

1. [2] What is the clock cycle time of a processor that has a clock frequency of 500 MHz? Express your answer in nanoseconds.

$$\text{Cycle Time} = 1/\text{frequency} = 1/(500,000,000 \text{ cycles/sec}) = 2\text{ns}$$

2. [2] How many bytes are there in 8 GB? Express your answer as a power of two.

$$1\text{GB} = 2^{30}$$

$$\text{So } 8\text{GB is } 8(2^{30}) = 2^3(2^{30}) = 2^{33}$$

3. [2] For a program P, CPU1 has a CPI of 2 and a clock rate of 2GHz. For the same program CPU2 has a CPI of 2.5 and a clock rate of 2.6GHz. Which processor has better performance for P?

$$\text{CPUTime1} = 2(\text{IC})/2\text{GHz} = \text{IC}/1\text{GHz}$$

$$\text{CPUTime2} = 2.5(\text{IC})/2.6\text{GHz} = .96(\text{IC})/1\text{GHz}$$

$$\text{Speedup} = \text{Slower/Faster} = (\text{IC}/1\text{GHz})/ (.96(\text{IC})/1\text{GHz})$$

IC cancels as do the GHz and we are left with $1/.96 = 1.042$ or CPU2 is 4.2% faster.

4. [2] If a computer has 100 megabit per second network connection how long would it take to send a 20MB file?

$$20\text{MB} = 160\text{Mbits}$$

$$\frac{160\text{Mbits}}{100\text{Mbits/sec}} = 1.6\text{sec}$$

5. [2] What decimal number does the binary number 110101 correspond to?