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COE 301/ICS 233, Term 151

Computer Architecture & Assembly Language

Quiz# 1

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Q1. Fill the blanks in the following questions:

1. Assuming **5-bit 2's complement** representation, the smallest (negative) number is 10000 in binary and -16 in decimal and the largest (positive) number is 01111 in binary and +15 in decimal.
2. Consider an **8-bit** register that has the binary number 11010100. The decimal value of this number as a signed number in sign-magnitude representation is -84 while in 1's complement representation it is -43 and in 2's complement representation it is -44.
3. Assuming **8-bit 2's complement** representation, the hexadecimal number F4 represents the decimal number -12.
4. The binary number 11000100 represents character 'D', and uses an odd parity bit. Note that the ASCII code of character **A** is 41H and that of character **a** is 61H.

5. The need for a memory hierarchy is due to widening speed gap between CPU and main memory and also due to performance/cost tradeoff.
6. The instruction Pointer (IP) is a register that holds the address of the next instruction to be fetched from memory.
7. The instruction set architecture (ISA) is considered as an interface between software and hardware and consists of the instruction set, programmer accessible registers and memory.
8. Given a magnetic disk with the following properties:

- Rotation speed = 7200 RPM (rotations per minute)
- Average seek = 8 ms, Sector = 512 bytes, Track = 200 sectors

The average time to access a block of 100 consecutive sectors is 16.33 ms.

Average access time = Seek Time + Rotation Latency + Transfer Time

Rotation time in milliseconds =  $1000 \cdot 60 / 7200 = 8.33$  ms

Rotation Latency =  $8.33 / 2 = 4.167$  ms

Time to transfer 100 sectors =  $(100 / 200) \cdot 8.33 = 4.167$  ms

Average access time =  $8 + 4.167 + 4.167 = 16.33$  ms.

9. Two main advantages of programming in high-level language are: program development is faster and programs are portable.
10. Two main advantages of programming in assembly language are: space and time efficiency and accessibility to system hardware.