

# Performance Bounds

Given a processor with:

1. 8 fully pipelined FP units
2. 8 byte/cycle memory BW
3. 4 byte floats

What's the performance bound on the SAXPY loop below?

1. X and Y are in main memory

2. C loop: for (i=0; i < 100,000; i++)  
Y(i) = a\*X(i) + Y(i);

foo:      LF      F2, 0 (R1) // load X(i)  
          MULTF    F4, F2, F0 // multiply a\*X(i)  
          LF      F6, 0 (R2) // load Y(i)  
          ADDF    F6, F4, F6 // add a\*X(i) + Y(i)  
          SF      0 (R2), F6 // store Y(i)  
          ADDI    R1, R1, #4 // increment X index  
          ADDI    R2, R2, #4 // increment Y index  
          SGTI    R3, R1, #100000 // test if done  
          BEQZ    R3, foo      // loop if not done

