

L16_1 Pipeline- Performance_Data-Hazards

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Learning Objectives

- To identify and apply performance metrics related to data hazards for the LC2K pipeline datapath.

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Building with Pipelines

- CPI for pipelining:
 - 1 (ideal case - no stalls)
 - > 1 (reality, depends on program)
- What if we want to improve performance more?
 - Want CPI as low as possible – lower than 1
- Use Parallelism
 - Instruction Level Parallelism (ILP) – Within task
 - Thread Level Parallelism (TLP) – Having many tasks
 - Data Level Parallelism (DLP) – Many tasks with same instructions

LC2K Pipeline Summary



- Data hazards

- Hazard exists if producer-consumer of a register within a 2-instruction window

- Note for project, the window is 3 instructions

- Detect and stall – insert enough noops to separate producer and consumer by > 2 instructions (> 3 instructions for project)

- Detect and forward

- Handles all cases except LW-USE, need 1 noop here

- Control hazards

- Detect and stall – needs 3 noops inserted after each branch

- Predict and squash

- Zero noops if predict correctly
 - 3 if predict incorrectly

Review: Basic Performance Equation

- Execution time (Time/Program) =
 - # of instr (I/P) x CPI (C/I) x cycle time (T/C)

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- Multi-cycle decreases cycle time but increases CPI

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- Pipelining decreases CPI
 - Approaches 1.0 if no stalls (hazards that are fixed by stalling)

Calculating Performance with No Stalls

How many cycles does this code take to execute?

add	1	2	3
nor	1	4	5
add	4	6	7

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What value is written to the ALU result field of the Mem/WB pipeline register at the end of cycle 5.

Calculating Performance with No Stalls

How many cycles does this code take to execute?

No stalls – Final WB @ cycle 7

```
add  1  2  3
nor  1  4  5
add  4  6  7
```

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB			
nor 3 4 5		IF	ID	EX	ME	WB		
add 3 5 6			IF	ID	EX	ME	WB	

What value is written to the ALU result field of the Mem/WB pipeline register at the end of cycle 5.

nor result

Performance: Data Hazards -Detect and Stall

How many data hazards are there in this code?

```
add 1 2 3
nor 3 4 5
add 3 5 6
```

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How many stall cycles if we use detect and stall to handle the hazards?

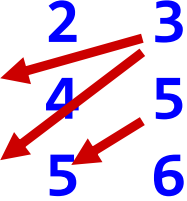
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Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
nor 3 4 5											
add 3 5 6											

Performance: Data Hazards -Detect and Stall

add 1 2 3
nor 3 4 5
add 3 5 6



How many data hazards are there
in this code?

3 data hazards

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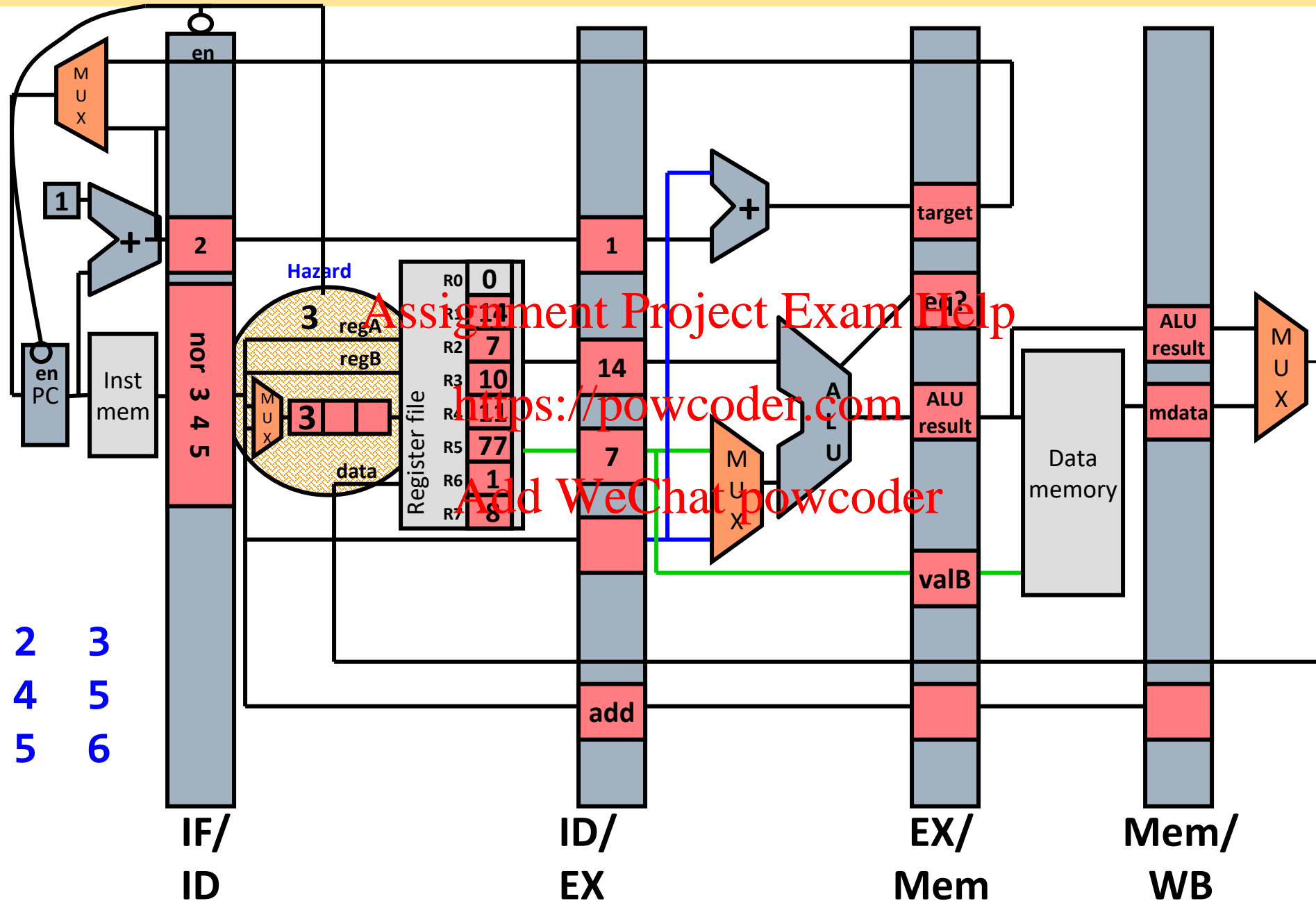
How many stall cycles if we use
detect and stall to handle the
hazards?

Stall : 4 cycles
Total : 11 cycles

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
nor 3 4 5		IF	ID*	ID*	ID	EX	ME	WB			
add 3 5 6			IF*	IF*	IF	ID*	ID*	ID	EX	ME	WB

First half of cycle 3

Data Hazards



add 1 2 3
nor 3 4 5
add 3 5 6

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Performance: Data Hazards -Detect and Forward

Where do the values for the second add instruction come from?

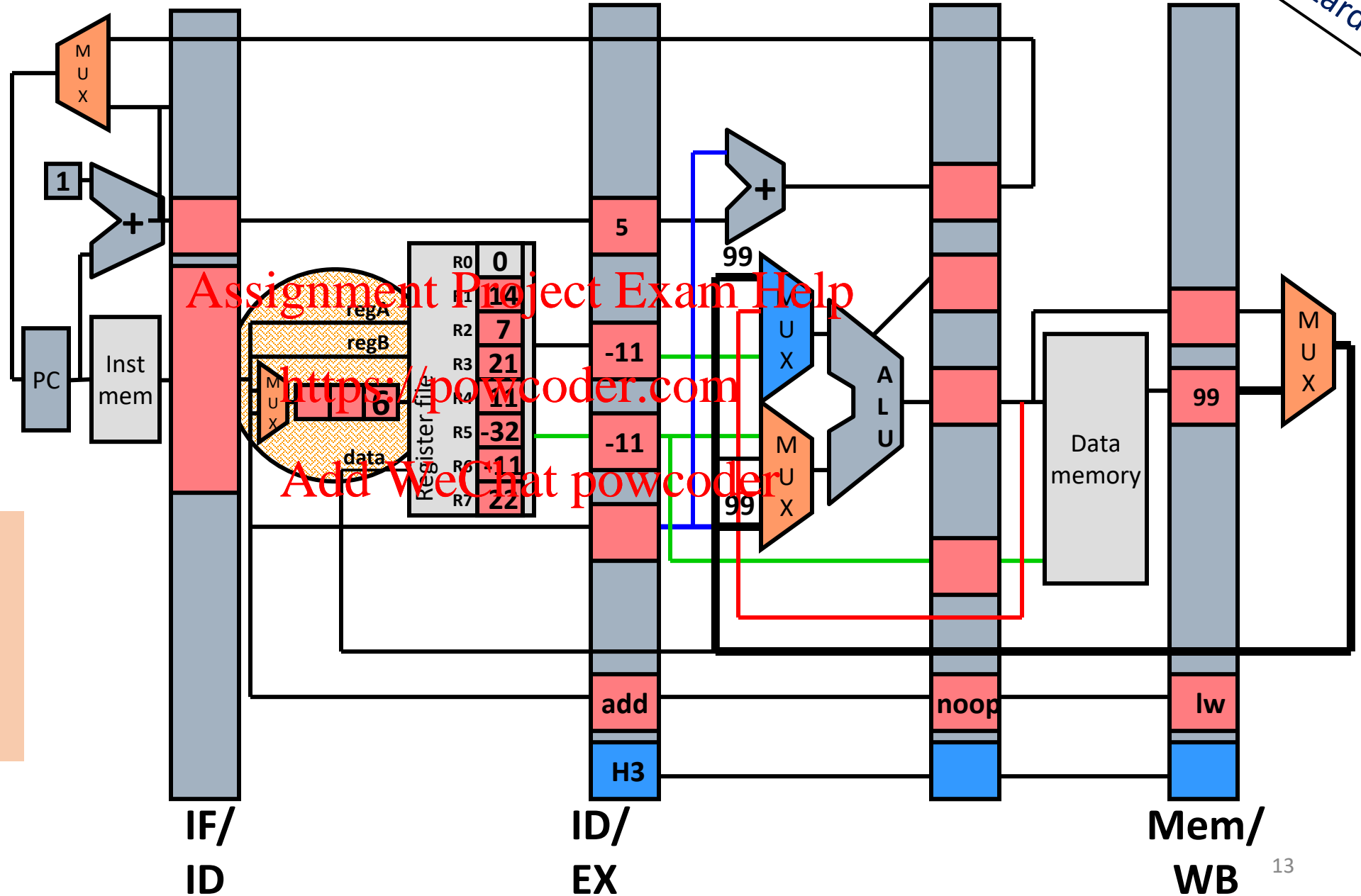
```
add 1 2 3
nor 3 4 5
add 3 5 6
lw 3 6 7
add 6 6 1
```

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
nor 3 4 5											
add 3 5 6											
lw 3 6 7											
add 6 6 1											

How many stall cycles on the LC2K pipelined datapath with data forwarding from lecture?

First half of cycle 8

Data Hazards



1. add 1 2 3
2. nor 3 4 5
3. add 3 5 6
4. lw 3 6 7
5. add 6 6 1

Performance: Data Hazards -Detect and Forward

Where do the values for the second add instruction come from?

From Mem/WB and EX/Mem

```
add 1 2 3
nor 3 4 5
add 3 5 6
lw 3 6 7
add 6 6 1
```

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Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
nor 3 4 5		IF	ID	EX	ME	WB					
add 3 5 6			IF	ID	EX	ME	WB				
lw 3 6 7				IF	ID	EX	ME	WB			
add 6 6 1					IF	ID*	ID	EX	ME	WB	

Data forward



How many stall cycles on the LC2K pipelined datapath with data forwarding from lecture?

1 stall for lw → add


Logistics

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Performance: Control Hazards – Speculate and Squash

- How many cycles are saved if you perform speculate and squash for the following code (assume that branches are predicted to be not taken)?

`add 1 2 3`
`beq 1 5 1`
`nor 6 4 1`
`add 3 4 5`

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- Assume the branch is taken: How many cycles to execute this code?
- Assume the branch is not taken: How many cycles execute this code?

Performance: Control Hazards – Speculate and Squash

Branch taken

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
beq 1 5 1											
nor 6 4 1											
add 3 4 5											

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Branch not taken

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
beq 1 5 1											
nor 6 4 1											
add 3 4 5											

Branch
prediction
not taken

add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
nor 6 4 1
add 3 4 5

Performance: Control Hazards – Speculate and Squash

Branch taken

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
beq 1 5 1		IF	ID	EX	ME	WB					
nor 6 4 1			IF	ID	EX						
add 3 4 5				IF	ID	EX	ME	WB			

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Branch not taken

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
beq 1 5 1		IF	ID	EX	ME	WB					
nor 6 4 1			IF	ID	EX	ME	WB				
add 3 4 5				IF	ID	EX	ME	WB			

Branch
prediction
not taken

add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
nor 6 4 1
add 3 4 5

Performance: Control Hazards – Detect and Stall

Same code,
detect and stall

add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
nor 6 4 1
add 3 4 5

Branch taken

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
beq 1 5 1		IF	ID	EX	ME	WB					
nor 6 4 1			IF*	IF*	IF*						
add 3 4 5						IF	ID	EX	ME	WB	

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Branch not taken

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
beq 1 5 1		IF	ID	EX	ME	WB					
nor 6 4 1			IF*	IF*	IF*	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB	
add 3 4 5							IF	ID	EX	ME	WB

Performance: Control Hazards – Speculate and Squash

- How many cycles are saved if you perform speculate and squash for the following code (assume that branches are predicted to be not taken)?

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```
add 1 2 3  
beq 1 5 1  
nor 6 4 1  
add 3 4 5
```

- Assume the branch is taken: How many cycles to execute this code?
3 instructions + 3 stalls + 4 to empty pipe = 10 cycles
- Assume the branch is not taken: How many cycles execute this code?
4 instructions + 4 to empty pipe = 8 cycles

Performance: Control Hazards I

Assume halt is resolved
in WB stage

Pipeline
Performance

Assume the first branch is taken 50% of the
time and the loop iterates 100 times and
forwarding for all data hazards.

1. How many cycles does the code take
assuming *detect and stall* for control
hazards?

add	1	2	3
beq	1	5	1
lw	6	4	1
add	3	4	5
beq	5	7	-5
halt			

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Control Hazards - Stall

beq	1	1	10
add	3	4	5

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beq

fetch decode execute memory writeback

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add

fetch* fetch* fetch* fetch

OR

Branch target
address fetch

Time Graph – Detect and Forward

Time:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
add 1 2 3	IF	ID	EX	ME	WB								
nor 3 4 5		IF	ID	EX	ME	WB							
add 6 3 7			IF	ID	EX	ME	WB						
lw 3 6 10				IF	ID	EX	ME	WB					
sw 6 2 12					IF	ID*	ID	EX	ME	WB			

Data forward
→

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Performance: Control Hazards I

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in WB stage

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Performance

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1. How many cycles does the code take
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```
add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
lw 6 4 1
add 3 4 5
beq 5 7 -5
halt
```

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Instructions = $100 * (0.5 * 5 + 0.5 * 4) + 1 = 451$

Time = 451 + load stalls + branch stalls + empty pipe

Time = $451 + 100 * 0.5 * 1 +$

Time = $451 + 100 * 0.5 * 1 + (100 * 3 + 100 * 3) + 4$

Time = 1105

Performance: Control Hazards II

Pipeline
Performance

Assume halt is resolved
in WB stage

Assume the first branch is taken 50% of the time and the loop iterates 100 times and forwarding for all data hazards.

```
add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
lw 6 4 1
add 3 4 5
beq 5 7 -5
halt
```

2. How many cycles does the code take assuming *speculate and squash* where all branches are predicted not taken?

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Performance: Control Hazards II

Pipeline
Performance

Assume halt is resolved
in WB stage

Assume the first branch is taken 50% of the time and the loop iterates 100 times and forwarding for all data hazards.

add	1	2	3
beq	1	5	1
lw	6	4	1
add	3	4	5
beq	5	7	-5
halt			

2. How many cycles does the code take assuming *speculate and squash* where all branches are predicted not taken?

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Instructions = $100 * (0.5 * 5 + 0.5 * 4) + 1 = 451$

Time = 451 + load stalls + branch stalls + empty pipe

Time = $451 + 100 * 0.5 * 1 + (100 * 0.5 * 3 + 99 * 3) + 4$

Time = 952

Performance: Control Hazards III

Pipeline
Performance

Assume halt is resolved
in WB stage

Assume the first branch is taken 50% of the time and the loop iterates 100 times and forwarding for all data hazards.

```
add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
lw 6 4 1
add 3 4 5
beq 5 7 -5
halt
```

3. How many cycles does the code take assuming *speculate and squash* where backward branches are predicted taken and forward branches not taken (BTB)? Assume that the predictor has a BTB with entries for both branches to start.

Performance: Control Hazards III

Pipeline
Performance

Assume halt is resolved
in WB stage

Assume the first branch is taken 50% of the time and the loop iterates 100 times and forwarding for all data hazards.

```
add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
lw 6 4 1
add 3 4 5
beq 5 7 -5
halt
```

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$$\# \text{ Instructions} = 100 * (0.5 * 5 + 0.5 * 4) + 1 = 451$$

$$\text{Time} = 451 + \text{load stalls} + \text{branch stalls} + \text{empty pipe}$$

$$\text{Time} = 451 + 100 * 0.5 * 1 + (100 * 0.5 * 3 + 1 * 3) + 4$$

$$\text{Time} = 658$$

Performance: Control Hazards IV

Pipeline
Performance

Assume halt is resolved
in WB stage

Assume the first branch has the pattern **TTTN** that repeats, and the loop is iterated 100 times and forwarding for all data hazards.

4. How many cycles does the code take if a 2-bit counter BTB is used to predict each branch, how many cycles does the code take? Assume initial state of branch predictor counter is "10" (WT)

add	1	2	3
beq	1	5	1
lw	6	4	1
add	3	4	5
beq	5	7	-5
halt			

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Performance: Control Hazards IV

Pipeline
Performance

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does the code take? Assume initial state of branch
predictor counter is "10" (WT)

```
add 1 2 3
beq 1 5 1
lw 6 4 1
add 3 4 5
beq 5 7 -5
halt
```

```
✓ ✓ ✓ ✗ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✗ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✗
TTTNTTTNTTTN...
```

```
beq 1 5 1
```

Instructions = $100 \times (0.25 \times 5 + 0.75 \times 4) + 1 = 426$
Time = 426 + load stalls + branch stalls + empty pipe
Time = $426 + 100 \times 0.25 \times 1 + 100 \times 0.25 \times 3 + 1 \times 3 + 4$
Time = 533

beq 5 7 -5 is correct 99 times,
then incorrect last iteration


Logistics

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- There is one worksheet for lecture 16
 1. L16 worksheet
- There are optional, supplementary videos with detailed walk-through for the examples
 - These are optional, if you want to see the (repetitious) walk-through for examples in the lecture.

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Classic Performance Problem

- Program with following instruction breakdown:

lw	10%
sw	15%
beq	25%
R-type	50%

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- Speculate “always not-taken” and squash.
80% of branches not-taken
- Full forwarding to execute stage. 20% of loads stall for 1 cycle
- What is the CPI of the program?
- What is the total execution time if cycle frequency is 100MHz?

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Classic Performance Problem

- Program with following instruction breakdown:

lw	10%
sw	15%
beq	25%
R-type	50%

$$\text{CPI} = 1 + 0.10 (\text{loads}) * 0.20 (\text{load use stall}) * 1 + 0.25 (\text{branch}) * 0.20 (\text{miss rate}) * 3$$

$$\text{CPI} = 1 + 0.02 + 0.15 = 1.17$$

$$\text{Time} = 1.17 * 10\text{ns} = 11.7\text{ns}$$

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Classic Performance Problem 2.0

- Assume branches are resolved at Execute?
 - What is the CPI?
 - What happens to cycle time?
 - What is the total execution time?

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Classic Performance Problem 2.0

- Assume branches are resolved at Execute?
 - What is the CPI?
 - What happens to cycle time?
 - What is the total execution time?

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CPI = 1 + 0.10 (loads) * 0.20 (load use stall)*1
+ 0.25 (branch) * 0.20 (miss rate)*2

CPI = 1 + 0.02 + 0.1 = 1.12

Performance: Deeper Pipelines

- Assume the setup of the previous problem.
- What if we have a 10-stage pipeline?
 - Instructions are fetched at stage 1.
 - Register file is read at stage 3.
 - Execution begins at stage 5.
 - Branches are resolved at stage 7.
 - Memory access is complete in stage 9.
- What's the CPI of the program?
- If the clock rate was doubled by doubling the pipeline depth, is performance also doubled?

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+ 0.10 (loads) * 0.20 (load use stall) * ???

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Performance: Deeper Pipelines

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+ 0.10 (loads) * 0.20 (load use stall) * 4

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CPI = 1 + 0.08 + 0.30 = 1.38

Time = 1.38 * 5ns = 6.9 ns

- What's the CPI of the program?
- If the clock frequency was doubled by doubling the pipeline depth, is performance also doubled?

Up Next... Caches

- This is the last lecture on pipeline datapath.
- Next lecture: caches
 - Usually memory hierarchy between the processor and main memory
- Starting Thursday Prof. Satish Narayanasamy will be recording lectures and holding office hours
- It was great to teach you!

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