

# CS 270 – Computer Architecture **Key** comments in blue

Mid-term – Spring 2013

◆ **Instructions: The exam time is 1 hour 15 minutes. CLOSED BOOK.**

1. [10 pts]

a. Convert the following numbers to the other form:

Decimal	Binary ( 8 bit signed 2's comp.)
27	0001 1011
-26	1110 0110

Area for any calculations

b. Convert 0x21 into decimal:        33   

2. [10 pt] Convert the following numbers in the other form. Floating Point numbers use one sign bit, 8 bits for exponent and 23 bits of fraction. Note that exponent for ordinary normalized numbers is in excess 127 form.

Decimal	S	Exponent	Fraction
-5.5	1	1000 0001	0110 0000 0000 0000 0000 000
0.25	0	0111 1101	0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 000
0	0	0000 0000	0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 000

3. [10 pts]

a. Add these two signed numbers. Verify the result by converting all numbers into decimal.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 0011\ 0011 \quad \underline{\quad 51 \quad} \\
 1110\ 0110 \quad \underline{\quad -26 \quad} \\
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 0001\ 1001 \quad \underline{\quad 25 \quad}
 \end{array}$$

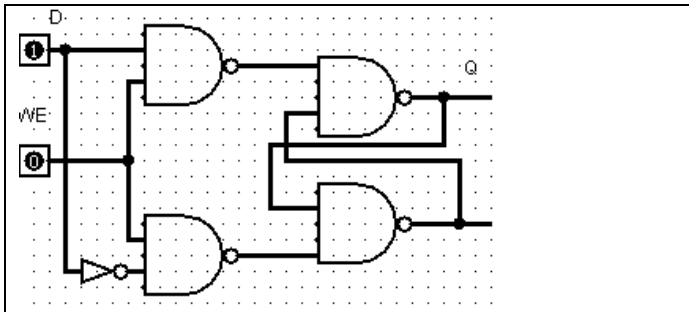
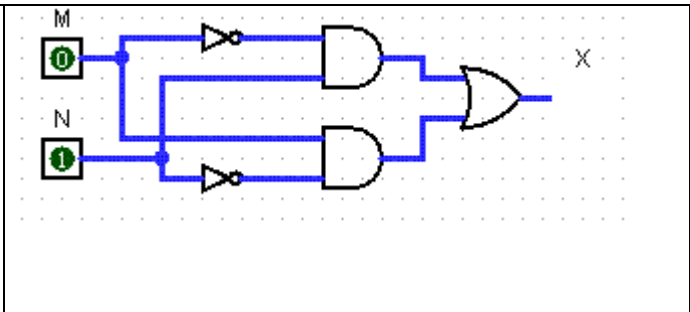
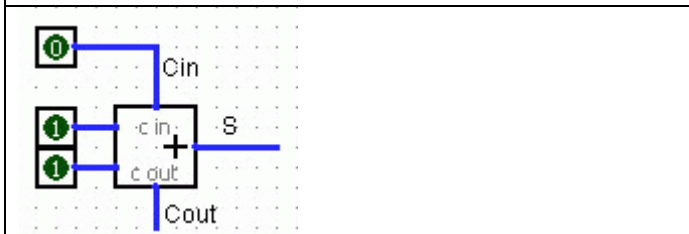
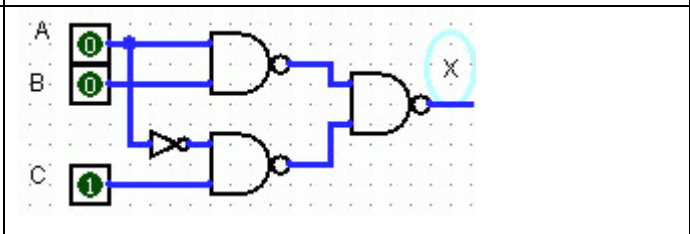
b. Represent the signed number 0011 0011 using **16 bits**, such that it has the same value.

-0000 0000 0011 0011 \_\_\_\_\_

c. Perform bit-wise OR of the two following strings.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 0100\ 0101 \\
 0111\ 0000 \\
 \hline
 0111\ 0101
 \end{array}$$

4. [8 pts] Give the logic values on all lines needed.

 <p style="color: red;">Q = same as before (accept 1 or 0)</p>	 <p style="color: red;">X = 1</p>
 <p style="color: red;">S = 0    Cout = 1            (This is a Full Adder)</p>	 <p style="color: red;">X = 1</p>

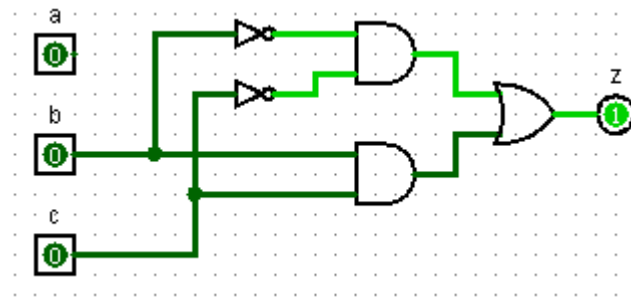
5. [8 pts] Design a combinational circuit that takes three inputs A, B, C and produces one output Z. The output is 1 when B and C are same, it is 0 otherwise. Show the truth table and write the minimized logic expression for Z as function of A, B, and C. Draw the logic diagram.

A	B	C	Z
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

A\BC	00	01	11	10
0	1		1	
1	1		1	

$Z = B'C' + BC$

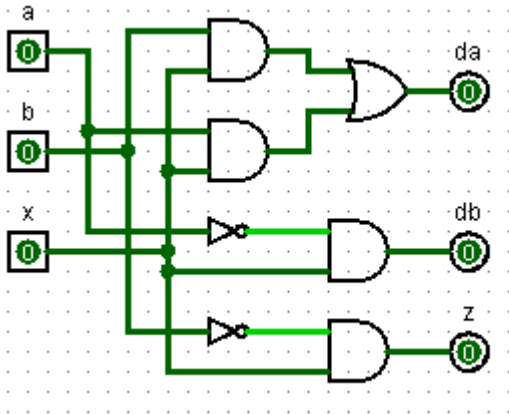
Logic Diagram



6. [8 pts] A State Machine uses two flip-flops with inputs  $D_A$  and  $D_B$  and outputs A and B. The combinational part of the circuit is described by the equations (where X is an external input and Z is an output):

$$D_A = AX + BX \quad D_B = A'X \quad Z = B'X$$

a. Draw a diagram of the complete circuit using AND, OR gates, inverters, D flip-flops, and a clock input.



Note: The complete diagram is expected which needs 2 flip-flops and clock signal.

b. Fill the state table for the circuit above.

Present state		Input	Next state		Output
A	B	X	A	B	Z
0	0	0			
0	0	1		1	1
0	1	0			
0	1	1	1	1	
1	0	0			
1	0	1	1		1
1	1	0			
1	1	1	1		

7. [6 pts]

a. With 8 bits, what is the total number of different possible combinations (For example 1111 1111 is one of them) that can be formed? Ans = 256

b. A computer uses a clock with clock-period equal to 0.25 nanoseconds. What is its clock frequency?  $1/0.25 \times 10^{-9}$  = 4 G Hz (show calculation). *Accept if off by a factor of 10.*

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8. [6 points] Simplify using Boolean algebra. Show intermediate steps.

$$(AB + A')' = (AB)'. (A')' = (A' + B'). A = AB' \quad \text{[Use Demorgan's law and simplify]}$$

$$XYZ + X'YZ = (X+X'). YZ = YZ$$

9. [9 pts] Fill in the blanks: **Partial credit if off by a factor of 2**

a. What is the total amount of memory LC3 can have in byte:   2   x    = **128 K bytes**

b. The maximum positive offset that you can specify in a BR instruction is   255   .

c. The largest positive x that can be represented in instruction **ADD R1, #x** is   15  

d. What would be placed in R3 when this program segment is executed

```
LEA R0, String
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LDR R3, R0, #0
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String .STRINGZ "Zis"
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Answer:   'Z'   (a single character)

e. Does the HALT instruction cause the computer to stop fetching any more instructions? Yes/**No**.

Explain   calls a trap routine that transfer control to the OS  

10. [12 pts] These program segments must be written efficiently with as few instructions as possible.

a. Write a program segment that will move the contents of R0 into R1. (Hint: use an arithmetic instruction)

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  ADD R1, R0, #0  
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b. Write a program segment that will place decimal number 1 in register R4.

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  AND R4, R4, #0  
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  ADD R4, R4, #1  
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c. . Write a program segment that will convert a number (between 0 and 9) in R1 into the corresponding ASCII character and place it in R0. Use a label ZASCII with a .fill

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  LD R0, ZASCII   Note: alternative code possible. LD R2, ZASCII ADD R0, R1, R2
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  ADD R0, R1, R0  
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  ZASCII .fill x0030  
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11. [13 pts] Here is the character count program we had seen.

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.ORIG x3000
  AND  R2,R2,#0 ; R2 is counter, initialize to 0
  LD   R3,PTR   ; R3 is pointer to characters
  TRAP x23     ; R0 gets character input
  LDR  R1,R3,#0 ; R1 gets the next character
;
; Test character for end of file
;
;
TEST  ADD  R4,R1,#-4 ; Test for EOT
      BRz  OUTPUT    ; If done, prepare the output
;
; Test character for match. If a match, increment count.
;
;
      NOT  R1,R1
      ADD  R1,R1,R0  ; If match, R1 = xFFFF
      NOT  R1,R1    ; If match, R1 = x0000
      BRnp GETCHAR  ; If no match, do not increment
      ADD  R2,R2,#1
;
; Get next character from the file
;
;
GETCHAR ADD  R3,R3,#1 ; Increment the pointer
        LDR  R1,R3,#0 ; R1 gets the next character to test
        BRnzp TEST
;
; Output the count.
;
;
OUTPUT LD  R0,ASCII ; Load the ASCII template
        ADD  R0,R0,R2 ; Convert binary to ASCII
        TRAP x21    ; ASCII code in R0 is displayed
        TRAP x25    ; Halt machine
;
; Storage for pointer and ASCII template
;
;
ASCII  .FILL x0030
PTR    .FILL x4000
.END

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a. Assemble the instruction **AND R2,R2,#0**

0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
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b. Assemble the instruction **BRz OUTPUT**

0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
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c. In an execution of the program the character input is 'd', and the 10-word file starting at location x4000 has 3 "d" characters. There is a breakpoint set at TRAP x21, and thus execution halts just before this instruction. What would be the values in these registers (give decimal or hex integer or character):

R0 x33 R1 x04 R2 3 R3 x4009 R4 0