

Midterm Exam S2

Computer Architecture

Duration: 1 hr 30 min

Answer on the answer sheet only.

Do not show any calculation unless you are explicitly asked.

Do not use red ink.

Exercise 1 (5 points)

Answer on the [answer sheet](#). Let us consider the following **10-bit** binary number: 1001101010_2 .

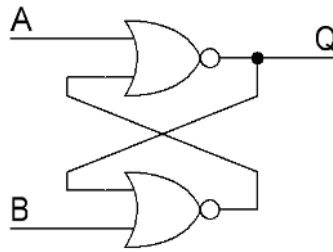
1. Write down its hexadecimal representation.
2. Assuming that it is an unsigned integer, write down its decimal representation.
3. Assuming that it is a signed integer, write down its decimal representation.
4. Write down the 10-bit binary representation of the following signed number: 511_{10} .
5. Write down the 16-bit binary representation of the following signed number: -511_{10} .
6. Determine the minimum number of bits required to encode the following unsigned number: $65,536?$
7. Determine the minimum number of bits required to encode the following signed number: $65,536?$
8. Determine the minimum number of bits required to encode the following signed number: $-65,536?$
9. How many bytes does the value **8 Mib** contain? Use a power-of-two notation.
10. How many bits does the value **512 MiB** contain? Use binary prefixes (Ki, Mi or Gi) and choose the most appropriate prefix so that the integer numerical value will be as small as possible.

Exercise 2 (9 points)

1. Convert the numbers given on the [answer sheet](#) into their **single-precision** IEEE-754 representations. Write down the final result in its **binary form** and specify the three fields.
2. Convert the **double-precision** IEEE-754 words given on the [answer sheet](#) into their associated representations. If a representation is a number, use the base-10 following form: $k \times 2^n$ where k and n are integers (either positive or negative).
3. Determine the smallest and largest absolute values of a single-precision IEEE-754 **denormalized** number. Use the following form: 2^n for the smallest number and $(1 - 2^{n1}) \times 2^{n2}$ for the largest number where n , $n1$ and $n2$ are integers (either positive or negative). Write down the base-10 numerical values of n , $n1$ and $n2$ on the [answer sheet](#).

Exercise 3 (2 points)

Let us consider the following circuit:



1. Complete the truth table shown on the [answer sheet](#).
2. What is the name of this circuit?

Exercise 4 (4 points)

Complete the timing diagrams shown on the [answer sheet](#) (up to the last vertical dotted line) for the following circuits.

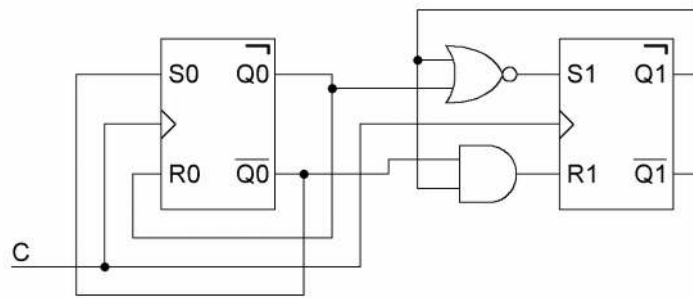


Figure 1

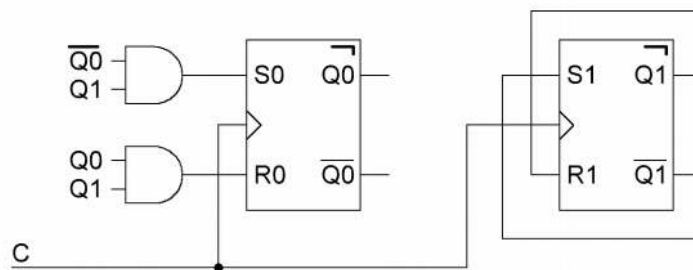


Figure 2

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ANSWER SHEET**Exercise 1**

1.	6.
2.	7.
3.	8.
4.	9.
5.	10.

Exercise 2

1.

Number	S	E	M
163			
27.625			
-0.921875			

2.

IEEE-754 Representation	Associated Representation
413C 0000 0000 0000 ₁₆	
8000 0000 0000 0000 ₁₆	
0001 1000 0000 0000 ₁₆	
7FF0 0000 0000 1000 ₁₆	

3.

n	n1	n2

Exercise 3

A	B	Q
0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

Name of the circuit

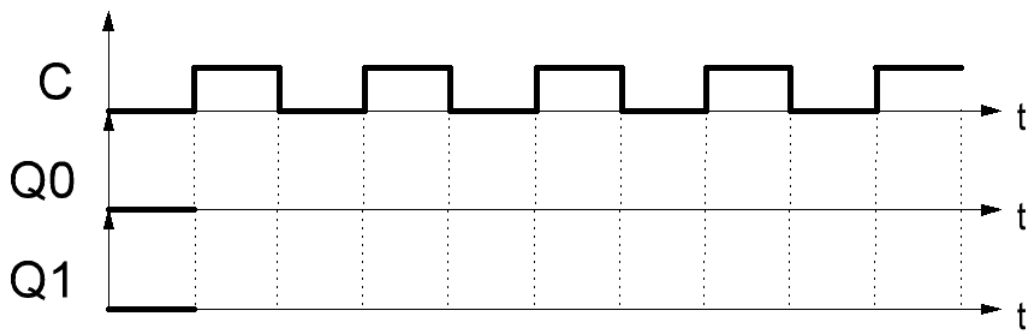
Exercise 4

Figure 1

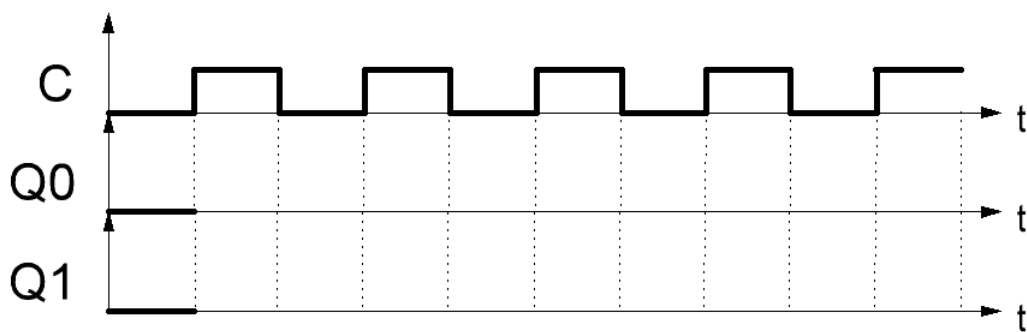


Figure 2

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