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Question 1

Considering the MIPS64 architecture presented in the following:

- Integer ALU: 1 clock cycle
- Data memory: 1 clock cycle
- FP multiplier unit: pipelined 8 stages
- FP arithmetic unit: pipelined 4 stages
- FP divider unit: not pipelined unit that requires 10 clock cycles
- branch delay slot: 1 clock cycle, and the branch delay slot is not enable
- forwarding is enabled
- it is possible to complete instruction EXE stage in an out-of-order fashion.

o and using the following code fragment, show the timing of the presented loop-based program and compute how many cycles does this program take to execute?

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; ********************* MIPS64 ***********************
;     for (i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
;          v5[i] = v1[i]/v2[i];
;          v6[i] = v2[i]*v3[i];
;          v7[i] = v6[i]/v4[i] + v3[i];
;     }
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		comments	Clock cycles
	.data		
V1:	.double “100 values”		
…			
V4:	.double “100 values”		
V5:	.double “100 zeros”		
…			
V7:	.double “100 zeros”		
	.text		
main:	daddui r1,r0,0	r1← pointer	
	daddui r2,r0,100	r2 <= 100	
loop:	l.d f1,v1(r1)	f1 <= v1[i]	
	l.d f2,v2(r1)	f2 <= v2[i]	
	div.d f5,f1,f2	f5 ← v1[i]/v2[i]	
	s.d f5,v5(r1)	v5[i] ← f5	
	l.d f3,v3(r1)	f3 <= v3[i]	
	mul.d f6,f2,f3	f6 ← v2[i]*v3[i]	
	l.d f4,v4(r1)	f4 <= v4[i]	
	div.d f7,f6,f4	f7 ← v6[i]/v4[i]	
	add.d f7,f7,f3	f7 ← v6[i]/v4[i]+v3[i]	
	s.d f6,v6(r1)	v6[i] ← f6	
	s.d f7,v7(r1)	v7[i] ← f7	
	daddi r2,r2,-1	r2 ← r2 - 1	
	daddui r1,r1,8	r1 ← r1 + 8	
	bnez r2,loop		
	Halt		
	Total		

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Question 2

Considering the same loop-based program, and assuming the following processor architecture for a superscalar MIPS64 processor implemented with multiple-issue and speculation:

- issue 2 instructions per clock cycle
- jump instructions require 1 issue
- handle 2 instructions commit per clock cycle
- timing facts for the following separate functional units:
  i. 1 Memory address 1 clock cycle
  ii. 1 Integer ALU 1 clock cycle
  iii. 1 Jump unit 1 clock cycle
  iv. 1 FP multiplier unit, which is pipelined: 8 stages
  v. 1 FP divider unit, which is not pipelined: 10 clock cycles
  vi. 1 FP Arithmetic unit, which is pipelined: 4 stages
- Branch prediction is always correct
- There are no cache misses
- There are 2 CDB (Common Data Bus).

o Complete the table reported below showing the processor behavior for the 2 initial iterations.

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# iteration		Issue	EXE	MEM	CDB x2	COMMIT x2
1	l.d f1,v1(r1)					
1	l.d f2,v2(r1)					
1	div.d f5,f1,f2					
1	s.d f5,v5(r1)					
1	l.d f3,v3(r1)					
1	mul.d f6,f2,f3					
1	l.d f4,v4(r1)					
1	div.d f7,f6,f4					
1	add.d f7,f7,f3					
1	s.d f6,v6(r1)					
1	s.d f7,v7(r1)					
1	daddi r2,r2,-1					
1	daddui r1,r1,8					
1	bnez r2,loop					
2	l.d f1,v1(r1)					
2	l.d f2,v2(r1)					
2	div.d f5,f1,f2					
2	s.d f5,v5(r1)					
2	l.d f3,v3(r1)					
2	mul.d f6,f2,f3					
2	l.d f4,v4(r1)					
2	div.d f7,f6,f4					
2	add.d f7,f7,f3					
2	s.d f6,v6(r1)					
2	s.d f7,v7(r1)					
2	daddi r2,r2,-1					
2	daddui r1,r1,8					
2	bnez r2,loop					