Chapter 3 – Instruction-Level Parallelism and its Exploitation (Part 1)

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Putting it Together (Mini-projects)

ILP vs. Parallel Computers

Instruction-Level Parallelism (ILP)

Instructions of single process (or thread) executed in parallel Parallel components must *appear* to execute in sequential program order

Parallel Computers or Multiprocessors

Program divided into multiple processes (or threads) Instructions of multiple threads executed in parallel Typically also involves ILP within each thread No a priori sequential order between parallel threads

Dynamic Scheduling - Basics

The situation:

DIV.D F0, F2, F4 ADD.D F10, F0, F8 MULT.D F6, F6, F14

The problem:

ADD stalls due to RAW hazard MULT stalls because ADD stalls

Example

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
DIV.D IF ID E/ E/ E/ E/ MEM WB
ADD.D IF ID ** ** ** E+ E+
MULT.D IF ** ** ** ID E* why stall?

In-order execution limits performance

Dynamic Scheduling - Basics (Cont.)

Solutions

Static Scheduling

Dynamic Scheduling

Static Scheduling (Software)

Compiler reorganizes instructions

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(Will see more later)

Dynamic Scheduling (Hardware)

Hardware reorganizes instructions

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Dynamic Scheduling - Basics (Cont.)

In-order execution - Static

Instructions sent to execution units sequentially

Stall instruction i + 1 if instruction i stalls for lack of operands

Out-of-order execution - Dynamic

Send independent instructions to execution units as soon as possible

Dynamic Scheduling Basics (Cont.)

Original simple pipeline

ID - decode, check all hazards, read operands

EX - execute

Dynamic pipeline

Split ID ("issue to execution unit") into two parts

Check for structural hazards

Wait for data dependences

New organization (conceptual):

Issue – decode, check structural hazards, read ready operands

ReadOps – wait until data hazards clear, read operands, begin execution

Issue stays in-order; ReadOps/beginning of EX is out-of-order

Dynamic Scheduling Basics (Cont.)

Dynamic scheduling can create WAW, WAR hazards, and imprecise exceptions

WAW hazards with dynamic scheduling

DIV.D F0, F2, F4 ADD.D F10, F0, F8 MUL.D F10, F8, F14

WAR hazards with dynamic scheduling

DIV.D F0, F2, F4 ADD.D F10,F0, F8 MUL.D F8, F8, F14

Can always stall,

but more aggressive solution with register renaming

Register Renaming - Tomasulo's Algorithm

Registers are Names for data values

Think of register specifiers as tags

NOT storage locations

Tomasulo's algorithm exploited above in IBM 360/91

WAW hazards:

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ADD.D F10, F0, F8
MUL.D F10, F8, F14
WAR hazards:

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Some History - IBM 360/91

Fast 360 for scientific code Completed in 1967

Predates cache memories

Pipelined, rather than multiple, functional units (FU)

We will assume multiple functional units

360 had register memory instructions, we don't

Register Renaming - Tomasulo's Algorithm

Tomasulo's algm uses reservation stations for register renaming

Instruction is "issued" to a reservation station

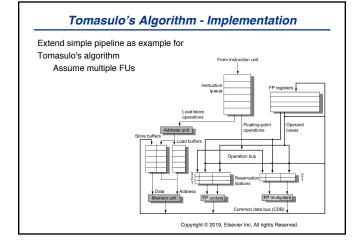
A pending operand is designated via a tag

Tag = reservation station that will provide the operand

Reservation station with pending instruction fetches and buffers the operand when it becomes available

All FUs place output on the common data bus (CDB) with tag

Waiting reservation station gets the data from the CDB (register bypass)



Our Tomasulo Pipeline

3-stage Execution (ignore IF and MEM)

Issue Get instruction from queue

ALU Op: Check for available reservation station

Load/Store: Check for available load/store buffer

If not, stall due to structural hazard

Execute If operands available, execute operation

If not, monitor CDB for operand

Write If CDB available, write it on CDB

If not, stall

Our Tomasulo Pipeline, cont

Reservation Stations

Handle distributed hazard detection and instruction control

Everything, except store buffers, has a tag

4-bit tag specifies reservation station or load buffer

Specifies which FU will produce result

Register specifier is used to assign tags

THEN IT'S DISCARDED!

Register specifers are ONLY used in ISSUE

Our Tomasulo Pipeline, cont

Reservation Stations

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Op} & \text{Opcode} \\ \mathcal{Q}_j, \mathcal{Q}_k & \text{Tag Fields} \\ V_j, V_k & \text{Operand values} \\ \text{Busy} & \text{Currently in use} \end{array}$

Register File and Store Buffer

 Q_i Tag Field Busy Currently in use

Load and Store Buffers

Busy Currently in use A Address

Latencies: FP+=2, $FP^*=10$, FP/=40, Load/int = 1

Tomasulo Example

Example code

L.D F6,34(R2)

L.D F2,45(R3)

MULT.D F0,F2,F4

SUB.D F8, F6, F2

DIV.D F10,F0,F6

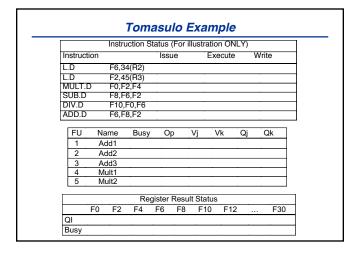
ADD.D F6, F8, F2

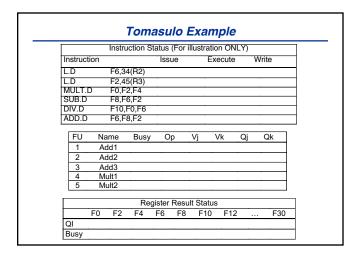
Tomasulo Example

Instruction Status (For illustration ONLY)							
Instruction		Issue	Execute	Write			
L.D	F6,34(R2)						
L.D	F2,45(R3)		•	•			
MULT.D	F0,F2,F4						
SUB.D	F8,F6,F2						
DIV.D	F10,F0,F6	-	•				
ADD.D	F6,F8,F2						

FU	Name	Busy	Ор	Vj	Vk	Qj	Qk
1	Add1	-	_	-		-	
2	Add2						
3	Add3						
4	Mult1						
5	Mult2						

Register Result Status									
	F0	F2	F4	F6	F8	F10	F12		F30
QI									
Busy									





Tomasulo, cont.

Out-of-order loads and stores?

CDB is a bottleneck

Could duplicate

Increases the required hardware

Complex implementation

Tomasulo, cont.

Advantages

Distribution of hazard detection

Elimination of WAR and WAW stalls

Common Data Bus

- + Broadcasts results to multiple instructions, bypasses registers
- Central bottleneck

Could duplicate (increases required hardware)

Register Renaming

- + Eliminates WAR and WAW Hazards
- + Allows dynamic loop unrolling

Especially important with only 4 registers

- Requires many associative lookups

Loops with Tomasulo's Algorithm

Consider the following example:

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FORTRAN:

DO I = 1, N

C[I] = A[I] + s * B[I]

ASSEMBLY:

L.D F0, A(R1)

L.D F2, B(R1)

MUL.D F2, F2, F4 /* s in F4 */

ADD.D F2, F2, F0

S.D C(R1), F2

Branch code
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What would Tomasulo's algorithm do?