

- (c) [6 points] Suppose that we are developing a new version of the AMD Barcelona processor with a 4GHz clock rate. We have added some additional instructions to the instruction set in such a way that the number of instructions has been reduced by 15%. The execution time is reduced to 700s and the new SPECratio is 13.7. Find the new CPI.

Given

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cycle time} &= \frac{1}{4\text{GHz}} = 0.25 \times 10^{-9} \text{ s} & 1\text{GHz} &= 10^{-9} \text{ s} \\ \text{exec-time} &= \text{clock cycles} \times \text{cycle time} & \text{exec-time} &= 700 \\ \text{clock cycles} &= \frac{\text{exec-time}}{\text{cycle time}} = \frac{700}{0.25 \times 10^{-9}} = 2.8 \times 10^{12} \\ \text{now I can find CPI, since I have clock cycles} \\ \text{and number of instructions} \\ \text{CPI} &= \frac{2.8 \times 10^{12}}{2.03 \times 10^{12}} = 1.38 \end{aligned}$$

- (d) [6 points] For a second benchmark, libquantum, assume an execution time of 960ns, CPI of 1.61, and clock rate of 3GHz. If the execution time is reduced by an additional 10% without affecting to the CPI and with a clock rate of 4GHz, determine the number of instructions.

Given

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CPI} &= \frac{\text{exec-time} \times \text{clock rate}}{\# \text{ of instruction}} \quad \text{solve for} \\ \# \text{ of instructions} &= \frac{\text{exec-time} \times \text{clock rate}}{\text{CPI}} \\ &= \frac{864 \times 10^{-9} \times 4 \times 10^9}{1.61} \\ &= \boxed{2147} \end{aligned}$$

$\begin{aligned} \text{exec-time} &= 0.9 \times 960 \text{ ns} \\ &= 864 \times 10^{-9} \text{ s} \\ \text{CPI} &= 1.61 \\ \text{clock rate} &= 4 \times 10^9 \end{aligned}$