

Assignment I

Problem Bank 20

- **Assignment Description:**

Cache memory is a type of high-speed volatile computer memory that provides high-speed data access to a processor and stores frequently used computer programs, applications, and data. It acts as a temporary storage area between the main memory (RAM) and the central processing unit (CPU). The purpose of cache memory is to store copies of frequently accessed data and instructions, reducing the time it takes for the CPU to retrieve information. This proximity to the CPU allows cache memory to deliver faster data access speeds compared to main memory, contributing to overall system performance optimization.

The assignment aims to provide deeper understanding of cache by analysing its behaviour using cache implementation of CPU- OS Simulator. The assignment has three parts.

- Part I deals with Cache Memory Management with Direct Mapping
- Part II deals with Cache Memory Management with Associative Mapping
- Part III deals with Cache Memory Management with Set Associative Mapping

- **Submission:** You will have to submit this documentation file and the name of the file should be GROUP-NUMBER.pdf. For Example, if your group number is 1, then the file name should be GROUP-1.pdf.

Submit the assignment by **January 06, 2024 through canvas only**. File submitted by any means outside CANVAS will not be accepted and marked. In case of any issues, please drop an email to the course lead TA Vaibhav Jain (email : vaibhav.jain@wilp.bits-pilani.ac.in)

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Evaluation:

- The assignment carries 10 marks
- Grading will depend on
 - Contribution of each student in the implementation of the assignment
 - **Plagiarism or copying will result in -10 marks**

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Assignment Set Number:20

Group Name:140

Contribution Table:

Contribution (This table should contain the list of all the students in the group. Clearly mention each student's contribution towards the assignment. Mention "No Contribution" in cases applicable.)

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Resource for Part I, II and III:

- Use following link to login to "eLearn" portal.
 - <https://elearn.bits-pilani.ac.in>
- Click on "My Virtual Lab – CSIS"
- Using your canvas credentials login into Virtual lab
- In "BITS Pilani" Virtual lab click on "Resources". Click on "Computer Organization and software systems" course.
 - Use resources within "LabCapsule3: Cache Memory"

Code to be used:

The following code written in STL Language:

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program Twenty
VAR a array(5) INTEGER
VAR b array(5) INTEGER
VAR len byte
VAR i byte
VAR j byte
VAR p byte
VAR q byte
VAR x byte
VAR n byte

a(1)=80
a(2)=20
a(3)=19
a(4)=89
a(5)=30
len = 5

writeln("Numbers to sort :")

for n = 1 to len
    write(a(n), " ")
next
writeln("")
writeln("Selection Sort")

for i = 1 to len
    for j = i+1 to len

        p = a(i)
        q = a(j)
        if p > q then
            x = a(i)
            a(i) = a(j)
            a(j) = x
        end if
    next
next
for n = 1 to len
    write(a(n), " ")
next

end
```

General procedure to convert the given STL program into ALP:

- Open CPU OS Simulator. Go to **advanced tab** and press **compiler** button
- Copy the above program in **Program Source** window
- Open **Compile** tab and press **compile** button
- In **Assembly Code**, enter **start address** and press **Load in Memory** button
- Now the assembly language program is available in CPU simulator.
- Set speed of execution to **FAST**.
- Open I/O console
- To run the program press **RUN** button.

General Procedure to use Cache set up in CPU-OS simulator

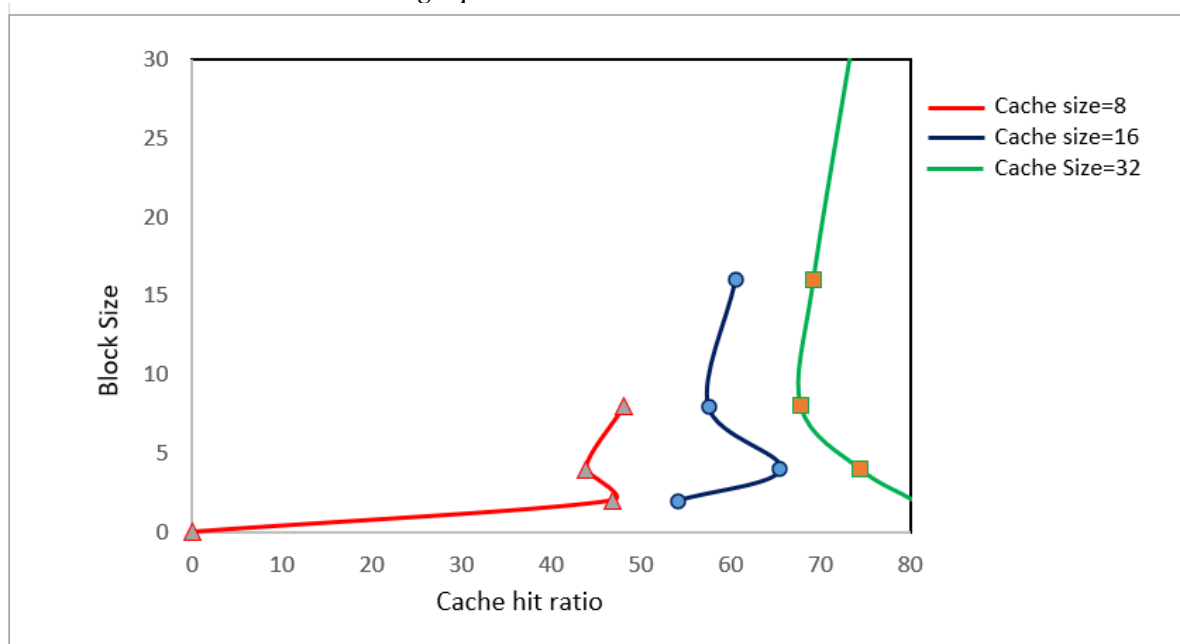
- After compiling and loading the assembly language code in CPU simulator, press “Cache-Pipeline” tab and select cache type as “Data”. Press “SHOW CACHE” button.
- In the newly opened cache window, choose appropriate cache Type, cache size, set blocks, replacement algorithm and write policy.

Part I: Direct Mapped Cache

- a) Execute the above program by setting block size to 2, 4, 8, 16 and 32 for cache size = 8, 16 and 32. Record the observation in the following table.

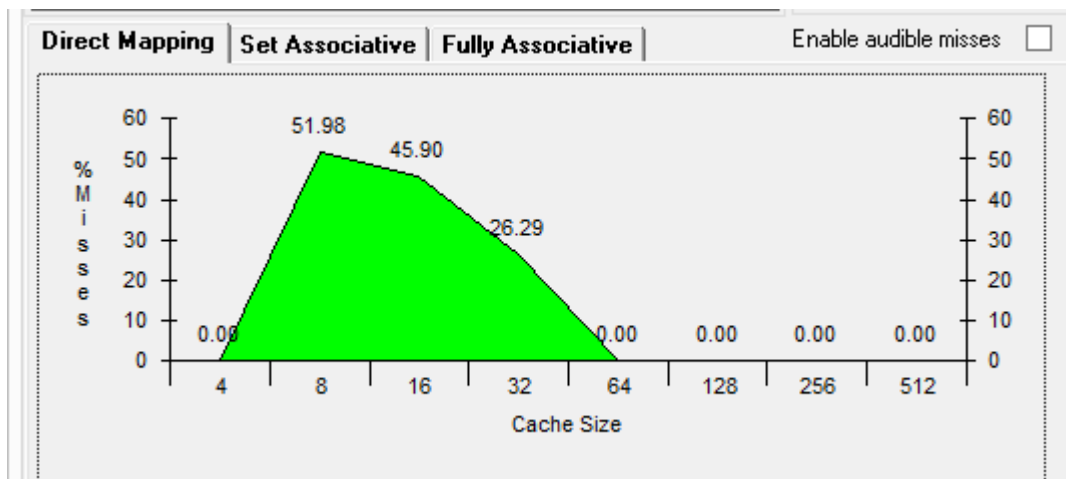
Block Size	Cache size	# Hits	# Misses	% Miss Ratio	%Hit Ratio
2	8	309	352	53.25%	46.75%
4		288	370	56.2%	43.80%
8		316	342	51.9%	48.10%
2	16	431	227	34.5%	54.10%
4		378	280	42.5%	65.50%
8		356	302	45.9%	57.50%
16		398	260	39.5%	60.50%
2	32	529	129	19.6%	80.40%
4		489	169	25.6%	74.40%
8		446	212	32.2%	67.80%
16		455	203	30.8%	69.20%
32		485	173	26.2%	73.80%

- b) Plot a single graph of Cache hit ratio Vs Block size with respect to cache size = 8, 16 and 32. Comment on the graph that is obtained.



Comments on graph 1(b):

1. With direct mapping technique, every block of Main memory is directly mapped only to a single possible cache line.
2. It's evident from the numbers that hit ratio is directly proportional to cache size. The best hit ratio is achieved with higher cache size. Cache size 8 has 43.80% of hit ratio, 16 as 65.50% and 32 has the highest hit ratio of 80.49% respectively.
3. Best hit ratio is achieved when the cache size is equal to block size.

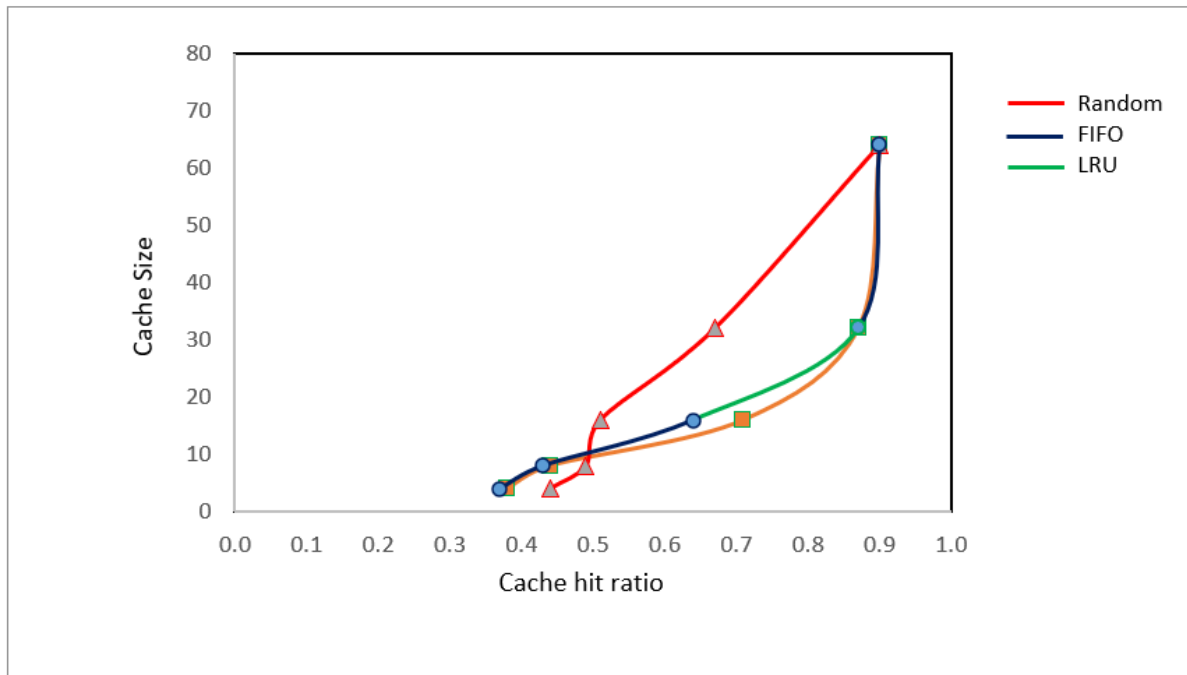


Part II: Associative Mapped Cache

a) For the given program, fill up the following table for three different replacement algorithms and state which replacement algorithm is better and why?

Replacement Algorithm: Random				
Block Size	Cache size	Miss	Hit	Hit ratio
2	4	368	290	0.44
2	8	334	324	0.49
2	16	320	338	0.51
2	32	219	439	0.67
2	64	68	590	0.90
Replacement Algorithm: FIFO				
Block Size	Cache size	Miss	Hit	Hit ratio
2	4	412	246	0.37
2	8	378	280	0.43
2	16	239	419	0.64
2	32	83	575	0.87
2	64	65	593	0.90
Replacement Algorithm: LRU				
Block Size	Cache size	Miss	Hit	Hit ratio
2	4	409	249	0.38
2	8	370	288	0.44
2	16	193	465	0.71
2	32	88	570	0.87
2	64	69	589	0.90

b) Plot the graph of Cache Hit Ratio Vs Cache size with respect to different replacement algorithms. Comment on the graph that is obtained.



Comment on graph 2(b):

1. Advantage of associative mapped cache over direct mapped cache is that it allows mapping of the main memory block to a freely available cache line.
2. With Block size being constant, it is evident that cache size is directly proportional to the cache hit ratio for every replacement algorithm.
3. Although hit ratio is closely matching for all three algorithms, we observe that the Random Replacement Algorithm is incrementing linearly. So we can conclude that for this scenario the Random replacement Algorithm is working better than FIFO and LRU.

Part III: Set Associative Mapped Cache

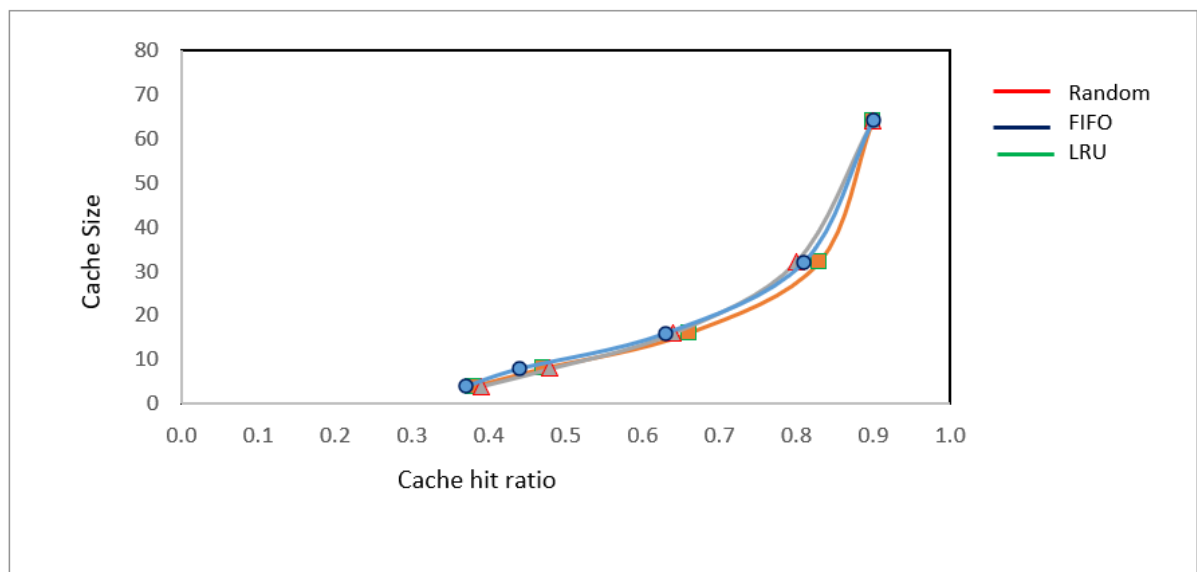
Execute the above program by setting the following Parameters:

- Number of sets (Set Blocks): 2 way
- Cache Type: Set Associative
- Replacement: LRU/FIFO/Random

a) Fill up the following table for three different replacement algorithms and state which replacement algorithm is better and why?

Replacement Algorithm: Random				
Block Size	Cache size	Miss	Hit	Hit ratio
2	4	402	256	0.39
2	8	342	316	0.48
2	16	234	424	0.64
2	32	130	528	0.80
2	64	69	589	0.90
Replacement Algorithm: FIFO				
Block Size	Cache size	Miss	Hit	Hit ratio
2	4	412	246	0.37
2	8	366	292	0.44
2	16	241	417	0.63
2	32	124	534	0.81
2	64	68	590	0.90
Replacement Algorithm: LRU				
Block Size	Cache size	Miss	Hit	Hit ratio
2	4	409	249	0.38
2	8	350	308	0.47
2	16	226	432	0.66
2	32	115	543	0.83
2	64	66	592	0.90

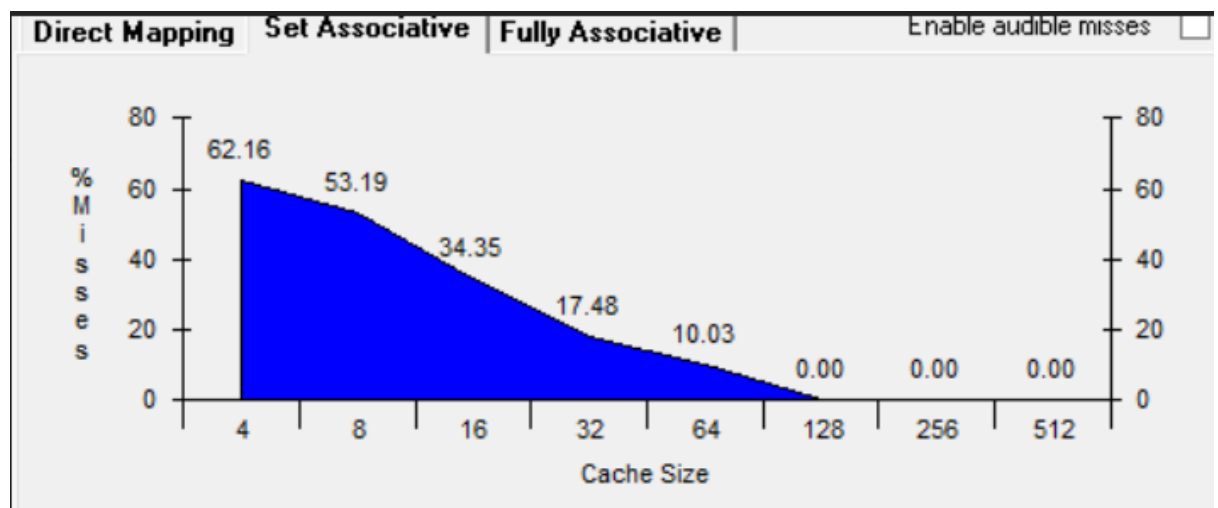
c) Plot the graph of Cache Hit Ratio Vs Cache size with respect to different replacement algorithms. Comment on the graph that is obtained.



Comment on graph 3(c):

Set Associative mapped cache allows each word that is present in the cache to have more words in the main memory for the same index address. This mapping technique combines the best of direct and associative cache mapping techniques.

The graph represents all 3 algorithms to progress very closely which makes it difficult to identify, which is the best replacement algorithm. As evident the Hit ratio is nearly similar for all replacement algo.



c) Fill in the following table and analyse the behaviour of Set Associate Cache. Which one is better and why?

Replacement Algorithm: LRU				
Block Size, Cache size	Set Blocks	Miss (Hit percentage)	Hit	Hit ratio
2, 64	2 – Way	66 (10.0%)	592	0.90
2, 64	4 – Way	66 (10.0%)	592	0.90
2, 64	8 – Way	70 (10.6%)	588	0.89

From above table, the Hit ratio is same for 2-Way and 4-Way blocks set. However, for 8-Way Block set the Hit ratio is slightly low, 0.89. Based on this statistical data we can consider 2-Way or 4-Way both can provide with better performance for set Associative mapped cache.