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Question 1: (0 points) Bank of Questions

A RISC-V with a Large Register File (V05, V0A)

RISCV-LRF is a RISC-V instruction-set architecture with a large register file. RISCV-LRF has 128 registers and the instruction formats have to accommodate this change. Consider a branch instruction. Assume that the instruction still has to be 32-bits long and that any changes made to the instruction format only increase/decrease the size of the immediate field. Recall that in the original RISC-V architecture, the branch instruction uses the following format:

| 31 | 30 25 | | 19 15 | 14 12 | 2 11 8 | 3 7 | 6 | 0 |
|---------|-----------|-----|-------|--------|----------|---------|--------|---|
| imm[12] | imm[10:5] | rs2 | rs1 | funct3 | imm[4:1] | imm[11] | opcode | |

Question 2: (10 points)

How many bits are available for the immediate bit field for a branch instruction in RISCV-LRF?

Question 3: (10 points)

How does the range of a branch in RISCV-LRF compares with the range of a branch in the original RISC-V architecture?

Question 4: (20 points)

Assume that in a program that uses RISCV-LRF the current PC address is 0x 0000 0010. How many branches (no jump instructions) are necessary to get to address 0x FFFF FF00? Provide the binary representation for the immediate field for the branch(es) instruction(s) required.