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Problem 1 (20 points): $\qquad$

Problem 2 (20 points): $\qquad$

Problem 3 (20 points): $\qquad$

Problem 4 (20 points): $\qquad$

Problem 5 (20 points): $\qquad$

Total (100 points): $\qquad$

Note: Please be sure that your answers to all questions (and all supporting work that is required) are contained in the space provided.

Note: Please be sure your name is recorded on each sheet of the exam.

## I will not cheat on this exam.

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## GOOD LUCK!

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Problem 1. (20 points):
Part a. (4 points):
R0 contains the ASCII code of a capital letter in the English alphabet. If the instruction

0001000000000001
is executed, we wish to end up with the lower case version of that letter in R0. What must be true of the values in all the other registers before this instruction executes for this to happen?
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## Part b. (5 points):

Suppose we changed the LC-3 to have only four registers instead of 8 . Fewer registers is in general a bad idea since it means loading from memory and storing to memory more often.

If we keep the basic format of all instructions as they currently are (and keep each instruction 16 bits), is there any benefit that could be had for operate $(0001,0101,1001)$ instructions, if we reduce the number of registers to 4 ?

Is there any benefit that could be had for load (0010) and store (0011) instructions, if we reduce the number of registers to 4 ?


Is there any benefit that could be had for conditional branch (0000) instructions, if we reduce the number of registers to 4 ?

Part c. (4 points):
A properly working transistor circuit for implementing a logic function is one in which the output is always 1 or 0. The circuit below is an example of such that implements a 5 input logic function. Indicate on the truth table on the next page the input combinations for which the output is 1 by putting a 1 in the corresponding row of the output column. All other input combinations produce an output 0 . It is not necessary to put the 0 s in the output column.


| A | B | C | D | E | OUT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |

Part d. (7 points): The logic diagram below produces the logical value OUT.


What do the values 0 or 1 for OUT signify?


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Problem 2. (20 points):
The logic diagram shown below is a finite state machine.


Your job:
a. Construct the truth table for the combinational logic:
b. Complete the state machine (We have provided nine states. You will not need all of them. Use only as many as you need):

| S1 | S0 | X | Z | S1' | S0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |



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Problem 3. (20 points): Floating point
Express the two floating point numbers $2 \frac{13}{16}$ and $\frac{1}{16}$ in binary normalized form:


We wish to design a nine-bit binary floating point data type, using the format of the IEEE standard. We want to be able to represent both of these two values exactly in normalized(i.e. not subnormal) form.

Your job:
a. Decide how many bits for exponent, how many bits for fraction.

b. Decide what the BIAS (also known as EXCESS) will have to be in order to be able to represent both values in normalized (i.e. not subnormal) form.

Hint: the BIAS $011 \ldots 1$ will not work.

BIAS:

c. Show the binary representations of the two values $2 \frac{13}{16}$ and $\frac{1}{16}$ in our new nine-bit binary floating point data type
$2 \frac{13}{16}$

$\frac{1}{16}$


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Problem 4. (20 points):
We wish to invent a two-person game, which we will call XandY that can be played on the computer. Your job in this problem is contribute a piece of the solution.

The game is played with the computer and a deck of cards. Each card has on it one of four values ( $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}, \mathrm{Z}$, and N ). Each player in turn gets five attempts to accumulate points. We call each attempt a round. After player A finishes his five rounds, it is player B's turn. Play continues until one of the players accumulates 100 points.
Your job today is to ONLY design a finite state machine to keep track of the STATE of the current round. Each round starts in the intial state, where $\mathrm{X}=0$ and $\mathrm{Y}=0$. Cards from the deck are turned over one by one. Each card transitions the round from its current state to its next state, until the round terminates, at which point we'll start a new round in the initial state.

The transistions are as follows:
X: The number of X's is incremented, producing a new state for the round.
Y: The number of Y's is incremented, producing a new state for the round.
Z: If the number of X's is less than 2 , the number of $X$ 's is incremented, producing a new state for the round. If the number of X's is 2 , the state of the current round does not change.

N : Other information on the card gives the number of points accumulated. N also terminates the current round.
Important rule: If the number of X's or Y's reaches a count of 3, the current round is terminated and another round is started. When a round starts, its state is $\mathrm{X}=0, \mathrm{Y}=0$.

Hint: Since the number of X's and Y's specify the state of the current round, how many possible states are needed to describe the state of the current round.

Hint: A state can not have $\mathrm{X}=3$, because then the round would be finished, and we would have started a *new* current round.

On the diagram below, label each state. For each state draw an arrow showing the transition to the next state that would occur for each of the four inputs. (We have provided sixteen states. You will not need all of them. Use only as many as you need)

Note, we did not specify outputs for these states. Therefore, your state machine will not include outputs. It will only include states and transistions represented by inputs.








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Problem 5. (20 points):
You have been asked to design the volume control system in a stereo. The user controls the volume by using volume up and volume down buttons on the stereo. When the user presses the volume up button, the volume should increase by 1 ; when the user presses the volume down button, the volume should decrease by 1 . The volume level is represented as a 4 -bit unsigned value, ranging from 0 to 15 . If the user presses volume up when the volume is already at the maximum level of 15 , the volume should remain at 15 ; similarly, if the user presses volume down when the volume is already at the minimum level of 0 , the volume should remain at 0 . The memory location x 3100 has been directly hooked up to the speakers so that reading bits 3 through 0 from that memory location will give the current speaker volume, while writing bits 3 through 0 of that memory location will set the new speaker volume.

When the user presses one of the volume buttons, the stereo hardware will reset the PC of the processor to x3000 and begin execution. If the user had pressed volume up, then memory location x3101 will be set to 1 ; otherwise, if the user had pressed volume down, then the memory location x 3101 will be set to 0 .

Below is the program that controls the volume on the stereo. Two of the instructions in the program have been left out. Your job: fill in the missing instructions so that the program controls the volume correctly as specified.

| Address | Contents | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| x3000 | 0010000011111111 | $\mathrm{R} 0 \leftarrow \mathrm{M}[\mathrm{x} 3100]$ |
| x3001 | 0010001011111111 | $\mathrm{R} 1 \leftarrow \mathrm{M}[\mathrm{x} 3101]$ |
| x3002 | 0000010000000100 | Branch to x 3007 if Z is set |
| x3003 |  |  |
| x3004 | 0000010000000101 | Branch to x300A if Z is set |
| x3005 | 0001000000100001 | R0 $\leftarrow \mathrm{R} 0+\mathrm{x} 0001$ |
| x3006 | 0000111000000011 | Branch always to x300A |
| x3007 | 0001001000100000 | $\mathrm{R} 1 \leftarrow \mathrm{R} 0+\mathrm{x} 0000$ |
| x3008 | 0000010000000001 | Branch to x300A if Z is set |
| x3009 |  |  |
| x300A | 0011000011110101 | $\mathrm{M}[\mathrm{x} 3100] \leftarrow \mathrm{R} 0$ |
| x300B | 1111000000100101 | TRAP 25 |





Figure A. 2 Format of the entire LC-3 instruction set. Note: + indicates instructions that modify condition codes

The Standard ASCII Table

| ASCII |  |  | ASCII |  |  | ASCII |  |  | ASCII |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Character | Dec | Hex | Character | Dec | Hex | Character | Dec | Hex | Character | Dec | Hex |
| nul | 0 | 00 | sp | 32 | 20 | (1) | 64 | 40 | $\cdots$ | 96 | 60 |
| soh | 1 | 01 | ! | 33 | 21 | A | 65 | 41 | a | 97 | 61 |
| stx | 2 | 02 | " | 34 | 22 | B | 66 | 42 | b | 98 | 62 |
| etx | 3 | 03 | \# | 35 | 23 | C | 67 | 43 | c | 99 | 63 |
| eot | 4 | 04 | \$ | 36 | 24 | D | 68 | 44 | d | 100 | 64 |
| enq | 5 | 05 | \% | 37 | 25 | E | 69 | 45 | e | 101 | 65 |
| ack | 6 | 06 | \& | 38 | 26 | F | 70 | 46 | f | 102 | 66 |
| bel | 7 | 07 | , | 39 | 27 | G. | 71 | 47 | g | 103 | 67 |
| bs | 8 | 08 | ( | 40 | 28 | H. | 72 | 48 | h | 104 | 68 |
| ht | 9 | 09 | ). | 41 | 29 | I. | 73 | 49 | i | 105 | 69 |
| If | 10 | OA | * | 42 | 2A | J | 74 | 4A | $j$ | 106 | 6 A |
| vt | 11 | 0 B | + | 43 | 2B | K | 75 | 4B | k | 107 | 6 B |
| ff | 12 | 0 C | , | 44 | 2 C | L | 76 | 4 C | 1 | 108 | 6C |
| cr | 13 | OD | - | 45 | 2D | M | 77 | 4D | m | 109 | 6D |
| so | 14 | OE | - | 46 | 2E | N | 78 | 4E | n | 110 | 6E |
| s.i | 15 | 0 F | / | 47 | 2 F | 0 | 79 | 4F | $\bigcirc$ | 111 | 6 F |
| dle | 16 | 10 | 0 | 48 | 30 | P | 80 | 50 | p | 112 | 70 |
| del | 17 | 11 | 1 | 49 | 31 | $Q$ | 81 | 51 | q | 113 | 71 |
| dc2 | 18 | 12 | 2 | 50 | 32 | R | 82 | 52 | r | 114 | 72 |
| dc3 | 19 | 13 | 3 | 51 | 33 | 5 | 83 | 53 | s | 115 | 73 |
| dc4 | 20 | 14 | 4 | 52 | 34 | T | 84 | 54 | t | 116 | 74 |
| nak | 21 | 15 | 5 | 53 | 35 | U | 85 | 55 | u | 117 | 75 |
| syn | 22 | 16 | 6 | 54 | 36 | V | 86 | 56 | v | 118 | 76 |
| etb | 23 | 17 | 7 | 55 | 37 | W | 87 | 57 | w | 119 | 77 |
| can | 24 | 18 | 8 | 56 | 38 | X | 88 | 58 | x | 120 | 78 |
| em | 25 | 19 | 9 | 57 | 39 | Y | 89 | 59 | Y | 121 | 79 |
| sub | 26 | 1 A | : | 58 | 3A | 2 | 90 | 5A | z | 122 | 7 A |
| esc | 27 | 1 B | ; | 59 | 3B | [ | 91 | 5B | [ | 123 | 7B |
| fs | 28 | 1 C | $<$ | 60 | 3 C | , | 92 | 5C |  | 124 | 7C |
| gs | 29 | 1 D | $=$ | 61 | 3D | 1 | 93 | 5D | ) | 125 | 7D |
| rs | 30 | 1 E | $>$ | 62 | 3 E | , | 94 | 5E | $\sim$ | 126 | 7E |
| us | 31 | 1F | ? | 63 | 3F | - | 95 | 5F | del | 127 | 7F |


| Trap Vector | Assembler Name | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\times 20$ | GETC | Read a single character from the keyboard. The character is not echoed onto the console. Its ASCII code is copied into R0. The high eight bits of RO are cleared. |
| $\times 21$ | OUT | Write a character in R0[7:0] to the console display. |
| $\times 22$ | PUTS | Write a string of ASCII characters to the console display. The characters are contained in consecutive memory locations, one character per memory location, starting with the address specified in R0. Writing terminates with the occurrence of x0000 in a memory location. |
| $\times 23$ | IN | Print a prompt on the screen and read a single character from the keyboard. The character is echoed onto the console monitor, and its ASCII code is copied into R0. The high eight bits of RO are cleared. |
| x24 | PUTSP | Write a string of ASCII characters to the console. The characters are contained in consecutive memory locations, two characters per memory location, starting with the address specified in R0. The ASCII code contained in bits [7:0] of a memory location is written to the console first. Then the ASCII code contained in bits [15:8] of that memory location is written to the console. (A character string consisting of an odd number of characters to be written will have $x 00$ in bits [15:8] of the memory location containing the last character to be written.) Writing terminates with the occurrence of $x 0000$ in a memory location. |
| $\times 25$ | HALT | Halt execution and print a message on the console. |

Table A 3 Device Register Assignments

| Address | I/O Register Name | I/O Register Function |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| xFE00 | Keyboard status register | Also known as KBSR. The ready bit (bit [15]) indicates if the keyboard has received a new character. |
| xFE02 | Keyboard data register | Also known as KBDR. Bits [7:0] contain the last character typed on the keyboard. |
| xFE04 | Display status register | Also known as DSR. The ready bit (bit [15]) indicates if the display device is ready to receive another character to print on the screen. |
| xFE06 | ${ }^{-}$Display data register | Also known as DDR. A character written in the low byte of this register will be displayed on the screen. |
| xFFFE | Machine control register | Also known as MCR. Bit [15] is the clock enable bit. When cleared, instruction processing stops. |

