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Quiz-1

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CSE 340: Computer Architecture

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1. Consider three different processors A,B and C executing the same instruction set with the clock rates and CPIs given in the following table.

Processor	CPI	Clock Rate
A	1.5	2GHz
B	1.0	1.5GHz
C	2.5	3GHz

- a) Which processor has the highest performance? [2]
b) If the processors each execute a program in 10 seconds, find the number of instructions and the number of cycles. [6]
c) Now we want to reduce the time by 30% but this results in an increase of 20% in the CPI. What clock rate should we have to achieve this time reduction? [3]

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[C02] 2. Explain the Harvard Model of Computer with a diagram. [4]

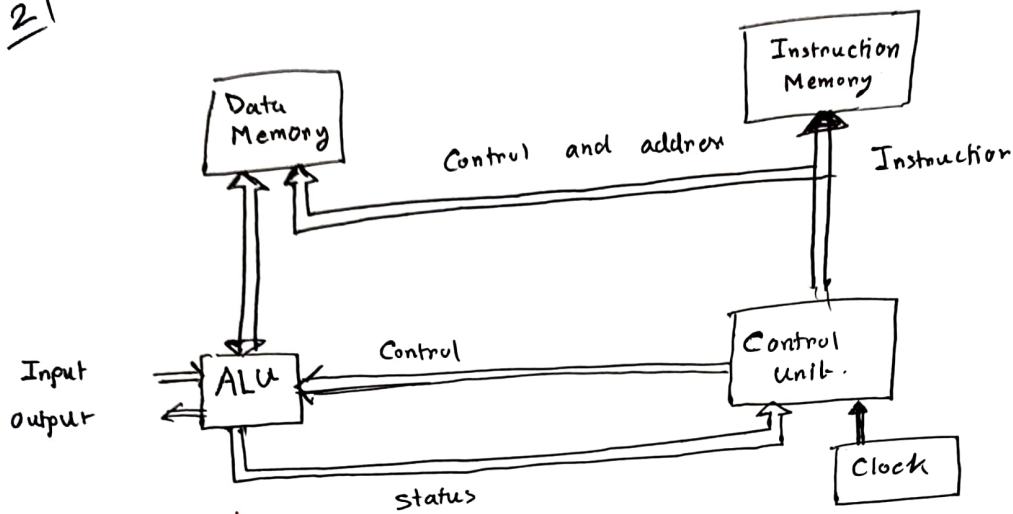


Figure: Harvard Architecture.

From the Harvard Model of computer architecture we can see that we have 2 separate memories. One for data memory and one for instruction memory. The 2 separate memory fastens of computer operations. As the data memory and instruction memory are separated; therefore, we can simultaneously fetch data and do different instructions. Which means we can do read and write operation at the same time; which was not possible in von Neumann architecture.

Answer to the question no 1

As, all the processors (a) have same instruction set. So, all the processor have same number of instruction set.

Given that,

Processor A's CPI = 1.5, clock rate = 2 GHz

Processor B's CPI = 1.0, clock rate = 1.5 GHz

Processor C's CPI = 2.5, clock rate = 3 GHz

We know,

$$\text{execution time} = \frac{\text{number of instruction set} \times \text{CPI}}{\text{clock rate.}}$$

$$\therefore \text{execution time}_A = \frac{1 \times 1.5}{2 \times 10^9} = 7.5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s} = 0.75 \text{ ns.}$$

$$\therefore \text{execution time}_B = \frac{1 \times 1}{1.5 \times 10^9} = 6.67 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s} = 0.667 \text{ ns.}$$

$$\therefore \text{execution time}_C = \frac{1 \times 2.5}{3 \times 10^9} = 8.33 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s} = 0.833 \text{ ns.}$$

\therefore Processor B has the highest performance

(b)

Given that,

$$\text{execution time} = 10 \text{ s.}$$

~~For A~~ We know,

$$\text{execution time} = \frac{\text{number of instruction} \times \text{CPI}}{\text{clock rate.}}$$

$$\text{and clock cycles} = \text{number of instruction} \times \text{CPI.}$$

For processor A,

$$10 = \frac{\text{number of instruction} \times 1.5}{2 \times 10^9}$$

$$\therefore \text{number of instruction}_A = 1.33 \times 10^{10}$$

$$\therefore \text{clock cycles}_A = 1.33 \times 10^{10} \times 1.5 = 2 \times 10^{10}$$

For processor B,

$$10 = \frac{\text{number of instruction} \times 1}{1.5 \times 10^9}$$

$$\therefore \text{number of instruction}_B$$

$$= 1.5 \times 10^{10}$$

$$\therefore \text{clock cycles}_B$$

$$= 1.5 \times 10^{10} \times 1$$

$$= 1.5 \times 10^{10}$$

For processor C,

$$10 = \frac{\text{number of instruction} \times 2.5}{3 \times 10^9}$$

$$\therefore \text{number of instruction}_C = 1.2 \times 10^{10}$$

$$\therefore \text{clock cycles}_C = 1.2 \times 10^{10} \times 2.5 \\ = 3 \times 10^{10}$$

CPI

$$\text{number of instruction}_A = 1.33 \times 10^{10}$$

$$\text{number of instruction}_B = 1.5 \times 10^{10}$$

$$\text{number of instruction}_C = 1.2 \times 10^{10}$$

$$\therefore \text{updated execution time} = 10 - (10 \times 30\%) \\ = 7s$$

$$\therefore \text{Updated CPI}_A = 1.5 + (1.5 \times 20\%) \\ = 1.8$$

$$\therefore \text{updated CPI}_B = 1 + (1 \times 20\%) \\ = 1.2$$

$$\therefore \text{updated CPI}_C = 2.5 + (2.5 \times 20\%) \\ = 3$$

We know,

$$\text{execution time} = \frac{\text{number of instruction count} \times \text{CPI}}{\text{clock rate}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{clock rate} = \frac{\text{numbers of instruction count} \times \text{CPI}}{\text{execution time}}$$

$$\therefore \text{required clockrate}_A = \frac{1.33 \times 10^{10} \times 1.8}{7} \\ = 3.42 \text{ GHz}$$

$$\therefore \text{required clockrate}_B = \frac{1.5 \times 10^{10} \times 1.2}{7} \\ = 2.5714 \text{ GHz}$$

$$\therefore \text{required clockrate}_C = \frac{1.2 \times 10^{10} \times 3}{7} \\ = 5.142857 \text{ GHz}$$