
A Processor

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See: P&H Chapter 2.16-20, 4.1-3

Announcements

HW2 available later today

HW2 due in one week and a half

Work **alone**

Use your resources

- FAQ, class notes, book, Sections, office hours, newsgroup, CSUGLab

Make sure you

- Registered for class, can access CMS, have a Section, and have a project partner
- Check online syllabus/schedule, review slides and lecture notes, Office Hours, early homework and programming assignments

Announcements

Prelims: Evening of Thursday, March 10 and April 28th

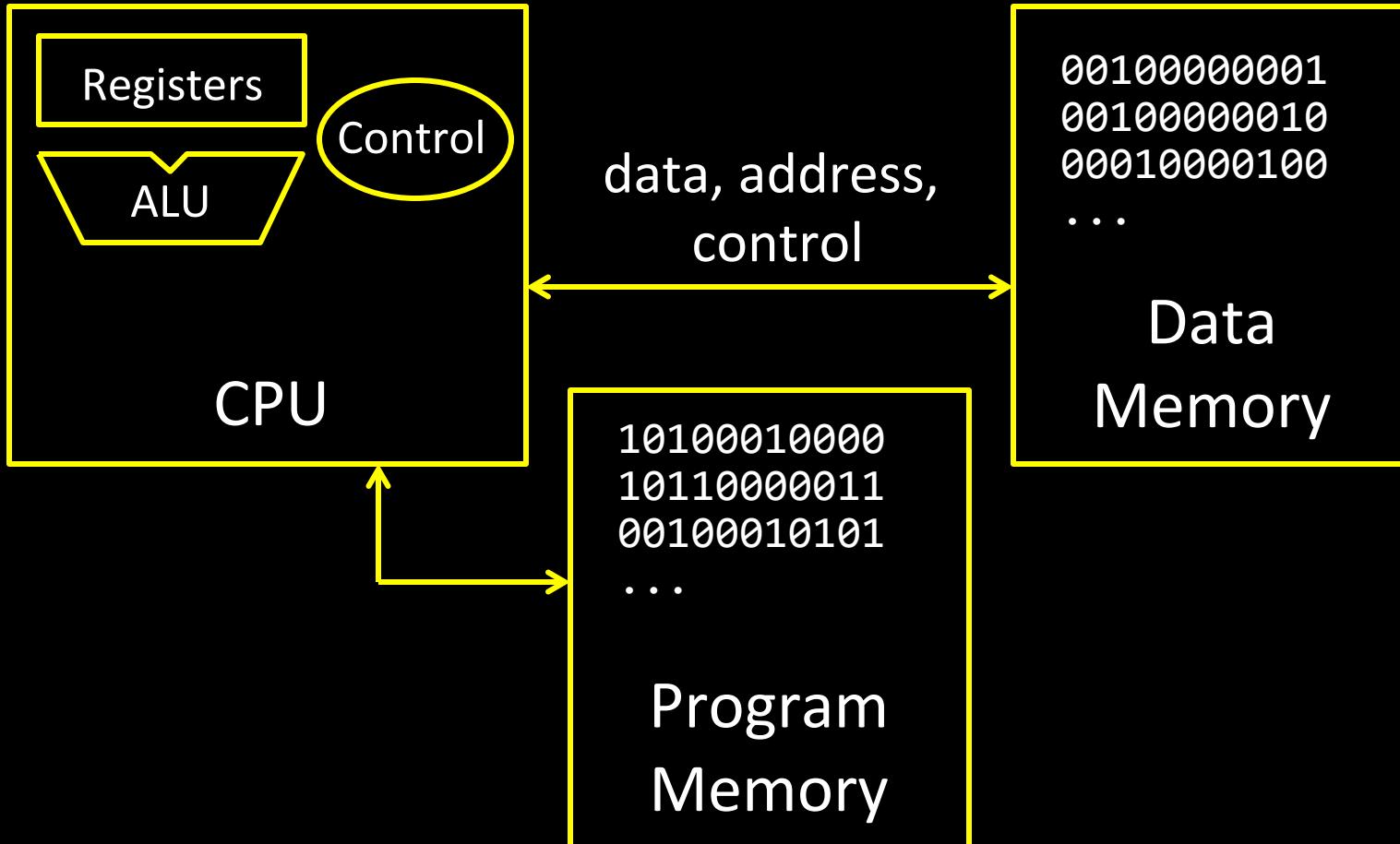
Late Policy

- 1) Each person has a total of four “slip days”
- 2) For projects, slip days are deducted from all partners
- 3) 10% deducted per day late after slip days are exhausted

Basic Computer System

Let's build a MIPS CPU

- ...but using (modified) Harvard architecture



Instructions

```
for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
    printf("go cucs");
```

High Level Language

- C, Java, Python, Ruby, ...
- Loops, control flow, variables



```
main: addi r2, r0, 10
      addi r1, r0, 0
loop: slt r3, r1, r2
      ...
```

Assembly Language

- No symbols (except labels)
- One operation per statement



```
00100000000000100000000000001010
00100000000000100000000000000000
000000000100010001100000101010
```

Machine Langauge

- Binary-encoded assembly
- Labels become addresses

Instruction Types

Arithmetic

- add, subtract, shift left, shift right, multiply, divide

Memory

- load value from memory to a register
- store value to memory from a register

Control flow

- unconditional jumps
- conditional jumps (branches)
- jump and link (subroutine call)

Many other instructions are possible

- vector add/sub/mul/div, string operations
- manipulate coprocessor
- I/O

Complexity

MIPS = Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC)

- ≈ 200 instructions, 32 bits each, 3 formats
 - mostly orthogonal
- all operands in registers
 - almost all are 32 bits each, can be used interchangeably
- ≈ 1 addressing mode: $\text{Mem}[\text{reg} + \text{imm}]$

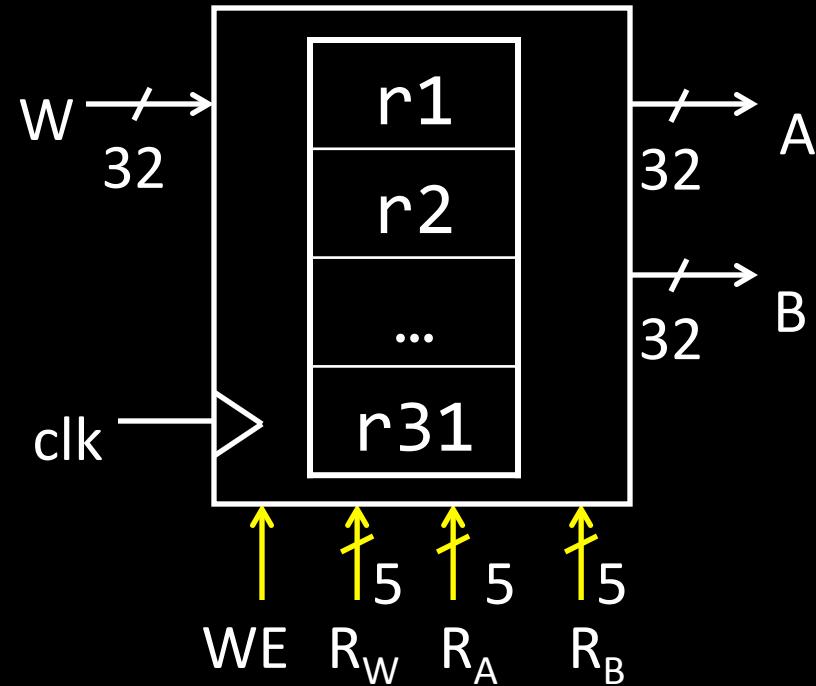
x86 = Complex Instruction Set Computer (CISC)

- > 1000 instructions, 1 to 15 bytes each
- operands in special registers, general purpose registers, memory, on stack, ...
 - can be 1, 2, 4, 8 bytes, signed or unsigned
- 10s of addressing modes
 - e.g. $\text{Mem}[\text{segment} + \text{reg} + \text{reg}^*\text{scale} + \text{offset}]$

MIPS Register file

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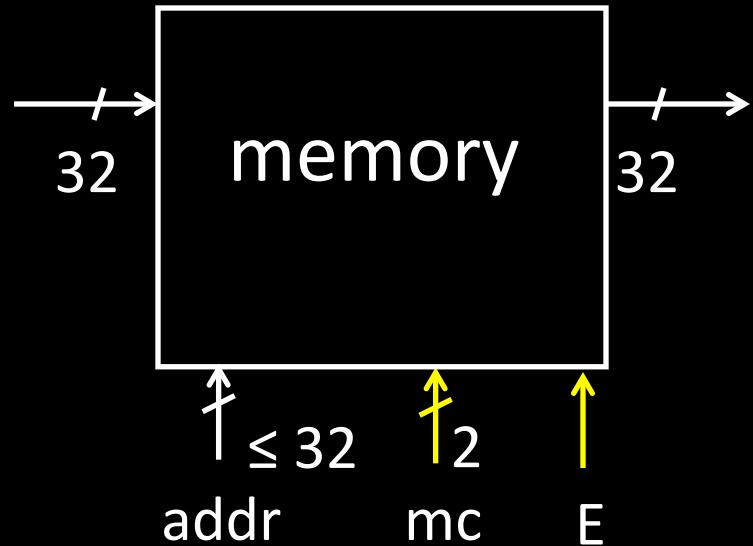
- 32 registers, 32-bits each (with r0 wired to zero)
- Write port indexed via R_W
 - Writes occur on falling edge but only if WE is high
- Read ports indexed via R_A , R_B



MIPS Memory

MIPS Memory

- Up to 32-bit address
- 32-bit data
(but byte addressed)
- Enable + 2 bit memory control
 - 00: read word (4 byte aligned)
 - 01: write byte
 - 10: write halfword (2 byte aligned)
 - 11: write word (4 byte aligned)



Instruction Usage

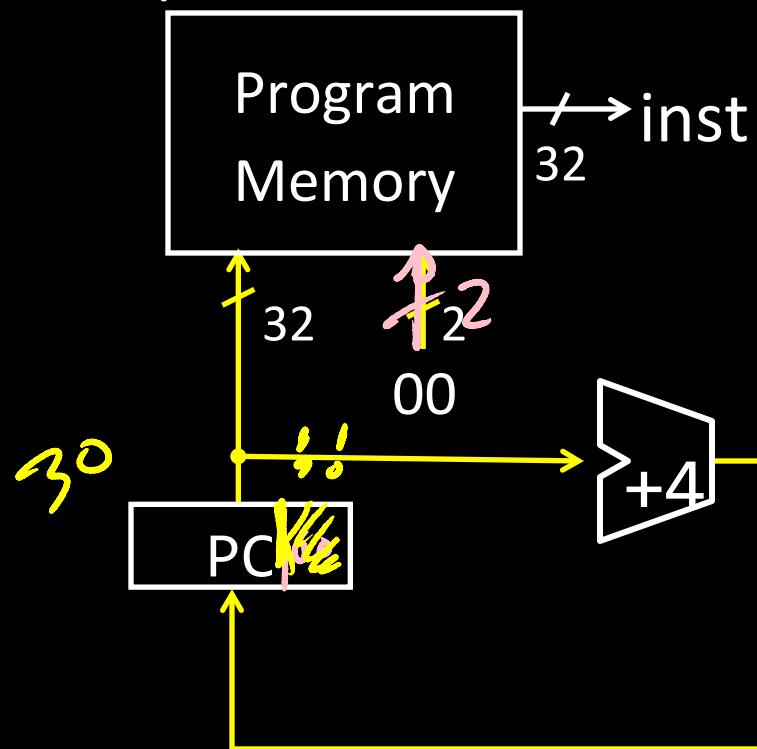
Basic CPU execution loop

1. fetch one instruction
2. increment PC
3. decode
4. execute

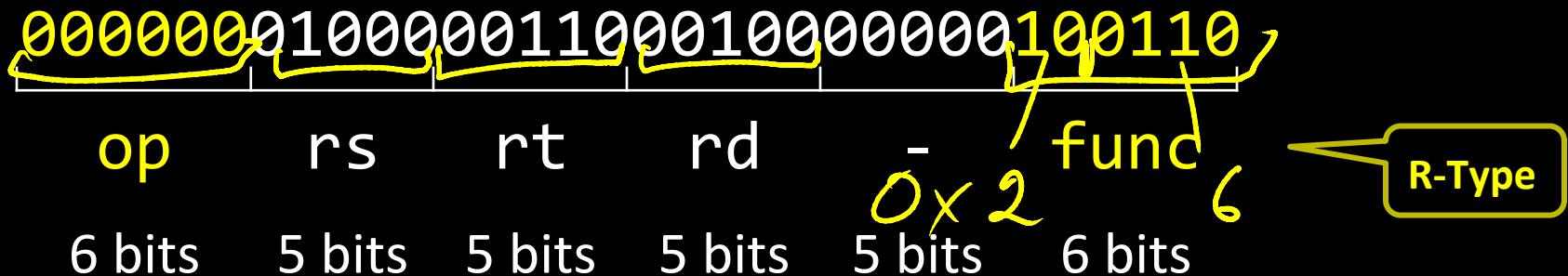
Instruction Fetch

Instruction Fetch Circuit

- Fetch instruction from memory
- Calculate address of next instruction
- Repeat

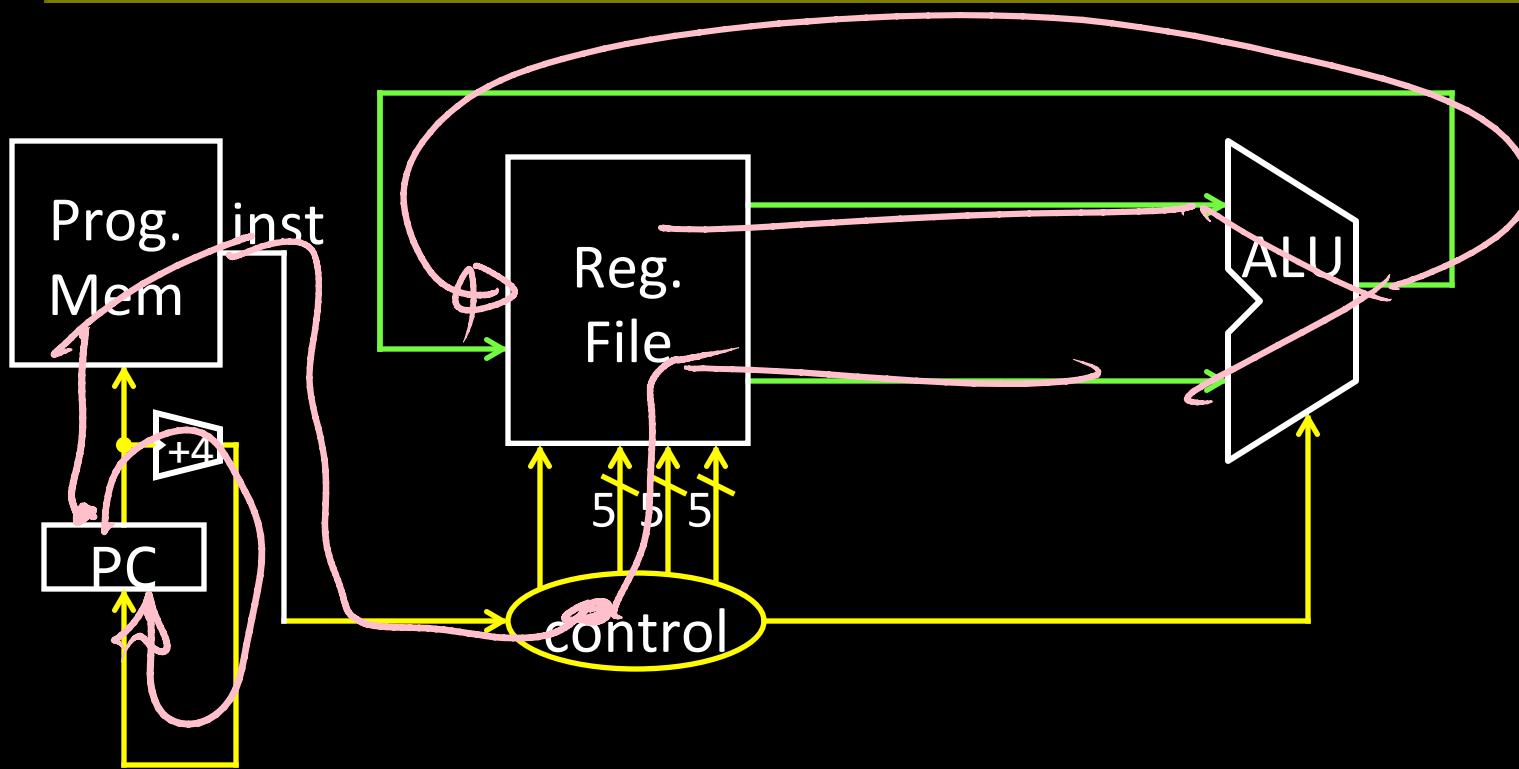


Arithmetic Instructions



op	func	mnemonic	description
0x0	0x21	ADDU rd, rs, rt	$R[rd] = R[rs] + R[rt]$
0x0	0x23	SUBU rd, rs, rt	$R[rd] = R[rs] - R[rt]$
0x0	0x25	OR rd, rs, rt	$R[rd] = R[rs] \mid R[rt]$
0x0	0x26	XOR rd, rs, rt	$R[rd] = R[rs] \oplus R[rt]$
0x0	0x27	NOR rd, rs rt	$R[rd] = \sim (R[rs] \mid R[rt])$

Arithmetic and Logic



Example Programs

$r4 = (r1 + r2) \mid r3$

ADDU rd, rs, rt

$r8 = 4 * r3 + r4 - 1$

SUBU rd, rs, rt

$r9 = 9$

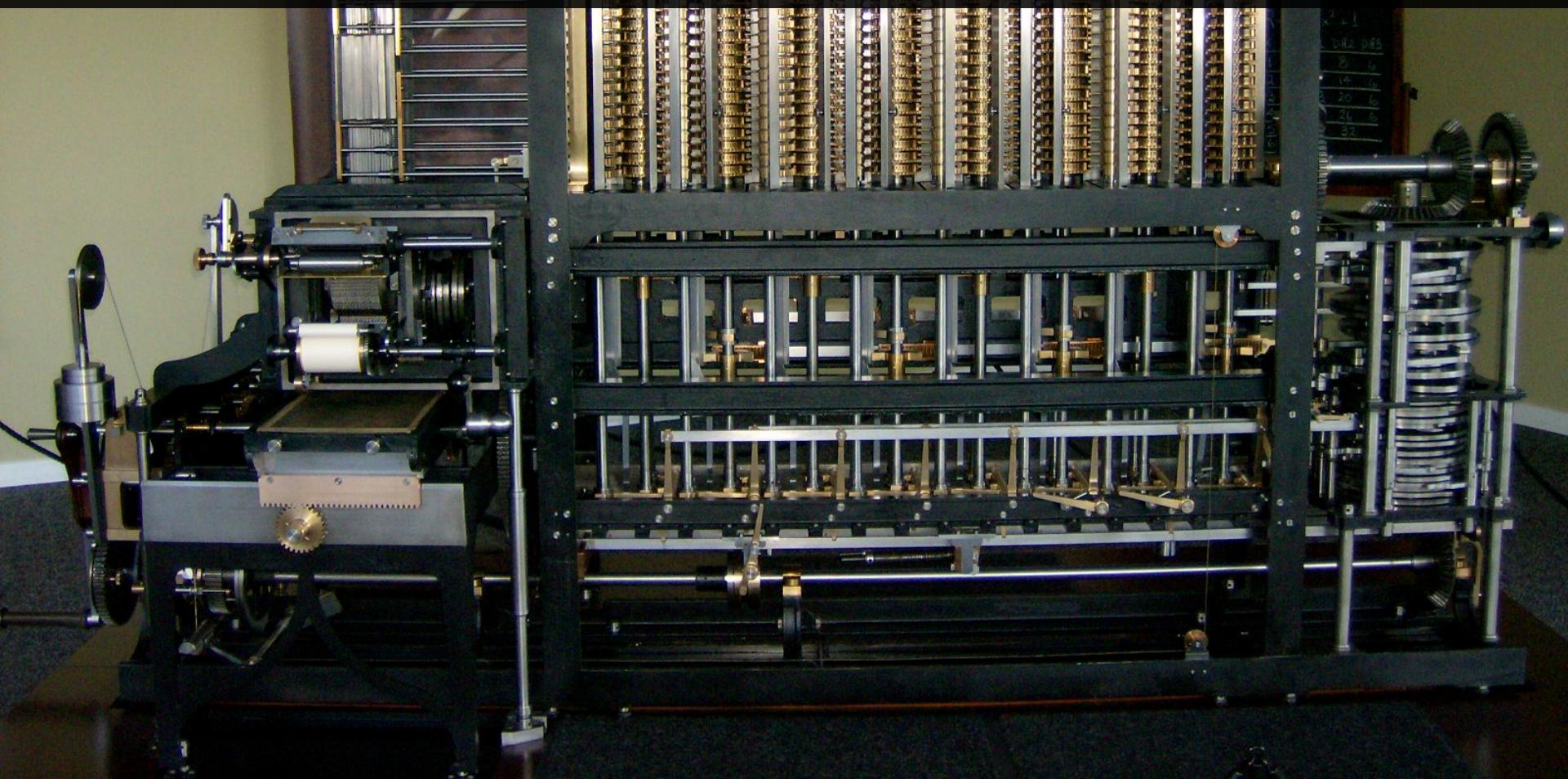
OR rd, rs, rt

XOR rd, rs, rt

NOR rd, rs rt

Instruction fetch + decode + ALU

= Babbage's engine + speed + reliability – hand crank



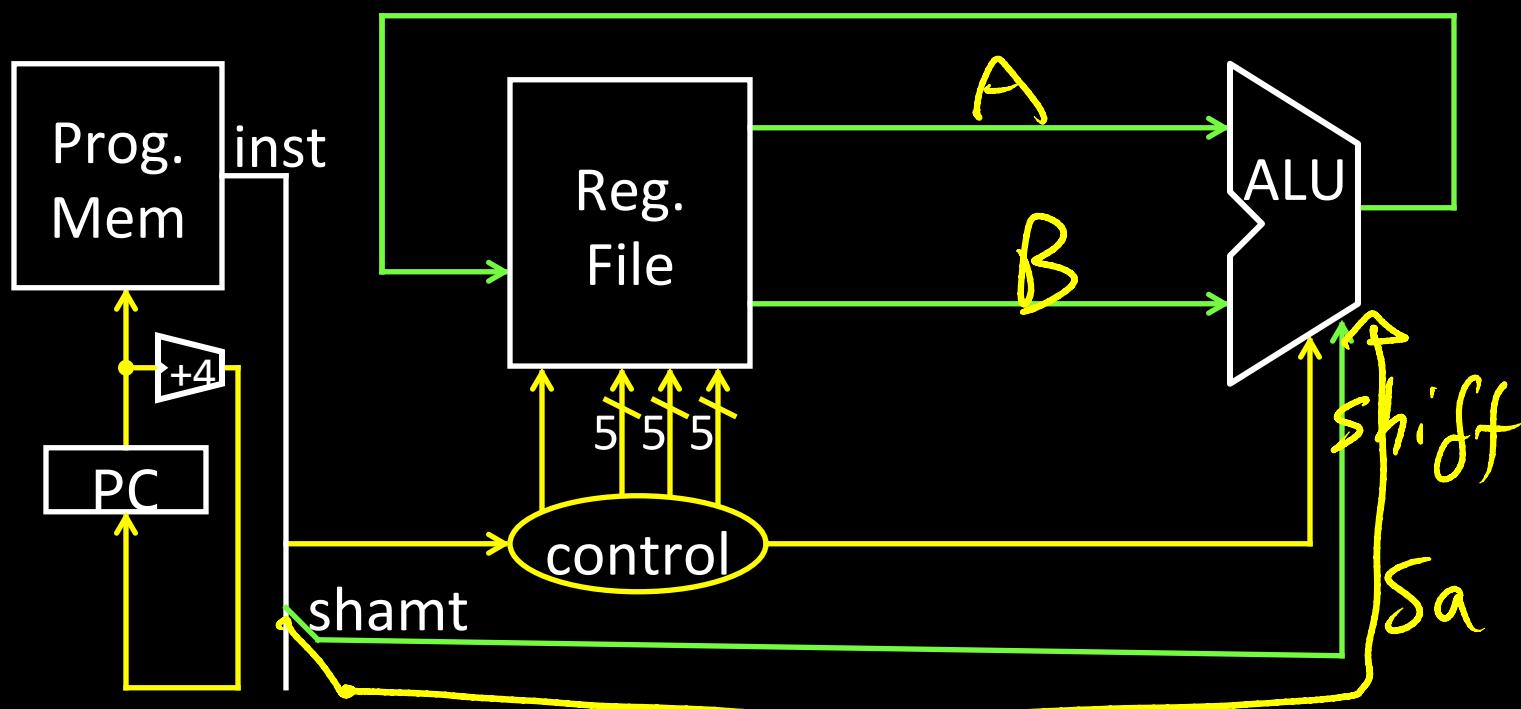
Arithmetic Instructions: Shift



op	func	mnemonic	description
0x0	0x0	SLL rd, rs, <u>shamt</u>	$R[rd] = R[rt] \ll \text{shamt}$
0x0	0x2	SRL rd, rs, shamt	$R[rd] = R[rt] \ggg \text{shamt}$ (zero ext.)
0x0	0x3	SRA rd, rs, shamt	$R[rd] = R[rs] \gg \text{shamt}$ (sign ext.)

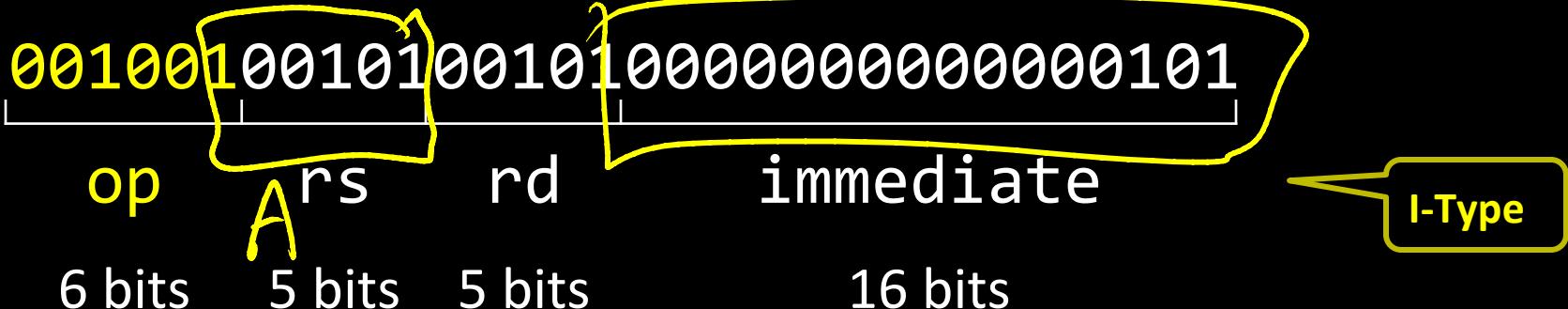
ex: $r5 = r3 * 8$

Shift



$$\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{1} \times \sqrt{5}$$

Arithmetic Instructions: Immediates



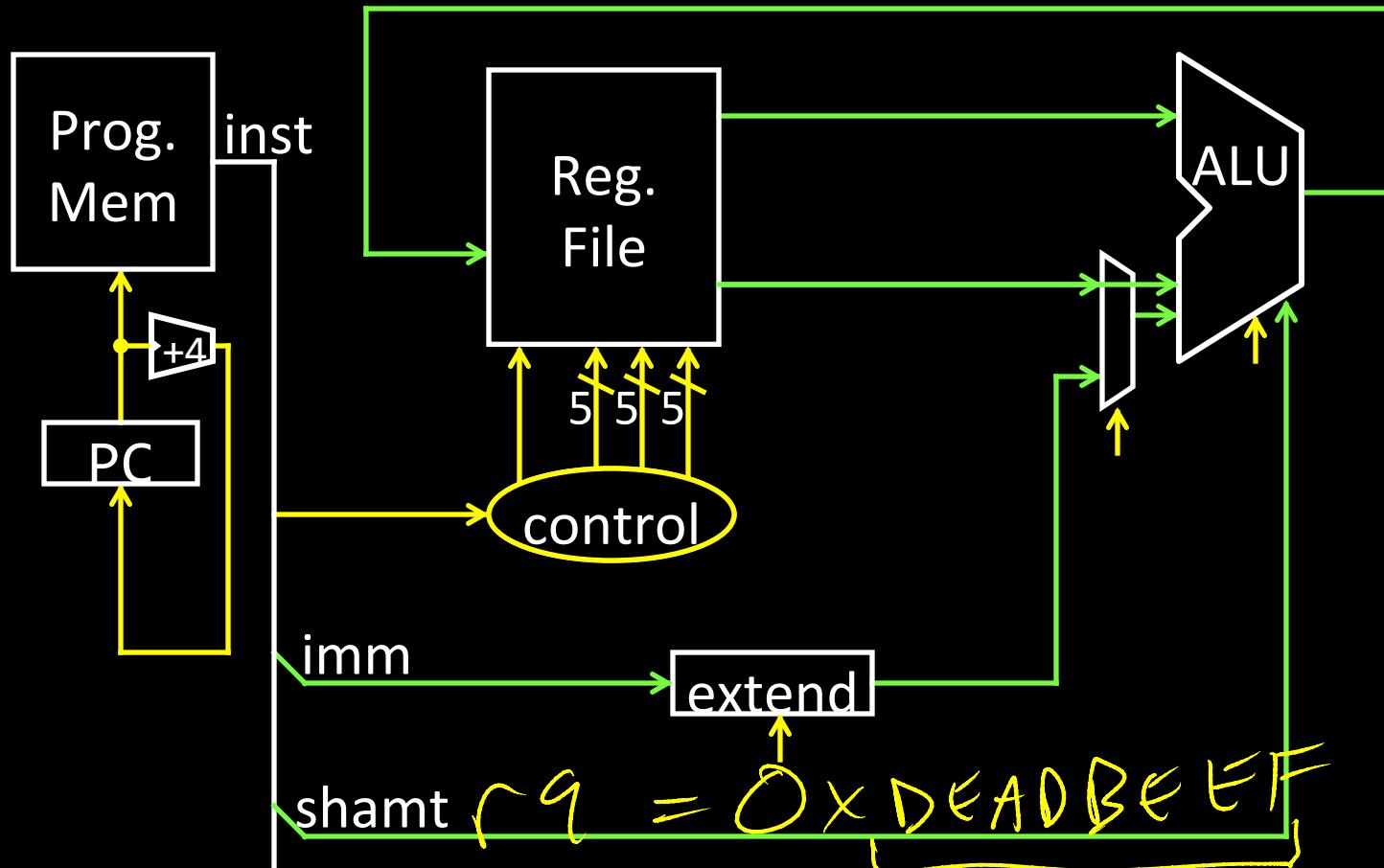
op	mnemonic	description
0x9	ADDIU rd, rs, imm	$R[rd] = R[rs] + \text{sign_extend}(imm)$
0xc	ANDI rd, rs, imm	$R[rd] = R[rs] \& \text{zero_extend}(imm)$
0xd	ORI rd, rs, imm	$R[rd] = R[rs] \text{zero_extend}(imm)$

ex: r5 += 5

ex: r9 = -1

ex: r9 = 65535

Immediates



ORI r9, r0, 0xDEAD
SLL r9, r9, 16
ORI r9, r0, 0xBEEF

Arithmetic Instructions: Immediates

00111100000001010000000000000101

op

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rd

immediate

6 bits

5 bits

5 bits

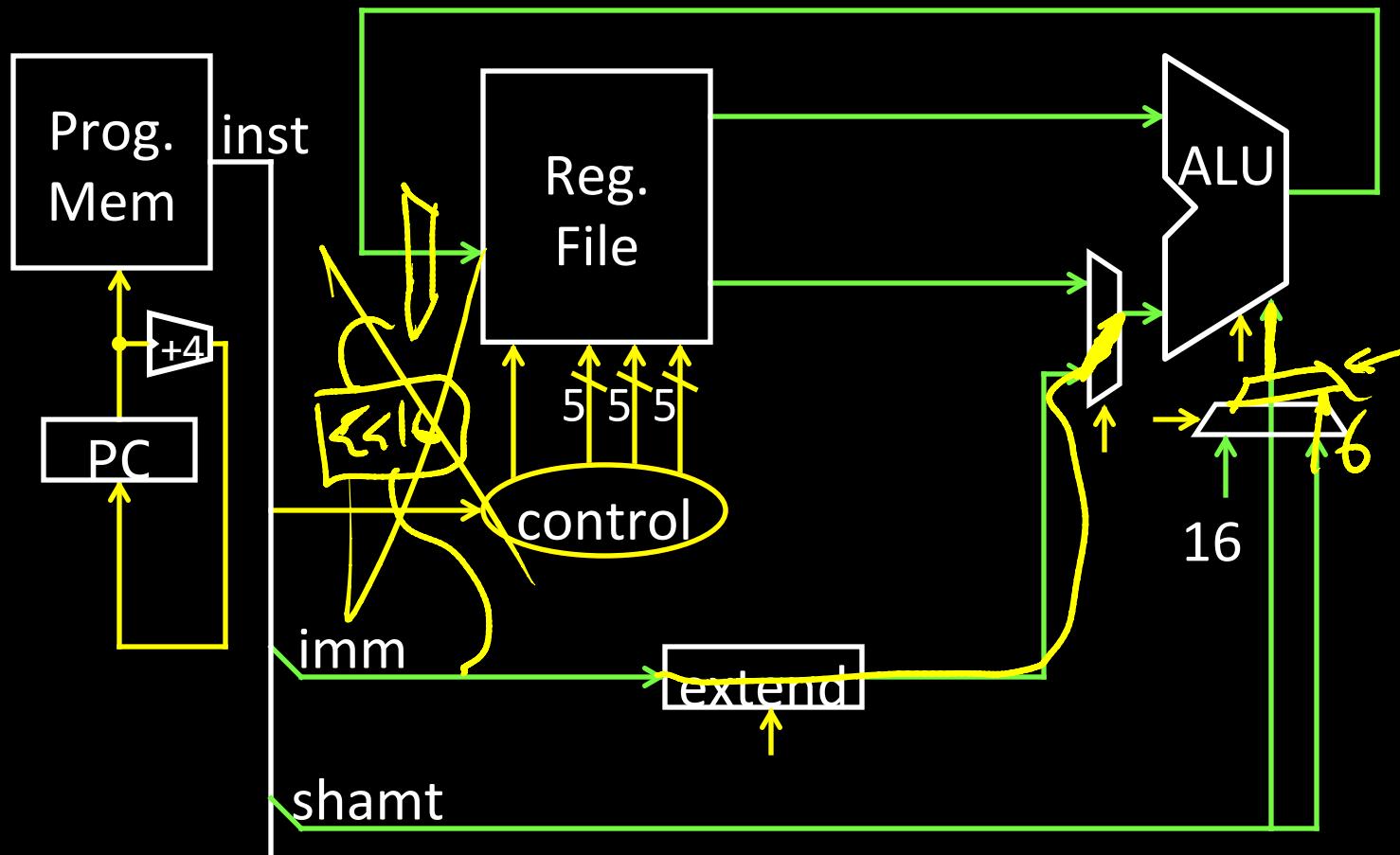
16 bits

I-Type

op	mnemonic	description
0xF	LUI rd, imm	$R[rd] = imm \ll 16$

ex. r5 = 0xdeadbeef
register r5 has value deadbeef

Immediates



MIPS Instruction Types

Arithmetic/Logical

- R-type: result and two source registers, shift amount
- I-type: 16-bit immediate with sign/zero extension

Memory Access

- load/store between registers and memory
- word, half-word and byte operations

Control flow

- conditional branches: pc-relative addresses
- jumps: fixed offsets, register absolute

Memory Instructions

10100100101000010000000000000010

op

6 bits

rs

5 bits

rd

offset

16 bits

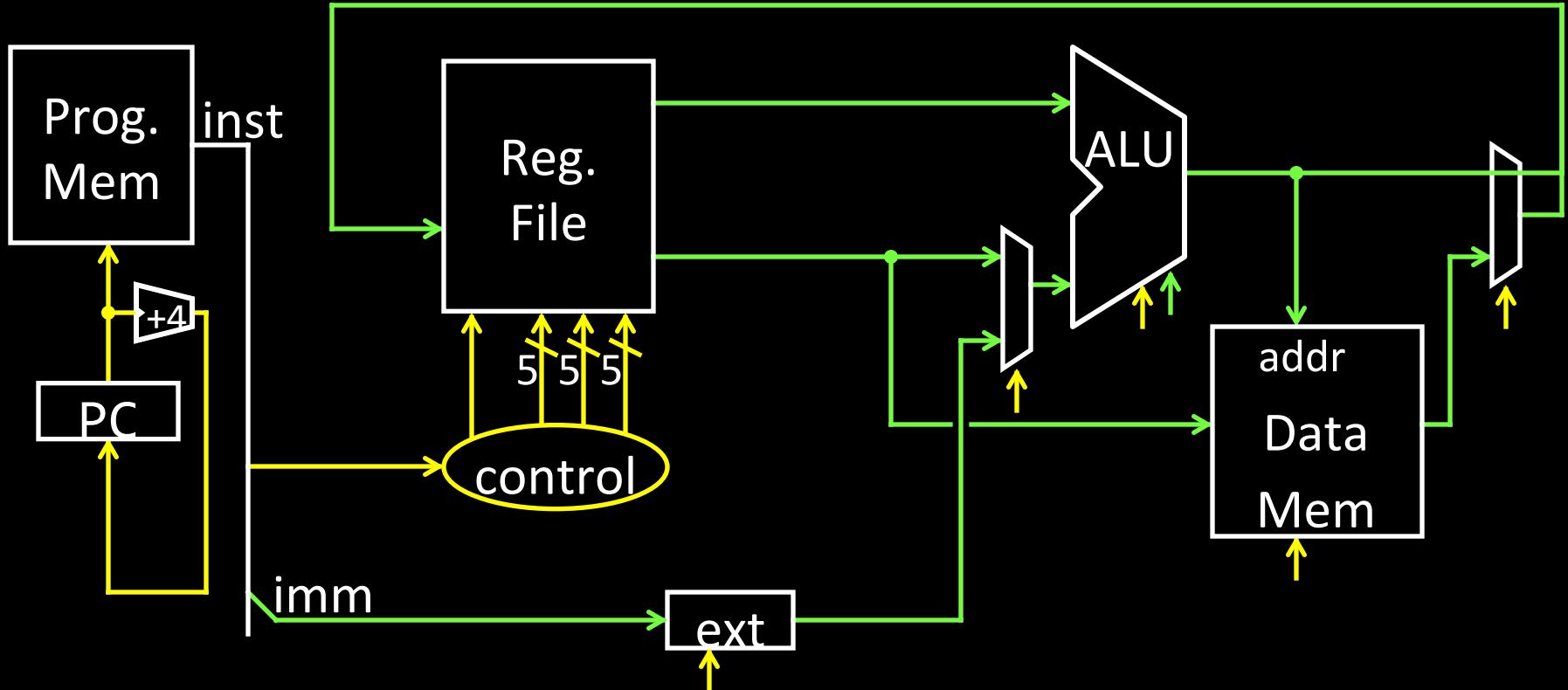
I-Type

op	mnemonic	description
0x20	LB rd, offset(rs)	$R[rd] = \text{sign_ext}(\text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]])$
0x24	LBU rd, offset(rs)	$R[rd] = \text{zero_ext}(\text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]])$
0x21	LH rd, offset(rs)	$R[rd] = \text{sign_ext}(\text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]])$
0x25	LHU rd, offset(rs)	$R[rd] = \text{zero_ext}(\text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]])$
0x23	LW rd, offset(rs)	$R[rd] = \text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]]$
0x28	SB rd, offset(rs)	$\text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]] = R[rd]$
0x29	SH rd, offset(rs)	$\text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]] = R[rd]$
0x2b	SW rd, offset(rs)	$\text{Mem}[offset+R[rs]] = R[rd]$

base + offset
addressing

signed
offsets

Memory Operations



Example

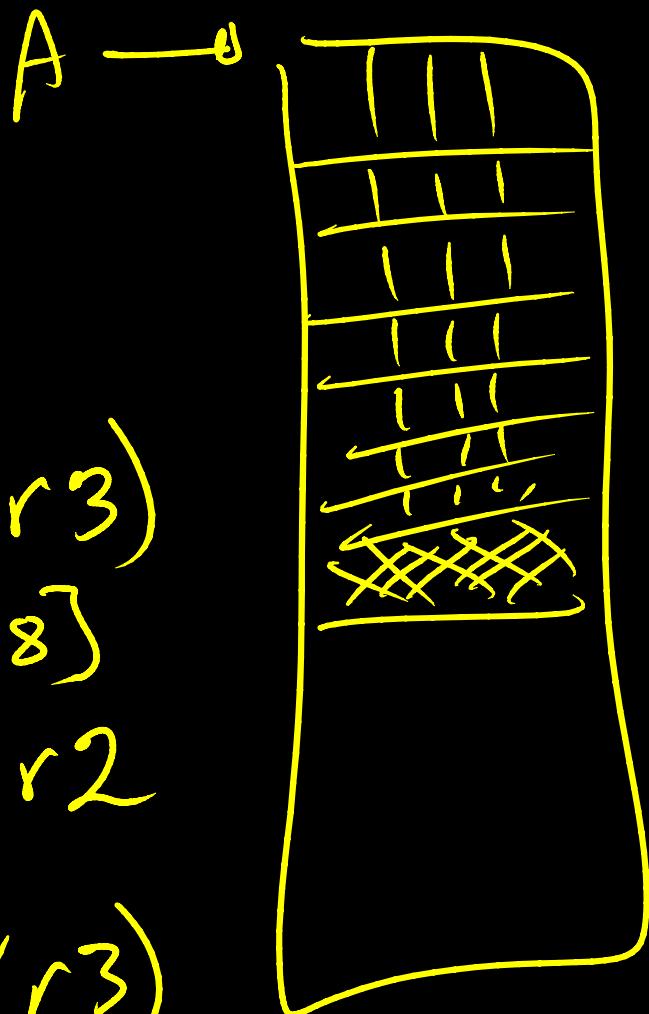
$r2 \downarrow$ $r3 \nearrow$
int h, A[];
 $A[12] = h + A[8];$

LW r4, 32(r3)

$r4 = A[8]$

ADD r5, r4, r2

SW r5, 48(r3)



Memory Layout

Examples:

r5 contains 0x5

sb r5, 2(r0)

lb r6, 2(r0)

sw r5, 8(r0)

lb r7, 8(r0)

lb r8, 11(r0)

5



		0x00000000
		0x00000001
		0x00000002
		0x00000003
		0x00000004
		0x00000005
		0x00000006
		0x00000007
5	0	0x00000008
0	0	0x00000009
0	0	0x0000000a
0	5	0x0000000b
...		
		0xffffffff

Endianness

Endianness: Ordering of bytes within a memory word

Little Endian = least significant part first (MIPS, x86)

	1000	1001	1002	1003
as 4 bytes	78	56	34	12
as 2 halfwords	56 78		34 12	4
as 1 word	0x12345678			

Big Endian = most significant part first (MIPS, networks)

	1000	1001	1002	1003
as 4 bytes	12	34	56	78
as 2 halfwords	12 34		56 78	
as 1 word	0x12345678			

Control Flow: Absolute Jump

00001010100001001000011000000011

op

6 bits

immediate

26 bits

J-Type

op	mnemonic	description
0x2	J target	$PC = (PC+4)_{32..29} \text{target} 00$

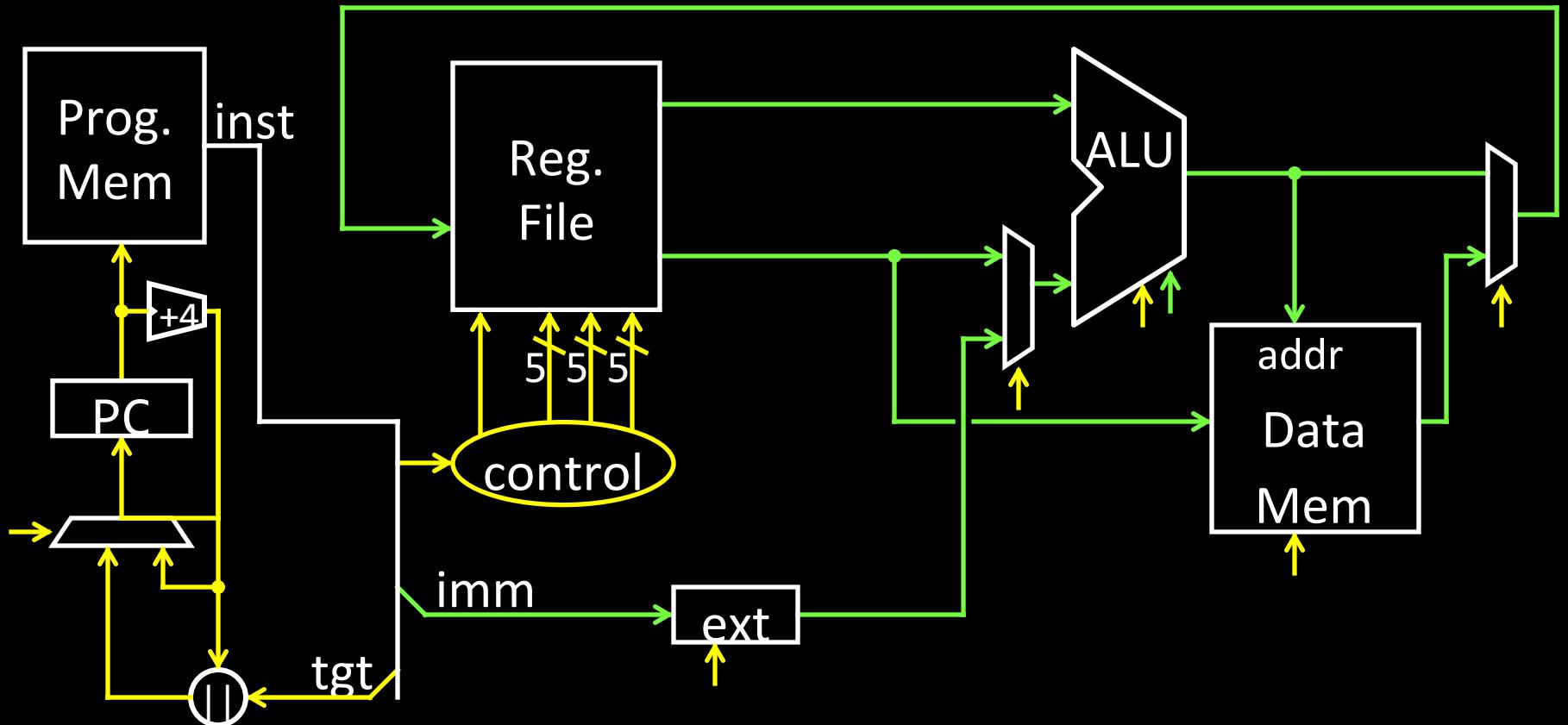
Absolute addressing for jumps

- Jump from 0x30000000 to 0x20000000?
 - But: Jumps from 0x2FFFFFFF to 0x3xxxxxxxx are possible, but not reverse
- Trade-off: out-of-region jumps vs. 32-bit instruction encoding

MIPS Quirk:

- jump targets computed using *already incremented* PC

Absolute Jump



Control Flow: Jump Register

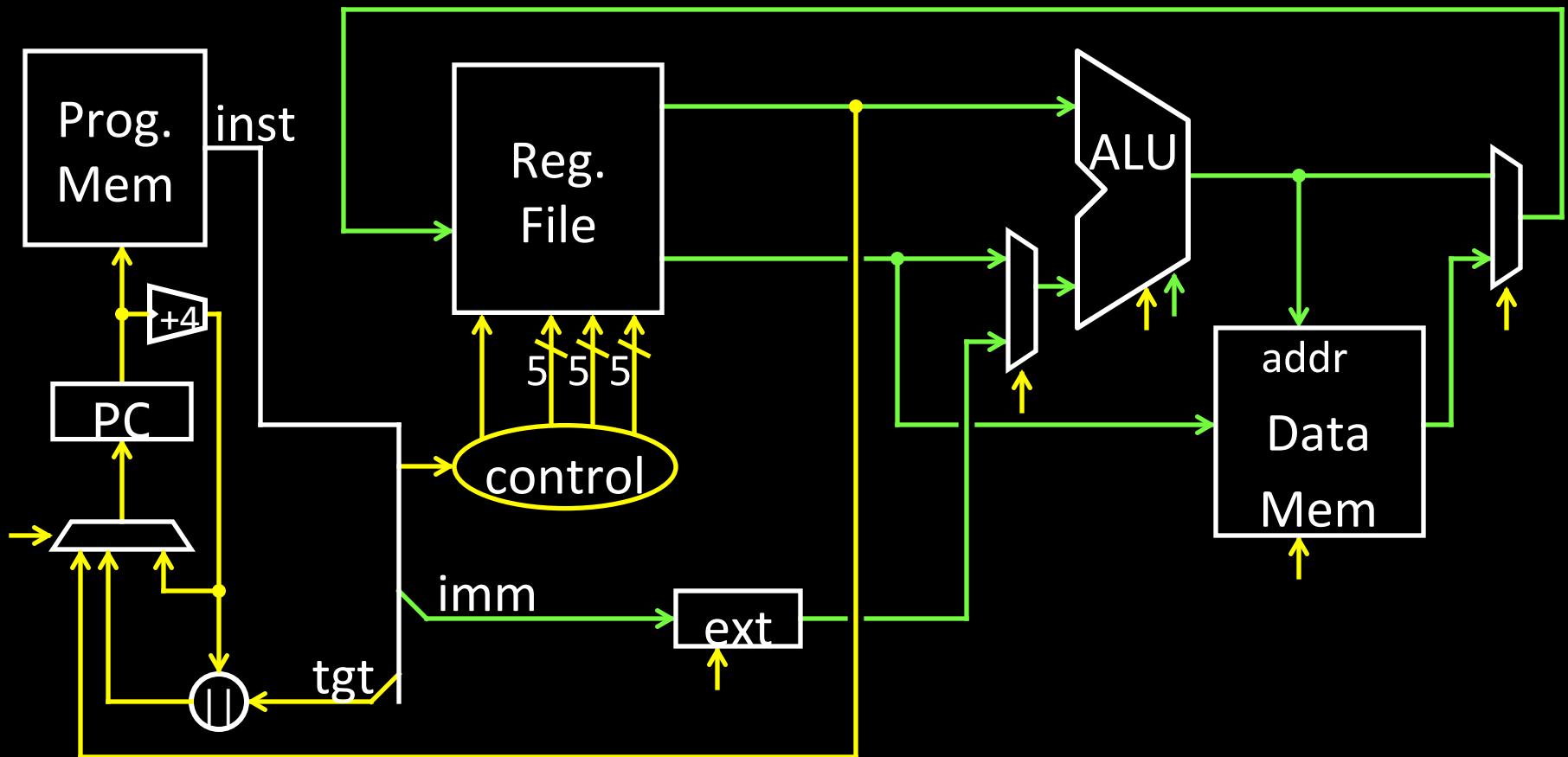
00000000011000000000000000000000001000

op	rs	-	-	-	func
6 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	6 bits

R-Type

op	func	mnemonic	description
0x0	0x08	JR rs	PC = R[rs]

Jump Register



Examples (2)

jump to 0xabcd1234

~~J 0xbcd1234~~

LUI r3, 0x abcd

ORI r3, r3, 0xf2345

JR r3

Examples (2)

assume $0 \leq r3 \leq 1$

if ($r3 == 0$) jump to 0xdecafe0

else jump to 0xabcd1234

$$r5 = Y - X$$

$$\cdot r5 = X + r3 * r5$$

$$\sqrt{R} \quad r5$$

Examples (2)

assume $0 \leq r3 \leq 1$

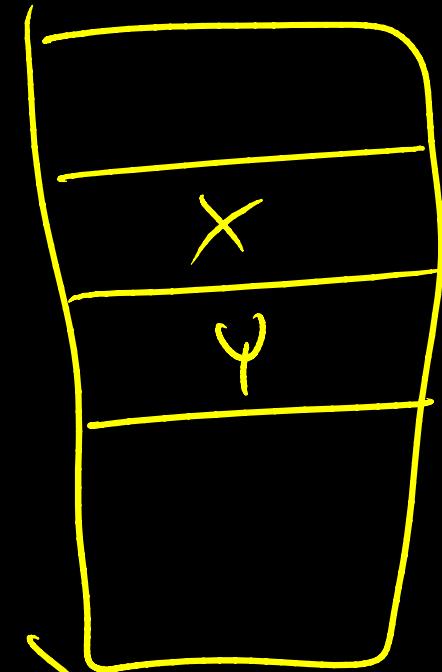
if ($r3 == 0$) jump to 0xdecafe0
else jump to 0abcd1234

$$r4 = X$$

sw r4, 0(r5)

$$r4 = Y$$

sw r4, 4(r5)



Control Flow: Branches

000100001010000100000000000000011

op	rs	rd	offset
6 bits	5 bits	5 bits	16 bits

I-Type

signed
offsets

op	mnemonic	description
0x4	BEQ rs, rd, offset	if $R[rs] == R[rd]$ then $PC = PC + 4 + (offset \ll 2)$
0x5	BNE rs, rd, offset	if $R[rs] != R[rd]$ then $PC = PC + 4 + (offset \ll 2)$

Examples (3)

if (i == j) { i = i * 4; } - if
else { j = i - j; } - else

BNE r5, r6, ELSE (+8) (~~+10~~)

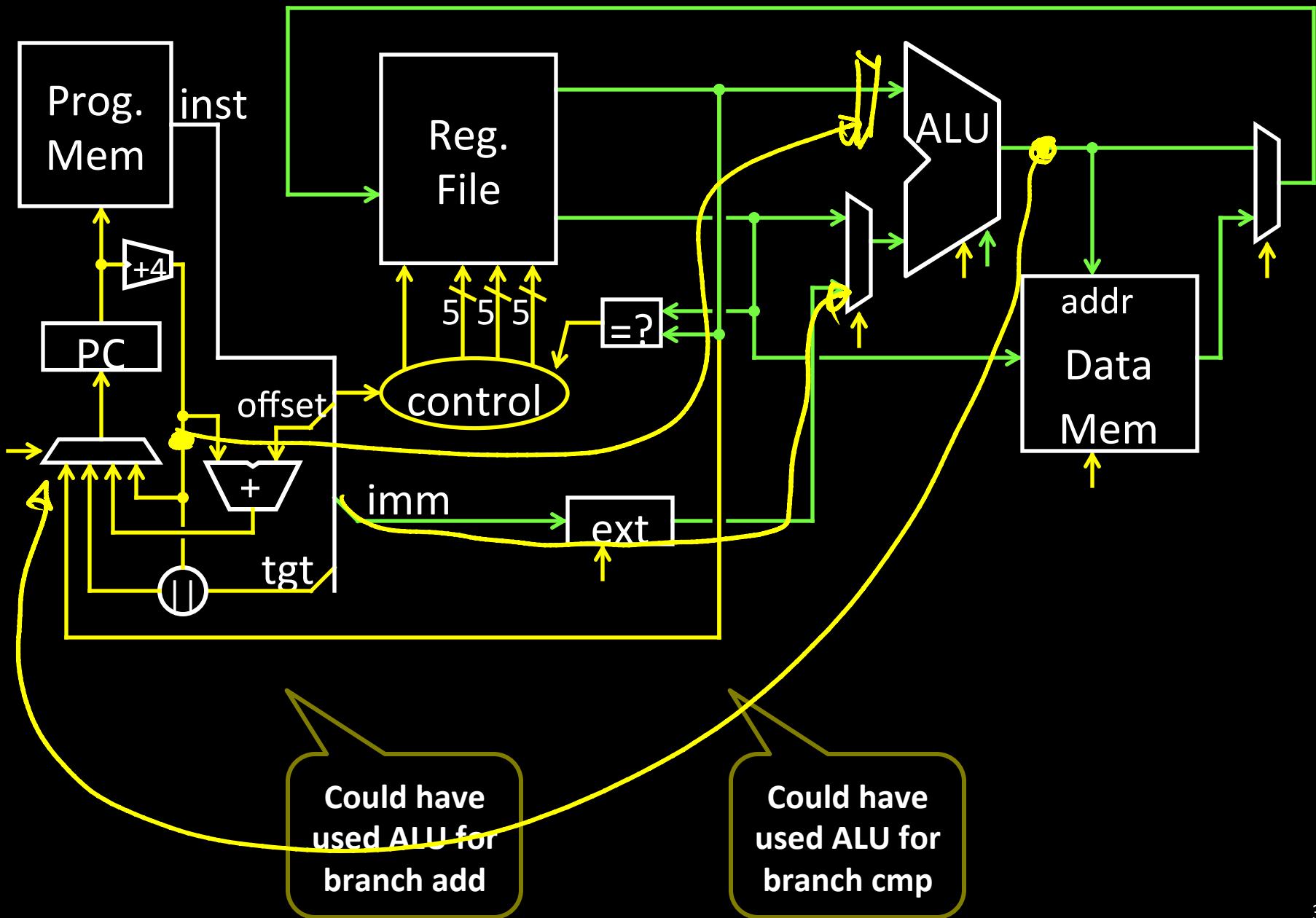
SLL r5, r5, 2

BEQ r0, r0, BOT (+4) (~~+5~~)

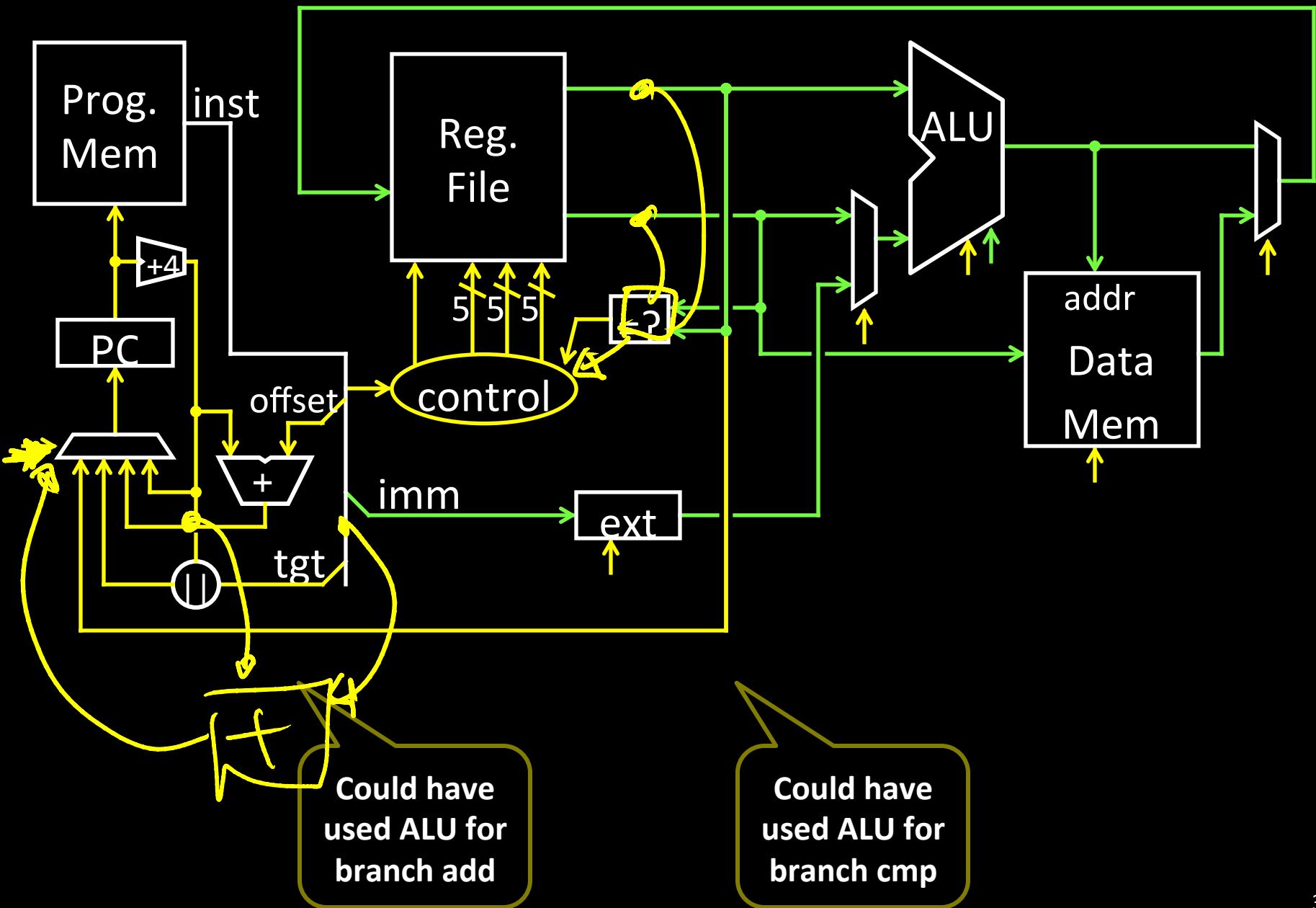
ELSE: SUB r6, r5, r6

BOT:

Absolute Jump



Absolute Jump



Control Flow: More Branches

0000010010100001000000000000000010

op

rs

subop

offset

6 bits

5 bits

5 bits

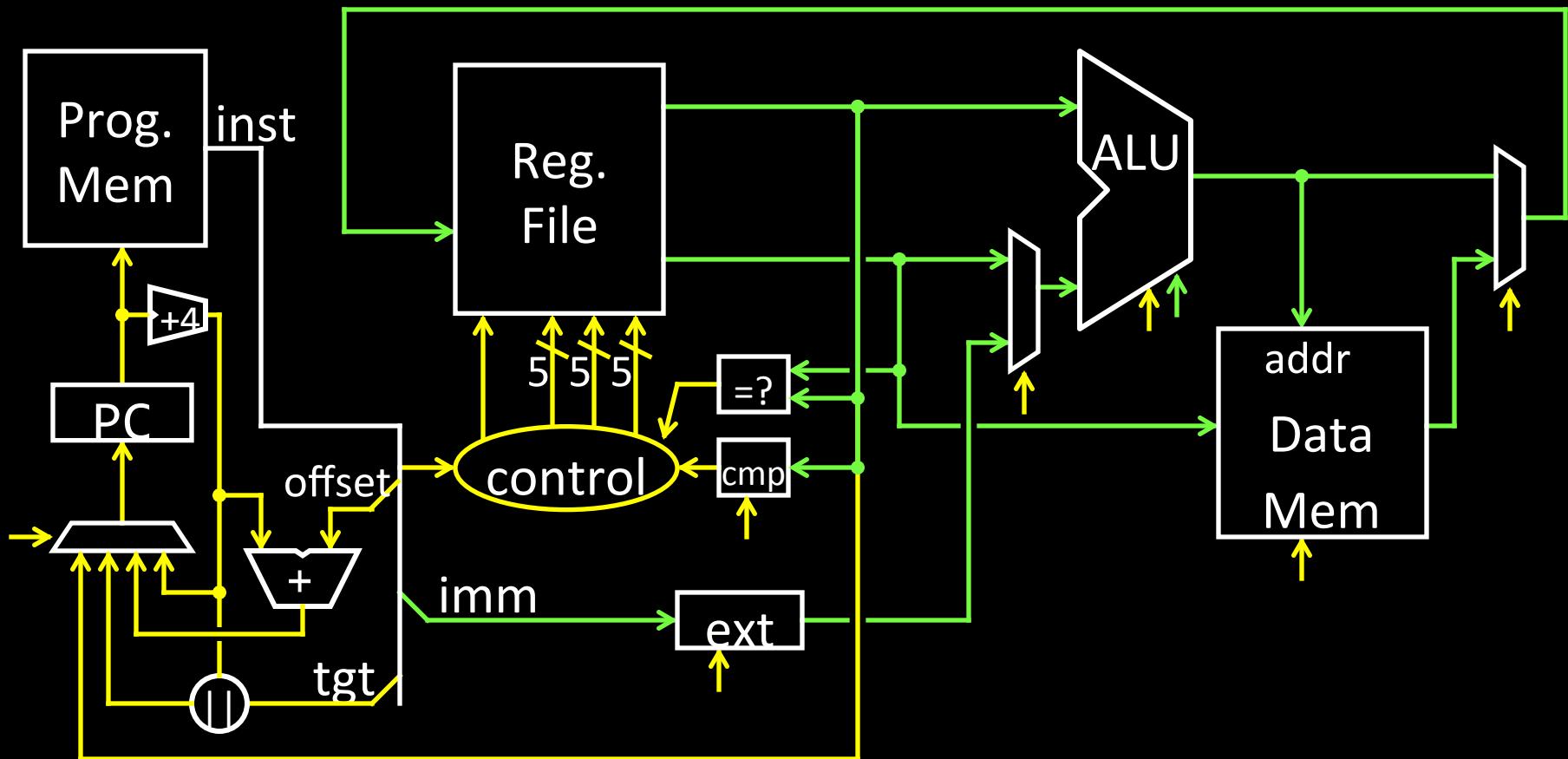
16 bits

almost I-Type

signed
offsets

op	subop	mnemonic	description
0x1	0x0	BLTZ rs, offset	if $R[rs] < 0$ then $PC = PC + 4 + (offset \ll 2)$
0x1	0x1	BGEZ rs, offset	if $R[rs] \geq 0$ then $PC = PC + 4 + (offset \ll 2)$
0x6	0x0	BLEZ rs, offset	if $R[rs] \leq 0$ then $PC = PC + 4 + (offset \ll 2)$
0x7	0x0	BGTZ rs, offset	if $R[rs] > 0$ then $PC = PC + 4 + (offset \ll 2)$

Absolute Jump



Could have
used ALU for
branch cmp

Control Flow: Jump and Link

00001100000001001000011000000010

op

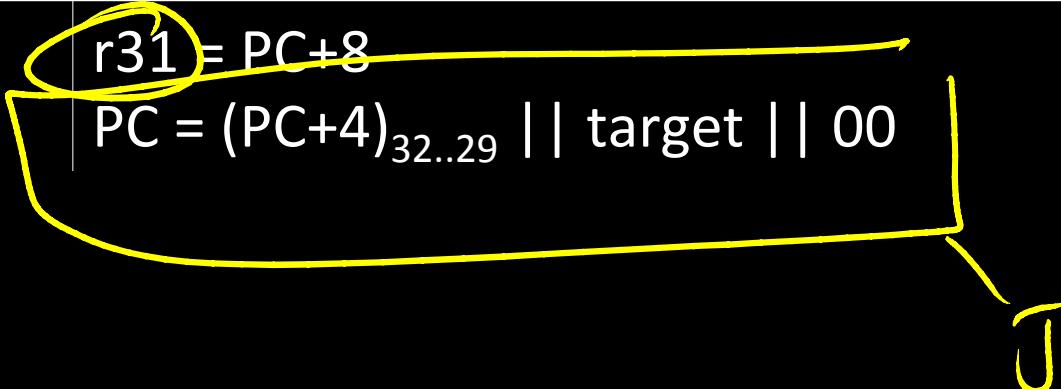
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immediate

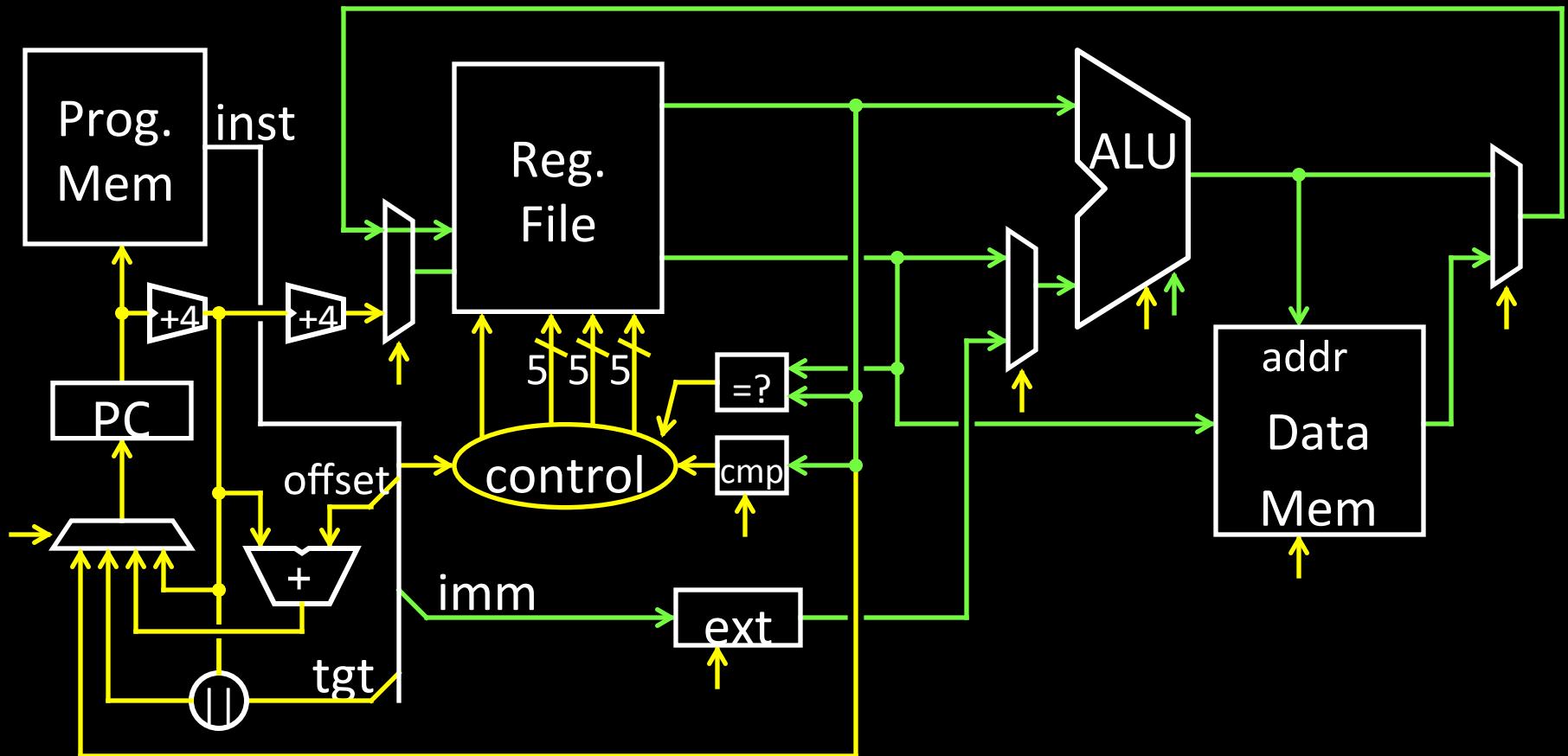
26 bits

J-Type

op	mnemonic	description
0x3	JAL target	$r31 = PC + 8$ $PC = (PC + 4)_{32..29} \text{target} 00$



Absolute Jump



Could have used ALU for link add

Next Time

CPU Performance

Pipelined CPU