

CS5541 – Computer Systems Caches

- 1) Suppose we have a system with the following properties:
 The memory is byte-addressable
 Memory accesses are to 1-byte words (not 32-bit or 64-bit)
 Addresses are 12 bits wide.
 Cache organization: S=4, E=2, B=4

Cache contents (all addresses and tags are in hexadecimal):

Set index	Tag	Valid	Byte 0	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3
0	00	1	40	41	42	43
	83	1	FE	97	CC	D0
1	00	1	44	45	46	47
	83	0	-	-	-	-
2	00	1	48	49	4A	4B
	40	0	-	-	-	-
3	FF	1	9A	C0	03	FF
	00	0	-	-	-	-

- A) Label the following address (1 bit per box) with the following codes:

CI: Cache set index
 CO: Cache block offset
 CT: Cache tag

CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CI	CI	CO	CO
11	10	09	08	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00

- B) For each of the following addresses indicate if it will be a cache hit or miss. Carry out the following accesses in order as listed. Give the value of a read if it can be inferred from the information in the cache.

Operation	Address	Hit?	Read Value (or Unk)
Read	0x834	No	Unknown
Write	0x836	Yes	N/A
Read	0xFFD	Yes	C0

- 2) Suppose we have a system with the following properties:
 The memory is byte-addressable
 Memory accesses are to 1-byte words (not 32-bit or 64-bit)
 Addresses are 13 bits wide.
 Cache organization: S=8, E=4, B=4

Consider the following cache state. All tags and values are given in hexadecimal.

S	T	V	Bytes	T	V	Bytes	T	V	Bytes	T	V	Bytes
0	F0	1	ED 32 0A A2	8A	1	BF 80 1D FC	14	1	EF 09 86 2A	BC	0	25 44 6F 1A
1	BC	0	03 3E CD 38	A0	0	16 7B ED 5A	BC	1	8E 4C DF 18	E4	1	FB B7 12 02
2	BC	1	54 9E 1E FA	B6	1	DC 81 B2 14	00	0	B6 1F 7B 44	74	0	10 F5 B8 2E
3	BE	0	2F 7E 3D A8	C0	1	27 95 A4 74	C4	0	07 11 6B D8	BC	0	C7 B7 AF C2
4	7E	1	32 21 1C 2C	8A	1	22 C2 DC 34	BC	1	BA DD 37 D8	DC	0	E7 A2 39 BA
5	98	0	A9 76 2B EE	54	0	BC 91 D5 92	98	1	80 BA 9B F6	BC	1	48 16 81 0A
6	38	0	5D 4D F7 DA	BC	1	69 C2 8C 74	8A	1	A8 CE 7F DA	38	1	FA 93 EB 48
7	8A	1	04 2A 32 6A	9E	0	B1 86 56 0E	CC	1	96 30 47 F2	BC	1	F8 1D 42 30

- A) What is the size of this cache in bytes?

128 bytes

- B) Label the following address (1 bit per box) with the following codes:

CI: Cache set index

CO: Cache block offset

CT: Cache tag

CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CI	CI	CI	CO	CO
12	11	10	09	08	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00

- C) Suppose that a program references the 1-byte word at address 0x071A. Fill in the following table (if it is a miss, fill in N/A for “Cache byte returned”):

Parameter	Value
Block Offset (CO)	0x2
Set Index (CI)	0x6
Cache Tag (CT)	0x38
Cache hit? (Y/N)	Y
Cache byte returned	0xEB

D) Suppose that a program references the 1-byte word at address 0x16E8. Fill in the following table (if it is a miss, fill in N/A for “Cache byte returned”):

Parameter	Value
Block Offset (CO)	0x0
Set Index (CI)	0x2
Cache Tag (CT)	0xB7
Cache hit? (Y/N)	N
Cache byte returned	0x N/A

