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Detailed Explanations of Try Yourself Questions

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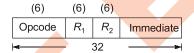
Machine Instructions and Addressing Modes



Of Try Yourself Questions

T1: Solution

(16383)



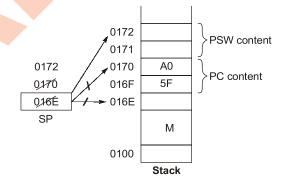
32 - (6 + 6 + 6) = 14 bits for immediate field

 $2^{14}-1 = 16383$ maximum possible value of immediate operand.

T2: Solution

 \Rightarrow

(d)



Just before CALL instruction execution, SP contains 016E

While CALL execution:

- (i) PC contents are pushed i.e., SP incremented by $2 \Rightarrow SP = 0170$
- (ii) PSW contents are pushed i.e., SP incremented by $2 \Rightarrow SP = 0.172$
- \therefore The value of stack pointer is $(0172)_{16}$.



T3: Solution

(c)

$$EA = PC + Address field value$$

 $EA = 38248 + (-12) = 38236$

T4: Solution

(b)

Opcode	Register	Index address			
n bits	7 bits	7+20 bits			

In indexing addressing mode effective memory location is stored in register.

So Index Address bit = Register bit + Address bit =
$$7 + 20 = 27$$

$$\therefore$$
 $n + 7 + 27 = n + 34$ is length of the instruction.

T5: Solution

(c)

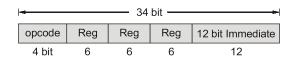
The given instruction is stored in 16 bits register. The first byte (lower byte) of the instruction store at the memory location 4002 and second byte (higher byte) stored at 4003.

When we use little-endian mechanism the lower byte of the instruction is copied into lower byte of the register and higher byte of the instruction is copied into higher byte of the register.

When we use big endian mechanism the lower byte of the instruction is copied into higher byte of the register and higher byte of the instruction is copied into lower byte of register.

T6: Solution

(500)



One instruction size = 34 bit = 5 bytes

100 instruction occupies 500 bytes.

T7: Solution

(b)

Average of time =
$$\{(0.2 \times 0) + (0.2 \times 0) + (0.2 \times 4) + (0.1 \times 8) + (0.17 \times 6) + (0.13 \times 6)\} = 3.4 \text{ cycles}$$

Clock cycle time =
$$\frac{1}{1}$$
 GHz = 1 ns

So, average of time = 3.4 cycles \times 1 ns = 3.4 ns

1 operand 3.4 ns

Number of operands in 1 sec

Number of operands =
$$\frac{1 \text{ operand}}{3.4 \text{ ns}} = 0.29411 \times 10^9 \text{ operand/sec.}$$

∴ Operand fetch rate = 294.11 million words/sec

T8: Solution

(a)

- Indirect addressing → Passing array as parameter.
- Indexed addressing → Array implementation.
- Base register addressing → Writing relocatable code.





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ALU, data-path and Control Unit



Detailed Explanation

of

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T1: Solution

(a)

Average CPI =
$$\Sigma$$
(IC × CPI) cycle time

Totaal IC =
$$\frac{(45000 \times 1) + (32000 \times 2) + (15000 \times 2) + (8000 \times 2)}{45000 + 32000 + 15000 + 8000} = 1.55 \text{ cycles}$$

Cycle time =
$$\frac{1}{80 \text{ MHz}} \text{sec} = 0.0125 \,\mu\text{sec}$$

Average instruction ET = $(1.55 \times 0.0125) = 0.019375 \,\mu\text{sec}$

1 instruction \Rightarrow 0.019375 µsec

Number of instructions in 1 sec

Number of instructions =
$$\frac{1}{0.019375} \times 10^6$$
 inst. / sec = 51.61 MIPS

T2: Solution

(c)

In the given μ-program we have used the register MAR, MBR and Instruction Register (IR).

IR is used only during fetching of the instruction.

Hence operation is instruction fetching.

T3: Solution

(b)

Configurations for CPU in decreasing order of operating speeds: Hardwired control > Horizontal micro-programming > Vertical micro-programming (slowest because it involves decoding).



T5: Solution

(10)

Atmost 2 control signals are active, that means for one signals minimum log (25) bits required i.e. 5. For 2 control signals = $5 \times 2 = 10$ bits required.



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Instruction Pipelining



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T1: Solution

(4)

Speed up(S) =
$$\frac{\text{Pipe depth}}{(1 + \#\text{stalls}/\text{instruction})}$$

Number of stalls/instruction = $0.75 \times 0 + 0.25 \times 2 = 0.5$

$$\therefore S = \frac{6}{1+0.5} = 4$$

T2: Solution

(c)

Clock cycle time= Maximum of stage delays.

For P1: clock cycle time = Maximum is 2

For P2: clock cycle time = Maximum is 1.5

For P3: clock cycle time = Maximum is 1

For P4: clock cycle time = Maximum is 1.1

Minimum clock cycle time gives the high clock rate.

Minimum of (2, 1.5, 1, 1.1) = 1

.. P3 has peak clock cycle rate.

T3: Solution

(3.2)

Non-pipelined processor: For *n* instructions execution time = $(n \times 4) / 2.5 = 1.6$ n nanoseconds.

Pipelined processor: For n instructions execution time = n/2 = 0.5 n nanoseconds.

Speedup =
$$1.6 n / 0.5 n = 3.2$$

T4: Solution

(c)

S_4				I_1	I_2	I_3	I_4	I_5	I_6				
S_3			I_1	I_2	I_3	I_4	I_5	I_6	I_7				
S ₂		I_1	I_2	I_3	I_4	I_5	I_6	I_7	I_8			,	
S ₁	I_1	I_2	I_3	I_4	I_5	I_6	I_7	I_8	I_{12}	I_{13}	I_{14}	I_{15}	I_{16}

So total 13 instruction are executed.

$$K = 4; n = 13, t_p = 4 \text{ ns}$$

$$ET = (K + n - 1) + t_p$$

$$= (4 + 13 - 1) 4 \text{ ns} = 64 \text{ ns}$$

T5: Solution

(a)

	CC ₁	CC ₂	CC ₃	CC ₄	CC ₅	CC ₆	CC ₇	CC ₈	CC ₉	CC ₁₀
I ₁	IF	ID	OF	EX	MA	WB				
I ₂		IF	ID	OF	//// 🖟	EX	MA	WB		
I_3			IF	ID	////	OF	EX	MA	WB	
I ₄				IF	////	ID	OF	EX	MA	WB

T6: Solution

(33.28)

 P_1 : 4-stage

$$t_D = \text{Max} (\text{stage delay}) = 800 \text{ ps}$$

1 instruction — 800 ps

? number of instruction — 1 sec

 TP_R (throughput) = 1250 instruction/sec

 P_2 : 5-stage

$$t_0 = 600 \, \text{ps}$$

1 instruction — 600 ps

? number of instruction — 1 sec

 TP_{P2} (throughput) = 1666 instruction/sec



1250 — 100% (old)

(1666 - 1250) --- ? (New)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{416}{1250} = 0.3328$$

i.e., 33.28%

T7: Solution

(4)

Given that, 3 stage pipeline with stage latencies

$$\tau_1 = \frac{3\tau_2}{4} = 2\tau_3 = \frac{3\tau_2}{4}, \frac{3\tau_2}{4} = 2\tau_3$$

$$\tau_1 : \tau_2 = 3 : 4, \tau_2 : \tau_3 = 8 : 3$$

Ratio of τ_1 : τ_2 : τ_3 is 6x, 8x, 3x respectively. So, largest stage time 8x.

So, calculate frequency = $\frac{1}{8x}$

 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{8x} = 3 \, \text{GHz}$

 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = 24 \,\text{GHz} \qquad \dots (1)$

Now, largest stage latency divide into 2 half parts i.e., 8x divide into 4x and 4x.

So, 4 pipeline with stage latencies are 6x, 4x, 4x, 3x.

Now, largest stage time = 6x

So, calculate new frequency = $\frac{1}{6x}$

$$\frac{1}{6x} = \frac{24}{6} = 4 \text{ GHz}$$

 $[\because \frac{1}{r} = 24 \text{ GHz from eq. (1)}]$

