

EEL 6764 Principles of Computer Architecture

Homework #4

1 Problems

Total points: 100

1. Complete the following problems at the end of Chapter 3 of the textbook.

3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 3.6(b,c), 3.11

Note: for problem **3.5**, assume the same pipeline design considered in 3.1 and 3.2.

2. [10+10 pts] The following series of branch outcomes occurs for a single branch in a program. (T means the branch is taken, N means the branch is not taken).

Index	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	T,	T,	N,	T,	N,	T,	T,	T,	T,	N,	T,	T,	N

- (a) Assume that we are trying to predict this sequence with a Branch History Table (BHT) using a 1-bit prediction. The counters of the BHT are initialized to the N state. Which of the branches would be mispredicted? Show their indices.
- (b) Repeat the above exercise with a 2-bit predictor as shown in Figure C.15 initialized to 10.

2 Requirement

- All homeworks should be done and submitted individually.
- Show all steps to get full points.
- Writing and drawings if necessary must clear and readable. Otherwise, substantial loss of points may occur.
- You must submit your solutions electronically via Canvas.
- The file for your solutions must be in PDF or MS-Word DOCX format.