

Introduction to Information Engineering-Midterm exam. #1(Fall 2013)

1. (6%) What is the main difference between Turing model and von Neumann model of a computer?
2. (6%) In which of the following situations does an overflow never occur? Justify the answer.
 - a. Adding two positive integers.
 - b. Adding one positive integer to a negative integer.
 - c. Subtracting one positive integer from a negative integer.
 - d. Subtracting two negative integers
3. (6%) What is the advantage and disadvantage of using indexed color compared with using true color to encode the color of a pixel?
4. (9%) Compare and contrast the representation of zero in sign-and-magnitude, two's complement, and Excess formats.
5. (4%) We need to unset the two leftmost bits and set the three rightmost bits of an 8-bit pattern. Show the masks and operations.
6. (4%) A computer has 256MB (megabytes) of memory. Each word is 2 bytes. How many bits are required to address each single word in memory?
7. (6%) What are the advantages and disadvantages of memory-mapped I/O compared with isolated I/O?
8. (12%) Describe the operation of direct memory access (DMA).
9. (8%) How does a DMA controller increase the efficiency of transferring data between memory and an I/O device?
10. (8%) Suppose that a program consists of n instructions in sequential order. A machine cycle consists of three phases, namely, phase 1, phase 2, and phase 3. All phases require the same amount of time, T , to complete.
 - (a) Calculate the total amount of time to complete the execution of the program using a CPU with no pipelining.
 - (b) Calculate the total amount of time to complete the execution of the program using a CPU with pipelining.
11. (12%) An imaginary computer has 16 data registers (R0 to R15), 4M words in memory, and 64 different instructions.
 - (a) Consider a typical instruction uses the following format:

$$\text{instruction} \quad M \quad R1$$
 where M denotes a memory address. What is the minimum size of an instruction in bits?
 - (b) What is the minimum size of the instruction register?
 - (c) What is the size of the program counter?

- (d) What is the size of the address bus?
12. (20%) Using the instruction set of the simple computer in Section 5.7, write a program and convert it into a set of binary codes that performs the following calculation:

$$D \leftarrow A + B + C$$

A , B , C are integers in two's complement format. The keyboard is mapped to memory location $(FE)_{16}$ and the monitor is mapped to memory location $(FF)_{16}$. The user types the value of A , B , and C , and the value of D is displayed on the monitor.

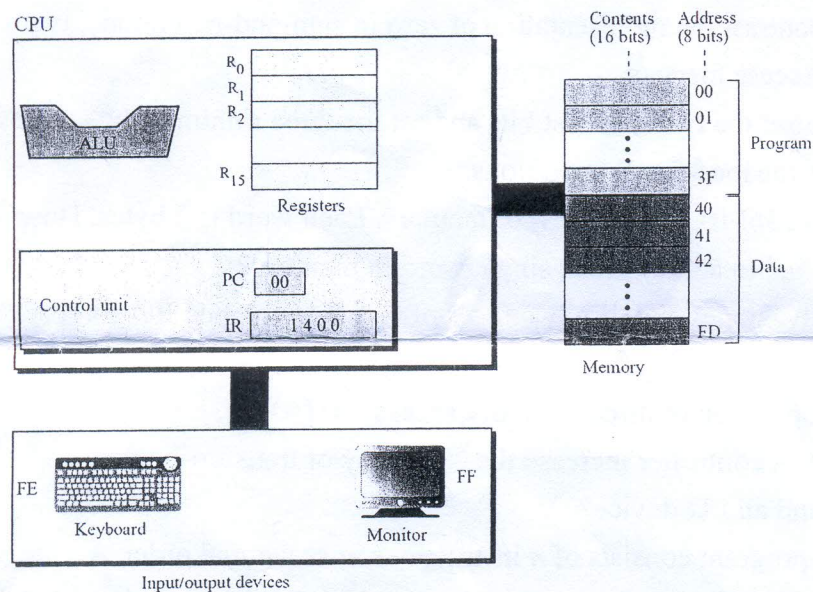
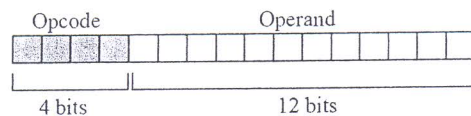


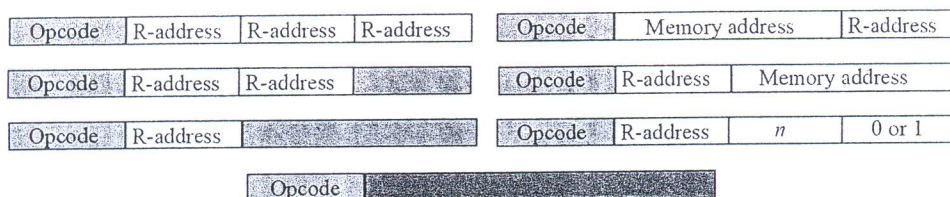
Table 5.4 List of instructions for the simple computer

Instruction	Code				Action
	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄	
HALT	0				Stops the execution of the program
LOAD	1	R _D	M _S		$R_D \leftarrow M_S$
STORE	2	M _D		R _S	$M_D \leftarrow R_S$
ADDI	3	R _D	R _{S1}	R _{S2}	$R_D \leftarrow R_{S1} + R_{S2}$
ADDF	4	R _D	R _{S1}	R _{S2}	$R_D \leftarrow R_{S1} + R_{S2}$
MOVE	5	R _D	R _S		$R_D \leftarrow R_S$
NOT	6	R _D	R _S		$R_D \leftarrow \bar{R}_S$
AND	7	R _D	R _{S1}	R _{S2}	$R_D \leftarrow R_{S1} \text{ AND } R_{S2}$
OR	8	R _D	R _{S1}	R _{S2}	$R_D \leftarrow R_{S1} \text{ OR } R_{S2}$
XOR	9	R _D	R _{S1}	R _{S2}	$R_D \leftarrow R_{S1} \text{ XOR } R_{S2}$
INC	A	R			$R \leftarrow R + 1$
DEC	B	R			$R \leftarrow R - 1$
ROTATE	C	R	n	0 or 1	$\text{Rot}_n R$
JUMP	D	R	n		IF $R_0 \neq R$ then $PC = n$, otherwise continue

Key: R_S, R_{S1}, R_{S2}: Hexadecimal address of source registers
R_D: Hexadecimal address of destination register
M_S: Hexadecimal address of source memory location
M_D: Hexadecimal address of destination memory location
n: hexadecimal number
d₁, d₂, d₃, d₄: First, second, third, and fourth hexadecimal digits



a. Instruction format



b. Instruction types