

# Key to Final Exam S3

## Computer Architecture

Duration: 1 hr. 30 min.

**Exercise 1 (9 points)**

All questions in this exercise are independent. Except for the output registers, none of the data or address registers must be modified when the subroutine returns. A string of characters always ends with a null character (the value zero). A blank character is either a space character or a tab character.

- Write the **IsBlank** subroutine that determines if a character is blank (i.e. if it is a space or a tab character).

Input : **D1.B** holds the ASCII code of the character to test.

Output : If the character is blank, **D0.L** returns 0.

If the character is not blank, **D0.L** returns 1.

**Tip:** The ASCII code of the tab character is 9.

```
IsBlank          ; If the character is a space, go to blank.
                  cmpi.b #' ',d1
                  beq     \blank

                  ; If the character is a tab, go to blank.
                  cmpi.b #9,d1
                  beq     \blank

\not_blank       ; The character is not blank, return D0.L = 1.
                  moveq.l #1,d0
                  rts

\blank           ; The character is blank, return D0.L = 0.
                  moveq.l #0,d0
                  rts
```

- Write the **BlankCount** subroutine that returns the number of blank characters in a string. To know if a character is blank, use the **IsBlank** subroutine.

Input : **A0.L** points to a string of character.

Output : **D0.L** returns the number of blank characters in the string.

**Tips:**

- Use **D2** as a blank-character counter (because **D0** is used by **IsBlank**).
- Then, copy **D2** into **D0** before returning from the subroutine.

```

BlankCount      ; Save registers on the stack.
                 movem.l d1/d2/a0,-(a7)

                 ; Initialize the blank-character counter.
                 clr.l   d2

\loop            ; Load a character from the string into D1.B.
                 ; If the character is null, go to quit.
                 move.b  (a0)+,d1
                 beq     \quit

                 ; If the character is not blank, go to loop.
                 jsr     IsBlank
                 tst.l   d0
                 bne     \loop

                 ; Otherwise, increment the counter.
                 addq.l  #1,d2
                 bra     \loop

\quit            ; Number of blank characters -> D0.L
                 move.l  d2,d0

                 ; Restore registers from the stack and return from subroutine.
                 movem.l (a7)+,d1/d2/a0
                 rts

```

3. Write the **BlankToUnderscore** subroutine that converts the blank characters in a string into underscore characters. To know if a character is blank, use the **IsBlank** subroutine.

Input : **A0.L** points to a string of characters.

Output : The blank characters of the string are replaced by the « \_ » character.

```

BlankToUnderscore ; Save registers on the stack.
                  movem.l d0/d1/a0,-(a7)

\loop            ; Load a character from the string into D1.B.
                  ; If the character is null, go to quit.
                  move.b  (a0)+,d1
                  beq     \quit

                  ; If the character is not blank, go to loop.
                  jsr     IsBlank
                  tst.l   d0
                  bne     \loop

                  ; Otherwise, the blank character is replaced
                  ; by the underscore character.
                  move.b  #'_',-1(a0)
                  bra     \loop

\quit            ; Restore registers from the stack and return from subroutine.
                  movem.l (a7)+,d0/d1/a0
                  rts

```

**Exercise 2 (4 points)**

Complete the table shown on the [answer sheet](#). Write down the new values of the registers (except the PC) and memory that are modified by the instructions. **Use the hexadecimal representation. Memory and registers are reset to their initial values for each instruction.**

Initial values:      D0 = \$0004FFFF    A0 = \$00005000    PC = \$00006000  
                          D1 = \$FFFF000A    A1 = \$00005008  
                          D2 = \$FFFFFFFF    A2 = \$00005010

\$005000    54 AF 18 B9 E7 21 48 C0

\$005008    C9 10 11 C8 D4 36 1F 88

\$005010    13 79 01 80 42 1A 2D 49

**Exercise 3 (3 points)**

Complete the table shown on the [answer sheet](#). Give the result of the additions and the values of the N, Z, V and C flags.

**Exercise 4 (4 points)**

Let us consider the following program:

```

Main      move.l  #44AA77FF,d7 ; 44AA77FF -> D7.L
next1     moveq.l #1,d1         ; 00000001 -> D1.L
          tst.w   d7            ; Set N and Z according to D7.W.
          bmi     next2         ; Branch if N = 1 (D7.W < 0).
          moveq.l #2,d1         ; Otherwise, 00000002 -> D1.L
next2     clr.l   d2            ; 00000000 -> D2.L
          move.w  #1234,d0       ; 1234 -> D0.W (D0.B = 34)
loop2     addq.l  #1,d2         ; D2.L + 1 -> D2.L
          subq.b  #1,d0         ; D0.B - 1 -> D0.B ; Only D0.B is decremented.
          bne     loop2         ; Branch if Z = 0 (D0.B ≠ 0)
next3     clr.l   d3            ; 00000000 -> D3.L
          move.w  #1234,d0       ; 1234 -> D0.W
loop3     addq.l  #1,d3         ; D3.L + 1 -> D3.L
          dbra    d0,loop3      ; DBRA = DBF ; D0.W - 1 -> D0.W
          ; Branch if D0.W ≠ -1 (D0.W ≠ $FFFF)
next4     moveq.l #1,d4         ; 00000001 -> D4.L
          cmp.b   #70,d7        ; Compare D7.B to 70.
          blt     quit          ; Branch if D7.B < 70 (signed comparison).
          moveq.l #2,d4         ; Otherwise, 00000002 -> D4.L
quit      illegal

```

Complete the table shown on the [answer sheet](#).

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**ANSWER SHEET TO BE HANDED IN WITH THE SCRIPT****Exercise 2**

Instruction	Memory	Register
Example	\$005000 54 AF <b>00 40</b> E7 21 48 C0	A0 = \$00005004 A1 = \$0000500C
Example	\$005008 C9 10 11 C8 D4 36 <b>FF</b> 88	No change
MOVE.B -1(A2), -(A1)	\$005000 54 AF 18 B9 E7 21 48 <b>88</b>	A1 = \$00005007
MOVE.L \$500E, -1(A1,D0.W)	\$005000 54 AF 18 B9 <b>1F 88 13 79</b>	No change
MOVE.L #\$500E, -8(A0,D1.W)	\$005000 54 AF <b>00 00 50 0E</b> 48 C0	No change
MOVE.W \$500A(PC), -(A1)	\$005000 54 AF 18 B9 E7 21 <b>11 C8</b>	A1 = \$00005006

**Exercise 3**

Operation	Size (bits)	Result (hexadecimal)	N	Z	V	C
\$A3 + \$5C	8	\$FF	1	0	0	0
\$7005 + \$7005	16	\$E00A	1	0	1	0
\$7FFFFFFF + \$80000001	32	\$00000000	0	1	0	1

**Exercise 4**

Values of registers after the execution of the program. <b>Use the 32-bit hexadecimal representation.</b>	
<b>D1</b> = \$00000002	<b>D3</b> = \$00001235
<b>D2</b> = \$00000034	<b>D4</b> = \$00000001