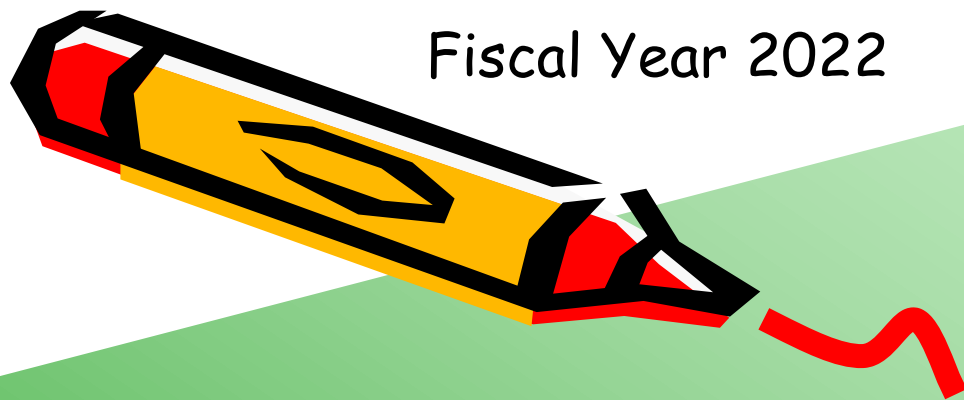


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# Advanced Computer Architecture

## 8. Instruction Level Parallelism: Exploiting ILP Using Multiple Issue and Speculation



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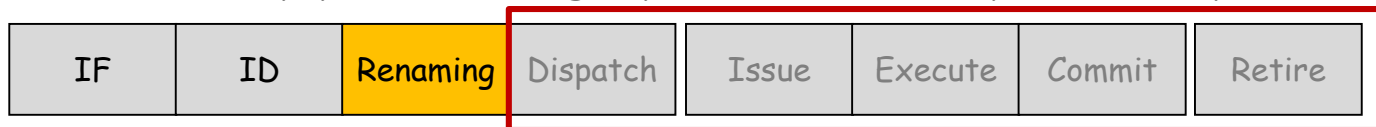
# Hardware register renaming (last lecture)

- Logical registers (architectural registers) which are ones defined by ISA
  - \$0, \$1, ... \$31
- Physical registers
  - Assuming plenty of registers are available, p0, p1, p2, ...
- A processor renames (converts) each logical register to a unique physical register dynamically in the renaming stage

Typical instruction pipeline of scalar processor

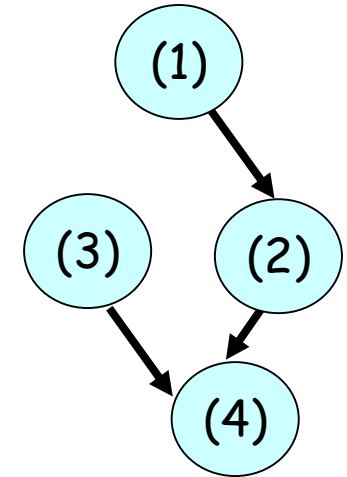


Typical instruction pipeline of high-performance superscalar processor



# Out-of-order execution (OoO execution)

- In **in-order execution** model, all instructions are executed in the order that they appear as (1), (2), (3), (4) ...  
This can lead to unnecessary stalls.
  - Instruction (3) stalls waiting for insn (2) to go first, even though it does not have a data dependence.
- With **out-of-order execution**,
  - Using register renaming to eliminate output dependence and antidependence, just having true data dependence
  - insn (3) is allowed to be executed before the insn (2)
  - A key design philosophy behind OoO execution to extract ILP by executing instructions as quickly as possible.
    - **Scoreboarding** (CDC6600 in 1964)
    - **Tomasulo algorithm** (IBM System/360 Model 91 in 1967)



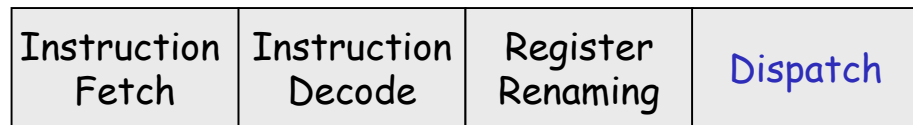
$R3 = R3 \times R5$  (1)  
 $R4 = R3 + 1$  (2)  
 $R3 = R5 + 2$  (3)  
 $R7 = R3 + R4$  (4)

Data flow graph



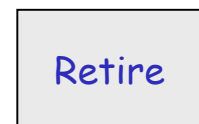
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**In-order** front-end

**Out-of-order** back-end



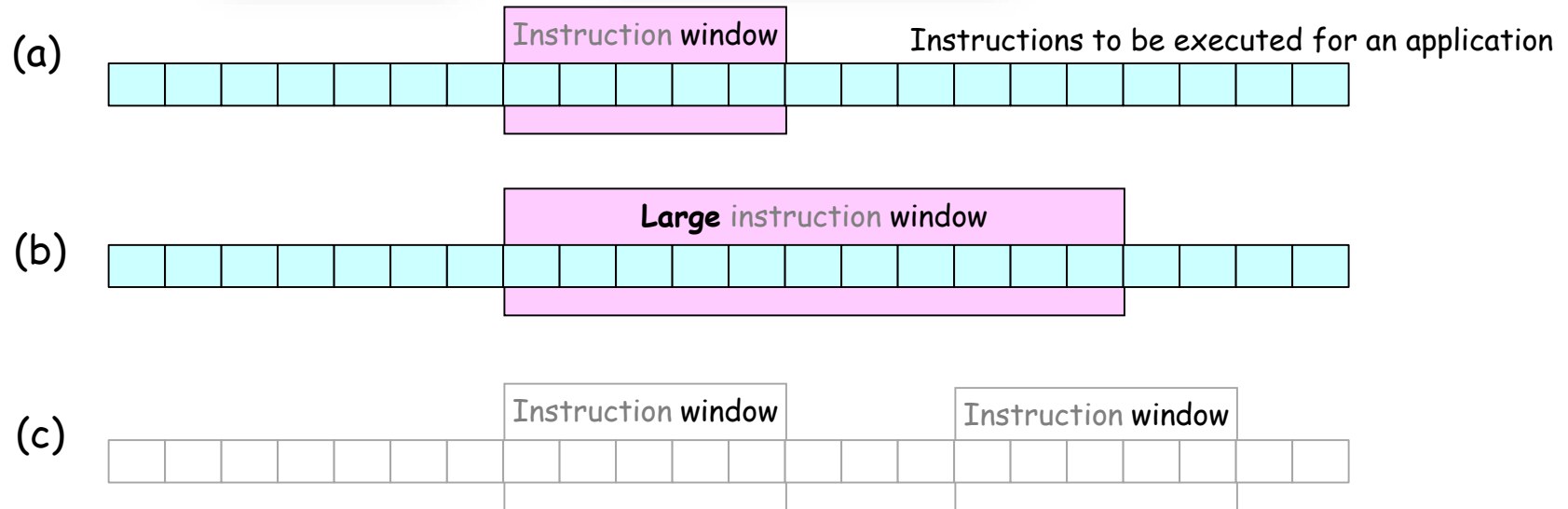
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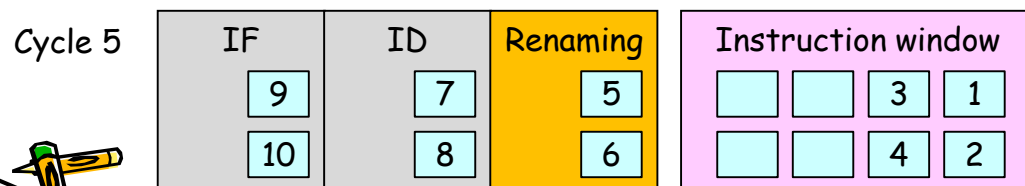
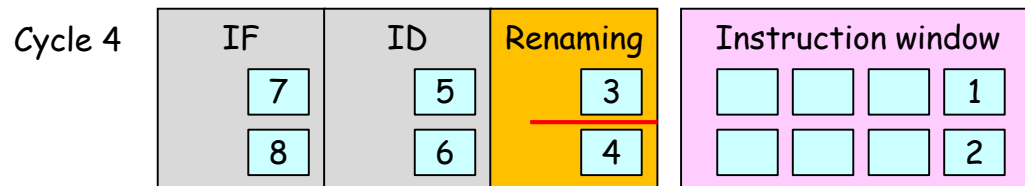
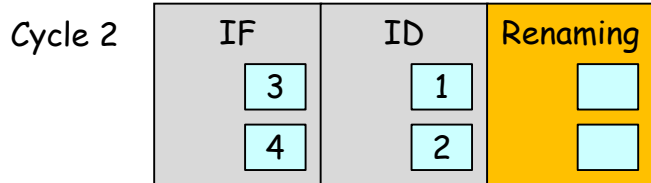
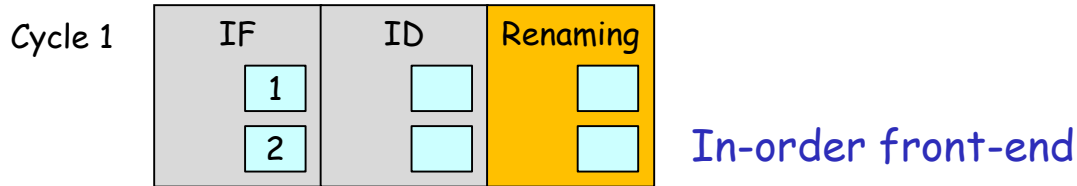


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		4	7

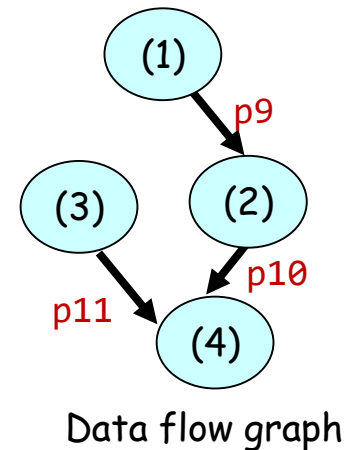


# The key idea for OoO execution (1/3)

- In-order front-end**, OoO execution core, in-order retirement using **instruction window** and reorder buffer (ROB)



I1: sub **p9**, p1, p2  
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 I3: or **p11**, p4, p5  
 I4: and **p12**, **p10**, **p11**



# The key idea for OoO execution (2/3)

- In-order front-end, OoO execution core, in-order retirement using **instruction window** and reorder buffer (ROB)

Cycle 5

IF	ID	Renaming	Instruction window			
9	7	5			3	1
10	8	6			4	2

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Cycle 6

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11	9	7			6	5	1
12	10	8			4	2	3

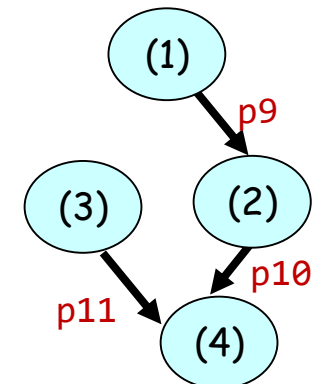
We assume that I1 and I3 can be issued at cycle 6 by dependence.

Cycle 7

IF	ID	Renaming	Instruction window				Issue	Execute
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14	12	10			4	7		➤ 3

Cycle 8

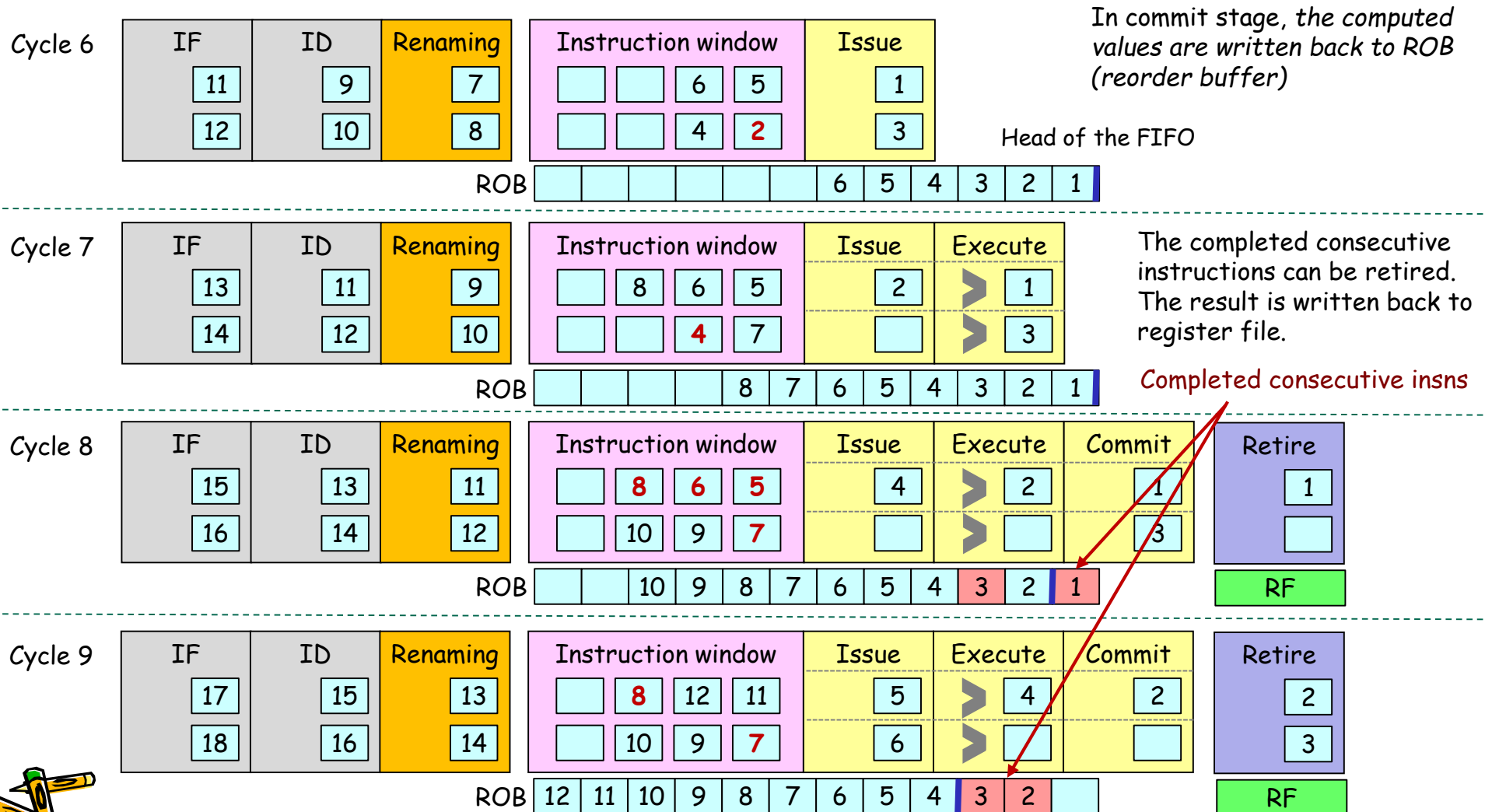
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15	13	11		8	6	5	4	➤ 2	1
16	14	12		10	9	7		➤	3



Data flow graph

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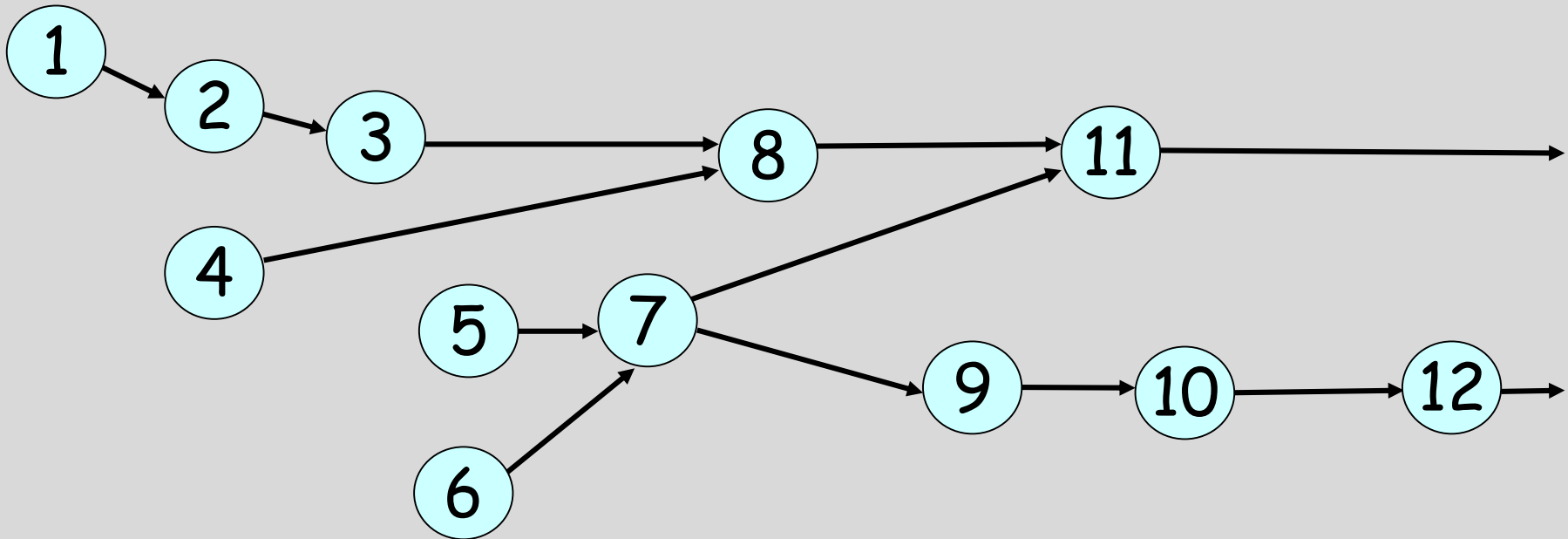


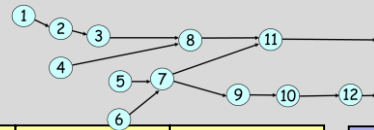
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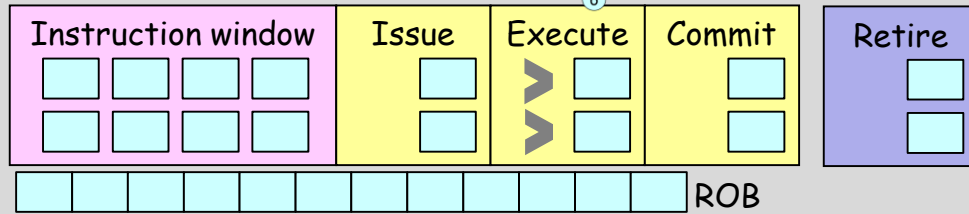
# Exercise: OoO execution

- Draw the cycle by cycle processing behavior of these 12 instructions
  - wakeup
  - select

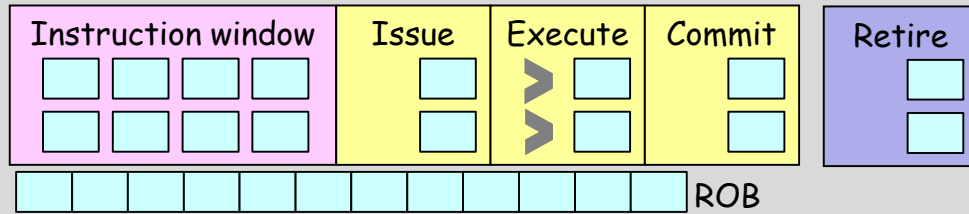




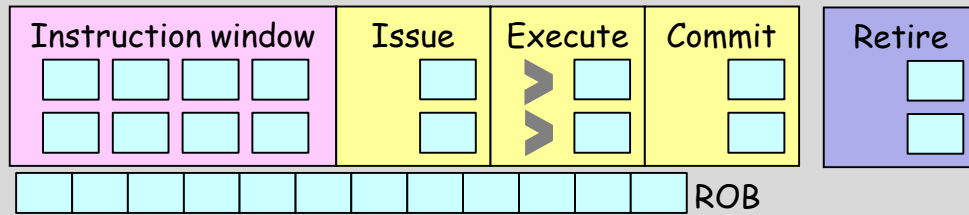
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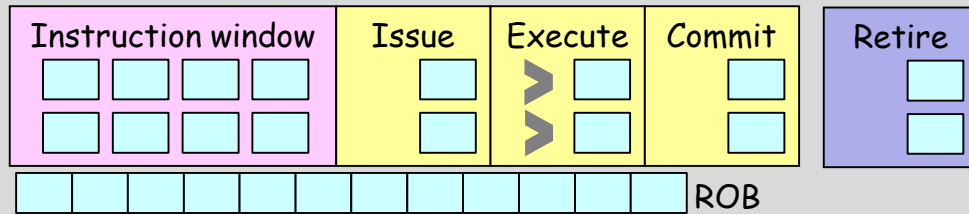
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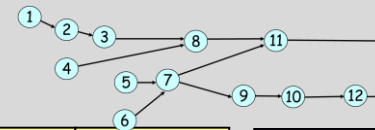
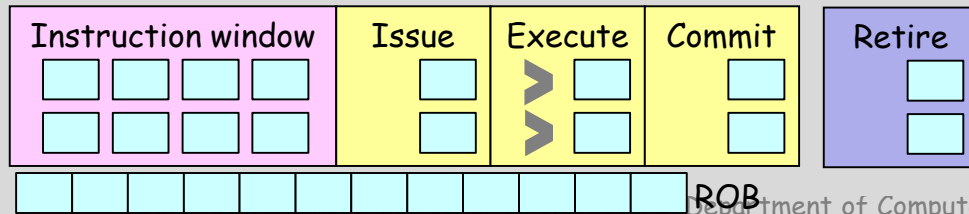
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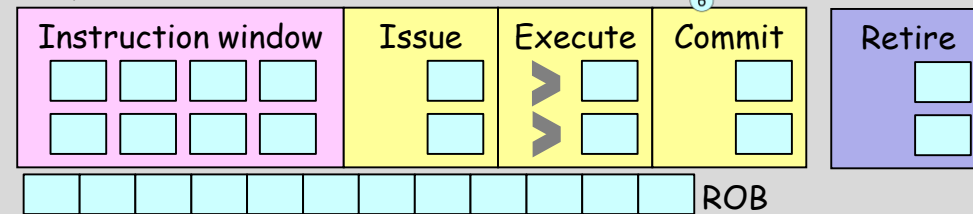
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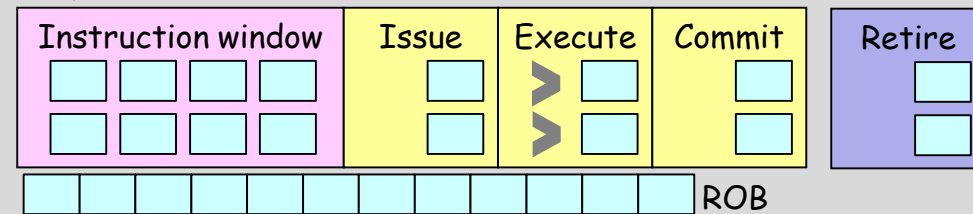
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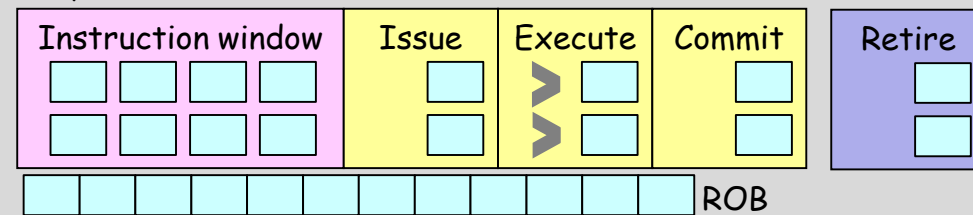
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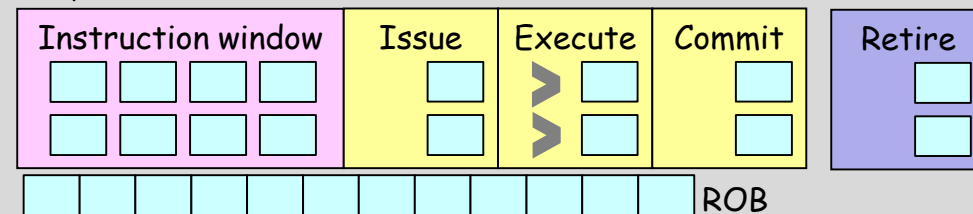
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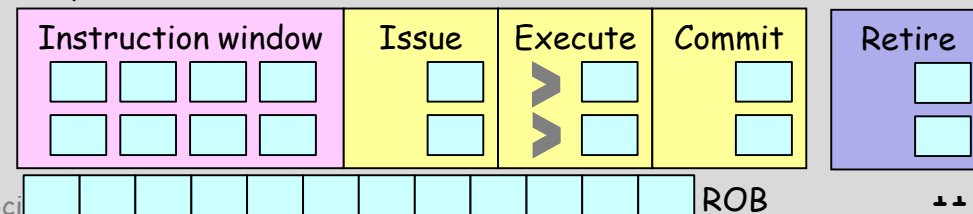
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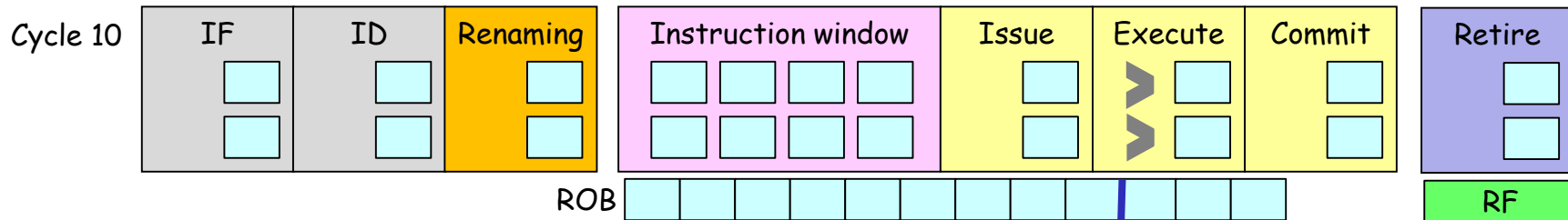
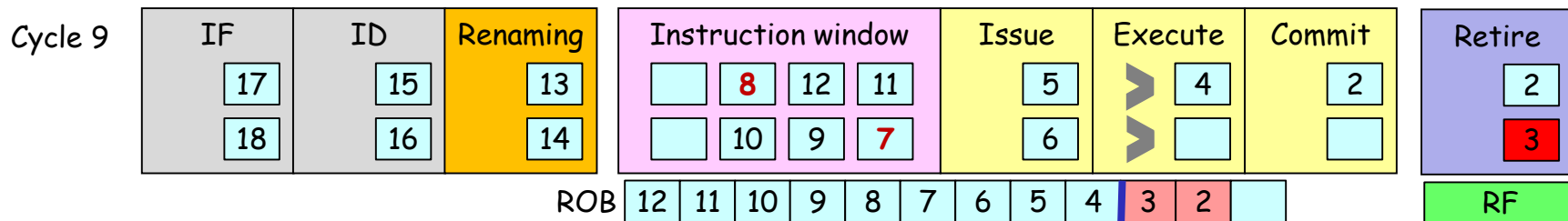


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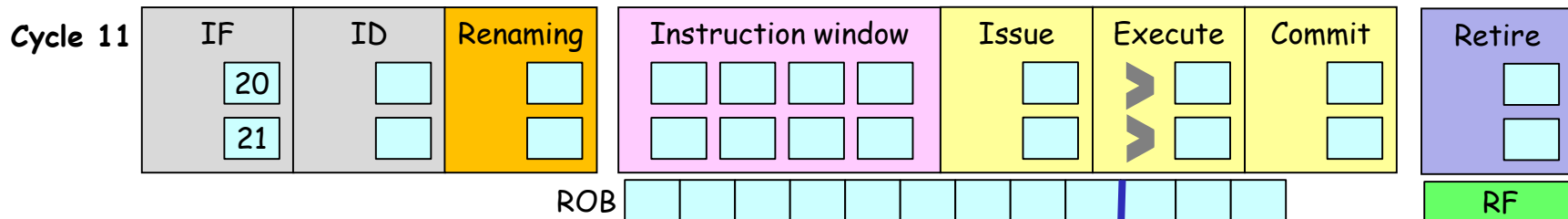


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- Assume that instruction 3 is a **miss predicted branch** and its target insn is 20
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- Register file (and PC) has the **architecture state** after insn 3 is executed



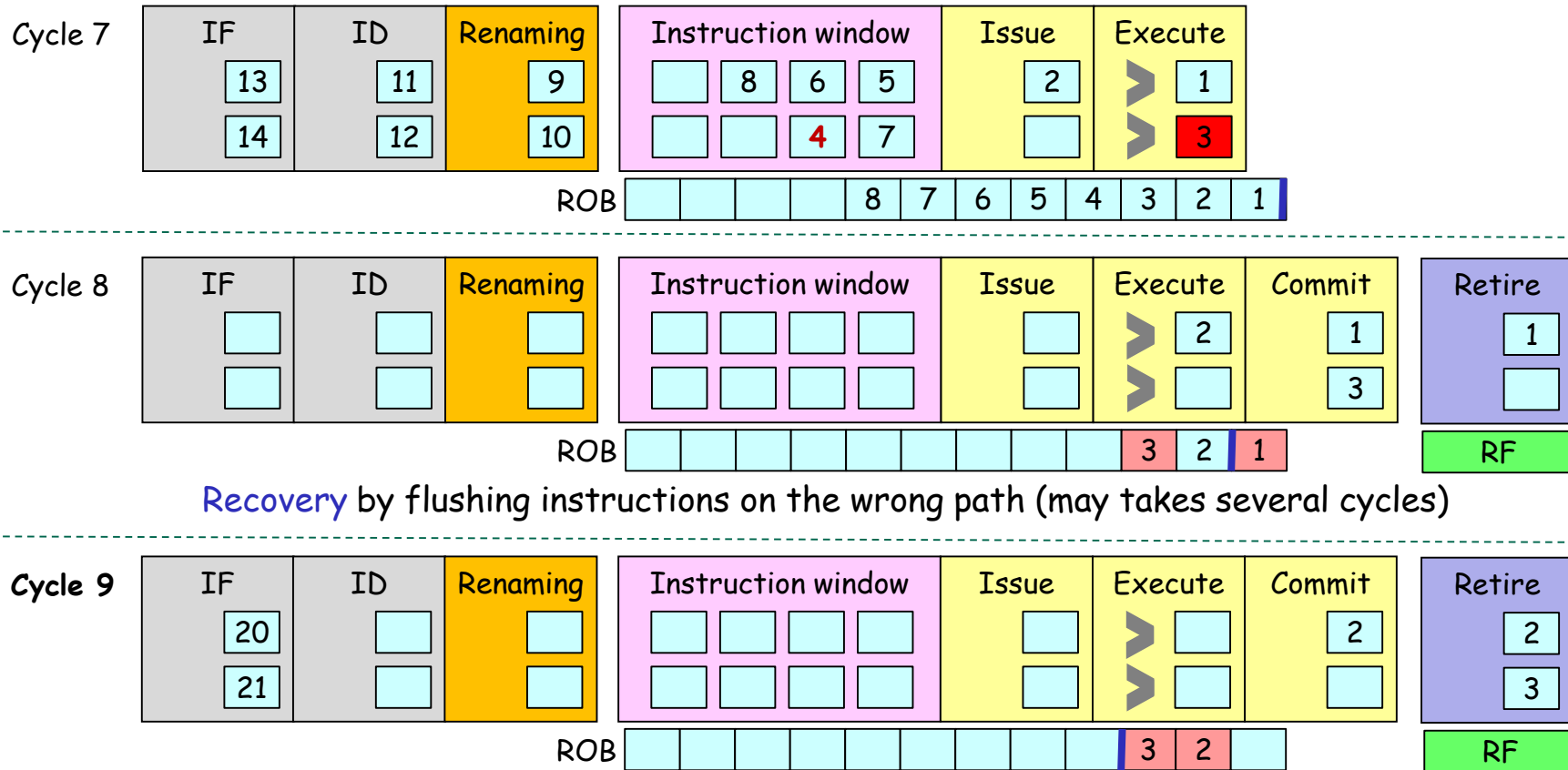
Recovery by flushing instructions on the wrong path (may take several cycles)



Restart by fetching instructions using the correct PC

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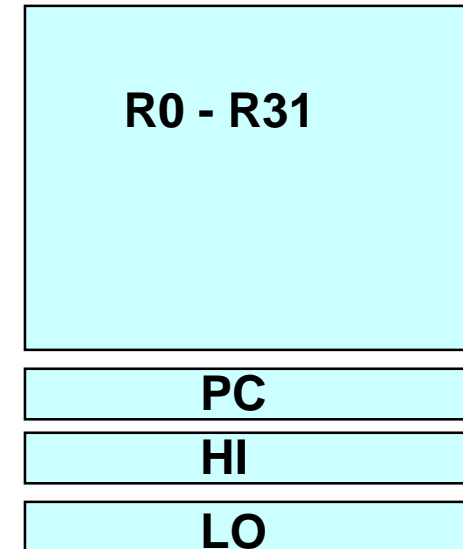


# MIPS R3000 Instruction Set Architecture (ISA)

- Instruction Categories

- Computational
- Load/Store
- Jump and Branch
- Floating Point
  - coprocessor
- Memory Management
- Special

## Registers



## 3 Instruction Formats: all 32 bits wide

OP	rs	rt	rd	shamt	funct	R format
OP	rs	rt	immediate			I format
OP	jump target (immediate)					J format

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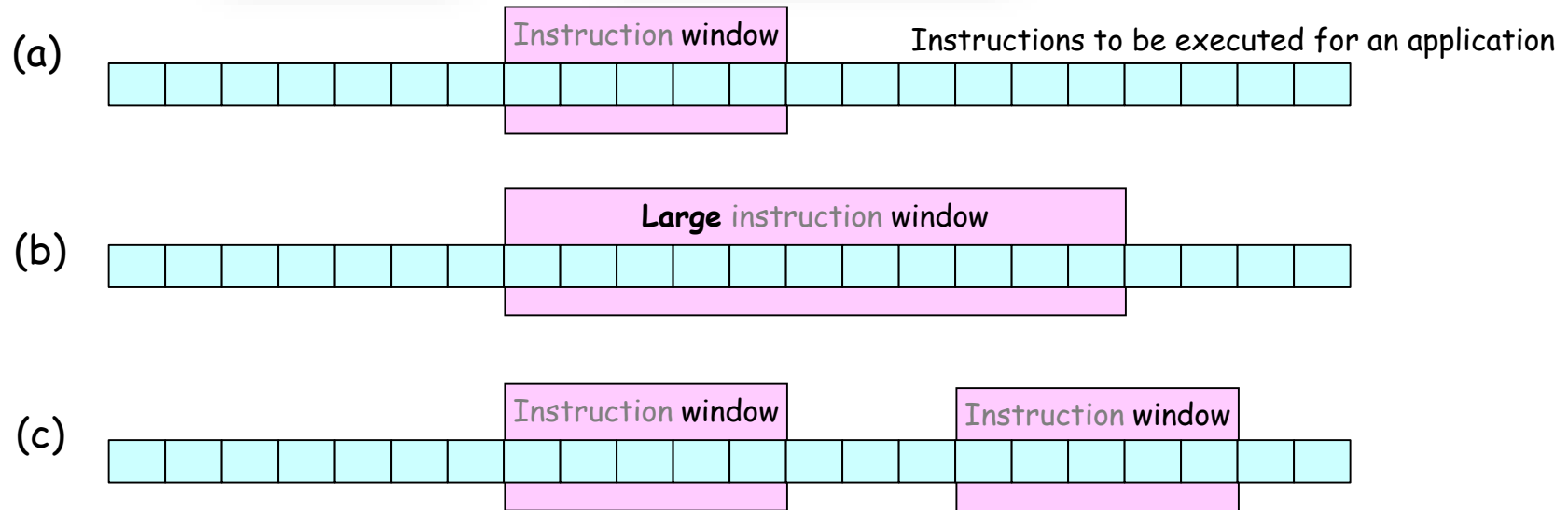


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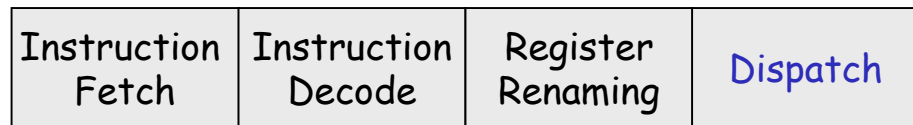


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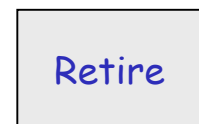
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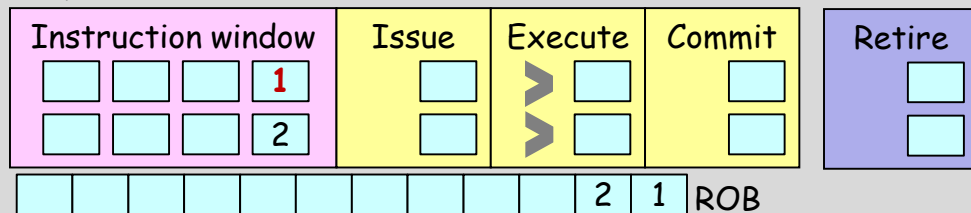
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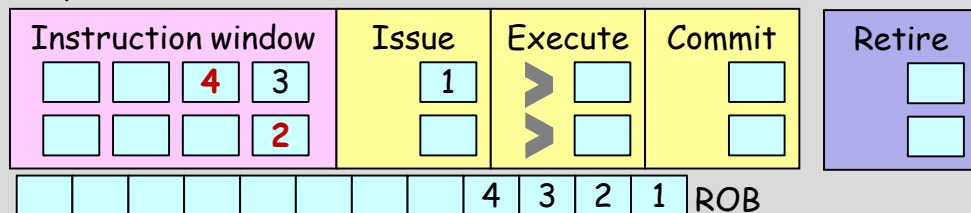


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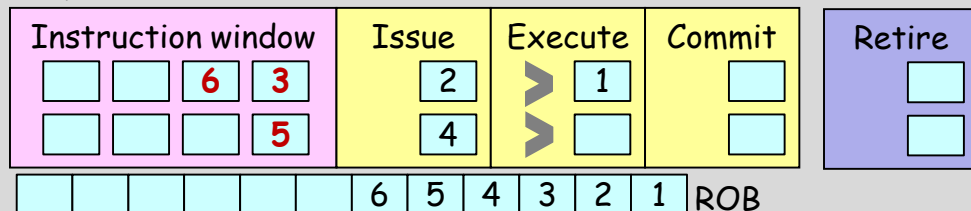
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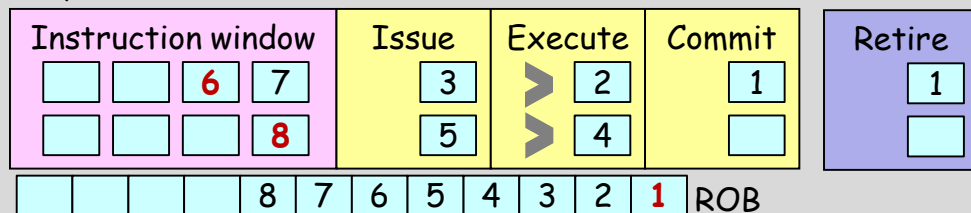
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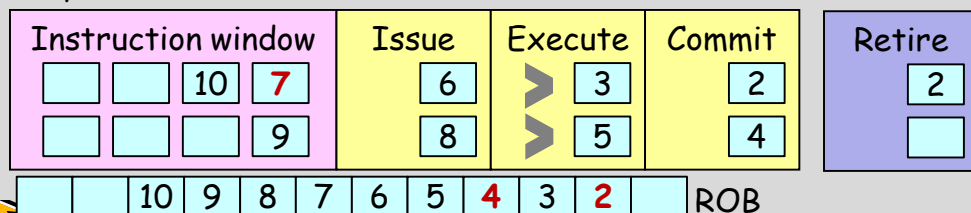
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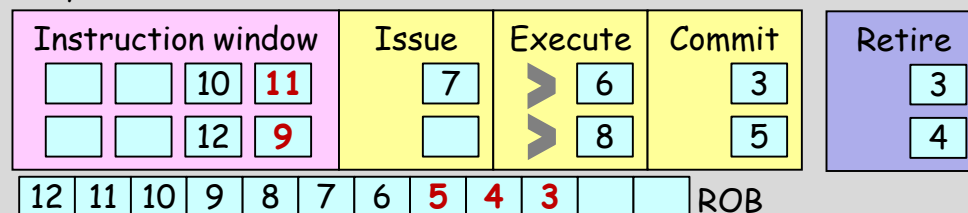
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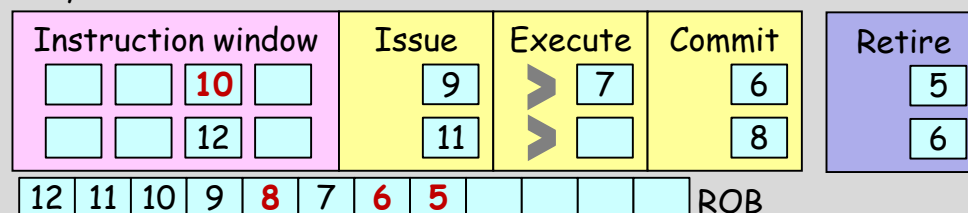
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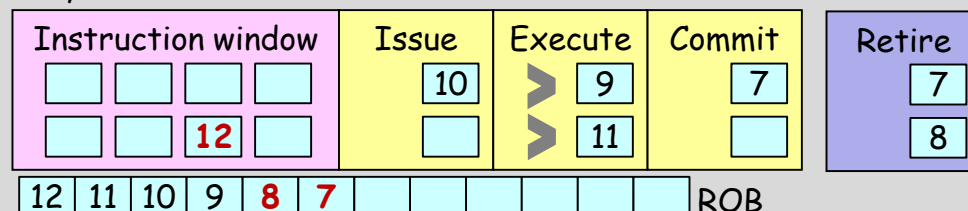
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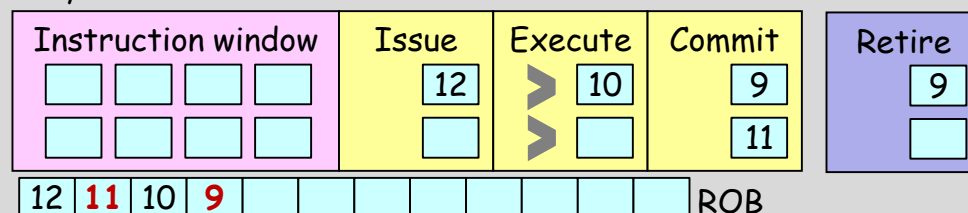
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