

## Advanced Reconfigurable Computing DLX Fetch Requirements

## Introduction

Your task is to implement and verify the FETCH stage of the DLX architecture.

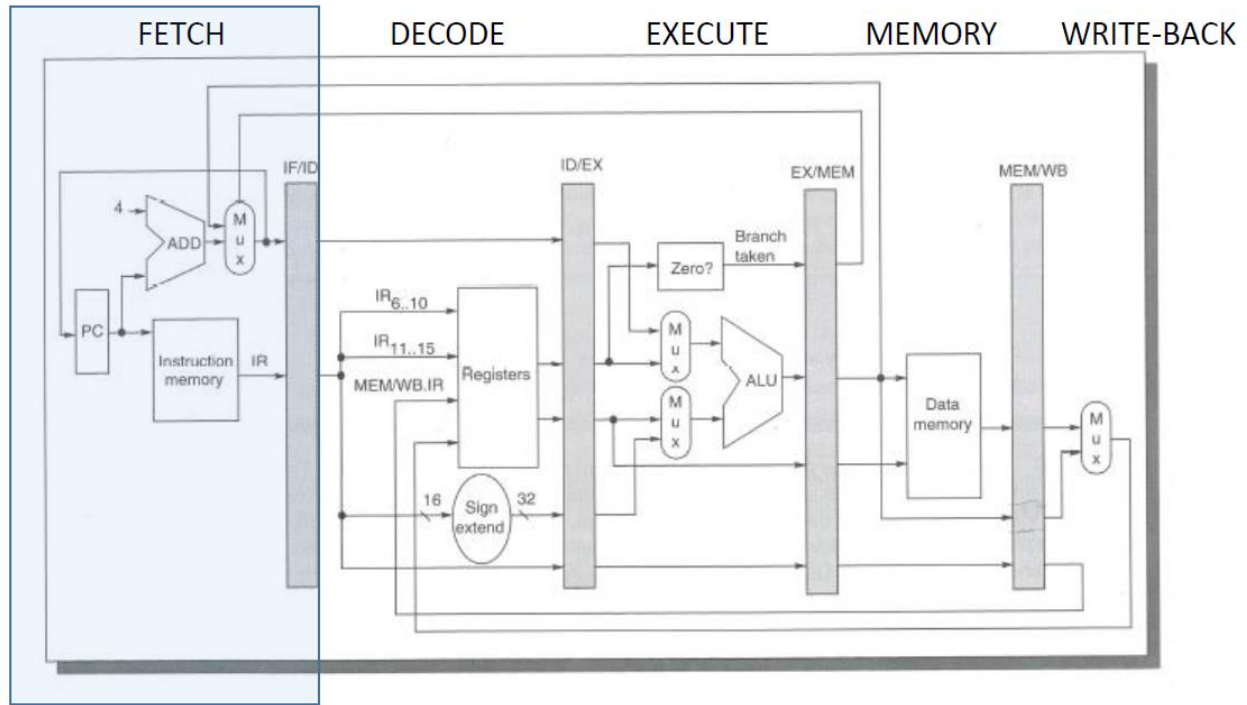


Figure 1: DLX 5-stage pipeline architecture with FETCH stage highlighted

## Requirements

1. The lab will be done in modular, hierarchical VHDL. Your top module should be named something like “fetch” or “fetch\_stage”.
2. Implement the PC, Instruction Memory, Adder, Multiplexer, and appropriate registers as shown in Figure 1, with the modifications discussed in class.
3. Design the Instruction Memory such that your <code>.mif files produced by your assembler can be loaded into the memory at synthesis time.
4. Design appropriate Questa test-benches to exercise your FETCH stage. Verify that your architecture successfully handles the 4 examples from the previous lab (example1, example2, example3, and factorial). Exercise the two inputs to the system in a variety of ways.

**Pass-off**

10 pts – Demonstrate to the instructor a Questa simulation of your factorial example. Simulate branches and jumps in the appropriate spots in the code.