

SOLUTION OF SELECTED PROBLEMS OF COMPUTER
ORGANIZATION AND DESIGN

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1 Computer Abstraction and Technology

Exercise 1.2

Consider the different configurations shown in the table

| | Configuration | Resolution | Main Memory | Ethernet Network |
|----|---------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| a. | 1 | 640 × 480 | 2 Gbytes | 100 Mbps |
| | 2 | 1280 × 1024 | 4 Gbytes | 1 Gbps |
| b. | 1 | 1024 × 768 | 2 Gbytes | 100 Mbps |
| | 2 | 2560 × 1600 | 4 Gbytes | 1 Gbps |

1.2.1 For a color display using 8 bits for each of the primary colors (red, green, blue) per pixel, what should be the minimum size in bytes of the frame buffer to store a frame?

Solution:

The total number of pixels in a frame of 640x480 of resolution is:
 $640 \times 480 = 307,200$ pixels.

Each pixel consists of three colors: red, green and blue, and each color uses 8 bits or 1 byte. So, each pixel occupies 3 bytes.

Then, to calculate the size in bytes of the frame buffer, we have to multiply the total number of pixels by three:

$$307,200 \times 3 = 921,600 \text{ bytes/frame}$$

| Resolution | Frame buffer size (bytes/frame) |
|------------|---------------------------------|
| 640x480 | 921,600 |
| 1280x1024 | 3,932,160 |
| 1024x768 | 2,359,296 |
| 2560x1600 | 12,288,000 |

1.2.2 How many frames could it store, assuming the memory contains no other information?

Solution:

$$1 \text{ Kbyte} = 1024 \text{ bytes}$$

$$1 \text{ Gbyte} = 1024^3 \text{ bytes} = 1,073,741,824 \text{ bytes} \approx 1 \times 10^9 = 1 \text{ Gbyte}$$

So, for a computer with 2 Gbytes, we have:

$$2 \times 1,073,741,824 = 2,147,483,648 \text{ bytes}$$

Then, if every size of frame is 921,600 bytes/frame, the number of frames that can be stored is:

$$\frac{2,147,483,648 \text{ bytes}}{921,600 \text{ bytes/frame}} = 2,330.6 \text{ frames} \approx 2,330 \text{ frames}$$

The computer can store a total of 2,330 frames in its 2 GB RAM.

| Resolution | Frame buffer size bytes/frame | Main Memory | Number of frames |
|------------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 640x480 | 921,600 | 2 GBytes | 2,330 |
| 1280x1024 | 3,932,160 | 4 GBytes | 1,092 |
| 1024x768 | 2,359,296 | 2 GBytes | 910 |
| 2560x1600 | 12,288,000 | 4 GBytes | 349 |

1.2.3 If a 256 Kbytes file is sent through the Ethernet connection, how long it would take?

Solution:

$$256 \text{ Kbytes} = 256 \times 1024 = 252,144 \text{ bytes}$$

$$1 \text{ byte} = 8 \text{ bits}$$

$$8 \times 252,144 = 2,097,152 \text{ bits}$$

The size file in bits is: 2,097,152 bits

The formula to calculate the transmission time is:

$$\text{Time} = \frac{\text{Size}}{\text{Rate}}$$

For an Ethernet network of 100 Mbps

$$\text{Time} = \frac{2,097,152}{100 \cdot 10^6} = 0.02097152 \text{ s}$$

The time to sent the file is: 0.02097152 = 20.97 ms

| Ethernet Network | Size file | Time |
|------------------|----------------|----------|
| 100 Mbps | 2,097,152 bits | 20.97 ms |
| 1 Gbps | 2,097,152 bits | 2.097 ms |

This calculation does not include the overhead that Ethernet includes in its operation.

1.1 Performance

Performance and Execution time

$$\text{Performance} = \frac{1}{\text{Execution time}} \quad (1)$$

Relative performance and Execution time

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_X}{\text{Performance}_Y} = \frac{\text{Execution time}_Y}{\text{Execution time}_X} = n, \quad n \geq 1 \quad (2)$$

CPI - Cycles Per Instructions

$$\text{CPI} = \frac{N_{\text{cycles}}}{N_{\text{instr}}} \quad (3)$$

CPU Performance Equation

$$T = N_{\text{instr}} \times CPI \times t_{\text{cycle}} = \frac{N_{\text{instr}} \times CPI}{f} \quad (4)$$

CPU clock cycles

$$N_{\text{cycles}} = \sum_{i=1}^n (CPI_i \times C_i) \quad (5)$$

MIPS

$$\text{MIPS} = \frac{N_{\text{instr}}}{T \times 10^6} = \frac{f}{CPI \times 10^6} \quad (6)$$

- T - CPU time, [s]
- N_{instr} - number of instructions executed (instructions count), [instr]
- CPI - Cycles per Instruction, [cycles/instr]
- C_i - Number of instructions type i executed in the program. [instr]
- t_{cycle} - duration of clock cycle, [s/cycles]
- f - clock frequency, [Hertz] = [cycles/s]
- n - Number of different instruction types in the program.

Exercise 1.3

Consider three different processors P₁, P₂, and P₃ executing the same instruction set with the clock rates and CPIs given in the following table.

| | Processor | Clock Rate | CPI |
|----|----------------|------------|-----|
| a. | P ₁ | 3 GHz | 1.5 |
| | P ₂ | 2.5 GHz | 1.0 |
| | P ₃ | 4 GHz | 2.2 |
| b. | P ₁ | 2 GHz | 1.2 |
| | P ₂ | 3 GHz | 0.8 |
| | P ₃ | 4 GHz | 2.0 |

1.3.1 Which processor has the highest performance expressed in instructions per second?

Solution:

From (4) and (2) we have:

$$T = \frac{N_{instr} \times CPI}{f}$$

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_X}{\text{Performance}_Y} = \frac{\text{Execution time}_Y}{\text{Execution time}_X} = n$$

Performance is inversely proportional to execution time

a.

$$P1 : \frac{f_1}{CPI_1} = \frac{3 \cdot 10^9}{1.5} = 2 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr/s}$$

$$P2 : \frac{f_2}{CPI_2} = \frac{2.5 \cdot 10^9}{1.0} = 2.5 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr/s}$$

$$P3 : \frac{f_3}{CPI_3} = \frac{4 \cdot 10^9}{2.2} = 1.82 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr/s}$$

Performance:

$$P2 > P1 > P3$$

b.

$$P1 : \frac{f_1}{CPI_1} = \frac{2 \cdot 10^9}{1.2} = 1.67 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr/s}$$

$$P2 : \frac{f_2}{CPI_2} = \frac{3 \cdot 10^9}{0.8} = 3.75 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr/s}$$

$$P3 : \frac{f_3}{CPI_3} = \frac{4 \cdot 10^9}{2.0} = 2.0 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr/s}$$

Performance:

$$P2 > P3 > P1$$

1.3.2 If the processors each execute a program in 10 seconds, find the number of cycles and the number of instructions.

Solution:

We have (3) and (4):

$$CPI = \frac{N_{cycles}}{N_{instr}}$$

$$T = \frac{N_{instr} \times CPI}{f}$$

From (3) and (4) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{cycles} &= CPI \times N_{instr} \\ N_{instr} &= \frac{T \times f}{CPI} \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we get the formula to calculate the number of cycles:

$$N_{cycles} = T \times f$$

To calculate the number of instructions, from (3) we have:

$$N_{instr} = \frac{N_{cycles}}{CPI}$$

a.

P1:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{cycles} &= 10 \times 3 \cdot 10^9 \\ N_{cycles} &= 30 \cdot 10^9 \text{ cycles} \\ N_{instr} &= \frac{30 \cdot 10^9}{1.5} \\ N_{instr} &= 20 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr} \end{aligned}$$

P2:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{cycles} &= 10 \times 2.5 \cdot 10^9 \\ N_{cycles} &= 25 \cdot 10^9 \text{ cycles} \\ N_{instr} &= \frac{25 \cdot 10^9}{1.0} \\ N_{instr} &= 25 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr} \end{aligned}$$

P3:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{cycles} &= 10 \times 4 \cdot 10^9 \\ N_{cycles} &= 40 \cdot 10^9 \text{ cycles} \\ N_{instr} &= \frac{40 \cdot 10^9}{2.2} \\ N_{instr} &= 18.18 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr} \end{aligned}$$

b.

P1:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{cycles} &= 10 \times 2 \cdot 10^9 \\ N_{cycles} &= 20 \cdot 10^9 \text{ cycles} \\ N_{instr} &= \frac{20 \cdot 10^9}{1.2} \\ N_{instr} &= 16.67 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr} \end{aligned}$$

P2:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\text{Cycles}} &= 10 \times 3 \cdot 10^9 \\ N_{\text{Cycles}} &= 30 \cdot 10^9 \text{ cycles} \\ N_{\text{instr}} &= \frac{30 \cdot 10^9}{0.8} \\ N_{\text{instr}} &= 37.5 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr} \end{aligned}$$

P3:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\text{Cycles}} &= 10 \times 4 \cdot 10^9 \\ N_{\text{Cycles}} &= 40 \cdot 10^9 \text{ cycles} \\ N_{\text{instr}} &= \frac{40 \cdot 10^9}{2.0} \\ N_{\text{instr}} &= 20 \cdot 10^9 \text{ instr} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1.14

Section 1.8 cites as a pitfall the utilization of a subset of the performance equation as a performance metric. To illustrate this, consider the following data for the execution of a program in different processors.

| | Processor | Clock Rate | CPI | No. Instru. |
|-----------|-----------|------------|------|-------------|
| a. | P1 | 4 GHz | 0.9 | 5.00E+6 |
| | P2 | 3 GHz | 0.75 | 1.00E+6 |
| b. | P1 | 3 GHz | 1.1 | 3.00E+6 |
| | P2 | 2.5 GHz | 1.0 | 0.50E+6 |

1.14.1 One usual fallacy is to consider the computer with the largest clock rate as having the largest performance. Check if this is true for P1 and P2.

Solution:

From (4)

$$T = \frac{N_{\text{instr}} \times CPI}{f}$$

a.

For P1:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= \frac{5 \cdot 10^6 \times 0.9}{4 \cdot 10^9} \\ T_1 &= 1.125 \text{ ms} \end{aligned}$$

For P₂:

$$T_2 = \frac{1 \cdot 10^6 \times 0.75}{3 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_2 = 0.25 \text{ ms}$$

Performance:

$$n = \frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{1.125 \text{ ms}}{0.25 \text{ ms}}$$

$$n = 4.5$$

P₂ is 4.5 times faster than P₁, even though it has a lower clock rate.

b.

For P₁:

$$T_1 = \frac{3 \cdot 10^6 \times 1.1}{3 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_1 = 1.1 \text{ ms}$$

For P₂:

$$T_2 = \frac{0.5 \cdot 10^6 \times 1}{2.5 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_2 = 0.2 \text{ ms}$$

Performance:

$$n = \frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{1.1 \text{ ms}}{0.2 \text{ ms}}$$

$$n = 5.5$$

P₂ is 5.5 times faster than P₁, even though it has a lower clock rate.

1.14.2 Another fallacy is to consider that the processor executing the largest number of instructions will need a larger CPU time. Considering that processor P₁ is executing a sequence of 10⁶ instructions and that the CPI of processors P₁ and P₂ do not change, determine the number of instructions that P₂ can execute in the same time that P₁ needs to execute 10⁶ instructions.

Solution:

a.

For P₁:

$$T_1 = \frac{1 \cdot 10^6 \times 0.9}{4 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_1 = 0.225 \text{ ms}$$

For P₂:

$$N_{\text{intr}_2} = \frac{T_1 \times f_2}{CPI_2} = \frac{0.225 \cdot 10^{-3} \times 3 \cdot 10^9}{0.75}$$

$$N_{\text{intr}_2} = 9.0 \cdot 10^5 \text{ intr}$$

P₂ executes $9.0 \cdot 10^5$ instructions in the same time P₁ executes $1 \cdot 10^6$ instructions.

b.

For P₁:

$$T_1 = \frac{1 \cdot 10^6 \times 1.1}{3 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_1 = 0.367 \text{ ms}$$

For P₂:

$$N_{\text{intr}_2} = \frac{T_1 \times f_2}{CPI_2} = \frac{0.367 \cdot 10^{-3} \times 2.5 \cdot 10^9}{1}$$

$$N_{\text{intr}_2} = 9.17 \cdot 10^5 \text{ intr}$$

P₂ executes $9.17 \cdot 10^5$ instructions in the same time P₁ executes $1 \cdot 10^6$ instructions.

1.14.3 A common fallacy is to use MIPS (millions of instructions per second) to compare the performance of two different processors, and consider that the processor with the largest MIPS has the largest performance. Check if this is true for P₁ and P₂.

Solution:

a.

For P₁:

$$\text{MIPS}_1 = \frac{5 \cdot 10^6}{1.125 \cdot 10^{-3} \times 10^6}$$

$$\text{MIPS}_1 = 4.44 \cdot 10^3 \text{ MIPS}$$

For P₂:

$$\text{MIPS}_2 = \frac{1 \cdot 10^6}{0.25 \cdot 10^{-3} \times 10^6}$$

$$\text{MIPS}_2 = 4 \cdot 10^3 \text{ MIPS}$$

Although the MIPS of P₁ are higher than the MIPS of P₂, the performance of P₂ is 4.5 times that of P₁, as calculated above.

b.

For P₁:

$$\text{MIPS}_1 = \frac{3 \cdot 10^6}{1.1 \cdot 10^{-3} \times 10^6}$$

$$\text{MIPS}_1 = 2.73 \cdot 10^3 \text{ MIPS}$$

For P₂:

$$\text{MIPS}_2 = \frac{0.5 \cdot 10^6}{0.2 \cdot 10^{-3} \times 10^6}$$

$$\text{MIPS}_2 = 2.5 \cdot 10^3 \text{ MIPS}$$

Although the MIPS of P₁ are higher than the MIPS of P₂, the performance of P₂ is 5.5 times that of P₁, as calculated above.

Exercise 1.4

Consider two different implementations of the same instruction set architecture. There are four classes of instructions, A, B, C, and D. The clock rate and CPI of each implementation are given in the following table.

| | | Clock Rate | CPI Class A | CPI Class B | CPI Class C | CPI Class D |
|----|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| a. | P ₁ | 2.5 GHz | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| | P ₂ | 3 GHz | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| b. | P ₁ | 2.5 GHz | 2 | 1.5 | 2 | 1 |
| | P ₂ | 3 GHz | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |

1.4.1 Given a program with 10^6 instructions divided into classes as follows: 10% class A, 20% class B, 50% class C, and 20% class D, which implementation is faster?

Solution:

From (4)

$$T = \frac{N_{instr} \times CPI}{f}$$

From (3), (4) and (5), we have:

$$T = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (CPI_i \times C_i)}{f}$$

Calculate the number of instructions:

- Class A : $10\% = 10^5$ instr
- Class B : $20\% = 2 \cdot 10^5$ instr
- Class C : $50\% = 5 \cdot 10^5$ instr
- Class D : $20\% = 2 \cdot 10^5$ instr

a.

P1:

$$N_{cycles} = \sum_{i=1}^4 (CP_i \times C_i) = 1 \times 1 \cdot 10^5 + 2 \times 2 \cdot 10^5 + 3 \times 5 \cdot 10^5 + 3 \times 2 \cdot 10^5$$

$$N_{cycles} = (1 + 4 + 15 + 6) \cdot 10^5$$

$$T_{P1} = \frac{26 \cdot 10^5}{2.5 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_{P1} = 1.04 \text{ ms}$$

P2:

$$N_{cycles} = \sum_{i=1}^4 (CP_i \times C_i) = 2 \times 1 \cdot 10^5 + 2 \times 2 \cdot 10^5 + 2 \times 5 \cdot 10^5 + 2 \times 2 \cdot 10^5$$

$$N_{cycles} = (2 + 4 + 10 + 4) \cdot 10^5$$

$$T_{P2} = \frac{20 \cdot 10^5}{3 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_{P2} = 0.67 \text{ ms}$$

b.

P1:

$$N_{cycles} = \sum_{i=1}^4 (CP_i \times C_i) = 2 \times 1 \cdot 10^5 + 1.5 \times 2 \cdot 10^5 + 2 \times 5 \cdot 10^5 + 1 \times 2 \cdot 10^5$$

$$N_{cycles} = (2 + 3 + 10 + 2) \cdot 10^5$$

$$T_{P1} = \frac{17 \cdot 10^5}{2.5 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_{P1} = 0.68 \text{ ms}$$

P2:

$$N_{cycles} = \sum_{i=1}^4 (CP_i \times C_i) = 1 \times 1 \cdot 10^5 + 2 \times 2 \cdot 10^5 + 1 \times 5 \cdot 10^5 + 1 \times 2 \cdot 10^5$$

$$N_{cycles} = (1 + 4 + 5 + 2) \cdot 10^5$$

$$T_{P2} = \frac{12 \cdot 10^5}{3 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_{P2} = 0.4 \text{ ms}$$

1.4.2 What is the global CPI for each implementation?

Extra problems

E1.1 A program consist of 5,000 floating point instructions and 25,000 integer instructions. Processor A has clock rate of 2.0 GHz. Floating point instructions take 7 cycles and integer instructions take 1 cycle. How long does it take for this processor to run the program?

Solution:

Time for floating point instructions:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\text{instr}_{\text{fp}}} &= 5,000 \text{ instr} \\ \text{CPI}_{\text{fp}} &= 7 \text{ cycles/instr} \\ f &= 2 \text{ GHz} \end{aligned}$$

from (4)

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{N_{\text{instr}} \times \text{CPI}}{f} \\ T_{\text{fp}} &= \frac{5,000 \text{ instr} \times 7 \text{ cycles/instr}}{2 \times 10^9 \text{ cycles/s}} = 17.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s} \\ T_{\text{fp}} &= 17.5 \mu\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

Time for integer instructions:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\text{instr}_{\text{int}}} &= 25,000 \text{ instr} \\ \text{CPI}_{\text{int}} &= 1 \text{ cycles/instr} \\ f &= 2 \text{ GHz} \end{aligned}$$

From (4)

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{N_{\text{instr}} \times \text{CPI}}{f} \\ T_{\text{int}} &= \frac{25,000 \text{ instr} \times 1 \text{ cycles/instr}}{2 \times 10^9 \text{ cycles/s}} = 12.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s} \\ T_{\text{int}} &= 12.5 \mu\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

So, the total time is:

$$\begin{aligned} T &= T_{\text{fp}} + T_{\text{int}} = 17.5 \mu\text{s} + 12.5 \mu\text{s} \\ T &= 30 \mu\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

The processor takes 30 μs to run the program.

E1.2 What is the average CPI for this processor for the given program?

Solution:

From (3), we have:

$$CPI = \frac{N_{cycles}}{N_{instr}}$$

Calculate the number of cycles for floating point instructions:

$$CPI_{fp} = 7 \text{ cycles/instr}$$

$$N_{instr_{fp}} = 5,000 \text{ instr}$$

$$N_{cycles_{fp}} = CPI_{fp} \times N_{instr_{fp}} = 7 \text{ cycles/instr} \times 5,000 \text{ instr}$$

$$N_{cycles_{fp}} = 35,000 \text{ cycles}$$

Calculate the number of cycles for integer instructions:

$$CPI_{int} = 1 \text{ cycles/instr}$$

$$N_{instr_{int}} = 25,000 \text{ instr}$$

$$N_{cycles_{int}} = CPI_{int} \times N_{instr_{int}} = 1 \text{ cycles/instr} \times 25,000 \text{ instr}$$

$$N_{cycles_{int}} = 25,000 \text{ cycles}$$

So, calculate the CPI average:

$$\begin{aligned} CPI &= \frac{N_{cycles_{fp}} + N_{cycles_{int}}}{N_{instr_{fp}} + N_{instr_{int}}} = \frac{35,000 \text{ cycles} + 25,000 \text{ cycles}}{5,000 \text{ instr} + 25,000 \text{ instr}} \\ &= \frac{60,000 \text{ cycles}}{30,000 \text{ instr}} \\ CPI &= 2 \text{ cycles/instr} \end{aligned}$$

The average CPI is: 2 cycles/instr.

E1.3 Processor A runs Program 2 consisting of 100,000 floating point instructions and 50,000 integer instructions. What is the average CPI for this program?

Solution:

$$N_{cycles_{fp}} = CPI_{fp} \times N_{instr_{fp}} = 7 \text{ cycles/instr} \times 100,000 \text{ instr}$$

$$N_{cycles_{fp}} = 700,000 \text{ cycles}$$

$$N_{cycles_{int}} = CPI_{int} \times N_{instr_{int}} = 1 \text{ cycles/instr} \times 50,000 \text{ instr}$$

$$N_{cycles_{int}} = 50,000 \text{ cycles}$$

$$CPI = \frac{N_{cycles_{fp}} + N_{cycles_{int}}}{N_{instr_{fp}} + N_{instr_{int}}} = \frac{700,000 \text{ cycles} + 50,000 \text{ cycles}}{100,000 \text{ instr} + 50,000 \text{ instr}}$$

$$CPI = \frac{750,000}{150,000} \text{ cycles/instr}$$

$$CPI = 5 \text{ cycles/instr.}$$

E1.4 Processor B has an average CPI for Program 2 of 3.5. Its clock rate is 1.8 GHz. How much time does it take to execute the program?

Solution:

From (4)

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{N_{instr} \times CPI}{f} \\ &= \frac{150,000 \times 3.5}{1.8 \times 10^9} \\ T_B &= 291.7 \mu s \end{aligned}$$

E1.4 Which Processor is faster and by how much?

Solution:

For processor A, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} f_A &= 2 \text{ GHz} \\ N_{instr_A} &= 150,000 \text{ instr} \\ CPI_A &= 5 \text{ cycles/instr} \end{aligned}$$

From (4)

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{N_{instr} \times CPI}{f} \\ T_A &= \frac{150,000 \times 5}{2 \times 10^9} \\ T_A &= 375 \mu s \end{aligned}$$

From the former problem, we have:

$$T_B = 291.7 \mu s$$

Then, we have:

$$T_A > T_B$$

From (2), we have:

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_X}{\text{Performance}_Y} = \frac{\text{Execution time}_Y}{\text{Execution time}_X} = n$$

$$\frac{\text{Execution time}_A}{\text{Execution time}_B} = \frac{375 \mu s}{291.7 \mu s} = 1.29$$

So,

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_B}{\text{Performance}_A} = 1.29$$

Hence, Processor B is 1.29 times faster than Processor A.

E2. A given application written in Java runs 15 seconds on a desktop processor. A new Yourself Java compiler is released that requires only 0.6 as many instructions as the old compiler. Unfortunately, it increases the CPI by 1.1. How fast can we expect the application to run using this new compiler? Pick the right answer from the three choices below

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a.) } & \frac{15 \times 0.6}{1.1} = 8.2 \text{ sec} \\
 \text{b.) } & \frac{15 \times 0.6}{1.1} = 9.9 \text{ sec} \\
 \text{c.) } & \frac{15 \times 0.6}{1.1} = 27.5 \text{ sec}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution:

Be T_1 the time using the old compiler and T_2 using the new

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_1 &= \frac{N_{instr_1} \times CPI_1}{f} \\
 T_2 &= \frac{N_{instr_2} \times CPI_2}{f} \\
 N_{instr_2} &= 0.6 \cdot N_{instr_1} \\
 CPI_2 &= 1.1 \cdot CPI_1 \\
 T_2 &= \frac{0.6 \cdot N_{instr_1} \times 1.1 \cdot CPI_1}{f} \\
 T_2 &= \frac{0.6 \cdot 1.1 N_{instr_1} \times CPI_1}{f} = 0.66 \cdot T_1 \\
 T_1 &= 15 \text{ s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, we have:

$$T_2 = 0.66 \cdot 15 \text{ s} = 9.9 \text{ s}$$

With the new Java compiler the application runs in 9.9 s.

E3. Consider the following performance measurements for a program:

| Measurement | Computer A | Computer B |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Instruction count | 10 billion | 8 billion |
| Clock rate | 4 GHz | 4 GHz |
| CPI | 1.0 | 1.1 |

- a. Which computer has the higher MIPS rating?
- b. Which computer is faster?

Solution:

a.,

From (6), we have:

$$\text{MIPS} = \frac{f}{CPI \times 10^6}$$

MIPS for computer A:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{MIPS}_A &= \frac{4 \cdot 10^9}{1.0 \times 10^6} \\
 \text{MIPS}_A &= 4.0 \cdot 10^3 \text{ MIPS}
 \end{aligned}$$

MIPS for computer B:

$$\text{MIPS}_B = \frac{4 \cdot 10^9}{1.1 \times 10^6}$$

$$\text{MIPS}_B = 3.64 \cdot 10^3 \text{ MIPS}$$

Computer A has a higher MIPS than computer B.

b.)

From (4), we have

$$T = \frac{N_{instr} \times CPI}{f}$$

Time for computer A:

$$T_A = \frac{10 \cdot 10^9 \times 1.0}{4 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_A = 2.5 \text{ s}$$

Time for computer B:

$$T_B = \frac{8 \cdot 10^9 \times 1.1}{4 \cdot 10^9}$$

$$T_B = 2.2 \text{ s}$$

From (2)

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_X}{\text{Performance}_Y} = \frac{\text{Execution time}_Y}{\text{Execution time}_X} = n, \quad n \geq 1$$

$$\frac{\text{Performance}_B}{\text{Performance}_A} = \frac{\text{Execution time}_A}{\text{Execution time}_B} = \frac{2.5 \text{ s}}{2.2 \text{ s}} = 1.14$$

The performance of computer B is 1.14 times the performance of computer A , even though MIPS of computer A is higher than MIPS of computer B.

2 Instructions: Language of the Computer

Exercise 2.1

The following problems explore translating from C to MIPS. Assume that the variables *f*, *g*, *h*, and *i* are given and could be considered 32-bit integers as declared in a C program.

2.1.1 For the C statements above, what is the corresponding MIPS assembly code? Use a minimal number of MIPS assembly instructions.

Solution:

a. Let's assume that the C variables: *f*, *g* and *h* are assigned to the registers \$s0, \$s1 and \$s2 respectively.

```
f = g - h;
```

Then, we have:

```
sub $s0, $s1, $s2      # register $s0 contains g - h
```

b. Let's assume that the C variables: *f*, *g* and *h* are assigned to the registers \$s0, \$s1 and \$s2, respectively, and a temporary register \$t0.

```
f = g + (h - 5);
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Then, we have

```
addi $t0, $s2, -5      # register $t0 contains h - 5
add  $s0, $s1, $t0      # register $s0 contains g + (h - 5)
```

2.1.2 For the C statements above, how many MIPS assembly instructions are needed to perform the C statement?

Solution:

In the case of section a. only one instruction is needed.

In the case of section b. two instructions are needed.

2.1.3 If the variables *f*, *g* , *h*, and *i* have values 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively, what is the end value of *f*?

Solution:

a.

```
f <- 1, g <- 2, h <- 3, i <- 4
```

```
f = g - h
```

```
f <- 2 - 3
f <- -1
```

b.

```
f = g + (h - 5)
```

```
f <- 2 + (3 - 5)
f <- 2 - 2
f <- 0
```

The following problems deal with translating from MIPS to C. For the following exercise, assume that the variables g, h, i, and j are given and could be considered 32-bit integers as declared in a C program.

| | |
|----|--|
| a. | <code>addi f, f, 4</code> |
| b. | <code>add f, g, h</code> <code>sub f, i, f</code> |

2.2.4 For the MIPS assembly instructions above, what is a corresponding C statement?

Solution:

a.

```
f = f + 4;
```

b.

```
f = i - (g + h);
```

Exercise 2.3

The following problems explore translating from C to MIPS. Assume that the variables f and g are given and could be considered 32-bit integers as declared in a C program. **2.3.1** For the C statements above,

| | |
|----|--------------------------------|
| a. | <code>f = -g - f;</code> |
| b. | <code>f = g + (-f - 5);</code> |

what is the corresponding MIPS assembly code? Use a minimal number of MIPS assembly instructions.

Solution:

a.

Let's assume that the C variables: f and g are assigned to the registers \$s0 and \$s1, respectively, and a temporary register \$t0. Register \$zero contains the constant value 0.

Then, we have

```

sub $t0, $zero, $s1      # register $t0 contains -g
sub $s0, $t0, $s0          # register $s0 contains -g - f

```

- b. Let's assume that the C variables: f and g are assigned to the registers \$s0 and \$s1, respectively, and a temporary register \$t0.

Then, we have

```

sub $t0, $zero, $s0      # register $t0 contains -f
addi $t0, $t0, -5        # register $t0 contains -f - 5
add $s0, $s1, $t0          # register $s0 contains g + (-f - 5)

```

- 2.3.2** For the C statements above, how many MIPS assembly instructions are needed to perform the C statement?

Solution:

Exercise 2.10

In the following problems, the data table contains bits that represent the opcode of an instruction. You will be asked to interpret the bits as MIPS instructions into assembly code and determine what format of MIPS instruction the bits represent.

| | |
|----|--|
| a. | 0000 0010 0001 0000 1000 0000 0010 0000 _{two} |
| b. | 0000 0001 0100 1011 0100 1000 0010 0010 _{two} |

- 2.10.1** For the binary entries above, what instruction do they represent?

Solution:

a.

0000 0010 0001 0000 1000 0000 0010 0000_{two}

If bits from 31 to 26 are 0, then the instruction is an R-format instruction.

Dividing the binary word by fields:

| op | rs | rt | rd | shamt | funct |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 6 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 6 bits |
| 000000 | 10000 | 10000 | 10000 | 00000 | 100000 |

| Field | Binary | MIPS | Range | Size |
|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|
| opcode | 000000 | R-type | 31:25 | 6 bits |
| rs | 10000 | \$s0 | 25:21 | 5 bits |
| rt | 10000 | \$s0 | 20:16 | 5 bits |
| rd | 10000 | \$s0 | 15:11 | 5 bits |
| shamt | 00000 | not used | 10:6 | 5 bits |
| funct | 100000 | add | 5:0 | 6 bits |

add \$s0, \$s0, \$s0

b.0000 0001 0100 1011 0100 1000 0010 0010_{two}

If bits from 31 to 26 are 0, then the instruction is an R-format instruction.

Dividing by fields:

| op | rs | rt | rd | shamt | funct |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 6 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 6 bits |
| 000000 | 01010 | 01011 | 01001 | 00000 | 100010 |

| Field | Binary | MIPS | Range | Size |
|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|
| opcode | 000000 | R-type | 31:25 | 6 bits |
| rs | 01010 | \$t2 | 25:21 | 5 bits |
| rt | 01011 | \$t3 | 20:16 | 5 bits |
| rd | 01001 | \$t1 | 15:11 | 5 bits |
| shamt | 00000 | not used | 10:6 | 5 bits |
| funct | 100010 | sub | 5:0 | 6 bits |

`sub $t1, $t2, $t3`

2.10.2 What type (I-type, R-type, J-type) instruction do the binary entries above represent?

Solution:

Both are R-type instructions.

2.10.3 If the binary entries above were data bits, what number would they represent in hexadecimal?

Solution:

a.

0000 0010 0001 0000 1000 0000 0010 0000_{two}
 0 2 1 0 8 0 2 0 hex

b.

0000 0001 0100 1011 0100 1000 0010 0010_{two}
 0 1 4 B 4 8 2 2 hex

In the following problems, the data table contains MIPS instructions. You will be asked to translate the entries into the bits of the opcode and determine the MIPS instruction format.

| | |
|----|---------------------------------|
| a. | <code>addi \$t0, \$t0, 0</code> |
| b. | <code>sw \$t1, 32(\$t2)</code> |

2.10.4 For the instructions above, show the binary then hexadecimal representation of these instructions.

Solution:

a.

```
addi $t0, $t0, 0
```

addi is an I-type instruction. So, the

| op | rs | rt | constant |
|--------|--------|--------|---------------------|
| 6 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 16 bits |
| 001000 | 01000 | 01000 | 0000 0000 0000 0000 |

| Field | Binary | MIPS | Range | Size |
|----------|--------|--------|-------|---------|
| opcode | 001000 | I-type | 31:25 | 6 bits |
| rs | 01000 | \$t0 | 25:21 | 5 bits |
| rt | 01000 | \$t0 | 20:16 | 5 bits |
| constant | 000..0 | | 15:0 | 16 bits |

0010 0001 0000 1000 0000 0000 0000 0000_{two}
 2 1 0 8 0 0 0 0 hex

b.

```
sw $t1, 32($t2)
```

sw is an I-type instruction. So, the

| op | rs | rt | address |
|--------|--------|--------|---------------------|
| 6 bits | 5 bits | 5 bits | 16 bits |
| 101011 | 01010 | 01001 | 0000 0000 0010 0000 |

| Field | Binary | MIPS | Range | Size |
|----------|-------------|--------|-------|---------|
| opcode | 101011 | I-type | 31:25 | 6 bits |
| rs | 01010 | \$t0 | 25:21 | 5 bits |
| rt | 01001 | \$t0 | 20:16 | 5 bits |
| constant | 0...0100000 | number | 15:0 | 16 bits |

1010 1101 0100 1001 0000 0000 0010 0000_{two}
 A D 4 9 0 0 2 0 hex

2.10.5 What type (I-type, R-type, J-type) instruction do the instructions above represent?

Solution:

Both of them are I-type instructions.

2.10.6 What is the binary then hexadecimal representation of the opcode, Rs, and Rt fields in this instruction? For R-type instructions,

what is the hexadecimal representation of the Rd and funct fields? For I-type instructions, what is the hexadecimal representation of the immediate field?

Solution:

Exercise 2.13

In the following problems, the data table contains the values for registers \$t0 and \$t1. You will be asked to perform several MIPS logical operations on these registers.

| | |
|----|--------------------------------------|
| a. | \$t0 = 0xAAAAAAA, \$t1 = 0x12345678 |
| b. | \$t0 = 0xF00DD00D, \$t1 = 0x11111111 |

2.13.1 For the lines above, what is the value of \$t2 for the following sequence of instructions?

```
sll $t2, $t0, 4
or $t2, $t2, $t1
```

Solution:

The first instruction

```
sll $t2, $t0, 4
```

is the shift left logical (sll) instruction. In this case, the bits of register \$t0 are shifted four places to the left and the result is stored in register \$t2.

The second instruction

```
or $t2, $t2, $t1
```

is the OR instruction. It's a logical bit-by-bit operation with two operands that calculates a 1 if there is a 1 in either operand.

```
$t2 <- $t2 OR $t1
```

$\text{AAAAAAA}_{\text{hex}} = 1010 \ 1010 \ 1010 \ 1010 \ 1010 \ 1010 \ 1010 \ 1010_{\text{two}}$

$12345678_{\text{hex}} = 0001 \ 0010 \ 0011 \ 0100 \ 0101 \ 0110 \ 0111 \ 1000_{\text{two}}$

\$t0 - 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010

\$t1 - 0001 0010 0011 0100 0101 0110 0111 1000

```
$t2 <- 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 0000 # sll $t2, $t0, 4
```

\$t2 - 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 0000

or

\$t1 - 0001 0010 0011 0100 0101 0110 0111 1000

```
$t2 <- 1011 1010 1011 1110 1111 1110 1111 1000 # or $t2, $t2, $t1
```

So, the value of register \$t2 is:

$\text{BABEF8}_{\text{hex}} = 1011 \ 1010 \ 1011 \ 1110 \ 1111 \ 1110 \ 1111 \ 1000_{\text{two}}$

2.13.2 For the values in the table above, what is the value of \$t2 for the following sequence of instructions?

```
sll $t2, $t0, 4
andi $t2, $t2, -1
```

Exercise 2.18

For these problems, the table holds some C code. You will be asked to evaluate these C code statements in MIPS assembly code.

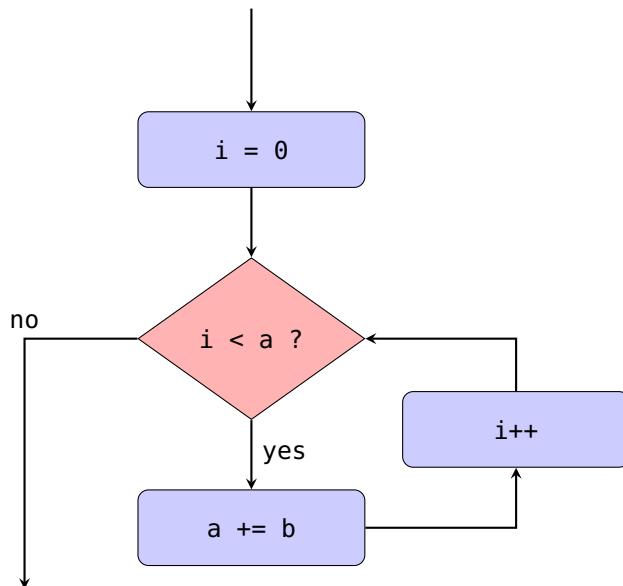
| | |
|----|--|
| a. | <code>for(i=0; i<a; i++) a += b;</code> |
| b. | <code>for(i=0; i<a; i++) for(j=0; j<b; j++) D[4*j] = i + j;</code> |

2.18.1 For the table above, draw a control-flow graph of the C code.

Solution:

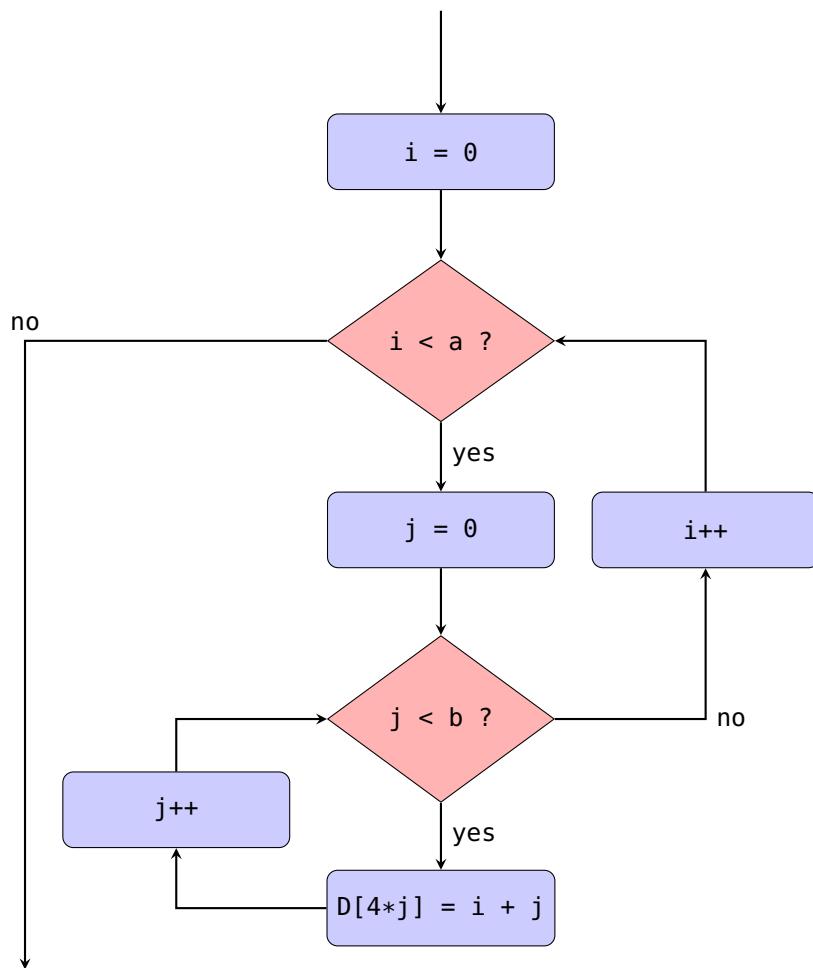
a.

```
for(i = 0; i < a; i++)
    a += b;
```



b.

```
for(i = 0; i < a; i++)
    for(j = 0; j < b; j++)
        D[4*j] = i + j;
```



2.18.2 For the table above, translate the C code to MIPS assembly code. Use a minimum number of instructions. Assume that the values of a , b , i , and j are in registers $\$s0$, $\$s1$, $\$t0$ and $\$t1$, respectively. Also, assume that register $\$s2$ holds the base address of the array D .

Solution:

a. C code:

```
for(i = 0; i < a; i++)
    a += b;
```

Registers:

$a - \$s0$, $b - \$s1$, $i - \$t0$, $j - \$t1$, Base Address - $\$s2$

MIPS assembly code:

```

add $t0, $zero, $zero      # i <- 0
Loop:
3   slt $t2, $t0, $s0      # i < a ? 1 : 0
    beq $t2, $zero, Exit    # if i == 0 then Exit
    add $s0, $s0, $s1        # a <- a + b
    addi $t0, $t0, 1         # i++
    j Loop                  # goto Loop
8 Exit:
  
```

b.

Registers:

a - \$s0, b - \$s1, i - \$t0, j - \$t1, Base Address - \$s2

C code:

```
for(i = 0; i < a; i++)
    for(j = 0; j < b; j++)
        D[4*j] = i + j;
```

MIPS assembly code:

```
      add  $t0, $zero, $zero      # i <- 0
2 Loop_i:                      # extern for loop
      slt  $t2, $t0, $s0        # i < a ? 1 : 0
      beq  $t2, $zero, Exit_i  # if i == 0 then Exit_i
      add  $t1, $zero, $zero      # j <- 0
Loop_j:                      # intern for loop
7       slt  $t3, $t1, $s1        # j < b ? 1 : 0
      beq  $t3, $zero, Exit_j  # if j == 0 then Exit_j
      add  $t4, $t0, $t1        # t4 <- i + j
      sll  $t5, $t1, 4          # t5 <- 4*j
      add  $t5, $t5, $s2        # t5 <- 4*j + Base Address
12      sw   $t4, 0($t5)        # D[4*j] <- i + j
      addi $t1, $t1, 1          # j++
      j    Loop_j               # goto Loop_j
Exit_j:                         # i++
17      addi $t0, $t0, 1          # j++
      j    Loop_i               # goto Loop_i
Exit_i:
```

2.18.3 How many MIPS instructions does it take to implement the C code? If the variables a and b are initialized to 10 and 1 and all elements of D are initially 0, what is the total number of MIPS instructions that is executed to complete the loop?

Solution:

a. In the first case it has 6 instructions lines. Labels: Loop: and Exit: don't count as instructions.

- R-Type:

add, slt

- I-Type:

beq, addi

- J-Type:

j

b. In the second case it has 14 instructions lines. Labels: Loop_i:, Loop_j, Exit_i and Exit_j don't count as instructions.

- **R-Type:**

add, slt, sll

- **I-Type:**

beq, sw, addi

- **J-Type:**

j

Now, if $a = 10$, $b = 1$ and the elements of D array are 0.

For these problems, the table holds MIPS assembly code fragments. You will be asked to evaluate each of the code fragments, familiarizing you with the different MIPS branch instructions.

| | |
|-----------|---|
| a. | <pre> addi \$t1, \$0, 50 LOOP: lw \$s1, 0(\$s0) add \$s2, \$s2, \$s1 lw \$s1, 4(\$s0) add \$s2, \$s2, \$s1 addi \$s0, \$s0, 8 subi \$t1, \$t1, 1 bne \$t1, \$0, LOOP </pre> |
| b. | <pre> addi \$t1, \$0, \$0 LOOP: lw \$s1, 0(\$s0) add \$s2, \$s2, \$s1 addi \$s0, \$s0, 4 addi \$t1, \$t1, 1 slti \$t2, \$t1, 100 bne \$t2, \$0, LOOP </pre> |

2.18.4 What is the total number of MIPS instructions executed?

a.

The first line of code is executed once. The Loop has 7 lines of code that are executed 50 times. Hence, we have: $1 + 7 \times 50 = 351$. The total number of MIPS instructions executed are 351.

b.

The first line of code is executed once. The Loop has 9 lines of code that are executed 50 times. Hence, we have: $1 + 9 \times 50 = 451$. The total number of MIPS instructions executed are 451.

2.18.5 Translate the loops above into C. Assume that the C-level integer i is held in register $$t1$, $$s2$ holds the C-level integer called $result$, and $$s0$ holds the base address of the integer $MemArray$.

Solution:

a.

$i = t1$, $result = s2$, $s0 = BaseAddress$ of $MemArray$

```

int j = 0;
int result = 0;
    
```

```

for(int i = 50; i > 0; i--)
{
    result += MemArray[j];
    result += MemArray[j + 1];
    j += 2;
}

```

or

```

int j = 0;
int result = 0;
for (int i = 50; i > 0; i--)
{
    result += *(MemArray + j);
    result += *(MemArray + j + 1);
    j += 2;
}

```

b.

i - \$t1, result - \$s2, \$s0 - BaseAddress of MemArray

```

int j = 0, result = 0, int temp;

for (int i = 0; i < 100; i++)
{
    temp = *(MemArray + j);      // lw $s1, 0($s0)
    result += temp;              // add $s2, $s2, $s1
    j++;                        // addi $s0, $s0, 4
}

```