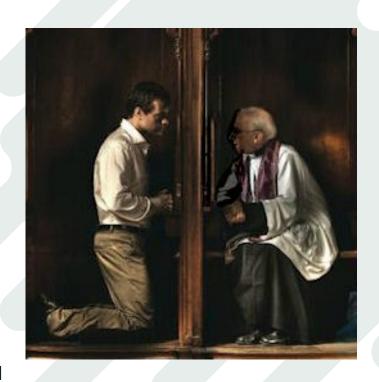
Performance



Confession

- Most of the materials have been collected from Internet.
- Images are taken from Internet.
- Various books are used to make these slides.
- Primary reference book:
 - Computer Organization and Design: the Hardware/Software Interface Textbook by David A Patterson and John L. Hennessy.
 - Computer Organization and Architecture Book by William Stallings



This slide is **not enough to learn these topics**. It's just for your guideline. (NAH! Just a reminder for me - which topics to cover) Reading from the slides only, will be a BIG mistake.

YOU NEED TO READ THE BOOK

Which Plane is Better?

Airplane	Passenger capacity	Cruising range (miles)	Cruising speed (m.p.h.)	Passenger throughput (passengers × m.p.h.)
Boeing 777	375	4630	610	228,750
Boeing 747	470	4150	610	286,700
BAC/Sud Concorde	132	4000	1350	178,200
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Which One is Better?

 Two computers run the same program in 5 seconds and 7 seconds.

 First program can satisfy 10 services at a time. Second one can provides service to 15.



Terms

- Response Time / Execution Time:
 - Time between start to end of a task
- Throughput:
 - Total amount of work complete in a given time

Performance vs Execution

Performance

$$Performance_{x} = \frac{1}{Execution time_{x}}$$

This means that for two computers X and Y, if the performance of X is greater than the performance of Y, we have

 $Performance_{X} > Performance_{Y}$

$$\frac{1}{\text{Execution time}_{X}} > \frac{1}{\text{Execution time}_{Y}}$$

Execution time_{$_{\rm Y}$} > Execution time_{$_{\rm X}$}

Performance vs Execution

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_{X}}{\text{Performance}_{Y}} = n$$

If X is *n* times faster than Y, then the execution time on Y is *n* times longer than it is on X:

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_{X}}{\text{Performance}_{Y}} = \frac{\text{Execution time}_{Y}}{\text{Execution time}_{X}} = n$$

Question

 If computer X runs a program in 10 seconds and computer Y runs the same program in 15 seconds, how much faster is X than Y?



How Much Faster?

$$\frac{Performance_{X}}{Performance_{Y}} = \frac{Execution_{Y}}{Execution_{X}}$$

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$$\frac{Performance_X}{Performance_Y} = \frac{15}{10} = 1.5$$

• $Performance_X = PerformanceY * 1.5$



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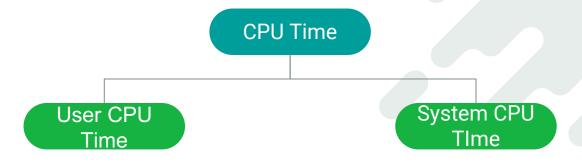
Execution Time = Seconds per ProgramAgain

Time(wall clock time, response time, or elapsed time) = total time to complete a task, including disk accesses, memory accesses, input/output (I/O) activities, operating system overhead everything.



CPU Time

- Multiple programs run at the same time
 - Throughput OR Less Execution Time



Clock Cycle

- Clock cycles (ticks, clock ticks, clock periods, clocks, cycles)
 - Time for one clock period, usually of the processor clock, which runs at a constant rate.
- Clock Period
- Clock Rate



Clock Cycle vs Clock Rate

$$Clock Rate = \frac{1}{Clock Cycle}$$

1 GHz processor has a cycle time of 1.0 ns and a 4 GHz processor has a cycle time of 0.25 ns.

- A 4GHz processor performs 4,000,000,000 clock cycles per second.
- Computer processors can execute one or more instructions per clock cycle, depending on the type of processor.



CPU Execution Time Formula

$$\frac{\text{CPU execution time}}{\text{for a program}} = \frac{\text{CPU clock cycles}}{\text{for a program}} \times \text{Clock cycle time}$$

Alternatively, because clock rate and clock cycle time are inverses,

$$\frac{\text{CPU execution time}}{\text{for a program}} = \frac{\text{CPU clock cycles for a program}}{\text{Clock rate}}$$

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Let's first find the number of clock cycles required for the program on A:

$$CPU time_{A} = \frac{CPU clock cycles_{A}}{Clock rate_{A}}$$

$$10 seconds = \frac{CPU clock cycles_{A}}{2 \times 10^{9} \frac{cycles}{second}}$$

CPU clock cycles_A =
$$10 \text{ seconds} \times 2 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{cycles}}{\text{second}} = 20 \times 10^9 \text{ cycles}$$

CPU time for B can be found using this equation:

CPU time_B =
$$\frac{1.2 \times \text{CPU clock cycles}_{A}}{\text{Clock rate}_{B}}$$
$$6 \text{ seconds} = \frac{1.2 \times 20 \times 10^{9} \text{ cycles}}{\text{Clock rate}_{B}}$$

Clock rate_B =
$$\frac{1.2 \times 20 \times 10^9 \text{ cycles}}{6 \text{ seconds}} = \frac{0.2 \times 20 \times 10^9 \text{ cycles}}{\text{second}} = \frac{4 \times 10^9 \text{ cycles}}{\text{second}} = 4 \text{ GHz}$$

To run the program in 6 seconds, B must have twice the clock rate of A.



CPI – Clock Cycle Per Instruction

 Average number of clock cycles per instruction for a program or program fragment.

CPU clock cycles = Instructions for a program × Average clock cycles per instruction

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We know that each computer executes the same number of instructions for the program; let's call this number *I*. First, find the number of processor clock cycles for each computer:

CPU clock cycles_A =
$$I \times 2.0$$

CPU clock cycles_R =
$$I \times 1.2$$

Now we can compute the CPU time for each computer:

$$CPU\ time_{_{A}} = \ CPU\ clock\ cycles_{_{A}} \times Clock\ cycle\ time$$

$$= I \times 2.0 \times 250 \text{ ps} = 500 \times I \text{ ps}$$

Likewise, for B:

CPU time_B =
$$I \times 1.2 \times 500 \text{ ps} = 600 \times I \text{ ps}$$

Clearly, computer A is faster. The amount faster is given by the ratio of the execution times:

$$\frac{\text{CPU performance}_{\text{A}}}{\text{CPU performance}_{\text{B}}} = \frac{\text{Execution time}_{\text{B}}}{\text{Execution time}_{\text{A}}} = \frac{600 \times I \text{ ps}}{500 \times I \text{ ps}} = 1.2$$

We can conclude that computer A is 1.2 times as fast as computer B for this program.



Faster Faster

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Sequence 1 executes 2+1+2=5 instructions. Sequence 2 executes 4+1+1=6 instructions. Therefore, sequence 1 executes fewer instructions.

We can use the equation for CPU clock cycles based on instruction count and CPI to find the total number of clock cycles for each sequence:

CPU clock cycles =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (CPI_i \times C_i)$$

This yields

CPU clock cycles₁ =
$$(2 \times 1) + (1 \times 2) + (2 \times 3) = 2 + 2 + 6 = 10$$
 cycles

CPU clock cycles₂ =
$$(4 \times 1) + (1 \times 2) + (1 \times 3) = 4 + 2 + 3 = 9$$
 cycles

So code sequence 2 is faster, even though it executes one extra instruction. Since code sequence 2 takes fewer overall clock cycles but has more instructions, it must have a lower CPI. The CPI values can be computed by

$$CPI = \frac{CPU \text{ clock cycles}}{Instruction count}$$

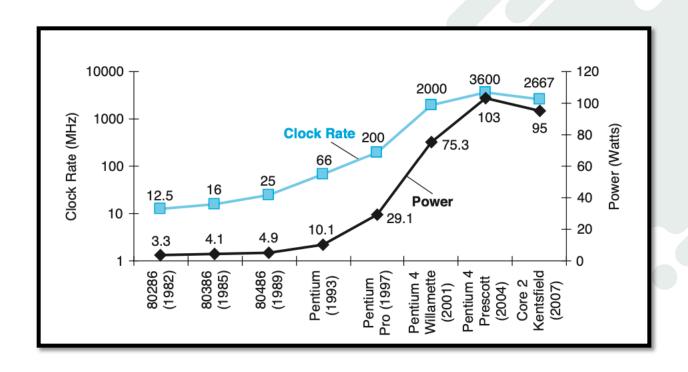
$$CPI_{1} = \frac{CPU \text{ clock cycles}_{1}}{Instruction count_{1}} = \frac{10}{5} = 2.0$$

$$CPI_2 = \frac{CPU \ clock \ cycles_2}{Instruction \ count_2} = \frac{9}{6} = 1.5$$

Exercise from Book?



Power Wall



OH! Noooooo

 Pitfall: Expecting the improvement of one aspect of a computer to increase overall performance by an amount proportional to the size of the improvement.

 Amdahl's law: A rule stating that the performance enhancement possible with a given improvement is limited by the amount that the improved feature is used.

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Execution time after improvement =

Execution time affected by improvement Amount of improvement + Execution time unaffected

For this problem:

Execution time after improvement =
$$\frac{80 \text{ seconds}}{n}$$
 + (100 – 80 seconds)

Since we want the performance to be five times faster, the new execution time should be 20 seconds, giving

$$20 \text{ seconds} = \frac{80 \text{ seconds}}{n} + 20 \text{ seconds}$$
$$0 = \frac{80 \text{ seconds}}{n}$$

