

CS 6901 Capstone Exam Systems Spring 2014: Choose any 2 of the 3 problems.

1) Rewrite

$$F(a, b, c, d) = a'b'c'd' + a'b'cd + a'b'cd' + a'bc'd + a'bcd' + ab'c'd + ab'cd'$$

in fully simplified sum-of-products form.

2) Consider the following two attempted solutions to the 2-process mutual exclusion problem. For each attempt, answer yes/no with a brief justification.

a) Does the code guarantee mutual exclusion?

b) Is it possible that both processes will busy-wait forever? That is, could deadlock occur?

c) Does the code guarantee fairness? That is, is indefinite postponement impossible? Briefly explain your answers.

Attempt #1: common variables: flag1, flag2 (both initially false)

```
Process 1
while (true) {
    flag1 = true;
    while (flag2); //empty body
    Critical section;
    flag1 = false;
    Noncritical section;
}
```

```
Process 2
while (true) {
    while (flag1); //empty body
    flag2 = true;
    Critical section;
    flag2 = false;
    Noncritical section;
}
```

Attempt #2: common variable: lock (initially false)

Assume the existence of an atomic (non-interruptible) test_and_set function that both returns the value of its boolean argument and sets the argument to true.

```
Process 1
while (true) {
    while (test_and_set(lock));
    Critical section;
    lock = false;
    Noncritical section;
}
```

```
Process 2
while (true) {
    while (test_and_set(lock));
    Critical section;
    lock = false;
    Noncritical section;
}
```

3) Consider a system with 3 resources (A, B, C) in quantity (7, 7, 6). The Banker's Algorithm is used to allocate resources and it has the following SAFE state:

Available: A B C
1 2 2

Process	Allocation			Max			Need		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
P0	2	1	1	2	4	4	0	3	3
P1	1	1	2	2	4	4	1	3	2
P2	3	2	1	6	6	1	3	4	0
P3	0	1	0	0	3	2	0	2	2

- Justify why the current state is safe.
- For each part, write your choices on your solution sheet. You do not need to justify your answers.
 - Select a process and a request of a single instance of an available resource where the request will be denied. The resource must be within the specified need for that process.

Process _____ Resource _____

- Select a process and a request of a single instance of an available resource where the request will be allowed.

Process _____ Resource _____

CS 6901 Capstone Exam Data Structures and Algorithms Spring 2014
Choose any 2 problems.

1) Write the function

```
insert_double (*NodeType head, int key)
```

to insert a new integer key into a sorted non-empty doubly linked list beginning at address head. Declare all data structures.

2) Write the function

```
int count2children(treeptr p);
```

that is given a (possibly empty) binary tree and returns the number of nodes in the tree that have both a left child and a right child.

3) Solve the recurrence relation $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + 5$ where $T(1) = 1$ and $n = 2^k$ for a nonnegative integer k . Your answer should be a precise function of n in closed form. (An asymptotic answer is not acceptable.) Justify your solution.

Theory Exam Spring 2014

Answer **ANY TWO** of the following three questions:

1. Give the state diagram for a deterministic finite automaton (DFA) that recognizes the following regular language over $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$:

$\{w : w \text{ contains at least one } a, \text{ one } b, \text{ and one } c \text{ in any order}\}$

2. Prove that the following language over $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$ is not context-free:

$\{w : w \text{ contains the same number of } a\text{'s and } b\text{'s and } c\text{'s in any order}\}$

3. Let $\mathbf{A}_{\text{TM}} = \{M, w : M \text{ is a Turing machine that accepts string } w\}$
Let $\mathbf{TWO}_{\text{TM}} = \{M : M \text{ is a Turing machine that accepts exactly two strings}\}$

Show that $\mathbf{A}_{\text{TM}} \leq \mathbf{TWO}_{\text{TM}}$.