
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

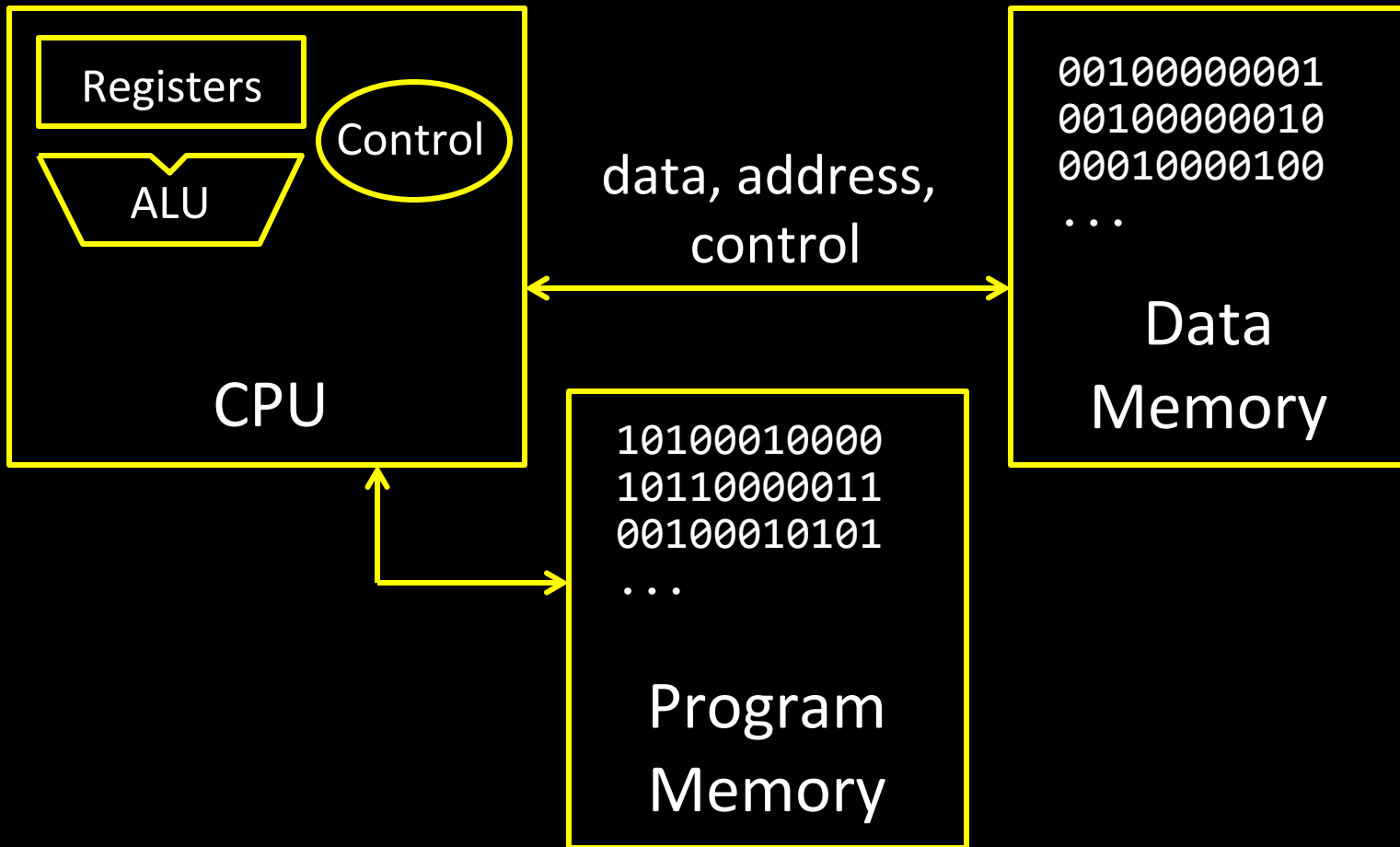
Late Policy

- 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");
```



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



```
001000000000010000000000001010  
001000000000000100000000000000  
0000000001000100001100000101010
```

High Level Language

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

Assembly Language

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

Machine Language

- 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)

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

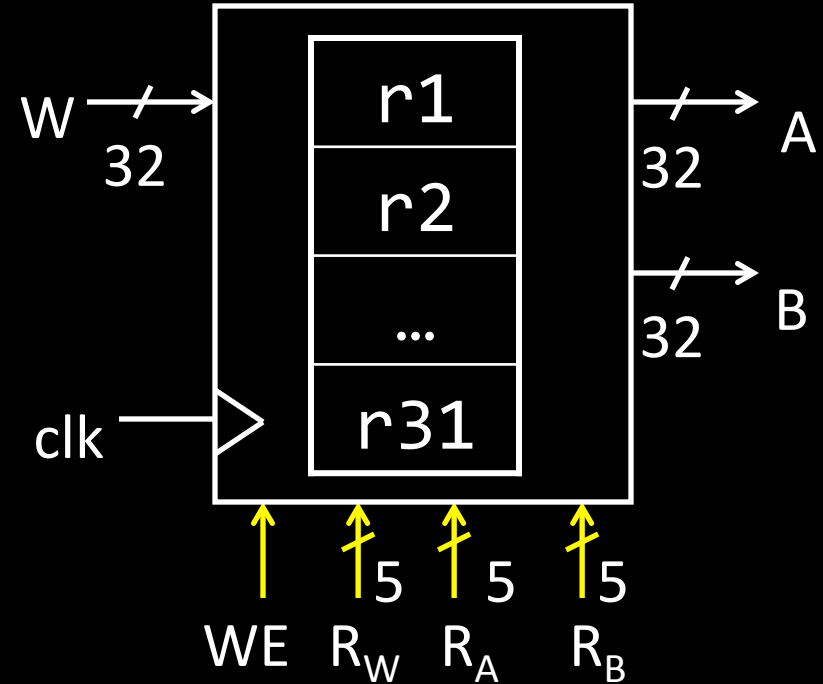
x86 = Complex Instruction Set Computer (CISC)

- > 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. Mem[segment + reg + reg*scale + offset]

MIPS Register file

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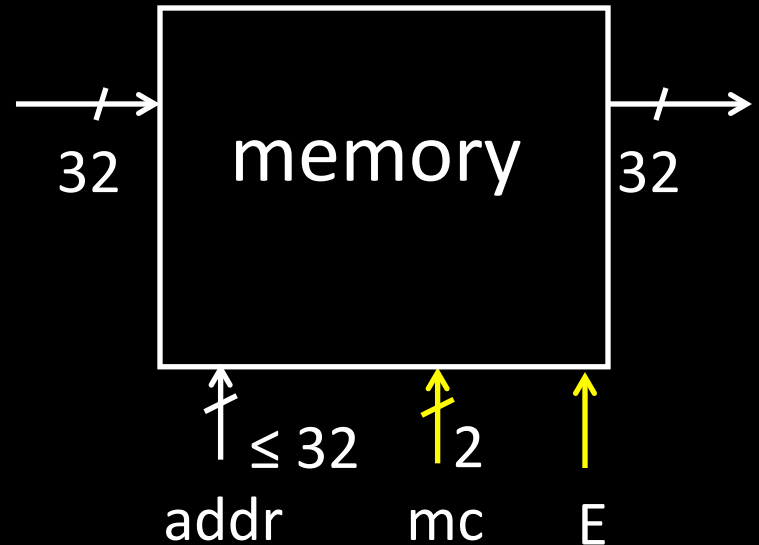
- 32 registers, 32-bits each (with r0 wired to zero)
- Write port indexed via R_W
 - Writes occur on falling edge but only if WE is high
- Read ports indexed via R_A , R_B



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

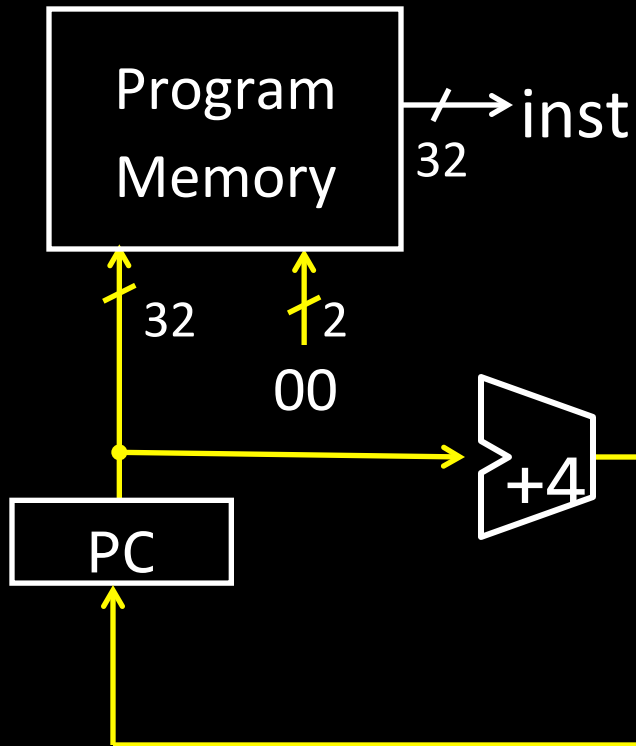
Basic CPU execution loop

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

00000001000001100010000000100110

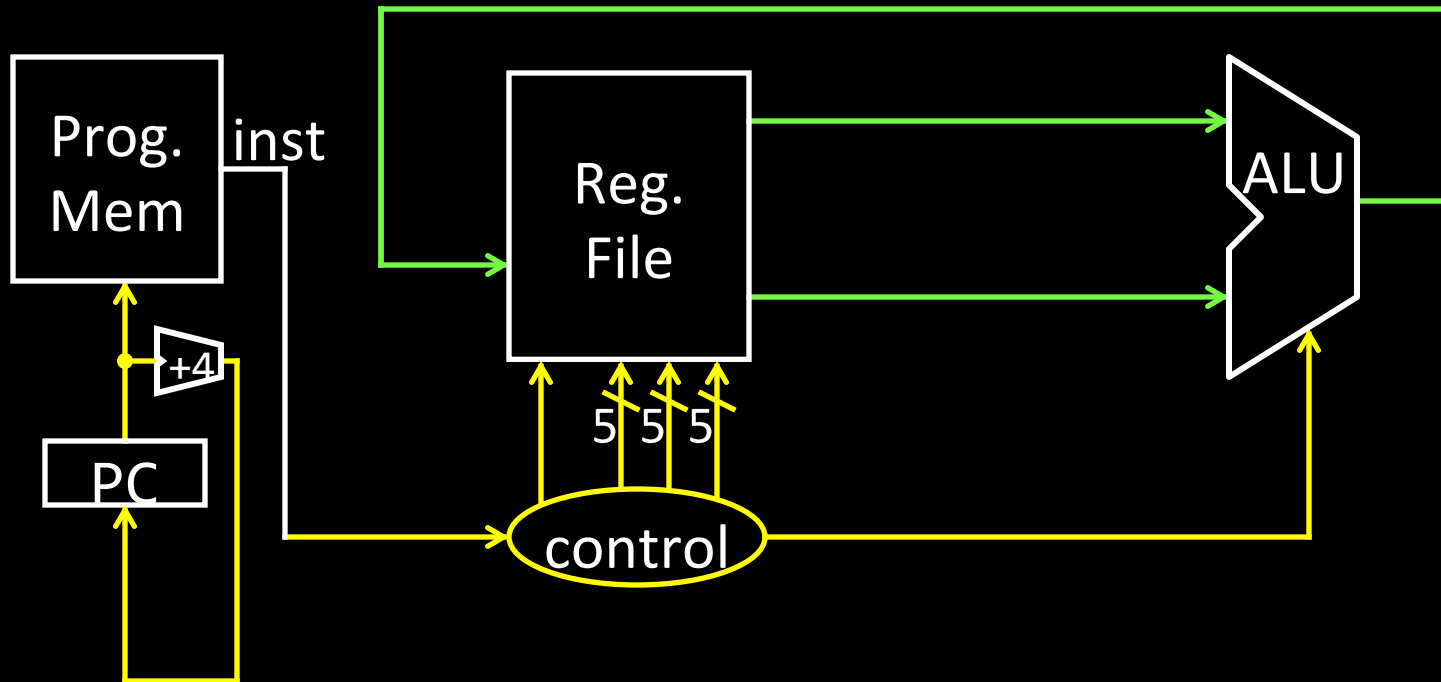
op rs rt rd - func

6 bits 5 bits 5 bits 5 bits 5 bits 6 bits

R-Type

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	$R[rd] = R[rs] R[rt]$
0x0	0x26	XOR rd, rs, rt	$R[rd] = R[rs] \oplus R[rt]$
0x0	0x27	NOR rd, rs rt	$R[rd] = \sim (R[rs] R[rt])$

Arithmetic and Logic



Example Programs

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

$r8 = 4 * r3 + r4 - 1$

$r9 = 9$

ADDU rd, rs, rt

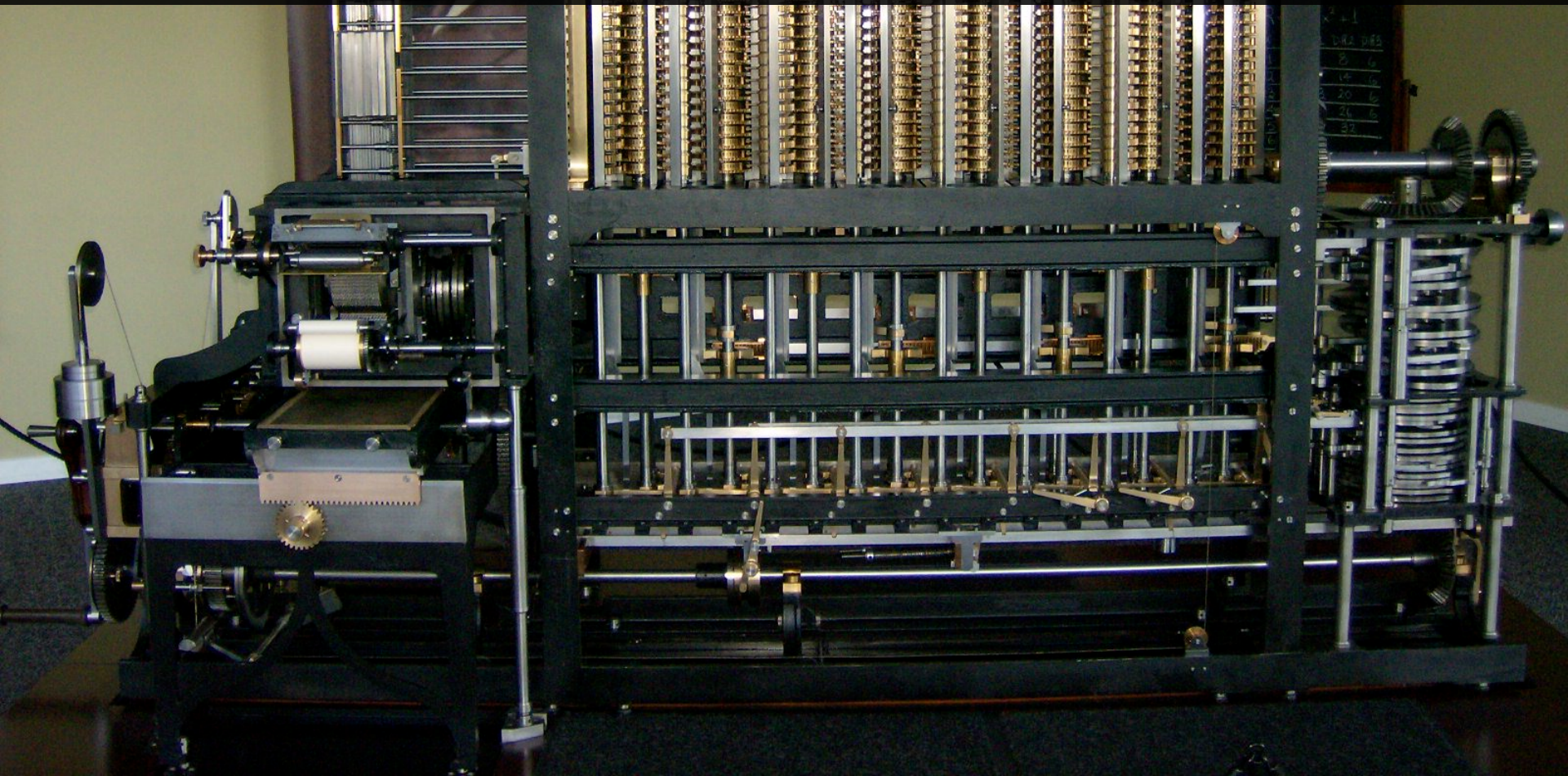
SUBU rd, rs, rt

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

000000000000001000100000110000011

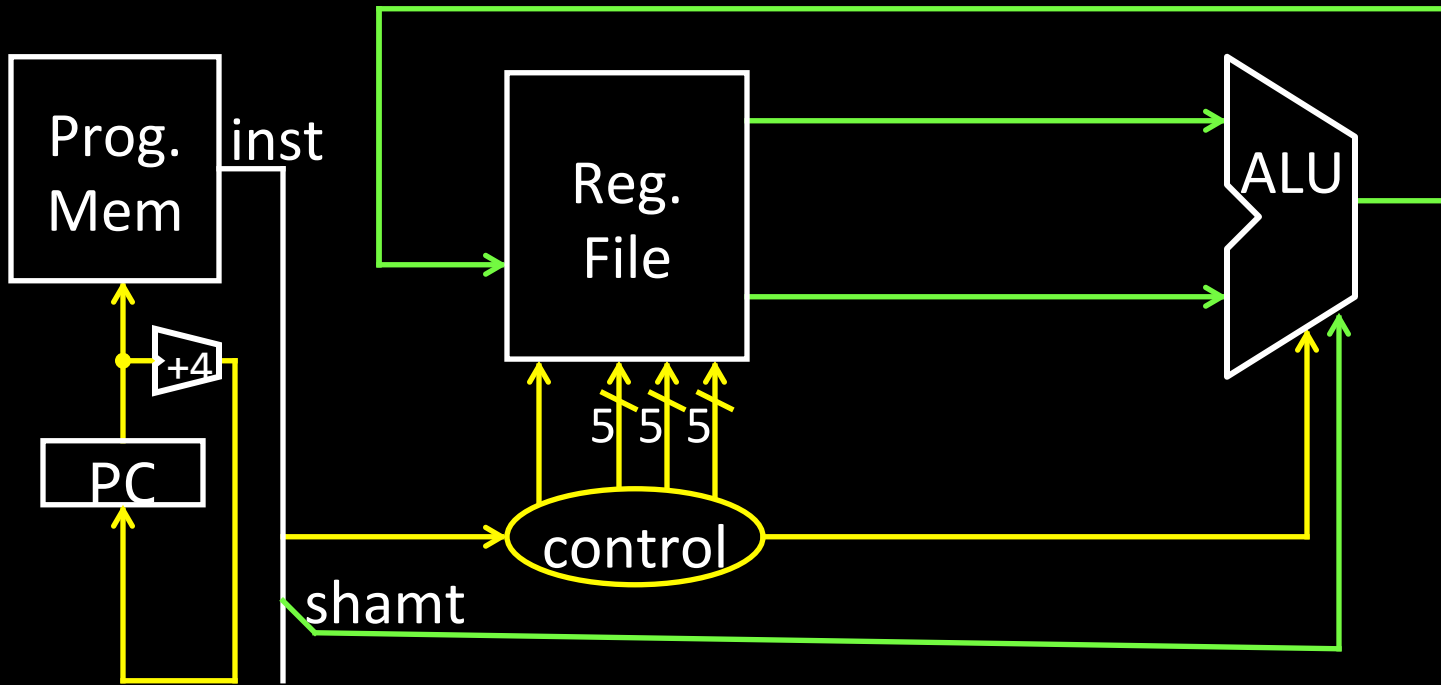
op - rt rd shamt func
6 bits 5 bits 5 bits 5 bits 5 bits 6 bits

R-Type

op	func	mnemonic	description
0x0	0x0	SLL rd, rs, shamt	R[rd] = R[rt] << shamt
0x0	0x2	SRL rd, rs, shamt	R[rd] = R[rt] >>> shamt (zero ext.)
0x0	0x3	SRA rd, rs, shamt	R[rd] = R[rs] >> shamt (sign ext.)

ex: r5 = r3 * 8

Shift



Arithmetic Instructions: Immediates

001001001010010100000000000000101

op rs rd immediate
6 bits 5 bits 5 bits 16 bits

I-Type

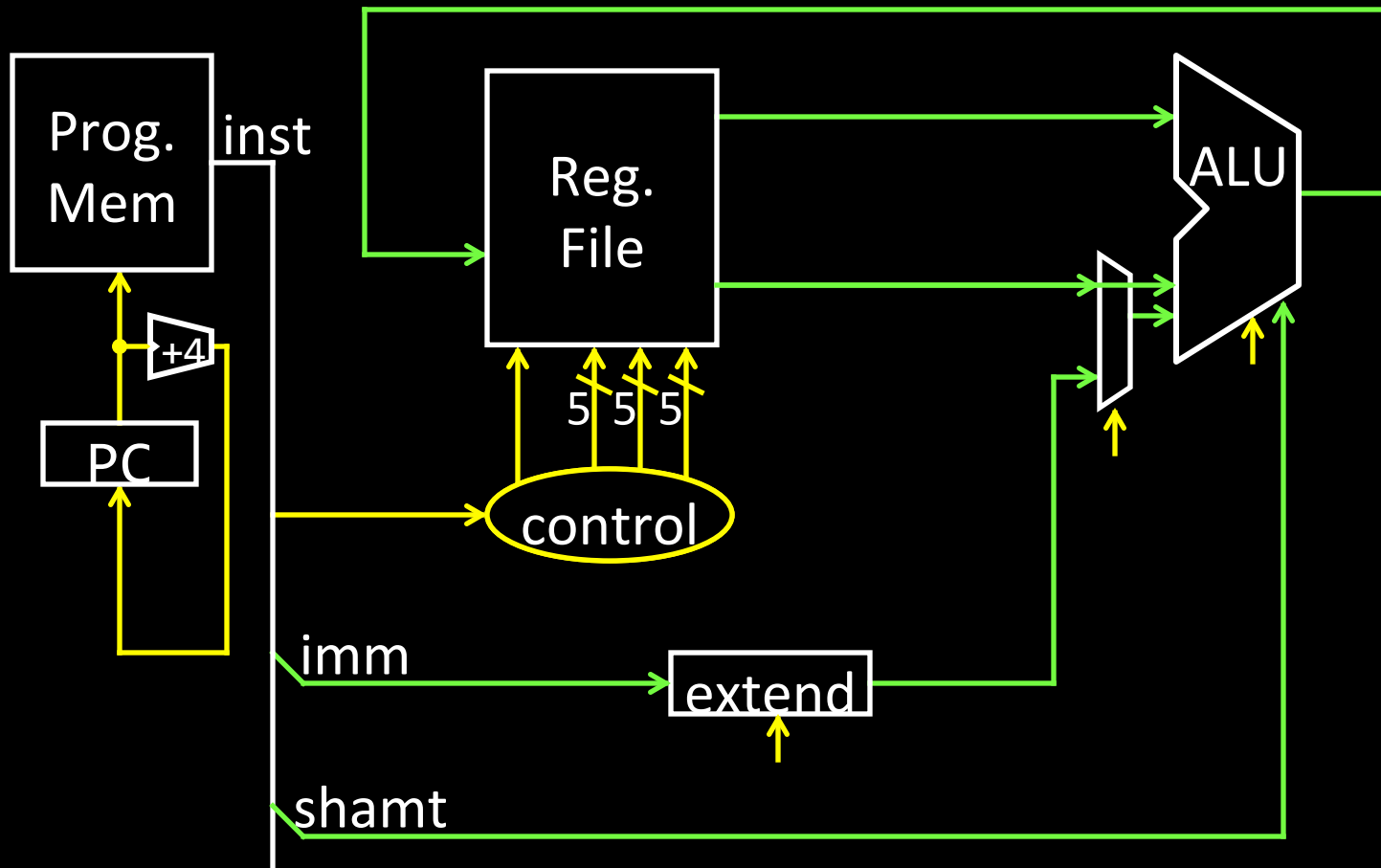
op	mnemonic	description
0x9	ADDIU rd, rs, imm	$R[rd] = R[rs] + \text{sign_extend}(\text{imm})$
0xc	ANDI rd, rs, imm	$R[rd] = R[rs] \& \text{zero_extend}(\text{imm})$
0xd	ORI rd, rs, imm	$R[rd] = R[rs] \text{zero_extend}(\text{imm})$

ex: r5 += 5

ex: r9 = -1

ex: r9 = 65535

Immediates



Arithmetic Instructions: Immediates

0011110000000101000000000000101

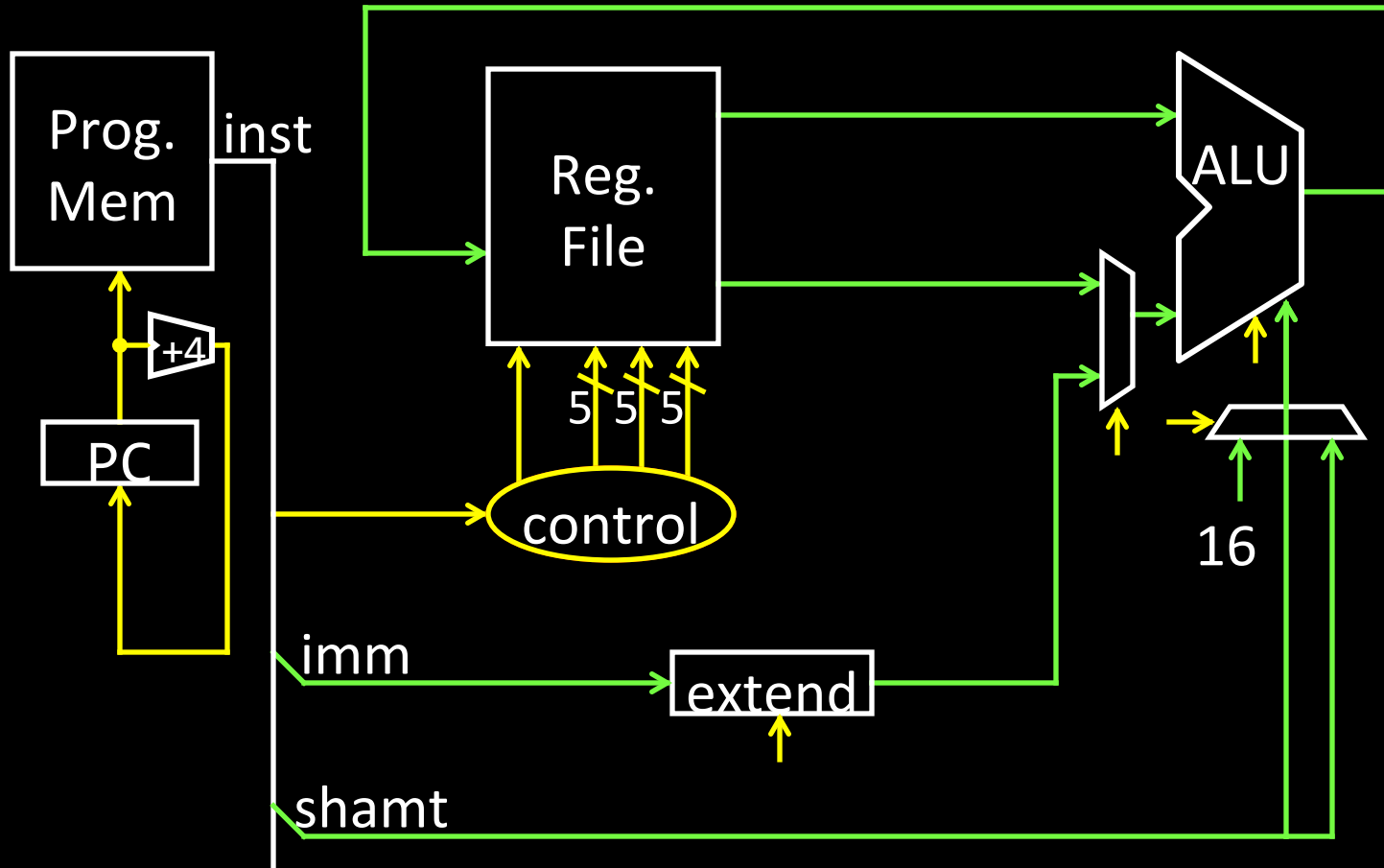
op - rd immediate
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I-Type

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

ex: $r5 = 0x\text{deadbeef}$

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

rs

rd

offset

6 bits

5 bits

5 bits

16 bits

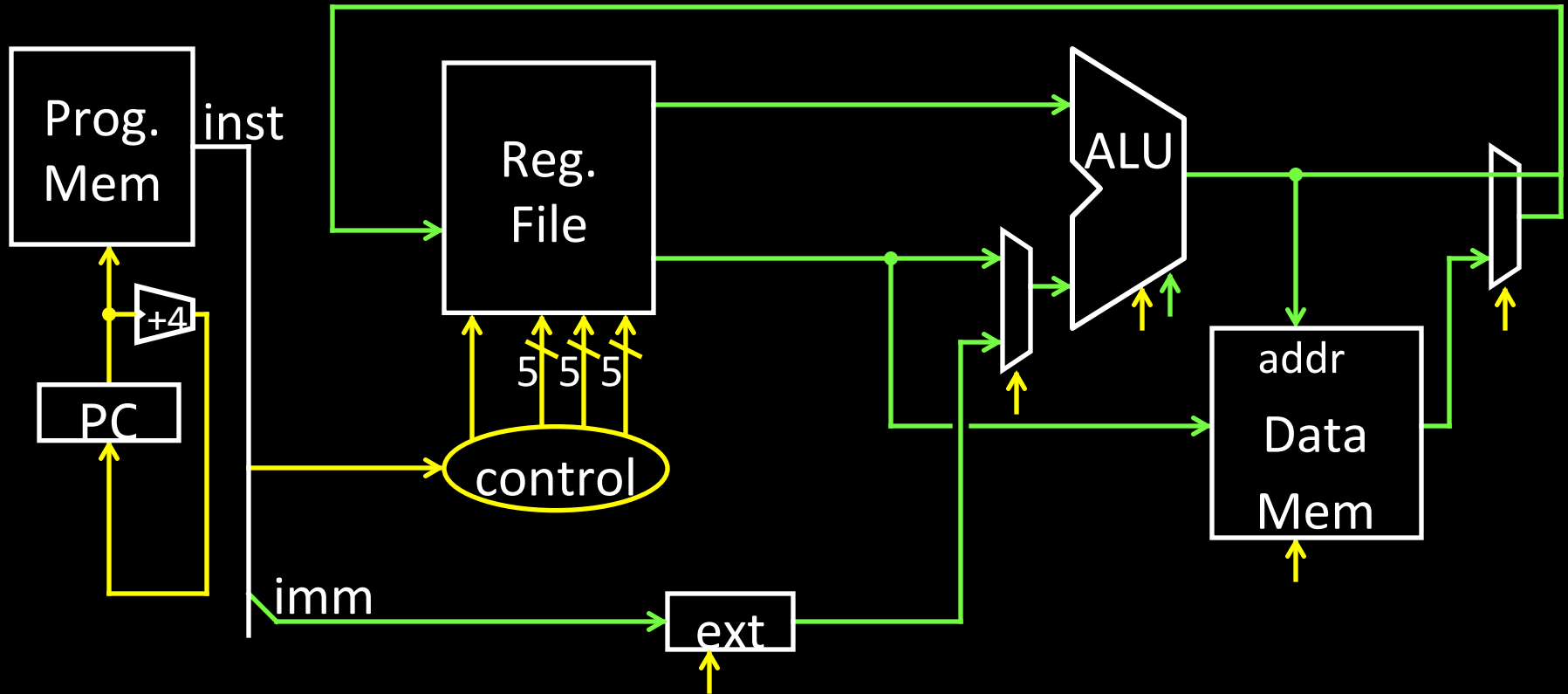
I-Type

base + offset
addressing

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

signed
offsets

Memory Operations



Example

```
int h, A[];
```

```
A[12] = h + A[8];
```

Memory Layout

Examples:

r5 contains 0x5

sb r5, 2(r0)

lb r6, 2(r0)

sw r5, 8(r0)

lb r7, 8(r0)

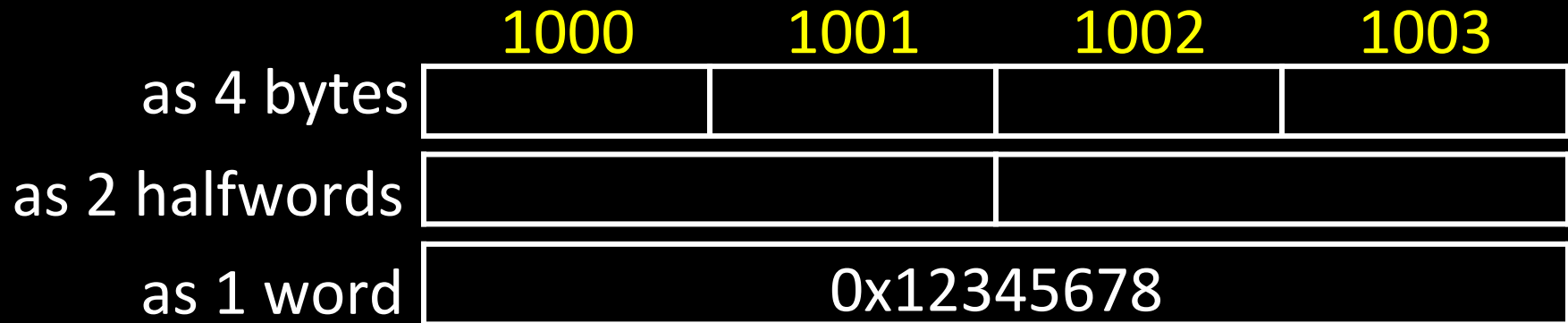
lb r8, 11(r0)

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

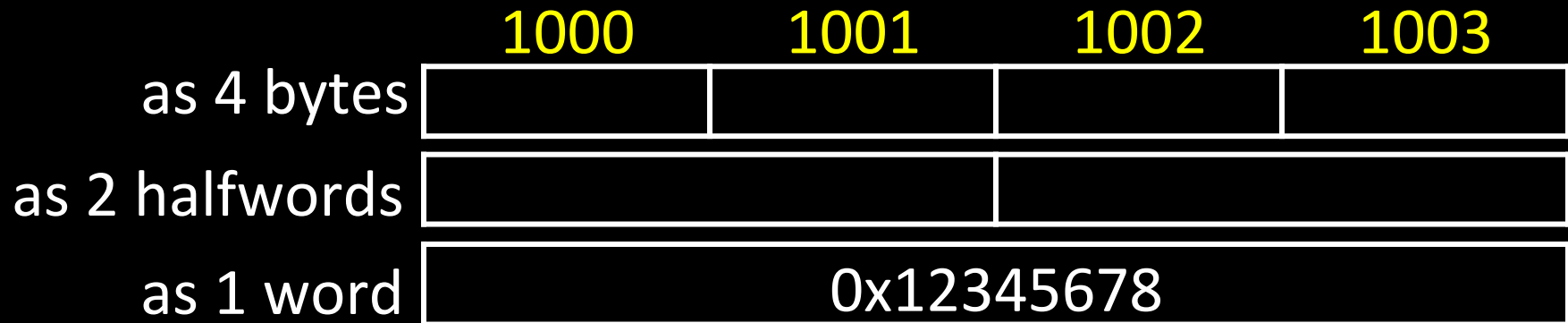
Endianness

Endianness: Ordering of bytes within a memory word

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



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



Control Flow: Absolute Jump

00001010100001001000011000000011

op

6 bits

immediate

26 bits

J-Type

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

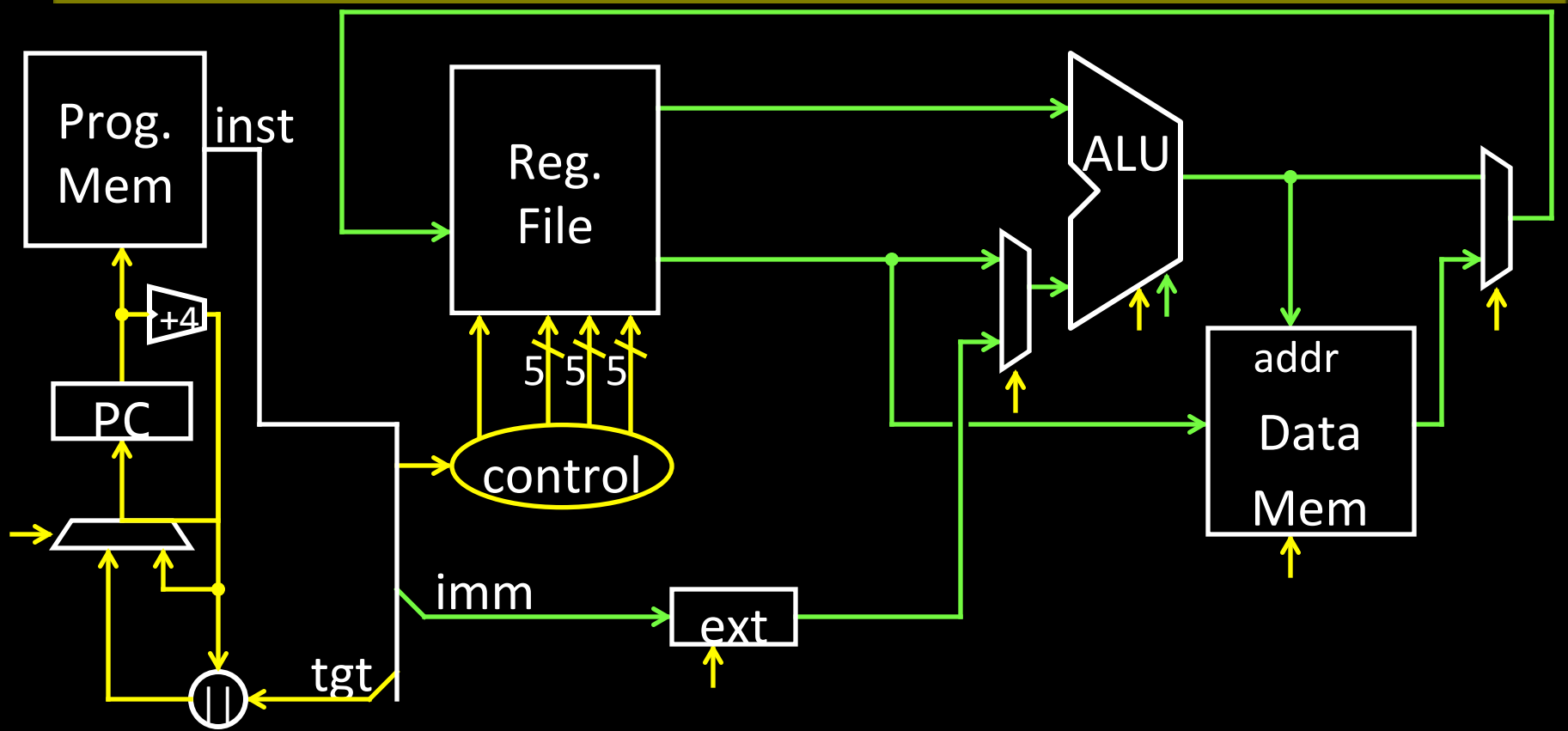
Absolute addressing for jumps

- Jump from 0x30000000 to 0x20000000?
 - But: Jumps from 0x2FFFFFFF to 0x3xxxxxxx 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

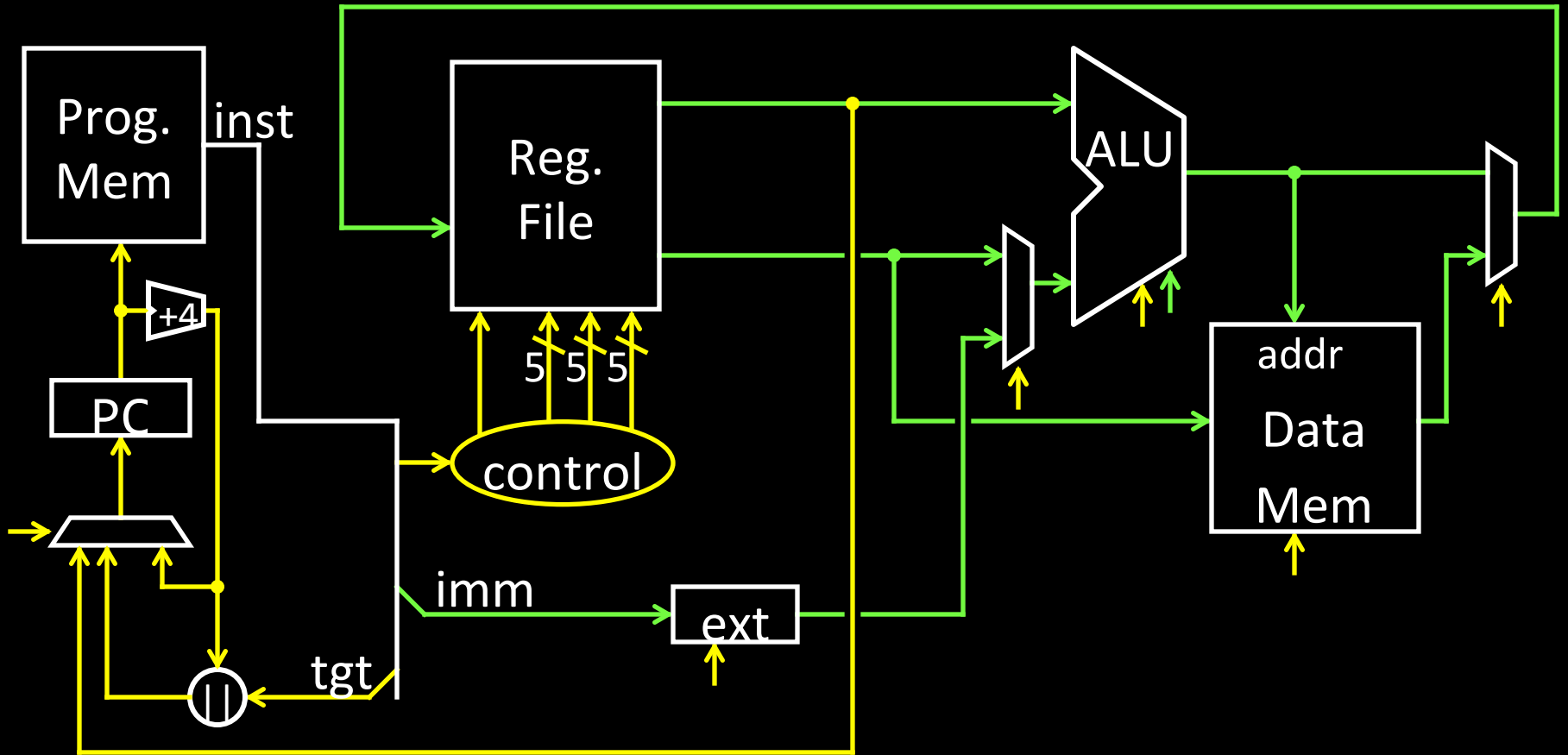
00000000011000000000000000000000001000

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R-Type

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

Jump Register



Examples (2)

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assume $0 \leq r3 \leq 1$

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Control Flow: Branches

00010000101000010000000000000011

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

I-Type

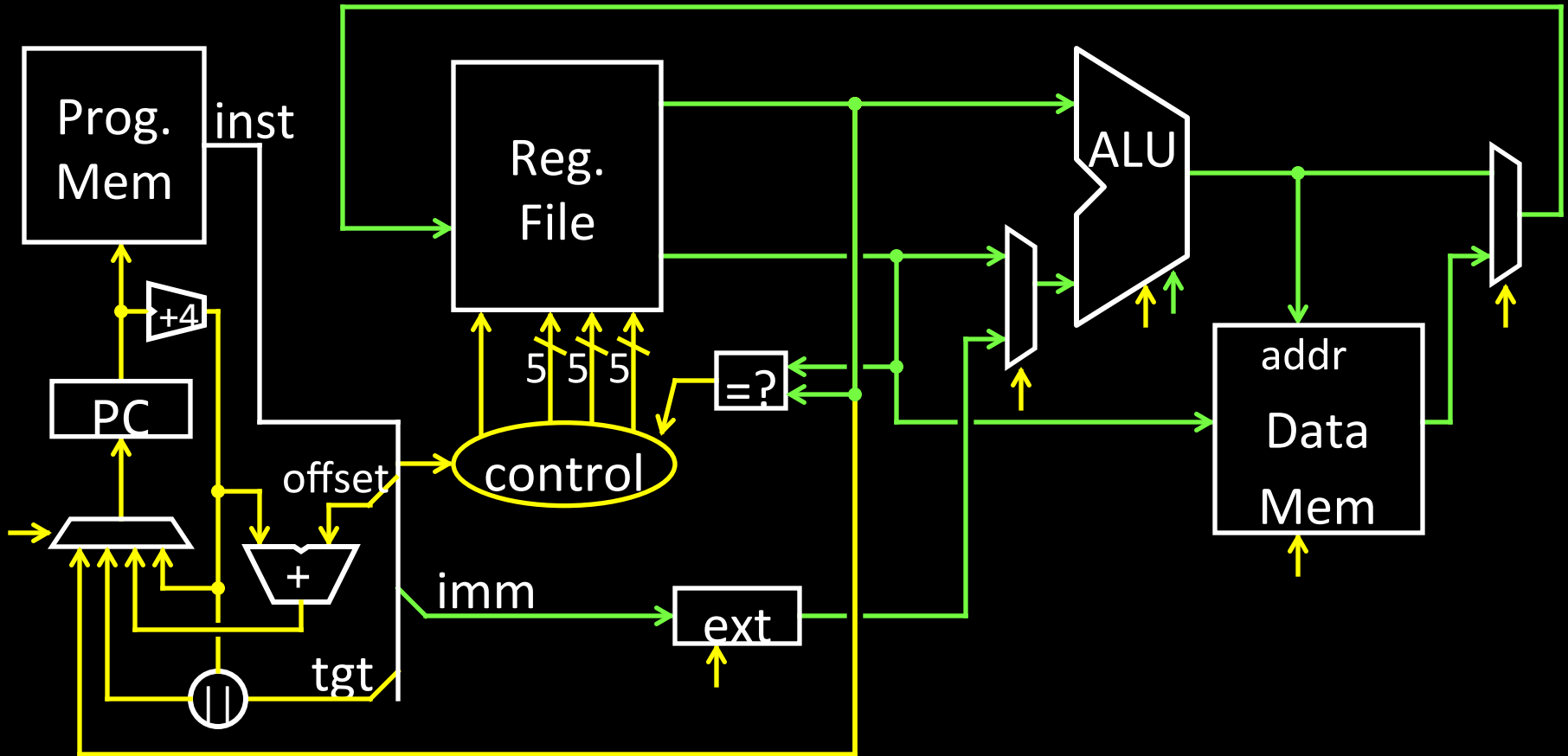
signed
offsets

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

Examples (3)

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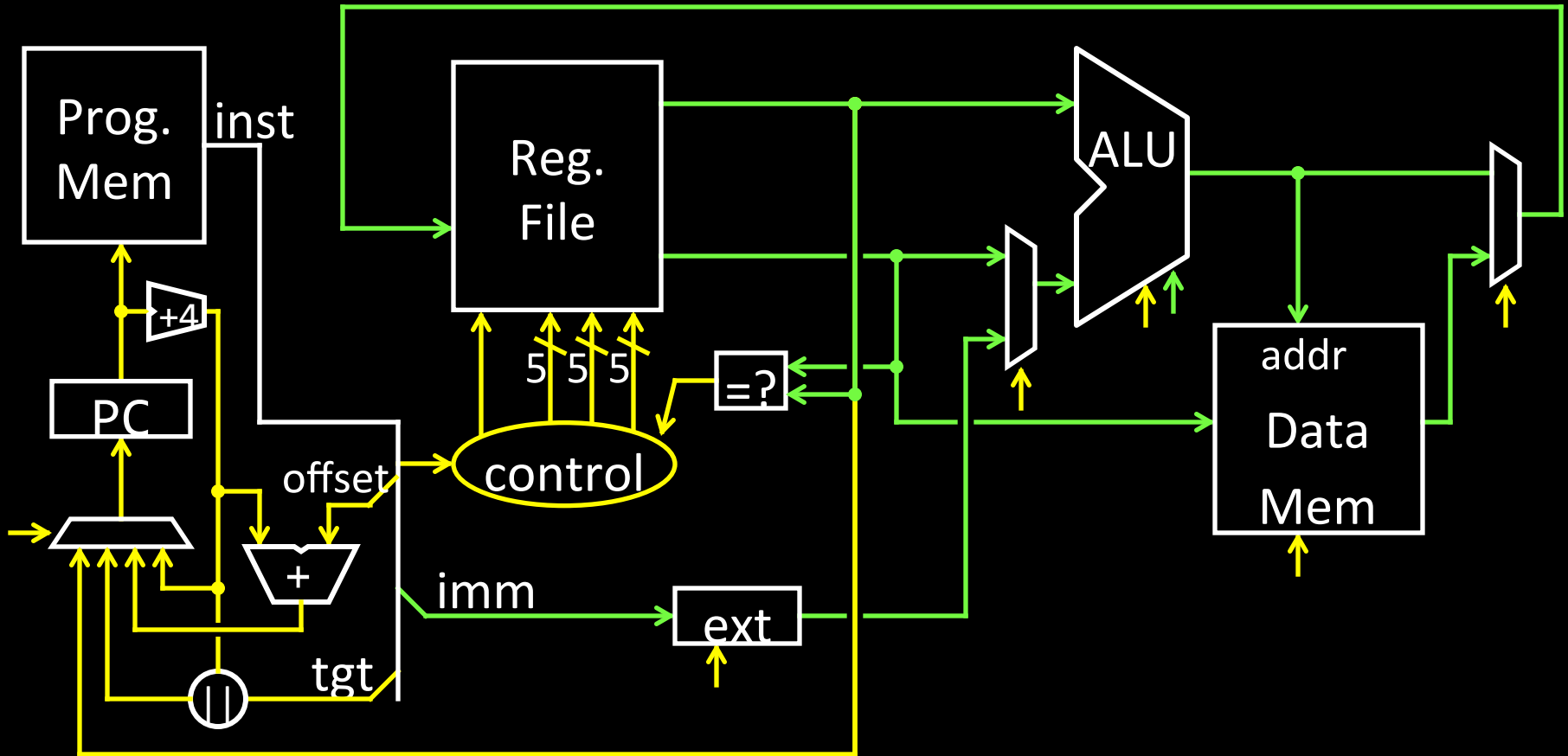
Absolute Jump



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Control Flow: More Branches

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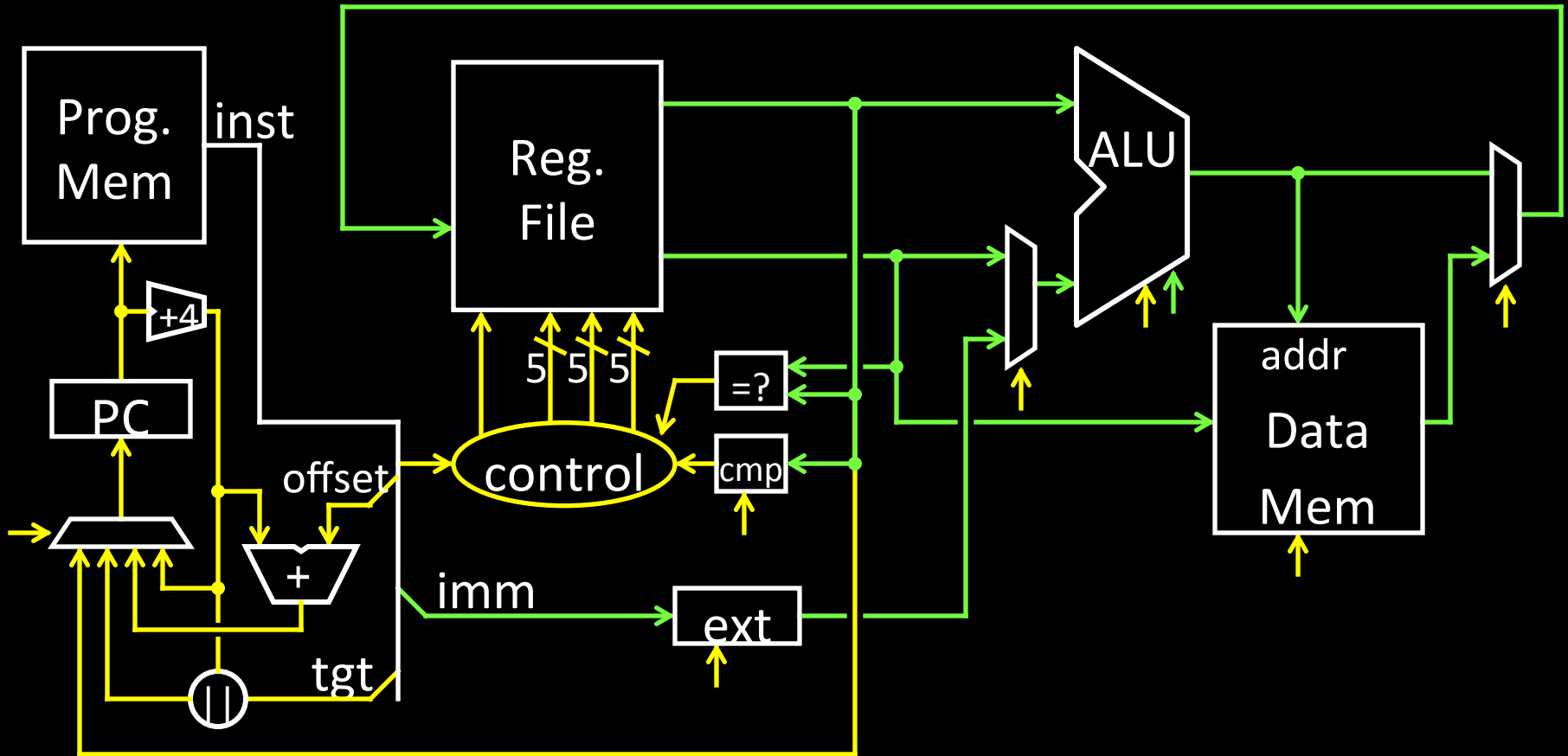
op **rs** **subop** **offset**
6 bits 5 bits 5 bits 16 bits

almost I-Type

signed
offsets

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

Absolute Jump



Could have used ALU for branch cmp

Control Flow: Jump and Link

00001100000001001000011000000010

op

6 bits

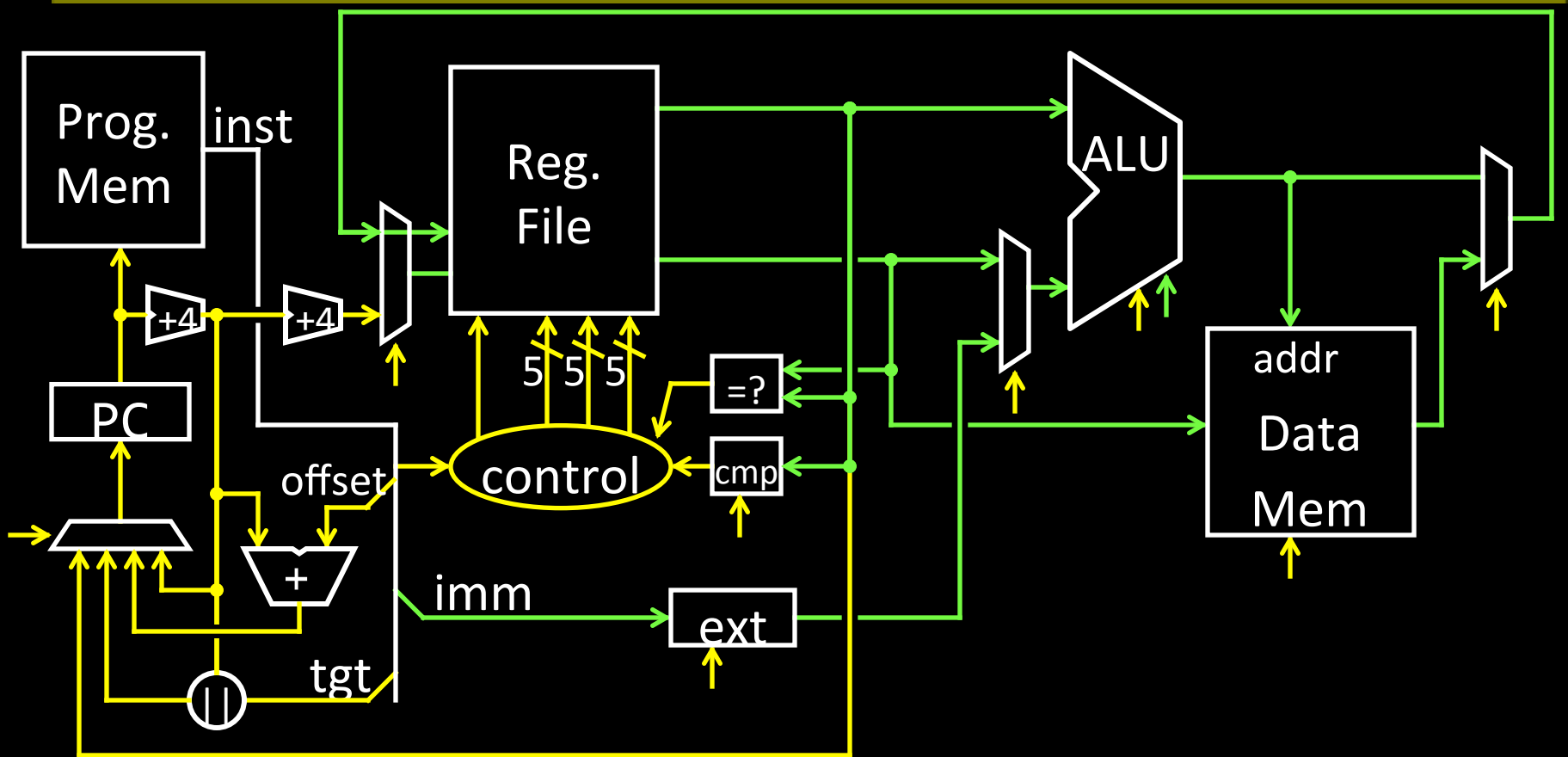
immediate

26 bits

J-Type

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

Absolute Jump



Could have used ALU for link add

Next Time

CPU Performance

Pipelined CPU