

ICS 233: Computer Architecture & Assembly Language

Fall Semester 2021 (211) – Section 01

Quiz 6

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- Q1.** (5 points) Consider two different implementations, **M1** and **M2**, of the same instruction set. There are three classes of instructions (A, B, and C) in the instruction set. M1 has a clock rate of **6 GHz** and M2 has a clock rate of **3 GHz**. The CPI for each instruction class on M1 and M2 is given in the following table:

Class	CPI on M1	CPI on M2	C1 Usage	C2 Usage
A	2	1	40%	60%
B	3	2	40%	15%
C	5	3	20%	25%

The above table also contains a summary of the usage of instruction classes generated by two different compilers: C1 and C2. Assume that each compiler generates the same number of instructions for a given program. Which computer and compiler combination give the best performance?

Execution time based on M1 and C1 = $IC \times (2 \times 0.4 + 3 \times 0.4 + 5 \times 0.2) \times 1 / 6 \times 10^9 = IC \times 3 \times 1 / 6 \times 10^9 = IC \times 0.5ns$.

Execution time based on M2 and C1 = $IC \times (1 \times 0.4 + 2 \times 0.4 + 3 \times 0.2) \times 1 / 3 \times 10^9 = IC \times 1.8 \times 1 / 3 \times 10^9 = IC \times 0.6ns$.

Execution time based on M1 and C2 = $IC \times (2 \times 0.6 + 3 \times 0.15 + 5 \times 0.25) \times 1 / 6 \times 10^9 = IC \times 2.9 \times 1 / 6 \times 10^9 = IC \times 0.48ns$.

Execution time based on M2 and C2 = $IC \times (1 \times 0.6 + 2 \times 0.15 + 3 \times 0.25) \times 1 / 3 \times 10^9 = IC \times 1.65 \times 1 / 3 \times 10^9 = IC \times 0.55ns$.

The best performance is achieved using compiler C2 and machine M1

- Q2.** (5 points) Calculate the MIPS rating for each compiler with respect to both implementations.

MIPS of C1 w.r.t M1 = $6 \times 10^9 / (2 \times 0.4 + 3 \times 0.4 + 5 \times 0.2) \times 10^6 = 2 \times 10^3$

MIPS of C1 w.r.t M2 = $3 \times 10^9 / (1 \times 0.4 + 2 \times 0.4 + 3 \times 0.2) \times 10^6 = 1.667 \times 10^3$

MIPS of C2 w.r.t M1 = $6 \times 10^9 / (2 \times 0.6 + 3 \times 0.15 + 5 \times 0.25) \times 10^6 = 2.069 \times 10^3$

MIPS of C2 w.r.t M2 = $3 \times 10^9 / (1 \times 0.6 + 2 \times 0.15 + 3 \times 0.25) \times 10^6 = 1.818 \times 10^3$

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- Q1.** (4 points) A benchmark program runs for 100 seconds. We want to speedup the benchmark by a factor of 3. We enhance the floating-point hardware to make floating point instructions run 6 times faster. How much of the initial execution time would floating-point instructions have to account for to show an overall speedup of 3 on this benchmark?

$$\text{Speedup} = 1 / (f/s + (1-f)) \Rightarrow 3 = 1 / (f/6 + (1-f)) \Rightarrow f/6 + 1-f = 1/3 \Rightarrow f + 6 - 6f = 6/3 \Rightarrow 5f = 4 \Rightarrow f = 4/5 = 0.8$$

Thus, floating-point instructions must account for 80% of the initial execution time, i.e. 80 seconds, to show an overall speedup of 3 on this benchmark

- Q2.** (6 points) Consider the following fragment of MIPS code. Assume that a and b are arrays of words and the base address of a is in \$a0 and the base address of b is in \$a1. How many instructions are executed during the running of this code? If ALU instructions (addu and addiu) take 1 cycle to execute, load/store (lw and sw) take 5 cycles to execute, and the branch (bne) instruction takes 3 cycles to execute, how many cycles are needed to execute the following code (all iterations). What is the average CPI?

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    addu $t0, $zero, $zero    # i = 0
    addu $t1, $a0, $zero     # $t1 = address of a[i]
    addu $t2, $a1, $zero     # $t2 = address of b[i]
    addiu $t3, $zero, 100    # $t3 = 100 (max i)
loop: lw $t4, 0($t2)         # $t4 = b[i]
    addu $t5, $t4, $s0       # $t5 = b[i] + c
    sw $t5, 0($t1)          # a[i] = b[i] + c
    addiu $t0, $t0, 1        # i++
    addiu $t1, $t1, 4        # address of next a[i]
    addiu $t2, $t2, 4        # address of next b[i]
    bne $t0, $t3, loop       # loop if (i != 100)

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The loop body will be executed 100 times. Thus, the total number of instructions executed per class is:

Addu and addiu will be executed $4 + 100 \cdot 4 = 404$ times

Lw and Sw will be executed $100 \cdot 2 = 200$ times

Beq will be executed 100 times

Hence, the total number of instruction executed is $404 + 200 + 100 = 704$

Total number of execution cycles = $404 \cdot 1 + 200 \cdot 5 + 100 \cdot 3 = 1704$ cycles

CPI = $1704 / 704 = 2.42$