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MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION**WINTER SEMESTER, 2011 – 2012****DURATION: 1 Hour 30 Minutes****FULL MARKS: 75****CSE 4305: Computer Organization and Architecture**

Programmable calculators are not allowed. Do not write anything on the question paper.

There are **4 (four)** questions. Answer any **3 (three)** of them.

Figures in the right margin indicate marks.

1. a) Explain *basic performance equation*, and then based on the notations used in the equation briefly explain the concept of CISC and RISC. 5+5
 - b) i. Program execution time, $T = (N \cdot S) / R$, is to be examined for a certain high-level language program. The program can be run on a RISC or a CISC computer. Both computers use pipelined instruction execution, but pipelining in the RISC machine is more effective than in the CISC machine. Specifically the effective value of S in the T expression for RISC machine is 1.2, but is only 1.5 for the CISC machine. Both machines have the same clock rate, R . 5+5

What is the largest allowable value for N , the number of instructions executed in CISC machine, expressed as a percentage of the N value for the RISC machine, if time for execution on the CISC machine is to be no longer than that on the RISC machine?

 - ii. Repeat the previous part if the clock rate R , for the CISC machine is 15 percent higher than that for the RISC machine.
 - c) How SPEC rating is used to measure the performance of the computer? 5
2. a) i. With the help of an example, explain how we can achieve an effective S value of 1 through the use of instruction overlapping in *pipelining*? 8+4
 - ii. Is it possible to reduce the effective S value to less than one? Justify your answer.
- b) Explain the reason for using binary number representation in 2's complement over 1's complement. 6
- c) Write a program to evaluate the expression $(A + B) \cdot (C + D)$ in a single-accumulator processor. Assume that the processor has Load, Store, Multiply and Add instruction, and that all values fit in the accumulator. Do not forget to provide the corresponding *Register Transfer Notation (RTN)* for each instruction in the program. 7
3. a) Both of the following statements cause the value 400 to be stored in memory location 1004, but at different times. 6

ORIGIN 1004
 DATAWORD 400

and

Move #400, 1004

Explain the difference.

- b) Assume that the Word length in memory is 32 bits. Register R1 and R2 of a computer contain decimal values 1200 and 4600. What is the effective address of the memory operand in each of the following instructions? 10
- Load 20(R1), R5
 - Move #3000, R5
 - Store R5, 30(R1, R2)
 - Add -(R2), R5
 - Sub (R1)+, R5
- c) Suppose that a stack runs from location 2000 (BOTTOM) down no further than location 1500. Write down the routines for a safe push and safe pop operation. 9
4. a) With the help of a diagram explain the following: 8
- Subroutine linkage method.
 - Call and Return instructions.
- b) Write a program that reads a line of characters and displays it. Provide descriptions for each of the instructions in the program. 12
- c) What is Relative addressing mode and where is it used most commonly? 5