

# BACHELOR OF INFORMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

## ICS 2104: Computer Organization and Architecture

### Assignment No. 2

Date Due: 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

**20 Marks**

1. Consider two different machines, X & Y, with two different instruction sets, both of which have a clock rate of 200 MHz. The measurements in the table below are recorded on the two machines running a given set of benchmark programs:

| Instruction Type     | Instruction Count (I <sub>c</sub> ) (millions) |    | Cycles per Instruction (CPI) |   |
|----------------------|--|----|------------------------------|---|
|                      | A  | B  | A                            | B |
| Arithmetic and Logic | 10   | 12 | 1                            | 1 |
| Load and Store       | 6  | 10 | 3                            | 2 |
| Branch               | 2  | 2  | 4                            | 4 |
| Others               | 4  | 4  | 3                            | 3 |

Determine the effective CPI, million instructions per second (MIPS) rate, and execution time (CPU) for each machine and comment on the results. **[6 Marks]**

2. Consider the difference between processors in terms of pipelining i.e. how pipelining is handled from processor 4004 to Pentium series to Celeron, Duo Core, and Intel Core, Core i series. **[4 Marks]**
3. A nonpipeline system takes 100ns to process a task. The same task can be processed in a 5-stage pipeline with a clock cycle of 20ns. Determine the speedup ratio of the pipeline for 100 tasks. What is the theoretical speedup that could be achieved with the pipeline system over a nonpipelined system? **[3 Marks]**
4. Discuss the concept of RAID as applied in storage system. Your discussion should highlight the general idea and any 4 levels used in the implementation of RAID. **[5 Marks]**
5. Explain how caches are used to exploit the locality of reference for a performance benefit. Explain for both spatial locality and temporal locality. **[2 Marks]**