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Midterm Exam

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Instructions:

- Make sure that your exam is not missing any sheets, then write your Andrew ID and full name on the front.
- This exam is closed book, closed notes (except for 1 double-sided note sheet). You may not use any electronic devices.
- Write your answers in the space provided below the problem. If you make a mess, clearly indicate your final answer.
- The exam has a maximum score of 71 points.
- The problems are of varying difficulty. The point value of each problem is indicated. Good luck!

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Problem 1. (10 points):

Multiple choice. Write your answer for each question in the following table:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

1. What is the output of the following code?
   Assume that int is 32 bits, short is 16 bits, and the representation is two's complement.

```
unsigned int x = 0xDEADBEEF;
unsigned short y = 0xFFFF;
signed int z = -1;
if (x > (signed short) y)
    printf("Hello");
if (x > z)
    printf("World");
```

   (a) Prints nothing.
   (b) Prints "Hello"
   (c) Prints "World"
   (d) Prints "HelloWorld"

2.
```
1) mov (%eax, %eax, 4), %eax
2) lea (%eax, %eax, 4), %eax
```
   Which of the above accomplishes the following: `%eax = 5 * %eax`?

   (a) Neither 1 nor 2.
   (b) Only 1.
   (c) Only 2.
   (d) Both 1 and 2.

3. The x86-64 instruction `test` is best described as which of the following:

   (a) Same as `sub`.
   (b) Same as `sub`, but doesn't keep the result (only sets flags).
   (c) Same as `and`.
   (d) Same as `and`, but doesn't keep the result (only sets flags).

4. In the following code, what order of loops exhibits the best locality?

```
// int a[X][Y][Z] is declared earlier
int i, j, k, sum = 0;
for (i = 0; i < Y; i++)
    for (j = 0; j < Z; j++)
        for (k = 0; k < X; k++)
            sum += a[k][i][j];
```

(a) i on the outside, j in the middle, k on the inside (as is).

(b) j on the outside, k in the middle, i on the inside.

(c) k on the outside, i in the middle, j on the inside.

(d) The order does not matter.

5. Which expression will evaluate to `0x1` if `x` is a multiple of 32 and `0x0` otherwise? Assume that `x` is an unsigned `int`.

(a) `!(x & 0x1f)`

(b) `!(x & 0x3f)`

(c) `(x & 0x1f)`

(d) `(x | 0x3f)`

(e) `!(x ^ 0x1f)`

6. On a 32-bit Linux system, what is the size of a `long`?

(a) 2 bytes

(b) 4 bytes

(c) 6 bytes

(d) 8 bytes

(e) 16 bytes

7. Consider the C declaration

```
int array[10] = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9};
```

Suppose that the compiler has placed the variable `array` in the `%ecx` register. How do you move the value at `array[3]` into the `%eax` register? Assume that `%ebx` is 3.

(a) `leal 12(%ecx),%eax`

(b) `leal (%ecx,%ebx,4),%eax`

(c) `movl (%ecx,%ebx,4),%eax`

(d) `movl 8(%ecx,%ebx,2),%eax`

(e) `leal 4(%ecx,%ebx,1),%eax`

8. Why does the technique called “blocking” help with cache utilization when transposing a matrix?

   (a) Inductive locality
   (b) Spatial locality
   (c) Monadic locality
   (d) Temporal locality
   (e) Internet locality

9. What is NOT true about 64-bit Linux systems?

   (a) `%rax` is used for function return values
   (b) There are more registers than there are in 32-bit systems
   (c) All function arguments are passed on the stack
   (d) `%rbp` can be used like any other register; there is no base pointer
   (e) `%eax` and `%ebx` can be used like in a 32-bit system.

10. On a 64-bit system, if `%rsp` has the value `0x7ffff0000` immediately before a `retq` instruction, what is the value of `%rsp` immediately after the `retq`?

    (a) `0x7ffffefff8`
    (b) `0x7fffff0000`
    (c) `0x7fffff0004`
    (d) `0x7fffff0008`
    (e) The return address

Problem 2. (7 points):

Integer encoding. Assume we are running code on two machines using two's complement arithmetic for signed integers. Machine 1 has 4-bit integers and Machine 2 has 6-bit integers. Fill in the empty boxes in the table below. The following definitions are used in the table:

```
int x = -5;
unsigned ux = x;
```

Expression	4-bit decimal	4-bit binary	6-bit decimal	6-bit binary
-8	-8		-8	
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$x >> 1$				
$(-x\hat{}(-1)) >> 2$				

Problem 3. (6 points):

Floating point encoding. In this problem, you will work with floating point numbers based on the IEEE floating point format. We consider two different 6-bit formats:

Format A:

- There is one sign bit s.
- There are $k = 3$ exponent bits. The bias is $2^{k-1} - 1 = 3$.
- There are $n = 2$ fraction bits.

Format B:

- There is one sign bit s.
- There are $k = 2$ exponent bits. The bias is $2^{k-1} - 1 = 1$.
- There are $n = 3$ fraction bits.

For formats A and B, please write down the binary representation for the following (use round-to-even). Recall that for denormalized numbers, $E = 1 - \text{bias}$. For normalized numbers, $E = e - \text{bias}$.

Value	Format A Bits	Format B Bits
Zero	0 000 00	0 00 000
One		
$1/2$		
$11/8$		

Problem 4. (8 points):

Loops. Consider the following x86 assembly code:

```
(gdb) disassemble transform
   0x080483d0 <+0>:      push   %ebp
   0x080483d1 <+1>:      mov    %esp,%ebp
   0x080483d3 <+3>:      mov    0x8(%ebp),%edx
   0x080483d6 <+6>:      mov    $0x0,%eax
   0x080483db <+11>:     test   %edx,%edx
   0x080483dd <+13>:     je     0x80483ec <transform+28>
   0x080483df <+15>:     test   $0x1,%dl
   0x080483e2 <+18>:     je     0x80483e8 <transform+24>
   0x080483e4 <+20>:     lea    0x1(%eax,%eax,1),%eax
   0x080483e8 <+24>:     shr    %edx
   0x080483ea <+26>:     jne    0x80483df <transform+15>
   0x080483ec <+28>:     pop    %ebp
   0x080483ed <+29>:     ret
```

Given this assembly code, reconstruct the C `transform` function.

- Recall that `%dl` is the low-order byte of `%edx`.
- Recall that if a shift amount is not specified in the `shr` instruction, a default shift amount of 1 is used. Hence, the `shr %edx` instruction updates the `%edx` register by shifting its value to the right by one bit position.

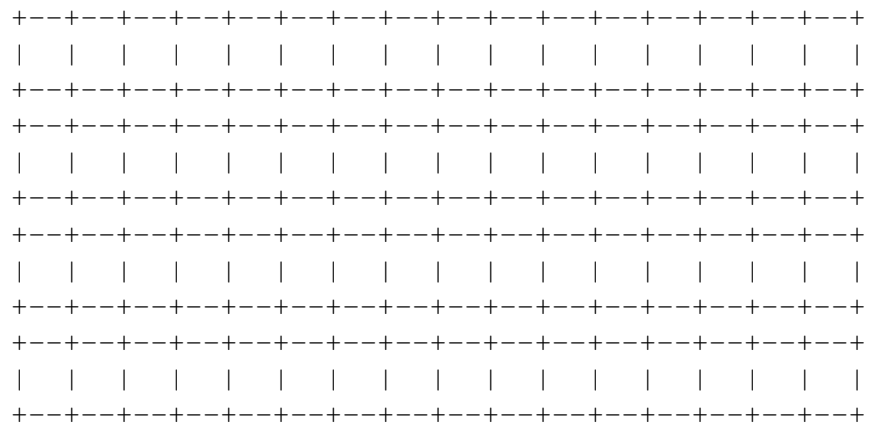
```
unsigned transform(unsigned n)
{
    int b, m;

    for (m = _______; _________________; _________________) {

        b =_____________________;

        if (b == 0) {

            ____________________________;
        }

        ____________________________;
    }

    return m;
}
```

Problem 5. (8 points):

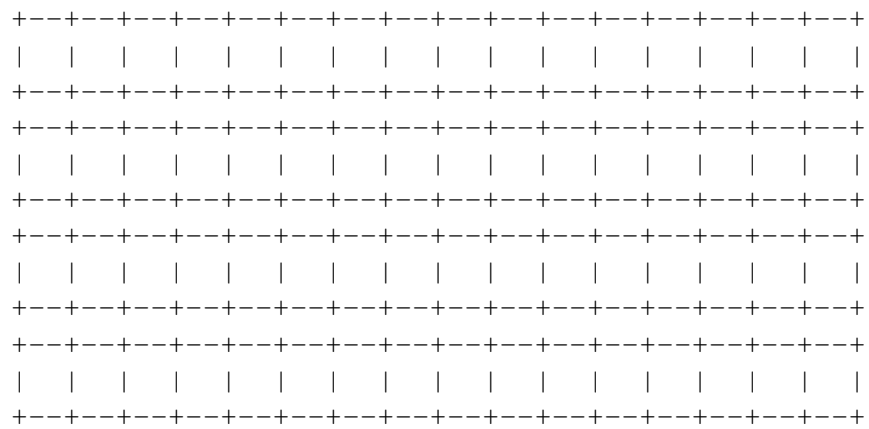
Struct alignment. Consider the following C struct declaration:

```
typedef struct {
  char a;
  long b;
  float c;
  char d[3];
  int *e;
  short *f;
} foo;
```

1. Show how `foo` would be allocated in memory on an x86-64 Linux system. Label the bytes with the names of the various fields and **clearly mark the end of the struct**. Use an X to denote space that is allocated in the struct as padding.



2. Rearrange the elements of `foo` to conserve the most space in memory. Label the bytes with the names of the various fields and **clearly mark the end of the struct**. Use an X to denote space that is allocated in the struct as padding.



Problem 6. (4 points):

Struct Access. Now for something totally different... Dr. Grave O'Danger is now head of the computer science department and has decided to make it impossible for you to graduate.

```
struct confuse {
  char systems;
  long theory;
  struct applications {
    char web[3];
  } database;
  int *languages;
  struct confuse *math;
};
```

Below are three C functions and three x86-64 Linux code blocks.

```
char *bachelors(struct confuse *ptr) {
  return &(ptr->database.web[2]);
}

int masters(struct confuse *ptr) {
  return *(ptr->languages);
}

long phd(struct confuse *ptr) {
  return ptr->math->theory;
}
```

A	mov 0x20(%rdi), %rax
	mov 0x8(%rax), %rax
	retq

B	lea 0x12(%rdi),%rax retq

C	mov 0x18(%rdi), %rax
	mov (%rax), %eax
	retq

In the following table, next to the name of each x86-64 code block, write the name of the C function that it implements.

Code Block	Function Name
A	
B	
C	

Problem 7. (8 points):

Switch statements. The following problem tests your understanding of switch statements that use jump tables.

Consider a switch statement with the following implementation. The code uses this `jmpq` instruction to index into the jump table:

```
0x40047b      jmpq    *0x400598(,%rdi,8)
```

Using GDB we extract the jump table:

```
0x400598:     0x0000000000400488          0x0000000000400488
0x4005a8:     0x000000000040048b          0x0000000000400493
0x4005b8:     0x000000000040049a          0x0000000000400482
0x4005c8:     0x000000000040049a          0x0000000000400498
```

Here is the assembly code for the switch statement:

```
#on entry :  %rdx = c and %rsi = b
 0x400474 :    cmp    $0x7,%edi
 0x400477 :    ja     0x40049a
 0x400479 :    mov    %edi,%edi
 0x40047b :    jmpq   *0x400598(,%rdi,8)
 0x400482 :    mov    $0x15213,%eax
 0x400487 :    retq
 0x400488 :    sub    $0x5,%edx
 0x40048b :    lea    0x0(,%rdx,4),%eax
 0x400492 :    retq
 0x400493 :    mov    $0x2,%edx
 0x400498 :    and    %edx,%esi
 0x40049a :    lea    0x4(%rsi),%eax
 0x40049d :    retq
```

Fill in the C code implementing this switch statement:

```
int main(int a, int b, int c){
     int result = 4;

     switch(a){
        case 0:

        case 1:

             __________;

        case __:

             __________;

             break;

        case __:

             result = __________;

             break;

        case 3:

             __________;

        case 7:

             __________;

        default:

             __________;

    }

    return result;
}
```

Problem 8. (10 points):

Stack discipline. Consider the following C code and its corresponding 32-bit x86 machine code. Please complete the stack diagram on the following page.

```
int bar (int a, int b) {
    return a + b;
}

int foo(int n, int m, int c) {
    c += bar(m, n);
    return c;
}
```

```
08048374 <bar>:
 8048374:       55                      push   %ebp
 8048375:       89 e5                   mov    %esp,%ebp
 8048377:       8b 45 0c                mov    0xc(%ebp),%eax
 804837a:       03 45 08                add    0x8(%ebp),%eax
 804837d:       5d                      pop    %ebp
 804837e:       c3                      ret

0804837f <foo>:
 804837f:       55                      push   %ebp
 8048380:       89 e5                   mov    %esp,%ebp
 8048382:       83 ec 08                sub    $0x8,%esp
 8048385:       8b 45 08                mov    0x8(%ebp),%eax
 8048388:       89 44 24 04             mov    %eax,0x4(%esp)
 804838c:       8b 45 0c                mov    0xc(%ebp),%eax
 804838f:       89 04 24                mov    %eax,(%esp)
 8048392:       e8 dd ff ff ff          call   8048374 <bar>
 8048397:       03 45 10                add    0x10(%ebp),%eax
 804839a:       c9                      leave
 804839b:       c3                      ret
```

A. Draw a detailed picture of the stack, starting with the caller invoking `foo(3, 4, 5)`, and ending immediately **before** execution of the `ret` instruction in `bar`.

- The stack diagram should begin with the three arguments for `foo` that the caller has placed on the stack. To help you get started, we have given you the first one.
- Use the actual values for function arguments, rather than variable names. For example, use 3 or 4 instead of `n` or `m`.
- Always label `%ebp` and give its value when it is pushed to the stack, e.g., `%ebp: 0xffff1400`.
- You may not need to fill in all of the boxes in the diagram.

```
Value of %ebp when foo is called: 0xffffd858
Return address in function that called foo: 0x080483c9

Stack      The diagram starts with the
addresss   arguments for foo()
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd850 |                5                  |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd84c |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd848 |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd844 |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd840 |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd83c |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd838 |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd834 |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
0xffffd830 |                                   |
           +-----------------------------------+
```

B. What is the final value of `%ebp`, immediately **before** execution of the `ret` instruction in `bar`?

`%ebp=0x`_____

C. What is the final value of `%esp`, immediately **before** execution of the `ret` instruction in `bar`?

`%esp=0x`_____

Problem 9. (10 points):

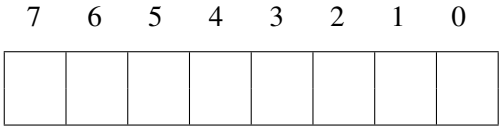
Caches. Consider a computer with an **8-bit address space** and a **direct-mapped 64-byte** data cache with **8-byte cache blocks**.

A. The boxes below represent the bit-format of an address. In each box, indicate which field that bit represents (it is possible that a field does not exist) by labeling them as follows:

B: Block Offset

S: Set Index

T: Cache Tag



B. The table below shows a trace of load addresses accessed in the data cache. Assume the cache is initially empty. For each row in the table, please complete the two rightmost columns, indicating (i) the *set number* (in decimal notation) for that particular load, and (ii) whether that loads *hits* (H) or *misses* (M) in the cache (circle either "H" or "M" accordingly).

Load No.	Hex Address	Binary Address	Set Number? (in Decimal)	Hit or Miss? (Circle one)
1	43	0100 0011		H M
2	b2	1011 0010		H M
3	40	0100 0000		H M
4	f9	1111 1001		H M
5	b2	1011 0010		H M
6	93	1001 0011		H M
7	d0	1101 0000		H M
8	b0	1011 0000		H M
9	67	0110 0111		H M
10	07	0000 0111		H M

C. For the trace of load addresses shown in Part B, below is a list of possible final states for the cache, showing the hex value of the tag for each cache block in each set. Assume that initially all cache blocks are invalid (represented by X).

(a)

Set:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tag:	0	X	2	1	X	X	2	3

(b)

Set:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tag:	0	3	3	X	1	X	2	X

(c)

Set:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tag:	0	X	3	X	1	X	2	3

(d)

Set:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tag:	X	0	X	X	1	X	1	3

(e)

Set:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tag:	0	X	0	X	1	X	X	3

(f)

Set:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tag:	0	4	X	2	1	X	X	4

(g)

Set:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tag:	1	X	2	X	1	X	2	3

Which of the choices above is the correct final state of the cache? _____