

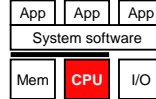
CSE 560 Computer Systems Architecture

Dynamic Scheduling

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This Unit: Dynamic Scheduling



- Code scheduling
 - To reduce pipeline stalls
 - To increase ILP (insn level parallelism)

Two approaches to scheduling

- Last Unit:
 - Static scheduling by the compiler
- **This Unit:**
 - **Dynamic scheduling by the hardware**

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Scheduling: Compiler or Hardware

Compiler

- + Potentially large scheduling scope (full program)
- + Simple hardware → fast clock, short pipeline, and low power
- Low branch prediction accuracy (profiling?)
- Little information on memory dependences (profiling?)
- Can't dynamically respond to cache misses
- Pain to speculate and recover from mis-speculation (h/w support?)

Hardware

- + High branch prediction accuracy
- + Dynamic information about memory dependences
- + Can respond to cache misses
- + Easy to speculate and recover from mis-speculation
- Finite buffering resources fundamentally limit scheduling scope
- Scheduling machinery adds pipeline stages and consumes power

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Can Hardware Overcome These Limits?

• Dynamically-scheduled processors

- Also called "out-of-order" processors
- Hardware re-schedules insns...
- ...within a sliding window of VonNeumann insns
- As with pipelining and superscalar, ISA unchanged
 - Same hardware/software interface, appearance of in-order
- Increases scheduling scope
 - Does loop unrolling transparently
 - Uses branch prediction to "unroll" branches
- Examples: Pentium Pro/II/III (3-wide), Core 2 (4-wide), Alpha 21264 (4-wide), MIPS R10000 (4-wide), Power5 (5-wide)
- Basic overview of approach

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The Problem With In-Order Pipelines

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
addf	£0, £1 → £2	F	D	E+	E+	E+	W										
mulf	£2, £3 → £2	F	d*	d*	D	E*	E*	E*	E*	W							
subf	£0, £1 → £4	F	p*	p*	D	E+	E+	E+	W								

- What's happening in cycle 4?
 - **mulf** stalls due to **data dependence**
 - OK, this is a fundamental problem
 - **subf** stalls due to **pipeline hazard**
 - Why? **subf** can't proceed into D because **mulf** is there
 - That is the only reason, and it isn't a fundamental one
- Maintaining in-order writes to reg. file (both write £2)
- Why can't **subf** go into D in cycle 4 and E+ in cycle 5?

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A Word About Data Hazards

- Real insn sequences pass values via registers/memory
- Three kinds of **data dependences** (where's the fourth?)

	Read-after-write (RAW) True-dependence	Write-after-read (WAR) Anti-dependence	Write-after-write (WAW) Output-dependence
R	add r2, r3 → r1	add r2, r3 → r1	add r2, r3 → r1
E	sub r1, r4 → r2	sub r5, r4 → r2	sub r1, r4 → r2
G	or r6, r3 → r1	or r6, r3 → r1	or r6, r3 → r1
M	st r1 → [r2]	ld[r1] → r2	st r1 → [r2]
E	ld[r2] → r4	st r3 → [r1]	st r3 → [r2]
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- Only one dependence between any two insns (RAW has priority)
- Focus on **RAW dependences**
- WAR and WAW: less common, just bad naming luck
 - Eliminated by using new register names, (can't rename memory!)

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Find the RAW, WAR, and WAW dependences

- (1) add r1 ← r2, r3
- (2) sub r4 ← r1, r5
- (3) and r2 ← r4, r7
- (4) xor r10 ← r2, r11
- (5) or r12 ← r10, r13
- (6) mult r1 ← r10, r13



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RAW dependences:

- r1 from add (1) to sub (2)
- r4 from sub (2) to and (3)
- r2 from and (3) to xor (4)
- r10 from xor (4) to or (5)
- r10 from xor (4) to mult (6)

WAR dependences:

- r2 from add (1) to and (3)
- r1 from sub (2) to mult (6)

WAW dependences:

- r1 from add (1) to mult (6)

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Code Example

- Raw insns:

True Dependencies	False Dependencies
add r2, r3 → r1	add r2, r3 → r1
sub r2, r1 → r3	sub r2, r1 → r3
mul r2, r3 → r3	mul r2, r3 → r3
div r1, 4 → r1	div r1, 4 → r1
- "True" (real) & "False" (artificial) dependencies
- Divide insn independent of subtract and multiply insns
 - Can execute in parallel with subtract
- Many registers re-used
 - Just as in static scheduling, the register names get in the way
 - How does the hardware get around this?
- Approach: (step #1) rename registers, (step #2) schedule

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Step #1: Register Renaming

- To eliminate register conflicts/hazards
- **Architected** vs. **Physical** registers – level of indirection
 - Names: r1, r2, r3
 - Locations: p1, p2, p3, p4, p5, p6, p7
 - Original mapping: r1 → p1, r2 → p2, r3 → p3, p4-p7 are available

r1	r2	r3
p1	p2	p3
p4	p2	p3
p4	p2	p5
p4	p2	p6
p7	p2	p6

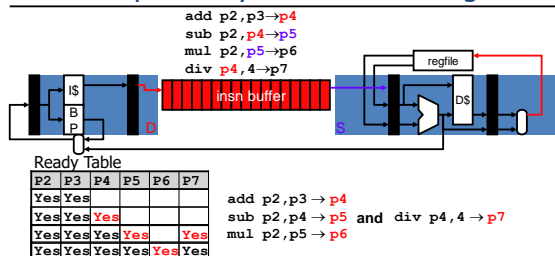
FreeList
p4, p5, p6, p7
p5, p6, p7
p6, p7
p7

Original insns	Renamed insns
add r2, r3 → r1	add p2, p3 → p4
sub r2, r1 → r3	sub p2, p4 → p5
mul r2, r3 → r3	mul p2, p5 → p6
div r1, 4 → r1	div p4, 4 → p7

- Renaming: conceptually write each register once
 - + Removes **false** dependences
 - + Leaves **true** dependences intact!
- When to reuse a physical register? After overwriting insn done

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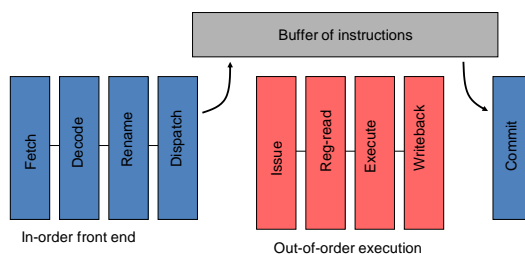
Step #2: Dynamic Scheduling



- Instructions fetch/decoded/rename into *Instruction Buffer*
 - AKA "instruction window" or "instruction scheduler"
- Instructions (conceptually) check ready bits every cycle
 - Execute when ready

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Out-of-order Pipeline



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REGISTER RENAMING

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Register Renaming Algorithm

- Data structures:
 - mactable[architectural_reg] → physical_reg
 - Free list: get/put free register
- Algorithm: at decode for each instruction:


```

            insn.phys_input1 = mactable[insn.arch_input1]
            insn.phys_input2 = mactable[insn.arch_input2]
            insn.phys_to_free = mactable[arch_output]
            new_reg = get_free_phys_reg()
            insn.phys_output = new_reg
            mactable[arch_output] = new_reg
            
```
- At "commit"
 - Once all older instructions have committed, free register


```
put_free_phys_reg(insn.phys_to_free)
```

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Renaming example

Original insns

```
xor r1, r2 - r3
add r3, r4 - r4
sub r5, r2 - r3
addi r3, 1 - r1
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p3
r4	p4
r5	p5

Map table

p6
p7
p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

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add r3, r4 - r4
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addi r3, 1 - r1
```

Renamed insns

```
xor p1, p2 -
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p3
r4	p4
r5	p5

Map table

p6
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p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

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add r3, r4 - r4
sub r5, r2 - r3
addi r3, 1 - r1
```

Renamed insns

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p3
r4	p4
r5	p5

Map table

p6
p7
p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

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sub r5, r2 - r3
addi r3, 1 - r1
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Renamed insns

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xor p1, p2 - p6
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r2	p2
r3	p6
r4	p4
r5	p5

Map table

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Free-list

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```

Renamed insns

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xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 -
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p6
r4	p4
r5	p5

Map table

p7
p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

Original insns

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add r3, r4 - r4
sub r5, r2 - r3
addi r3, 1 - r1
```

Renamed insns

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p6
r4	p4
r5	p5

Map table

p7
p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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r2	p2
r3	p6
r4	p7
r5	p5

Map table

p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

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Renamed insns

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xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
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r1	p1
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r4	p7
r5	p5

Map table

p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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```

Renamed insns

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xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p6
r4	p7
r5	p5

Map table

p8
p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

Original insns

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xor r1, r2 - r3
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Renamed insns

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xor p1, p2 - p6
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r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p8
r4	p7
r5	p5

Map table

p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

Original insns

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xor r1, r2 - r3
add r3, r4 - r4
sub r5, r2 - r3
addi r3, 1 - r1
```

Renamed insns

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
addi p8, 1 -
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p8
r4	p7
r5	p5

Map table

p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

Original insns

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add r3, r4 - r4
sub r5, r2 - r3
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```

Renamed insns

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
addi p8, 1 - p9
```

r1	p1
r2	p2
r3	p8
r4	p7
r5	p5

Map table

p9
p10

Free-list

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Renaming example

Original insns

```
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add r3, r4 - r4
sub r5, r2 - r3
addi r3, 1 - r1
```

Renamed insns

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
addi p8, 1 - p9
```

r1	p9
r2	p2
r3	p8
r4	p7
r5	p5

Map table

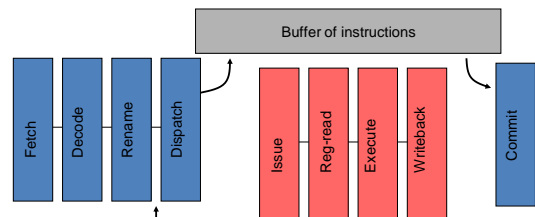
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Free-list

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Out-of-order Pipeline



Have unique register names
Now put into ooo execution structures

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DYNAMIC SCHEDULING

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Dispatch

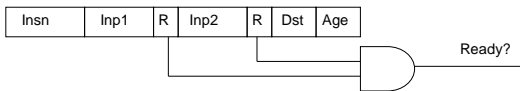
- Renamed instructions into ooo structures
 - Re-order buffer (ROB)
 - Holds all instructions until they commit
 - Issue Queue
 - Un-executed instructions
 - Central piece of scheduling logic
 - Content Addressable Memory (CAM) (more later)

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Issue Queue

- Holds un-executed instructions
- Tracks ready inputs
 - Physical register names + ready bit
 - AND to tell if ready



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Dispatch Steps

- Allocate IQ slot
 - Full? Stall
- Read **ready bits** of inputs
 - Table 1-bit per preg
- Clear **ready bit** of output in table
 - Instruction has not produced value yet
- Write data in IQ slot

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Dispatch Example

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
addi p8, 1 - p9
```

Ready bits

p1	y
p2	y
p3	y
p4	y
p5	y
p6	y
p7	y
p8	y
p9	y

Issue Queue

Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age

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Dispatch Example

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
addi p8, 1 - p9
```

Ready bits

p1	y
p2	y
p3	y
p4	y
p5	y
p6	n
p7	y
p8	y
p9	y

Issue Queue

Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age
xor	p1	y	p2	y	p6	0

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Dispatch Example

```
xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
addi p8, 1 - p9
```

Ready bits

p1	y
p2	y
p3	y
p4	y
p5	y
p6	n
p7	n
p8	y
p9	y

Issue Queue

Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age
xor	p1	y	p2	y	p6	0
add	p6	n	p4	y	p7	1

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Dispatch Example

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xor p1, p2 - p6
add p6, p4 - p7
sub p5, p2 - p8
addi p8, 1 - p9
```

Ready bits

p1	y
p2	y
p3	y
p4	y
p5	y
p6	n
p7	n
p8	n
p9	y

Issue Queue

Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age
xor	p1	y	p2	y	p6	0
add	p6	n	p4	y	p7	1
sub	p5	y	p2	y	p8	2

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Dispatch Example

```
xor p1, p2 -> p6
add p6, p4 -> p7
sub p5, p2 -> p8
addi p8, 1 -> p9
```

Ready bits

p1	y
p2	y
p3	y
p4	y
p5	y
p6	n
p7	n
p8	n
p9	n

Issue Queue

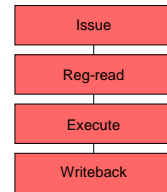
Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age
xor	p1	y	p2	y	p6	0
add	p6	n	p4	y	p7	1
sub	p5	y	p2	y	p8	2
addi	p8	n	---	y	p9	3

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Out-of-order pipeline

- Execution (ooo) stages
- **Select** ready instructions
 - Send for execution
- **Wakeup** dependents



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Dynamic Scheduling/Issue Algorithm

- Data structures:
 - Ready table[phys_reg] → yes/no (part of issue queue)
- Algorithm at "schedule" stage (prior to read registers):


```
foreach instruction:
    if table[insn.phys_input1] == ready &&
       table[insn.phys_input2] == ready then
        insn is "ready"
select the oldest "ready" instruction
table[insn.phys_output] = ready
```

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Issue = Select + Wakeup

- **Select** N oldest, ready instructions
 - N=1, "xor"
 - N=2, "xor" and "sub"
 - Note: may have execution resource constraints: *i.e.*, load/store/fp

Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age	
xor	p1	y	p2	y	p6	0	Ready!
add	p6	n	p4	y	p7	1	
sub	p5	y	p2	y	p8	2	Ready!
addi	p8	n	---	y	p9	3	

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Issue = Select + Wakeup

- **Wakeup** dependent instructions
 - CAM search for Dst in inputs
 - Set ready
 - Also update ready-bit table for future instructions

Ready bits

p1	y
p2	y
p3	y
p4	y
p5	y
p6	y
p7	n
p8	y
p9	n

Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age
xor	p1	y	p2	y	p6	0
add	p6	y	p4	y	p7	1
sub	p5	y	p2	y	p8	2
addi	p8	y	---	y	p9	3

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Issue

- **Select/Wakeup** one cycle
- Dependents go back to back
 - Next cycle: add/addi are ready:

Insn	Inp1	R	Inp2	R	Dst	Age
add	p6	y	p4	y	p7	1
addi	p8	y	---	y	p9	3

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