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Subject: New AMD or My Intel ?

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Before you start calling someone a dumbass, maybe you should do a little research.

Clock speed is not the end all be all of a processor. Since a Athlon can do more in one clock cycle than a P4, AMD can stay competitive with Intel with a lower clock speed. Heck, even the new A64's that get released this month will come out with a PR rating of 3400+ and only run at 1.8ghz, and early benches show it blowing away a P4 3.2.

Even intel suffers from this problem. The Pentium 3 did more work per clock than a P4 does, and thats why Intel can release really low power, low speed mobile chips (Pentium-M or 'Centrino') that are competitive. A Pentium-M 1.6 is on par with a P4 2.2.

While an explanation of exactly how processors work is beyond the scope of a small forum post, and to tell the truth, its not something even I understand fully, perhaps you should learn a little more about computer hardware before you post such a stupid comment.

kthx

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