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Midterm #1: Open text & notes, (No previous Exams)

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1. Given: W e l c o m e + u s e + t h e
0B0E:0200 57 65 6C 63 6F 6D 65 20-74 6F 20 74 68 65 20 66
0B0E:0210 69 72 73 74 20 64 61 79-20 6F 66 20 74 68 65 20
0B0E:0220 72 65 73 74 20 6F 66 20-79 6F 75 72 20 6C 69 66
0B0E:0230 65 00 00 00 00 00 00 00-00 00 00 00 00 00 00

An ASCII message begins at memory location 0200, what is the message?

- a) Welcome to the first midterm

b) Welcome to the first exam

☒ c) Welcome to the first day of the rest of your life

d) Welcome to Assembly Language

e) Have a great weekend break!
- The instruction MOV DX, BADD is what addressing mode?

 - Scaled Index
 - Register Indirect
 - Register
 - ☒ Immediate
 - Direct
- Which of the following is the hexadecimal encoding for adding BX with CX and storing the result in CX?

add reg2 to reg3 0000 001W 11 reg1 reg2

 - 29DA
 - ☒ 03CB
 - 01CB
 - 01DA
 - 01D8
 - 03D9

0000 0011 1100 1011
0 3 C B

- What is the advantage of Assembly Language over C Language?

 - ☒ The Assembler creates much faster executable code
 - Hand assembly coding is much faster in C
 - C is transportable to other microprocessor architectures
 - C does not need a compiler to be assembled in to an executable program.
 - All the above

- What is 18.4375_{10} in binary?

- 001110.01110
- 001111.01010
- 010010.01101
- ☒ 010010.01110
- 100010.01110

16 2 .25 .125 .0625
10010.01110

.25
+ .125
+ .0625

.4375

- For the instruction sequence below, determine the contents of the register AL after this program is executed:

- 151H
- 51H
- 51H
- ☒ EBH
- F1H

Program Listing
MOV AL, 75h
ADD AL, 76h
DAA

decimal adjust after addition

- In x86 architecture, ALU stands for which of the following?

- A Logic User
- Address Logic Unit
- All Logic Unit
- Arithmetic Lining Unit
- ☒ Arithmetic Logic Unit

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8. A microprocessor with a 33-bit address bus could access how much memory?

- a) 2 GB
- b) 2 MB
- c) 8 MB
- d) 64 MB
- ☒ e) 8 GB
- f) 128 MB

2^3 2^{30}
8 GB

9. What is the hexadecimal encoding for "JGE" for a jump back 12 bytes?

- a) 7DFA
- ☒ b) 7DF2
- c) 7DF4
- d) 7D0C
- e) 7D12
- f) 7DEE

have to jump instruction plus 12 bytes
12 distance
2 instruction
14
jumping back so -14

0000 1110
1111 0001
1111 0010

10. Given:

AX=FF00 BX=3534 CX=0000 DX=0180 SP=FFEE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0000
DS=1D72 ES=1D72 SS=1D72 CS=1D72 IP=010F NV UP EI NG NZ NA PO NC
1D72:010F 7D18 JGE 0128

How many bytes in decimal will the processor jump if the conditions for a jump are met?

- a) 10F
- b) 10D
- c) 18
- ☒ d) 24
- e) 115

010F 010F 0113 0117 011B 011F 0123 0127
↓ 0110 0114 0118 011C 0120 0124 0128
0128 0111 0115 0119 011D 0121 0125
0112 0116 011A 011E 0122 0126

11. Moore's law has accurately predicted the growth rate in the number of transistors per die for the last 40 years. What is that rate?

- a) Doubling every 18 - 24 hours
- ☒ b) Doubling every 18 - 24 months
- c) Doubling every 18 - 24 weeks
- d) Doubling every 18 - 24 years
- e) Doubling every 36 - 48 months

12. The number of bytes in a word are:

- a) 32
- b) 16
- c) 8
- d) 4
- ☒ e) 2

13. Determine the contents of register BL after the following instructions have been executed:

- a) E2H
- b) 4H
- ☒ c) 2EH
- d) 4EH
- e) 2H

1110 0010
rotate left 4x

Program Listing
MOV BL, E2H
MOV CL, 0100b
ROL BL, CL

14. How many bit(s) is/are required to represent a range of decimal numbers from 0 to 127?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 4
- ☒ d) 7
- e) 8

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
128 64 32 16 8 4 2 1

15. What high level language is the propeller programmed in?
- a) Assembly
 - b) C
 - c) C++
 - d) Java
 - ☒ e) Spin
 - f) All of the above
16. In the Propeller microcontroller, the command "dira[4..9] := %000000" would cause the processor to do which of the following?
- a) Set the A port to an input port
 - ☒ b) Sets the Propeller pins P4 through P9 as input pins
 - c) Sets the Propeller pins P4 through P9 as output pins
 - d) Sets the register bits in dira low
 - e) All the above
17. Which command would you use to execute another core in the propeller microcontroller?
- a) PUB
 - ☒ b) Cognew
 - c) Method
 - d) VAR
 - e) EXE Core
18. How many cores does the propeller microcontroller have?
- a) 2
 - b) 4
 - ☒ c) 8
 - d) 16
 - e) 32
19. In the Propeller microcontroller, the command "waitcnt(clkfreq*10 + cnt)" would cause the processor to do which of the following?
- a) to slow down 10 times
 - b) to speed up 10 times
 - c) Set the processor speed to 10 MHz
 - d) Create 10 microsecond delay
 - e) Create 10 millisecond delay
 - ☒ f) Create 10 second delay
20. The acronym ADC in microcontrollers stands for which of the following?
- a) A Digital Channel
 - b) All Digital Connection
 - c) All Download Complete
 - ☒ d) Analog to Digital Converter
 - e) Analog and Digital Converter
 - f) Analog from Digital Conversion
21. The acronym PWM used in the Parallax Propeller and MicroChip PIC18, is defined as:
- a) Parallel Width Manipulation
 - b) Parallel Wide Manipulator
 - ☒ c) Pulse Width Modulation
 - d) Poor Wonderer Manipulator
 - e) Parallel Width Modulator

22. How many bits does the PIC18 microcontroller used in the PICkit 3 Debug Express have?

- a) 8
- b) 16
- ☒ c) 18
- d) 24
- e) 32

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23. Which of the following would be used to set the TRISA register to control the direction of the PIC18 Port to input?

- a) =output
- b) =/input
- ☒ c) 0
- d) DIRA := 0
- e) 1

E

24. In the PIC18 with TRISD = 0b01111111, what is the configuration of the Port D?

- ☒ a) Bit 7 of port D is set to input
- b) Bit 7 of port D is set to output
- c) Port D is set as an input port
- d) Port D is set as an output port
- e) Port D is set to 127 decimal

B

25. In the PIC18 with TRISD = 0b11110000 and LATD = 0xAA, what value will be on Port D and shown on the LEDs?

- a) F0
- b) AA
- ☒ c) A0
- d) 0F
- e) 0A

E

26. On the Arduino platform, what is the programming language used?

- a) x86 assembly
- b) Spin
- c) Arduino basic
- ☒ d) C
- e) C++
- f) Java

27. Given:

AX=FFD0 BX=3534 CX=0000 DX=0180 SP=FFEE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0000
DS=1D72 ES=1D72 SS=1D72 CS=1D72 IP=0111 NV UP EI NG NZ NA PO CY
1D72:0111 EB08 JMP 0119

What will the IP value be after a "t" command is executed in DOS Debug?

- a) 8 bytes forward
- ☒ b) 0119h
- c) 0113h
- d) 0111h
- e) 0008d

JMP jumps unconditionally

28. How many bytes are there in this short sequence of code? B400CD164CCD21CD20

- a) 3
- b) 6
- c) 7
- ☒ d) 9
- e) 14
- f) 18

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

29. In x86 architecture, BIU stands for which of the following?

- a) Best Integrated Unit
- b) Best Interface Unit
- c) Best Interface User
- d) Bus Integrated Unit
- ☒ e) Bus Interface Unit

30. Here is a short sequence of code: **7413EBA3CD167D213C04EBF0EB15**. All of the instructions are a word long. The fifth instruction operator is:

- ☒ a) CMP
- b) INT
- c) JGE
- d) JMP
- e) JNZ

0011 1100 0000 0100

31. The ASCII codes for space, space, carriage return, line feed, end of string in decimal are:

- a) 0D, 30, 20, 20, 24
- b) 20, 20, D0, A0 24
- c) 20, 20, 0D, 0A 24
- ☒ d) 32, 32, 13, 10, 36
- e) SP, SP, CR, LF, \$

32. A "NOP" instruction in a program will:

- a) Set a Normal Operating Point
- b) Clear the Overflow flag
- ☒ c) Perform a No Operation
- d) Reset the IP register
- e) Exit the program

33. Given:

AX=FFF0 BX=3534 CX=0000 DX=0180 SP=FFEE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0000
DS=1D72 ES=1D72 SS=1D72 CS=1D72 IP=0109 OV UP EI PL NZ NA PO CY
1D72:0109 7D06 JNL 0118

What is the signed decimal value of the number in the AX register?

- a) 16
- b) 30
- c) 10
- ☒ d) -16
- e) -10

1111 1111 1111 0000
0000 0000 0000 1111
1 0000

34. Which of the following DOS Debug instructions would set a break point at memory location 010C?

- a) B 0C10
- b) B = 100 10C
- ☒ c) G = 100 10C
- d) G = 010C
- e) G [010C]

35. In adding 5+7 through a 4 bit integer unit, the state of the OF and CF flags after the add instruction would be:

- ☒ a) OF = 0, CF = 0
- b) OF = 0, CF = 1
- c) OF = 1, CF = 0
- d) OF = 1, CF = 1
- e) OF = 0, CF = 0, ZF = 0

overflow
flag looks
at signed
operations

10101
0111
1100
no overflow
no carry

36. Given:

AX=FFD0 BX=3534 CX=0000 DX=0180 SP=FFEE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0000
DS=1D72 ES=1D72 SS=1D72 CS=1D72 IP=010D OV UP EI NG ZR NA PO NC
1D72:010D 7509 JNZ 0116

What will the IP value be after a "t" command is executed in DOS Debug?

- a) 0009h
- b) 010Dh
- c) 010Eh
- ☒ d) 010Fh
- e) 0116h

jump if not zero

but it is zero, so - no jump

37. What are the contents of DX after this program has been run:

- a) 0010h
- b) -0010h
- ☒ c) 5511h
- d) D800h
- e) FFF0h

MOV DX, 11h
MOV CX, [5512]
MOV BX, 5511h
SUB DX, [BX]
AND BX, FFFF

Memory location	Contents
5514	24
5513	D8
5512	00
5511	21
5510	00

38. Which of the following DOS Debug instructions would be used to change the IP register to 010C?

- a) G=IP 010C
- b) RAX = 010C
- c) RBX = 100 10C
- ☒ d) RIP
- e) RIP = [010C]

39. What is the number, 1010.0101₂ in decimal?

- ☒ a) 10.31
- b) A.5
- c) -A.5
- d) -10.31
- e) FFB4

40. What command in DEBUG would be used to step through a program line by line?

- a) RIP
- b) RCS
- ☒ c) T
- d) R
- e) P

41. AND'ing 1FH and 02H will result in which of the following?

- a) 0
- ☒ b) 02
- c) 16
- d) 3F
- e) 63

42. How many address lines would be required to address 64 MB directly?

- a) 512
- b) 64
- ☒ c) 26
- d) 24
- e) 20

$2^6 \cdot 2^{20} = 2^{26}$ 26 lines
64 MB

1. Given the short code, what is the value in AX after the program is run?

- a) 0500
- b) 0100
- c) 0005
- d) 0001
- e) 0000

Program Listing
Mov BX, 0500
Push BX
Mov AX, 0100
POP AX

2. A "pull down" resistor is used in digital circuits to do what?

- a) To keep the signal "tied" high until the line is active (goes low)
- b) To keep the signal line "tied" low until the line is active (goes high)
- c) To keep the voltage at 0Volts
- d) To keep the voltage at 1Volt
- e) To make sure the digital line is always high

3. A "POP" instruction:

- a) decrements the SP
- b) increments the IP
- c) increments the SP
- d) points to the data inputted from the keyboard
- e) stores the returning address

4. Ladder Logic is used in?

- a) Power Logic Controllers
- b) PLCs
- c) ALUs
- d) BIUs
- e) CPUs

5. If CX is 0001, what will CX be after a "LOOPNZ" instruction?

- a) 0000
- b) 0001
- c) 0002
- d) 0003
- e) FFFF

6. If the SP is F00F, what is the SP value after a "POP CX" instruction?

- a) F010
- b) F00D
- c) F011
- d) F00C
- e) F012

7. The acronym PWM used for motor control, is defined as which of the following?

- a) Poor Wonderer Manipulator
- b) Pulse Width Modulation
- c) Parallel Width Modulator
- d) Parallel Width Manipulation
- e) Parallel Wide Manipulator

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8. How many bit(s) is/are required to represent a range of decimal numbers from 0 to 9?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- ☒ c) 4
- d) 7
- e) 8

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9. In the PIC18 with TRISD = 0b01000000, what is the configuration of the Port D?

- ☒ a) Bit 7 of port D is set to input
- b) Bit 7 of port D is set to output
- c) Port D is set as an input port
- d) Port D is set as an output port
- e) Port D is set to 127 decimal

10. Which of the following is not a valid command for a number into a register in MASM?

- a) MOV CL, 220
- b) MOV BL, 01010010B
- c) MOV AX, 0BEEFH
- ☒ d) MOV AX, BADH
- e) MOV AH, 0BCH

11. You are trying to rebuild a HELLO project program in MASM and you get the following error:
"LINK : warning L4021: no stack segment".

What would be the reason for such an error?

- a) MASM isn't installed correctly on the computer being used
- b) No ".mak" file specified
- ☒ c) No project template for COM was selected
- d) No source file is identified (no .asm file)
- e) No project was setup

12. What flag(s) does the "LOOPNE" instruction look at to determine whether to loop or not?

- a) CX
- b) SF and ZF
- c) SF and OF
- d) OF and CF
- ☒ e) ZF

13. In the Propeller microcontroller, the command "dira[4..9] := %000000" would cause the processor to do which of the following?

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- b) Sets the register bits in dira low
- c) Sets the Propeller pins P4 through P9 as output pins
- ☒ d) Sets the Propeller pins P4 through P9 as input pins
- e) All the above

14. What command in MASM-CodeView would be used to step through a program line by line?

- a) RIP
- b) RCS
- ☒ c) T (F8)
- d) R
- e) P (F10)

15. What is the binary value of decimal 12.875?

- a) 1011.1110
- b) 1100.11001
- ☒ c) 1100.1110
- d) 1101.0101
- e) 11000.1110

$$12_{10} = 1100_2$$

$$2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2^{-3} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$2^{-2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$.875 =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8}$$

$$= .111$$

16. What is the numeric sequence of the key pad columns on the PPE board?

- a) 2,4,6,8
- ☒ b) 1,2,4,8,
- c) 37,2F,1F
- d) 1,2,3,4
- e) 378,379
- f) 08, 10, 20

17. In MASM, with a "MOV CX, 18h" instruction, and a "LOOP" instruction, in decimal how many times will the program loop?

- a) 0C
- ☒ b) 24
- c) 18
- d) 12
- e) 36

18. A "PUSH" instruction:

- a) increments the SP
- b) increments the IP
- ☒ c) decrements the SP
- d) points to the data inputted from the keyboard
- e) stores the returning address

19. In the Hello MASM lab in the original code, what is the address of the byte used to start the number in the sequence "Hello World 0"?

- a) 0200
- ☒ b) 020E
- c) 0100
- d) message
- e) Hello

20. In the Propeller microcontroller, the command "waitcnt(clkfreq*5 + cnt)" would cause the processor to do which of the following?

- ☒ a) A 5 second delay
- b) A 5 millisecond delay
- c) Set the processor speed to 5 MHz
- d) Causes the processor to speed up 5 times
- e) Causes the processor to slow down 5 times

21. ADD'ing 10H and 2FH will result in which of the following?

- a) 0
- ☒ b) 3F
- c) 16
- d) 45
- e) 63

adding the quantities

$$\begin{array}{r} 2F \\ 10 \\ \hline 3F \end{array}$$

22. A "pull up" resistor is used in digital circuits to do what?
- a) To make sure the digital line is always high
 - b) To keep the voltage at 1Volt
 - c) To keep the voltage at 0Volts
 - d) To keep the signal line "tied" low until the line is active (goes **high**)
 - ☒ e) To keep the signal "tied" high until the line is active (goes **low**)
23. With a POPA instruction, what will be the order of the accumulator, **base**, count, and data registers restored from the stack?
- a) ABCD
 - b) DBAC
 - ☒ c) BDCA
 - d) ACDB
 - e) BX
24. In the Propeller microcontroller, the term "Method" is(are) which of the following?
- a) Variables given to objects, they can be available to other objects **or** variable used within an object.
 - b) An application building block comprised of all the code.
 - c) A processor inside the propeller chip, the propeller has 8 methods per chip.
 - ☒ d) A block of executable commands that has variables, can receive **parameters**, and returns a value.
 - e) All the above
25. If the SP is F00F, what is the SP value after a "PUSH DX" instruction?
- a) F010
 - ☒ b) F00D
 - c) F011
 - d) F00C
 - e) F012
26. The "LOOPNZ" instruction is equivalent to which of the following instructions?
- a) DEC CX, JNE
 - b) DEC CX, JGE
 - c) INC CX, JNZ
 - ☒ d) JNZ, DEC CX
 - e) JZ, INC CX
27. What type of program is this?
- ```
AX=0000 BX=0000 CX=0000 DX=0000 SP=FFEE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0000
DS=1376 ES=1376 SS=1376 CS=1376 IP=0115 NV UP EI PL NZ NA PO NC
1376:0115 0100 ADD [BX+SI],AL DS:0000=CD
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- a) MASM
  - b) Debug
  - c) ADD
  - d) EXE
  - ☒ e) COM
28. What Hex values must be sent to address the key pad rows on the PPE board?
- a) 1,2,3,4
  - b) 1,2,4,8,
  - c) 2,4,6,8
  - ☒ d) 37,2F,1F
  - e) 378,379
  - f) 08, 10, 20



$$34 = 32 + 2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0010 \ 0010 \\ 1101 \ 1101 \\ \hline 1101 \ 1110 \end{array}$$

29. What is -34 decimal in 2's complement (8 bits)?

- a) 1110 0111
- b) 0010 0010
- c) 1011 0100
- d) 0001 1001
- ☒ e) 1101 1110

30. Given:

13A7:0110 CD 20 30 20 54 68 69 73-20 69 73 20 74 68 65 20  
13A7:0120 66 69 72 73 74 20 4D 69-64 74 65 72 6D 0D 24 D9  
13A7:0130 00 C6 00 00 00 00 00 00-00 00 00 00 00 00 00

An input buffer is at memory location 0113, how many bytes are in the buffer (in decimal)?

- ☒ a) 20
- b) 25
- c) 30
- d) 32
- e) 48

31. How much global RAM does the Propeller microcontroller have?

- a) 8MG
- b) 4KB
- c) 32KB
- d) 2GB
- ☒ e) 16KB

2KB per cog  
8 cogs

32. In the Propeller, how many values does a method return?

- ☒ a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 4
- d) 8
- e) As many values as there are objects in the method

33. AND'ing 10H and 2FH will result in which of the following?

- ☒ a) 0
- b) 3F
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- e) All the above

35. The Ladder Logic diagram would represent which of the following?

- a) XOR
- b) OR
- c) NAND
- ☒ d) AND
- e) OPEN CIRCUIT



36. Which of the following is a valid x86 command for multiplying a number?

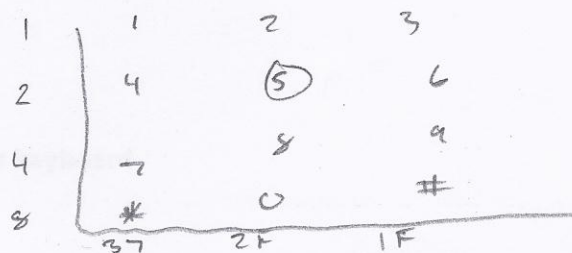
- a) ☒ MUL BX
- b) MUL CL,BL
- c) MUL BX, 0C40FH
- d) MUL AX, BADH
- e) MUL 10H

37. The instruction MOV CX, [SI] is what addressing mode?

- a) Direct
- b) Scaled Index
- c) ☒ Register Indirect
- d) Immediate
- e) Register

38. On the PPE board, what number(s) on the key pad is(are) pressed for an output port value of 02h and an input port value of 2Fh?

- a) 0
- b) 8
- c) 378,379
- d) 2
- e) ☒ 5
- f) 37, 2F, 1F
- g) 1,2,4,8,



39. In MASM, with a "MOV CX, 24" instruction, and a "LOOP" instruction, how many times will the program loop in decimal?

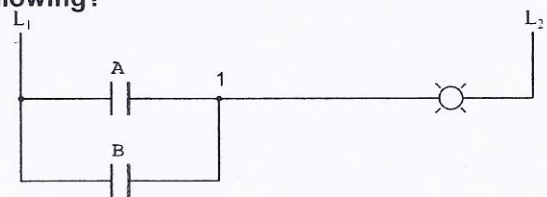
- a) 0C
- b) ☒ 24
- c) 18
- d) 12
- e) 36

40. The letters "NC" labeled on relays and PLCs means which of the following?

- a) Normal Code
- b) No Code
- c) ☒ Normally Closed
- d) Not a Computer
- e) Not Closed

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- a) XOR
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- c) NAND
- d) AND
- e) OPEN CIRCUIT



42. If you want to use a INT software interrupt function to print a string out to the screen, what is the function code, start pointer, termination character, and interrupt you need to use?

- a) ☒ ah = 09h, ds:dx, "\$", 21h
- b) ah = 10h, ds:dx, "\$", 21h
- c) ah = 09h, es:dx, ":", 10h
- d) ah = 0eh, es:dx, ":", 10h
- e) ah = 0eh, ds:dx, "\$", 10h