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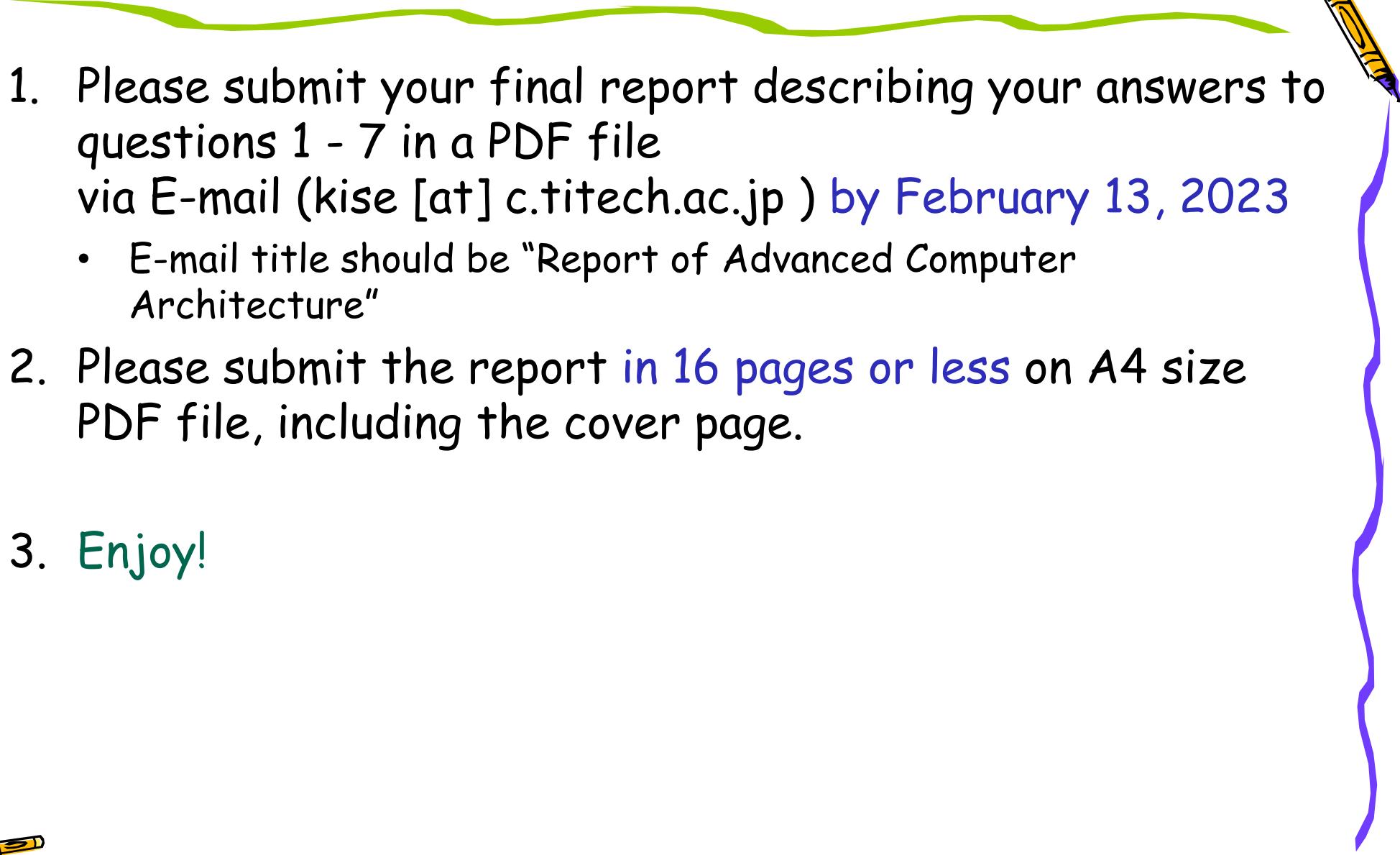
Final Report

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Final report of Advanced Computer Architecture



1. Please submit your final report describing your answers to questions 1 - 7 in a PDF file via E-mail (kise [at] c.titech.ac.jp) by February 13, 2023
 - E-mail title should be "Report of Advanced Computer Architecture"
2. Please submit the report in 16 pages or less on A4 size PDF file, including the cover page.
3. Enjoy!

1. Academic paper reading



- Select an academic paper from **the list** below and
 - **In your own word**, describe the problem that the authors try to solve,
 - Describe the key idea of the proposal,
 - Describe **your opinion** why the authors could solve the problem although there may be many researchers try to solve similar problems.
- **List**
 - Prophet/critic hybrid branch prediction, ISCA'04, 2004
 - The V-Way Cache: Demand Based Associativity via Global Replacement, ISCA'05, 2005
 - Emulating Optimal Replacement with a Shepherd Cache, MICRO-40, 2008
 - A new case for the TAGE branch predictor, MICRO-44, 2011
 - Skewed Compressed Caches, MICRO-47, 2014
 - Focused Value Prediction, ISCA, 2020

2. MIPS assembly programming

- Write MIPS assembly code `asm1.s` for `code1.c` in C.

```
int sum = 0;
int i, j;
for (i=0; i=<100; i++)
    for (j=0; j=<100; j++) sum += (j+i);
```

code1.c

- Write MIPS assembly code `asm2.s` for `code2.c` in C.

```
int A[200];
int sum = 0;
int i;
for (i=0; i<200; i++) A[i] = i;          /* initialize the array */
for (i=1; i<200; i++) A[i] = A[i-1] + A[i]; /* compute */
for (i=0; i<200; i++) sum += A[i];        /* obtain the sum */
```

code2.c

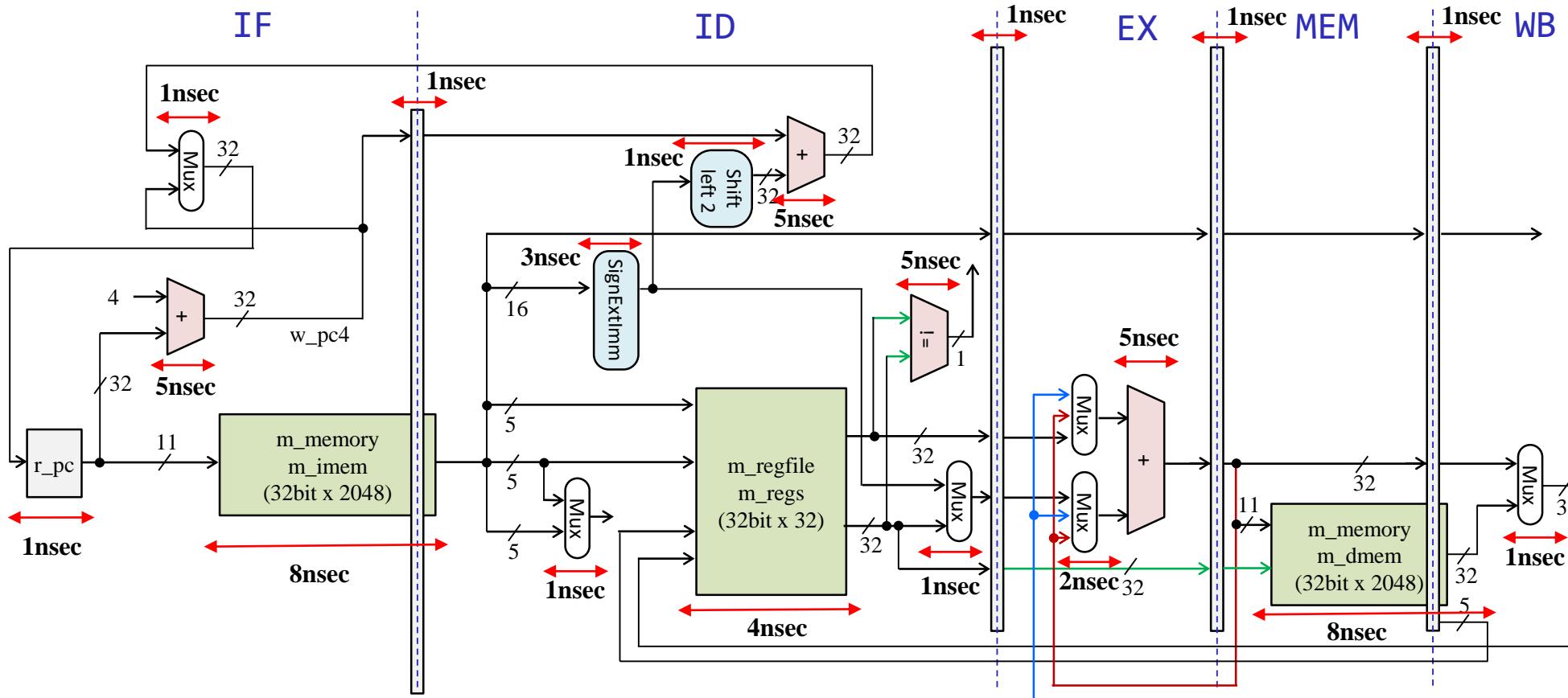


3. Pipelined processor

- Design a **three stage pipelined scalar processor** supporting **MIPS add, addi, lw, sw, and bne** instructions in Verilog HDL.
Configure the critical paths of the three stages to have smaller delay **assuming each module delay of the next slide**.
Please download **proc08.v** from the support page and refer it.
Note that you do not need to implement data forwarding.
- Verify the behavior of designed processor using **asm1.s** and **asm2.s**.
You may insert NOP instructions if necessary.
- The report should include a block diagram, a source code in Verilog HDL, **the description of the changes of the code**, and obtained waveforms of your design.

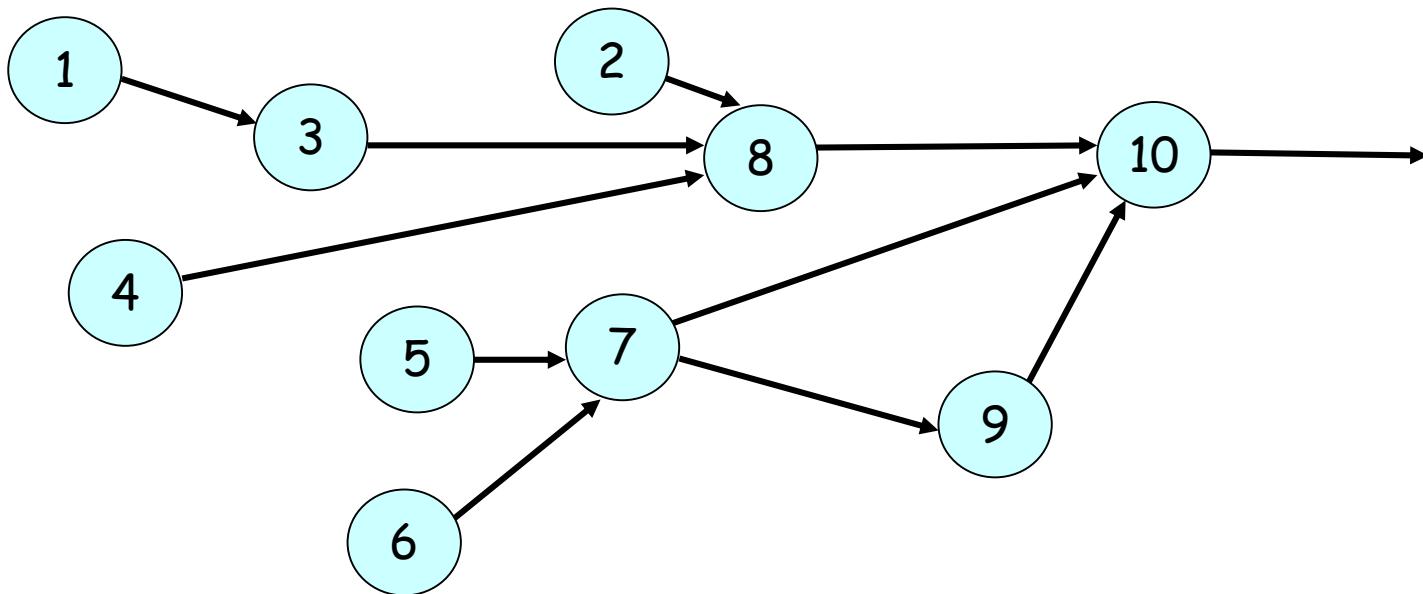


Pipelined MIPS processor and delay of each module

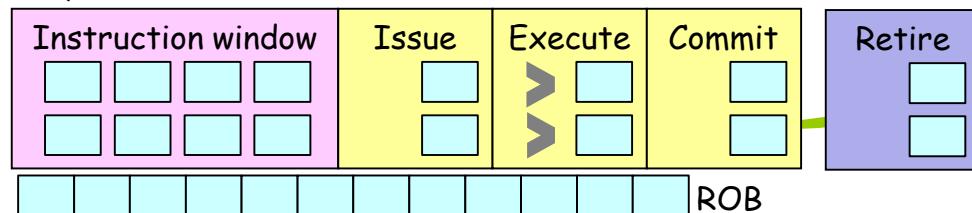


4. OoO execution and dynamic scheduling

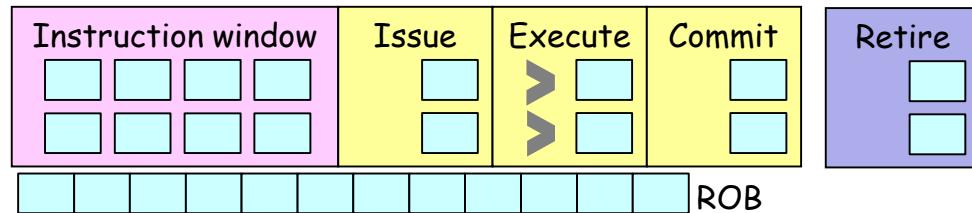
- Draw the cycle by cycle processing behavior of these 10 instructions
- Modify this dataflow graph and draw another cycle by cycle processing behavior of the graph having 10 instructions



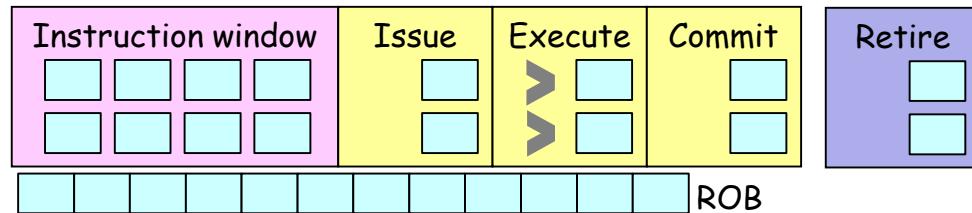
Cycle 1



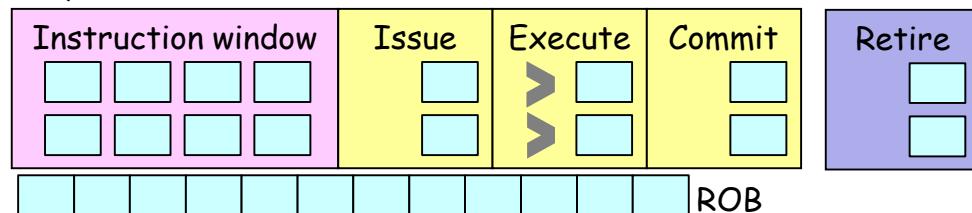
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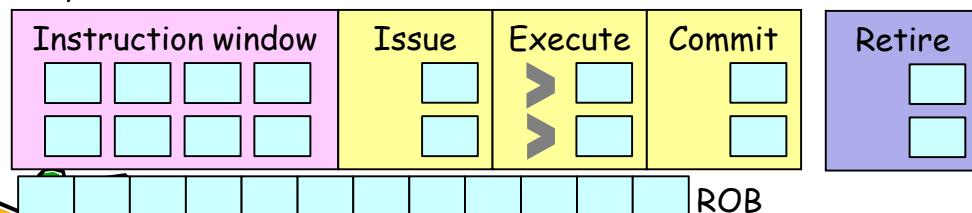
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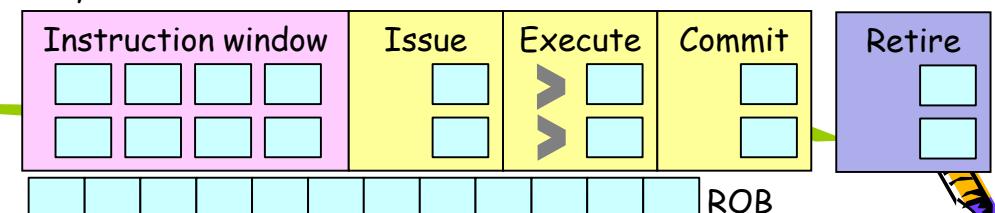
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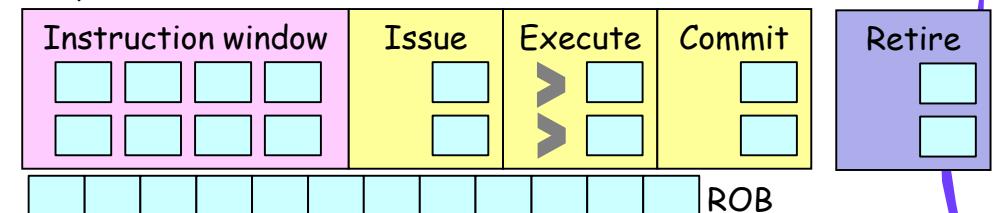
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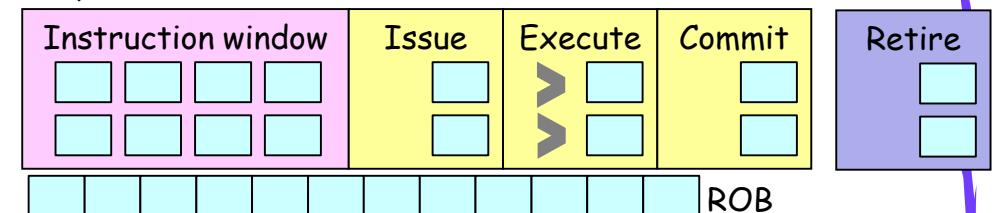
Cycle 6



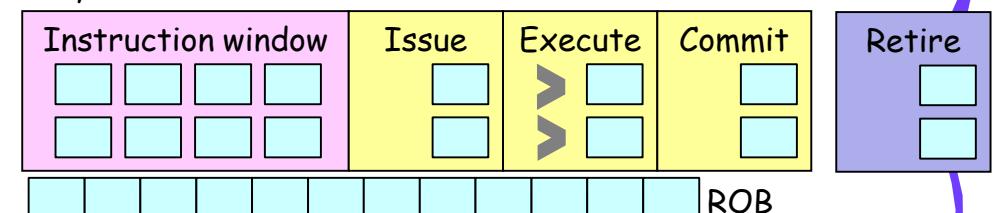
Cycle 7



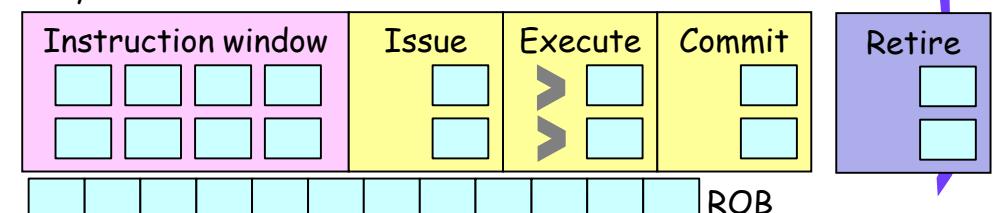
Cycle 8



Cycle 9



Cycle 10



5. Parallel programming

- Describe an efficient parallel program for the following sequential program using `LOCK()`, `UNLOCK()` and `BARRIER()` assuming a shared memory architecture
- Explain why your code runs correctly and why your code is efficient.

main02.c

```
#define N 8      /* the number of grids */
#define TOL 15.0 /* tolerance parameter */
float A[N+2], B[N+2];

void solve () {
    int i, done = 0;
    while (!done) {
        float diff = 0;
        for (i=1; i<=N; i++) { /* use A as input */
            B[i] = 0.333 * (A[i-1] + A[i] + A[i+1]);
        }
        for (i=1; i<=N; i++) { /* use B as input */
            A[i] = 0.333 * (B[i-1] + B[i] + B[i+1]);
            diff = diff + fabsf(B[i] - A[i]);
        }
        if (diff < TOL) done = 1;
        for (i=0; i<=N+1; i++) printf("%6.2f ", B[i]);
        printf(" | diff=%6.2f\n", diff); /* for debug */
    }
}

int main() {
    int i;
    for (i=1; i<N-1; i++) A[i] = B[i] = 100+i*i;
    solve();
}
```

6. Building blocks for synchronization

- **Fetch-and-increment** reads an original value from memory and increments (adds one to) it in memory atomically
- Implement fetch-and-increment (FAI) using the load-linked/store-conditional instruction pair
 - Refer the discussion of implementing an atomic exchange EXCH
- Implement BARRIER() using FAI



7. Cache coherence protocols

- Select your favorite commercial multi-core processor
 - Describe the memory organization including caches and main memory
 - cache line size, write policy, write allocate/no-allocate, direct-mapped/set-associative, the number of caches (L1, L2, and L3?)
 - Describe the cache coherence protocol used there

