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A system is based on an 8-bit microprocessor and has two I/O devices. The I/O controllers for this system use separate control and status registers. Both devices handle

data on a 1-byte-at-a-time basis. The first device has two status lines and three control

lines. The second device has three status lines and four control lines. a. How many 8-bit $\rm I/O$ control module registers do we need for status reading and

control of each device?
b. What is the total number of needed control module registers given that the first device is an output-only device?

c. How many distinct addresses are needed to control the two devices?

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c)8 bit microprocessor. Each 4 bit can generate 1 memory addresses

by 4 bit we can generate 24 addresses.

then by 8 bit we can generate 2⁸ addresses

a)Now

The first device has 2 status lines and 3 control lines.

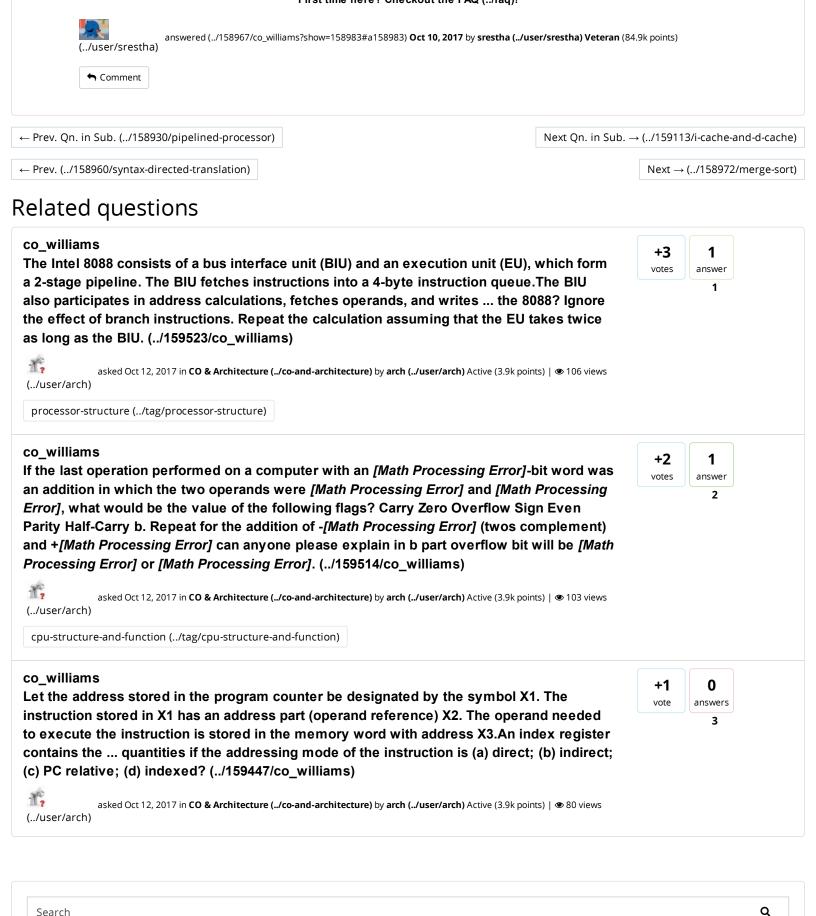
3 control line can generate 8 control signals.

So, 1 eight bit register is enough to control 1st device

The second device has 3 status lines and 4 control lines.

4 control lines can generate 16 control signals

and for that we need 2 eight bit registers



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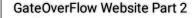
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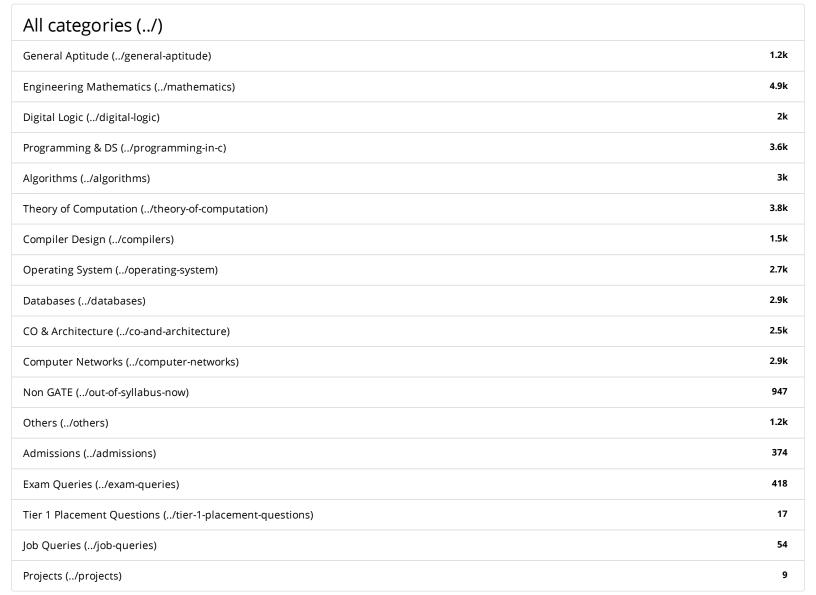




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