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Computer Architecture

Quiz #1

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Q1: A program takes 12 Billion clock cycles to run on a 3 GHz CPU.

a) What is the execution time of the program on this CPU? (2 point)

$$\text{CPU Time} = \frac{\# \text{ of CC's}}{f} = \frac{12 * 10^9}{3 * 10^9} = \boxed{4 \text{ Seconds.}}$$

b) A given compiler generates 9 billion instructions when compiling this program. What is the average CPI? (2 points)

$$\text{CPI} = \frac{\# \text{ of CC's}}{I} = \frac{12 * 10^9}{9 * 10^9} = \boxed{1.33}$$

c) By how much (percentage) do we need to increase the CPU clock rate to reduce the execution time of this program by 15%? (3 points)

$$\text{CPU Time}_{\text{new}} = 0.85 * 4 = 3.4 \text{ Seconds}$$

$$3.4 = \frac{12 * 10^9}{f_{\text{new}}} \Rightarrow f_{\text{new}} = \frac{12 * 10^9}{3.4} = 3.53 \text{ GHz}$$

$$\text{Increase by } \frac{3.53 - 3}{3} = \frac{0.53}{3} = \boxed{17.6 \%}$$

Q2: Multiplication operations take 30% of the execution time of some program. By how much (percentage) the overall execution time of this program is reduced if the multiplication operation is enhanced to be 3 times faster? (3points)

$$T_{\text{org.}} = T$$

$$T_{\text{improved}} = \frac{T_{\text{mult.}}}{N} + T_{\text{nonmult.}}$$

$$= \frac{0.3T}{3} + 0.7T$$

$$= 0.1T + 0.7T = 0.8T$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{reduced by } 20 \%}$$