

Pipeline 实验

1、实验目的

在 SMART 平台上通过调整分支预测配置情况观察测试程序的 CPI、分支预测准确率等，了解各种配置对 CPU 的性能的影响。

2、实验步骤（包括实验结果，数据记录，截图等）

(1) 更改以及替换 SMART 平台内对应的文件，包括 crt0.s, dhrystone 程序和 coremark 程序。

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ecd11@admin02:~/Desktop
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release/lib>[111]cd ..
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[112]ls
./ case/ lib/ readme run_smart* tb/ tools/
../ debug_test/ mem_intf/ rtl/ setup.csh tmp/ workdir/
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/
ECDesign/ cypro/ lhpro/ rjypro/ wkpro/ xxypro/ zppro/
admin/ czpro/ ljmpro/ sqppro/ wllpro/ xyfpro/ zxnprom/
ccxpro/ fybpro/ lypro/ tjpro/ wmypro/ ychpro/ zxyprom/
cgspro/ gzqpro/ lyppro/ tzwpro/ xcpro/ yefpro/
cjlpro/ gzypro/ mslpro/ wclpro/ xhtpro/ yfpro/
clamav/ hjpro/ nrhpro/ wcpro/ xkpro/ yjpro/
cppro/ home_on_gpfs postgraduate/ wjypro/ xpcpro/ ynpro/
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab
lab7/ lab8/ lab9/
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/
Main.c core_main.c crt0.s
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/crt0.s lib/
Makefile clib/ core_init.h core_ls.s crt0.s linker.lcf
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/crt0.s lib/crt0.s

cp: overwrite 'lib/crt0.s'? y
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[114]
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ecd11@admin02:~/Desktop
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
ccxpro/ fybpro/ lypro/ tjpro/ wmypro/ ychpro/ zxyprom/
cgspro/ gzqpro/ lyppro/ tzwpro/ xcpro/ yefpro/
cjlpro/ gzypro/ mslpro/ wclpro/ xhtpro/ yfpro/
clamav/ hjpro/ nrhpro/ wcpro/ xkpro/ yjpro/
cppro/ home_on_gpfs postgraduate/ wjypro/ xpcpro/ ynpro/
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab
lab7/ lab8/ lab9/
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/
Main.c core_main.c crt0.s
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/crt0.s lib/
Makefile clib/ core_init.h core_ls.s crt0.s linker.lcf
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[113]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/crt0.s lib/crt0.s

cp: overwrite 'lib/crt0.s'? y
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[114]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/
Main.c core_main.c crt0.s
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[114]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/Main.c case/dhry/M
ain.c
Main.c Main.c~ Main.elf* Main.hex* Main.obj Main_data.hex* Main_inst.hex*
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[114]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/Main.c case/dhry/M
ain.c
cp: overwrite 'case/dhry/Main.c'? y
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[115]
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ecd11@admin02:~/Desktop
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
core_list_join.c core_main.hex* core_main_inst.hex* core_portme.h coremark.h
core_main.c core_main.obj core_matrix.c core_state.c
core_main.elf* core_main_data.hex* core_portme.c core_util.c
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[115]cp -f /home/ECDesign/ECDesign_share/lab8/core_main.c case/c
oremark/core_main.c
cp: overwrite 'case/coremark/core_main.c'? y
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[116]ll
total 22
drwxr-xr-x 11 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 16 20:47 .
drwxr-xr-x 22 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 26 22:56 ..
drwxr-xr-x 16 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 16 21:32 case/
drwxr-xr-x 2 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 13 15:42 debug_test/
drwxr-xr-x 3 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 26 22:56 lib/
drwxr-xr-x 2 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 13 15:42 mem_intf/
-rw-r--r-- 1 ecd11 ECDesign 700 Apr 16 16:26 readme
drwxr-xr-x 5 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 13 15:42 rtl/
-rwxr-xr-x 1 ecd11 ECDesign 5733 Apr 13 15:42 run_smart*
-rw-r--r-- 1 ecd11 ECDesign 2714 Apr 13 15:42 setup.csh
drwxr-xr-x 2 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 13 15:42 tb/
drwxr-xr-x 2 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 26 12:02 tmp/
drwxr-xr-x 3 ecd11 ECDesign 4096 Apr 13 15:42 tools/
drwxr-xr-x 4 ecd11 ECDesign 8192 Apr 26 20:45 workdir/
admin:/home/ECDesign/ecd11/smarty9_release>[117]
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(2) 在启动文件 crt0.s 中选择分支预测的配置，并进行 dhystone 程序和 coremark 程序的仿真。

```
File Edit Tools Syntax Buffers Window Help
num_cycle is 1140992
num_instret is 2040028
num_conditional_branch_mis is 19
num_indirect_branch_mis is 0
num_indirect_branch_inst is 0

VCUNT_SIM: dhystone is 4.991228 dmips/MHz
Int_1_Loc:      5
    should be:  5
Int_2_Loc:      13
    should be: 13
Int_3_Loc:      7
    should be:  7
*****
* simulation finished successfully *
*****
$finish called from file "../tb/tb.v", line 315.
$finish at simulation time 121934550
V C S S i m u l a t i o n R e p o r t
Time: 12193455000 ps
CPU Time: 897.310 seconds; Data structure size: 1028.4Mb
Thu Apr 27 13:52:28 2023
CPU time: 23.426 seconds to compile + 1.881 seconds to elab + .297 seconds to link + 897.382 seconds in simulation
587,1           Bot
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File Edit Tools Syntax Buffers Window Help
num_cycle is 5684994
num_instret is 9474454
num_conditional_branch_mis is 59995
num_indirect_branch_mis is 5
num_indirect_branch_inst is 320

VCUNT_SIM: CoreMark has been run 40 times, one times cost 142124 cycles !

VCUNT_SIM: CoreMark 1.0 : 7.036109 CoreMark/MHz
2K performance run parameters for coremark.
CoreMark Size      : 666
Total ticks       : -1
CoreMark/MHz      : 7.036109
Iterations        : 40
Compiler version  : GCC8.1.0
Compiler flags     : -O3
Memory location   : Please put data memory location here
                    (e.g. code in flash, data on heap etc)
seedcrc          : 0xe9f5
[0]crclist        : 0xe714
[0]crcmatrix      : 0x1fd7
[0]crcstate        : 0x8e3a
578,1           97%
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File Edit Tools Syntax Buffers Window Help
Program compiled without 'register' attribute
Execution starts, 10000 runs through Dhystone

num_cycle is 3040575
num_instret is 2040028
num_conditional_branch_mis is 69999
num_indirect_branch_mis is 0
num_indirect_branch_inst is 0

VCNT_SIM: dhystone is 1.871711 dmips/MHz
Int_1_Loc:      5
    should be: 5
Int_2_Loc:      13
    should be: 13
Int_3_Loc:      7
    should be: 7
*****
* simulation finished successfully *
*****
$finish called from file "./tb/tb.v", line 315.
$finish at simulation time          322791850
V C S S i m u l a t i o n R e p o r t
Time: 32279185000 ps

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581,1 99%

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File Edit Tools Syntax Buffers Window Help
num_cycle is 12875906
num_instret is 9474454
num_conditional_branch_mis is 682829
num_indirect_branch_mis is 320
num_indirect_branch_inst is 320

VCNT_SIM: CoreMark has been run 40 times, one times cost 321897 cycles !

VCNT_SIM: CoreMark 1.0 : 3.106584 CoreMark/MHz
2K performance run parameters for coremark.
CoreMark Size      : 666
Total ticks       : -1
CoreMark/MHz      : 3.106584
Iterations        : 40
Compiler version  : GCC8.1.0
Compiler flags     : -O3
Memory location   : Please put data memory location here
                    (e.g. code in flash, data on heap etc)
seedcrc           : 0xe9f5
[0]crcclist       : 0x714
[0]crcmatrix      : 0x1fd7
[0]crcstate        : 0x8e3a
[0]crcfinal        : 0x65c5

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581,1 97%

(3) 完成分支预测配置下的 dhystone 程序和 coremark 程序的仿真后，观察仿真结果，记录数据，汇总成上述的两张表格。

表格 1 dhystone 测试

	all prediction on	all prediction off	BTB,L0BTB off	BPE off
cycle	1140992	3040575	1385950	2278724
insts	2040028	2040028	2040028	2040028
CPI	0.559302127	1.490457484	0.67937793	1.117006237
conditional branch miss	19	69999	19	69999
indirect branch miss	0	0	0	0
indirect branch inst	0	0	0	0
DMIPS(dmips/MHz)	4.9912	1.8717	4.1231	2.5066

表格 2 coremark 测试

	all prediction on	all prediction off	BTB,L0BTB off	BPE off
cycle	5684994	12875906	7050750	12568284
insts	9474454	9474454	9474454	9474454
CPI	0.600033944	1.359012984	0.744185364	1.326544411
conditional branch miss	59995	682829	62141	682829
indirect branch miss	5	320	5	5
indirect branch inst	320	320	320	320
CoreMark point (CoreMark/MHz)	7.0361	3.1065	5.6721	3.1826

其中 CPI=cycle/insts

3、实验分析和总结

- (1) 在开启全部预测器的情况下，CPU 达到最佳性能；而在关闭全部预测器的情况下 CPU 的评分最低，这证明了分支预测器很有效。
- (2) 通过分别关闭 BTB 和 BPE 来测试 CPU 性能，发现 BPE 对性能的影响大于 BTB。
- (3) 由于 dhystone 可能受到内存及编译器性能的影响，所以计算得出的 CPI 与 coremark 有所区别。Dhystone 对于分支预测开关更为敏感，这也证明了分支预测主要针对编译器性能进行了优化。

4、实验收获、存在问题、改进措施或建议等

通过仿真实验，感受了分支预测器对 CPU 性能的直观影响，也感受了两种 CPU 测试方法的区别。