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REVIEW QUESTION FOR MIDTERM EXAM
FALL 2014

Notes:

The exam questions may be in different format

Memory topic will be included in the exam

The exam will have fewer questions than this review

Base Conversion:

(FA10E) 16 = (??) 8

(101001)₂ = (??) 16

= (??) 8

= (??) 10

(26789) 10 = (??) 8

= (??) 16

Arithmetic

1. Convert the decimal number 0.625 into floating point IEEE Standard 754 single precision:
2. Perform the following binary multiplication of two binary numbers:
10111011 and 11101101

TRUE OR FALSE

1. At a top level, a computer consists of CPU, memory, and I/O components.
2. Program execution consists of repeating the process of instruction fetch and instruction execution.
3. An I/O module cannot exchange data directly with the processor.
4. A key characteristic of a bus is that it is not a shared transmission medium.
5. The method of using the same lines for multiple purposes is known as *time multiplexing*.
6. Both sign-magnitude representation and twos complement representation use the most significant bit as a sign bit
7. With asynchronous timing the occurrence of events on the bus is determined by a clock.
8. It is extremely easy to convert between binary and hexadecimal notation.
9. A key requirement for PCIe is high capacity to support the needs of higher data rate I/O devices such as Gigabit Ethernet.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. The von Neumann architecture is based on which concept?
 - A. data and instructions are stored in a single read-write memory
 - B. the contents of this memory are addressable by location

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- C. execution occurs in a sequential fashion
D. all of the above
2. A sequence of codes or instructions is called _____.
- A. software B. memory
C. an interconnect D. a register
3. A(n) _____ is generated by some condition that occurs as a result of an instruction execution.
- A. timer interrupt B. I/O interrupt
C. program interrupt D. hardware failure interrupt
4. A bus that connects major computer components (processor, memory, I/O) is called a _____.
- A. system bus B. address bus
C. data bus D. control bus
5. The _____ are used to designate the source or destination of the data on the data bus.
- A. system lines B. data lines
C. control lines D. address lines
6. Which of the following is (are) correct?
- A. $25 = (2 \times 10^2) + (5 \times 10^1)$
B. $289 = (2 \times 10^3) + (8 \times 10^1) + (9 \times 10^0)$
C. $7523 = (7 \times 10^3) + (5 \times 10^2) + (2 \times 10^1) + (3 \times 10^0)$
D. $0.628 = (6 \times 10^{-3}) + (2 \times 10^{-2}) + (8 \times 10^{-1})$
7. The TL supports which of the following address spaces?
- A. Memory
B. I/O
C. message
D. all of the above
8. The QPI _____ layer is used to determine the course that a packet will traverse across the available system interconnects.
- A. link B. protocol
C. routing D. physical

SHORT ANSWER

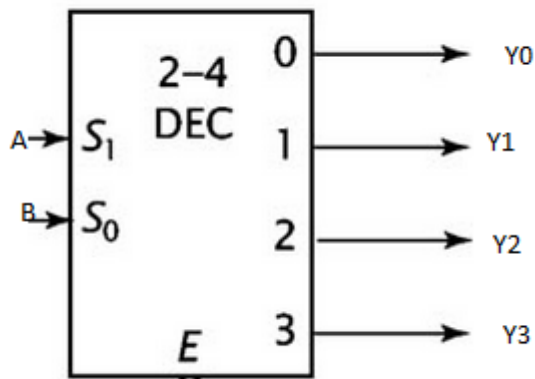
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1. A _____ register specifies the address in memory for the next read or write.
2. If two numbers are added, and they are both positive or both negative, then _____ occurs if and only if the result has the opposite sign.
3. A _____ register contains the data to be written into memory or receives the data read from memory.
4. The most common classes of interrupts are: program, timer, I/O and _____.
5. A _____ is a communication pathway connecting two or more devices.
6. The _____ lines are used to control the access to and the use of the data and address lines.
7. The _____ function is needed to ensure that a sending QPI entity does not overwhelm a receiving QPI entity by sending data faster than the receiver can process the data and clear buffers for more incoming data.

Logic Gates

We wish to synthesize a 2 to 4 decoder with active outputs low.



1. Establishing the truth table of the circuit.
2. Determine output functions $Y = f(A, B)$ A and B are the i

Analyze the circuit below and define its role.

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