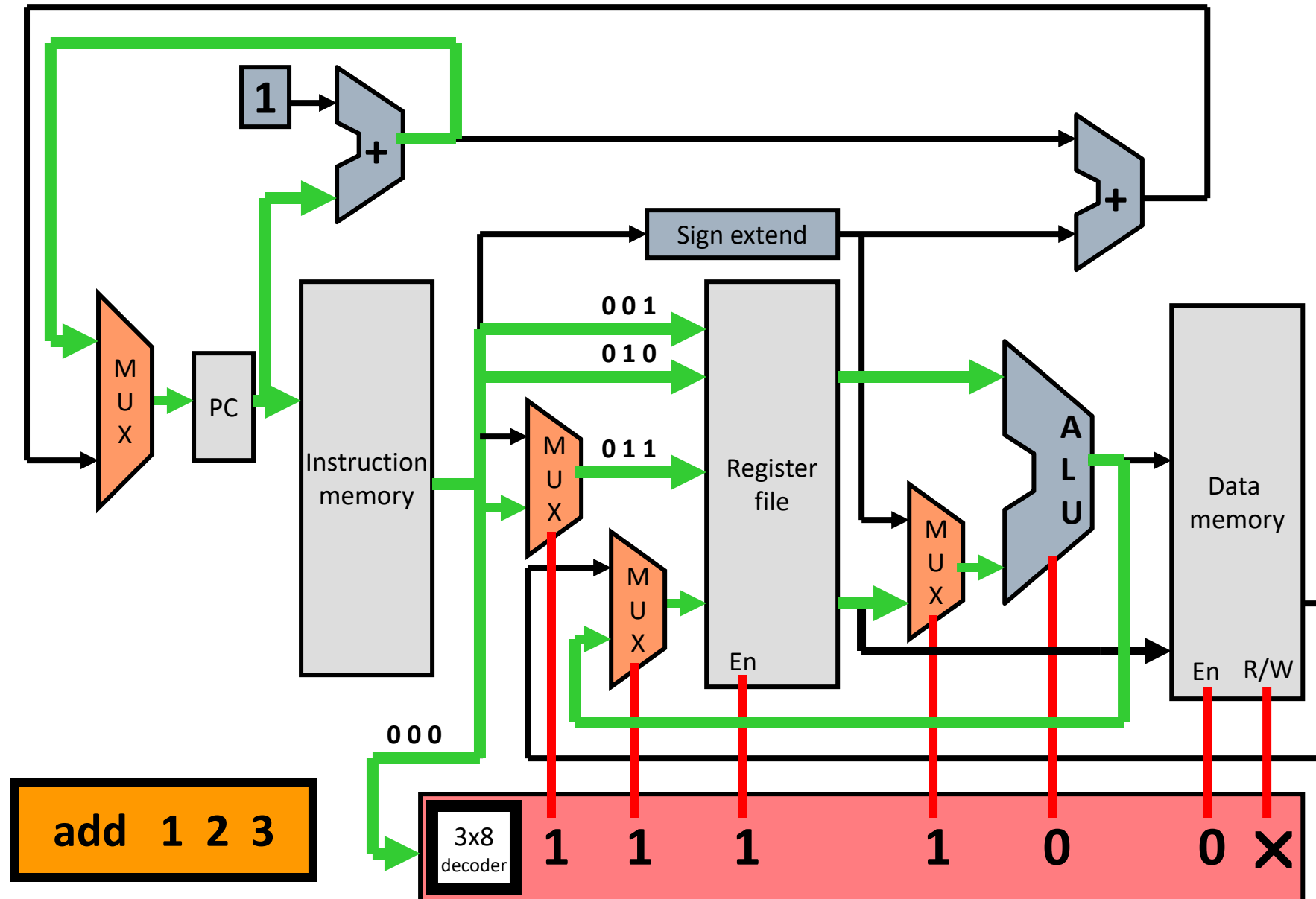
LC2K Single-Cycle Datapath Implementation



Executing an **ADD** Instruction on LC2K Datapath

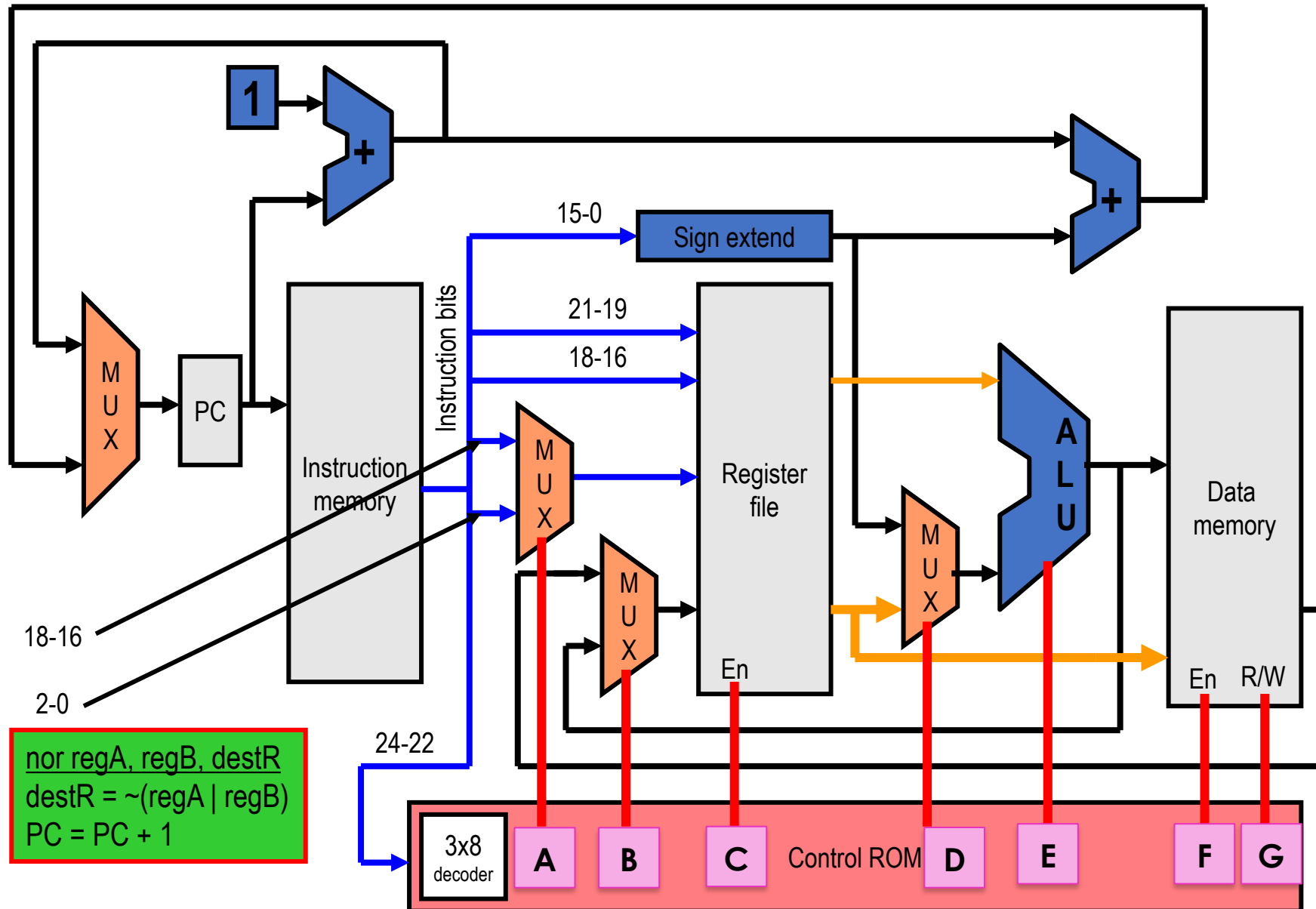


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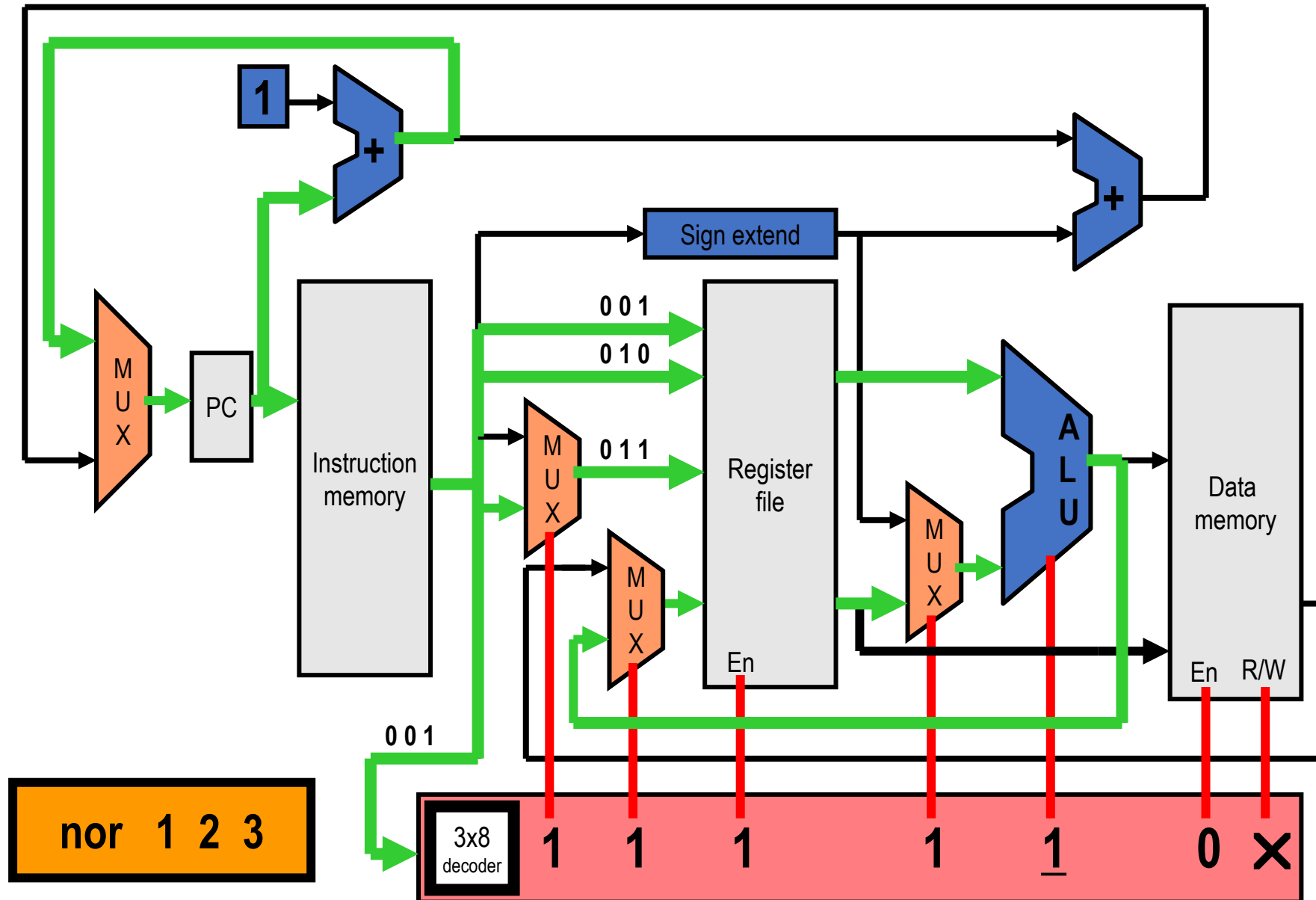


Poll: Which control bits need to be different from ADD?

Executing a **NOR** Instruction

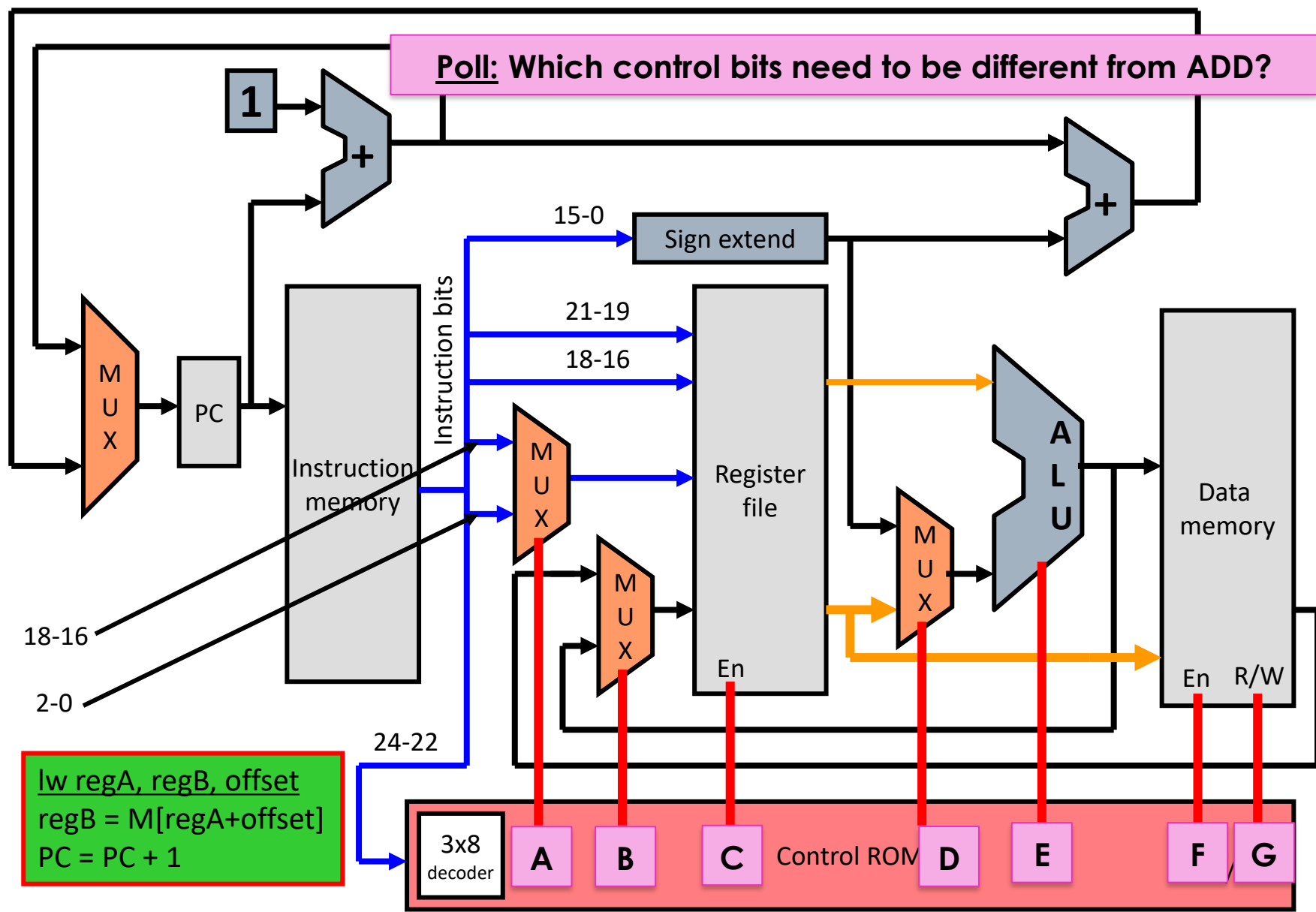


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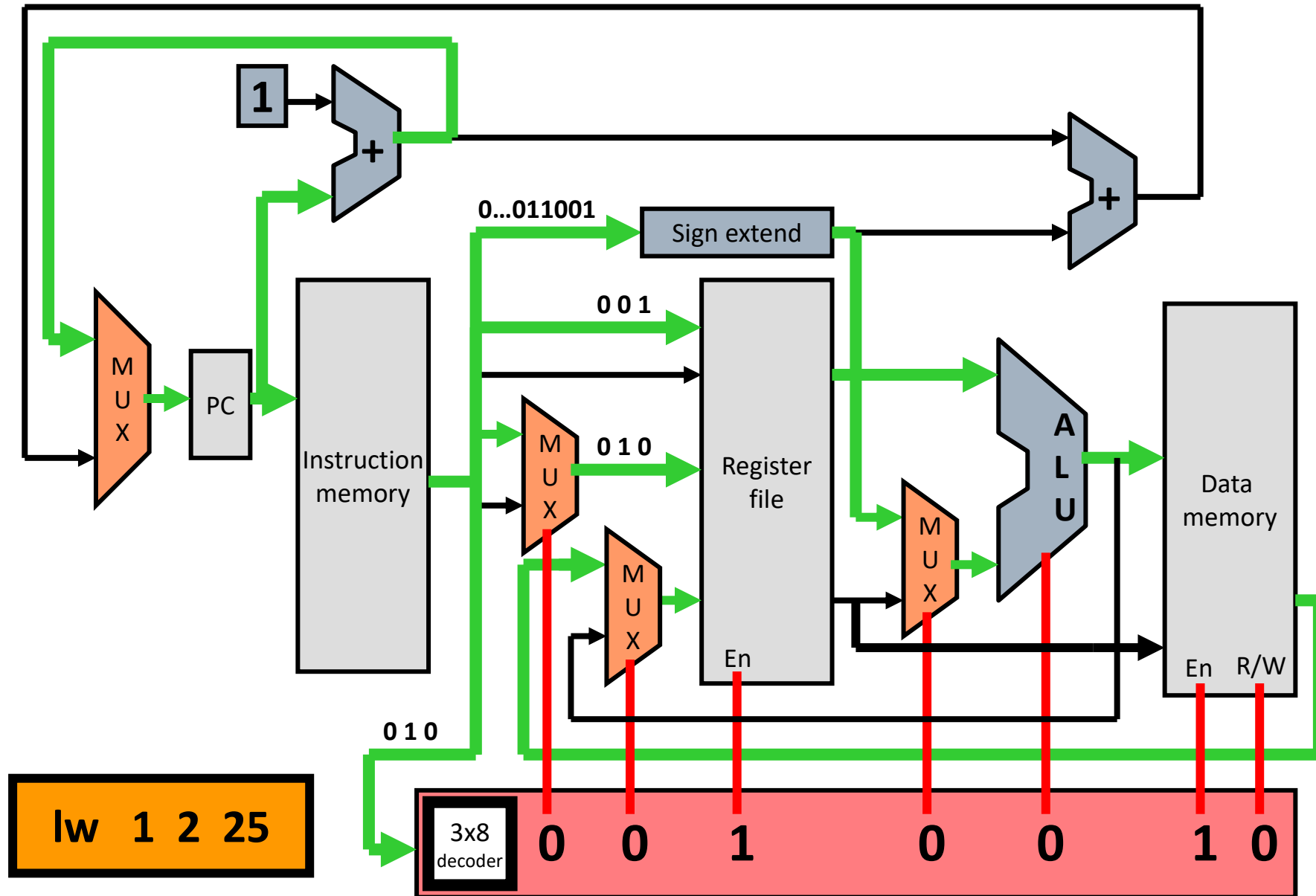


Executing a **LW** Instruction

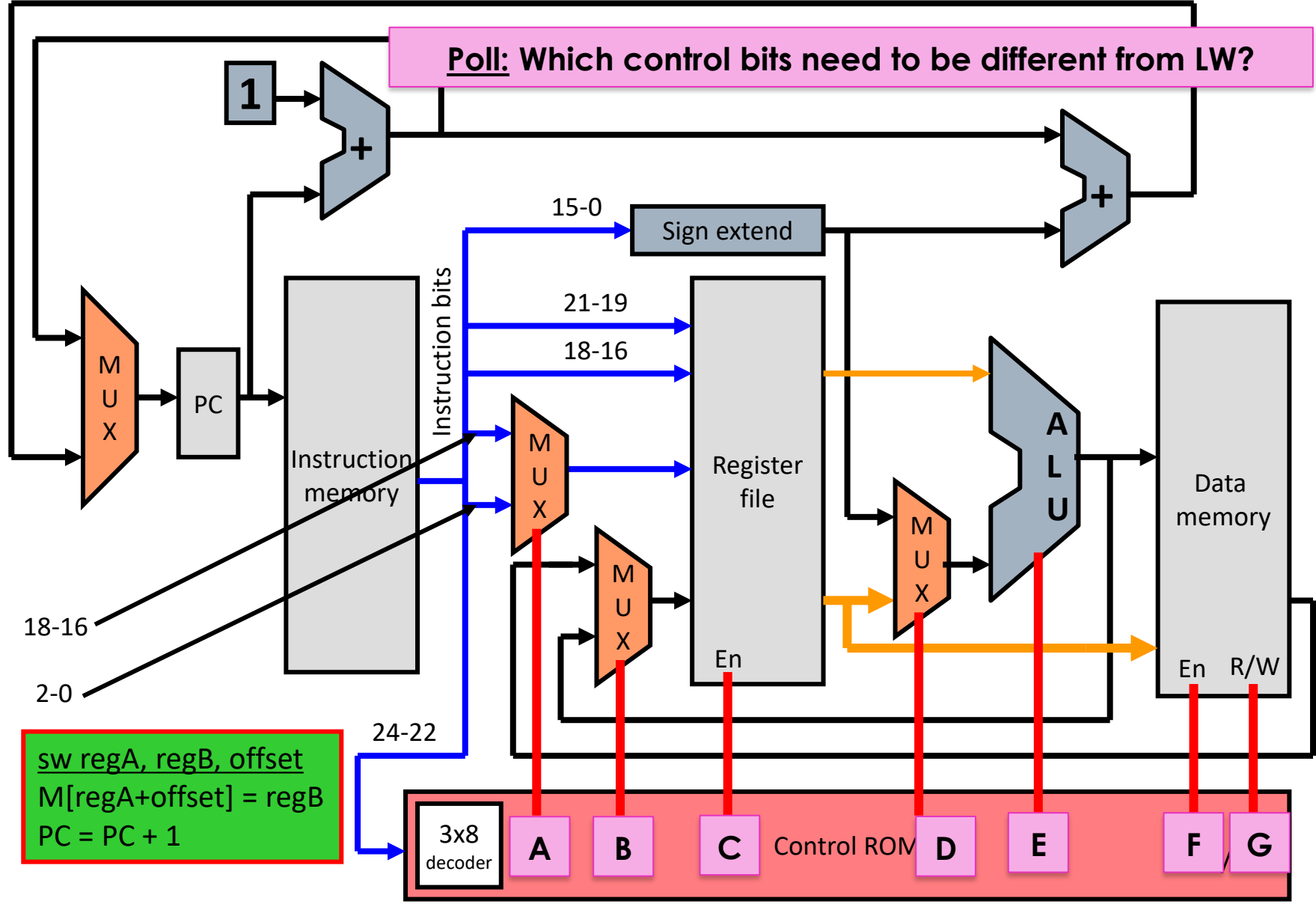
31-25	24-22	21-19	18-16	15-0
unused	opcode	regA	regB	offset



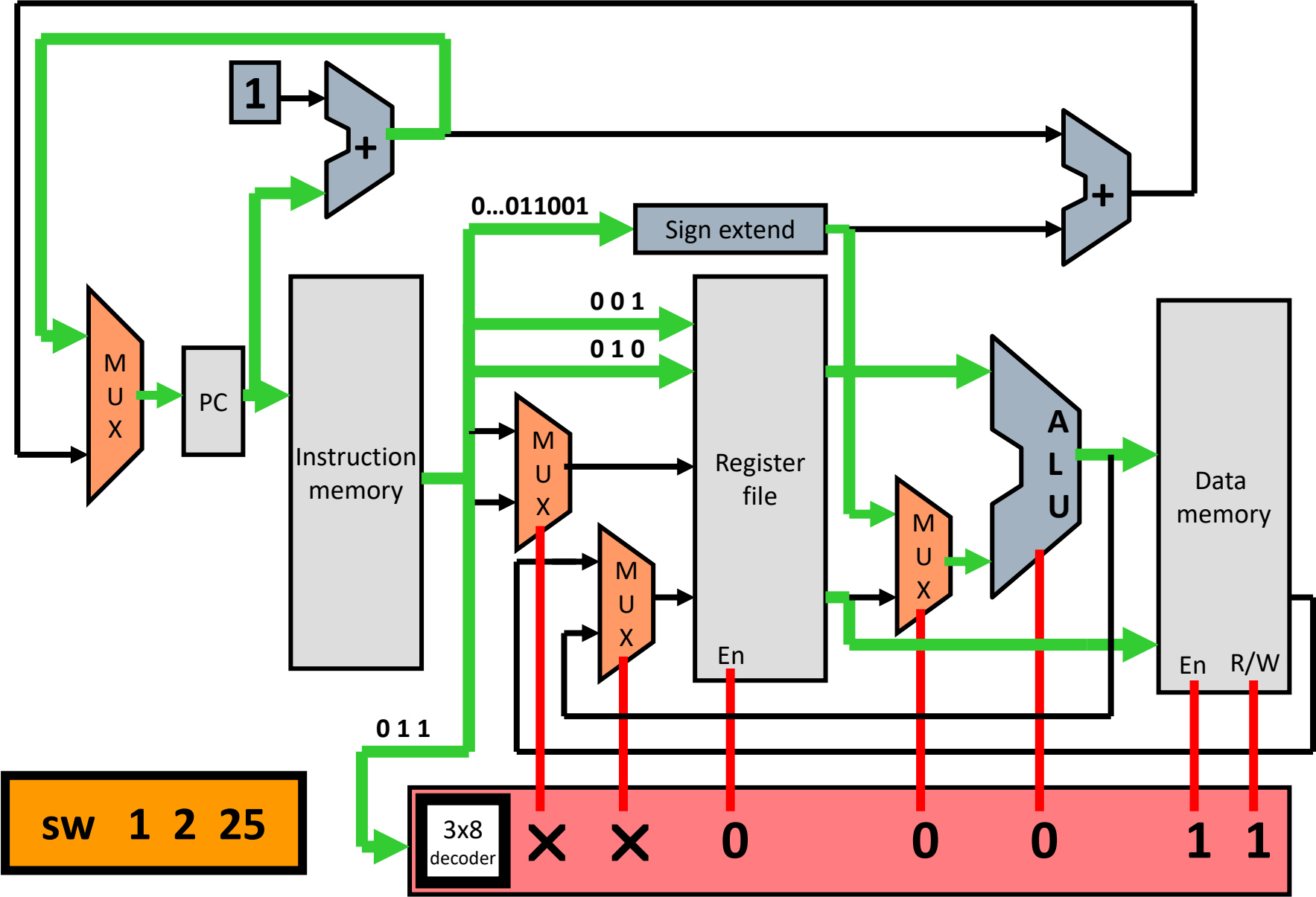
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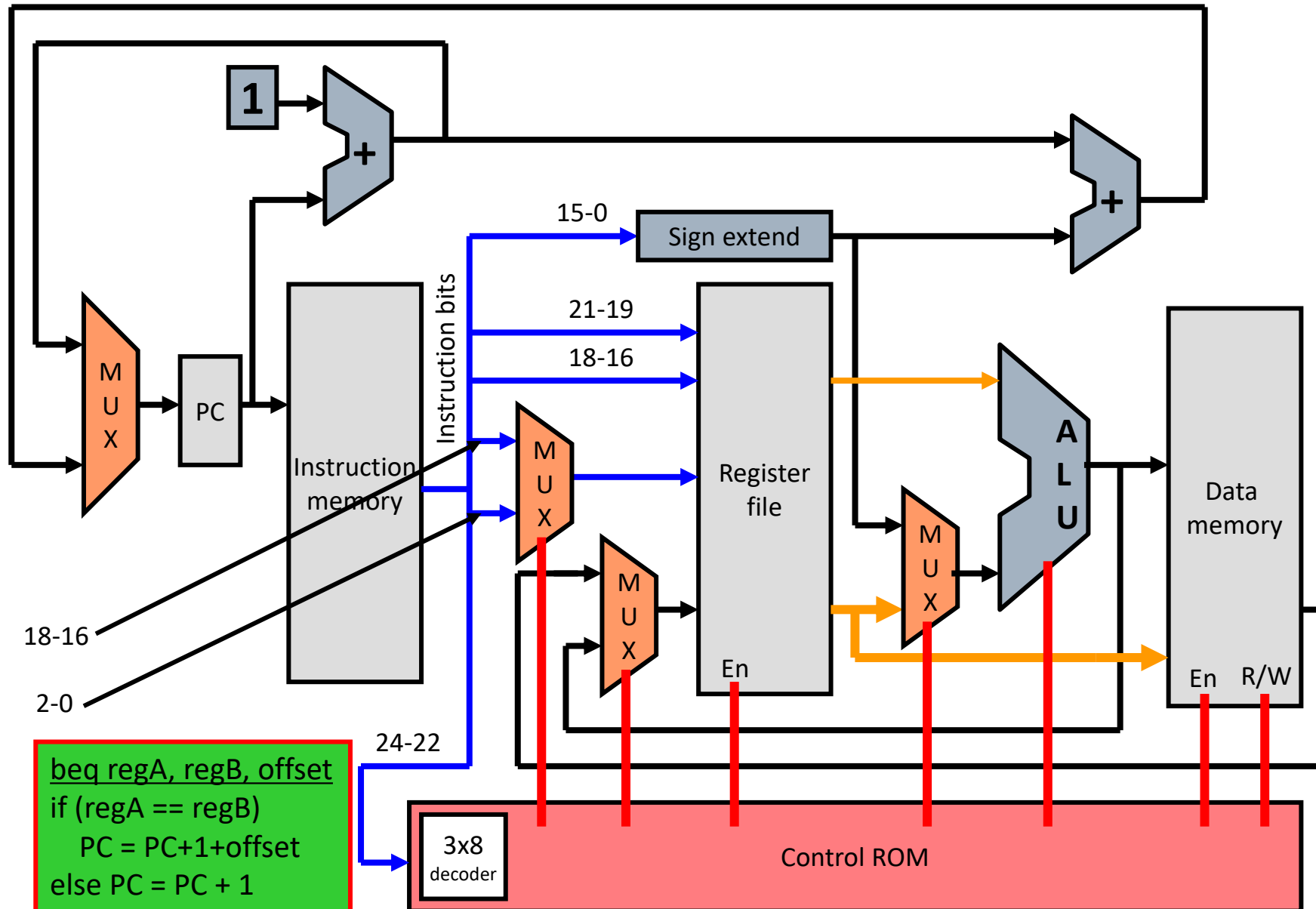
Executing a **SW** Instruction



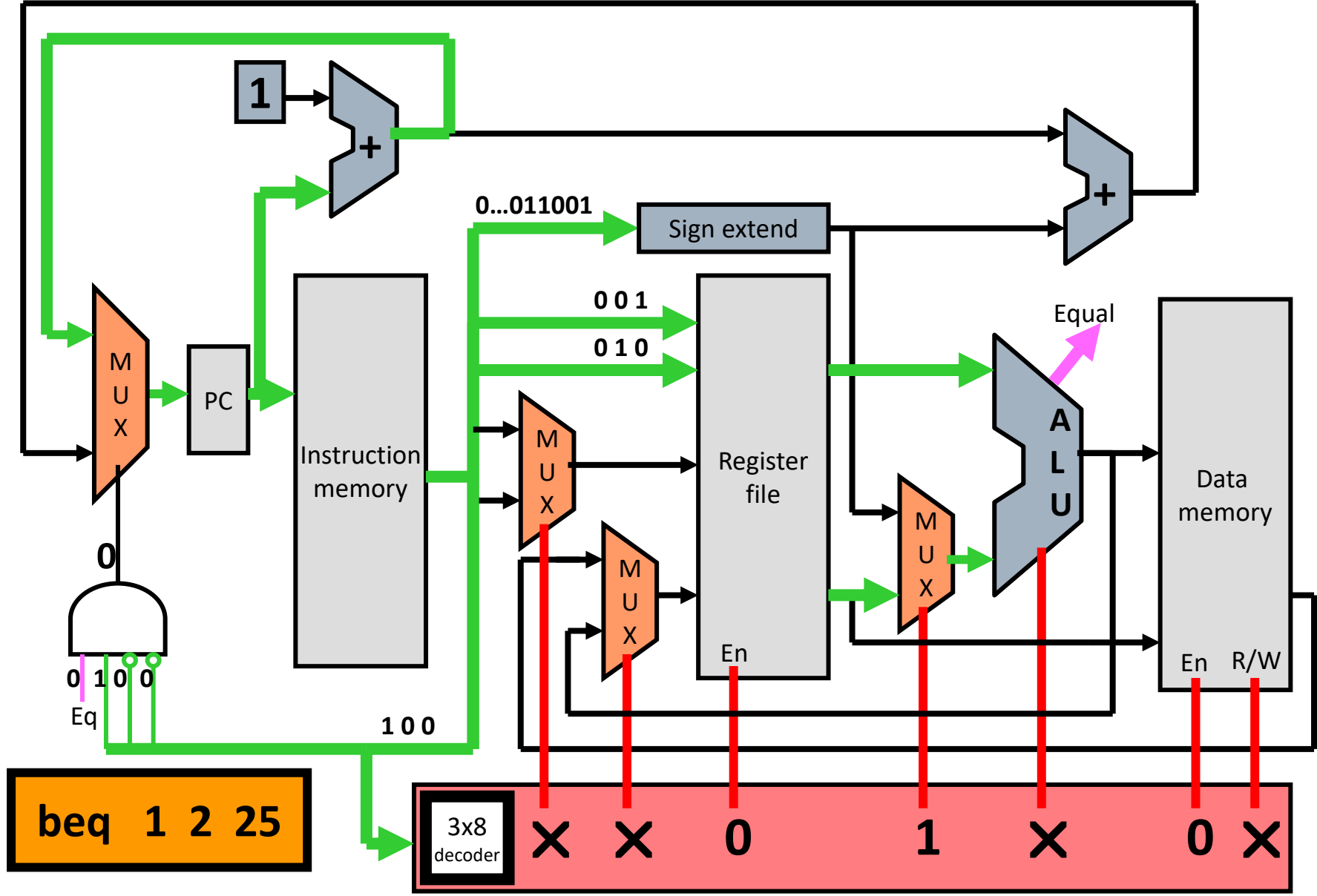
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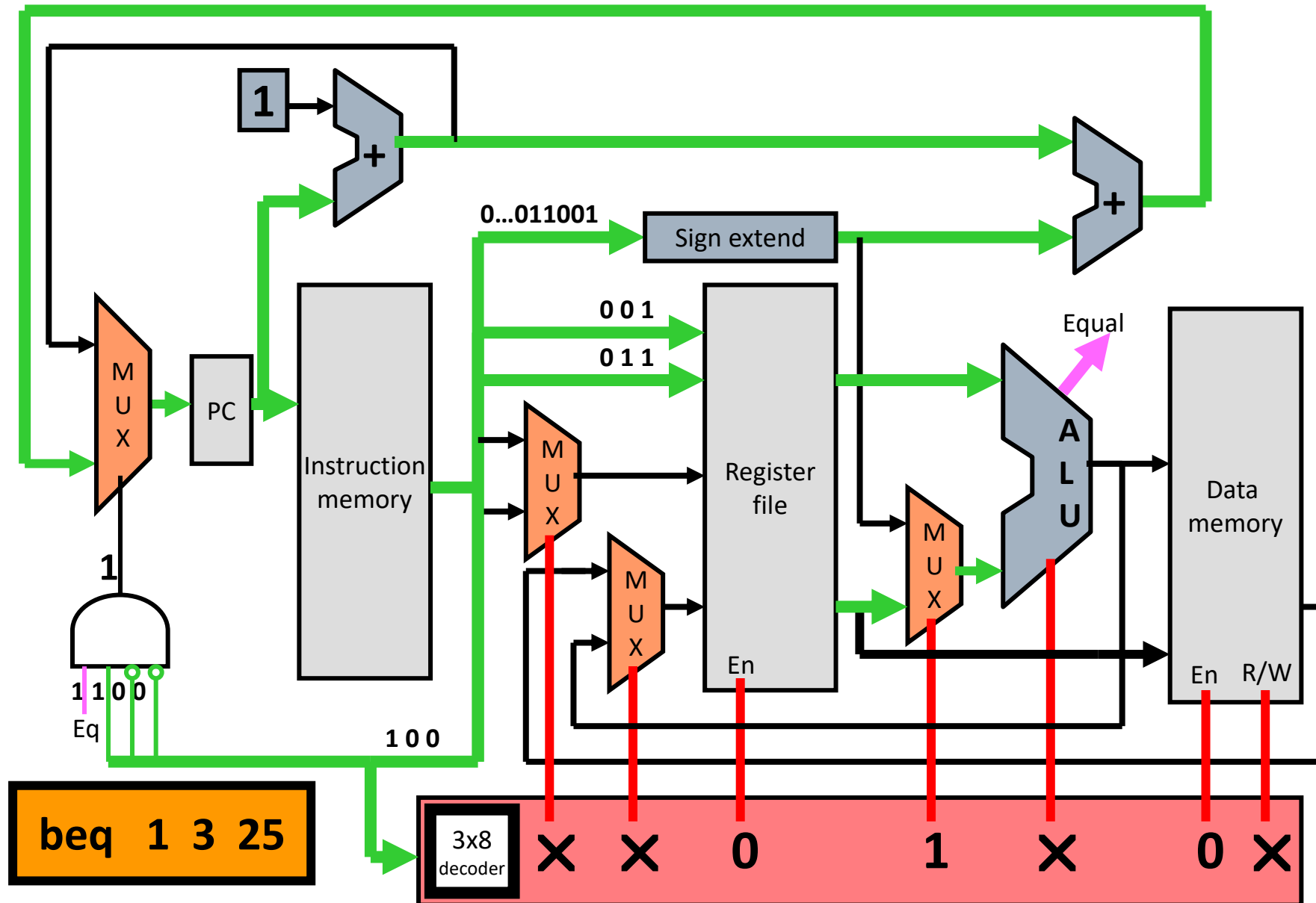
Executing a **BEQ** Instruction



Executing “not taken” **BEQ** Instruction on LC2K Datapath



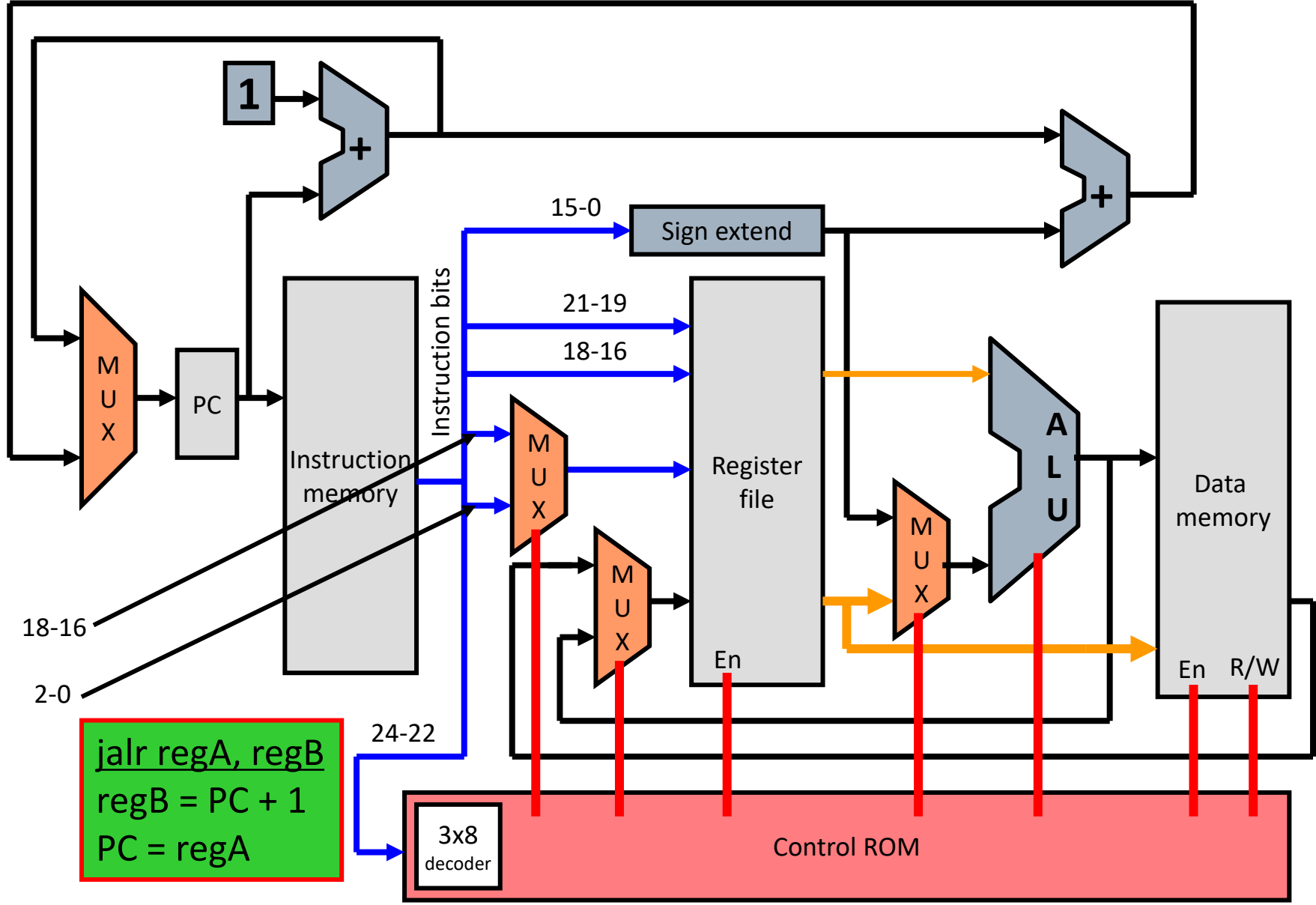
Executing a “taken” **BEQ** Instruction on LC2K Datapath



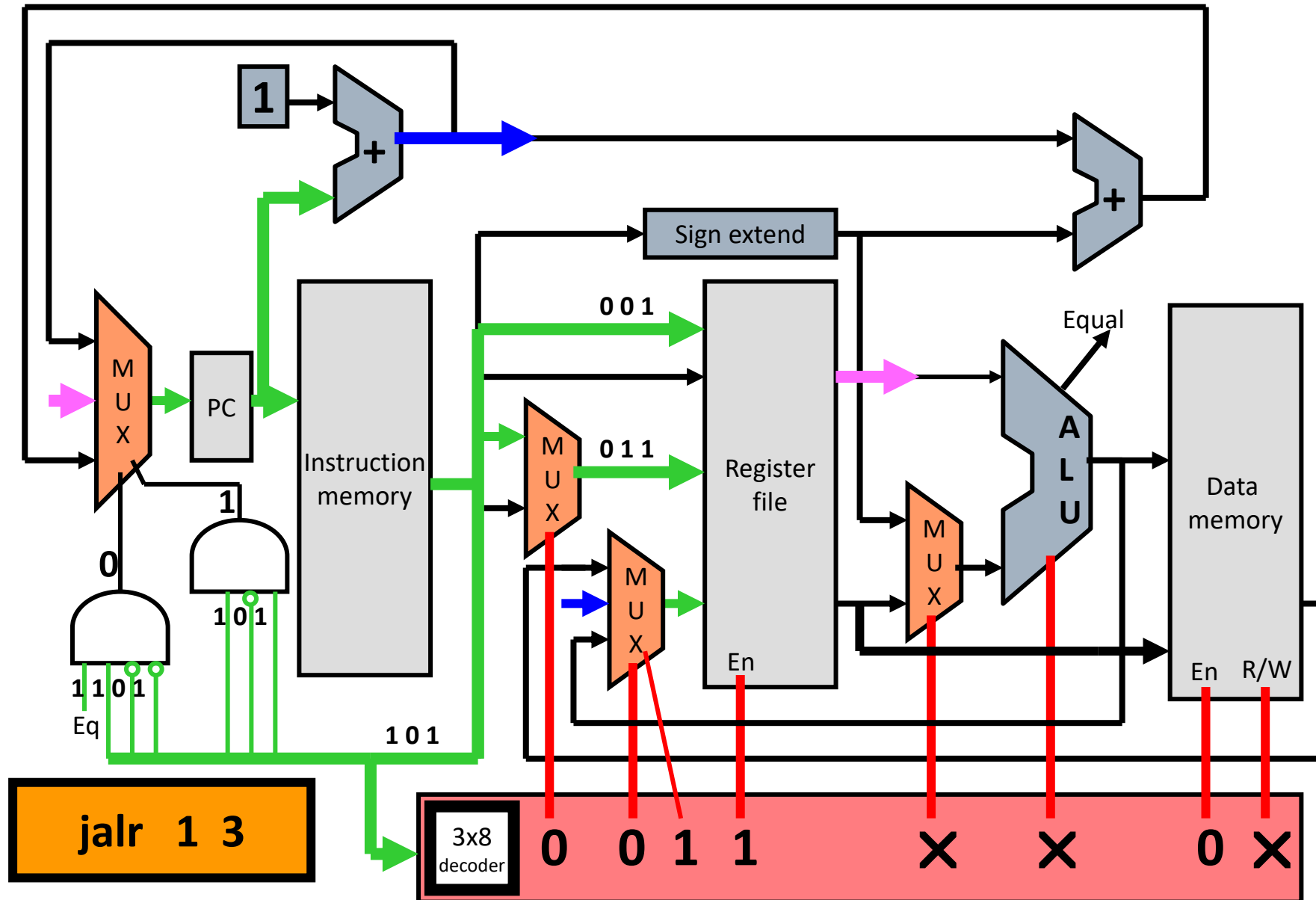
So Far, So Good

- Every architecture seems to have at least one "ugly" instruction
 - Something that doesn't elegantly fit in with the hardware we've already included
- For LC2K, that ugly instruction is JALR
 - It doesn't fine into our nice clean datapath
- To implement JALR we need to:
 - Write $PC+1$ into regB
 - Move regA into PC
- Right now there is:
 - No path to write $PC+1$ into a register
 - No path to write a register to the PC

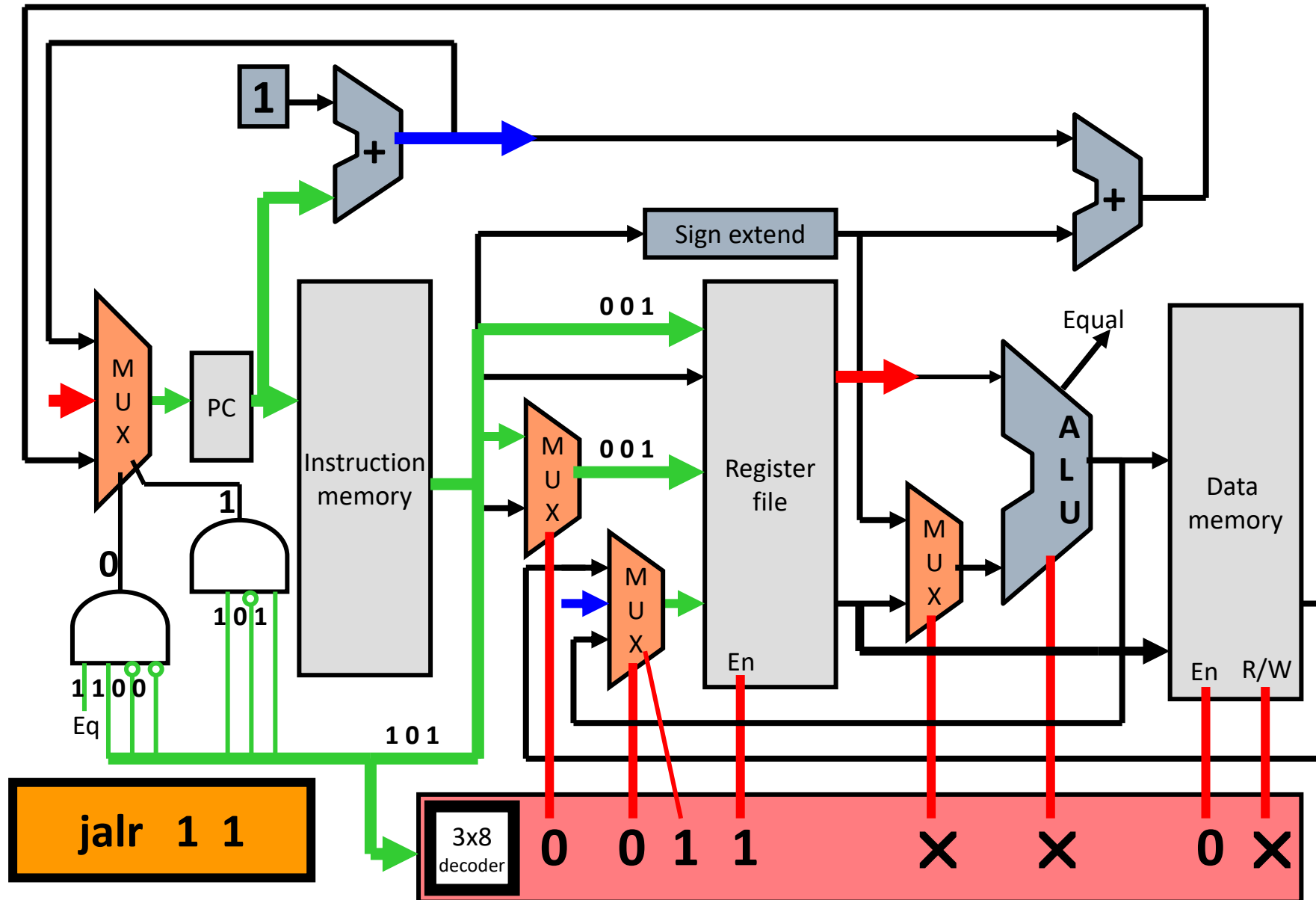
Executing a **JALR** Instruction



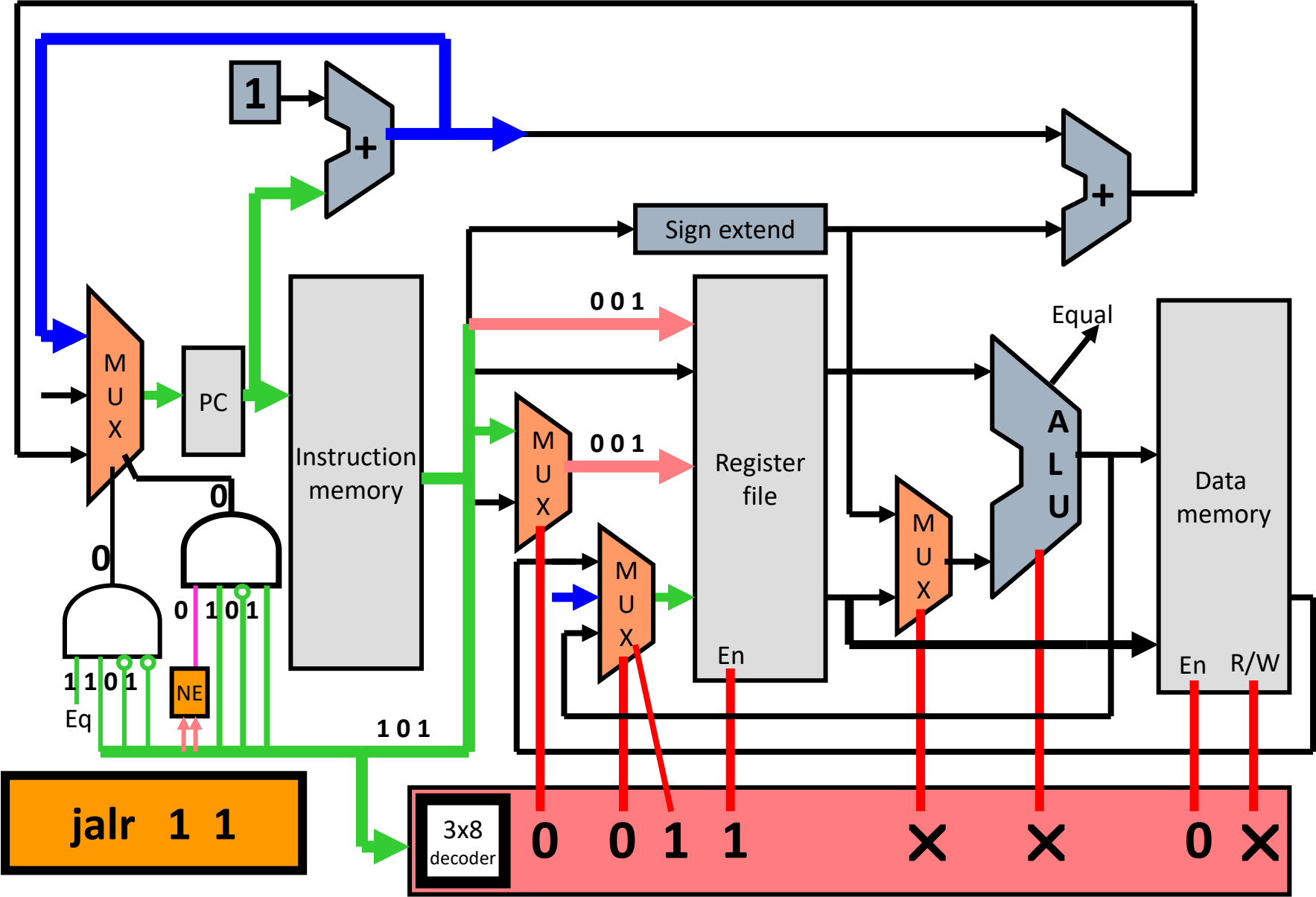
Executing a **JALR** Instruction



What if $\text{regA} = \text{regB}$ for **JALR**?



Changes for **JALR 1 1** Instruction



JALR

- The following slides show what hardware modifications are needed to support JALR
- To avoid cluttering future diagrams, **we will not show these hardware additions**

What's Wrong with Single-Cycle?

- **All instructions run at the speed of the slowest instruction.**
- Adding a long instruction can hurt performance
 - What if you wanted to include multiply?
- You cannot reuse any parts of the processor
 - We have 3 different adders to calculate $PC+1$, $PC+1+offset$ and the ALU
- No benefit in making the common case fast
 - Since every instruction runs at the slowest instruction speed
 - This is particularly important for loads as we will see later

What's Wrong with Single-Cycle?

- 1 ns – Register read/write time
- 2 ns – ALU/adder
- 2 ns – memory access
- 0 ns – MUX, PC access, sign extend, ROM

Poll: What is the latency of lw?

	Get Instr	read reg	ALU oper.	mem	write reg	
• add:	2ns	+ 1ns	+ 2ns		+ 1 ns	= 6 ns
• beq:	2ns	+ 1ns	+ 2ns			= 5 ns
• sw:	2ns	+ 1ns	+ 2ns	+ 2ns		= 7 ns
• lw:	2ns	+ 1ns	+ 2ns	+ 2ns	+ 1ns	= 8 ns

Computing Execution Time

Assume: 100 instructions executed

25% of instructions are loads,

10% of instructions are stores,

45% of instructions are adds, and

20% of instructions are branches.

Single-cycle execution:

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Optimal execution:

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Poll: What is the single-cycle execution time?

How fast could this run if we weren't limited by a single-clock period?

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$$100 * 8\text{ns} = \underline{\mathbf{800}} \text{ ns}$$

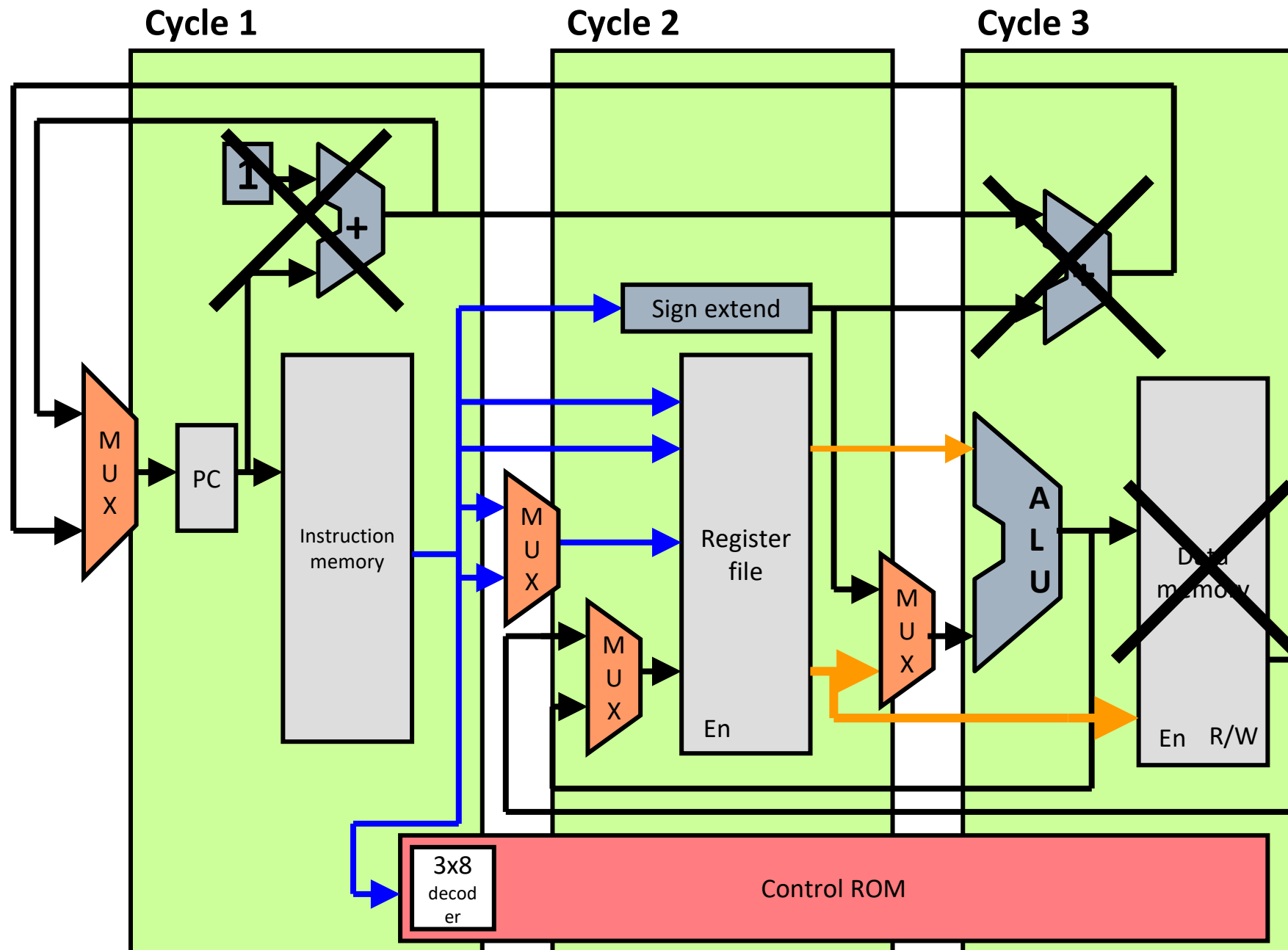
Optimal execution:

$$25*8\text{ns} + 10*7\text{ns} + 45*6\text{ns} + 20*5\text{ns} = \underline{\mathbf{640}} \text{ ns}$$

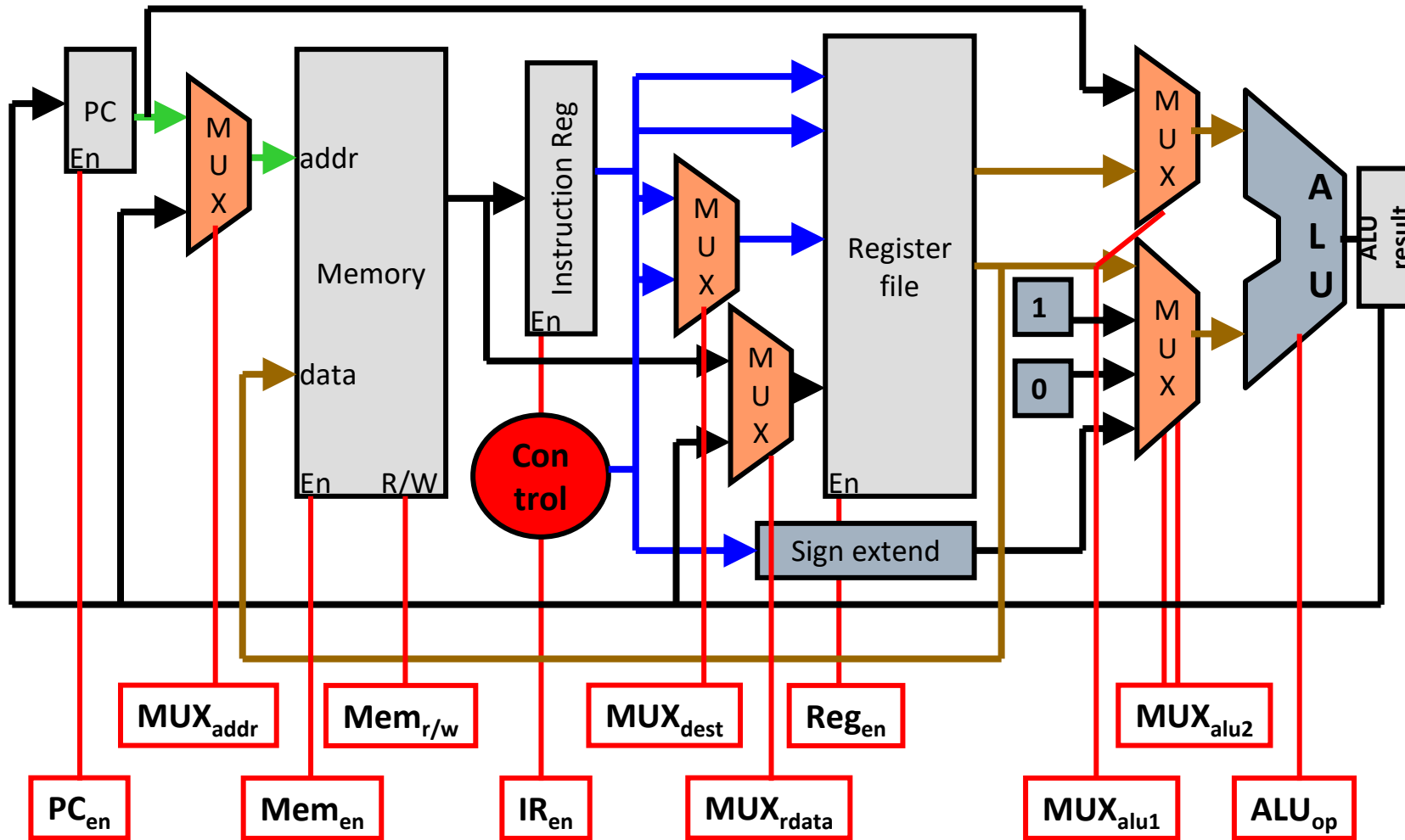
Multiple-Cycle Execution

- Each instruction takes multiple cycles to execute
 - Cycle time is reduced
 - Slower instructions take more cycles
 - Faster instructions take fewer cycles
 - We can start next instruction earlier, rather than just waiting
 - Can reuse datapath elements each cycle
- What is needed to make this work?
 - Since you are re-using elements for different purposes, you need more and/or wider MUXes.
 - You may need extra registers if you need to remember an output for 1 or more cycles.
 - Control is more complicated since you need to send new signals on each cycle.

LC2K Datapath – cycle groups

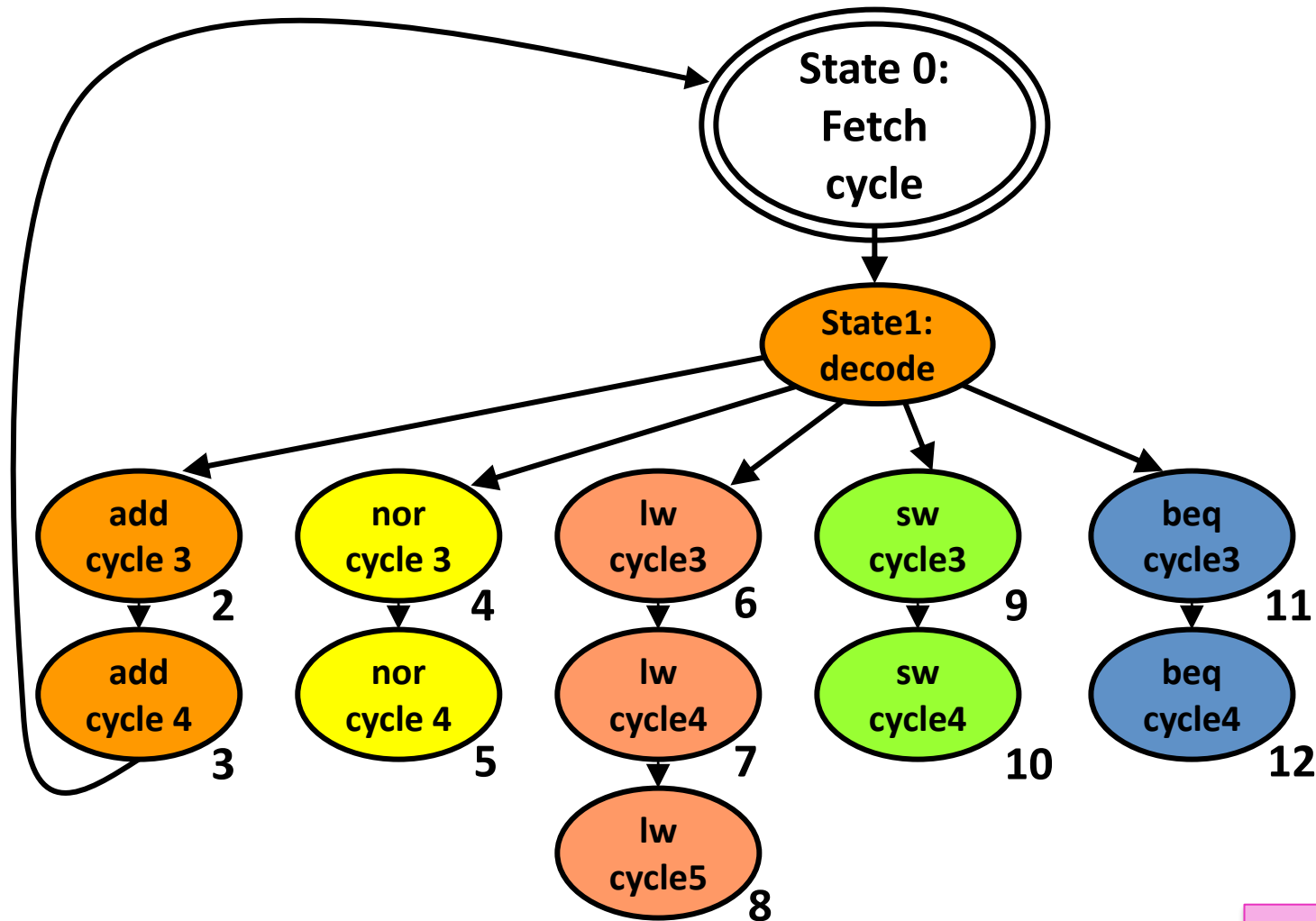


Multi-cycle LC2 Datapath



Each red signal comes from "Control"
(implemented via ROM as before)

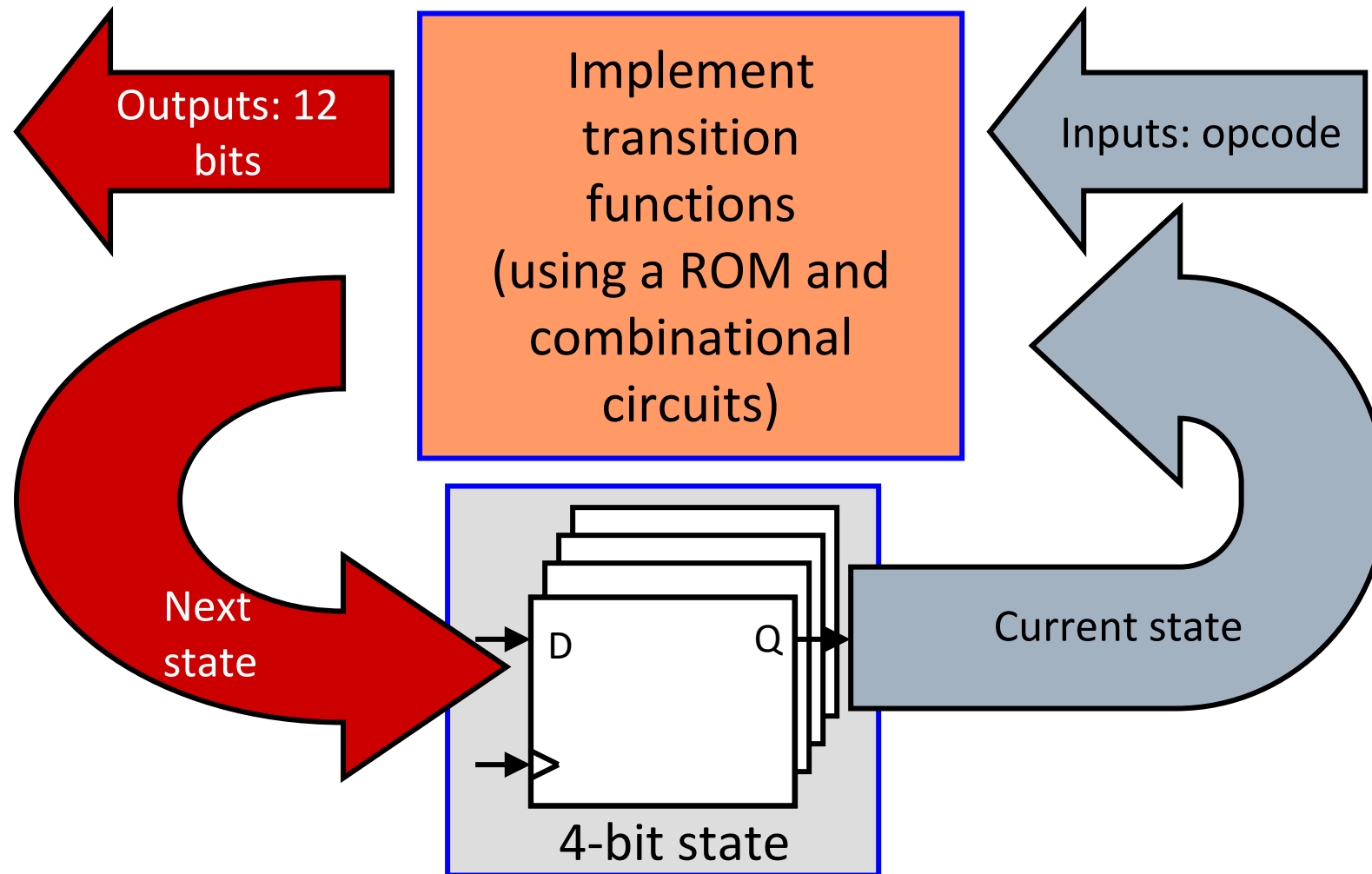
State machine for multi-cycle control signals (transition functions)



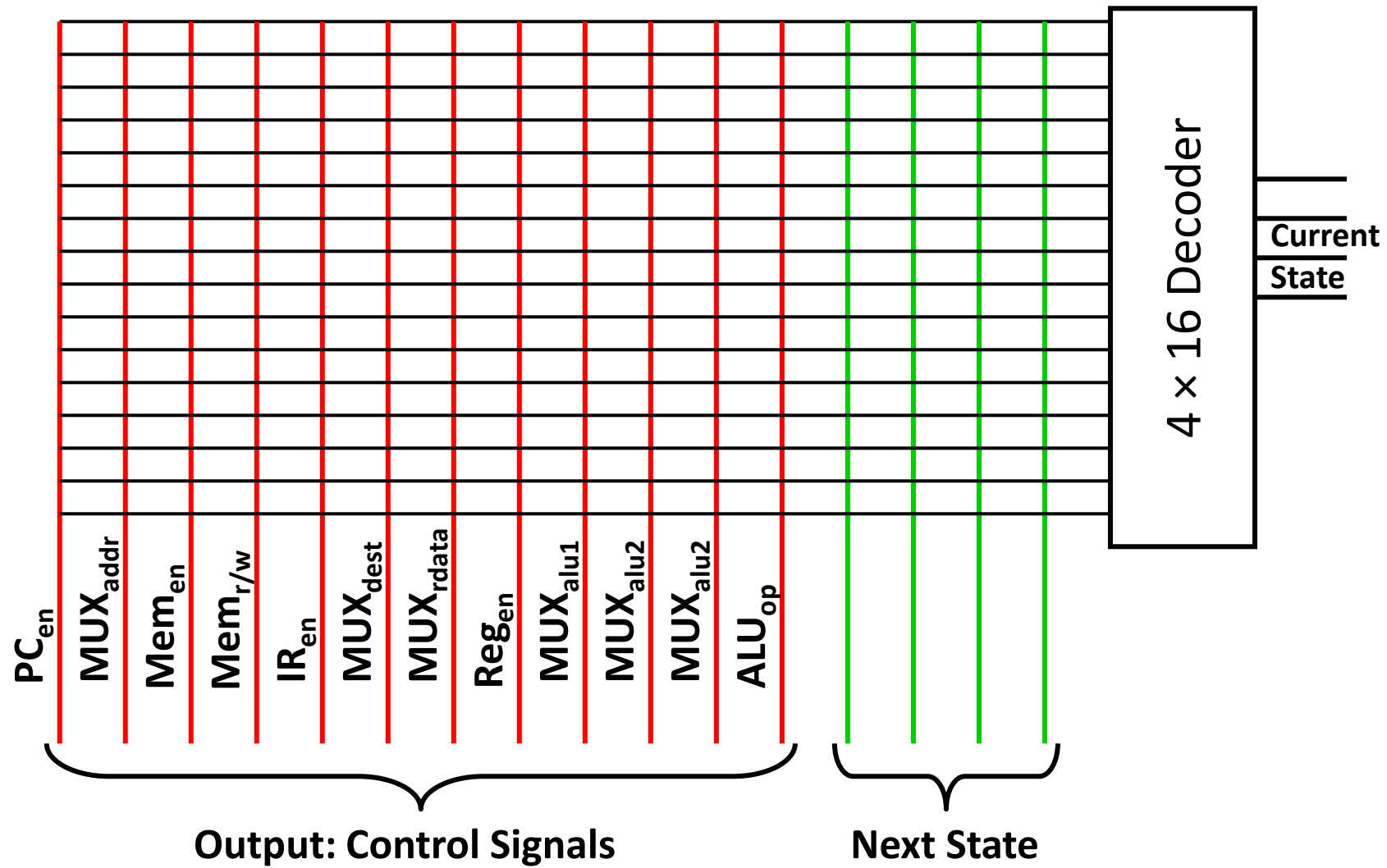
Note: we aren't worrying about JALR instruction in hardware going forward

Poll: How many bits of storage are needed to store the state?

Implementing FSM



Building the Control ROM

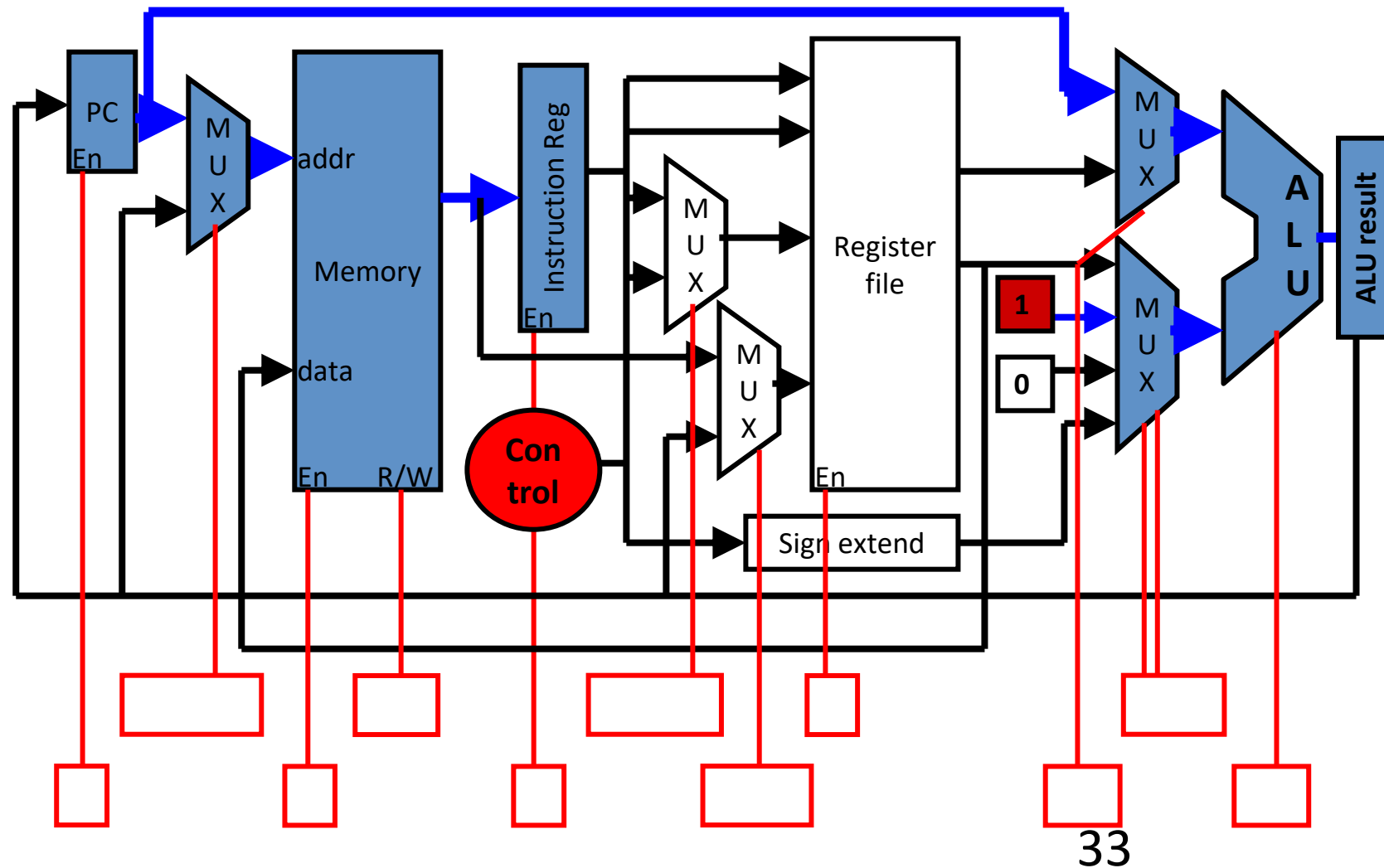


First Cycle (State 0) Fetch Instr

- What operations need to be done in the first cycle of executing any instruction?
 - Read memory[PC] and store into instruction register.
 - Must select PC in memory address MUX ($MUX_{addr} = 0$)
 - Enable memory operation ($Mem_{en} = 1$)
 - R/W should be (read) ($Mem_{r/w} = 0$)
 - Enable Instruction Register write ($IR_{en} = 1$)
 - Calculate PC + 1
 - Send PC to ALU ($MUX_{alu1} = 0$)
 - Send 1 to ALU ($MUX_{alu2} = 01$)
 - Select ALU add operation ($ALU_{op} = 0$)
 - $PC_{en} = 0$; $Reg_{en} = 0$; MUX_{dest} and $MUX_{rdata} = X$
- Next State: Decode Instruction

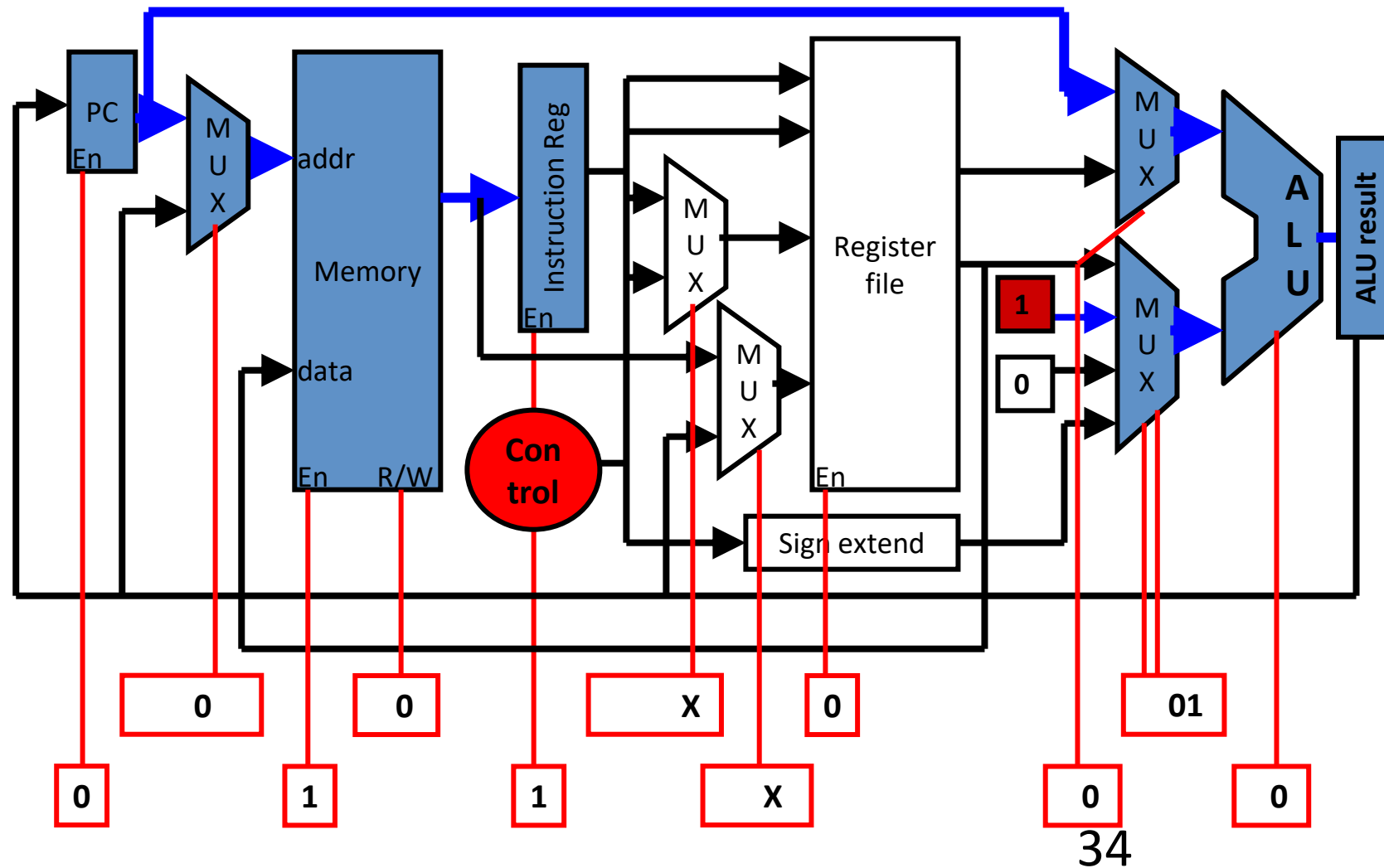
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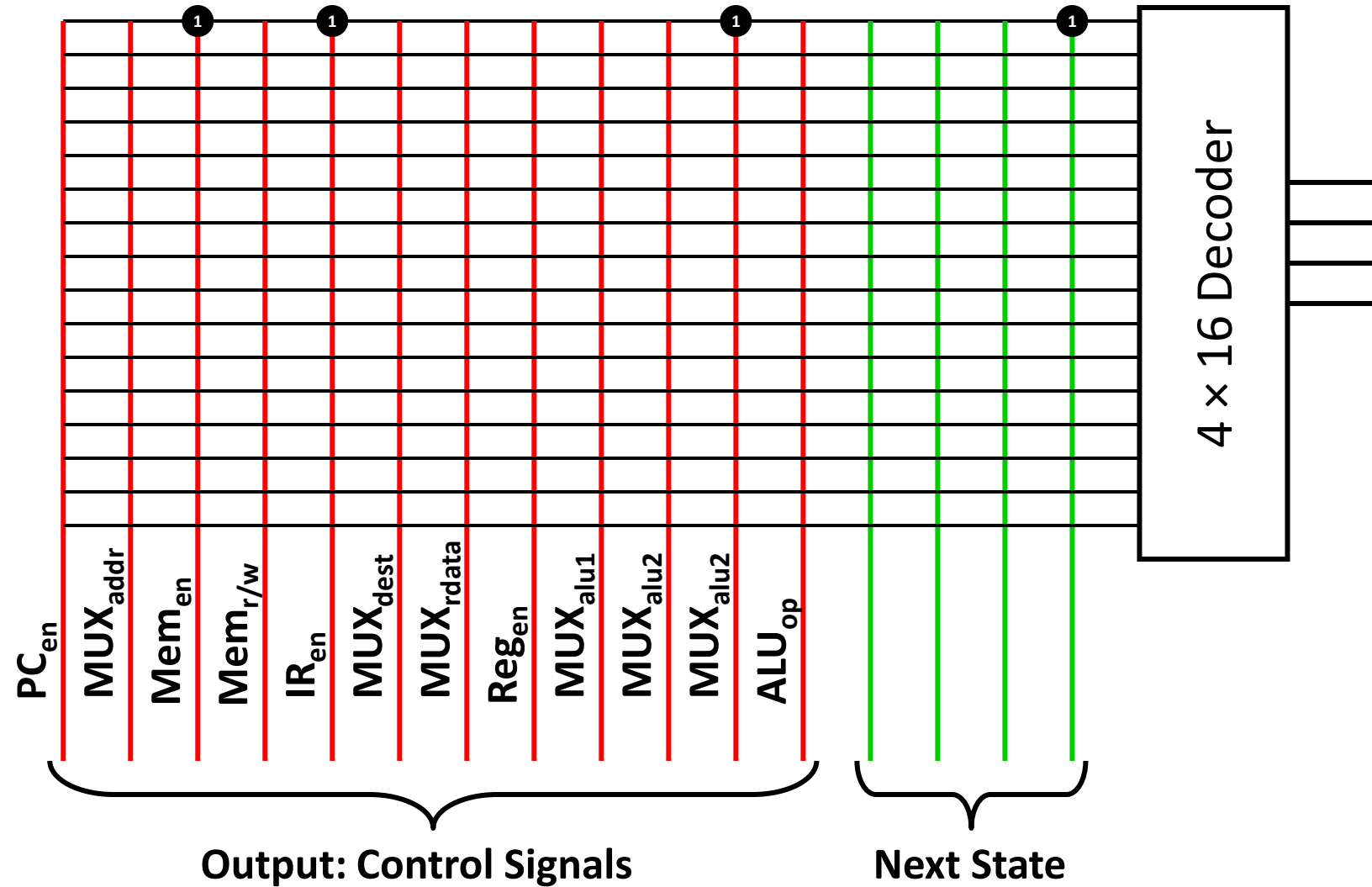


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Building the Control ROM



Next time

- Finish up multi-cycle processors
- Introduce pipelining
- Lingering questions / feedback? I'll include an anonymous form at the end of every lecture: <https://bit.ly/3oXr4Ah>

