ICS 233, Term 142

Computer Architecture & Assembly Language Quiz# 2

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Q1. Fill in the blank in each of the following questions:

(1) Assuming that variable Array is defined as shown below:

Array: .byte 1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, 4, -4

After executing the following sequence of instructions, the content of the three registers is $t_1=0000003$, $t_2=ffffd03$, and $t_3=fc04fd03$.

la \$t0, Array lbu \$t1, 4(\$t0) lh \$t2, 4(\$t0) lw \$t3, 4(\$t0)

- (2) Assume that the instruction j NEXT is at address 0x0040002c in the text segment, and the label NEXT is at address 0x00400018. Then, the address stored in the assembled instruction for the label NEXT is 0x00400018/4=0x100006.
- (3) Assume that the instruction bne \$t0, \$t1, NEXT is at address 0x0040002c in the text segment, and the label NEXT is at address 0x00400018. Then, the address stored in the assembled instruction for the label NEXT is (0x00400018-(0x0040002c+4))/4=(0x00400018-0x00400030)/4=0xffffe8/4=0xfffa.

- (4) Assuming that \$a0 contains an Alphabetic character, the instruction <u>ori \$a0, \$a0,</u> <u>0x20</u> will guarantee that the character in \$a0 is always a lower case character. Note that the ASCII code of character 'A' is 0x41 while that of character 'a' is 0x61.
- (5) The pseudo instruction bge \$s2, \$s1, Next is implemented by the following minimum native MIPS instructions:

<u>slt \$at, \$s2, \$s1</u> <u>beq \$at, \$0, Next</u>

(6) To multiply the signed content of register \$t0 by 48.25 without using multiplications and division instructions, we use the following instructions:

<u>sll \$t1, \$t0, 5</u> <u>sll \$t2, \$t0, 4</u> <u>addu \$t1, \$t1, \$t2</u> <u>sra \$t2, \$t0, 2</u> <u>addu \$t0, \$t1, \$t2</u>

Q2. Write a MIPS assembly code fragment with minimum instructions to implement the following high level language code structure:

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i = 0;
size = 10;
while (i < size && A[i] !=0){
        A[i] = A[i + 1];
        i = i + 1;
}
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Assume that the assembler has assigned i to register \$\$0, size to register \$\$1, and has stored the address of array A in register \$\$2. Assume that A is an array of integers.

li \$s0, 0 li \$s1, 10 While: bge \$s0, \$s1, EndWhile lw \$t0, 0(\$s2) beq \$t0, \$0, EndWhile lw \$t1, 4(\$s2) sw \$t1, 0(\$s2) addiu \$s0, \$s0, 1 addiu \$s2, \$s2, 4 j While EndWhile: