

Homework 1

Due Date: By the end of Friday, 2/4/2022.

Total points: 100

Some answers must be submitted in a test in HuskyCT.

In addition, submit your answers to Problem 6 in a PDF file in HuskyCT.

- For each of the 10-bit numbers specified by hexadecimal digits below, write down 1) the 10 bits in the number, 2) its value in decimal when the bits are interpreted as 10-bit unsigned binary numbers, and 3) its value in decimal when the bits are interpreted as 10-bit two's complement numbers.
 - 0x 1AB
 - 0x 2CD
- Convert the following decimal numbers to 8-bit 2's complement numbers, and then represent 8 bits with two hexadecimal digits.
 - 97
 - 100
- For each instruction in the table, write 8 hexadecimal digits that represent the 32 bits in the destination register after the instruction is executed. Assume s0 is 0x98AB3C6A, s1 is 0x20503666.

Instructions	Dest. reg. in 8 hexadecimal digits
add t0, s0, s1	
and t1, s0, s1	
or t2, s0, s1	
xor t3, s0, s1	
addi t4, s0, 0x210	
andi t5, s0, -16	
slli t6, s0, 12	
srai s2, s0, 8	

4. Suppose a value x is in register $s1$. Use a minimum number of RISC-V instructions to compute $24x$ (i.e., the product of 24 and x) and save the result in register $s2$. The instructions are shift, ADD, or SUB instructions. You do not need to use all of them. Assume the result has only 32 bits so it can be saved in a register without overflow. Explain your method. Note that a naïve method is to use 24 ADD instructions. It works, but apparently, it is not the correct answer.
5. The following RISC-V instructions calculate the Hamming weight (the number of 1's) of $s0$. The result is saved in register $s1$.

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addi  s1, x0, 0          # s1 = 0
addi  t0, x0, 1          # Use t0 as mask to test each bit in s0
loop:
and    t1, s0, t0         # extract a bit with the mask
beq    t1, x0, skip       # if the bit is 0, do not increment s1
addi   s1, s1, 1          # increment the counter
skip:
slli   t0, t0, 1          # shift mask to left by 1
bne    t0, x0, loop       # if the mask is not 0, continue

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- a. If $s0$ is $0xFF00FF00$, how many instructions are executed? Does the number of executed instructions depend on the number of 1's in $s0$? Does it depend on the location of 1's? Explain your answers.
- b. There are many ways to compute Hamming weight. We could test the most significant bit (bit 31) of $s0$. For example, extract bit 31 with an AND instruction, and compare it with 0. This is similar to the method in the code given. However, we can save one instruction. If we treat $s0$ as a 2's complement number, $s0$ is less than 0 if and only if bit 31 in $s0$ is 1. Using this method, write RISC-V instructions to compute the Hamming weight of $s0$. Explain your method in comments. We can start with the following two instructions. How many instructions are executed if $s0$ is $0xFF00FF00$?

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addi  s1, x0, 0          # s1 = 0
add   t0, x0, s0         # make a copy so s0 is not changed

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6. Translate the following C code to RISC-V assembly code. Use a minimum number of instructions. Assume that the values of `a`, `i`, `j`, and `r` are in registers `s1`, `s2`, `s3`, and `s4`, respectively. All the variables are signed. Load the constant into register `s5` before the loop. Write brief comments in your code. Clearly mark the instructions that controlling the outer loop and the inner loop (for example, using different colors). There are 12 instructions in the solutions.

```
for (i = 1; i < a; i++)
    for (j = 0; j < i; j++)
        r ^= (j + 0x55AABB33);
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