0907432 Computer Design (Spring 2012) Quiz 1B

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<Good Luck>

Q1. Consider the following performance measurements for a program:

| Measurement | Computer A | Computer B |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Instruction count | 10 billion | 8 billion |
| Clock rate | 4 GHz | 4 GHz |
| CPI | 1.0 | 1.1 |

a) Which computer has the higher MIPS rating? (show your work clearly)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MIPS}_{A} &= \text{Clock rate}_{A} / \left(\text{CPI}_{A} * 10^{6} \right) & 2 \text{ marks} \\ &= 4*10^{9} / \left(1 * 10^{6} \right) \\ &= 4,000 \\ \text{MIPS}_{B} &= \text{Clock rate}_{B} / \left(\text{CPI}_{B} * 10^{6} \right) \\ &= 4*10^{9} / \left(1.1 * 10^{6} \right) \\ &= 3,636 \end{aligned}$$

Computer A has higher MIPS rating 1 mark

b) Which computer is faster? (show your work clearly)

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Time}_A &= IC_A * CPI_A / f_A \\ &= 10*10^9 * 1 / 4*10^9 \\ &= 2.5 \text{ seconds} & 2 \text{ marks} \end{aligned} \\ & \text{Time}_B &= IC_B * CPI_B / f_B \\ &= 8*10^9 * 1.1 / 4*10^9 \\ &= 2.2 \text{ seconds} & 2 \text{ marks} \end{aligned}$$
 Computer B is faster
$$& 1 \text{ mark}$$