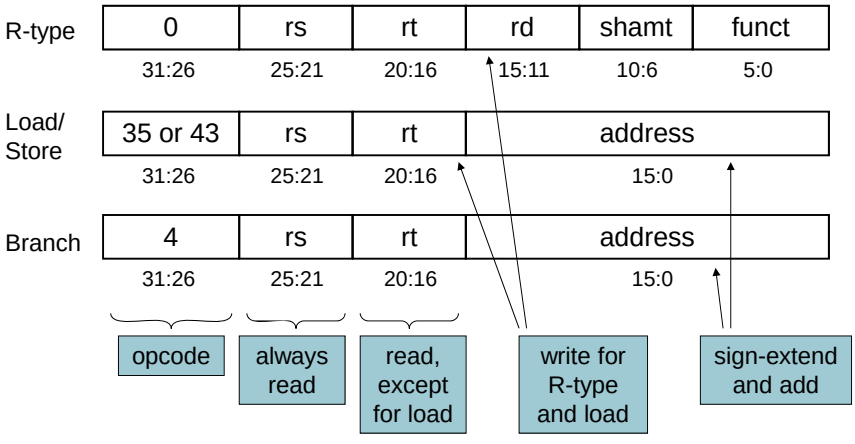
ALU Control

- Assume 2-bit ALUOp derived from opcode
  - Combinational logic derives ALU control

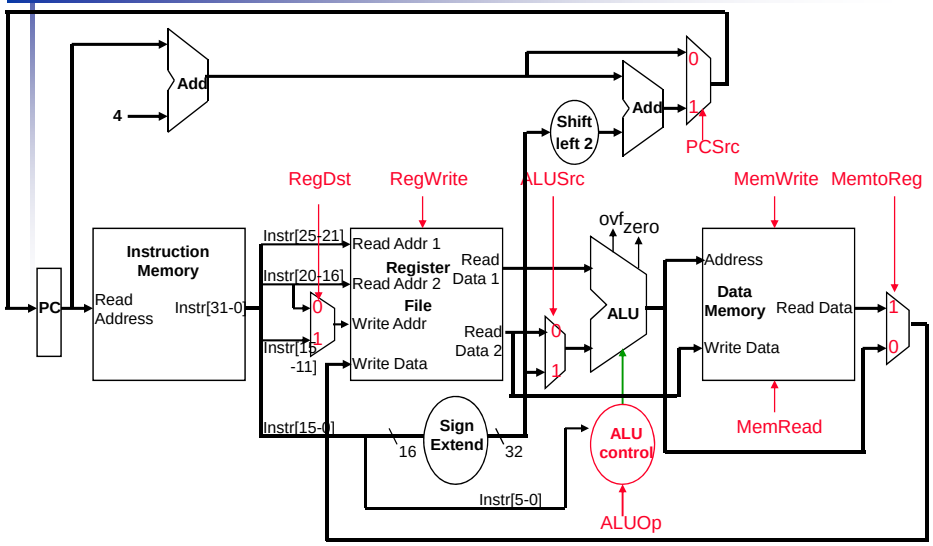
opcode	ALUOp	Operation	funct	ALU function	ALU control
lw	00	load word	XXXXXX	add	0010
sw	00	store word	XXXXXX	add	0010
beq	01	branch equal	XXXXXX	subtract	0110
R-type	10	add	100000	add	0010
		subtract	100010	subtract	0110
		AND	100100	AND	0000
		OR	100101	OR	0001
		set-on-less-than	101010	set-on-less-than	0111

The Main Control Unit

- Control signals derived from instruction



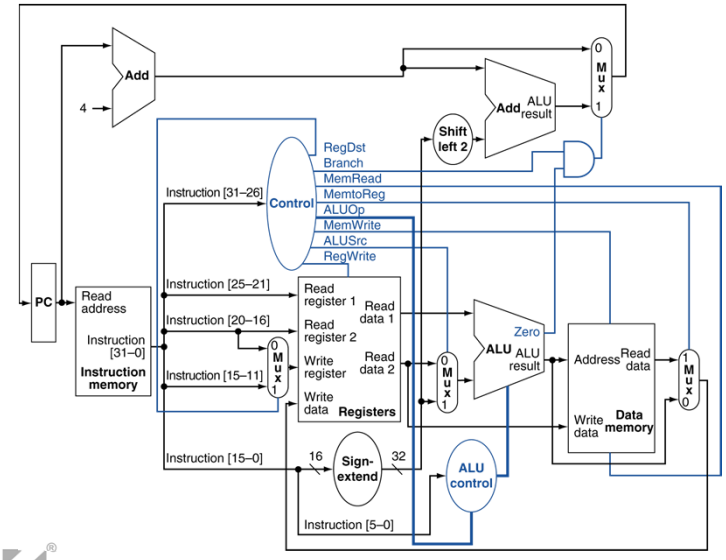
Almost Complete datapath



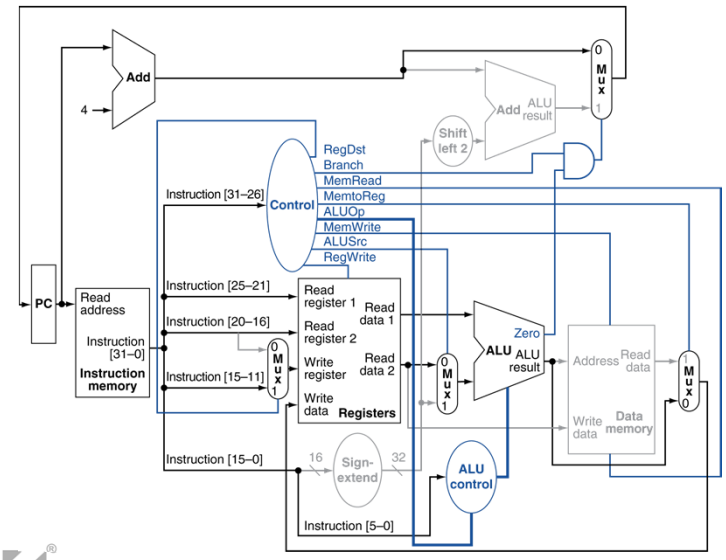
Control signals

Signal name	Deasserted	Asserted
RegDst	Reg dest number is from rt bits[20:16]	Reg dest number comes from bits[15:11]
RegWrite	NON	Data is written in the register specified by the write reg number
ALUSrc	Register file (2nd operand)	Sign extended immediate
MemRead	NON	Data memory → Read Data Output
MemWrite	NON	Write data Input → memory
memtoReg	ALU → Register file	Memory → Register file

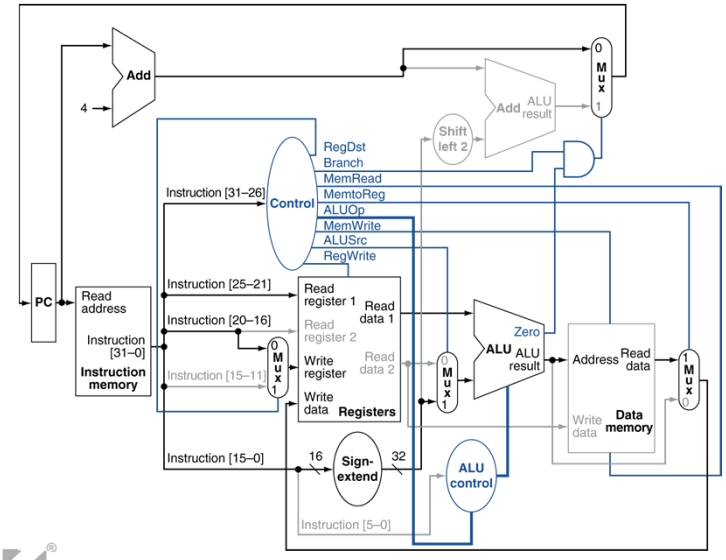
Datapath With Control



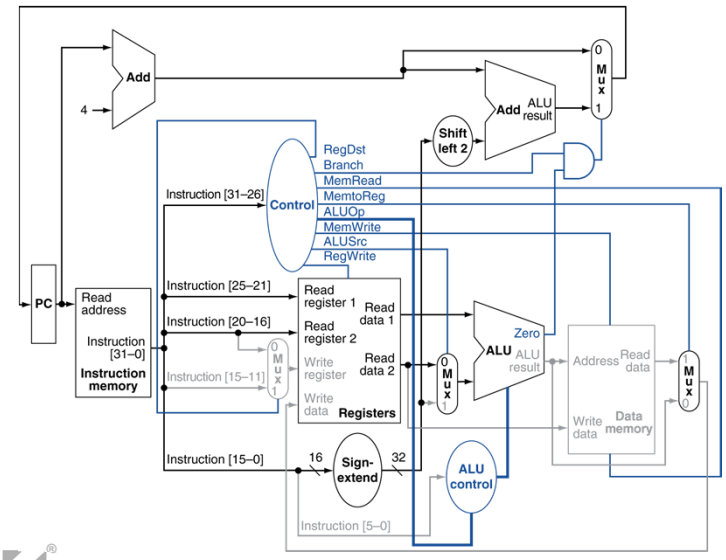
R-Type Instruction



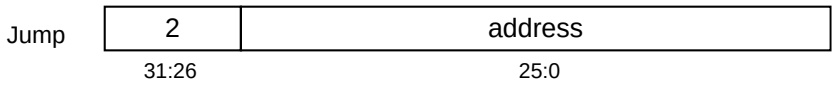
Load Instruction



Branch-on-Equal Instruction

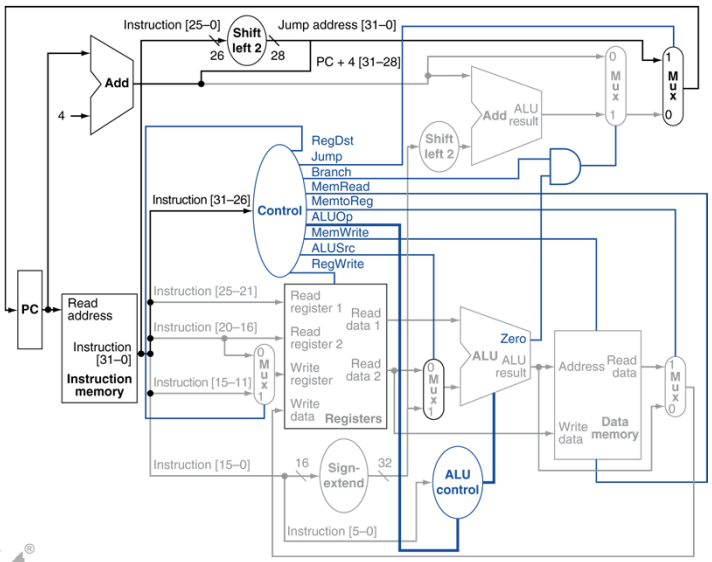


Implementing Jumps



- Jump uses word address
- Update PC with concatenation of
  - Top 4 bits of old PC
  - 26-bit jump address
  - 00
- Need an extra control signal decoded from opcode

Datapath With Jumps Added



Performance Issues

- Longest delay determines clock period
  - Critical path: load instruction
  - Instruction memory → register file → ALU → data memory → register file
- Not feasible to vary period for different instructions
- Violates design principle
  - Making the common case fast
- We will improve performance by pipelining