

# Exam 1 solution

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## Instructions:

- Closed book and closed notes. No books, no papers, no data sheets (other than the last two pages of this Exam)
- No devices other than pencil, pen, eraser (no calculators, no electronic devices), please turn cell phones off.
- Please be sure that your answers to all questions (and all supporting work that is required) are contained in the space (boxes) provided. *Anything outside the boxes/blanks will be ignored in grading.* You may use the back of the sheets for scratch work.
- You have 75 minutes, so allocate your time accordingly.
- For all questions, unless otherwise stated, find the most efficient (time, resources) solution.
- Unless otherwise stated, make all I/O accesses friendly and all subroutines AAPCS compliant.
- *Please read the entire exam before starting.*

**(12) Question 1. Know your Basics****(2) Part a.** Which equation describes the current through an arbitrary LED? Give one letter A-F.

- A)  $I = V/R$                       B)  $I = V^2 \cdot R$   
 C)  $I = R/V$                       D)  $I = P/V$   
 E)  $I = 8\text{mA}$                       F) None of A – E

D)  $P = I \cdot V$ where  $I$ =current,  $V$ =voltage,  $R$ =resistance,  $P$ =power**(2) Part b.** Some assembly instructions have a limitation that they support only 12-bit signed immediate values. What are the ranges of signed integers they support?

$-2^{11}$  to  $(2^{11})-1$   
 $-2048$  to  $+2047$

**(2) Part c.**  $0 \times 20001234$  equals 536,875,572 in decimal. Consider the instruction**LDR R0,=536875572**

Give the one letter A-F that best explains how this instruction works.

- A) This is an immediate addressing mode instruction, where the value 536,875,572 is embedded in the machine code of the instruction (**not true, value placed elsewhere in ROM**)  
 B) This has a syntax error and will not assemble, addresses must be in hex (**not true**). The proper syntax is to write **LDR R0,=0x20001234**.  
 C) This is a memory access instruction. The 32-bit contents located at RAM location  $0 \times 20001234$  are copied into R0 (**not true addr  $0 \times 20001234$  is in R0**).  
 D) This causes a syntax error (**no**), the equals is not needed. The proper syntax is to write **LDR R0,536875572**.  
 E) The LDR has an offset limited to 16 bits (**no**), so it truncates the value  $R0=0 \times 1234$ .  
 F) None of A – E

F

**(2) Part d.** There is a 32-bit constant called **Thingy** declared in ROM as shown below**AREA |.text|,CODE,READONLY,ALIGN=2****Thingy DCD 0xF1F04321**

What is the value of R0 in hex after this assembly code is executed?

**LDR R1,=Thingy**  
**LDRSH R0,[R1]**

Little endian gets  $0 \times 4321$   
 Sign is 0 (positive)  
 Sign extend to  $0 \times 00004321$

**(4) Part e.** Consider the following sequence of assembly code that performs some logic and shift operations. Give the values (in Hex) of the four registers executing these four instructions:**MOV R0,#-1**R0=  $0 \times \text{FFFFFFFF}$ **EOR R1,R0,#0xF0F0F0F0**R1=  $0 \times \text{0F0F0F0F}$ **BIC R2,R0,#0x04**R2=  $0 \times \text{FFFFFFFB}$  (clear bit 2)**LSL R3,R0,#4**R3=  $0 \times \text{FFFFFFF0}$  (shift left 4 times)

**(15) Question 2. Know your C**

Implement a C function that takes an array (A) of size (N) and increments every  $K^{\text{th}}$  element of the array by a given value V. Return the number of elements updated or a 255 in case of an invalid input. Examples below cover all possible cases (*please read them before asking questions*):

$N, K, V$	Array A before	Indices	result	Array A after
5, 1, 2	{1,2,3,4,5}	0,1,2,3,4	5	{3,4,5,6,7}
7,2,3	{10,20,30,40,50,60,70}	0,2,4,6	4	{13,20,33,40,53,60,73}
10,6,4	{0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0}	0,6	2	{4,0,0,0,0,4,0,0,0}
0, 7, 6	{}	none	0	{}
8,5,1	{10,10,10,10,10}	0	1	{11,10,10,10,10}
4, 0, 2	{1,2,3,4}	none	255	{1,2,3,4}

```

uint8_t EveryK(uint16_t A[],uint8_t N,uint8_t K,uint16_t V){
uint8_t i,count=0;

    if (k==0) return 255;

    for(i=0; i<N; i=i+K){
        A[i] = A[i]+V;
        count++;
    }
    return count;
}

```

**(15) Question 3. Know how to convert**

There are two 8-bit global variables. Write two assembly subroutines that are literal conversions of these two C functions. Follow AAPCS.

```
uint8_t Item;
void Change(void) {
    if(Item < 42) {
        Item++;
    }
}
```

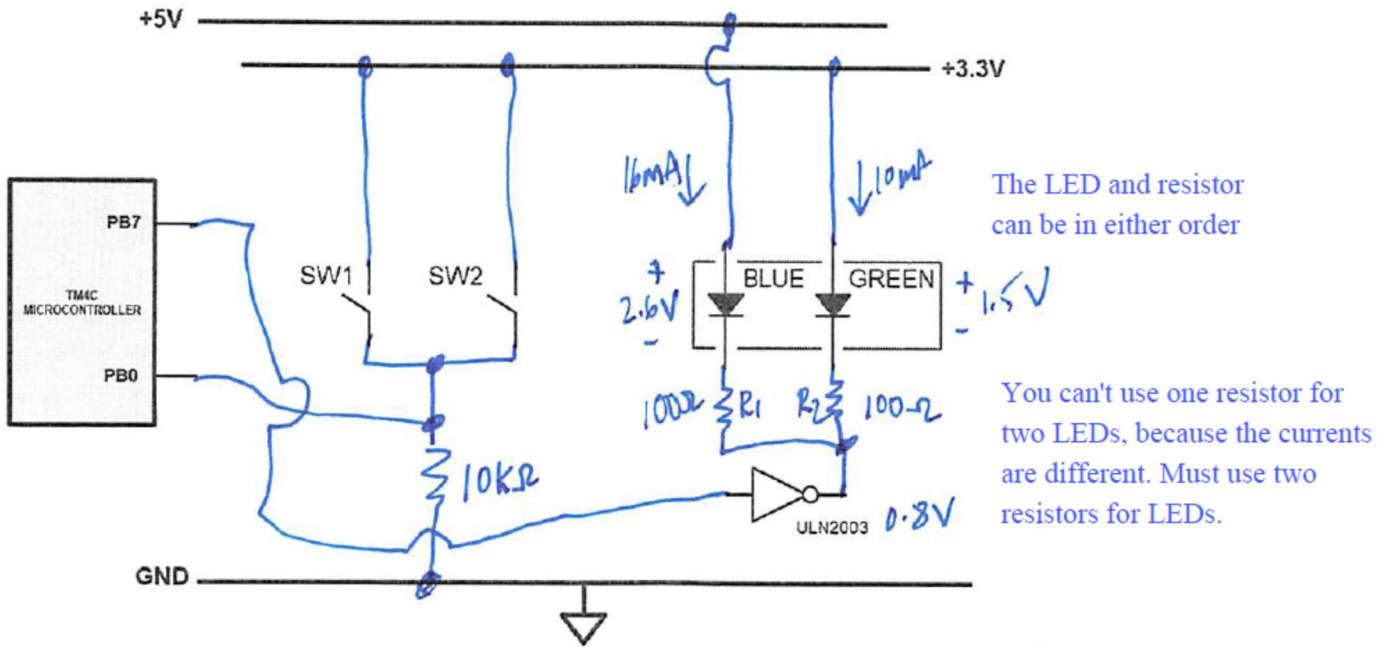
```
int8_t Item2;
void Change2(void) {
    while(Item2 < 42) {
        Item2++;
    }
}
```

```
AREA DATA,ALIGN=2
Item SPACE 1
AREA |.text|,CODE,ALIGN=2
Change
    LDR    R0,=Item
    LDRB   R1,[R0]
    CMP   R1,#42
    BHS   done
    ADD   R1,R1,#1
    STRB  R1,[R0]
done
    BX    LR
```

```
AREA DATA,ALIGN=2
Item2 SPACE 1
AREA |.text|,CODE,ALIGN=2
Change2
    LDR    R0,=Item2
loop2
    LDRSB  R1,[R0]
    CMP   R1,#42
    BGE   done2
    ADD   R1,R1,#1
    STRB  R1,[R0]
    B     loop2
done2
    BX    LR
```

**(20) Question 4) Know Switch/LED Interfacing**

**(10) Part a.** Using only ONE 10kΩ resistor, interface both switches to the microcontroller Port B, bit 7 such that the input voltage is HIGH when either switch is closed and LOW otherwise. The microcontroller is powered by 3.3V. Show your circuit below.



**(10) Part b.** You have a BLUE LED with an operating point of 16mA at 2.6V; and you have a GREEN LED with an operating point of 10mA at 1.5V. The two LEDs are inside the same package, so by turning them both ON at the same time, you get a CYAN color. Using, at most, only TWO resistors, interface both LEDs to the microcontroller Port B, bit 0 using positive logic. The LEDs will be either both ON or both OFF at the same time. The microcontroller's output high/low voltage is 3.3V and 0V, respectively. The  $V_{OL}$  for the ULN2003B driver is 0.8V. You have +5V, +3.3V, and GND to which you can connect your components. **Another restriction is all resistor values must be less than 250Ω.** Show your circuit above and compute the resistor value(s) needed for the above operating points. Show your calculations below.

WRONG

$$R_1 = \frac{(3.3 - 2.6 - 0.8)}{0.016} = -6.25 \Omega$$

$$R_2 = \frac{(5 - 1.5 - 0.8)}{0.010} = 270 \Omega \quad (> 250 \Omega) \quad \times$$

Neither can attach directly to PB7 (only 8mA available)

$$R_1 = \frac{(5 - 2.6 - 0.8)}{0.016} = \frac{1.6}{0.016} = 100 \Omega \quad (< 250 \Omega) \quad \checkmark$$

$$R_2 = \frac{(3.3 - 1.5 - 0.8)}{0.010} = \frac{1.0}{0.010} = 100 \Omega \quad (< 250 \Omega) \quad \checkmark$$

**(13) Question 5) Know your I/O**

(7) **Part a.** Fill in the boxes so this assembly code initializes **Port A**, making **PA6 PA5** outputs and making **PA7 PA4** inputs. This code is executed once at the start of the system. **All accesses to I/O registers must be friendly.** Your *code* will set the *clock*, *direction*, and *enable* registers. You must fill in the op codes and immediate values. Each box contains exactly one assembly op code. Each oval has exactly one hex value. Do not assume DIR, DEN or DATA registers have been cleared by the reset operation. Comments are not needed.

```
GPIO_PORTA_DATA_R EQU 0x400043FC ;data register
GPIO_PORTA_DIR_R   EQU 0x40004400 ;direction register
GPIO_PORTA_DEN_R   EQU 0x4000451C ;digital enable register
SYSCTL_RCGCGPIO_R EQU 0x400FE608 ;GPIO clock register
```

```
Init
```

```
    LDR R3,=SYSCTL_RCGCGPIO_R
```

```
    LDR R2,[R3]
```

```
    ORR
```

```
    R2,R2,#
```

```
    0x01
```

```
    STR R2,[R3]
```

```
    NOP
```

```
    NOP
```

```
    LDR R3,=GPIO_PORTA_DIR_R
```

```
    LDR R2,[R3]
```

```
    ORR
```

```
    R2,R2,#
```

```
    0x60
```

```
    BIC
```

```
    R2,R2,#
```

```
    0x90
```

```
    STR R2,[R3]
```

```
    LDR R3,=GPIO_PORTA_DEN_R
```

```
    LDR R2,[R3]
```

```
    ORR
```

```
    R2,R2,#
```

```
    0xF0
```

```
    STR    R2,[R3]
```

```
    BX    LR
```

(6) **Part b.** Write assembly code that sets PA6=1 in a friendly manner

```
LDR R0,=GPIO_PORTA_DATA_R
LDR R1,[R0] ;ok if you use LDRB
ORR R1,#0x40 ;bit 6
STR R1,[R0] ;ok if you use STRB
```

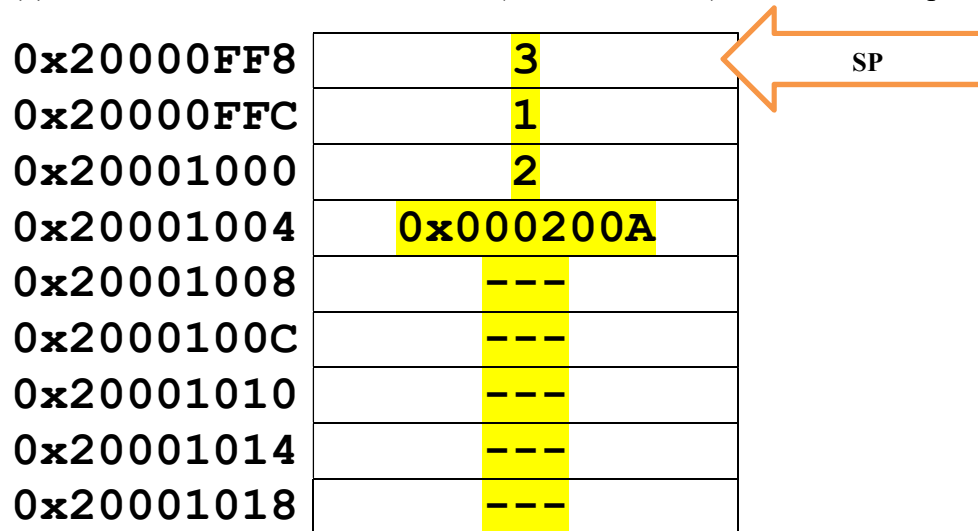
**(10) Question 6. Know your Stack**

Show the contents of the stack and register values after the two marked points respectively in the execution of the following code. The initial stack pointer is **0x20001008**.

```

0x00002000    MOV   R4, #2      ; R4=2
0x00002002    MUL   R0, R4, R4  ; R0=4
0x00002004    ADD   R1, R4, #1  ; R1=3
0x00002006    SUB   R2, R4, #1  ; R2=1
0x00002008    BL    Subtract    ; LR=0x0000200A or 0x0000200B
0x0000200A    ADD   R3, R0, R4  ; 8
                                ; <---- B
...
0x00002020    Subtract
0x00002022    PUSH {R4, R2, R1, LR}
0x00002024    ADD   R4, R0, R1 ; <---- A R4=7
0x00002026    SUB   R0, R4, R2 ; R0=6
0x00002028    POP  {R1, R2, R4, PC} ; R1=3, R2=1, R4=2, PC=0x0000200A
    
```

(4) Part a. Give the state of the stack (SP and contents) after execution point A:



(6) Part b. Give the values stored in register R0-R4 and SP after execution point B:

R0 = <b>6</b>	R3 = <b>8</b>
R1 = <b>3</b>	R4 = <b>2</b>
R2 = <b>1</b>	SP = <b>0x20001008</b>

**(15) Question 7. Know how to Design**

You write an assembly function called **Expo**, which calculates  $A*B^C$ , where inputs are 32-bit integers.  $A$  and  $B$  are signed, and  $C$  is unsigned. The result will be a signed 32-bit number. You may ignore overflow,  $B$  and  $C$  will not both be zero. Follow AAPCS. The C prototype is

```
int32_t Expo(int32_t A, int32_t B, uint32_t C);
```

Your solution should correctly perform these input/output examples

$A, B, C$	Calculation	result	comment
-4, 12, 0	-4	-4	any nonzero raised to the 0 <sup>th</sup> power is 1
100, 0, 13	0	0	
3, 10, 4	$3*10*10*10*10$	30000	
7, -3, 5	$7*(-3)*(-3)*(-3)*(-3)*(-3)$	-1701	

```
;AAPCS places inputs A,B,C in R0,R1,R2
; places return result R in R0
A RN 0
B RN 1
C RN 2
R RN 3
Expo MOV R,A ;R=A
loop CMP C,#0 ;check C
BEQ done ;return R0=A if C==0
MUL R,R,B ;R=R*B
SUB C,#1 ;loop C times
B loop ;A*B*B*B...
done MOV R0,R ;return result
BX LR
Expo CMP R2,#0 ;check C
BEQ done ;return R0=A if C==0
MUL R0,R0,R1 ;R=R*B
SUB R2,#1 ;loop C times
B loop ;A*B*B*B...
done ;return result
BX LR
Expo MOV R3,#1 ;product of B*B*B...
loop CMP R2,#0 ;check C
BEQ done ;return R0=A if C==0
MUL R3,R3,R1 ;R=R*B
SUB R2,#1 ;loop C times
B loop
done MUL R0,R0,R3 ;A*B*B*B...
BX LR ;return result
```