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Examination: Surprise Test - 1
Duration: 10 minutes

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Full Marks: 05

CSE 340: Computer Architecture

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1. Computer A has a **2GHz clock**, Computer B has a **3GHz clock**. Suppose we run the following code in both the computers. 1+1

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def calculate (num1, num2, sign):  
    if (sign == '+'):  
        return num1 + num2  
    elif (sign == '-'):  
        return num1 - num2  
    else:  
        return num1 % num2
```

For Computer A the instruction count is 25. What would be the instruction count for Computer B assuming both computers follow the same ISA? Justify your answer.

Answer:

25.
Same code running on Both PC & ISA same.
Hence, instruction count is also same; Clock rate has no role here.

2. Consider a processor P that has a 4GHz clock rate and a CPI of 2. If the processor executes a program within 10s then **find** the number of instructions and the duration of a clock cycle. 1.5
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1.5

Answer:

$$\text{Clock Rate} = 4 \text{ GHz} = 4 \times 10^9 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\text{CPI} = 2$$

$$\text{CPU Time} = 10 \text{ s}$$

$$\text{CPU Time} = \frac{\text{Instruction count} \times \text{CPI}}{\text{Clock Rate}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Instruction count} = \frac{\text{CPU Time} \times \text{Clock Rate}}{\text{CPI}}$$

$$= \frac{10 \times 4 \times 10^9}{2}$$

$$= 20 \times 10^9$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Clock Duration} &= \frac{1}{\text{Clock Rate}} \\ &= \frac{1}{4 \times 10^9} \\ &= 0.25 \times 10^{-9} \\ &= 2.5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s} \end{aligned}$$