



### Answer the following four questions:

#### Question 1 [18 marks]

- a) Match each term or concept in Column A with its best description or corresponding example in Column B.

Column A	Column B	
1-Embedded System	B. A system that guarantees output within a defined time period.	2
2-Real-Time System	E. A specialized computer system designed for a specific application.	1
3-Engine Control Unit (ECU)	F. A device that includes I/O devices and on-chip memory, often used in embedded systems.	4
4-Microcontroller	G. A type of processor optimized for digital signal processing tasks.	5
5-Digital Signal Processor (DSP)	I. Wheel rotation sensor generating pulses.	7
6-Application-Specific Processor (ASP)	J. A type of processor with an instruction set tailored to a specific application.	6
7-Sensor Input (Bike Computer)	L. A network of distributed sensors and controllers, often using embedded systems.	10
8-Microprocessor	M. A general term for a CPU that can be used in various computing systems.	8
9-Benefit of Embedded System	N. Reduced manufacturing, operating, and maintenance costs.	9
10-Internet of Things (IoT)	O. Responsible for spark timing and fuel injection in a vehicle.	3

#### b) True/False Questions:

- 1. An IP Core is a reusable unit of logic or functionality that can be licensed to other companies.
- 2. A Hard IP Core is delivered as a source code file that can be modified by the user.
- 3. The Cortex-A series of ARM processors is designed for low-power microcontroller applications.
- 4. The Cortex-R series is designed for real-time applications requiring high performance and reliability.
- 5. ARM processors are primarily used in desktop computers and servers.
- 6. ARM7 has a 3-stage pipeline consisting of Fetch, Decode, and Execute stages.
- 7. ARM7 uses a load-store architecture, meaning that separate instructions are used for memory access (load and store) and data processing.
- 8. In the acronym ARM7TDMI, the "T" stands for "Timing."

#### Question 2 [18 marks]

##### a) Choose the best answer:

1. What does "Big Endian" mean in the context of memory storage?

- a) Least Significant Byte is stored first       b) Most Significant Byte is stored first  
 c) Bytes are stored in random order

2. If the data 12345678H is stored at address 1000H in Little Endian format, what data will be at address 1000H?

- a) 12H       b) 78H      c) 34H

3. Which of the following is an example of a Big Endian system?

- a) Intel x86       b) Motorola 68xx      c) AMD

4. Which level of cache is typically the smallest and fastest?

- a) L1      b) L2      c) L3

5. What is an advantage of Big Endian representation?

- a) Easier for multi-precision addition       b) Easier to determine the sign of a number  
 c) Easier to store data

6. In ARM7, what does the 'T' bit in the CPSR indicate?

- a) Interrupt Mask       b) Thumb State      c) Overflow Flag

7. Which mode in ARM7 is entered upon reset?

- a) User Mode       b) Supervisor Mode      c) Abort Mode

8. What is the primary advantage of using a pipeline in a processor like ARM7?

- a) Simplified instruction decoding       b) Faster program execution  
 c) Reduced memory usage

**9. Which memory section in ARM typically stores program code?**

- a) On-Chip Data SRAM      b) On-Chip Flash ROM      c) On-Chip EEPROM

**10. What is the main characteristic of cache memory?**

- a) It is non-volatile      b) It is larger than main memory  
 c) It provides faster data access than main memory

**b) True or false**

- ✓ 1. Assembly language provides direct control over hardware resources like registers and memory.  
 ✓ 2. C language is generally considered more portable than assembly language.  
 ✓ 3. Understanding assembly language can help in debugging and optimizing C code.  
 ✓ 4. The linker combines object files and libraries to create an executable file.  
 ✗ 5. The EQU directive in ARM assembly defines a new section of memory.  
 ✓ 6. The EQU directive is used to define a constant value or address.  
 ✗ 7. The LDR directive can only load 8-bit data into registers.  
 ✓ 8. Data processing instructions in ARM always operate on 32-bit operands.

**Question 3 [18 marks]**

a) completer the following ARM7 assembly program that divides R0 by R1 using repeated subtractions.

; R0: Dividend ; R1: Divisor ; R2: Quotient (result) ; R3: Remainder (result)

; Check for division by zero

```
..... ;compare divisor by #0
BEQ division_by_zero ; Handle division by zero appropriately
..... ; Initialize quotient to 0
..... ; Initialize remainder to dividend
..... ; Compare remainder with divisor
..... ; If remainder < divisor, division is done
..... ; Subtract divisor from remainder
..... ; Increment quotient
..... ; Loop back
end_divide
; ... (Code to handle the results - R2 and R3)
stop B stop ; Infinite loop to halt
division_by_zero
; ... (Code to handle division by zero error)
B stop ; Or handle it another way appropriate to your application
```

b) For the previous program if R0 = 9 and R1 = 2, follow one iteration of the program, use the following table to show the changes in ARM registers and flags after each instruction.

instruction	Registers updates	Flags updates

**Question 4 [18 marks]**

a) complete the following ARM7 assembly program to calculate the sum of the squares of even numbers in an array of 100 integers. Store the sum in R8. In the same time calculate the sum of the squares of odd numbers in the same array. Store the sum in R9.

```
AREA array_sumSQEven, CODE, READONLY
ENTRY
; Define array size and address
LDR R1, =array ; Load address of array into R1
..... ; Load array size (100) into R2
; Initialize sums to 0
MOV R8, #0 ; R8 will store the sum of even
MOV R9, #0 ; R9 will store the sum of odd
loop ..... ; Load element from array into R3, increment array pointer
..... ; square element any way, result at R4
..... ; check if R3 even
BNE loop2 ; if odd jump to sum odd
..... ; Add element to sum of evens
B next
Loop2 ..... ; Add element to sum of odds
next ..... ; Decrement counter, set flags
..... ; Branch to loop if counter is not zero
stop B stop ; Infinite loop to halt execution
```

**AREA** data, DATA, READWRITE  
array DCW 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 ; Example initial values (first 11)  
; ... (Space for the remaining 64 elements)

b) For the previous program follow two iterations of the program. **use the following table to show the changes in ARM registers and flags after each instruction.**

instruction	Registers updates	Flags updates

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**Question 5 [18 marks]**

a) Create ARM7 embedded C program for a 2nd order difference equation without using past y values (FIR filter). **Difference equation:**  $y[n] = a0*x[n] + a1*x[n-1] + a2*x[n-2]$ , you will read  $x[n]$  from ARM7 ADC0.1 and output the  $y[n]$  to ARM7 DAC (AOUT at P0.25).

```

#include <stdint.h>
// Filter coefficients
#define A0 0.25f
#define A1 0.5f
#define A2 0.25f
int ADC_read(){
    uint32_t result;
    AD0CR = AD0CR | (1<<24); /* Start Conversion */
    while ( !(AD0DR1 & 0x80000000) ); /* Wait till DONE */
    result = ..... // read ADC data register
    ..... //align ADC reading
    ..... //mask 10 bits ADC reading
    return result;
}
Void DAC_output(uint16_t value){..... //convert

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```

int main(void) {
    // Initialize ADC and DAC
    PINSEL1 = 0x01000000; /* P0.28 as AD0.1 */
    AD0CR = 0x00200402; /* ADC operational, 10-bits, 11 clocks for conversion */
    PINSEL1 |= 0x00080000; /* P0.25 as DAC output */
    IO0DIR = ( IO0DIR & 0xFFFFF0FF );
    // Variables to store past input samples
    uint16_t x_n, x_n_minus_1 = 0, x_n_minus_2 = 0;
    // Variable to store the output
    float y_n;
    while (1) {
        ..... // 1. Read input from ADC
        ..... // 2. Calculate output using the difference equation
        // 3. Output to DAC (scaling and limiting as needed)
        // Assuming DAC expects 10-bit value (0-1023), scale and limit accordingly
        uint16_t dac_output = (uint16_t)(y_n);
        if (dac_output > 1023) { dac_output = 1023; }
        else if (dac_output < 0) { dac_output = 0; }
        ..... //convert dac_output to analog
        // 4. Update past input samples
        x_n_minus_2 = x_n_minus_1;
        .....
    }
    return 0;
}

```

**b) Choose the best answer:**

## **1. What is the resolution of the ADCs in the LPC2148?**

- a) 8-bit   b) 10-bit      c) 12-bit      d) 16-bit

## **2. Which conversion technique do the LPC2148 ADCs use?**



c) Successive approximation      d) Dual-slope integration

3. What is the maximum recommended clock frequency for the LPC2148 ADCs?

4. In AD0CR, what do the CLKDIV bits (15:8) determine?  
a) The ADC channel to be used    b) The clock division factor for the ADC clock  
c) The divisor for multiplication    d) The divisor for division

## 5. What does the BURST bit (bit 16) in AD0CR control?

- a) Enables/disables the ADC
- b) Selects between single and repeated conversion modes
- c) Sets the ADC resolution
- d) Starts the conversion process

## 6. What is the purpose of the DONE bit (bit 31) in AD0GDR?

- a) Indicates if the ADC is powered on
- b) Indicates if the conversion is complete
- c) Indicates an overrun error
- d) Indicates the selected ADC channel

## 7. In Burst mode, what does the OVERRUN bit (bit 30) in AD0DRx signify?

- a) The ADC result is outside the valid range
- b) One or more previous conversions were lost before the current result was stored
- c) The ADC clock is too fast
- d) The selected channel is invalid

## 8. What does the AD0INTEN register control?

- a) The ADC clock frequency
- b) Which ADC channels can generate interrupts
- c) The start of conversion trigger
- d) The ADC resolution

## 9. If the 10-bit ADC result is 1023, what is the approximate input voltage (assuming VREF = 3.3V)?

- a) 0V
- b) 1.65V
- c) 3.3V
- d) 5V

## 10. What is the resolution of the DAC in the LPC2148?

- a) 8-bit
- b) 10-bit
- c) 12-bit
- d) 16-bit

*With our best wishes*

