Study Questions (Chapter 01)

- 1. What is the main difference between computer architecture and computer organization?
- 2. What is microarchitecture?
- 3. What does the term CPU stand for?
- 4. What does the term SRAM stand for?
- 5. What does the term DRAM stand for?
- 6. What is the primary difference between computer registers and main computer memory?
- 7. What is the width of a clock pulse if the clock frequency = 100KHz?
- 8. What is the width of a clock pulse if the clock frequency = 5KHz?
- 9. Can a clever system programmer differentiate between the encoded data object and encoded program instruction from their binary bit patterns?
- 10. Define and differentiate between constants, variables, and pointers.
- 11. In register transfer language (RTL) notation, what does $[X] \leftarrow [Y] + Z$ mean?
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- 13. In register transfer language (RTL) notation, what does [X] = Y + Z mean?
- 14. Which is faster, cache memory or registers?
- 15. Which is faster, cache memory or dynamic memory?
- 16. Can a computer system have more than one bus?
- 17. Define bus width.
- 18. Define bus bandwidth.
- 19. Define bus latency.