

CSCI 2410

Homework 1

Generation Instructions for Homework Assignments in the Class:

- Please type your answers, then convert your answer files to PDF format;
- Explain your answers. Without explanation, partial credit will not be given.

1. On the IAS machine, what would the machine code instruction look like to load the contents of memory address 2 to AC?

00001001 | 0000000000010 | 00001010 | 000000000010

This would be represented as LOAD MQ, M(2) LOAD MQ

2. How many trips to memory does the CPU need to make to complete this instruction?

Explain your answer.

The CPU needs to make two trips to the memory, one to transfer the contents of memory address 2 to MQ and then the other the transfer the contents of MQ to the AC.

3. Assume a recent semiconductor memories store 16 Giga-bits on a single chip (it's the binary Giga, 2^{30}), Assume that the word size is two Bytes (1 byte = 8 bits). How many address bits are needed? **Explain your answer.**

$$16 * 2^{30} = 17,179,869,184 \text{ bits}$$

$$2 \text{ bytes} = 16 \text{ bits}$$

$$17,179,869,184 / 16 = 1,073,741,824 \text{ bits}$$

$$2^{30} = 1,073,741,824$$

Therefore, 30 address bits would be needed.