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EE319K, Embedded Systems, Spring 2013 Final Exam

Directions There are 6 problems worth a total of 100 points. The number of points for each question is indicated. Make sure that you show all work since partial credit will be given. This exam is closed book, closed notes, and **no calculators are allowed**. You may not communicate in any way with anyone other than exam proctors during the exam time. Don't forget to put your name down on the first page.

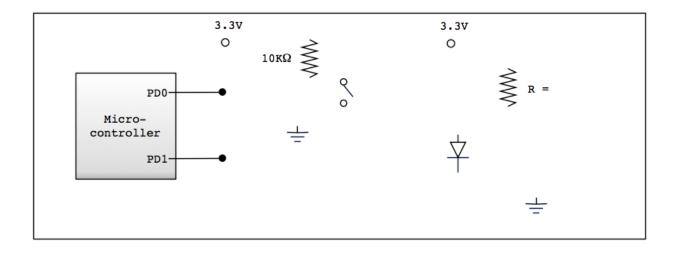
You have **3 hours** to finish the exam

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| | Points possible | Score |
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| Problem 4 | 15 | |
| Problem 5 | 20 | |
| Problem 6 | 15 | |
| Total | 100 | |

1. (15 points) Appropriately Interface a switch and an LED to pins PA0 and PA1 respectively so when the following code snippet is run the relationship between the switch and LED is a NOT logic. That is when the switch is on the LED is off and vice-versa. The LED's operating point is $V_d = 1.6V, I_d = 1mA$. You may or may not need all the circuit elements provided.

```
#define PA0 (*((volatile unsigned long *)0x40004004))
#define PA1 (*((volatile unsigned long *)0x40004008))
int main() {
    ... // Port A pin 0 is input and pin 1 is output
    while (1) {
        PA1 = PA0; // write switch logic state to LED
     }
}
```



- (a) What is the value of resistance R used to interface the LED?
- (b) What interface logic does did you use to connect the switch to the microcontroller?
- (c) What interface logic does did you use to connect the LED to the microcontroller?

2. (15 points) There are two parts to this question. First, complete the C subroutine below that takes a string of characters that are null terminated and returns the checksum of these characters. The checksum of a list of characters is defined as the bit-wise Exclusive-Or of all the characters together.

<u>Hint</u>: To perform the XOR of multiple characters you can do a bit-wise XOR of the first two characters and then perform a bit-wise XOR of the result with the third character and so on.

unsigned char ChkSum(unsigned char *array) {
 // Note: In C, arrays are implemented using pointers where an array is just a
 // pointer to the first element. array[i] access the i'th element of the array

}

For the second part, you are required to write assembly code that calls (call-by-reference) the above C subroutine from assembly. Include appropriate IMPORT and/or EXPORT statements and follow the AAPCS calling convention.

input SPACE 60 ; Storage for a null-terminated char array

; Assume input is initialized here and null terminated (you don't have to do)

; Setup call to ChkSum by passing it the appropriate information (call-by-reference)

JSR ChkSum

3. (20 points) In the following code, the stack is used for passing an input parameter, a return value, local variables, and, to save registers that the subroutine modifies. The subroutine makes use of two local variables, which are accessed using the stack pointer (SP) as the frame pointer. Read the comments to understand the code and pay attention to instructions to figure out the sizes of input/output parameters and variables. Note, the code below does not use AAPCS convention.

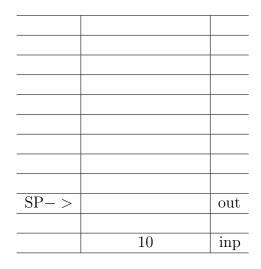
```
AREA
           DATA ; Memory address 0x2000.0000
Result
       SPACE 4
           |.text|, CODE, READONLY, ALIGN=2 ; Memory address 0x0000.0100
AREA
Count
           DCW 10
main
     LDR
           R0,=Count
     LDRH
           R1, [R0]
     STRH
           R1, [SP], #-2
                             ; Pass input on stack and post-decrement SP by 2
     SUB
            SP, #4
                             ; Allocate space for return value on stack
      JSR
            Sub
           R1, [SP, #nnn]
     LDR
                            ; get return value into reg R1
     LDR
           R0,=Result
     STR
           R1, [R0]
                             ; put returned value into global variable Result
      ADD
            SP, #6
                             ; De-Allocate input and output space
lp
     В
            lp
                             ; Loop indefinitely
     EQU
                             ; binding for input parameter
inp
           aaa
     EQU
           bbb
                             ; binding for return value
out
    EQU
                             ; binding for local variable sum
           ссс
sum
num
    EQU
           ddd
                             ; binding for local variable num
Sub
     PUSH
           \{R0,R1\}
                      ; save registers
     SUB
            SP, #6
                             ; Allocate space for sum and num
           RO, [SP, #inp]
                             ; get a copy of input parameter into RO
     LDRH
     STRH
           RO, [SP, #num]
                             ; set local variable num to passed input
     MUL
           R1, R0, R0
     STR
           R1, [SP, #sum]
                             ; change sum
     LDR
           RO, [SP, #sum]
           RO, [SP, #out]
--->
     STR
                             ; store sum into out to return
      ADD
            SP, #6
                             ; De-allocate locals
     POP
                      ; restore registers
            {R0,R1}
     ВΧ
           LR
      ALIGN
     END
```

(a) (10 points) What are the values of aaa, bbb, ccc, ddd and nnn?

| aaa | |
|-----|--|
| bbb | |
| ссс | |
| ddd | |
| nnn | |

(b) (10 points) Give the contents of the stack *after* line indicated by the arrow ---> is executed, along with where the Stack pointer (SP) points to. The stack state immediately preceding the subroutine call is shown.

<u>Notes</u>: (i) Each entry in the table is 2-bytes, (ii) you may or may not need all the locations in the table, (iii) if a variable is 4 bytes then fill its value in multiple locations

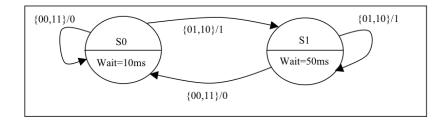


- 4. (15 points) Answer the following
 - (a) (5 points) Given two boards communicating using UART0 with a baud-rate set to 40 Kbps (kilo bits per sec). Assuming the one start bit and one stop bit are used per byte, how much time will it take to transmit a text file of size 10Mbytes?

(b) (5 points) Assuming the Bus cycle speed of 50MHz, what values must the registers UARTO_IBRD_R and UARTO_FBRD_R be set to for a baud-rate of 40 Kbps?

(c) (5 points) Assuming the Bus cycle speed of 50MHz, what should the register NVIC_ST_RELOAD_R be set to for the Systick interrupt to occur every 100ms?

5. (20 points) Given the following Mealy FSM:



<u>**Part**</u> a(10 points): Fill the blanks in the C code below that implements the FSM:

```
#define PA0 (*((volatile unsigned long *)0x40004004))
#define PA21 (*((volatile unsigned long *)0x40004018))
const struct State{
     _____Out[4];
                                        // Output to PAO
                                     // Wait time
     unsigned short wait;
     const struct State _____; // Next states
};
typedef const struct State StateType;
typedef StateType * StatePtr;
#define S0 _____
#define S1 _____
fsm[____] = {
   { _____}, // SO Transition table
   {_____} // S1 Transition table
};
   _____Pt; // Pointer to Current State
```

<u>Part b</u> (10 points): Assuming that the two bit input comes from pins PA1 and PA2 and the following Delay routine is given for you to call: void Delay(unsigned short); // Input is millisecs to wait Complete the following FSM controller routine (delay->input->output->state_change):

```
void FSMController() {
    while(1) {
```

}

}

- 6. (15 points) Answer the following
 - (a) (4 points) What is the purpose of the E pin in the HD44780 protocol for the LCD interface? What changes does one have to make to it when writing a character to the LCD?

(b) (4 points) In Lab8 where we had the background thread writing to the global variable ADCMail and the main program reading ADCMail. Why did this not cause a race condition?

(c) (4 points) If the input voltage is 1.0V, what value will the LM3S 10-bit ADC return?

(d) (2 points) If we want 25 unique levels from an *n*-bit DAC, what is the minimum n that can accompish this?

(e) (1 point) We enable the ADC clock by setting bit 16 of the SYSCTL_RCGCO_R register. [True/False]