ECE 571 – Advanced Microprocessor-Based Design Lecture 14

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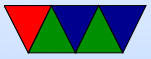
Announcements

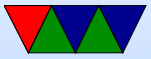
- HW#4 was due
- HW#5 (caches) will be assigned



Virtual vs Physical Addressing

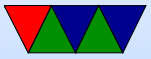
Programs operate on Virtual addresses.

- PIPT, PIVT (Physical Index, Physical/Virt Tagged) – easiest but requires TLB lookup to translate in critical path
- VIPT, VIVT (Virtual Index, Physical/Virt Tagged) – No need for TLB lookup, but can have aliasing between processes. Can use page coloring, OS support, or ASID (address space id) to keep things separate



Cache Miss Types

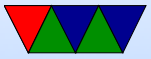
- Compulsory (Cold) — miss because first time seen
- Capacity — wouldn't have been a miss with larger cache
- Conflict — miss caused by conflict with another address (would not have been miss with fully assoc cache)
- Coherence — miss caused by other processor



Fixing Compulsory Misses

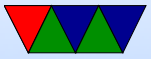
Prefetching

- Hardware Prefetchers – very good on modern machines. Automatically bring in nearby cachelines.
- Software – loading values before needed
  also special instructions available
- Large-blocksize of caches. A load brings in all nearby values in the rest of the block.



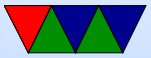
Fixing Capacity Misses

- Build Bigger Caches



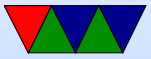
Fixing Conflict Misses

- More Ways in Cache
- Victim Cache
- Code/Variable Alignment, Cache Conscious Data Placement



Fixing Coherence Misses

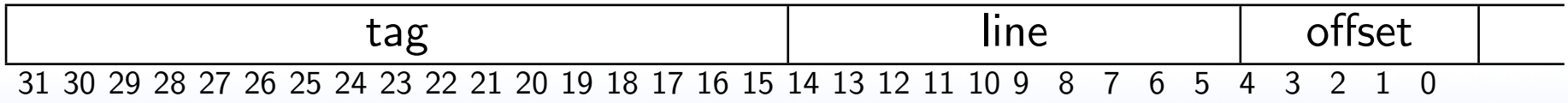
- False Sharing – independent values in a cache line being accessed by multiple cores

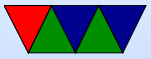


Cache Parameters Example 1

32kB cache (2^{15}), direct mapped (2^0)
32 Byte linesize (2^5), 32-bit address size (2^{32})

offset = $log_2(linesize)$ = 5 bits
lines = $log_2((cachesize/\#ways)/linesize)$ = 1024 lines (10 bits)
tag = addresssize - (offset bits + line bits) = 17 bits

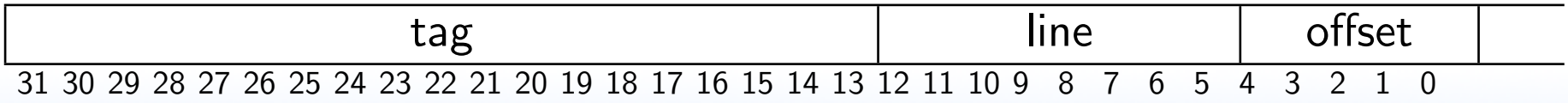


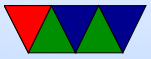


Cache Parameters Example 2

32kB cache (2^{15}), 4-way (2^2)
32 Byte linesize (2^5), 32-bit address size (2^{32})

offset $= log_2(linesize) =$ 5 bits
lines $= log_2((cachesize/\#ways)/linesize) =$ 256 lines (8 bits)
tag = addresssize - (offset bits + line bits) = 19 bits

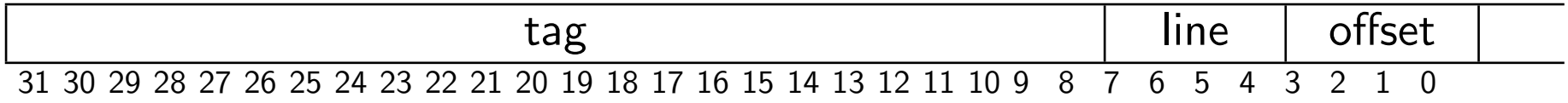


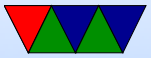


Cache Example

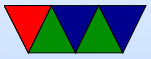
512 Byte cache, 2-Way Set Associative, with 16 byte lines, LRU replacement.

24-bit tag, 16 lines (4 bits), 4-bit offset.





Cache Example 1

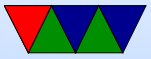


Cache Example – Instruction 1

```
ldb r1, 0x00000000
```

	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	0	0	0000 00	0			
1	0				0			
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
...								
b	0				0			
c	0				0			
d	0				0			
e	0				0			
f	0				0			

Miss, Cold



Cache Example – Instruction 2

```
ldb r1, 0x00000001
```

	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	0	0	0000 00	0			
1	0				0			
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
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b	0				0			
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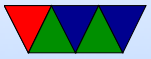
Hit

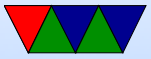


Cache Example – Instruction 3

```
ldb r1, 0x00000010
```

	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	0	0	0000 00	0			
1	1	0	0	0000 00	0			
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
. . .								
b	0				0			
c	0				0			
d	0				0			
e	0				0			
f	0				0			

Miss, Cold

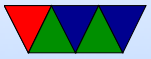


Cache Example – Instruction 4

```
ldb r1, 0x80000010
```

	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	0	0	0000 00	0			
1	1	0	1	0000 00	1	0	0	8000 00
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
...								
b	0				0			
c	0				0			
d	0				0			
e	0				0			
f	0				0			

Miss, Cold



Cache Example – Instruction 5

```
ldb r1, 0xC0000010
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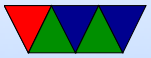
	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	0	0	0000 00	0			
1	1	0	0	C000 00	1	0	1	8000 00
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
. . .								
b	0				0			
c	0				0			
d	0				0			
e	0				0			
f	0				0			

Miss, Cold (never in cache previously)



Cache Example – Instruction 6

```
ldb r1, 0xC0000002
```

	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	0	1	0000 00	1	0	0	c000 00
1	1	0	0	C000 00	1	0	1	8000 00
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
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b	0				0			
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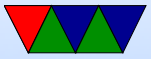
Miss, Cold



Cache Example – Instruction 7

```
ldb r1, 0x00000010
```

	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	0	1	0000 00	1	0	0	c000 00
1	1	0	1	C000 00	1	0	0	0000 00
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
. . .								
b	0				0			
c	0				0			
d	0				0			
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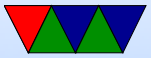
Miss, Conflict



Cache Example – Instruction 8

```
stb r1, 0x00000005
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	Way 0				Way 1			
line	V	D	LRU	Tag	V	D	LRU	Tag
0	1	1	0	0000 00	1	0	1	c000 00
1	1	0	1	C000 00	1	0	0	0000 00
2	0				0			
3	0				0			
4	0				0			
5	0				0			
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b	0				0			
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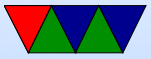

Capacity vs Conflict Miss

- It's hard to tell on the fly what kind of miss
- For example: to know if cold, need to keep list of every address that's ever been in cache
- To know if it's capacity, need to know if it would have missed even in a fully associative cache
- Otherwise, it's a conflict miss