

Homework 3

Problem 1

Suppose the CPU is pipelined with Data Forwarding, there are five instructions:

```
irmovl $0,%eax
popl  %eax
popl  %ebx
addl  %eax, %ebx
pushl %eax
```

Draw the pipelined diagram of these instructions, and point out forwarding in the diagram.

- (1)Initially, all registers have value \$0.
- (2)Specify the src and dest of each forwarding value explicitly.
- (3)Mem[%esp] = 1, Mem[%esp+4] = 2.

Problem 2

```
#demo-retB.y
0x000:  irmovl Stack,%esp  # Intialize stack pointer
0x006:  call p             # Procedure call
0x00b:  irmovl $5,%esi     # Return point
0x011:  halt
0x020: .pos 0x20
0x020: p: irmovl $-1,%edi  # procedure
0x026:  ret
0x027:  irmovl $1,%eax     # Should not be executed
0x02d:  irmovl $2,%ecx     # Should not be executed
0x033:  irmovl $3,%edx     # Should not be executed
0x039:  irmovl $4,%ebx     # Should not be executed
0x100: .pos 0x100
0x100: Stack:         # Stack: Stack pointer
```

In the above example, when **ret** at 0x026 is in its D, E, M stages, there will be **stall** at F stage and **bubble** at D stage. Explain why this happens and the difference between stall and bubble?

Problem 3

For each of the instruction that will cause exception, specify its cause(halt, bad address or invalid) and the stage where exception can be detected, otherwise leave blank. (%eax = \$100)

Instruction	Cause	Stage
halt		
.byte FF		
jmp \$-1		
rmmovl %eax,0x10000(%eax)		
Xor %eax, %eax jne t t: .byte 0xFF		

Problem 4

Suppose we have the following statistics for a certain program:

- (1) Fraction of instructions that are loads: 10%
- (2) Fraction of load instructions requiring stall: 20%
- (3) Number of bubbles injected each time: 1
- (4) Fraction of instructions that are cond. jumps: 35%
- (5) Fraction of cond. jumps mis-predicted: 40%
- (6) Number of bubbles injected each time: 2
- (7) Fraction of instructions that are returns: 1%
- (8) Number of bubbles injected each time: 3

Calculate the CPI.