

Measuring CPU performance.

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→ A machine instruction consists of no of elementary micro-operations that vary in number & complexity depending on instruction & the CPU organization used.

→ A micro-operation is an elementary hardware operation that can be carried out in one clock cycle.
eg. Register transfer operations, arithmetic & logic operations etc

→ Cycles per Instruction

→ Avg. CPI of a program
$$\text{program} - \text{instructions} - \text{CPI}$$

→ For a given program compiled to run on a specific machine, we can define the following parameters

— IC (Instruction count)

— CPI

— Clock cycle time (C) of the processor

→ Execution time = $IC \times CPI \times C$

$$\frac{\text{Instruction}}{\text{program}} \times \frac{\text{Cycles}}{\text{Instruction}} \times \frac{\text{Seconds}}{\text{Cycle}}$$

→ Comparisons of performance of several machines.

⇒ performance can be defined as the reciprocal of execution time

$$\text{Perf}_A = 1 / T_A$$

$$\text{Perf}_B = \frac{1}{T_B}$$

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⇒ Speedup of m/c A over m/c B

$$\text{Speedup} = \frac{\text{Perf}_A}{\text{Perf}_B} = \frac{X_{TB}}{X_{TA}}$$

Q. A program is run on three different machines A, B & C. Execution time → 10, 25 & 75 are noted.

- A is — times faster than B.
- A is — times faster than C.
- B is — times faster than C.

Q. A program running on a m/c with following instructions parameters.

- Total no of instructions executed = 50,000,000
- Avg CPI for the program = 2.7
- CPU clock rate = 2.0 GHz

⇒ Compute Executions time of a program.

IC	CPI	Clock cycle time (C)
— program used	— Program used	→ technology used to implement the CPU.
— Compiler	— compiler	
— ISA	— ISA	
	— CPU arch	

Q. Suppose we use a new compiler on the same program for which new IC = 40,000,000
new CPI = 3.0, CPU with clock rate = 2.4 GHz
compute the speed up.

⇒ Instruction classes

├ ALU
├ data transfer
└ load, str

IC_i = number of instructions of type i executed

CPI_i = Cycles per Instruction for type i .

$$\text{Execution Time (Total clock cycle)} = \sum_{i=1}^n IC_i \times CPI_i$$

$$\text{Instruction Count} = \sum_{i=1}^n IC_i$$

$$CPI = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n IC_i \times CPI_i}{IC}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{IC_i}{IC} \times CPI_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Freq}_i \times CPI_i$$

Q. Consider an implementation of a ISA where the instruction can be classified into four types with CPI values of 1, 2, 3 & 4 respectively. Two code sequences have the following instruction counts

code sequence	IC_{type1}	IC_{type2}	IC_{type3}	IC_{type4}
CS-1	20	15	5	2
CS-2	10	12	10	4

Calculate CPI for both sequences. (4)

Q. Suppose for an implementation of a RISC ISA there are four instruction types, with their frequency of occurrence and CPI as shown in the table below.

Type	Freq	CPI
Load	20%	4
Store	8%	3
ALU	60%	1
Branch	12%	2