

Midterm Exam S2

Computer Architecture

Duration: 1 hr 30 min

Answer on the answer sheet only.

Do not show any calculation unless you are explicitly asked.

Do not use red ink.

Exercise 1 (5 points)

Answer on the [answer sheet](#). Let us consider the following **10-bit** binary number: 1001011010_2 .

1. Write down its hexadecimal representation.
2. Assuming that it is an unsigned integer, write down its decimal representation.
3. Assuming that it is a signed integer, write down its decimal representation.

4. Write down the 8-bit binary representation of the following unsigned number: 128_{10} .
5. Write down the 8-bit binary representation of the following signed number: -128_{10} .

6. Determine the minimum number of bits required to encode the following unsigned number: 2^{42} ?
7. Determine the minimum number of bits required to encode the following signed number: -2^{42} ?
8. Determine the minimum number of bits required to encode the following signed number: 2^{42} ?

9. How many bytes does the value **1 Mib** contain? Use a power-of-two notation.
10. How many bits does the value **256 KiB** contain? Use binary prefixes (Ki, Mi or Gi) and choose the most appropriate prefix so that the integer numerical value will be as small as possible.

Exercise 2 (7 points)

1. Convert the numbers given on the [answer sheet](#) into their **single-precision** IEEE-754 representations. Write down the final result in its **binary form** and specify the three fields.
2. Convert the **double-precision** IEEE-754 words given on the [answer sheet](#) into their associated representations. If a representation is a number, use the base-10 following form: $k \times 2^n$ where k and n are integers (either positive or negative).

Exercise 3 (3 points)

For each question in this exercise, choose only one correct answer from these five:

- The output is always 0.
- The output is always 1.
- The output never changes.
- The output toggles on each negative edge of the clock signal.
- We do not know.

Let us consider a master-slave JK flip-flop:

1. How does the output behave if $J = K = 1$?
2. How does the output behave if $J = 1$ et $K = Q$?
3. How does the output behave if $J = \bar{Q}$ et $K = Q$?

Exercise 4 (5 points)

Complete the timing diagrams shown on the [answer sheet](#) (up to the last vertical dotted line) for the following circuits.

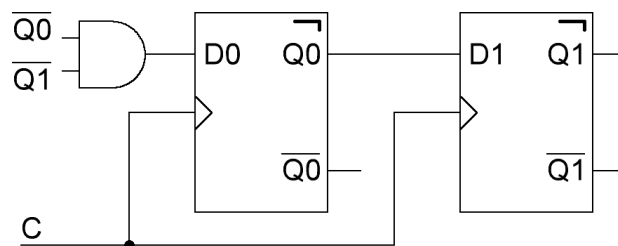


Figure 1

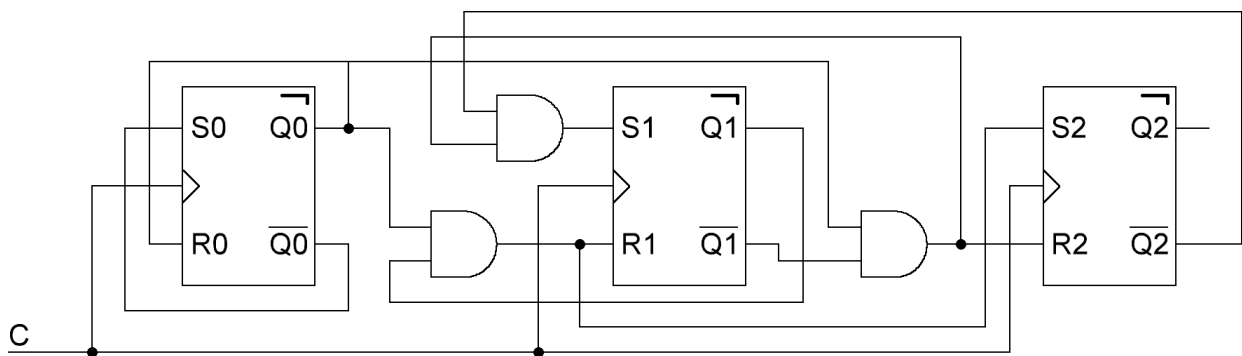


Figure 2

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ANSWER SHEET

Exercise 1

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| 1. | 6. |
| 2. | 7. |
| 3. | 8. |
| 4. | 9. |
| 5. | 10. |

Exercise 2

1.

| Number | S | E | M |
|--------|---|---|---|
| -88 | | | |
| 45.375 | | | |
| 0.375 | | | |

2.

| IEEE-754 Representation | Associated Representation |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 4321000000000000_{16} | |
| $FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF_{16}$ | |
| $7FF0000000000000_{16}$ | |
| 8002400000000000_{16} | |

Exercise 3

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| 1. |
| 2. |
| 3. |

Exercise 4

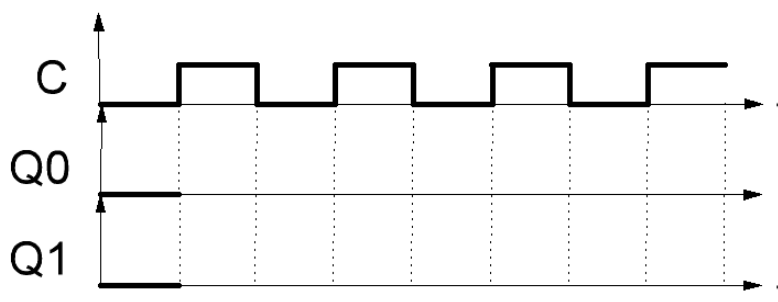


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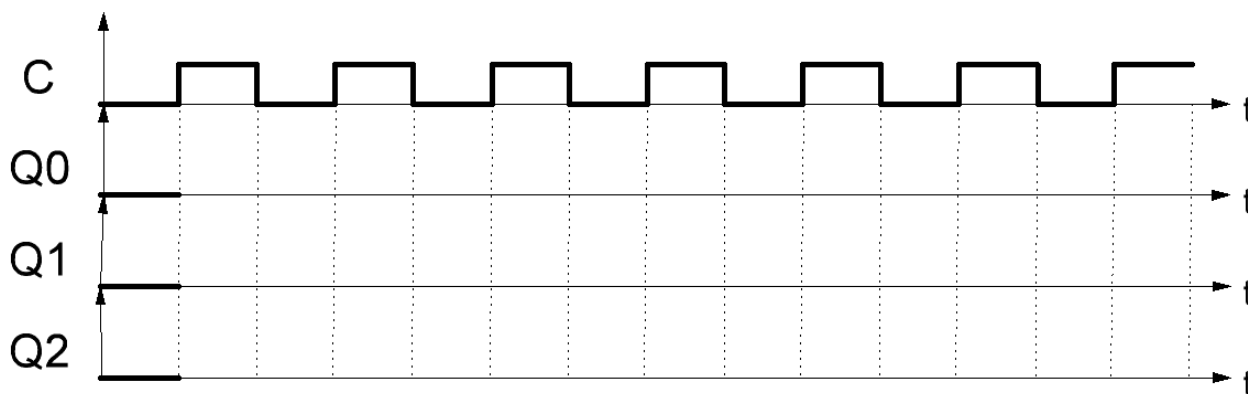


Figure 2

Feel free to use the blank space below if you need to: