

1. (10 marks) Circle the correct answer for each of the following:

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| (a) The 8-bit two's complement representation of 3_{10} is 11111101_2 . | True | False |
| (b) In 2's complement arithmetic, overflow occurs when the result value is too large for the number of data bits available. | True | False |
| (c) A Hamming code allows the detection of 1 and 2 bit errors and the correction of 1 bit errors. | True | False |
| (d) On the 6811, the external address and data buses are asynchronous. | True | False |
| (e) On-processor memory can share addresses with off-processor memory. | True | False |
| (f) An arithmetic shift preserves the sign of a numeric value. | True | False |
| (g) A processor must have a hardware stack in order to support a jump to subroutine. | True | False |
| (h) Unless explicitly programmed by the user, maskable interrupts can not interrupt each other on the 6811. | True | False |
| (i) The 6811 is an example of a RISC design. | True | False |
| (j) The PowerPC is an example of a RISC design. | True | False |

2. (4 marks) For the single precision IEEE floating point representation for -25.25_{10}

What is the value of the sign bit: _____

What is the value stored for the exponent (in decimal): _____

What is the value stored for the mantissa (in binary): _____
(do not show trailing 0's)

3. (8 marks) Consider the following program:

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                org    $C000
numb rmb      2
start lds     #$FF
      ldd     #1024
      std     numb
loop  ldx     #numb
      pshx
      jsr     div8
      ins
      ins
      ldd     numb
      cpd     #32
      bhs     loop
      stop

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- (a) Write the subroutine "div8" so the parameter passed to it is divided by eight each time "div8" is executed. This should be an integer division which returns the quotient without rounding. Note that the subroutine accepts one parameter on the stack. Registers need not be protected.

- (b) How many times is subroutine "div8" executed by the program above?

4. (15 marks) You are to write a subroutine called CONVERT with no parameters that inputs a decimal number by reading ASCII characters from the keyboard using the monitor routine INCHAR (address \$FFCD). Recall that INCHAR returns one character in register A each time it is called. You can assume the user only types decimal digits and a single terminating blank. Your subroutine CONVERT is to return with the value read in register D. For example, if the user typed 255 followed by a blank, then D contain \$00FF on return from CONVERT. Your subroutine should protect registers X and Y. The decimal digits have ASCII codes \$30 - \$39.

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5. (13 marks)

Consider the following program:

;The sum of the elements of array the "arr" is placed in the location
;labelled "total".

```

                org    $8000
arr            fcb     121,144,169,75,38,205
total         rmb     2
                org    $9000
                lds     #$FF
                ldx     #arr
                ldy     #6
                jsr     sum
                std     total
                stop

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;Subroutine sum receives the number of elements to be totaled in register Y
;and the array address in register X. It leaves the result in register D.

```

sum           ldd     #0
loop          cpy     #0
              beq     end
              addb    0,x
              adca     #0
              inx
              dey
              bra     loop
end           rts

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- (a) What is the content of accumulator B on exit from subroutine "sum"? _____
- (b) What is the content of index register X on exit from subroutine "sum"? _____
- (c) The above program passes its parameters, both input and output, via registers. You are to modify it to pass the parameters via program memory. There are to be three parameters which are: (1) the address of the array of values; (2) the number of values to be totaled; (3) the address of the location where the result is to be placed. They are to be put in memory in the order given. You are to make the additions necessary to the main program and the subroutine.

You are also to add any instructions necessary to ensure all accumulator and index registers used by the subroutine are protected.

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total    rmb    2
        org    $9000
        lds    #$FF

```

```

        jsr    sum

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```

        stop

```

; sum receives three parms in program memory: the address of an
;array, the number of values to be totaled and the address of the location
;to hold the result

```

sum      _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        ldd    #0
loop     cpy    #0
        beq    end
        addb   0,x
        adca   #0
        inx
        dey
        bra    loop
end      _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        _____
        rts

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6. (12 marks)

A push-button is connected as an input to IC2. You are to write a subroutine called WAIT which accepts one parameter in accumulator A. The subroutine is to poll IC2 until the button has been pressed and released (a falling edge on IC2). Once the falling edge occurs, your subroutine is to wait the number of milliseconds specified by the value in ACCA, maximum value 25. Your subroutine returns after the specified time has elapsed. Your subroutine should protect the accumulator and index registers it uses. Use OC2 for timing the required delay. Use polling for OC2. Assume a 2MHz processor clock and recall there are 1000 milliseconds in a second. Use the usual control register names such as TFLG1, TOC2 etc. without defining them.

Show any initialization needed outside the subroutine in the space provided.

Initialization outside subroutine:

Subroutine:

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7. (16 marks)

Complete the following stop watch program so it behaves as described. Note it is not the same as the one you did for assignment 5 and the project. The routines ZERO and NDISPLAY are not shown for brevity. You do not have to write them. Assume the processor has a 2MHz clock.

```
; This is a stop watch program that times in 1/100's of a second.
; The watch is in one of three states:
;   state 0 stopped with the time at 0 (initial state)
;   state 1 running
;   state 2 stopped with the time held at the time it was stopped
;
; The watch starts in state 0. A rising edge on IC3 takes the watch
; to the next state in order 0 -> 1 -> 2 -> 0 etc. So the first IC3
; event starts the watch. A second one stops it, and a third one
; resets it to 0.
;
; OC2 interrupts are used for timing.
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```
REGBASE EQU $1000
TCNT EQU $0E
TIC3 EQU $14
TOC2 EQU $18
TCTL2 EQU $21
TMSK1 EQU $22
TMSK2 EQU $24
TFLG1 EQU $23
IC3F EQU $01
OC2F EQU $40
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; Timing control so watch counts in hundredths of a second
SLICE EQU _____
TIMECNT EQU _____
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```
; Global variables
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```
COUNT RMB 1 / OC2 INTERRUPT COUNT
TIME RMB 2 / TIME IN 0.1 SECS
STATE RMB 1 / WATCH STATE
```

```
; Interrupt jump table entries
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_____
_____
_____
_____
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```
START ORG $C000
      LDS #$FF
      LDX #REGBASE
      CLR STATE / WATCH IS INIT STOPPED
      JSR ZERO / AND ZEROED
      LDAA _____ / SET IC3 EDGE TYPE TO RISING
      STAA _____
      LDAA _____ / ENABLE IC3 INTERRUPTS
      STAA _____
      _____ / ENABLE INTERRUPTS
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8. (9 marks)

(a) What is the purpose of the start bit in asynchronous serial communication?

(b) What is the purpose of the stop bit(s) in asynchronous serial communication?

(c) Draw the bit pattern that would be sent for the ASCII character W (\$57) assuming 7 bits, even parity with one stop bit. Draw vertical lines to separate the bits.

9. (6 marks)

Briefly explain three significant differences between RISC and CISC designs:

10. (7 marks)

(a) What is the advantage of having separate fixed-point and floating point processors on the Power-PC?

(b) Briefly explain how the compiler assists branch prediction on the Power-PC?

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