## CS 61C

## Great Ideas in Computer Architecture

 (a.k.a. Machine Structures)Lecture 1: Course Introduction

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- Thinking about Machine Structures
- Great Ideas in Computer Architecture
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## Most Popular Programming Languages

Language Rank Types Spectrum Ranking

1． C
【】等 100.0

C is used to write software where speed and flexibility is important，such as in embedded systems or high－performance computing．
2．Java

98.1

Designed to allow the creation of programs that can run on different platforms with little or no modification，Java is a popular choice for Web applications．

3．Python
（ $\ddagger$
98.0

A scripting language that is often used by software developers to add programmability to their applications，such as engineering－analysis tools or animation software．


## Why You Need to Learn C!

## CS61C is NOT really about C Programming

- It is about the hardware-software interface
- What does the programmer need to know to achieve the highest possible performance
- C is close to the underlying hardware, unlike languages like Python and Java!
- Allows us to talk about key hardware features in higher level terms
- Allows programmer to explicitly harness underlying hardware parallelism for high performance


## Old School CS61C



## New School CS61C (1/2)

## Personal Mobile Devices

## New School CS61C (2/2)



## New-School Machine Structures

- Parallel Requests

Assigned to computer e.g., Search "cats"

- Parallel Threads

Assigned to core
e.g., Lookup, Ads

Harness Parallelism \& Achieve High Performance

Hardware
Software



- Parallel Instructions
>1 instruction @ one time
e.g., 5 pipelined instructions
- Parallel Data
>1 data item @ one time
e.g., Add of 4 pairs of words
- Hardware descriptions

All gates functioning in parallel at same time


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Smart Phone

Computer

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## Five Great Ideas in Computer Architecture

1. Abstraction
(Layers of Representation/Interpretation)
2. Moore's Law (Designing through trends)
3. Principle of Locality (Memory Hierarchy)
4. Parallelism
5. Dependability via Redundancy

## Great Idea \#1: Abstraction (Levels of Representation/Interpretation)



## Machine Interpretation

Hardware Architecture Description (e.g., block diagrams)

## Architecture Implementation

> Logic Circuit Description (Circuit Schematic Diagrams)

```
temp = v[k];
v[k] = v[k+1];
v[k+1] = temp;
```

| Iw | $\$$ to, $0(\$ 2)$ | Anything can be represented |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Iw | $\$ t 1,4(\$ 2)$ | as a number, |
| Sw | $\$ 11,0(\$ 2)$ | i.e., data or instructions |
| sw | $\$ 0,0,4(\$ 2)$ |  |


| 0000 | 1001 | 1100 | 0110 | 1010 | 1111 | 0101 | 1000 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1010 | 1111 | 0101 | 1000 | 0000 | 1001 | 1100 | 0110 |
| 1100 | 0110 | 1010 | 1111 | 0101 |  | 8 | 1 |
| 0101 | 1000 | 0000 | 1001 | 1100 |  |  |  |



Fig. 2 Number of components per Lntegrated
function for minimam cost per component extrapolated va time.


Gordon Moore Intel Cofounder B.S. Cal 1950!


## Jim Gray’s Storage Latency Analogy: How Far Away is the Data?



## Great Idea \#3: Principle of Locality/ Memory Hierarchy



## Great Idea \#4: Parallelism



## Caveat: Amdahl's Law



Fig 3 Amdahl's Law an Obstacle to Improved Performance Performance will not rise in the same proportion as the increase in CPU cores. Performance gains are limited by the ratio of software processing that must be executed sequentially. Amdahl's Law is a major obstacle in boosting multicore microprocessor performance. Diagram assumes no overhead in parallel
 count assumed to double for each rule generation.

## Coping with Failures

- 4 disks/server, 50,000 servers
- Failure rate of disks: $2 \%$ to $10 \%$ / year
- Assume 4\% annual failure rate
- On average, how often does a disk fail?
a) $1 /$ month
b) $1 /$ week
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## Great Idea \#5:

## Dependability via Redundancy

- Redundancy so that a failing piece doesn't make the whole system fail


Increasing transistor density reduces the cost of redundancy

## Great Idea \#5: Dependability via Redundancy

- Applies to everything from datacenters to storage to memory to instructors
- Redundant datacenters so that can lose 1 datacenter but Internet service stays online
- Redundant disks so that can lose 1 disk but not lose data (Redundant Arrays of Independent Disks/RAID)
- Redundant memory bits of so that can lose 1 bit but no data (Error Correcting Code/ECC Memory)




## Your Turn

- You have 8 disks, 1TB each.
- What is the minimum number of extra disks to insure that no information is lost if a single disk fails?
A) 8
B) $\log _{2} 8=3$
C) 1
D) 2
E) 0


## Break!



## Understanding Computer Architecture


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## Why is Architecture Exciting Today?



## Motivation: Example

## Code (C)

## Execution time

```
double sum( // add up all values in array
```

double sum( // add up all values in array
double *array, // array
double *array, // array
int n, // array size
int n, // array size
{
{
double res = 0;
double res = 0;
int index = 0;
int index = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
index = (index + inc) % n;
index = (index + inc) % n;
res += array[index];
res += array[index];
}
}
return res;
return res;
}

```
}
```

\$ gcc array.c
\$./a.out
1.0X time for inc
1.0X time for inc
2.3X time for inc 15485867
Consecutive is $\mathbf{> 2 x}$ faster!

Relevance:

- E.g. Vector vs HashMap
- Independent of programming language


## Complete Code, Page 1

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <time.h>
/* sum elements in array of length n, use index increment inc
    note: for inc > 1, array elements are accessed non-consecutively
    beware: choose inc such that GCD (N, jnc) = 0. N is the array size.
    */
double sum( // add up all values in array
    double *array, // array
    int n, // array size
    int inc) // index increment
{
    double res = 0;
    int index = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        index = (index + inc) % n;
        res += array[index];
    }
    return res;
}
int main() {
    const int N = 50* 1000* 1000; // array size
    const int INC[] = { 1, 3, 15485867 };
    // create and initialize array
    double *array = malloc(N * sizeof (double));
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) array[i] = i;
    double element_sum = 0.5 * N * (N - 1);
```


## Complete Code, Page 2

```
    // baseline ... processor time for increment = 1
    printf("Establish baseline ...\n");
    const int AVG = 10;
    double exec_for_inc_1 = 0;
    for (int i=0; i<AVG; i++) {
        clock_t start = clock();
    double s = sum(array, N, 1);
    exec_for_inc_1 += ((double)(clock()-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC;
}
exec_for_inc_1 /= AVG;
// repeat to make sure result is consistent
for (int r = 0; r< 2; r++) {
    for (int i = 0; i <sizeof(INC)/sizeof(int); i++) {
        // clock measures processor time in units CLOCKS_PER_SEC
        clock_t start = clock();
        doubl\overline{e s = sum(array, N, INC[i]);}
        double exec_time = ((double)(clock()-start))/CLOCKS_PER_SEC;
        // check if we are getting the correct sum ...
        if (s != element_sum) printf("INCORRECT RESULT: %g != %g ",
                s, element_sum);
        printf("%4.1f X time for increment %9d\n",
            exec_time/exec_for_inc_1, INC[i]);
    }
    printf("\n");
}
}
```


## How to get an A in 61C


"Rather than learning how to solve that, shouldn't we be learning how to operate software that can solve that problem?"

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## Course Information

- Course Web: http://inst.eecs.Berkeley.edu/~cs61c/
- Instructors: Bernhard Boser and Randy H. Katz
- Teaching Staff:
- Co-Head TAs: Derek Ahmed and Stephan Liu
- Lead TAs: Manu Goyal, Rebecca Herman, Alex Khodaverdian, Jason Zhang
- 20 TAs + 10 Tutors (see webpage)
- Textbooks: Average 15 pages of reading/week (can rent!)
- Patterson \& Hennessey, Computer Organization and Design, 5/e
- Kernighan \& Ritchie, The C Programming Language, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Edition
- Barroso \& Holzle, The Datacenter as a Computer, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Edition
- Piazza:
- Every announcement, discussion, clarification happens there!


## CS61c House Rules in a Nutshell

- Please don't disturb the instructors setting up or tearing down just before/after lecture
- Webcast? Yes!
- Labs and discussion after NEXT Tuesday's lecture
- Wait listed? Enroll in any available section/lab, swap later
- Excused Absences: Let us know by second week
- Midterms are in class 9/27 and 11/1; Final is 12/16 at 7-10 PM
- Labs are partnered and Projects are solo (5)
- Discussion is Good, but Co-Developing/Sharing/Borrowing Project Code or Circuits is Bad
- No Public Repos Please: Don’t Look, Don’t Publish
- Join Piazza for more details ... see http://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~cs61c/fa16/


## Course Grading

- EPA: Effort, Participation and Altruism (5\%)
- Homework (5\%)
- Partnered Labs (10\%)
- Solo Projects (30\%)

1. Build your own Git repo (C)
2. Non-Parallel Application (MIPS \& C)
3. Computer Processor Design (Logisim)
4. Parallelize for Performance, SIMD, MIMD
5. Massive Data Parallelism (Spark on Amazon EC2)

- Two midterms (12.5\% each): 9/17 and 11/1
- Final (25\%): 12/16 @ 7-10pm (Last Exam Slot!)
- Performance Competition for honor (and EPA)


## EPA!

- Effort
- Attending prof and TA office hours, completing all assignments, turning in HW, doing reading quizzes
- Participation
- Attending lecture and voting using the clickers
- Asking great questions in discussion and lecture and making it more interactive
- Altruism
- Helping others in lab or on Piazza
- EPA! points have the potential to bump students up to the next grade level! (but actual EPA! scores are internal)


## Peer Instruction

- Increase real-time learning in lecture, test understanding of concepts vs. details
- As complete a "segment" ask multiple-choice question
- 1-2 minutes to decide yourself
- 2 minutes in pairs/triples to reach consensus.
- Teach others!
- 2 minute discussion of answers, questions, clarifications

- You can get transmitters from the ASUC bookstore
- We'll start this next week
- No web-based clickers, sorry!


## Late Policy ... Slip Days!

- Assignments due at 11:59:59 PM
- You have $\underline{3}$ slip day tokens (NOT hour or min)
- Every day your project or homework is late (even by a minute) we deduct a token
- After you've used up all tokens, it's 33\% deducted per day.
- No credit if more than 3 days late
- Save your tokens for projects, worth more!!
- No need for sob stories, just use a slip day!



## Policy on Assignments and Independent Work

- With the exception of laboratories that explicitly permit you to work with partners, ALL OTHER WORK IS TO BE YOUR OWN.
- You are encouraged to discuss your assignments with other students, and extra credit will be assigned to students who help others via EPA, but what you hand in MUST BE YOUR OWN WORK.
- It is NOT acceptable to copy solutions from other students.
- It is NOT acceptable to copy (or start your) solutions from the Web.
- It is NOT acceptable to use PUBLIC github archives (whether looking at OR giving your answers away). PLEASE PUT A PASSWORD ON IT!
- We have tools and methods, developed over many years, for detecting this. You WILL be caught, and the penalties WILL be severe.
- At the minimum Fin the course, and a letter to your university record documenting the incidence of cheating.
- (We've caught people in recent semesters!)
- Both Giver and Receiver are equally culpable and suffer equal penalties


## Collaboration in Black and Whitee

- Good Collaboration
- High level discussion and brainstorming, stopping short of code snippets
- Bad Collaboration
- Sitting together and co-writing code, inspecting each other's code, taking (or giving) code whether in exchange or wholesale copying
- This should be obvious, but ...
- Don't hire someone to do your assignments
- Don't ask someone outside of the class (a parent, a student from a previous semester, sourceforge) to help you
- Don't use search engines to look for solutions on-line or in someone's unprotected GitHub (and don't put your course project solutions in unprotected GitHubs please!)
- It is supposed to be your own work after all!


## Practice Questions for the Google Interview

Google is known for having one of the hardest technical interviews. So it's not surprising that the coding interview questions we hear about being asked at Google are some of our hardest. Get ready to nail your SWE, SRE or SET interview!

## The Two Egg Problem »

A building has 100 floors. One of the floors is the highest floor an egg can be dropped from without breaking. If an egg is dropped from above that floor... keep reading "

## Second Largest Item in BST »

Write a function to find the 2nd largest element in a binary search tree. Our first thought might be to do an in-order traversal of the BST, but this would take $O(n)$ time and... keep reading "

## The Cake Thief »

You are a renowned thief who has recently switched from stealing precious metals to stealing cakes because of the insane profit margins. You want to make off with the most valuable haul possible, and you...

## What Characterizes A Google Interview Question?

What makes a Google interview question different from one that might be asked at Facebook, Amazon, Microsoft, Twitter, etc?

Nothing. Nothing at all.

The truth is, the specific question you get asked has far more to do with the interviewer assigned to you than it does the company you're interviewing at.

There's no way to know ahead of time what questions your interviewers will ask you. Your interviewers' employer probably doesn't even know what questions your interviewers will ask you. There are literally thousands of possibilities for what your interviewer could ask you. So the strategy for winning at these interviews is not to "learn" a bunch of Google interview questions and then hope that your interviewers ask you the questions you've already learne

## Architecture of a typical Lecture

Attention
Clickers
Clickers "And in
Administrivia Fun/News conclusion..."


Time (minutes)

## Break!



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"Now that you have an overview of the system, we're ready for a little more detail"


## Computer Data

- Computers represent data as binary values
- Unit element: bit
- Just two possible values, 0 or 1
- Can be efficiently stored/communicated/manipulated in hardware
- Use many bits to store more complex information, e.g.
- Byte: 8 bits, can represent $2^{8}=256$ different values
- Word, e.g. 4 bytes ( 32 bits) to represent $2^{32}$ different values
- 64-bit floating point numbers
- Text files, databases, ... (many bytes)
- Computer program


## Binary Number Conversion

Binary $\rightarrow$ Decimal
$1001010_{\text {two }}=?_{\text {ten }}$

| Binary Digit. | Decimal Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| 0 | $0 \times 2^{0}=0$ |
| 1 | $1 \times 2^{1}=2$ |
| 0 | $0 \times 2^{2}=0$ |
| 1 | $0 \times 2^{3}=8$ |
| 0 | $0 \times 2^{4}=0$ |
| 0 | $0 \times 2^{5}=0$ |
| 1 | $1 \times 2^{6}=64$ |

## Decimal $\rightarrow$ Binary

| $74_{\text {ten }}=$ ?two |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Decimal | Binary (odd?) |
| 74 | 0 |
| $12=37$ | 1 |
| $12=18$ | 0 |
| $12=9$ | 1 |
| $12=4$ | 0 |
| $2=2$ | 0 |
| $2=1$ | 1 |
| Collect $\rightarrow$ | $1001010_{\text {two }}$ |

## Hexadecimal

- Problem: many digits
- e.g. $7643_{\text {ten }}=1110111011011_{\text {two }}$
- Solutions:
- Grouping: $1110111011011_{1_{\text {two }}}$

| 1000 | 8 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1001 | 9 |
| 1010 | A |
| 1011 | B |
| 1100 | C |
| 1101 | D |
| 1110 | E |
| 1111 | F |

## The Computer Knows it, too

```
    #include <stdio.h>
    int main() {
    const int N = 1234;
    printf("Decimal: %d\n", N);
    printf("Hex: %x\n", N);
    printf("Octal: %o\n", N);
    printf("Literals (not supported by all compilers):\n");
    printf("0x4d2 = %d (hex)\n", 0x4d2);
    printf("0b10011010010 = %d (binary)\n", 0b10011010010);
    printf("02322 = %d (octal, prefix 0 - zero)\n", 02322);
}
Output Decimal: 1234
Hex: 4d2
Octal: 2322
Literals (not supported by all compilers):
0x4d2 = 1234 (hex)
0b10011010010 = 1234 (binary)
02322 = 1234 (octal, prefix 0 - zero)
```


## Large Numbers

## Decimal

| Suffix | Multiplier | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| K | $10^{3}$ | 1000 |
| M | $10^{6}$ | 1000,000 |
| G | $10^{9}$ | $1000,000,000$ |
| T | $10^{12}$ | $1000,000,000,000$ |

Binary (IEC)

| Suffix | Multiplier | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| Ki | $2^{10}$ | 1024 |
| Mi | $2^{20}$ | 1048,576 |
| Gi | $2^{30}$ | $1073,741,824$ |
| Ti | $2^{40}$ | $1099,511,627,776$ |

E.g. 1GiByte disk versus 1GByte disk

Marketing exploits this: 1TB disk $\rightarrow$ 100GB less than 1TiB
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Byte

## Signed Integer Representation

Sign \& magnitude (8-bit example):

## sign 7-bit magnitude (0 ... 127)

Rules for addition, $a+b$ :

- If ( $a>0$ and $b>0$ ): add, sign 0
- If ( $a>0$ and $b<0$ ): subtract, sign ...
- $+0,-0 \rightarrow$ are they equal? comparator must handle special case!

Cumbersome

- "Complicated" hardware: reduced speed / increased power
- Is there a better way?


## 4-bit Example



- Map negative $\rightarrow$ positive numbers
- Example for $\mathrm{N}=4$-bit: $\quad-3 \rightarrow 2^{4}-3=13$
- "Two's complement"
- No special rules for adding positive and negative numbers



## Two's Complement

(8-bit example)

| Signed Decimal | Unsigned Decimal | Binary Two's Complement |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -128 | 128 | 10000000 |
| -127 | 129 | 10000001 |
| ... | $\xrightarrow{+256}$... | ... |
| -2 | 254 | 11111110 |
| -1 | 255 | 11111111 |
| 0 | 0 | 00000000 |
| 1 | $+0 \xrightarrow{1}$ | 00000001 |
| ... | ... | ... |
| 127 ) | 127 | 01111111 |

Note: Most significant bit (MSB) equals sign

## Unary Negation (Two’s Complement)

 4 -bit Example $\left(-8_{\text {ten }} \ldots+7_{\text {ten }}\right)$Brute Force \& Tedious
Clever \& Elegant


## Your Turn

- What is the decimal value of the following binary 8-bit 2's complement number?


## $11100001_{\text {two }}$

| Answer | Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| A | $33_{\text {ten }}$ |
| B | $-31_{\text {ten }}$ |
| C | $25_{\text {ten }}$ |
| D | $-33_{\text {ten }}$ |
| E | None of the above |

## Addition 4-bit Example

Unsigned


Signed (Two's Complement)


No special rules for two's complement signed addition

## Overflow 4-bit Example

Unsigned
$+\frac{\begin{array}{l}13_{\text {ten }} \\ 14_{\text {ten }}\end{array}+1101_{\text {two }}}{27_{\text {ten }}} \frac{1110_{\text {two }}}{(1) 1011_{\text {two }}}$

no carry-out and no overflow
Carry-out $\rightarrow$ Overflow

## Overflow Detection 4-bit Example

## Unsigned

- Carry-out indicates overflow

Signed (Two's Complement)

- Overflow if
- Signs of operands are equal AND
- Sign of result differs from sign of operands
- No overflow when signs of operands differ

Overflow rules depend on operands (signed vs unsigned)

## Sign Extension

| Decimal | Binary |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 4-bit | 8 -bit | 32 -bit |
| $3_{\text {ten }}$ | $0011_{\text {two }}$ | $00000011_{\text {two }}$ | $0000000000000011_{\text {two }}$ |
| $-3_{\text {ten }}$ | $1101_{\text {two }}$ | $11111101_{\text {two }}$ | $1111111111111101_{\text {two }}$ |

- Why is this relevant?
- Assignment differs for signed (above) and unsigned numbers
- Compiler knows (from type declaration)
- Different assembly instructions for copying signed/unsigned data


## Your Turn

- Which range of decimals can be expressed with a 6-bit two's complement number?

| Answer | Range |
| :---: | :---: |
| A | $-32 \ldots 32$ |
| B | $-64 \ldots 63$ |
| C | $-31 \ldots 32$ |
| D | $-16 \ldots 15$ |
| E | $-32 \ldots 31$ |

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## And In Conclusion ... (1/2)

- CS61C:
- High performance by leveraging computer architecture:
- Strength and weaknesses (e.g. cache)
- Performance features (e.g. parallel instructions)
- Learn C and assembly facilitate access to machine features
- Basis: five great ideas in computer architecture

1. Abstraction: Layers of Representation/Interpretation
2. Moore's Law
3. Principle of Locality/Memory Hierarchy
4. Parallelism
5. Dependabilityvia Redundancy

- Performance Measurement and Improvement


## And In Conclusion ... (2/2)

- Everything is a Number!
- Collections of bits can store and communicate arbitrary digital data
- Even programs are represented by bits
- Two's complement representation avoids special rules for addition of negative numbers


## And in Conclusion: <br> Everything is a Number


"DATA, DATA EVERYWHERE!"
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