

CS311 Lab Report

Assignment 6 - Caches

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1 Introduction

We upgrade the pipelined processor model to a discrete event simulator model and add caches to make it faster.

2 Commands

In order to simulate the processor, we run the commands in order:

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ant
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ant make-jar
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java -jar <path_to_simulator.jar> <path_to_config_file> <path_to_output_file> <path_to_object_file>
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3 Results

3.1 Task 1

L1d cache fixed

Benchmark	16 Bytes	128 Bytes	512 Bytes	1024 Bytes
fibonacci.out	0.023	0.047	0.043	0.055
prime.out	0.073	0.044	0.042	0.040
descending.out	0.022	0.107	0.095	0.087
evenorodd.out	0.019	0.018	0.018	0.018
palindrome.out	0.119	0.064	0.060	0.056

3.2 Task 2

L1i cache fixed

Benchmark	16 Bytes	128 Bytes	512 Bytes	1024 Bytes
fibonacci.out	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.055
prime.out	0.040	0.040	0.040	0.040
descending.out	0.094	0.092	0.089	0.087
evenorodd.out	0.018	0.018	0.018	0.018
palindrome.out	0.057	0.056	0.056	0.056

3.3 Task 3

The relationship between cache size, cache latency, and performance is complex and depends on the specific characteristics of the benchmarks, as well as the access patterns of both instructions and data in the cache. Balancing cache size and latency is essential to optimize overall system performance for a range of workloads.