

1. *Lost at C? (8 points)*: The following problem assumes the following declarations:

```
int x = random();
int y = random();
double d = foo(); // d is not NaN
unsigned ux = (unsigned) x;
```

For the following C expressions, circle either Y or N (but not both). If you circle the right answer, you get +2 points. If you circle the wrong answer, you get -1 point. If you do not circle anything, you get 0 points. So do not just guess wildly.

Always True?

a. $((x+y) \ll 4) + y-x == 17*y+15*x$

Y

N

b. $((x >> 1) \ll 1) \leq x$

Y

N

c. $x < 0 \Rightarrow ((\text{int}) (ux >> 1)) < 0$

always > 0

Y

N

d. $d == (\text{float}) d \Rightarrow d < 4 \times 10^{38}$

$d = \infty$ is false

Y

N

Also accepted Y as an answer for part d

Note that " \Rightarrow " represents an *implication*. $A \Rightarrow B$ means that you assume A is true, and your answer should indicate whether B should be implied by A – i.e. given that A is true, is B always true?

2. *Boole's Foolery (8 points):* Suppose A and B are single bit values.

a. Which of the following is equivalent to $A \text{ xor } B$?

Answer: A, B, D

- A) $(A+B) \% 2$
- B) $(A | B) \&\& !(A \& B)$
- C) $!(A \& B)$
- D) $(!A \& B) | (A \& !B)$

Note that $\%$ is the modulo operator.

b. Which one of the following expressions is equivalent to $A | (B \& C)$?

Answer: B

- A) $!A \& !(B \& C)$
- B) $!(!A \& !(B \& C))$
- C) $!A \& !(B \& !C)$
- D) $!(!A \& !(B \& !C))$
- E) $!A \& (B \& !C)$
- F) $!(!A \& (B \& !C))$

3. *Three Times the Fun (8 points):* Consider the following C functions:

```

int fun1(int a, int b)
{
    if (a < b)
        return a;
    else
        return b;
}

int fun2(int a, int b)
{
    if (b < a)
        return b;
    else
        return a;
}

int fun3(int a, int b)
{
    unsigned ua = (unsigned) a;
    if (ua < b)
        return b;
    else
        return ua;
}

```

Which of the functions would compile into the assembly code shown here?

Answer: Fun 1 (1, 2, or 3)

```

pushl %ebp
movl %esp,%ebp
movl 8(%ebp),%edx a
movl 12(%ebp),%eax b
cmpl %eax,%edx a-b
jge .L9
movl %edx,%eax return a
.L9: movl %ebp,%esp return b
popl %ebp
ret

```

$a-b \geq 0$ becomes
 $a \geq b$
code:
if ($a \geq b$)
 return b;
else // $a < b$
 return a;

↓ switch if/else statements
if ($a \leq b$)
 return a;
else // $a \geq b$
 return b;

4. ***Bit Off More Than You Can Chew? (12 points):*** Consider the 8-bit value 10110010. For the following different interpretations, provide the decimal equivalent of this 8-bit value. Assume that the word size of the machine interpreting this value is 8 bits – and in fact, all declared types only occupy 8 bits of space.

- a. An 8-bit signed integer

-78

- b. An 8-bit unsigned integer

178

- c. An 8-bit floating point value. It follows the IEEE format for encoding: assume that the sign takes 1 bit, the exponent takes 4 bits, and the fraction takes 3 bits.

$$-1.01 \cdot 2^{-1} = -6.25 \cdot 10^{-1} = -\frac{5}{8}$$

5. *Let Me EAX Another Question (10 points):* Consider the following code fragment:

```
    movl $0x4, %edx
    movl $0x0, %eax
    movl $0x2, %ebx
start:  cmpl $0xC, %eax
        je end
        addl %edx, %eax
        imull %ebx, %eax
        j start
end:    nop
```

What is the value of `%eax` at the time that the `nop` is executed?

Accepted either `0xC` or `infinite`.

6. **Vexing Hexing (15 points):** You are examining a memory dump (in hexadecimal) from a 32-bit (i.e. pointers use 32 bits), little-endian architecture for memory addresses from 0x400500 to 0x4005DF. Somewhere in this memory space there are five elements of a linked list – each element of the list has three fields: a *char* tag, a pointer to a 32-bit *float*, and a pointer to the next element of the list. You know that the first element of the linked list is located at address 0x40051C. Find the element that contains the tag ‘B’ and provide the 32-bit *float* value to which that node refers. Note – we want you to interpret the IEEE format of the *float* to tell us what number it actually represents.

0x400500	41102413	42DBE044	E7B56423	0411460A
0x400510	24915123	AAF41591	91F05420	1468C0540
0x400520	00740540	2455CDDF	741980540	00000000
0x400530	00243F50	04512242	428A0041	18210041
0x400540	42AA431D	F00D4E41	FEEDBEEF	24971021
0x400550	004005A0	42700540	EACFEAE2	00000000
0x400560	2465E24D	60210720	F423E8D9	1BABE4FE
0x400570	86A4B000	42900540	00A40540	00EC2342
0x400580	2458C931	8542C176	AFC543DD	91412124
0x400590	FF800000	66124455	55442166	2254E243
0x4005A0	DEFEC8ED	45940540	00280540	0014DE9F
0x4005B0	4121E890	01234567	24890ABC	DEF64322
0x4005C0	42400580	7013225A	1BADBEAD	EBB90042
0x4005D0	49880540	001C0540	00000000	24400530

The address (in hex) of the linked list element that contains the tag ‘B’: 0x700574

The *float* contained inside that element : 4.63×10^{-41}

$$\text{Float} = 000080\text{FF} \Rightarrow S=0$$

$$exp=0$$

$$frac = 0x80\text{FF}$$

$$\text{Float} = 4.63 \times 10^{-41}$$

7. I Cannot Function in this Environment (15 points):

```
call_func:
...
### PREP ###
call func
...
```

```
func:
### SETUP ###
movl 8(%ebp),%esi
movl 12(%ebp), %edx
leal (%esi,%edx,4), %esi
push %esi
call foo
### FINISH ###
ret
```

The two code fragments above show an example of a caller and callee – function *call_func* will call function *func*. Note that there are three sections with ###'s: PREP, SETUP, and FINISH. This problem will involve you putting the correct code in these sections. You may assume that function *foo* modifies *only* register %eax – it takes one parameter. Note that the value returned by *foo* is the value we want to return by *func*. The function *func* takes two parameters (arg1 and arg2 – in that order), which are currently located in %ebx (arg1) and %edi (arg2). Before the call to *func*, all registers have values that we will need after the call has completed. This code is targeted for ia32 (i.e. a 32-bit x86 architecture). Your code should be efficient – every instruction you add should have a useful purpose (you may ignore cache alignment and memory performance for now), even if it has no effect on the system.

- a. *Preparing for the call to func* – what code (if any) needs to be placed where the ### PREP ### placeholder is located? You should supply the *minimum* code required to satisfy the procedure call convention (i.e. stack discipline) and the specific requirements above.

pushl %edx
 pushl %edi
 pushl %ebx

- b. *Setup code for func* – what code (if any) needs to be placed where the ### SETUP ### placeholder is located? You should supply the *minimum* code required to satisfy the procedure call convention (i.e. stack discipline) and the specific requirements above.

pushl %ebp
 movl %0 esp, %ebp
 pushl %edi

- c. *Finishing the call to func* – what code (if any) needs to be placed where the ### FINISH ### placeholder is located? You should supply the *minimum* code required to satisfy the procedure call convention (i.e. stack discipline) and the specific requirements above.

movl -4(%ebp),%esi
 movl %ebp,%esp
 popl %ebp

8. *Flipping Through Your Notes? (8 points):* Answer the following questions with 3 words or less to name what is being described.
- a. An ISA that typically has many different variable length instructions, usually allowing them to access memory directly rather than via explicit data movement instructions.

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- b. An effective technique for handling switch statements in C code when the case statements are small integer constants.

jump table

- c. The 32-bit register in ia32 that holds values returned by procedures.

%eax

- d. Floating point values that are very close to 0.

Denormalized numbers

9. **Power Two, you People (12 points):** Just like Lab #1, your task here is to use Your assignment is to complete a function skeleton using only straightline code (i.e., no loops or conditionals) and a limited number of C arithmetic and logical operators. Specifically in this problem, you are only allowed to use the following seven operators:

! ~ & ^ | + << >>

Also, you are not allowed to use any constants longer than 8 bits.

```
/*
 * isPower2 - returns 1 if x is a power of 2, and 0 otherwise
 * Examples: isPower2(5) = 0, isPower2(8) = 1, isPower2(0) = 0
 * Note that no negative number is a power of 2.
 * Legal ops: ! ~ & ^ | + << >>
 * Max ops: 60
 * Rating: 4
 */
int isPower2(int x) {
    int result;
    // count the number of 1 bits
    // sum group of 4 bits each
    int bitcount;
    int m1 = 0x11 | (0x11LL8);
    int mask = m1 | (m1 << 16);
    int s = x & mask;
    s += x >> 1 & mask;
    s += x >> 2 & mask;
    s += x >> 3 & mask;
    // combine high and lower order sums
} s = s + (s >> 6);
// Low order 16 bits now consists of 4 sums, each ranging between 0 and 8.
// Split into two groups and sum
mask = 0xF | (0xF << 4);
s = (s & mask) + ((s >> 4) & mask);
bitcount = (s + (s >> 8)) & 0x3F;
// If bitcount is 1 and x is not Twise, then x is a power of 2
result = !(~bitcount + 2) & ~ (x >> 31);
return result;
```