Advanced Computer Architecture
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Lecture 5

Arithmetic Pipelining

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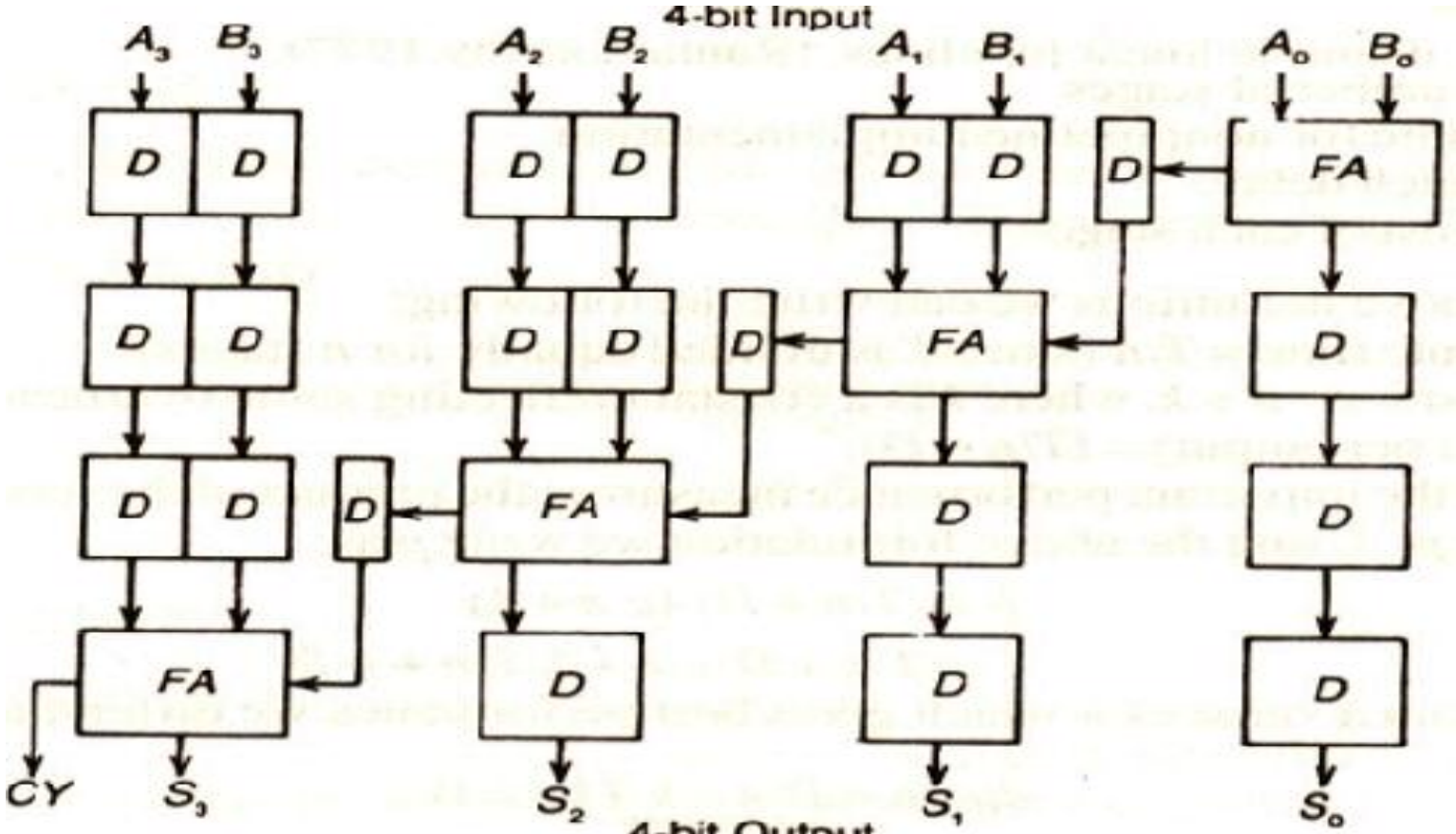
Arithmetic Pipelines:

Fixed Point Addition Pipeline:



D = D flip-flops, which are all clocked by a common clock
FA = Full Adder

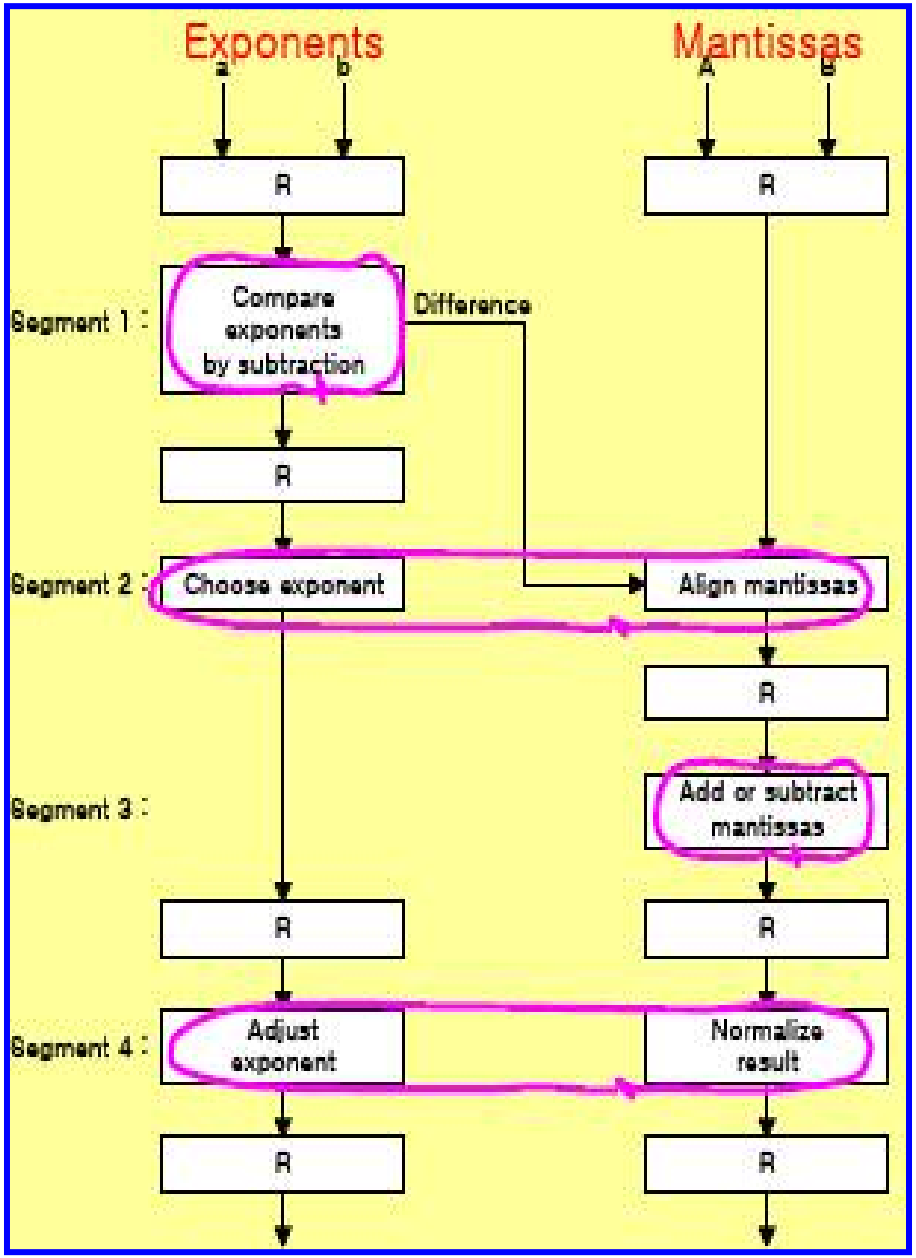
Arithmetic Pipeline

Floating-point Adder Pipeline Example:

Add / Subtract two normalized fp binary number

- » $X = A \times 2^a = 0.9504 \times 10^3$
- » $Y = B \times 2^b = 0.8200 \times 10^2$

- 4 segments suboperations
  - » 1) Compare exponents by subtraction:
    - $3 - 2 = 1$
    - $X = 0.9504 \times 10^3$
    - $Y = 0.8200 \times 10^2$
  - » 2) Align mantissas
    - $X = 0.9504 \times 10^3$
    - $Y = 0.08200 \times 10^3$
  - » 3) Add mantissas
    - $Z = 1.0324 \times 10^3$
  - » 4) Normalize result
    - $Z = 0.1324 \times 10^4$

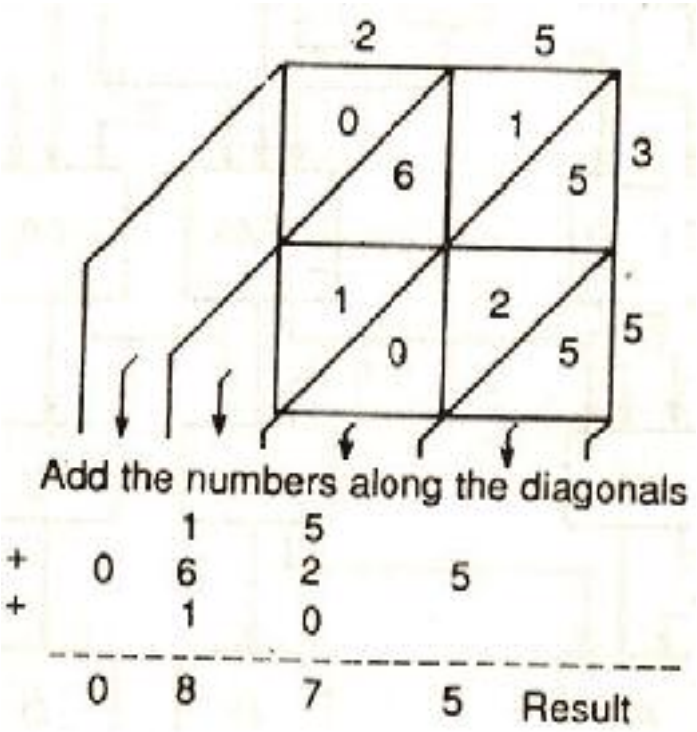


Fixed Point Multiplication Pipeline:

- A pipelined multiplier based on the digit products can be designed using digit product generation logic and the digit adders.

Example:

25 * 35 = 875



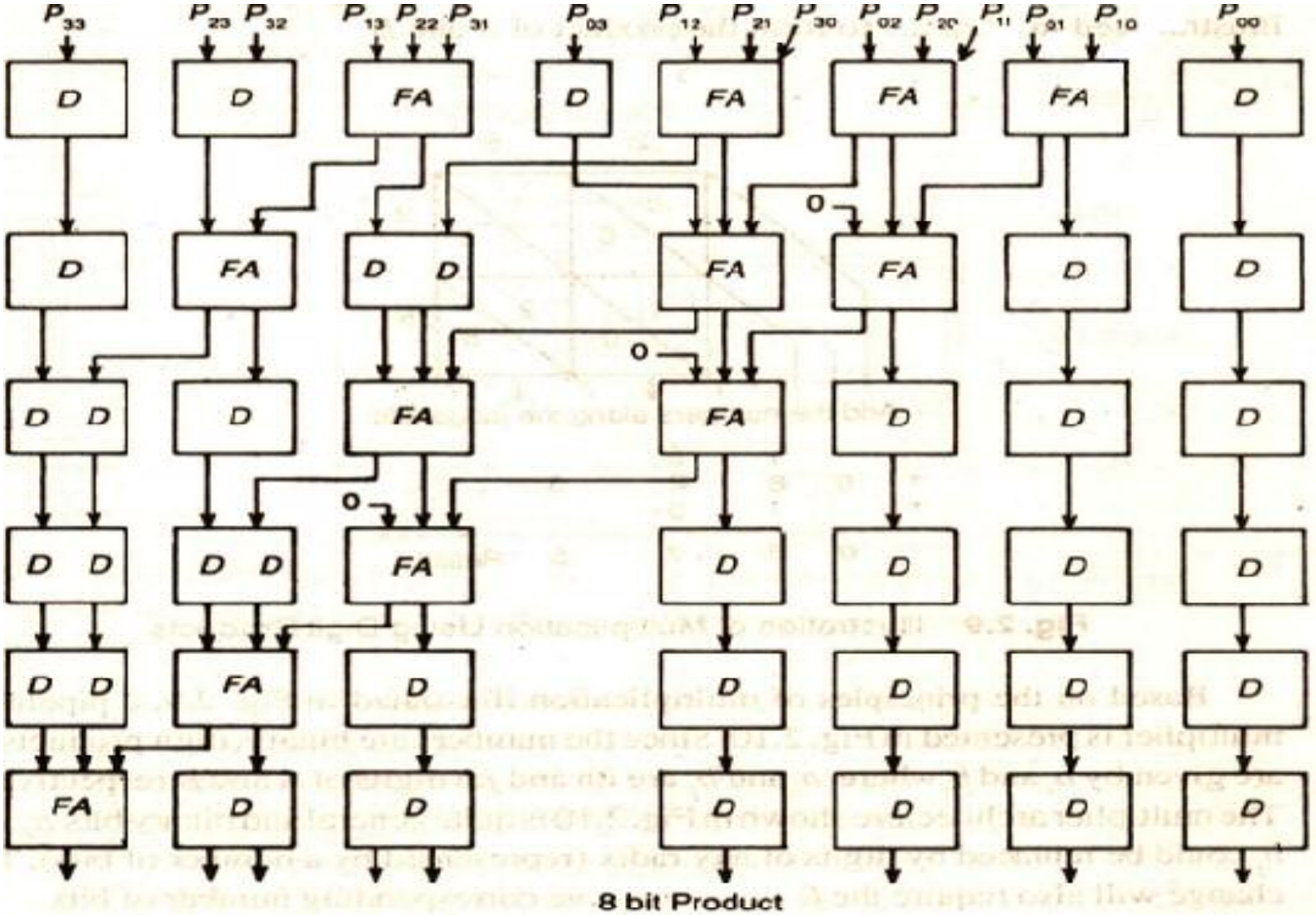
Now for binary multiplication:

A = a1 a0

B = b1 b0

		a1	a0
		b1	b0
	a1b0		a0b0
a1b1	aob1		
a1b1	a1bo + a0b1		a0b0

Multiplier Based on Digit Products:



Floating Point Multiplication Pipeline:

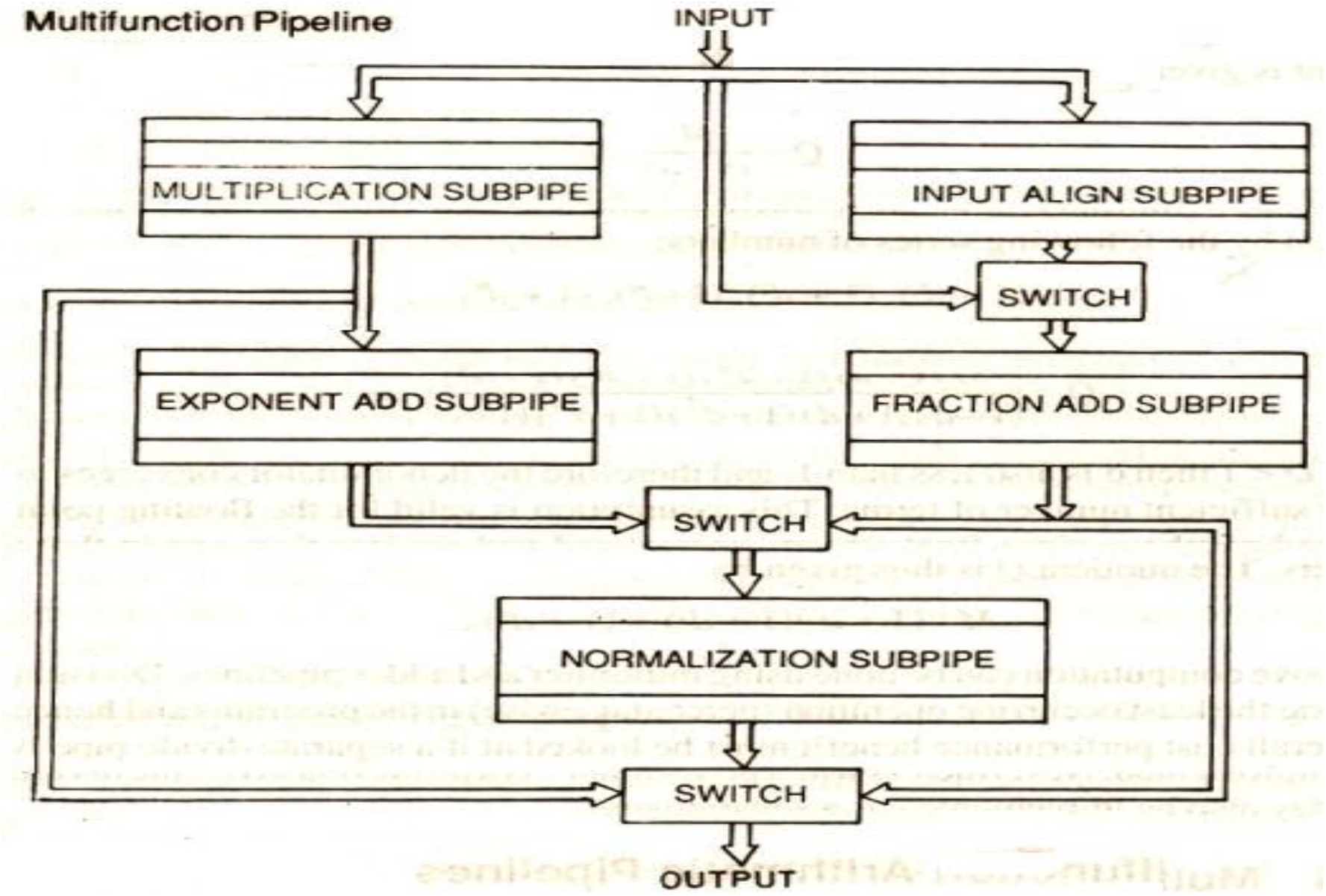
FP multiplication involves the following three major steps:

1. Multiplication of fractions.
2. Addition of exponents.
3. Normalization of the result.

- Since fractions and exponents are fixed-point numbers, the steps 1 & 2 can be implemented using the principles discussed before. Normalization step can be implemented as given in the floating point addition.

Floating Point Division Pipeline:

- Division operation appears less frequently in computer programs compared to addition subtraction and multiplication and hence separate pipeline unit for the division is seldom implemented. It is common to schedule the division using adder and multiplier pipelines.


Multifunction Pipeline
INPUT
MULTIPLICATION SUBPIPE
INPUT ALIGN SUBPIPE
SWITCH
EXPONENT ADD SUBPIPE
FRACTION ADD SUBPIPE
SWITCH
NORMALIZATION SUBPIPE
SWITCH
OUTPUT

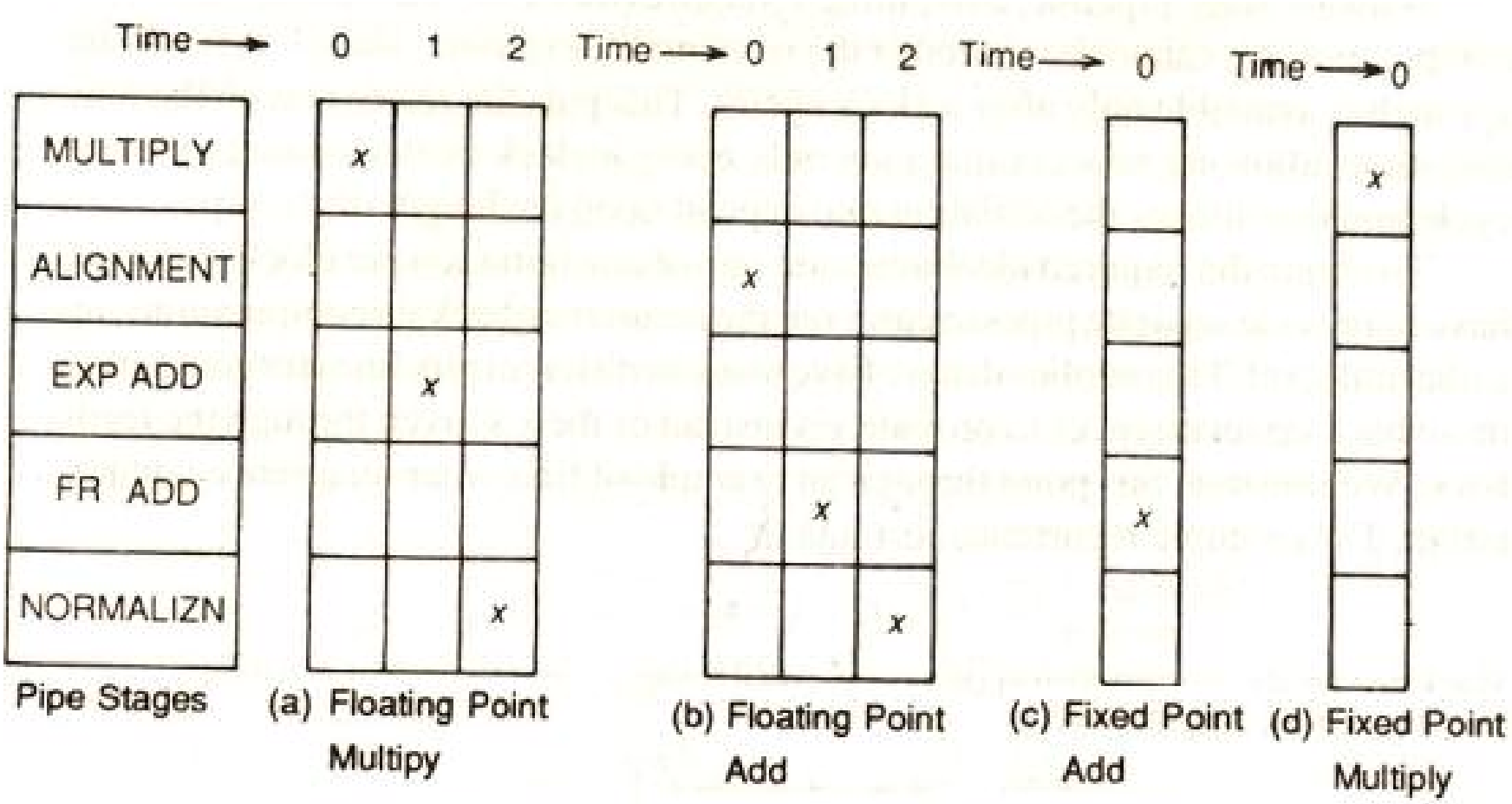


Figure shows four reservation tables for four operations.

Recurrence Computations:

- The recurrence formula expresses how to compute a sequence of numbers (Vector X) from another sequence of numbers (Vector A). A pipeline to compute the vector X should ideally take one element of A and produce one element of X, as illustrated in this example:

$$X_i = a_i + X_{i-1}$$

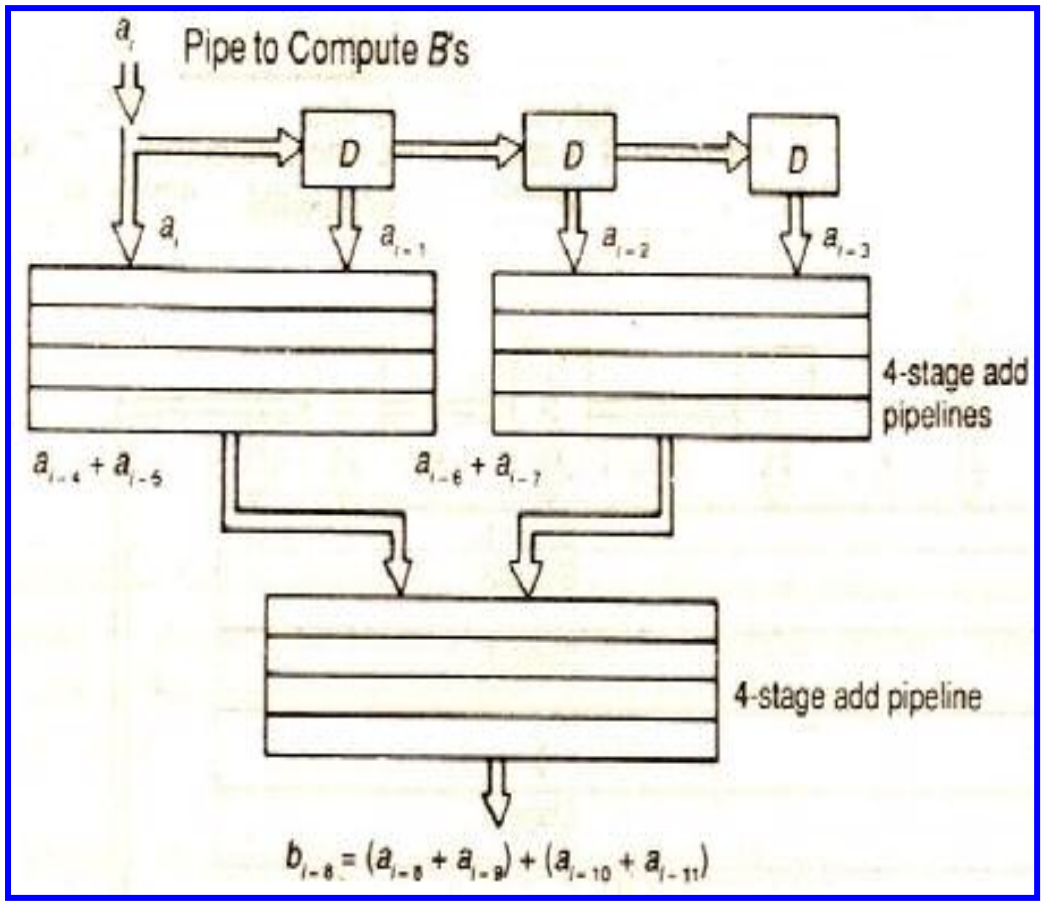
$$X_{i-1} = a_{i-1} + X_{i-2}$$

$$X_i = a_i + a_{i-1} + X_{i-2}$$

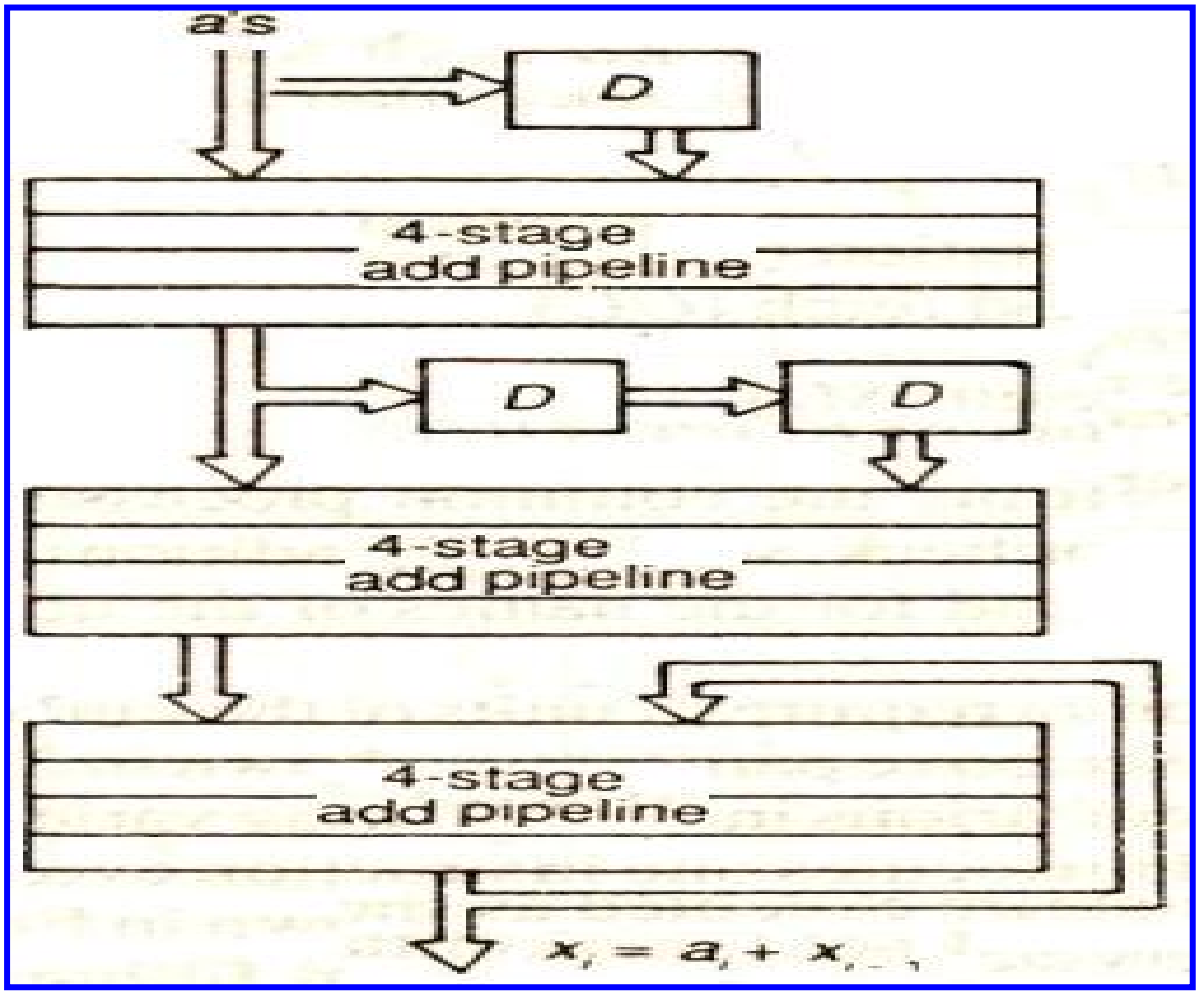
$$X_i = a_i + a_{i-1} + a_{i-2} + a_{i-3} + X_{i-4}$$

$$X_i = b_i + X_{i-4}$$

$$b_i = a_i + a_{i-1} + a_{i-2} + a_{i-3}$$

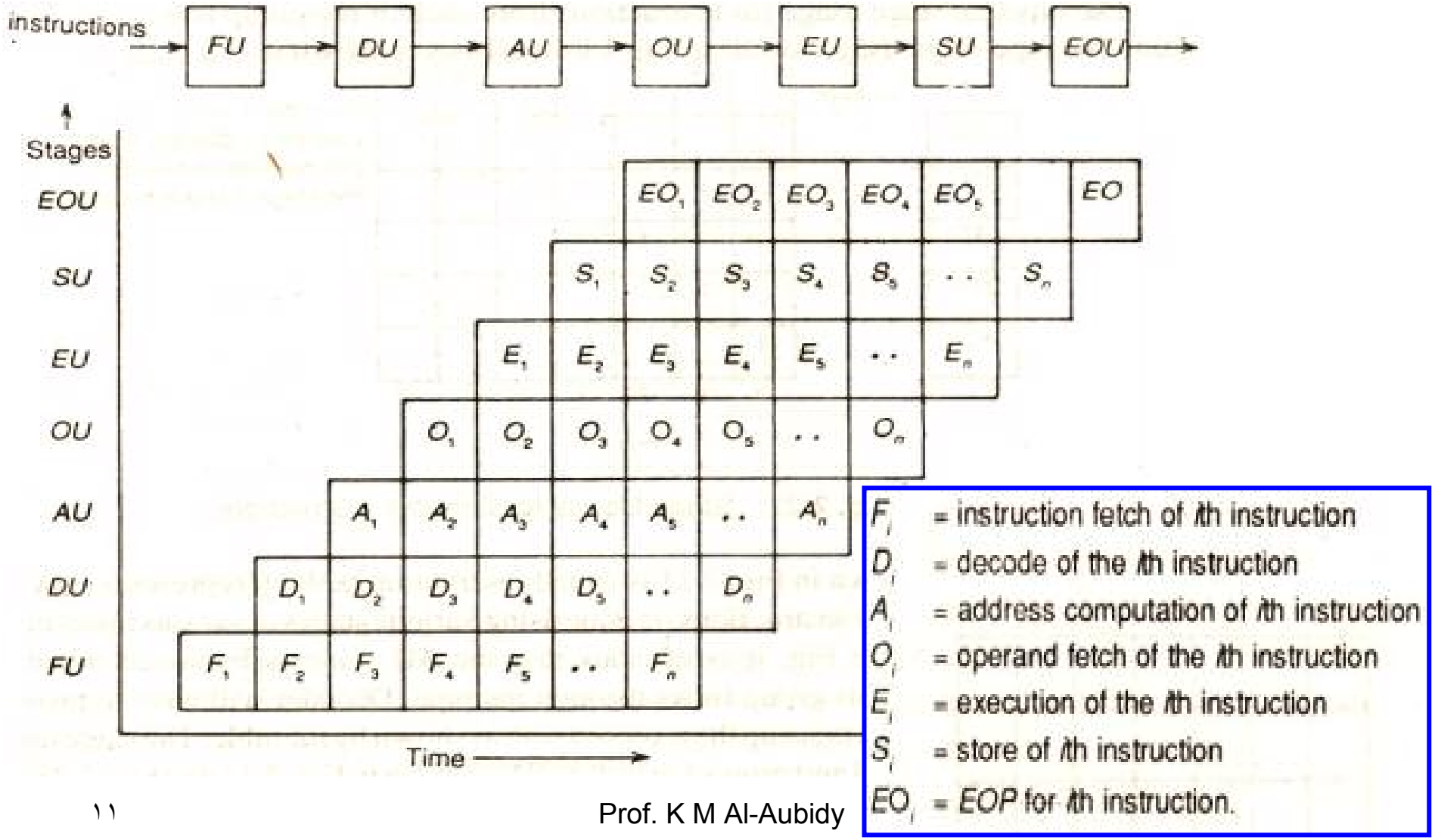


- This pipeline computes b's using only TWO pipes and third pipe computes the X's.
- This pipeline has 12 stages and computes one X every clock cycle with each new value provided on the input



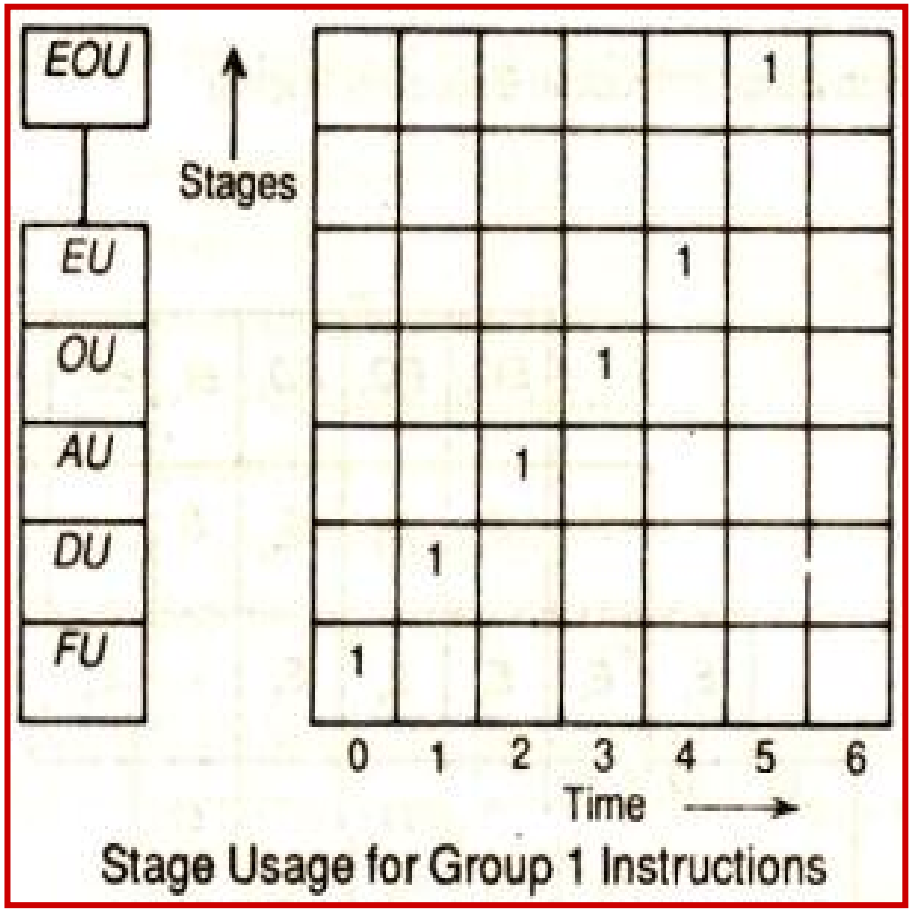
Example: the instruction cycle can be implemented as a sequence of a basic steps;

OP-Code	Memory Address	GPR



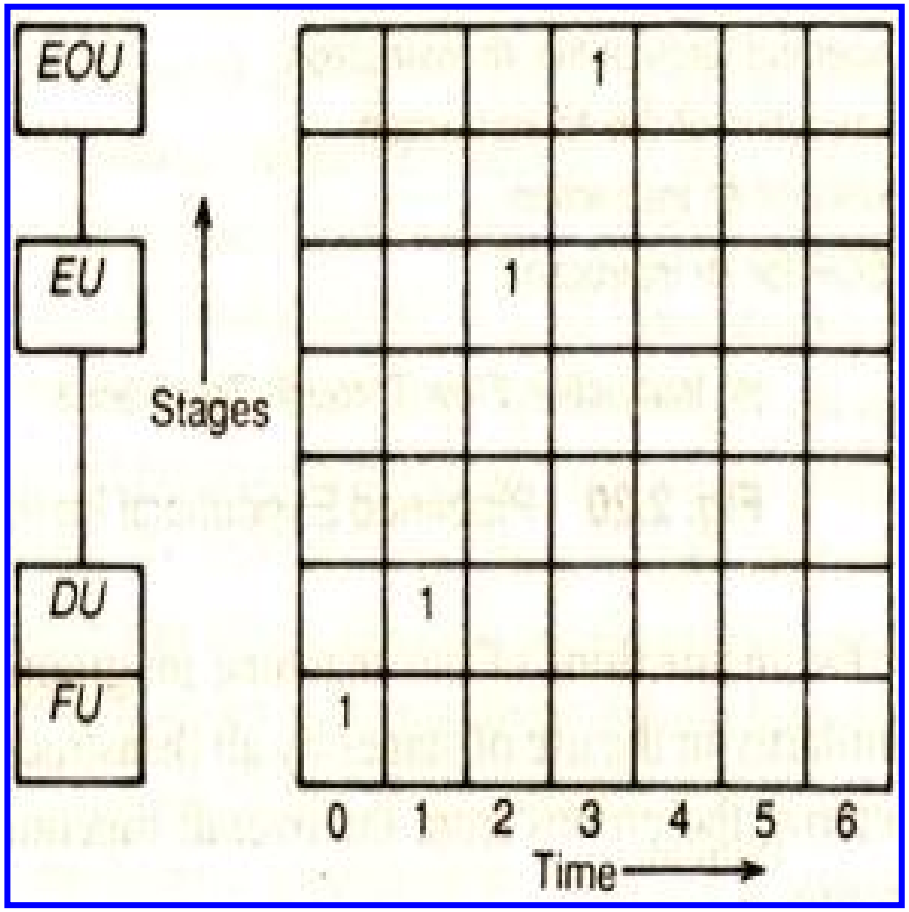
- The instructions may be classified into groups such that a group represents the similarity in the use of stages by all the instructions in the group. It is easy to characterize the groups from the overall function they present. The following groups are:

Group 1: add like instructions.

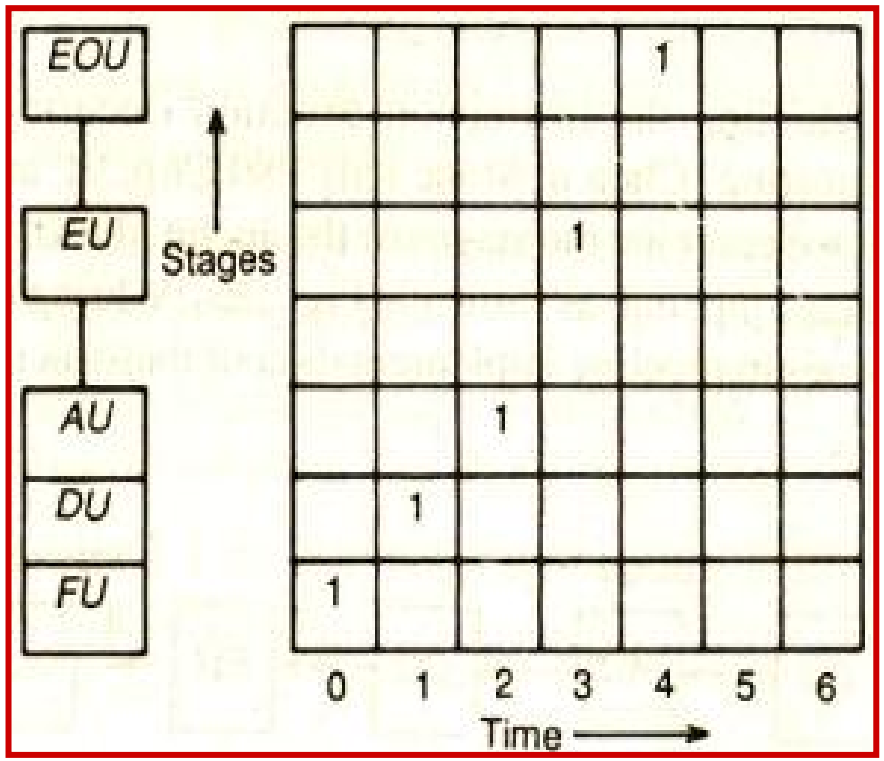


Stage Usage for Group 1 Instructions

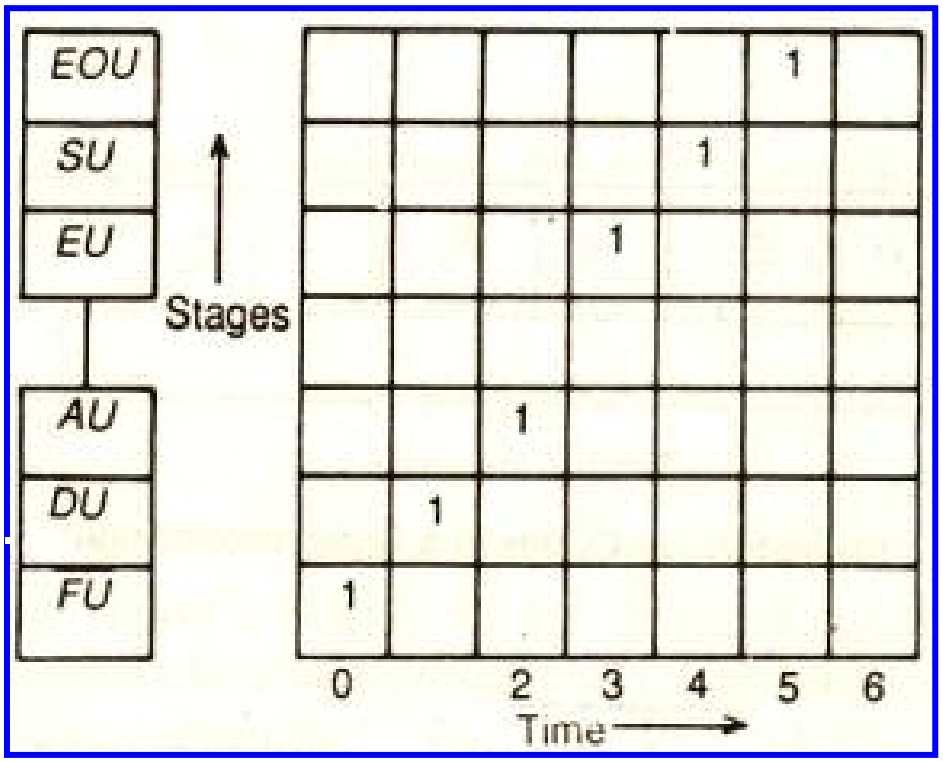
Group 2: branch instructions.

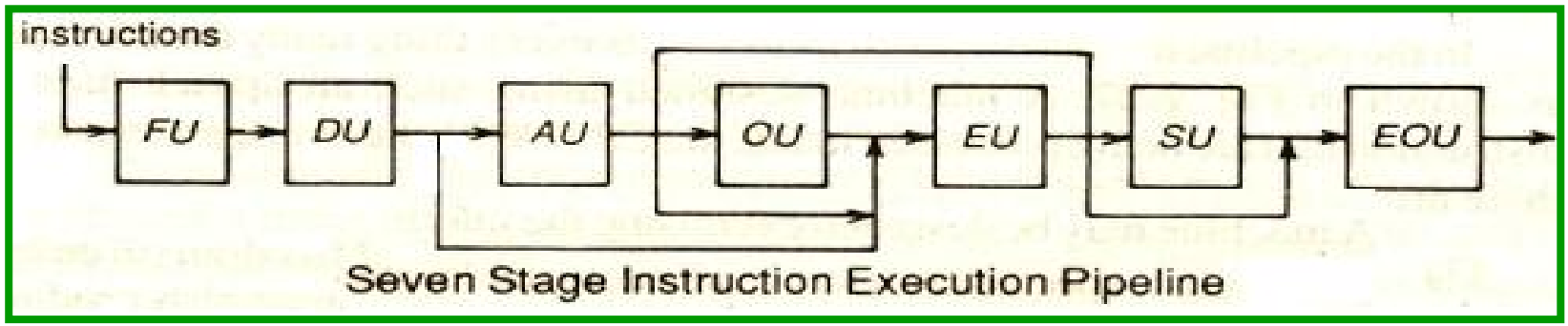


Group 3: register to register instructions.



Group 4: store instructions.





Pipeline Instruction Processing: Some Issues