

CS2006: 計算機組織

# Designing a Single-Cycle Processor



# Outline

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- ◆ **Designing a processor**
- ◆ **Building the datapath**
- ◆ **A single-cycle implementation**
- ◆ **Control for the single-cycle CPU**
  - **Control of CPU operations**
  - **ALU controller**
  - **Main controller**

# Introduction

- ◆ **CPU performance factors**
  - **Instruction count**
    - **Determined by ISA and compiler**
  - **CPI and Cycle time**
    - **Determined by CPU hardware**
- ◆ **We will examine two MIPS implementations**
  - **A simplified version**
  - **A more realistic pipelined version**
- ◆ **Simple subset, shows most aspects**
  - **Memory reference: lw, sw**
  - **Arithmetic/logical: add, sub, and, or, slt**
  - **Control transfer: beq, j**

# Instruction Execution

- ◆ PC → instruction memory, fetch instruction
- ◆ Register numbers → register file, read registers
- ◆ Depending on instruction class
  - Use ALU to calculate
    - Arithmetic result
    - Memory address for load/store
    - Branch target address
  - Access data memory for load/store
  - PC ← target address or PC + 4

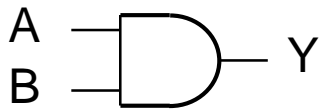
# Logic Design Basics

- ◆ **Information encoded in binary**
  - Low voltage = 0, High voltage = 1
  - One wire per bit
  - Multi-bit data encoded on multi-wire buses
- ◆ **Combinational element**
  - Operate on data
  - Output is a function of input
- ◆ **State (sequential) elements**
  - Store information

# Combinational Elements

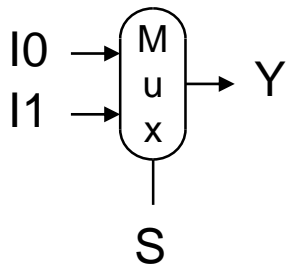
## ◆ AND-gate

- $Y = A \& B$



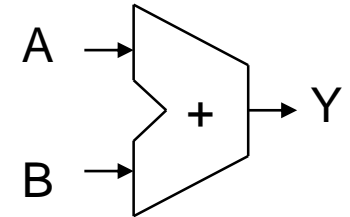
## ◆ Multiplexer

- $Y = S ? I1 : I0$



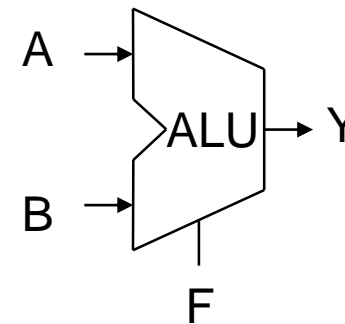
## ◆ Adder

- $Y = A + B$



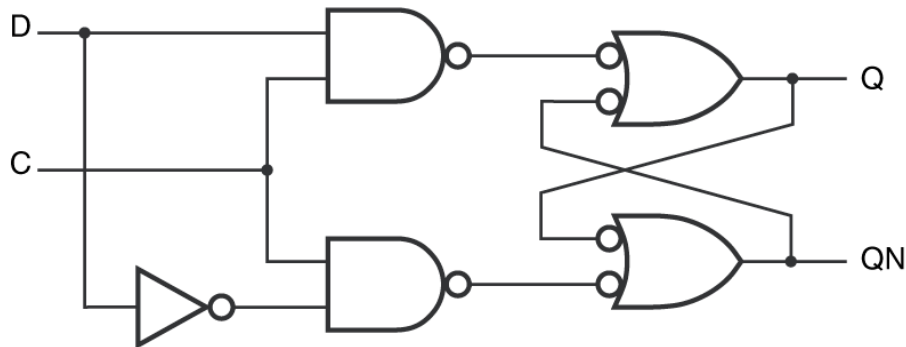
## ◆ Arithmetic/Logic Unit

- $Y = F(A, B)$

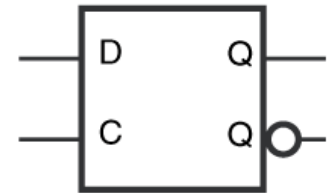


# Sequential Elements

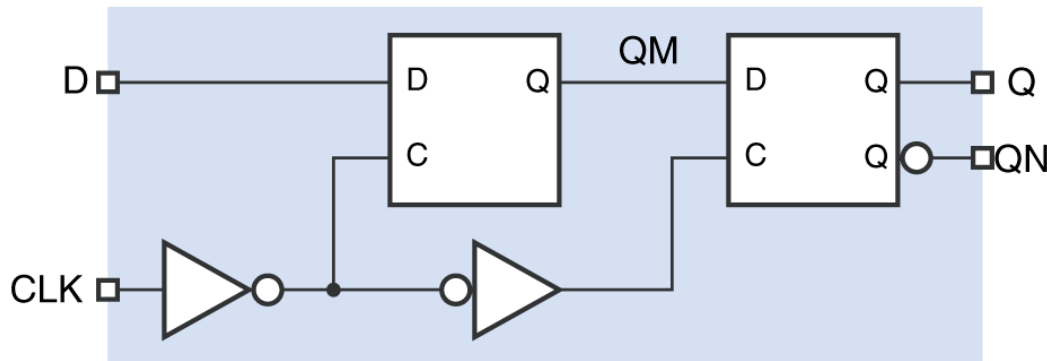
## ◆ D-latch (level-sensitive)



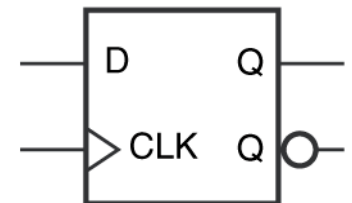
C	D	Q	QN
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0
0	x	last Q	last QN



## ◆ D flip-flop (edge-sensitive)

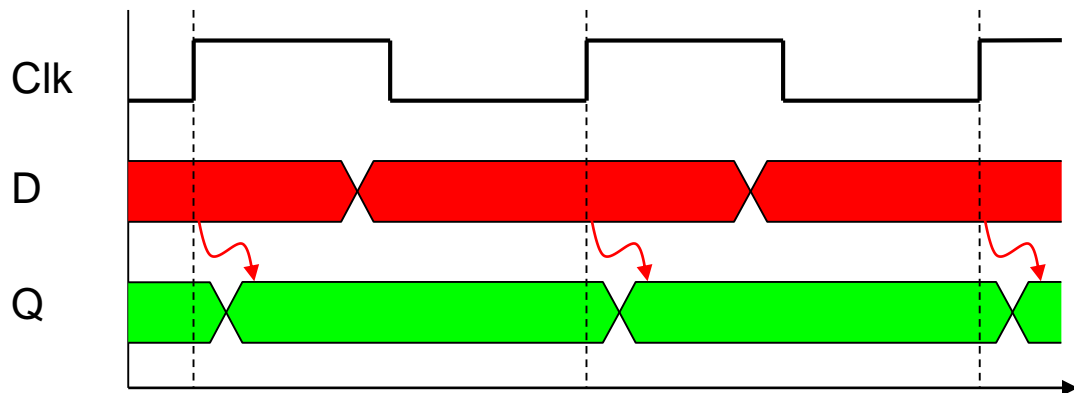
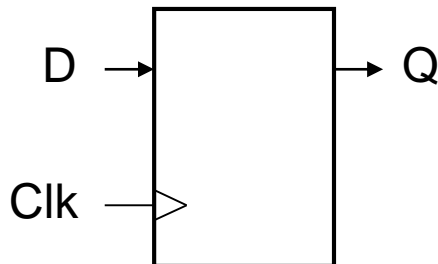


D	CLK	Q	QN
0		0	1
1		1	0
x	0	last Q	last QN
x	1	last Q	last QN



# Sequential Elements

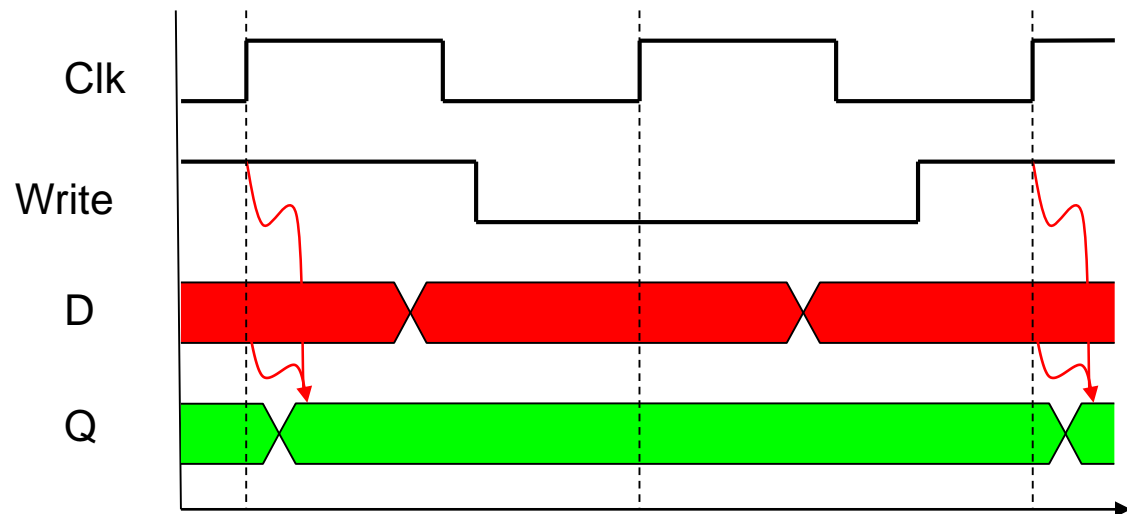
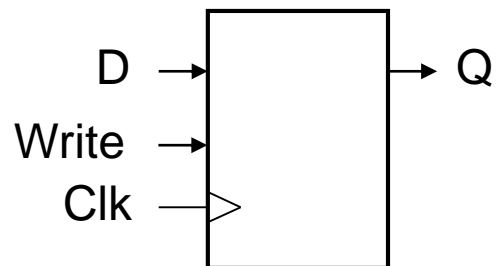
- ◆ **Register: stores data in a circuit**
  - Uses a clock signal to determine when to update the stored value
  - Edge-triggered: update when Clk changes from 0 to 1





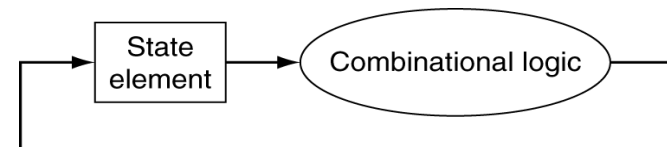
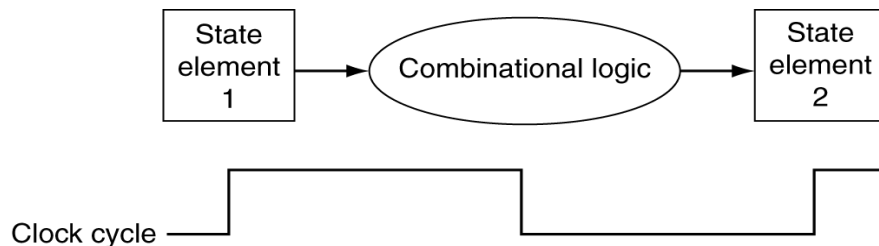
# Sequential Elements

- ◆ Register with write control
  - Only updates on clock edge when write control input is 1
  - Used when stored value is required later



# Clocking Methodology

- ◆ **Combinational logic transforms data during clock cycles**
  - Between clock edges
  - Input from state elements, output to state element
  - Longest delay determines clock period

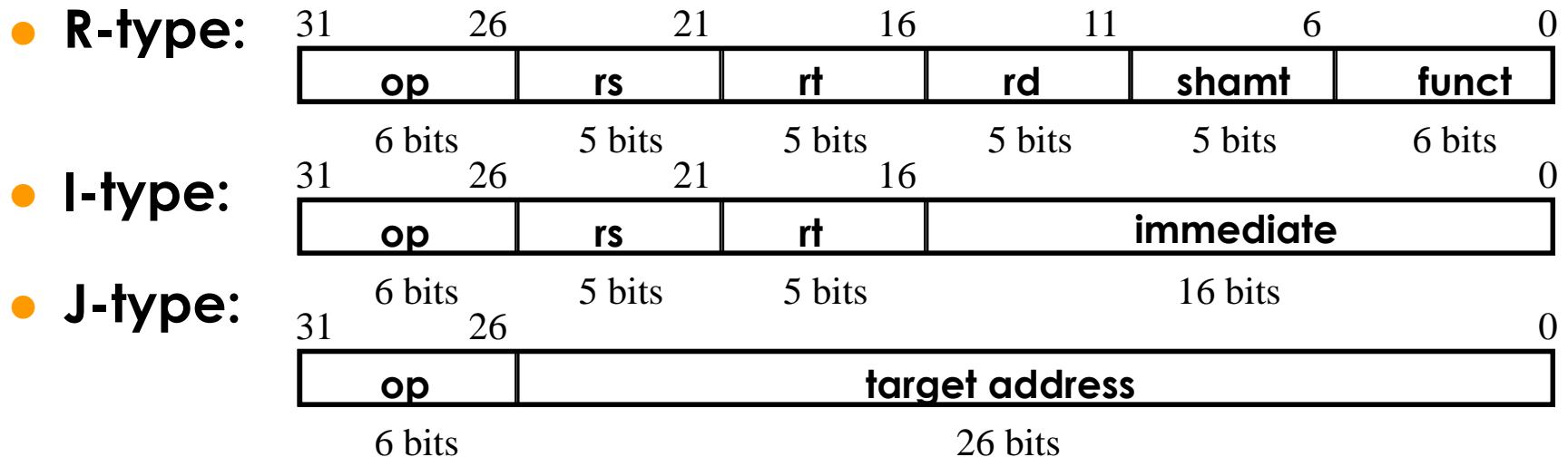


# How to Design a Processor?

1. Analyze instruction set (datapath requirements)
  - The meaning of each instruction is given by the *register transfers*
  - Datapath must include storage element
  - Datapath must support each register transfer
2. Select set of datapath components and establish clocking methodology
3. Assemble datapath meeting the requirements
4. Analyze implementation of each instruction to determine setting of control points effecting register transfer
5. Assemble the control logic

# Step 1: Analyze Instruction Set

## ◆ All MIPS instructions are 32 bits long with 3 formats:



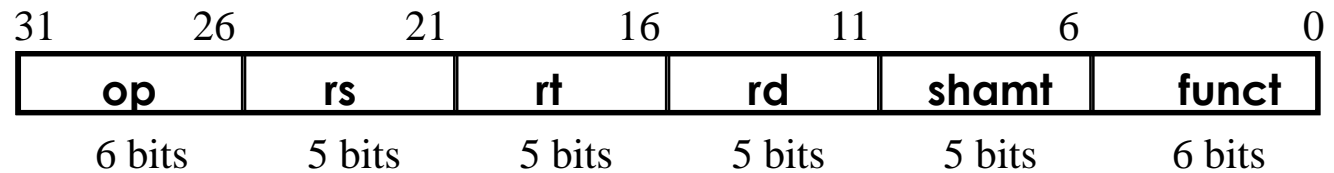
## ◆ The different fields are:

- **op:** operation of the instruction
- **rs, rt, rd:** source and destination register
- **shamt:** shift amount
- **funct:** selects variant of the "op" field
- **address / immediate**
- **target address:** target address of jump

# Our Example: A MIPS Subset

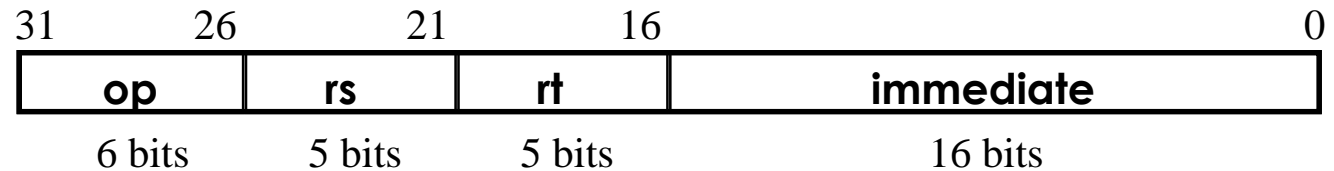
## ◆ R-Type:

- add rd, rs, rt
- sub rd, rs, rt
- and rd, rs, rt
- or rd, rs, rt
- slt rd, rs, rt



## ◆ Load/Store:

- lw rt,rs,imm16
- sw rt,rs,imm16



## ◆ Imm operand:

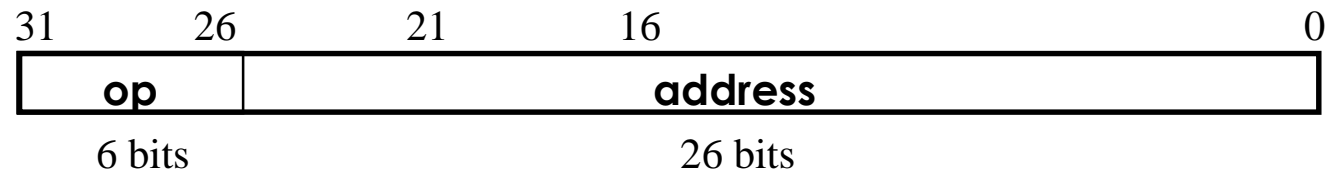
- addi rt,rs,imm16

## ◆ Branch:

- beq rs,rt,imm16

## ◆ Jump:

- j target



# Logical Register Transfers

- ◆ RTL gives the meaning of the instructions
- ◆ All start by fetching the instruction, read registers, then use ALU → simplicity and regularity help

MEM[ PC ] = op | rs | rt | rd | shamt | funct  
 or = op | rs | rt | Imm16  
 or = op | Imm26

Inst	Register transfers
ADD	$R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] + R[rt]; PC \leftarrow PC + 4$
SUB	$R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] - R[rt]; PC \leftarrow PC + 4$
LW	$R[rt] \leftarrow MEM[R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(Imm16)]; PC \leftarrow PC + 4$
SW	$MEM[R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(Imm16)] \leftarrow R[rt]; PC \leftarrow PC + 4$
ADDI	$R[rt] \leftarrow R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(Imm16); PC \leftarrow PC + 4$
BEQ	if ( $R[rs] = R[rt]$ ) then $PC \leftarrow PC + 4 + \text{sign\_ext}(Imm16) : 00$ else $PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

# Requirements of Instruction Set

After checking the register transfers, we can see that datapath needs the followings:

- ◆ Memory

- store instructions and data

- ◆ Registers (32 x 32)

- read RS
    - read RT
    - write RT or RD
- 2 registers read at a time
- 1 register write at a time

- ◆ PC

- ◆ Extender for zero-extension or sign-extension

- ◆ Add/sub registers or extended immediate (ALU)

- ◆ Add 4 or extended immediate to PC

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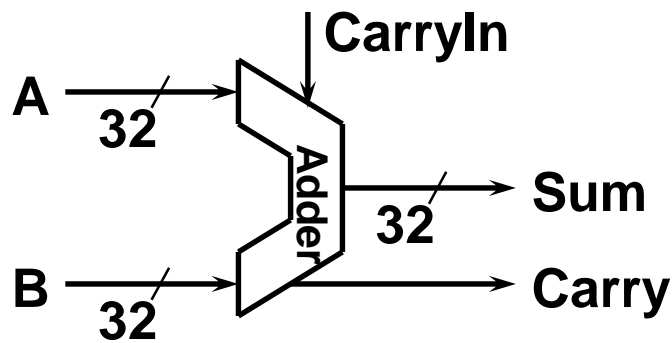


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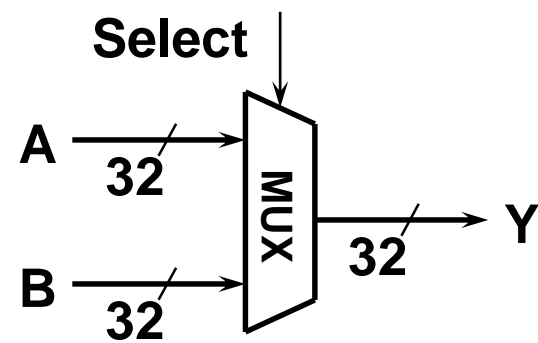


# Step 2a: Datapath Components

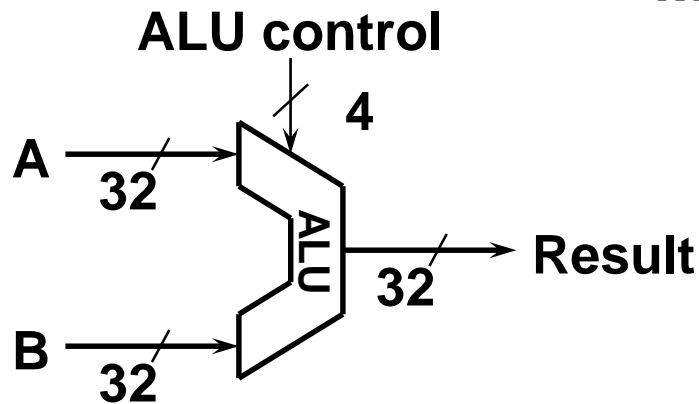
- ◆ Basic building blocks of combinational logic elements :



**Adder**



**MUX**



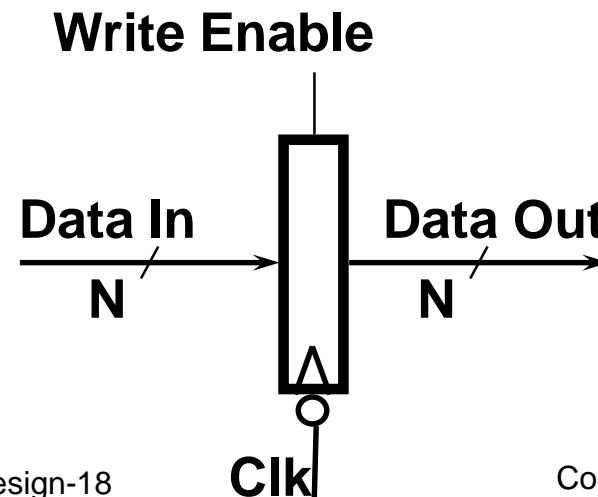
**ALU**

# Step 2b: Datapath Components

## Storage elements:

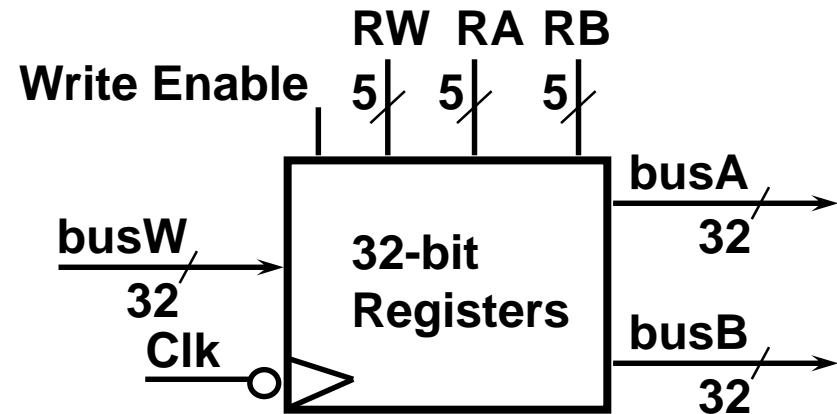
### ◆ Register:

- Similar to the D Flip Flop except
  - N-bit input and output
  - Write Enable input
- Write Enable:
  - negated (0): Data Out will not change
  - asserted (1): Data Out will become Data In



# Storage Element: Register File

- ◆ Consists of 32 registers:
  - Appendix C.8
  - Two 32-bit output busses: busA and busB
  - One 32-bit input bus: busW
- ◆ Register is selected by:
  - RA selects the register to put on busA (data)
  - RB selects the register to put on busB (data)
  - RW selects the register to be written via busW (data) when Write Enable is 1
- ◆ Clock input (CLK)
  - The CLK input is a factor ONLY during write operation
  - During read, behaves as a combinational circuit



# Storage Element: Memory

## ◆ Memory (idealized)

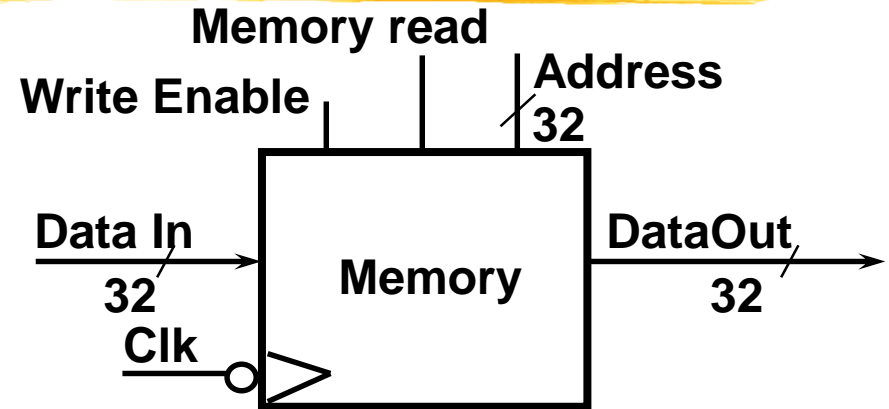
- Appendix C.9
- One input bus: Data In
- One output bus: Data Out

## ◆ Word is selected by:

- Address selects the word to put on Data Out
- Write Enable = 1: address selects the memory word to be written by the Data In bus

## ◆ Clock input (CLK)

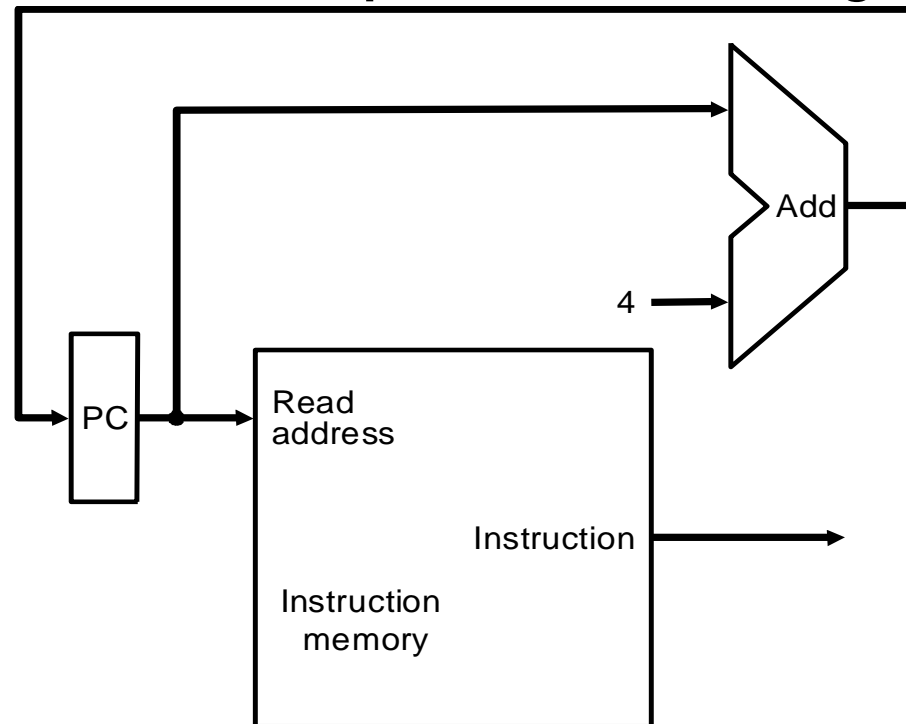
- The CLK input is a factor ONLY during write operation
- During read operation, behaves as a combinational logic block:
  - Address valid → Data Out valid after access time
  - No need for read control



# Step 3a: Datapath Assembly

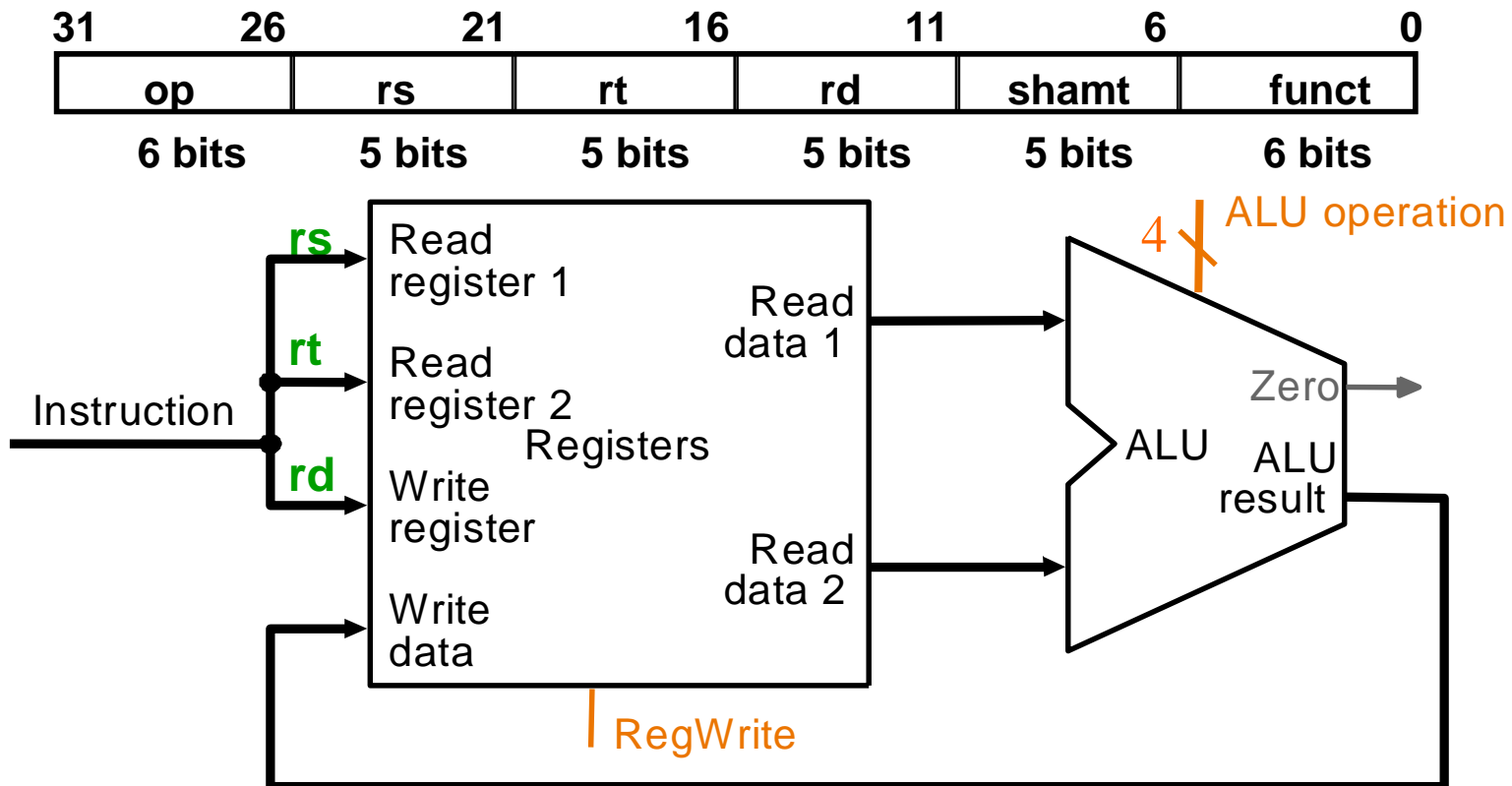
## ◆ Instruction fetch unit: common operations

- Fetch the instruction:  $\text{mem}[\text{PC}]$
- Update the program counter:
  - Sequential code:  $\text{PC} \leftarrow \text{PC} + 4$
  - Branch and Jump:  $\text{PC} \leftarrow \text{"Something else"}$



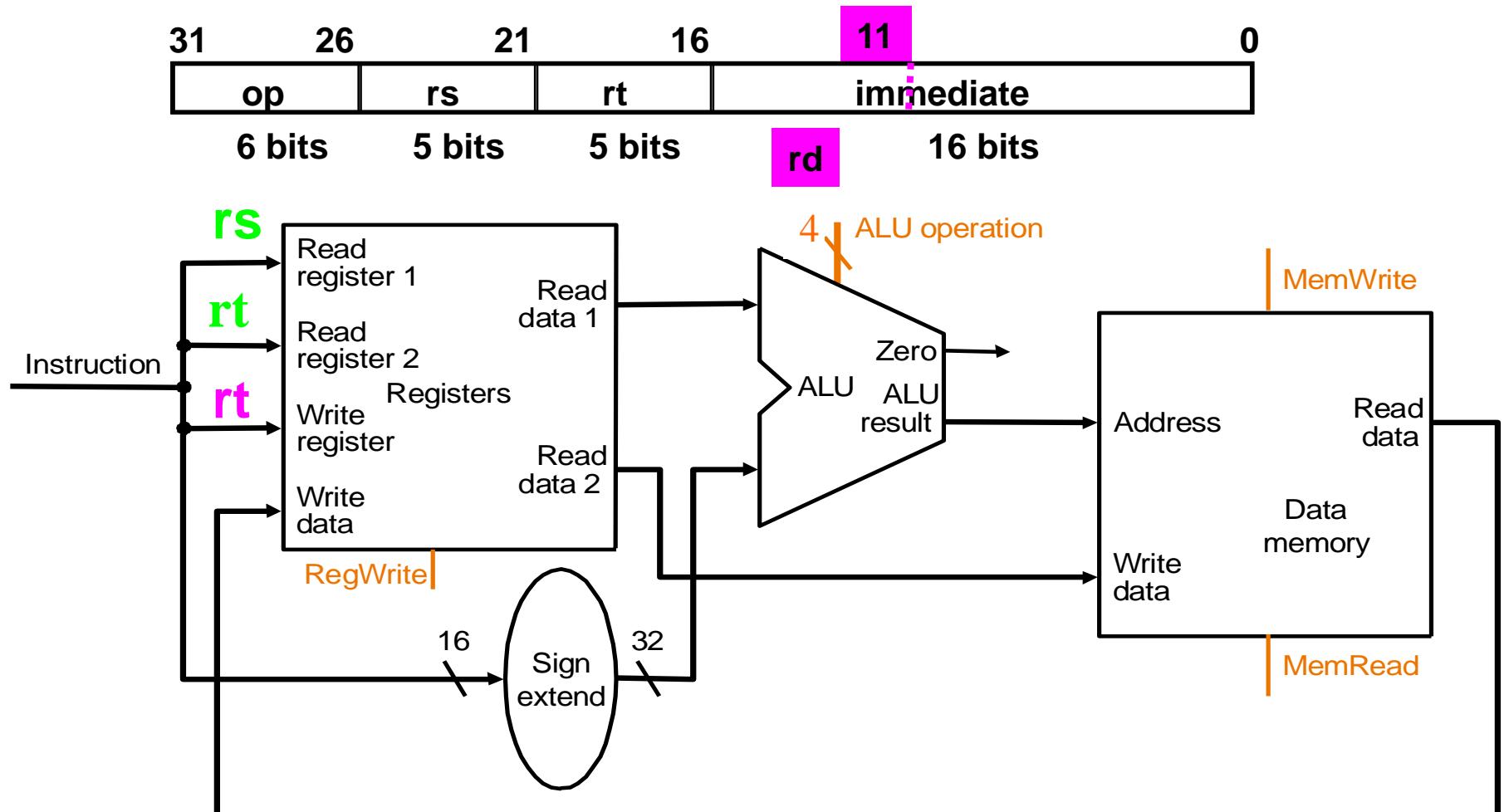
# Step 3b: Add and Subtract

- ◆  $R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] \text{ op } R[rt]$  Ex: add rd, rs, rt
  - RA, RB, RW come from inst.'s rs, rt, and rd fields
  - ALU and RegWrite: control logic after decode



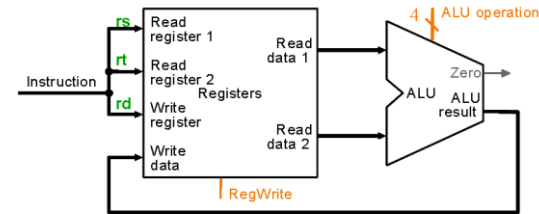
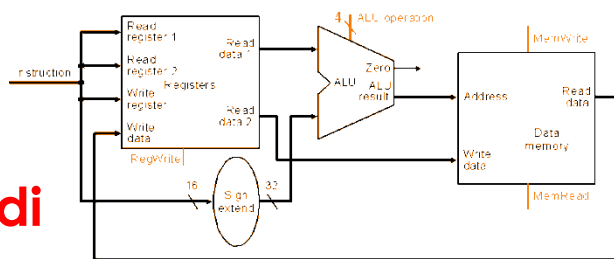
# Step 3c: Store/Load Operations

◆  $R[rt] \leftarrow \text{Mem}[R[rs] + \text{SignExt}[\text{imm16}]]$  Ex: lw rt,rs,imm16

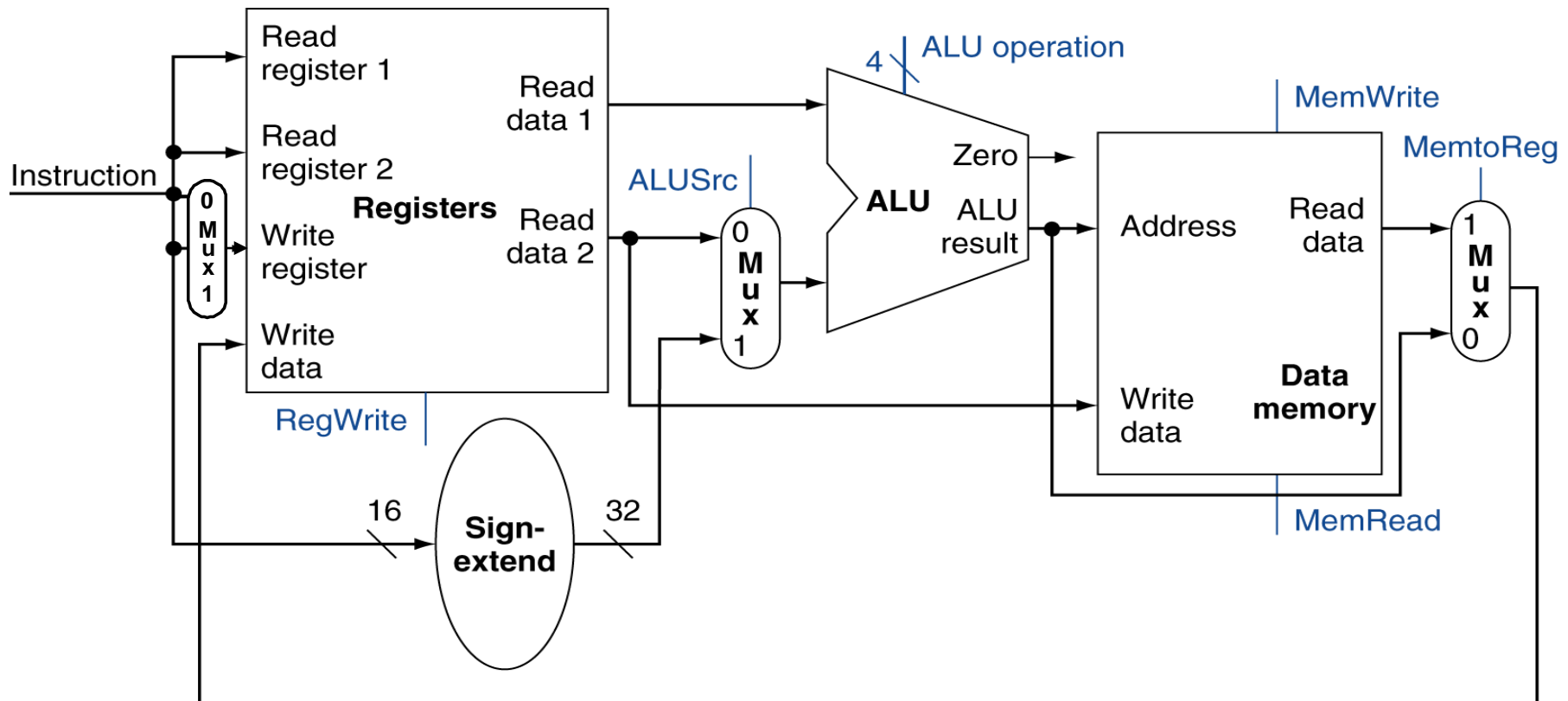


# Datapath for Memory and R-type (b+c), also for addi

Mem, addi



Rtype





# Step 3d: Branch Operations

◆ beq rs, rt, imm16

mem[PC]

Fetch inst. from memory

Equal  $\leftarrow R[rs] == R[rt]$

Calculate branch condition

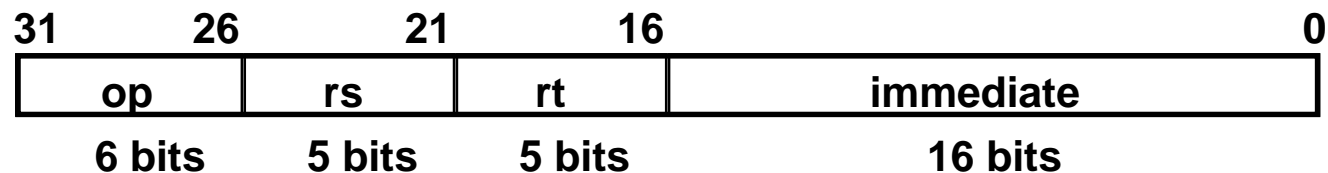
if (COND == 0)

Calculate next inst. address

PC  $\leftarrow$  PC + 4 + ( SignExt(imm16) x 4 ) // signExt(imm16) : 00

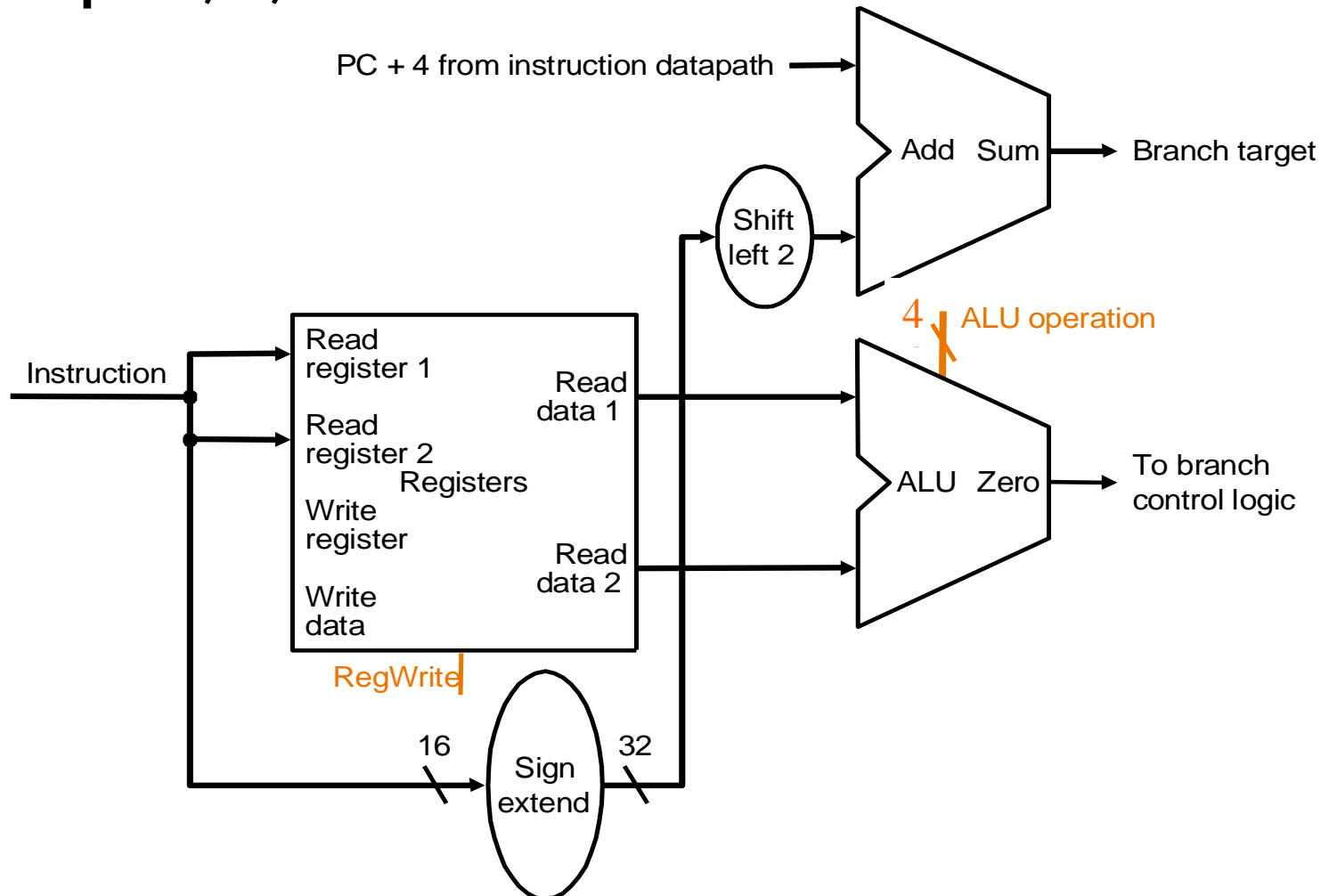
else

PC  $\leftarrow$  PC + 4



# Datapath for Branch Operations

## ◆ beq rs, rt, imm16

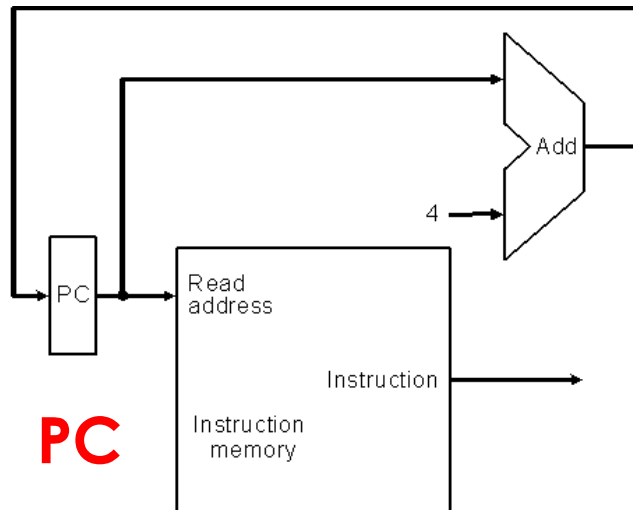


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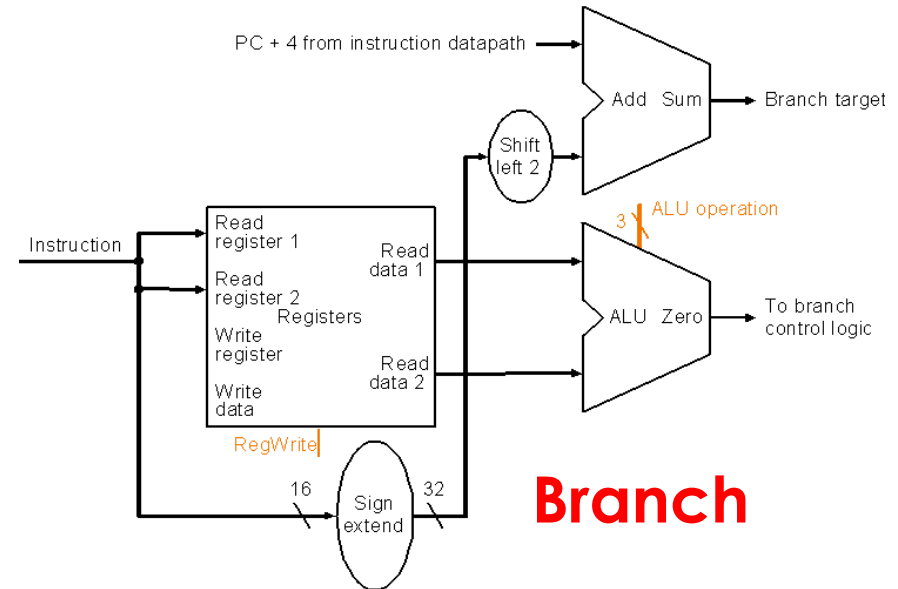
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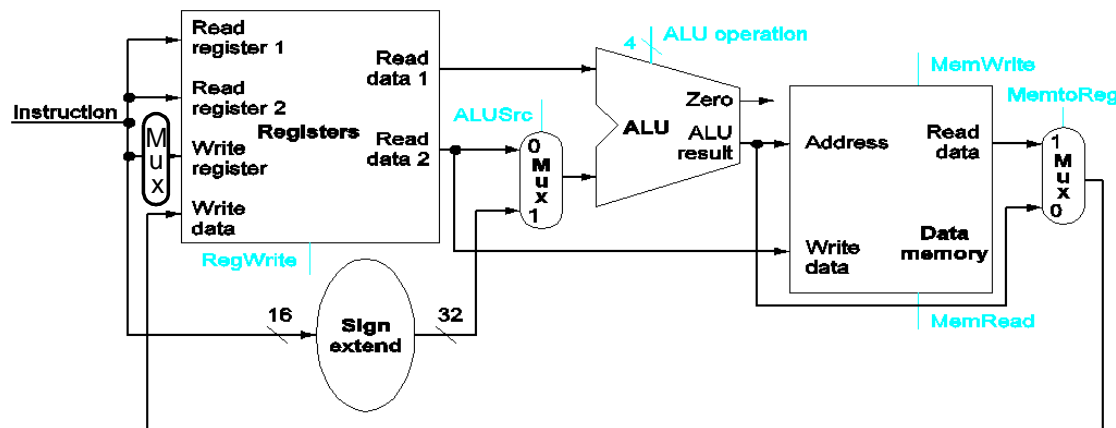
# What Do We Have Now?



**PC**

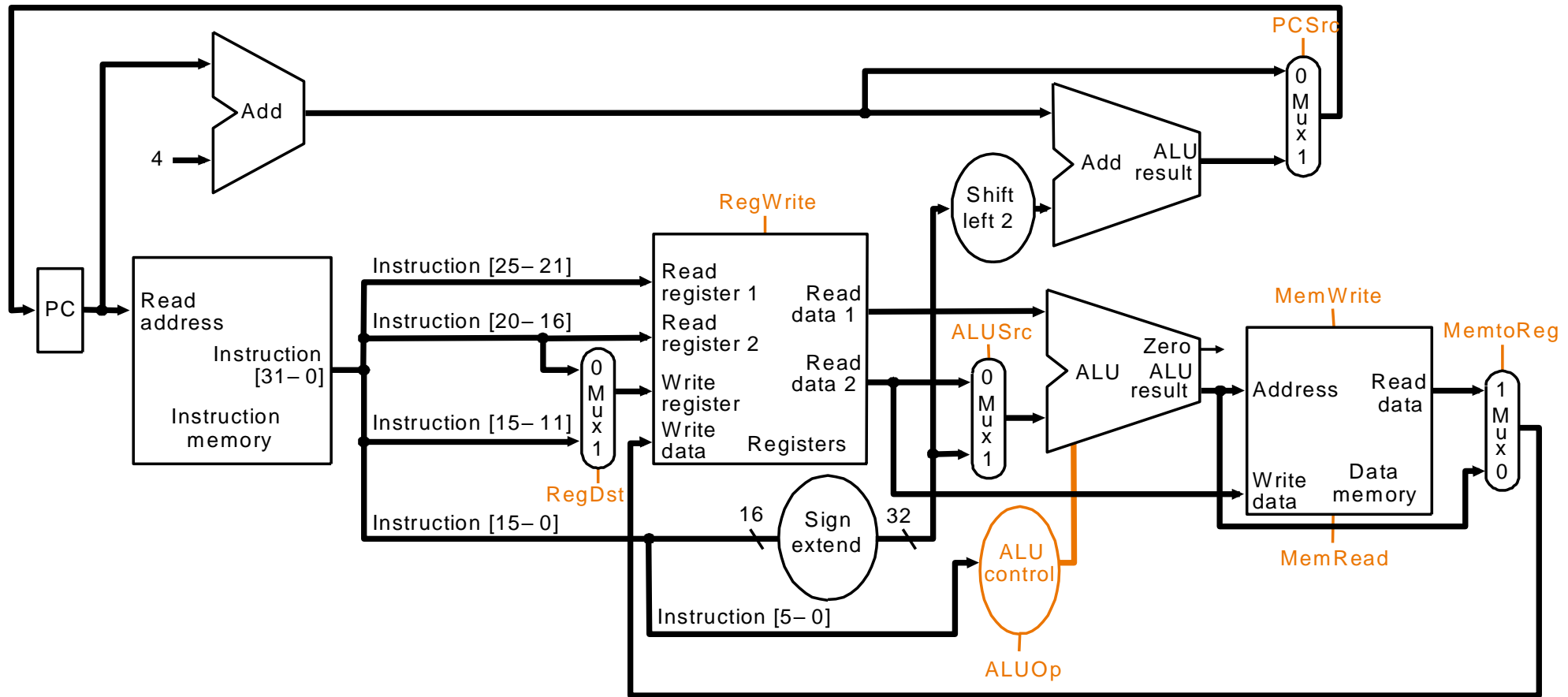


**Branch**

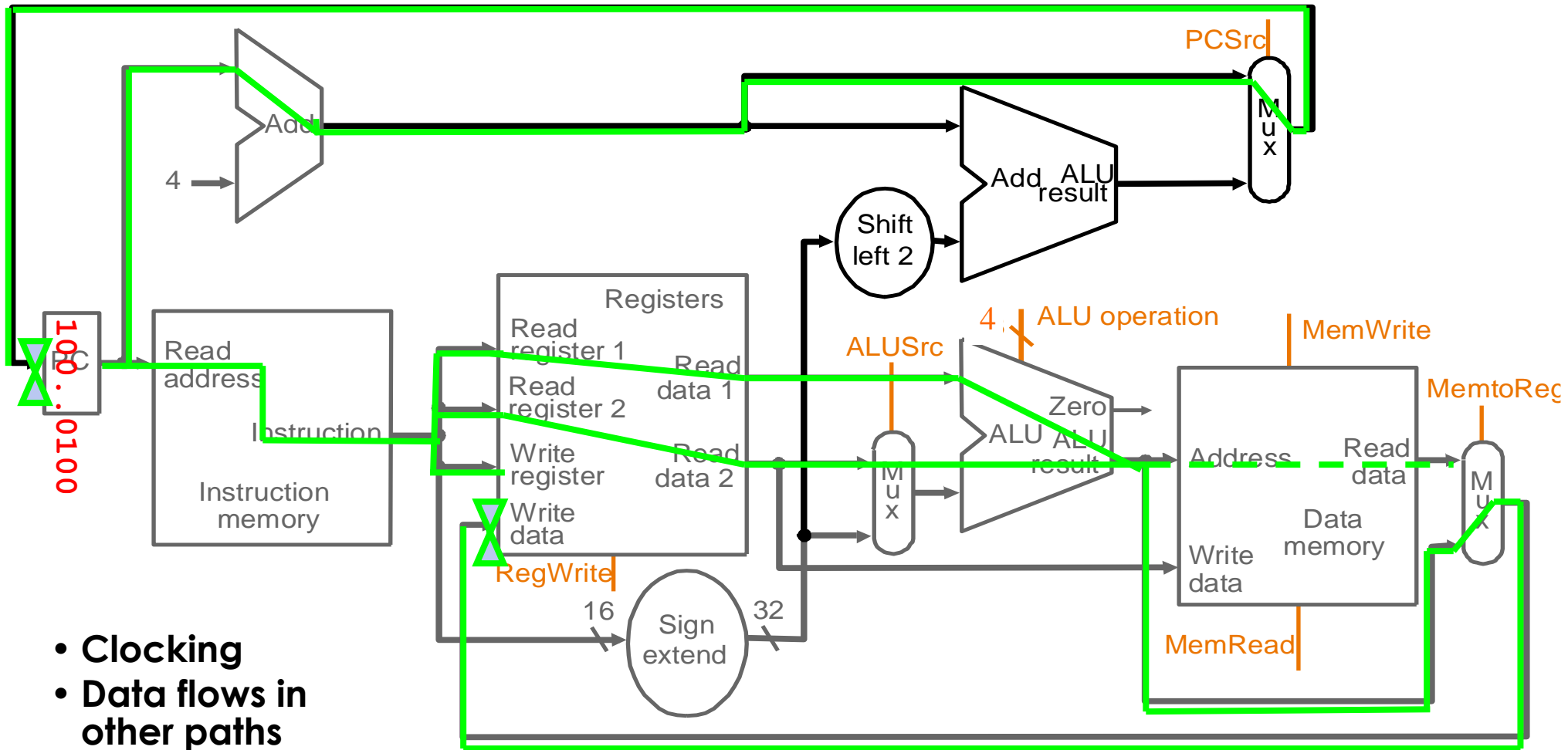


**Rtype + Mem + addi**

# A Single Cycle Datapath



# Data Flow during add

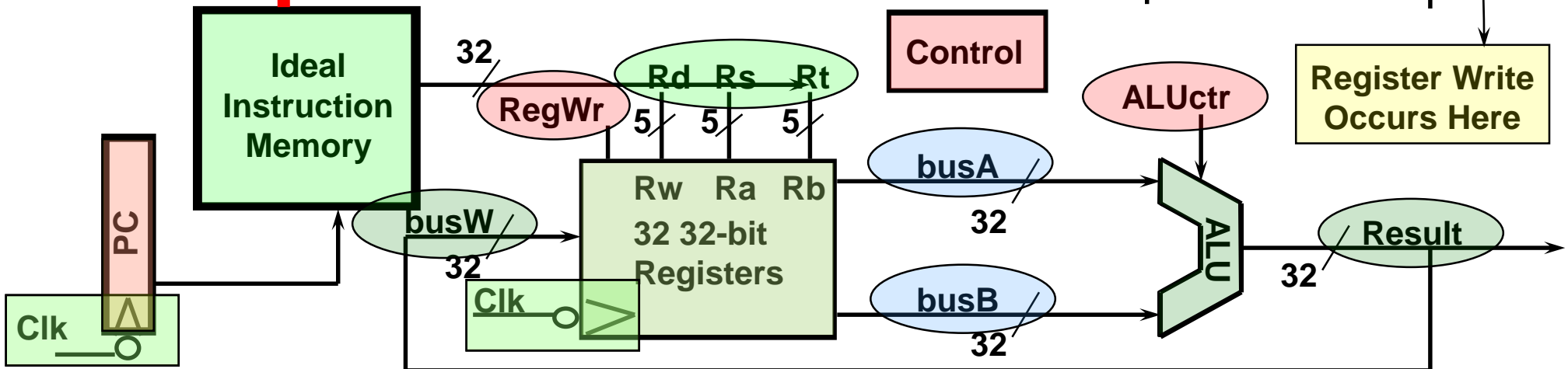
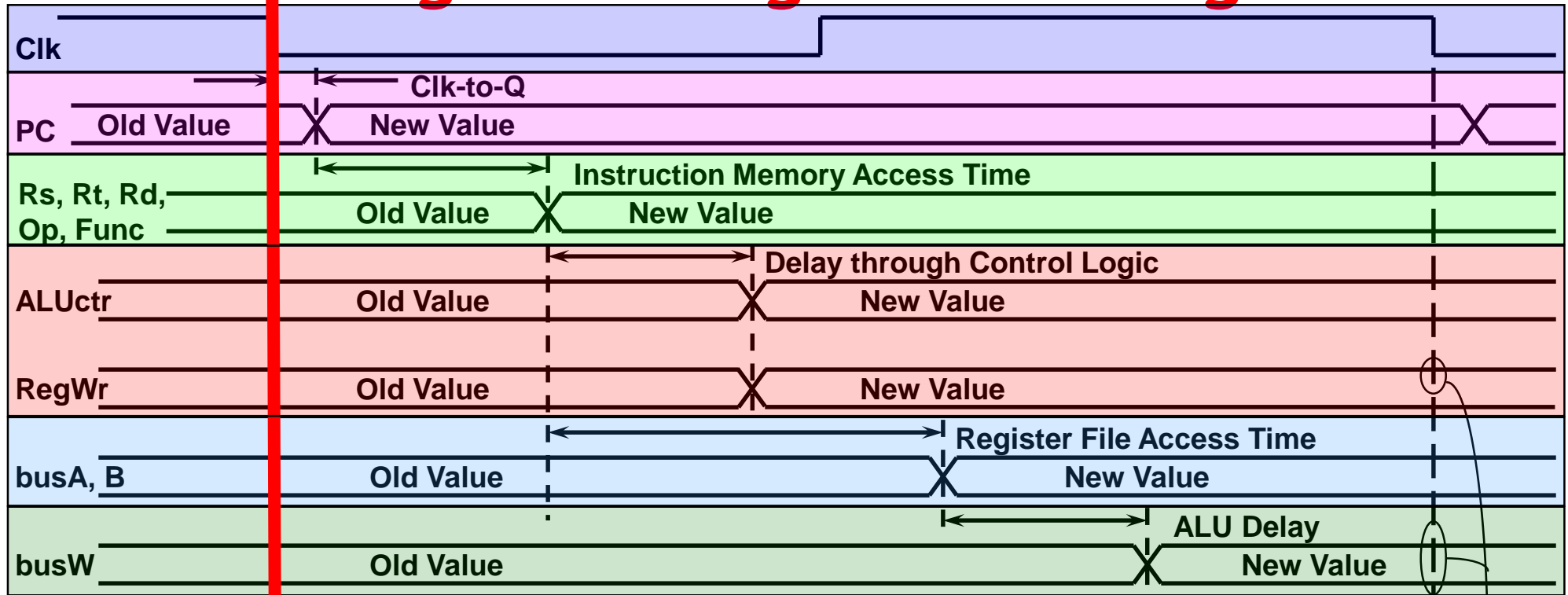


- Clocking
- Data flows in other paths

# Clocking Methodology

- ◆ **Clocking defines when signals are read and written**
- ◆ **Assume edge-triggered:**
  - **Values in storage (state) elements updated only on a clock edge**  
→ clock edge should arrive only after input signals stable
  - **Any combinational circuit must have inputs from and outputs to storage elements**
  - ***Clock cycle*: time for signals to propagate from one storage element, through combinational circuit, to reach the next storage element**
  - **A register can be read, its value propagated through some combinational circuit, new value is written back to the same register, all in same cycle → no feedback within a single cycle (if so, we call it "race condition")**

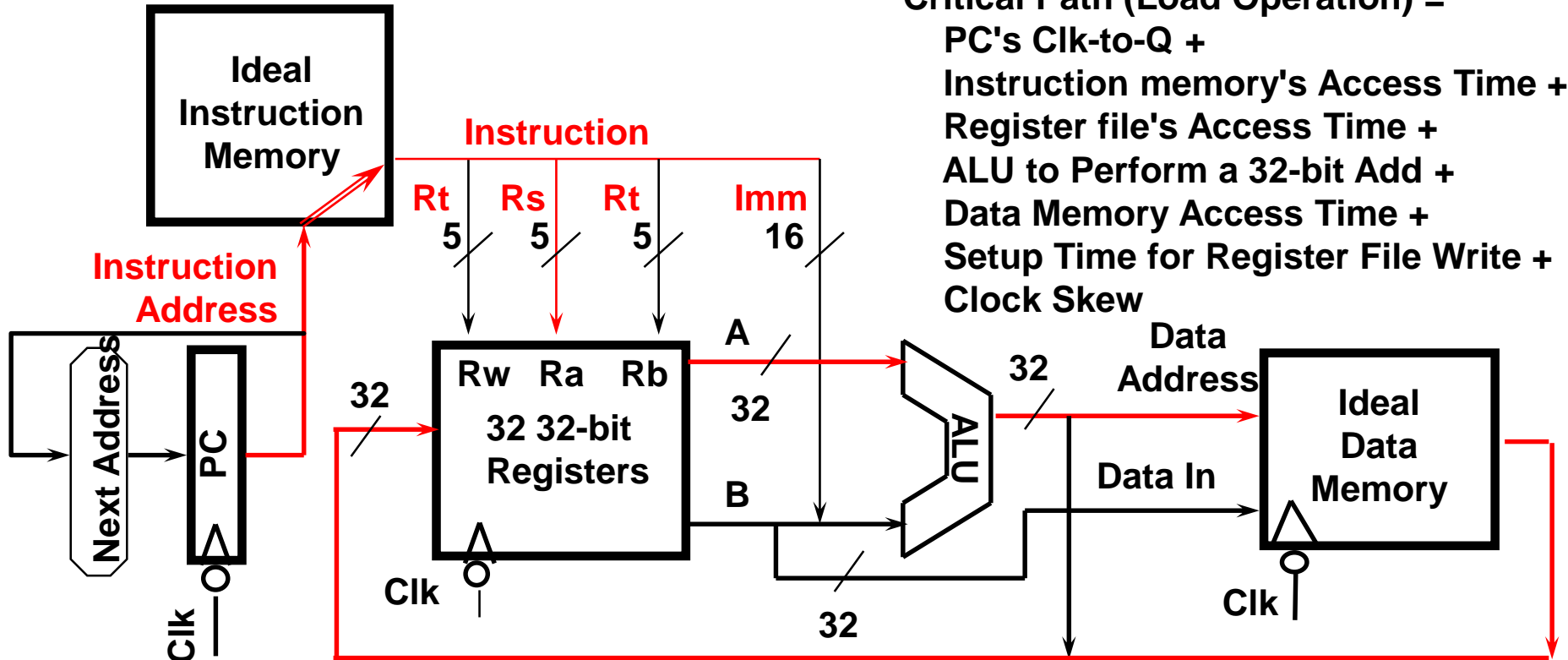
# Register-Register Timing





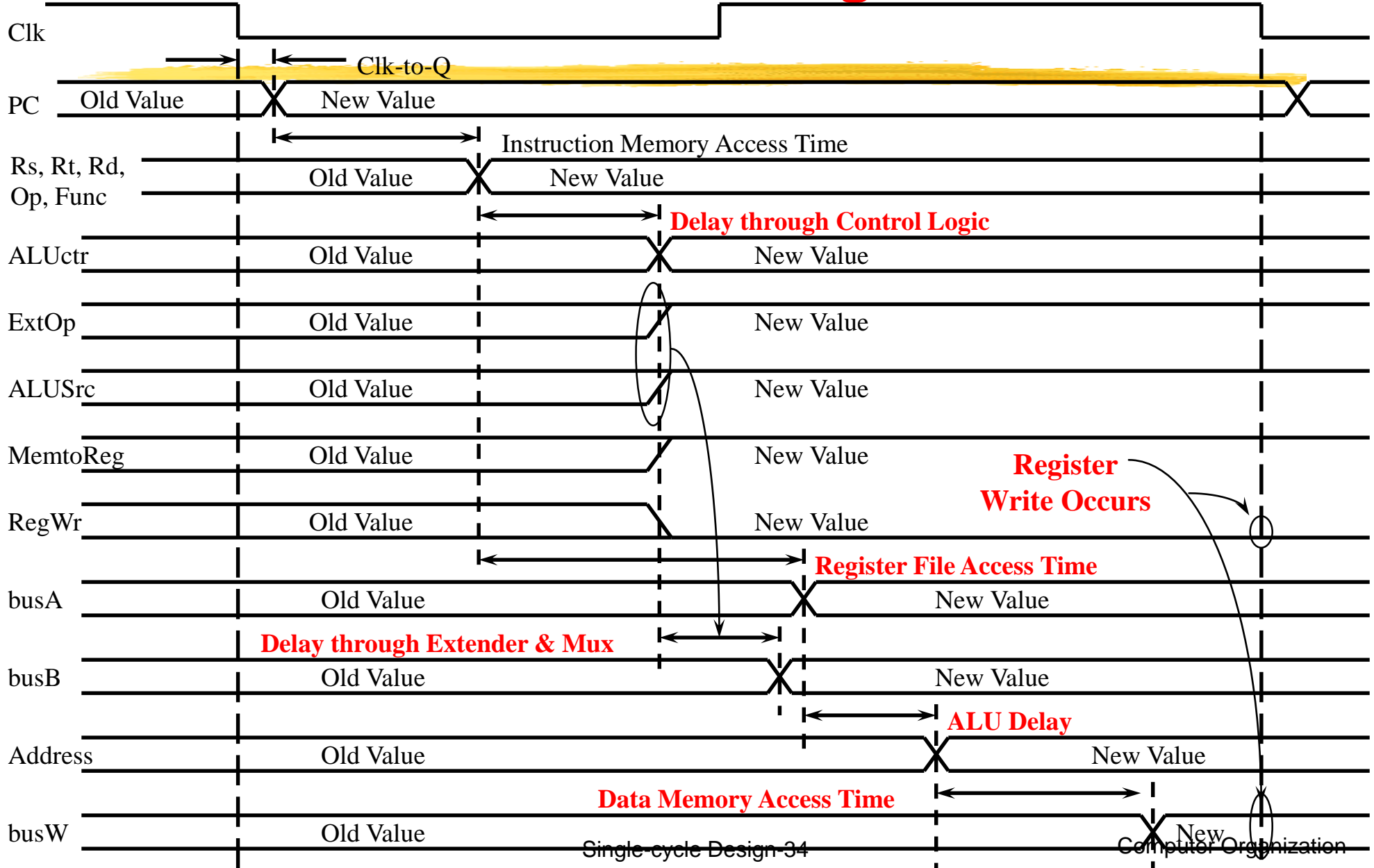
# The Critical Path

- ◆ Register file and ideal memory:
  - During read, behave as combinational logic:
    - Address valid => Output valid after access time



Critical Path (Load Operation) =  
PC's Clk-to-Q +  
Instruction memory's Access Time +  
Register file's Access Time +  
ALU to Perform a 32-bit Add +  
Data Memory Access Time +  
Setup Time for Register File Write +  
Clock Skew

# Worst Case Timing (Load)

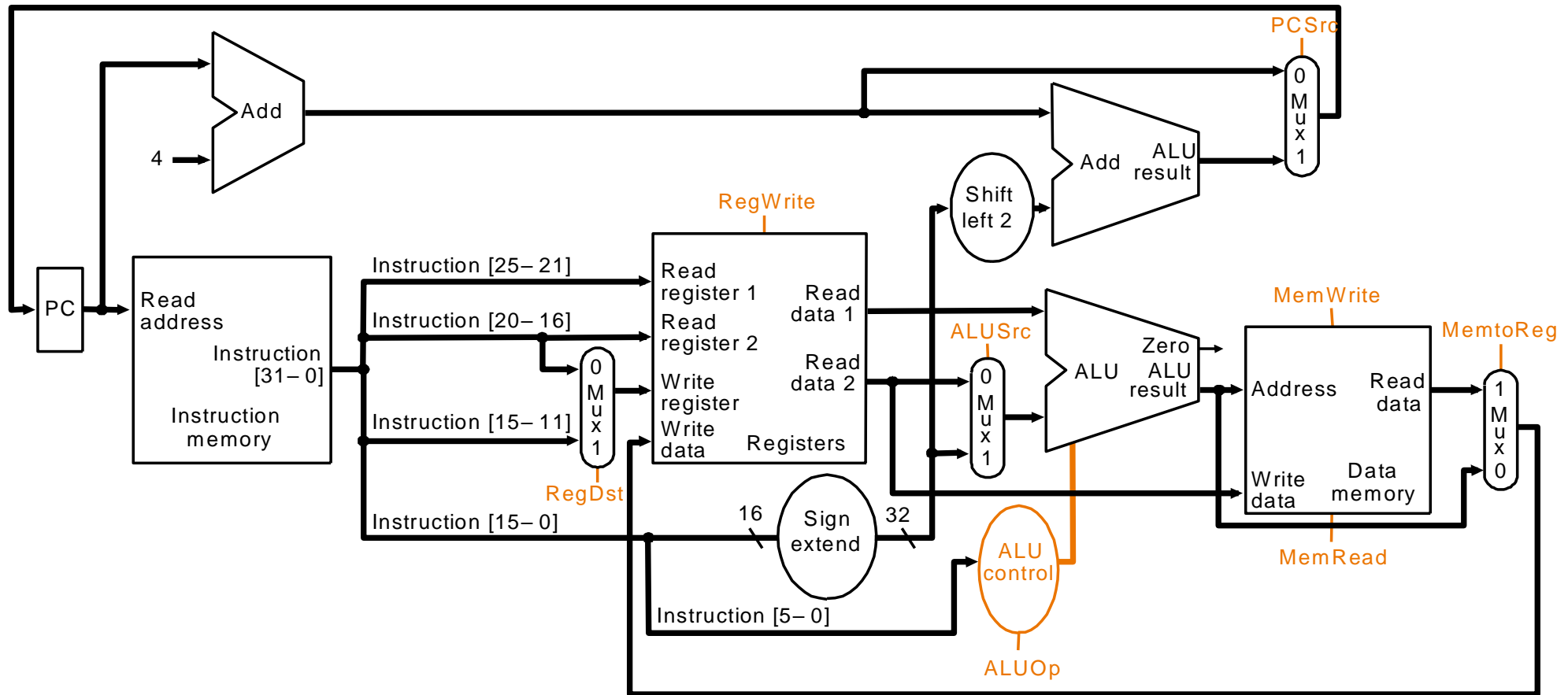


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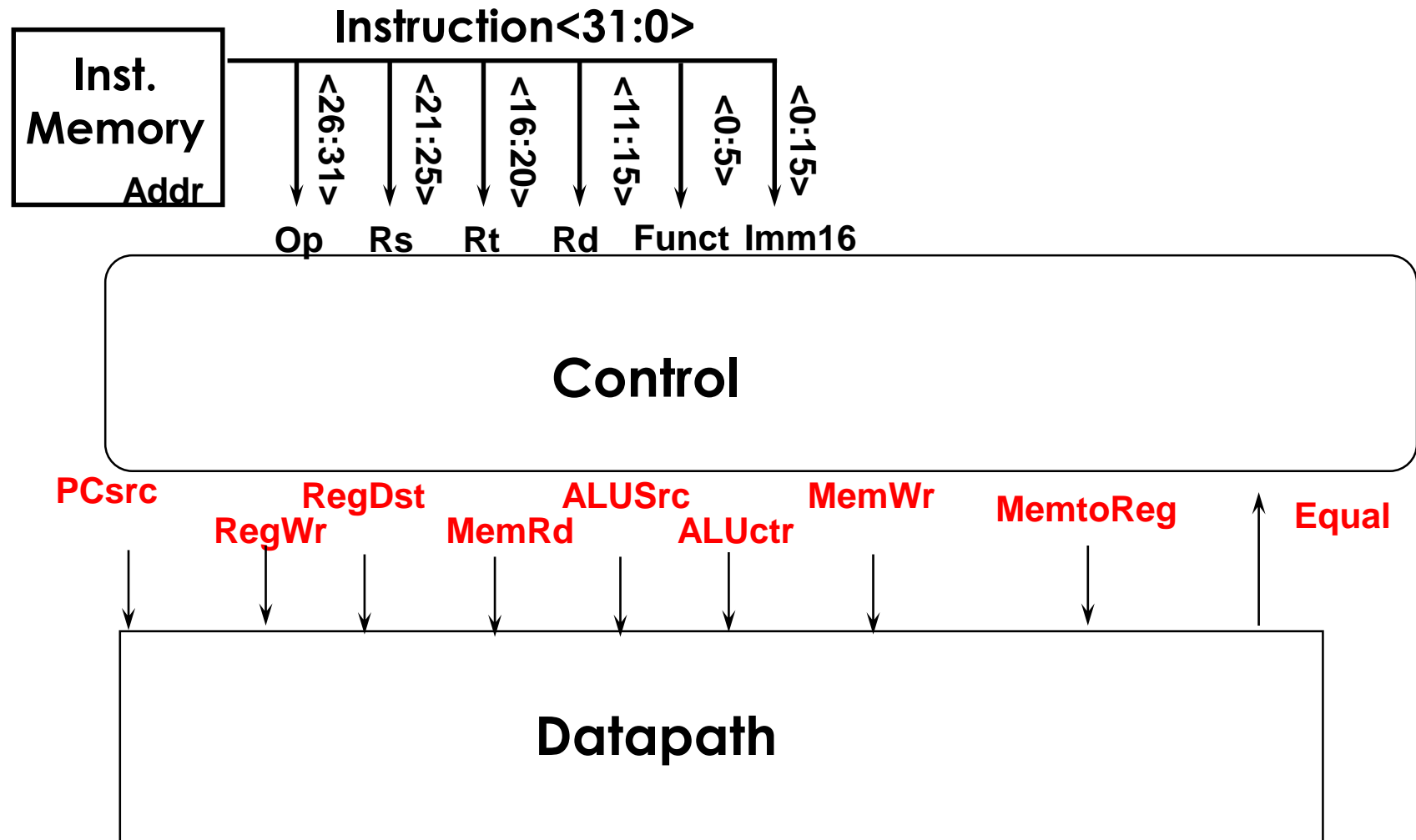
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# Step 4: Control Points and Signals

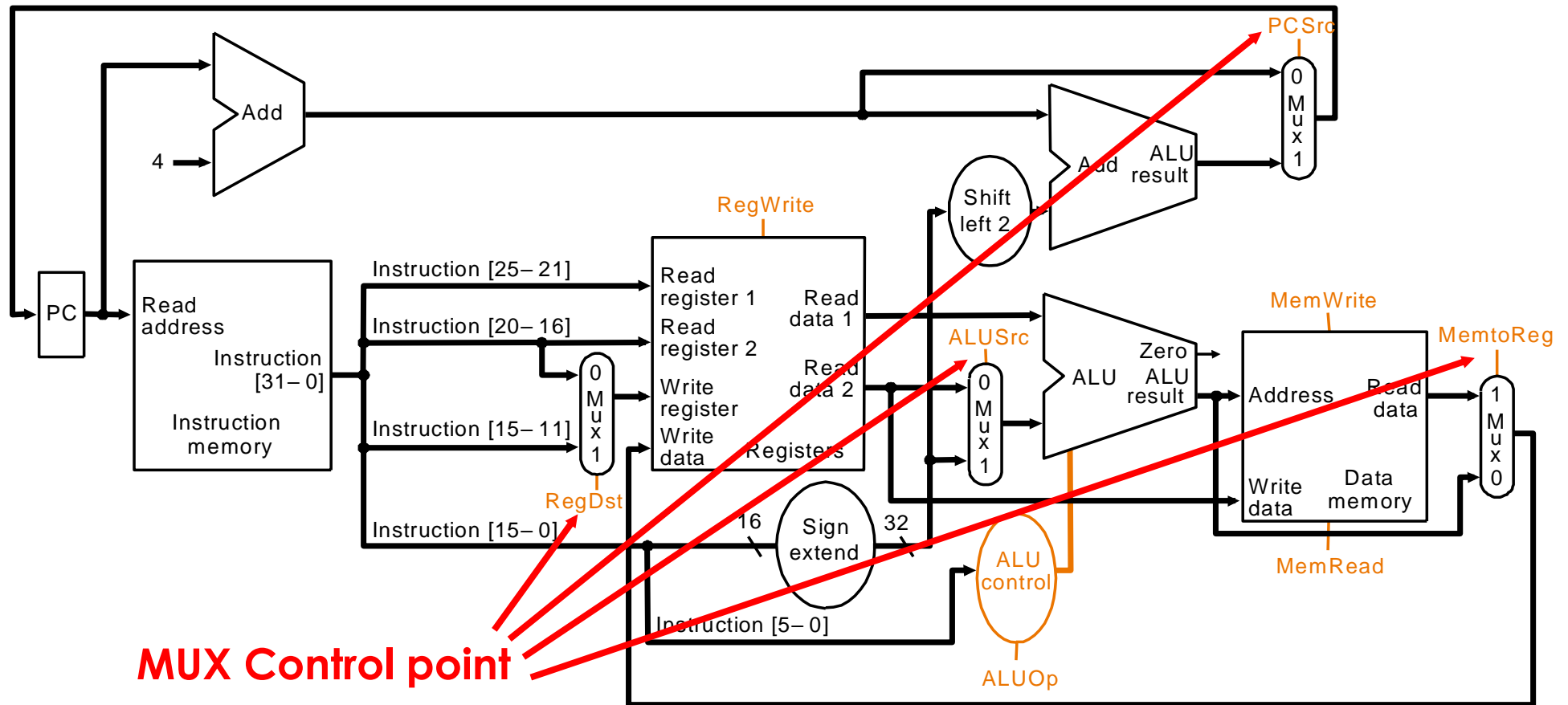


# Designing Main Control

## ◆ Some observations:

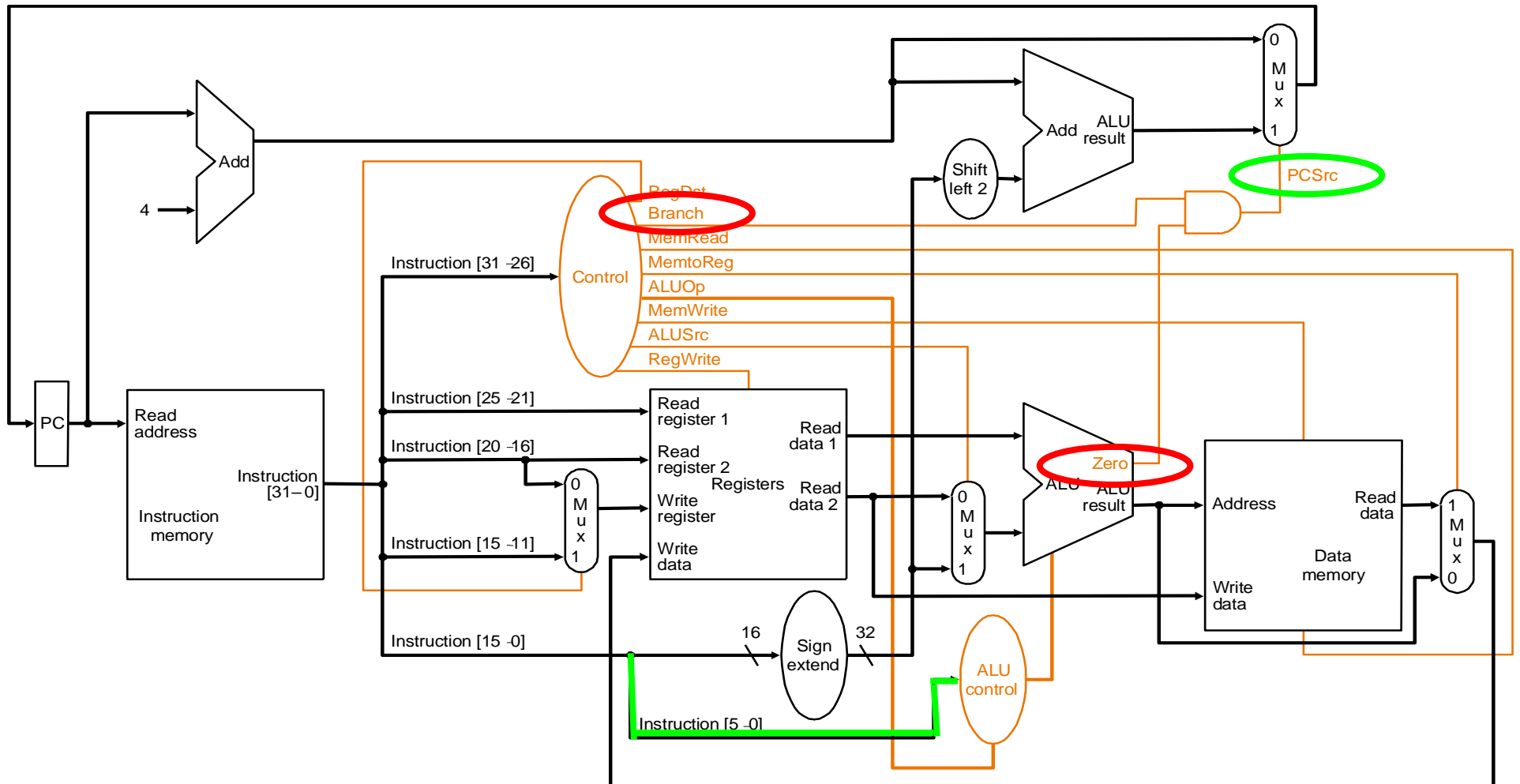
- opcode (Op[5-0]) is always in bits 31-26
  - two registers to be read are always in rs (bits 25-21) and rt (bits 20-16) (for R-type, beq, sw)
  - base register for lw and sw is always in rs (bits 25-21)
  - 16-bit offset for beq, lw, sw is always in 15-0
  - destination register is in one of two positions:
    - lw: in bits 20-16 (rt)
    - R-type: in bits 15-11 (rd)
- need multiplexer to select the address for written register

# Datapath with MUX and Control



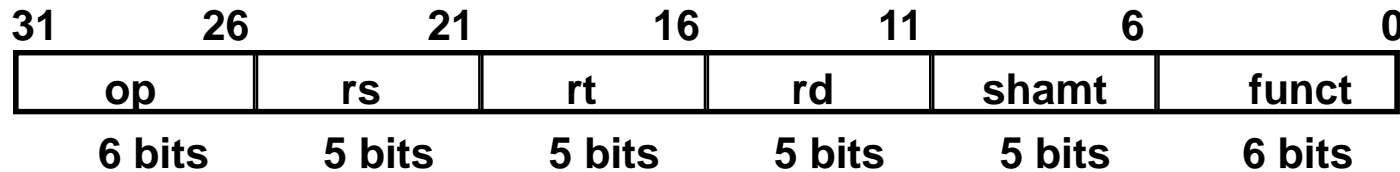
**MUX Control point**

# Datapath with Control Unit





# Operation of Datapath: add



◆ **add**                      **rd, rs, rt**

**mem[PC]  
PC+4**

**R[rs], R[rt]**

**R[rs] + R[rt]**

**R[rd] ← ALU  
PC ← PC+4**

**1. Fetch the instruction  
from memory**

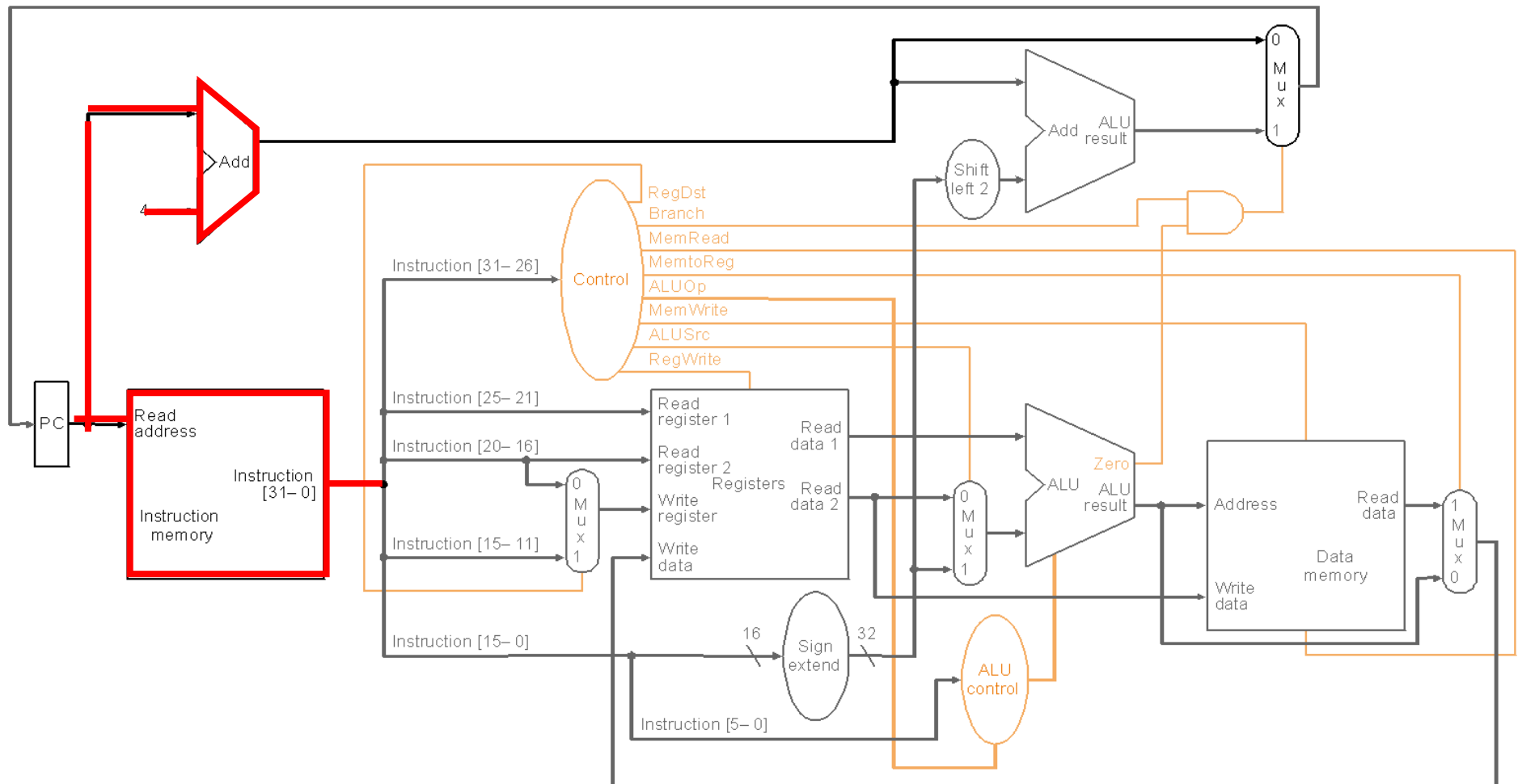
**2. Instruction decode  
and read operands**

**3. Execute the actual operation**

**4. Write back to target register**

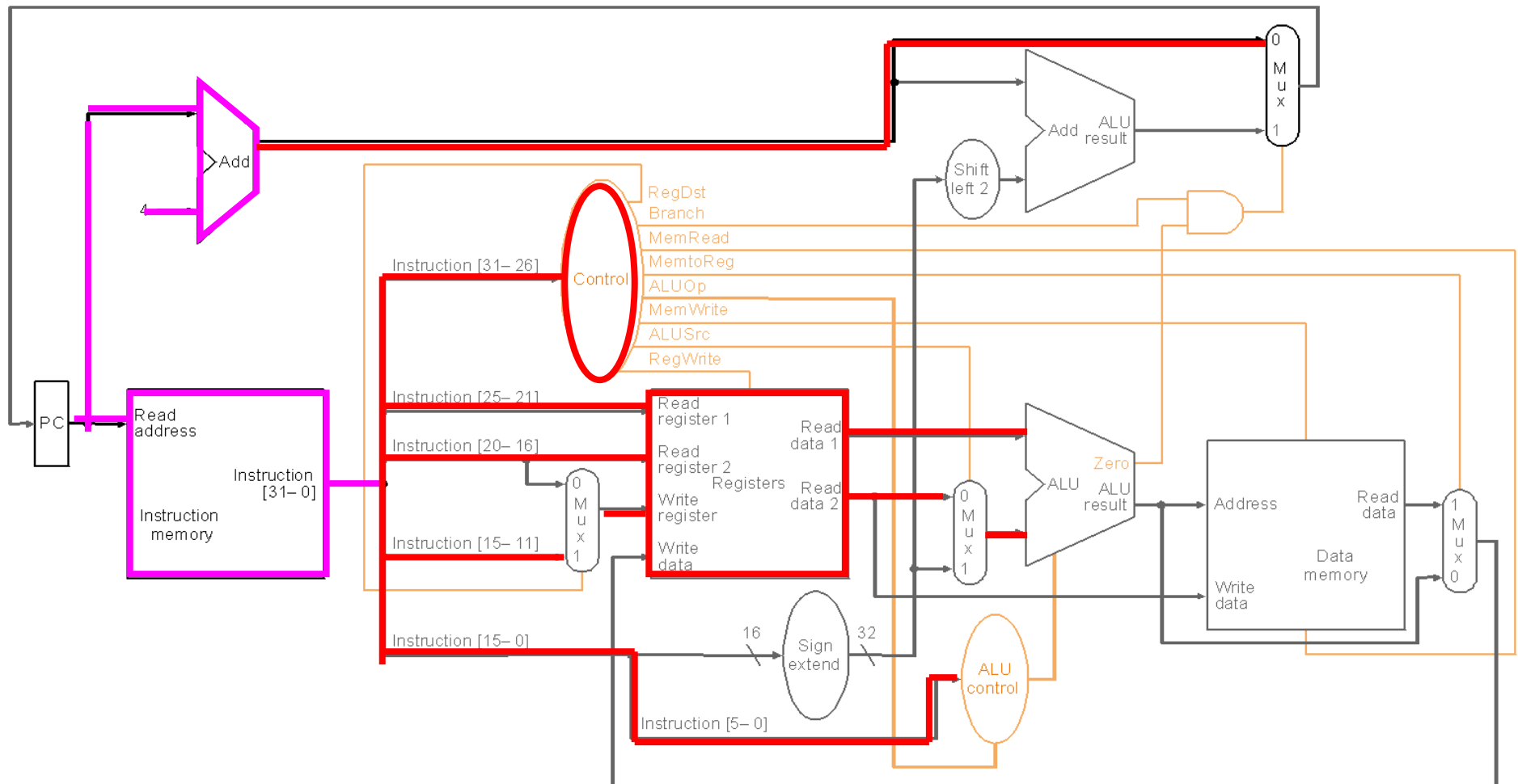
# Instruction Fetch at Start of add

◆ **instruction**  $\leftarrow$  mem[PC]; **PC** + 4



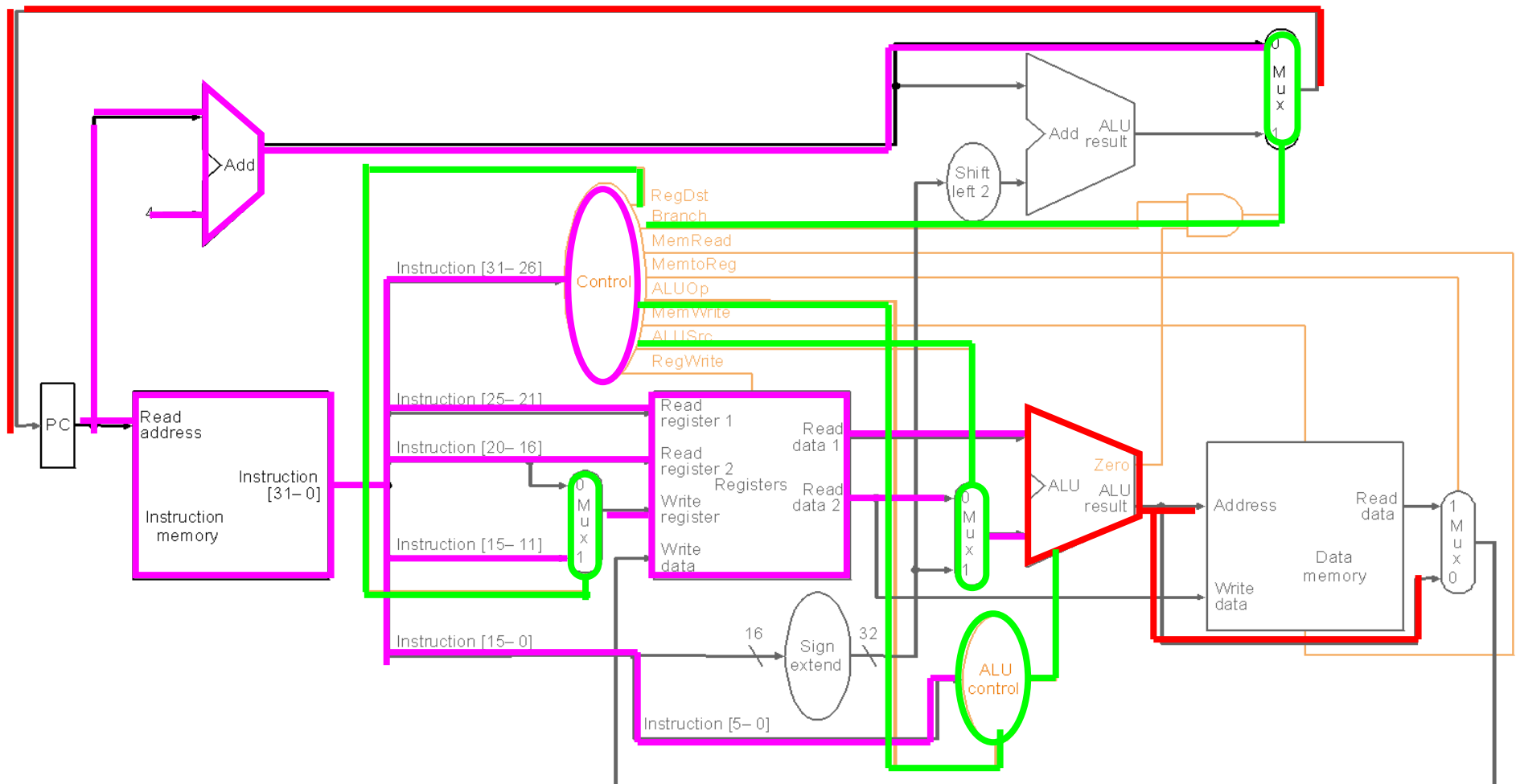
# Instruction Decode of add

- ◆ Fetch the two operands and decode instruction:



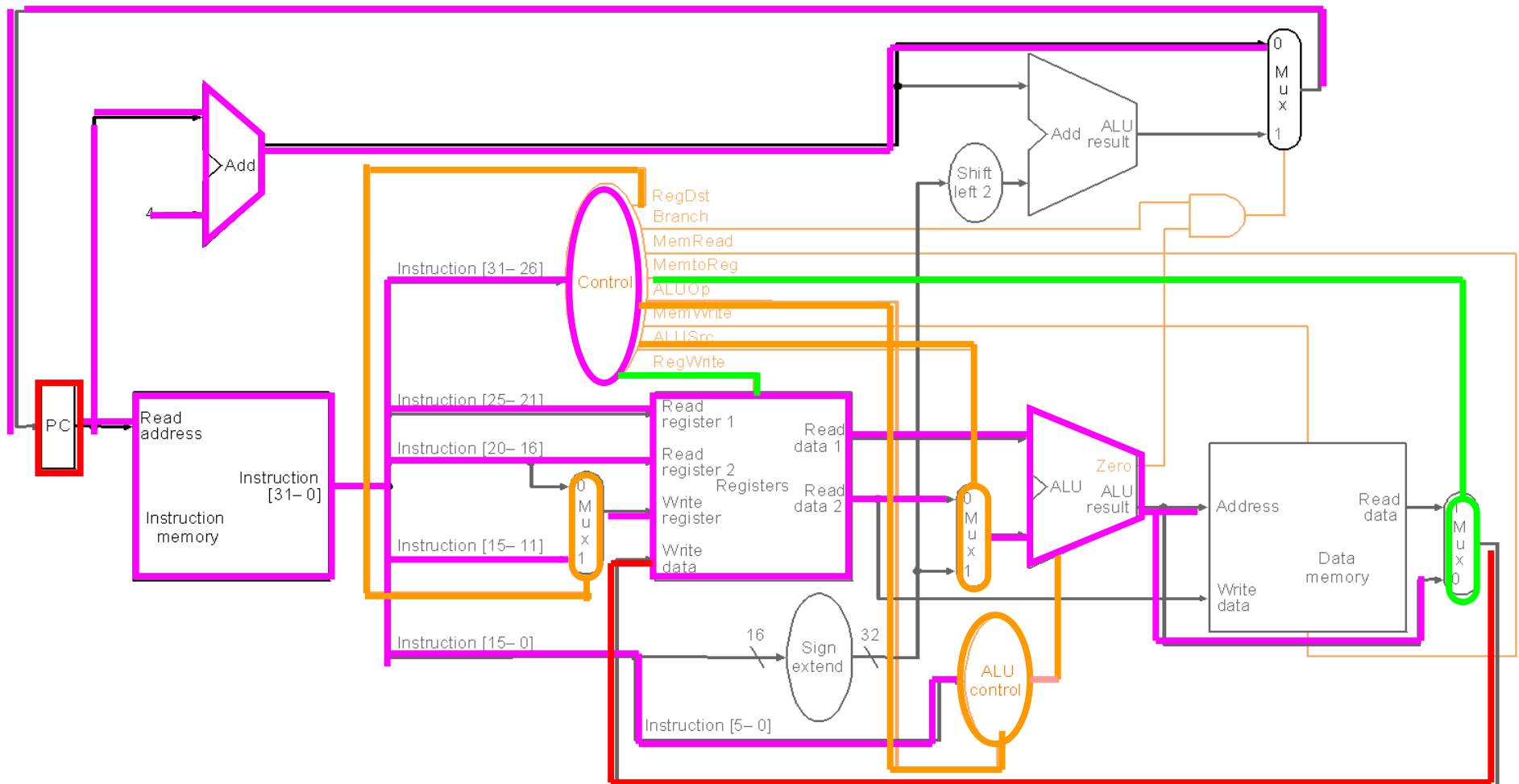
# ALU Operation during add

◆  $R[rs] + R[rt]$



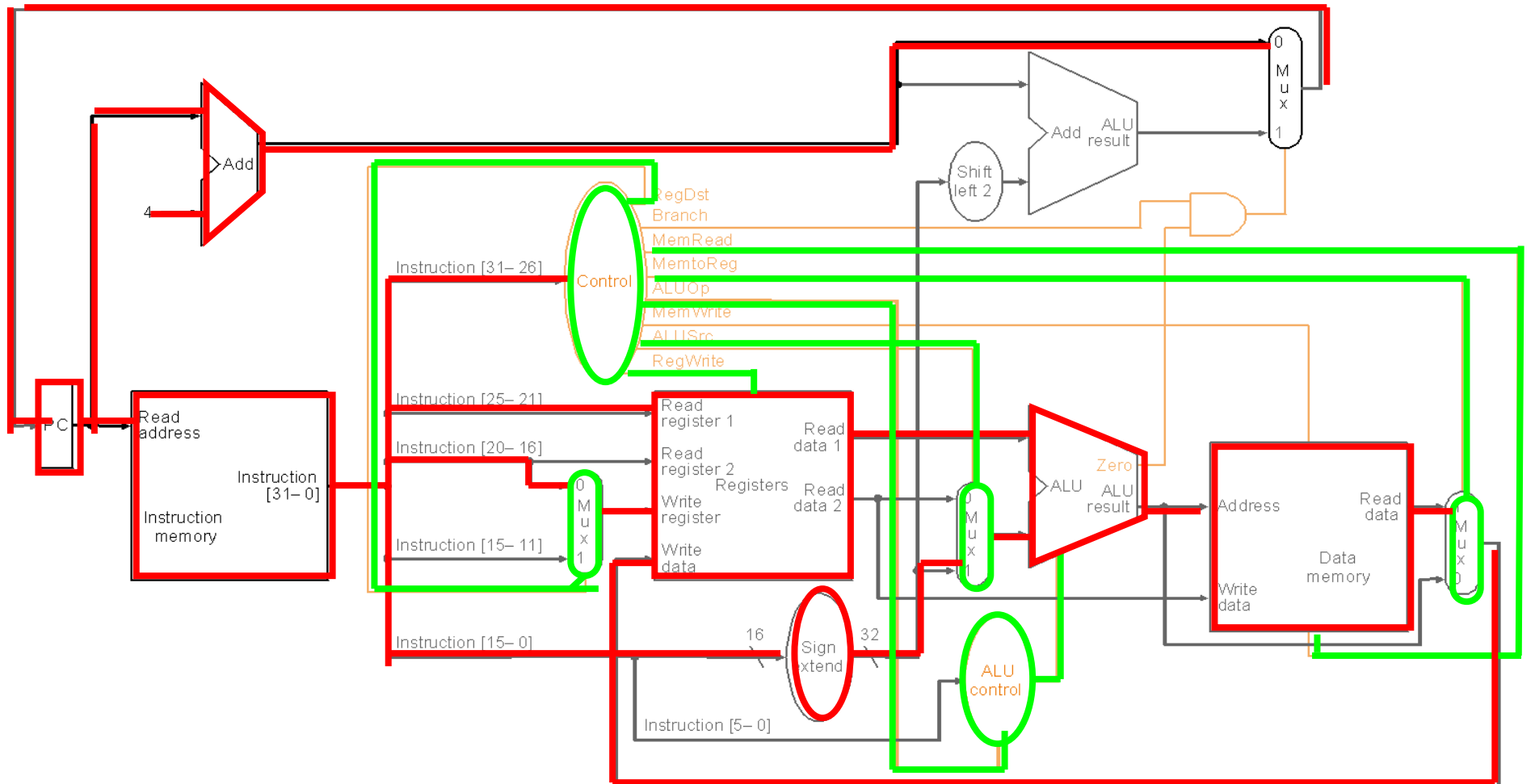
# Write Back at the End of add

◆  $R[rd] \leftarrow ALU; \quad PC \leftarrow PC + 4$



# Datapath Operation for lw

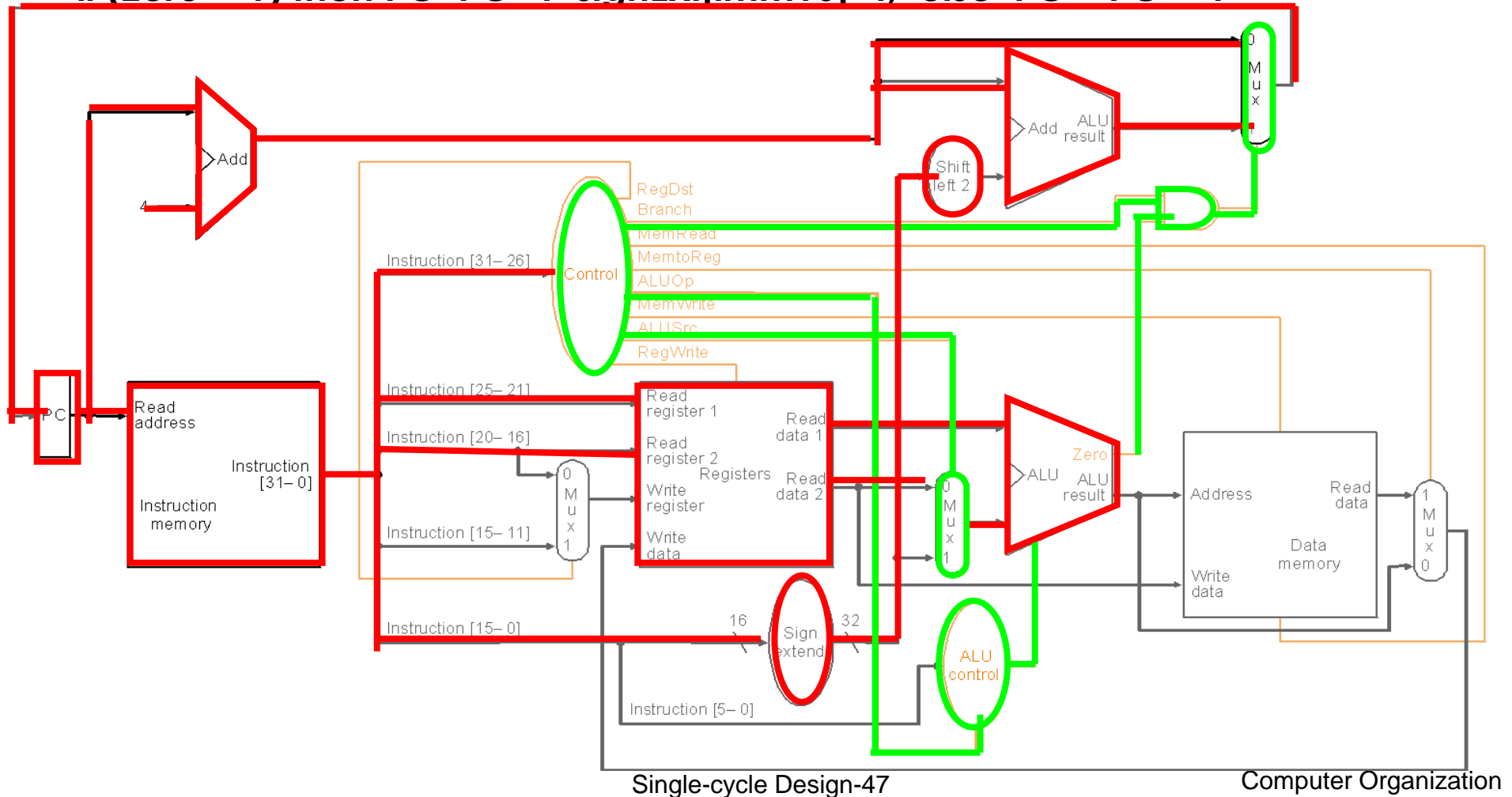
◆  $R[rt] \leftarrow \text{Memory} \{R[rs] + \text{SignExt}[imm16]\}$



# Datapath Operation for beq

if  $(R[rs] - R[rt] == 0)$  then  $Zero \leftarrow 1$  else  $Zero \leftarrow 0$

if  $(Zero == 1)$  then  $PC = PC + 4 + \text{signExt}[\text{imm16}] * 4$ ; else  $PC = PC + 4$



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# Control Signals

RegDst: 0: rt; 1: rd

ALUsrc: 0: regB;  
1: immed

MemRd: 1: read memory

MemtoReg: 0: write reg. from ALU;  
1: write reg. from memory

RegWrite: 1: write dest. reg.

PCsrc: 0:  $PC \leftarrow PC+4$ ;  
1:  $PC \leftarrow$  branch addr.

MemWr: 1: write memory

inst      Register Transfer

ADD       $R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] + R[rt]$ ;       $PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

**ALUsrc = RegB, ALUctr = "add", RegDst = rd, RegWr, PCsrc = "+4"**

SUB       $R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] - R[rt]$ ;       $PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

**ALUsrc = RegB, ALUctr = "sub", RegDst = rd, RegWr, PCsrc = "+4"**

LW       $R[rt] \leftarrow \text{MEM}[R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(\text{Imm16})]$ ;       $PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

**ALUsrc = Imm, ALUctr = "add", MemRd, MemtoReg, RegDst = rt, RegWr, PCsrc = "+4"**

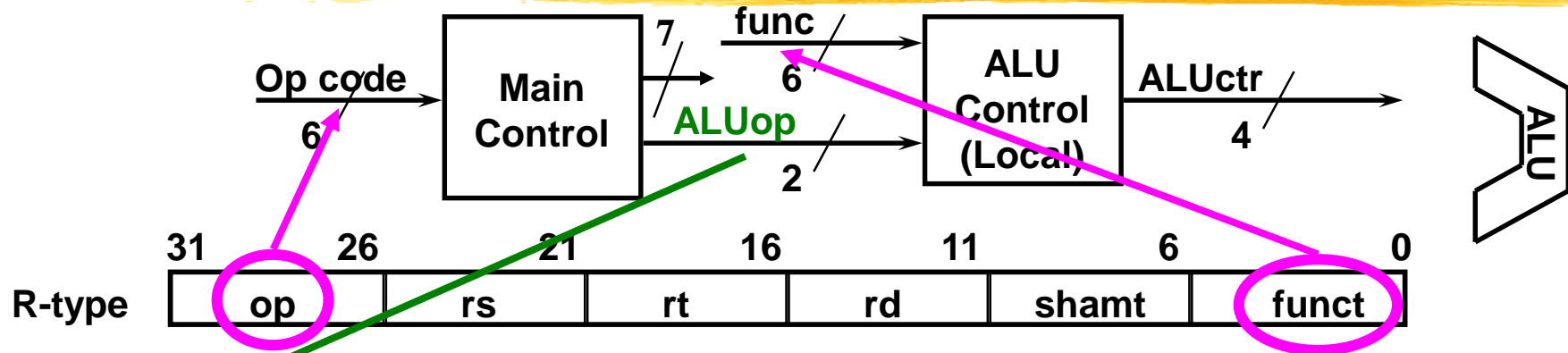
SW       $\text{MEM}[R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(\text{Imm16})] \leftarrow R[rt]$ ;  $PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

**ALUsrc = Imm, ALUctr = "add", MemWr, PCsrc = "+4"**

BEQ      if ( $R[rs] == R[rt]$ ) then  $PC \leftarrow PC + \text{sign\_ext}(\text{Imm16})$  || 00 else  $PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

**ALUsrc = RegB, PCsrc = Branch address, ALUctr = "sub"**

# Our Plan for the Controller

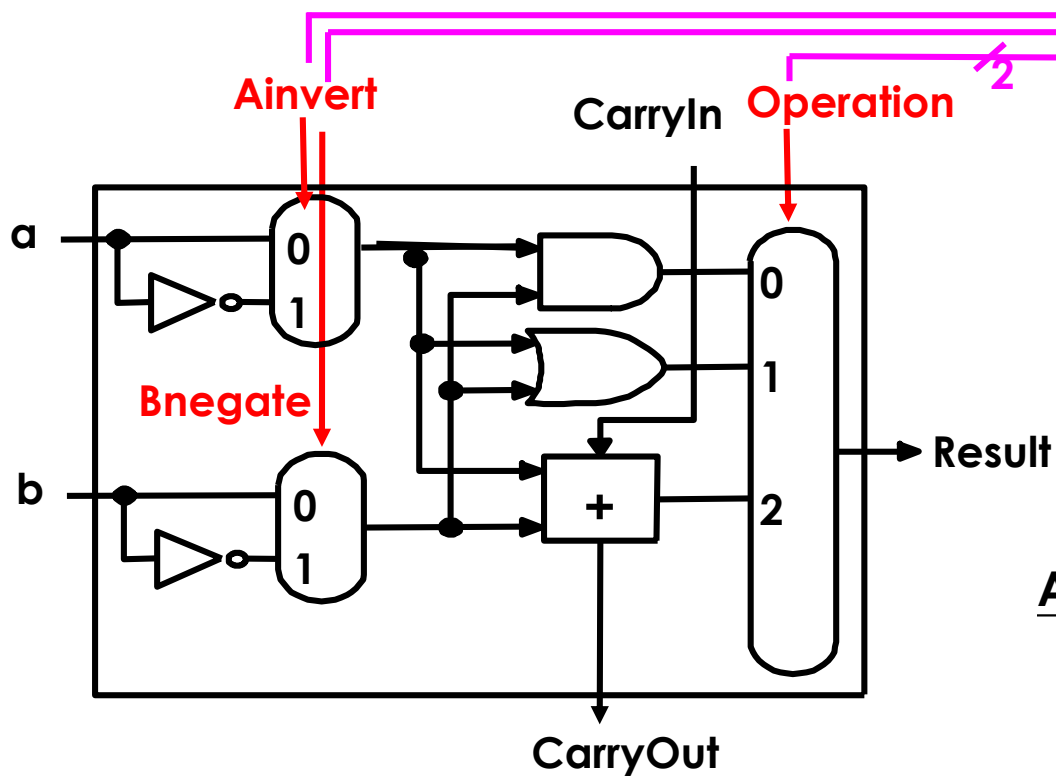


## ◆ **ALUop** is 2-bit wide to represent:

- "I-type" requiring the ALU to perform:
  - (00) add for load/store and (01) sub for beq
- "R-type" (10), need to reference **func** field

	R-type	lw	sw	beq	jump
ALUop (Symbolic)	"R-type"	Add	Add	Subtract	xxx
ALUop<1:0>	10	00	00	01	xxx

# ALU Control and Function



<u>ALU Control (<del>ALUop</del>)</u>	<u>Function</u>
0000	and
0001	or
0010	add
0110	subtract
0111	set-on-less-than
1100	nor

# ALU Control

ALUctr	ALU function
0000	AND
0001	OR
0010	add
0110	sub
0111	set-on-less-than

funct<5:0>	Instruction Operation
100000	add
100010	subtract
100100	and
100101	or
101010	set-on-less-than

opcode	ALUOp	Inst. Operation	funct	ALU function	ALU control
lw	00	load word	xxxxxxx	add	0010
sw	00	store word	xxxxxxx	add	0010
beq	01	branch equal	xxxxxxx	subtract	0110
R-type	10	add	100000	add	0010
		subtract	100010	subtract	0110
		AND	100100	AND	0000
		OR	100101	OR	0001
		set-on-less-than	101010	set-on-less-than	0111

# Logic Equation for ALUctr

ALUop		func						ALUctr			
bit<1>	bit<0>	bit<5>	bit<4>	bit<3>	bit<2>	bit<1>	bit<0>	bit<3>	bit<2>	bit<1>	bit<0>
0	0	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0	1	0
x	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	1	1	0
1	x	x	x	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1	x	x	x	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	x	x	x	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	x	x	x	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
1	x	x	x	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1

# Logic Equation for ALUctr2

ALUop		func						ALUctr<2>
bit<1>	bit<0>	bit<5>	bit<4>	bit<3>	bit<2>	bit<1>	bit<0>	
x	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	1
1	x	x	x	0	0	1	0	1
1	x	x	x	1	0	1	0	1

This makes func<3> a don't care

$$\text{ALUctr2} = \text{ALUop0} + \text{ALUop1} \cdot \text{func2}' \cdot \text{func1} \cdot \text{func0}'$$

# Logic Equation for ALUctr1

ALUop		func						ALUctr<1>
bit<1>	bit<0>	bit<5>	bit<4>	bit<3>	bit<2>	bit<1>	bit<0>	
0	0	x	x	x	x	x	x	1
x	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	1
1	x	x	x	0	0	0	0	1
1	x	x	x	0	0	1	0	1
1	x	x	x	1	0	1	0	1

$$\text{ALUctr1} = \text{ALUop1}' + \text{ALUop1} \cdot \text{func2}' \cdot \text{func0}'$$

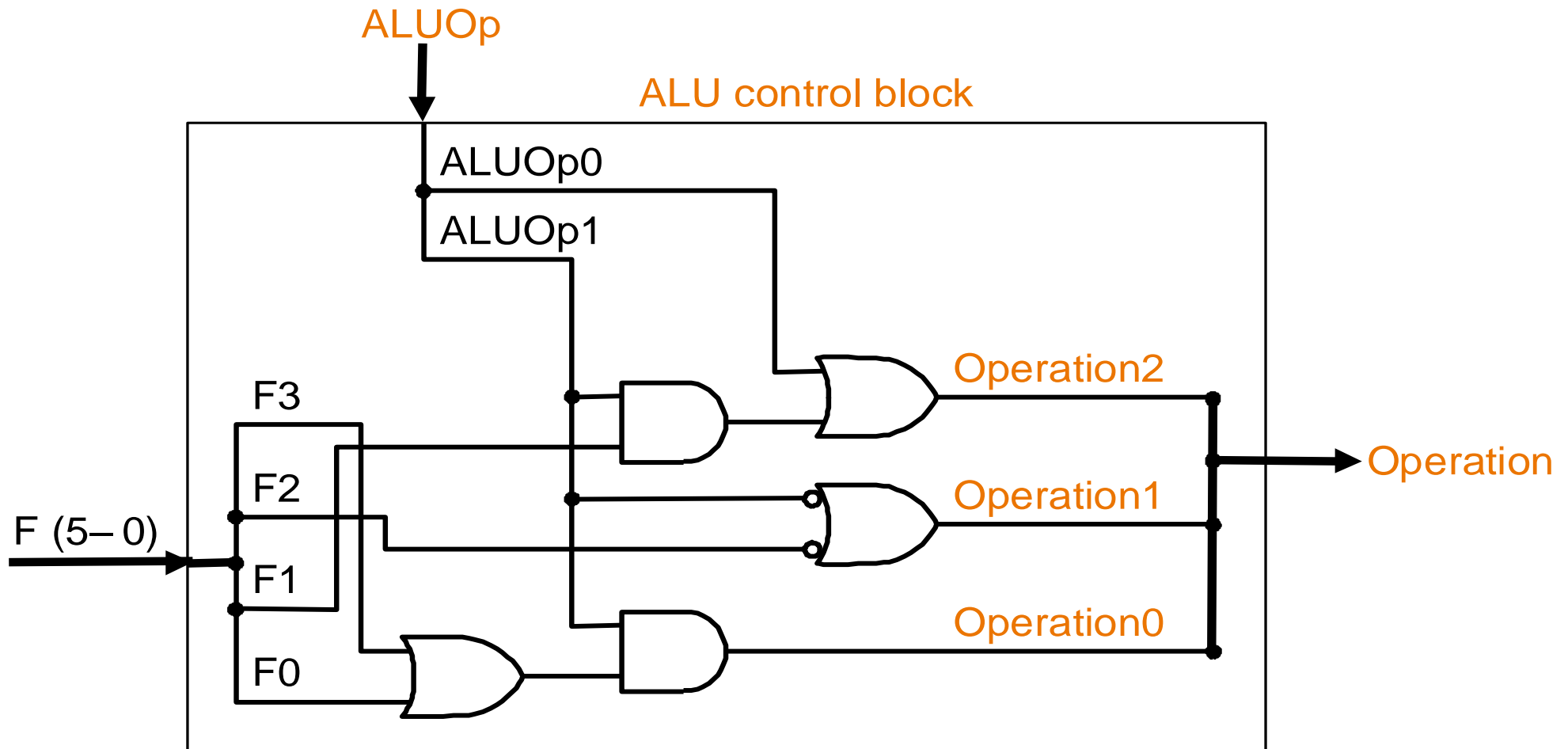
# Logic Equation for ALUctr0

ALUop		func						ALUctr<0>
bit<1>	bit<0>	bit<5>	bit<4>	bit<3>	bit<2>	bit<1>	bit<0>	
1	x	x	x	0	1	0	1	1
1	x	x	x	1	0	1	0	1

$$\text{ALUctr0} = \text{ALUop1} \cdot \text{func3}' \cdot \text{func2} \cdot \text{func1}' \cdot \text{func0} \\ + \text{ALUop1} \cdot \text{func3} \cdot \text{func2}' \cdot \text{func1} \cdot \text{func0}'$$



# The Resultant ALU Control Block



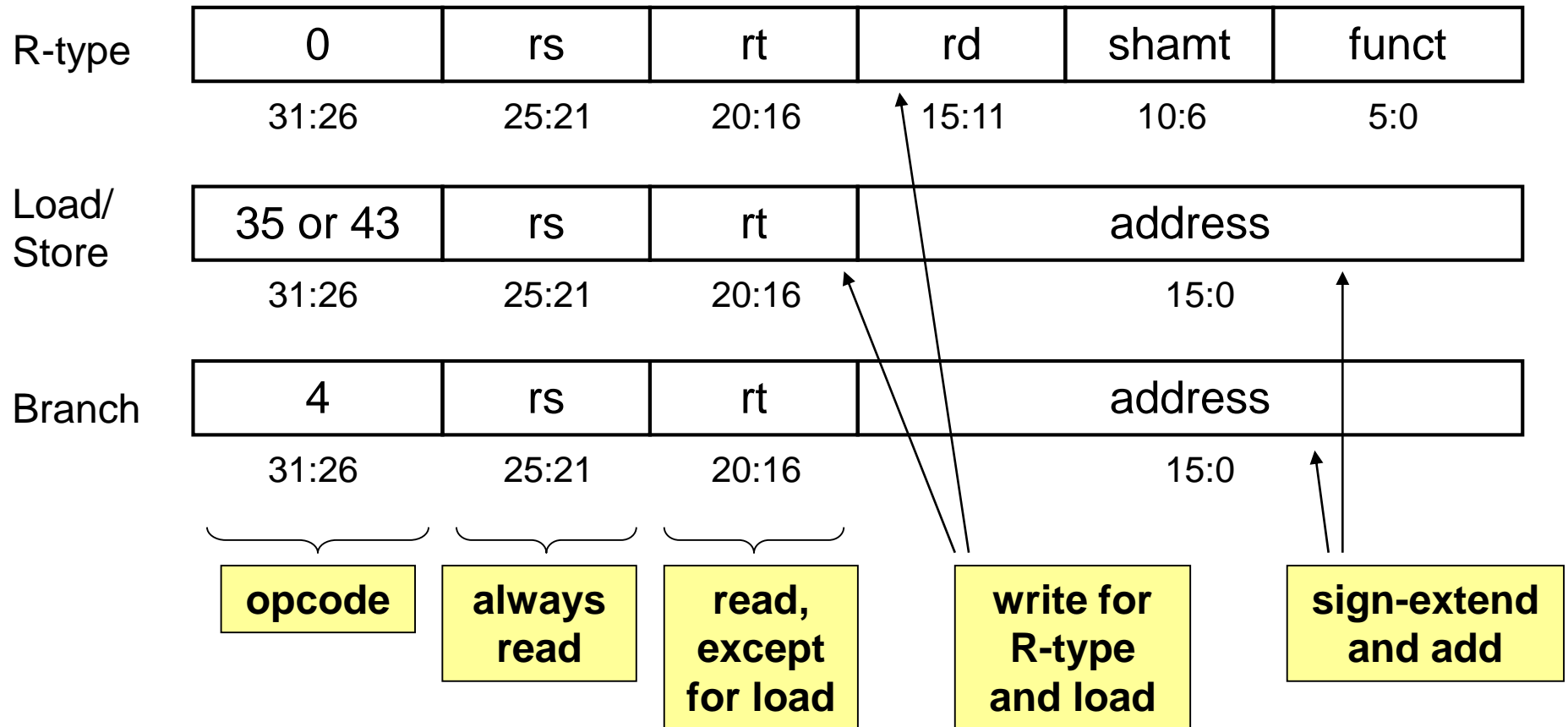
# Outline

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- ◆ Designing a processor
- ◆ Building the datapath
- ◆ A single-cycle implementation
- ◆ Control for the single-cycle CPU
  - Control of CPU operations
  - ALU controller
  - Main controller

# Step 5: The Main Control Unit

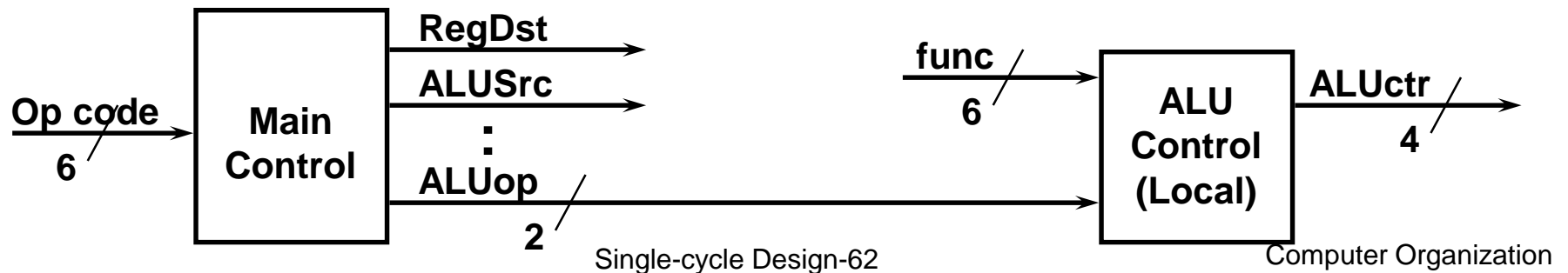
## ◆ Control signals derived from instruction



# Truth Table of Control Signals

See Appendix A

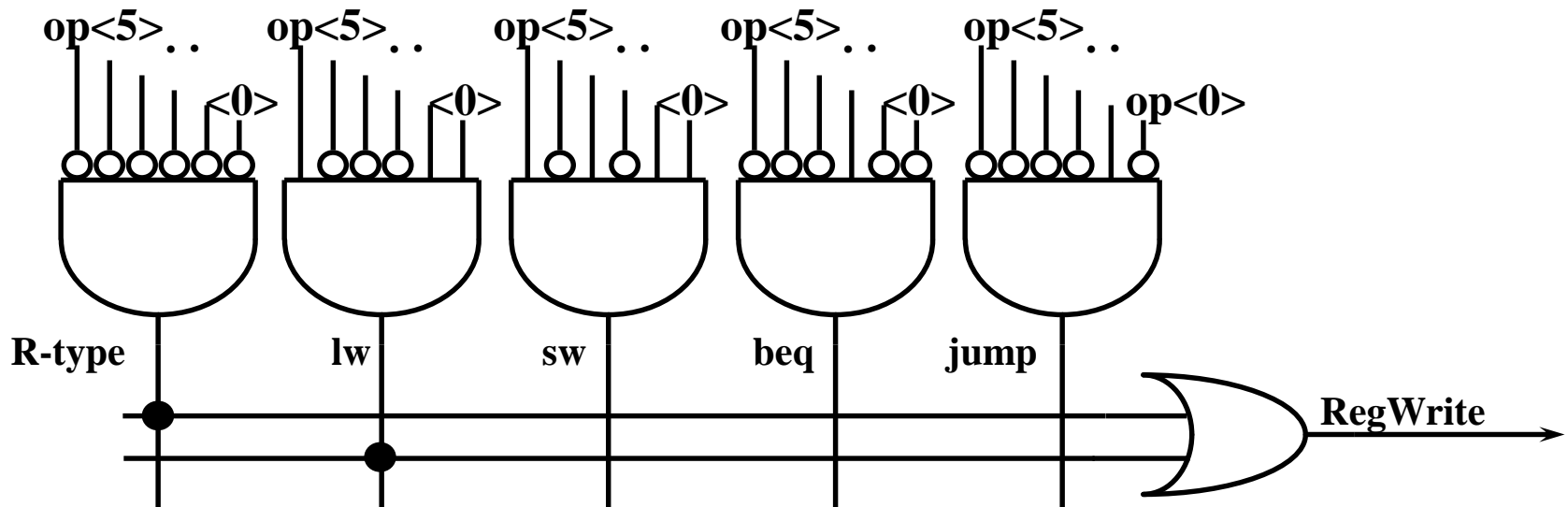
	func	10 0000	10 0010	We Don't Care :-)		
	op	00 0000	00 0000	10 0011	10 1011	00 0100
		add	sub	lw	sw	beq
RegDst		1	1	0	x	x
ALUSrc		0	0	1	1	0
MemtoReg		0	0	1	x	x
RegWrite		1	1	1	0	0
MemRead		0	0	1	0	0
MemWrite		0	0	0	1	0
Branch		0	0	0	0	1
ALUop1		1	1	0	0	0
ALUop0		0	0	0	0	1



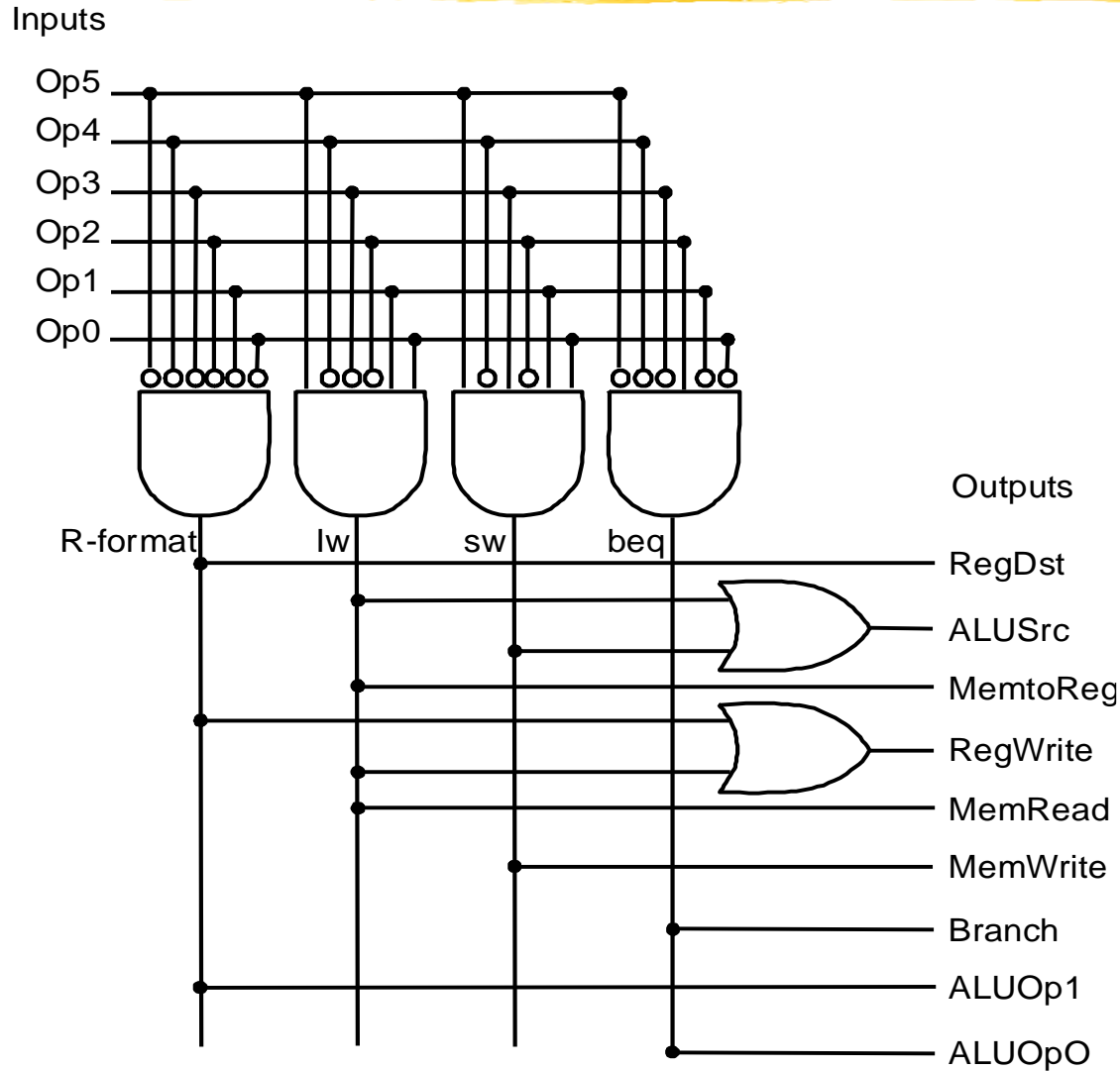
# Truth Table for RegWrite

Op code	00 0000	10 0011	10 1011	00 0100
	R-type	lw	sw	beq
RegWrite	1	1	0	0

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{RegWrite} &= \text{R-type} + \text{lw} \\
 &= \text{op5}' \cdot \text{op4}' \cdot \text{op3}' \cdot \text{op2}' \cdot \text{op1}' \cdot \text{op0}' \quad (\text{R-type}) \\
 &+ \text{op5} \cdot \text{op4}' \cdot \text{op3}' \cdot \text{op2}' \cdot \text{op1} \cdot \text{op0} \quad (\text{lw})
 \end{aligned}$$



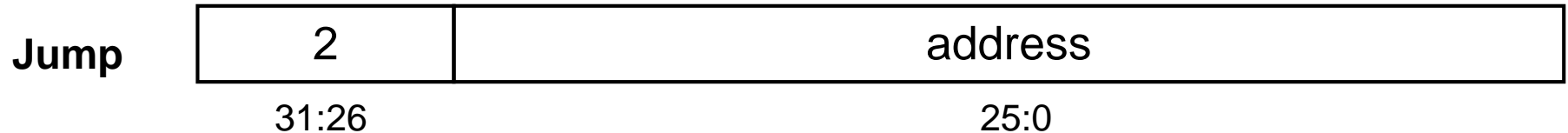
# PLA Implementing Main Control



Single-cycle Design-64

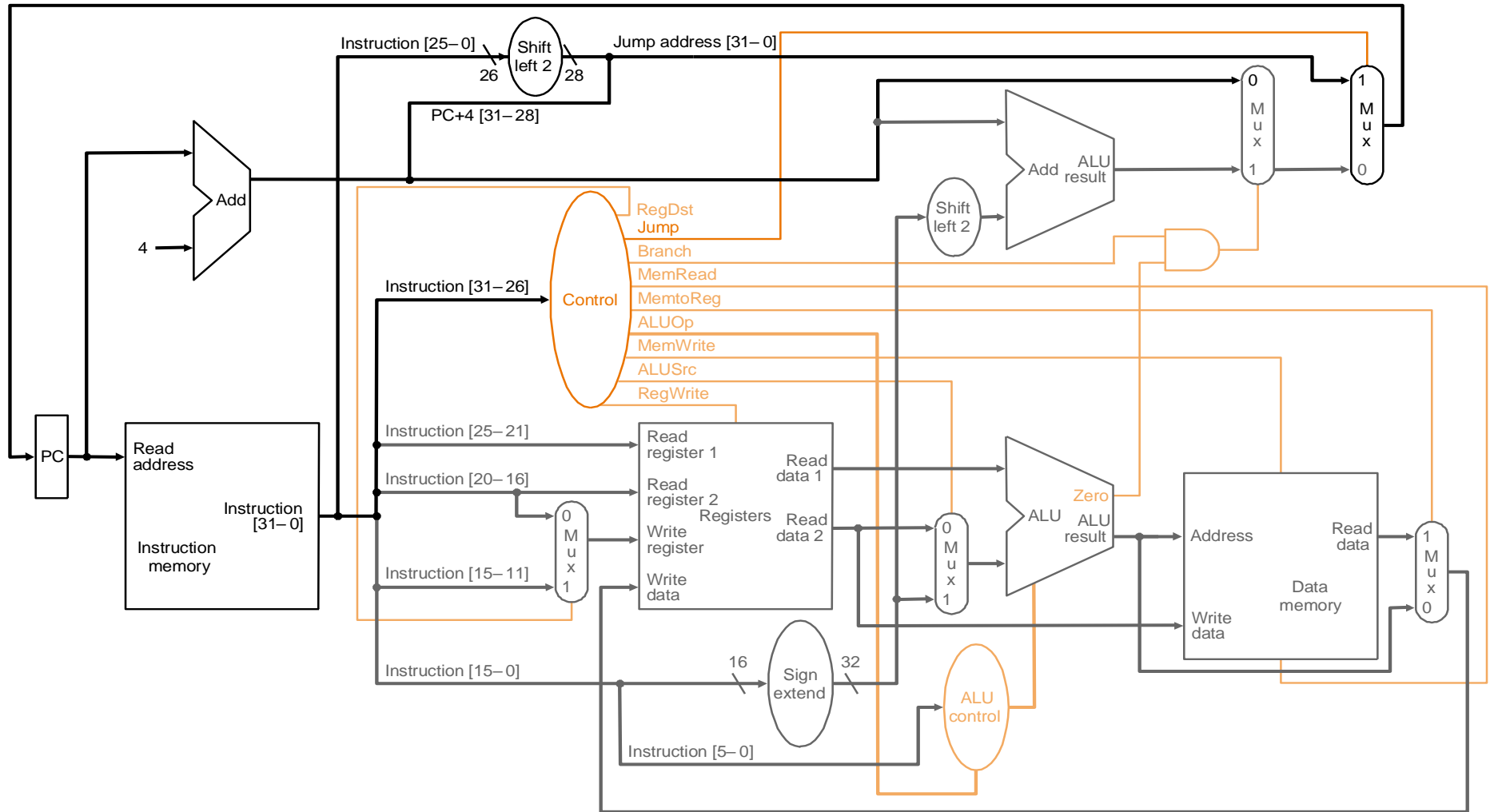
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# Implementing Jumps



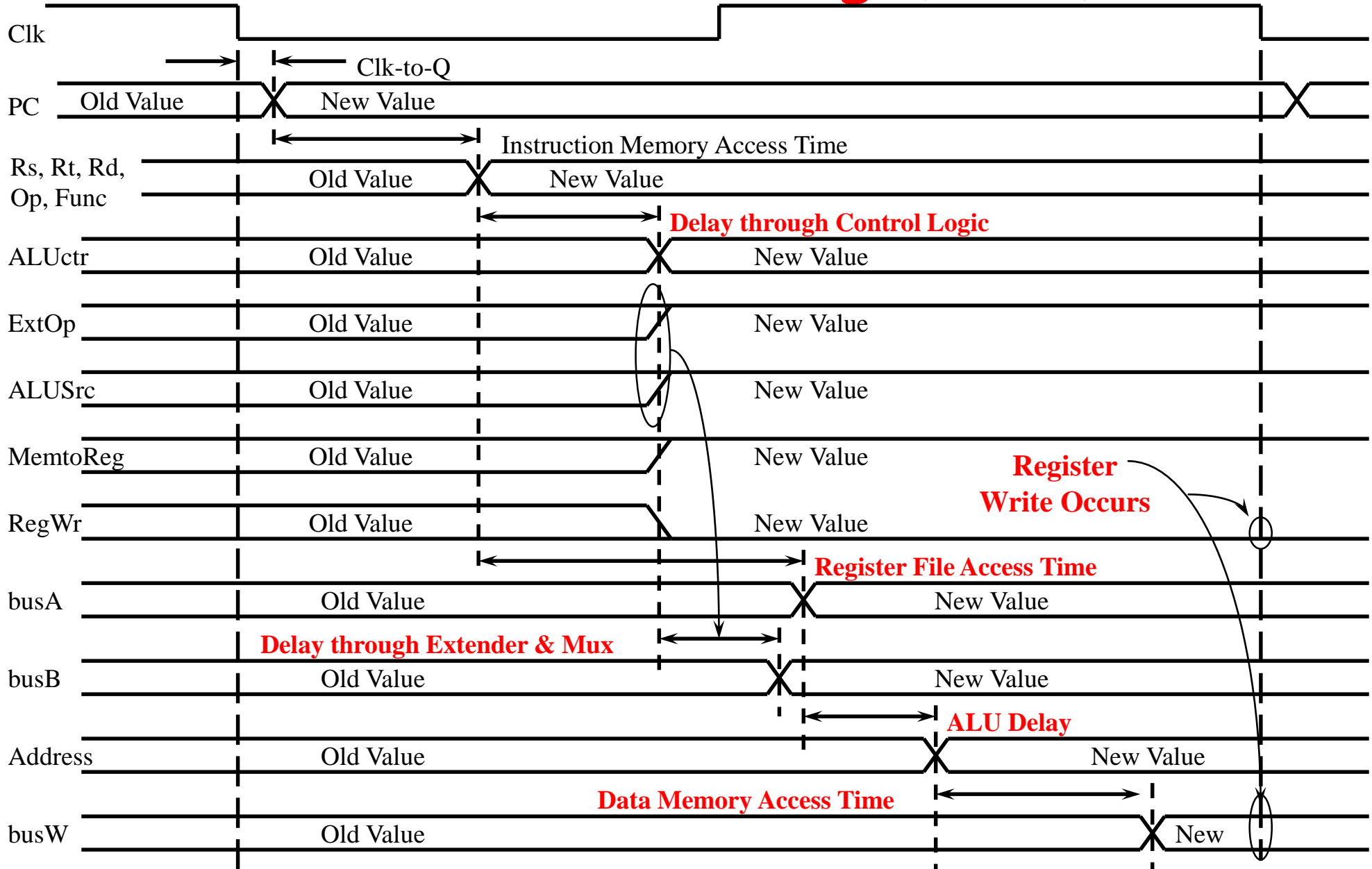
- ◆ Jump uses word address
- ◆ Update PC with concatenation of
  - Top 4 bits of old PC
  - 26-bit jump address
  - 00
- ◆ Need an extra control signal decoded from opcode

# Putting it Altogether (+ jump instruction)





# Worst Case Timing (Load)



# Drawback of Single-Cycle Design

- ◆ Long cycle time:
  - Cycle time must be long enough for the load instruction:  
PC's Clock -to-Q +  
Instruction Memory Access Time +  
Register File Access Time +  
ALU Delay (address calculation) +  
Data Memory Access Time +  
Register File Setup Time +  
Clock Skew
- ◆ Cycle time for load is much longer than needed for all other instructions

# Summary

- ◆ Single cycle datapath: CPI=1, Clock cycle time long
- ◆ 5 steps to design a processor:
  1. Analyze ISA → datapath requirements
  2. Select set of datapath components
  3. Assemble datapath meeting the requirements
  4. Analyze implementation of each instruction to determine setting of control points
  5. Assemble the control logic
- ◆ MIPS makes control easier
  - Instructions same size
  - Source registers always in same place
  - Immediates same size, location
  - Operations always on registers/immediates