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midterm test

## The role of performance:

1. Response time: Also called execution time. The total time required for the computer to complete a task including disk access, memory access, I/O activities, operating system overhead, CPU execution time, and so on.
2. Throughput: Also called bandwidth. Another measure of performance, it is the number of tasks completed per unit time.
3. Relative performance: comparison between 2 or more computer's speed of program execution.
4. Measuring Execution times:
5. CPU time: Also called CPU time. The actual time the CPU spends computing for a specific task.
6. CPU clocking, instruction count and CPI:

## Defination

Now lets start

**CPU execution time:** Also called CPU time.

The actual time the CPU spends computing for a specific task.

**User CPU time:** The CPU time spent in a program itself

**System CPU time:**

The CPU time spent in the operating system performing tasks on behalf of the program.

**clock cycle:** (Also called tick, clock tick, clock period, clock, or cycle.)

clock cycle is the time for one clock period, usually of the processor clock, which runs at a constant rate.

clock period: The length of clock cycle.

Computer performance (times, days, etc.)

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Based on Equation I<sup>o</sup> to improve performance  
one can either:

1. reduce the number of cycles for a program

or,

2. reduce the clock cycle time, or,  
equivalently,

3. increase the clock rate

Execution Time: counts everything from start to finish.

elapsed time = CPU time + wait time

(I/O, other programs)

CPU time = user CPU time + system CPU time

Our focus: User CPU time or CPU execution time or, simply, execution time

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Definition of performance: Time is the measure of computer performance. The computer that performs the same amount of work in the least time is the fastest.

Ex:

$$1. \text{ Performance}_X = \frac{1}{\text{Execution time}_X}$$

Now let,  $\text{Performance}_X > \text{Performance}_Y$

$$\frac{1}{\text{Execution time}_X} > \frac{1}{\text{Execution time}_Y}$$

## Example math: 1

Q. If Afia's computer runs a program in 10 seconds and Tahmid's computer runs the same program in 15 seconds, whose computer is faster by how much?

Ans:

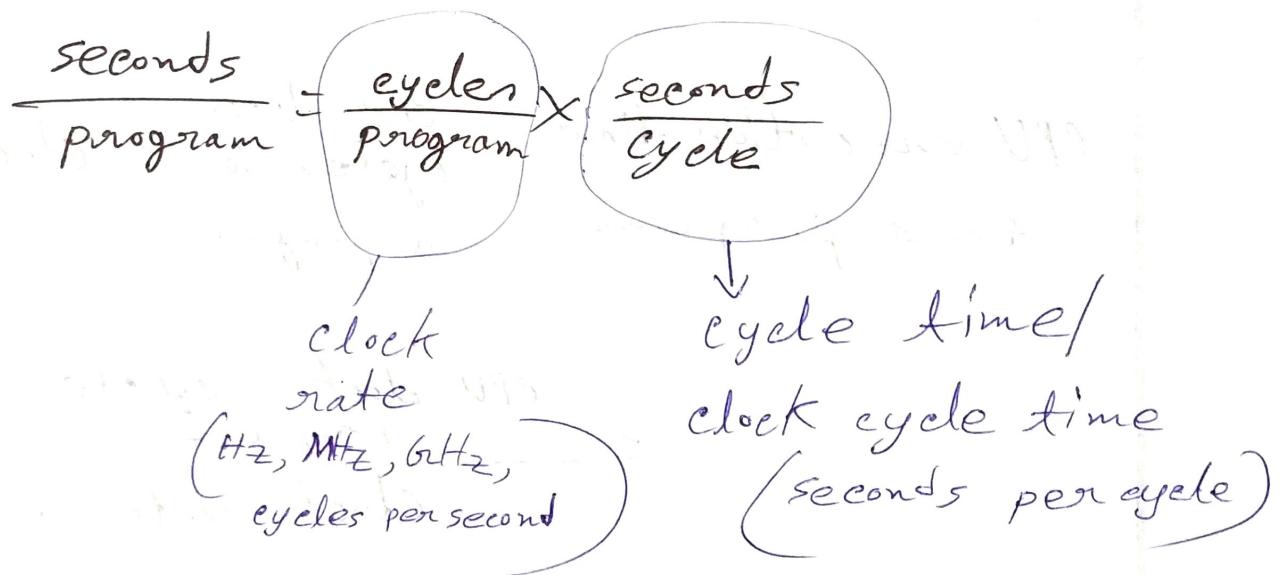
$$\text{performance}_A = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1$$

$$\text{performance}_B = \frac{1}{15} = 0.0666$$

Afia's computer faster by  $= \frac{0.1}{0.0666} = 1.5$  times.

# Clock cycles

is a sequence of cycles,



$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ MHz} &= 10^6 \text{ Hz} \\ 1 \text{ GHz} &= 10^9 \text{ Hz} \end{aligned} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ Hz} = 10^{-6} \text{ MHz} \\ 1 \text{ Hz} = 10^{-9} \text{ GHz} \end{array} \right.$$

$$1 \text{ second} = 10^9 \text{ nanoseconds} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ sec} = 10^3 \text{ Millisecond} \end{array} \right.$$

Example:  $1 \text{ MHz} = 10^6 \text{ Hz}$  or  $10^6 \text{ cycles/sec}$

$$200 \text{ MHz} = \frac{1}{200 \times 10^6} \times 10^9 = 5 \text{ nanoseconds}$$

$\downarrow$   
nano convention.

## Performance Equation I:

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

$$= \frac{\text{CPU clock cycle for a program}}{\text{clock rate}}$$

(~~How many cycles are required for a program?~~) sheet 3 lecture 2 2017/07/01

Example Math: Our favorite program runs in  $\frac{10 \text{ sec}}{\text{CPU time}}$  on computer A, which has a  $400 \text{ MHz}$  clock rate.

We are trying to help a computer designer build a new machine B, that will run this program in  $\frac{6 \text{ sec}}{\text{CPU time}}$ . The designer can use new technology to substantially increase the clock rate, but has informed us that this increase will affect the rest of the CPU design, causing machine B to require 1.2 times as many clock cycles as machine A for the same program. What clock rate should be?

$$\text{Ans: } \text{CPU time}_A = 10 \text{ sec} \quad \text{CPU time}_B = 6 \text{ sec}$$

$$\text{clock rate}_A = 400 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\therefore \text{clock cycles}_B = 1.2 \times \text{clock cycles}_A$$

$$\text{Eq 1} \quad 10 = \frac{\text{CPU clock cycles}_A}{400 \times 10^6}$$

$$\therefore \text{clock rate} = \frac{1.2 \times 4 \times 10^9}{6}$$

$$\text{CPU clock cycles}_A = 4 \times 10^9$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \checkmark \\ & \text{Eq 1} \quad = 800 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz} \\ & \text{3b 4} \quad = 800 \text{ MHz} \end{aligned}$$

## Instruction Performance:

CPU clock cycles = Instruction for Average clock  
a program cycles per  
Instruction

We know  
from Eq 1,

$$CPU \text{ time} = CPU \text{ clock cycles} \times \text{cycle time}$$

CPI (clock cycles per instruction CPI):

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

instruction count: The number of instructions executed by the program.

Example 3: Suppose we have two implementations of the same instruction set architecture. Computer A has a clock cycle time of 250 ps and a CPI of 2.0 for some program, and computer B has a clock cycle time of 500 ps and a CPI of 1.2 for the same program which computer is faster for this program and by how much?

Ans: we know, CPU clock cycles = Instruction for a program  $\times$  CPI

$$\text{3/15/5} \quad \text{CPU clock cycles}_A = I \times 2.0$$

$$\text{CPU clock cycles}_B = I \times 1.2$$

we again know,

$$\text{CPU time} = \text{CPU clock cycles} \times \text{clock cycle time}$$

$$\text{3/15/4} \quad \text{CPU time}_A = I \times 2 \times 250 = (500I) \text{ sec}$$

$$\text{CPU time}_B = I \times 1.2 \times 500 = (600I) \text{ sec}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{CPU performance}_A}{\text{CPU performance}_B} = \frac{600I}{500I} = 1.2$$

∴ computer A 1.2 times faster.

# CPI finding Math sheet two

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