

Q3.1

For B1: misprediction rate is 0% since LARGE goes to infinity, every cycle is taken and predicted as taken.

For B2: The taken/not taken series will be:

T N N N T N N N ...

Since LARGE goes to infinity, the first prediction doesn't influence the misprediction rate, then predicted series will be (from second):

- T N N N T N N ...

So the misprediction rate is 50%.

For B3: similar as B2, The taken/not taken series:

T N T N ...

The prediction (from second):

- T N T ...

The misprediction rate is 100%.

Q3.2

For B1: is still 0%. Because the taken/not taken series:

T T T T

The 2-bit saturating counter:

00 01 11 11 11 ...

As LARGE goes to infinity, the misprediction rate will tend to 0%.

For B2: The taken/not taken series:

T N N N T N N N ...

The 2-bit saturating counter:

00 01 00 00 00 01 00 00 00, (will be 01 00 00 00...01 00 00 00...)

Thus it always predict not taken, the misprediction rate is 25%.

For B3: The taken/not taken series:

T N T N T N ...

The 2-bit saturating counter:

00 01 00 01 00 01 00 ...

This also always predict not taken, the misprediction rate is 50%.

Q3.3

Assume BHR is also 00 since LARGE goes to infinity, it doesn't influence the misprediction rate.

				BHR	00					BHR	00					BHR	10																					
PHB								PHB								PHB																						
B1	00	00	00	00									B1	00	00	00	00									B1	01	00	00	00								
B2	00	00	00	00									B2	00	00	00	00									B2	00	00	00	00								
B3	00	00	00	00									B3	00	00	00	00									B3	00	00	00	00								
...											
start								i=0, B1								i=0, B1																						
								Predict as N								update PHB, BHR																						
								actually T																														

		BHR	00
PHB			
B1	00	00	00
B2	00	00	00
B3	00	00	00
...	...		
i=0, B1 Predict as N actually T			

		BHR	10
PHB			
B1	01	00	00
B2	00	00	00
B3	00	00	00
...	...		
i=0, B1 update PHB, BHR			

		BHR		10	
PHB					
B1	01	00	00	00	
B2	00	00	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	00	
...	...				
i=0, B2					
Predict as N					
actually T					

		BHR		11	
PHB					
B1	01	00	00	00	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	00	
...	...				
i=0, B2					
update PHB, BHR					

		BHR		11						BHR		11	
PHB						PHB							
B1	01	00	00	00	B1	01	00	00	00				
B2	00	01	00	00	B2	00	01	00	00				
B3	00	00	00	00	B3	00	00	00	01				
...							
i=0, B3 Predict as N actually T					i=0, B3 update PHB, BHR								

		BHR		11						BHR		11	
PHB						PHB							
B1	01	00	00	00		B1	01	00	00	01			
B2	00	01	00	00		B2	00	01	00	00			
B3	00	00	00	01		B3	00	00	00	01			
...						
i=1, B1 Predict as N actually T						i=1, B1 update PHB, BHR							

		BHR		11	
PHB					
B1	01	00	00	01	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	01	
...	...				
i=1, B2					
Predict as N					
actually N					

		BHR		01	
PHB					
B1	01	00	00	01	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	01	
...	...				
i=1, B2					
update PHB, BHR					

		BHR		01	
PHB					
B1	01	00	00	01	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	01	
...	...				
i=1, B3					
Predict as N					
actually N					

		BHR		00	
PHB					
B1	01	00	00	01	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	01	
...	...				
i=1, B3					
update PHB, BHR					

		BHR		00						BHR		10	
PHB						PHB							
B1	01	00	00	01	B1	11	00	00	01				
B2	00	01	00	00	B2	00	01	00	00				
B3	00	00	00	01	B3	00	00	00	01				
...							
i=2, B1 Predict as N actually T					i=2, B1 update PHB, BHR								

		BHR		10	
PHB					
B1	11	00	00	01	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	01	
...	...				
i=2, B2					
Predict as N					
actually N					

		BHR		01	
PHB					
B1	11	00	00	01	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	00	01	
...	...				
i=2, B2					
update PHB, BHR					

		BHR		01			BHR		11
PHB					PHB				
B1	11	00	00	01	B1	11	00	00	01
B2	00	01	00	00	B2	00	01	00	00
B3	00	00	00	01	B3	00	00	01	01
...			
i=2, B3 Predict as N actually T					i=2, B3 update PHB, BHR				

		BHR		11	
PHB					
B1	11	00	00	01	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	01	01	
...	...				
i=3, B1					
Predict as N					
actually T					

		BHR		11	
PHB					
B1	11	00	00	11	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	01	01	
...	...				
i=3, B1					
update PHB, BHR					

		BHR		11	
PHB					
B1	11	00	00	11	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	01	01	
...	...				
i=3, B2					
Predict as N					
actually T					

		BHR		11	
PHB					
B1	11	00	00	11	
B2	00	01	00	00	
B3	00	00	01	01	
...	...				
i=3, B2					
update PHB, BHR					

We can continue do this steps via program simulation, choose LARGE=100000 we will get misprediction for B1, B2 and B3 will be 6, 25000 and 25002 respectively. Therefore, as LARGE goes to infinity, the misprediction rate for B1: 0%, B2: 25%, B3: 25%.