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Assignment 2 CS 3339 – Spring 2019  
Due: Friday, 2/15/19 @ 11:55pm  
40 points (late until noon 2/16 -10 points)

All submissions must be written in very neat handwriting and scanned (or typed) and submitted in PDF format to TRACS with the filename of Ax\_netID.pdf. You may submit as many times as you like prior to the deadline; only the most recent submittal will be graded. All assignments must be submitted individually and reflect your own work; however, I encourage you to work in groups and discuss the problems with your classmates.

Fill in the blank – 1 point each for each blank.

- 1) Every Texas State student has access to an enterprise instance of github as described here:  
<https://cs.txstate.edu/resources/labs/accounts/> The server is <https://git.txstate.edu>
- 2) In digital computers transistors are used as electronic switches. Before the invention of transistors and integrated circuits other devices used include electromechanical relays and vacuum tubes.
- 3) For your summer internship you have been tasked to improve the performance of an existing program. You realize that there is a section of code for which a newer math library that is twice as fast is available. You work diligently to incorporate the new library and are planning to wow your bosses. After spending days adapting the code for the new library the program only performs slightly faster. Turns out that the math portion was a small fraction of the original execution time. You have run straight into Amdahl's Law!
- 4) Even though they are available in MIPS assembly, there is no *mov* (move from one register to another) or *blt* (branch less than) operation implemented in "bare metal". For this reason they are known as pseudo instructions.
- 5) Write the proper prefix for the following e.g  $1 \times 10^{-3}$  seconds = 1 millisecond  
 $1 \times 10^{-9}$  seconds = 1 nano second       $1 \times 10^{-12}$  seconds = 1 pico second  
A clock cycle time of  $500 \times 10^{-12}$  seconds corresponds to a clock frequency of 2.0 G Hz
- 6) "SPEC is the Standard Performance Evaluation Corporation, a non-profit organization founded in 1988 to establish standardized performance benchmarks that are objective, meaningful, clearly defined, and readily available. SPEC members include hardware and software vendors, universities, and researchers." "SPEC CPU2017 has 43 benchmarks, organized into 4 suites". The Wide-scale ocean modeling (climate level) SPECspeed 2017 Floating Point benchmark is 628. people [Reference [www.spec.org](http://www.spec.org)]

7) [4 points] What is the primary advantage of the RISC architecture over the CISC architecture?

RISC allows high level languages to produce more efficient code if programmer has deeper knowledge of compiler (faster but complex)

What is the primary advantage that CISC continues to have over RISC?

programmers don't need as much knowledge of compiler making programming simplified and easier

8) [4 points] If you reduced the number of registers from 32 to 16 in the MIPS processor what would be the new maximum signed value you could use as an immediate? Express your number in decimal and explain how you determined your answer.

1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  $\Rightarrow 2^{15} + 2^{14} + 2^{13} + \dots + 2^0$

maximum number would be 65,535

9) [4 points] What will be the output of the following code snippet?

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uint32_t input = 0xffffce0af;
uint32_t u_field;
int32_t s_field;
u_field = (input >> 4) & 0xff;
cout << hex << setw(8) << u_field << " hex is decimal " << dec << u_field << endl;
s_field = ((signed)input >> 16);
cout << hex << setw(8) << s_field << " hex is decimal " << dec << s_field << endl;
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ffffffffffc hex is decimal 10  
hex is decimal -4

10) [4 points] For project 2 you are provided with a C++ class file ALU.cpp/.h which uses the enum function. Look at the source code and list the possible values that you can use for ALU\_OP.

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

You don't need it to answer this question but if you want to learn a bit more about the enum function here is a short article <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/c-language/c-enumeration-declarations>

ADD, AND, SHF\_L, SHF\_R, CMP\_LT, MUL, DSU

- 11) [4 points] A MIPS binary has the following hexadecimal address and instruction data values. Write the assembly code for this instruction. Show your steps and put the answer in the same format as Project 1.

0x10010200:0x0085c023

0000 0000 1000 0101 | 1100 0000 0010 0011  
 000000 00100 00101 11000 00000 100011  
 opcode: 0 4 5 24 0 23

subu \$t8, \$a0, \$a1

- 12) [4 points] Repeat for this addr:instr pair

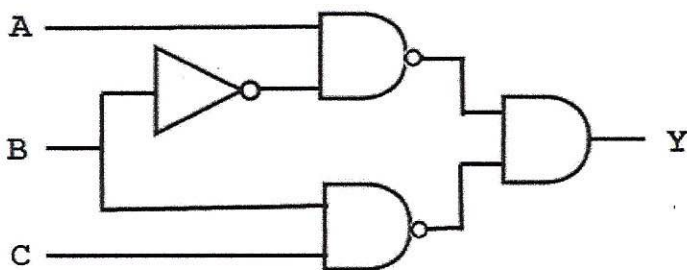
0x00300100:0x11100008

0001 0001 0001 0000 | 0000 0000 0000 1000  
 000100 4 8 16 0 0 0 8  
 opcode: 4 8 16 0 0 0 8

← doing  
a + 8  
instruction  
jump

beq \$t0, \$t0, 0x00300108

- 13) [6 points] Complete the truth table given the combinatorial logic circuit below. Use 0 to represent 0V (FALSE) and 1 to represent 3.3V (TRUE) and put the inputs in binary counting order from 000 to 111 binary.



A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

If the minimum gate delay is 2 nS and the maximum gate delay is 10 nS.

How long would you have to wait after the inputs change to insure all outputs are valid? 30 nS

How long could you wait to sample the original output value after the inputs change? 4 nS