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Instructions to Candidates

Question 1 is worth 50 marks. Each part of Question 2 is worth 5 marks, your best ten answers are counted. Answer both questions. Please detach the last page of the exam booklet and mark your answers on this and include with your answer book.

To be accompanied by an ARM Instruction Set and Addressing Mode Summary booklet.

Permitted Materials

Non-programmable calculators are permitted for this examination.

Section A

In this section marks are awarded for neatness, organisation, spelling, ability to communicate technical information and results, as well as assembly programming syntax, commenting and skill.

Design and write an ARM Assembly Language program that will convert an ASCII string representation of a decimal number stored in memory into a 32 bit 2s complement binary version, which you will also store in memory. Negative numbers will be indicated by a - at the start of the number. Your solution should work with both + and - at the start of the string, so for example -34 would be stored as 0xFFFFFDE.

1. (a) Describe what you are attempting to do in English. (10 marks)
- (b) Outline your algorithm using diagrams and pseudo code as appropriate. (15 marks)
- (c) Write down the actual ARM assembly code you would use, including comments. (15 marks)
- (d) Explain the test cases you would use, why you would chose them and the results expected. (10 marks)

Section B

Question 2.1

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r11?
;;
```

```
MOV    r0, #0x6
MOV    r1, #0x6
ADD    r11, r1, r0
```

- (A) 0x0000000C (B) 0x00000001 (C) 0x00000010
(D) 0x00000013 (E) 0x0000000D (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.2

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in the condition code flags?
;;
```

```
MOV    r0, #0xC0000000
MOV    r1, #0xF0000000
SUBS   r3, r1, r0
```

- (A) 0x5 (B) 0x3 (C) 0x1
(D) 0x7 (E) 0x2 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.3

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in the condition code flags?
;;
```

```
MOV    r0, #0xFFFFFFFF
MOV    r1, #0x20
SUBS   r2, r1, r0
```

- (A) 0x5 (B) 0x7 (C) 0x6
(D) 0x0 (E) 0xA (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.4

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r4?
;;
```

```
LDR    r0, =0x7937
LDR    r1, =0xA89E
EOR    r4, r1, r0, ROR #6
```

- (A) 0x00000005 (B) 0x00000004 (C) 0x3120BE1A
(D) 0xDC00A97A (E) 0x78998895 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.5

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r1?
;;
```

```
    LDR    r0, =0xEB
    LDR    r1, =0x7D
    CMP    r0, r1
    BGE    a_label
    SUBS   r1, r1, #0xA7
a_label
    BLO    end
    SUBS   r1, r1, #0xA
end
```

- (A) 0x000000AE (B) 0x00000889 (C) 0x00000073
(D) 0x0000009F (E) 0x00000001 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.6

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r3?
;;
```

```
    LDR    r0, =eoa
    LDR    r1, =arr
    MOV    r3, #0
loop   LDRB  r2, [r1], #1
    ADD    r3, r2, r3
    CMP    r1, r0
    BNE    loop
arr    DCB   0x3B, 0x28, 0x55
eoa
```

- (A) 0x000000B8 (B) 0x00007F38 (C) 0x00002B20
(D) 0x0000011D (E) 0x00000001 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.7

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r1?
;;
```

```
    LDR    r0, =testcase
    MOV    r1, #0
loop   LDRB  r2, [r0]
    CMP    r2, #'Z'
    BLO    skip
    ADD    r1, r1, #1
skip   ADD    r0, #1
    CMP    r2, #0
    BNE    loop
```

```
testcase
    DCB    "uhalya16oG",0
```

- (A) 0x00000008 (B) 0x00000002 (C) 0x00000005
(D) 0x00000007 (E) 0x00000003 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.8

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r1?
;;
```

```
    LDR    r0, =nums
    MOV    r1, #0
    LDRB   r2, [r0], #2
    ADD    r1, r2
    LDRB   r2, [r0], #2
    ADD    r1, r2
    LDRB   r2, [r0, #2]
    ADD    r1, r2
    LDRB   r2, [r0, #-1]!
    ADD    r1, r2
    LDRB   r2, [r0, #-2]!
    ADD    r1, r2

nums    DCB   0x7, 0x5, 0xE, 0x5
        DCB   0x1, 0xD, 0x5, 0xB
```

- (A) 0x0000001A (B) 0x00000024 (C) 0x00000001
(D) 0x000000B4 (E) 0x00000038 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.9

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r4?
;;
```

```

loop  MOV    r1, #0
      LDR     r0, =str
      LDR     r3, =0xA0000000
      LDRB    r2, [r0], #1
      STRB    r2, [r3], #1
      ADD     r1, r1, #1
      CMP     r2, #0
      BNE     loop
      LDR     r3, =0xA0000000
      LDRB    r4, [r3, #3]

```

```
str    DCB    "R447Ghz",0
```

(A) 0x0000005D (B) 0x00000005 (C) 0x0000000B
(D) 0x00000339 (E) 0x00000037 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.10

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r0?
;;
```

```

LDR     r12, =0xA4000000
LDR     r0, =0x34
LDR     r1, =0x44
LDR     r2, =0x3E
LDR     r5, =0x9
STMDB   r12!, {r0-r2, r5}
LDR     r0, [r12, #8]
SUB     r0, #0x2F

```

(A) 0x0000000C (B) 0x0000000B (C) 0x0000000A
(D) 0x0000000F (E) 0x00000016 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.11

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r0?
;;
```

```

      MOV     r1, #'8'
      BL      vp
      MOV     r1, #'M'
      BL      vp
stop   B      stop
vp     MOV     r0, #0
      CMP     r1, #'a'
      BCC     yes
      BX      lr
yes    MOV     r0, #1
      BX      lr

```

(A) 0x0000000A (B) 0x00000001 (C) 0x00000006
(D) 0x00000009 (E) 0x00000004 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

Question 2.12

```
;;
;; After execution of the following instructions
;; what value will be in register r5?
;;
```

```

      LDR     sp, =0xA4000000
      LDR     r0, =0xC2
      LDR     r1, =0x37
      LDR     r2, =0xCD
      STR     r0, [sp, #-4]!
      STR     r1, [sp, #-4]!
      STR     r2, [sp, #-4]!
      BL      vp
      ADD     sp, #12
      SUB     r5, r5, r0
stop   B      stop
vp     STMFD   sp!, {r0-r4, lr}
      LDR     r0, [sp, #8+24]
      LDR     r3, [sp, #4+24]
      LDR     r1, [sp, #0+24]
      ADD     r0, r1, r3
      ADD     r5, r1, r3
      LDMFD   sp!, {r0-r4, pc}

```

(A) 0x00000042 (B) 0x00000039C (C) 0x00000032
(D) 0x00000070 (E) 0x00000001 (F) OTHER (5 marks)

