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Title of Paper:

Computer Organisation I

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CS241

Time Allowed:

Three (3) hours

Instruction:

Answer all questions

Special Requirement:

Table of IJVM instructions (appended)

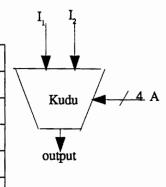
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1. [12]

An extract from a provisional data sheet of an experimental ALU is given here.

Data sheet for the Kudu ALU	Data	sheet	for	the	Kudu	ALU
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A_1	A ₂	A ₃	I_1	I_2	output
0	0	0			+
0	0	1			-
1	0	0			OR
0	1	0			XOR
1	1	1			AND



i) What function of I1 and I2 appears at the output for the following settings of A and I?

	A ₁	A ₂	A ₃	I_1	I_2
a)	1	0	1	1	0
b)	1	1	1	1	0
c)	0	0	0	0	1
d)	0	0	0	1	1
e)	0	1	0	1	1

ii) Do you have any comments on the content of the Kudu data sheet?

2. [13]

(i) Write the following Pascal statement

m := m - 1;

in:

- a) Java
- b) Java assembly language using only four instructions
- c) Java JVM machine code
- ii) If you were allowed more than four instructions in (b), what logic would you include?

3. [10]

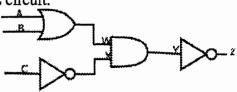
Why might a Java applet, loaded from somewhere in the world, corrupt your browser or operating system?

4. [15]

Explain fully, with a diagram, each of the following terms:

- a) pin-out
- b) pin 5 is asserted
- c) the address is present and stable

a) Write the truth table for this circuit:



b) Does this circuit implement a single NAND, AND, OR or NOR gate and if so, which one?

6. [15]

Asking at a fast-food outlet, an engineer says, "I want to order chicken dust or meat and pap." The fast-food vendor knows not, nor cares not, whether 'and' has precedence over 'or': to him, one interpretation is as good as another. Which of the following cases are valid interpretations of the order, taking the British English interpretation of 'or' to mean 'exclusive or'?

- a) just chicken dust
- b) just meat
- c) just pap
- d) meat and pap
- e) chicken dust and pap
- f) meat and chicken dust
- g) all three
- h) nothing

7. [20]

Differentiate between the philosophies of RISC and CISC.

Table of IJVM instructions

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hex	mnemonic	meaning
10	BIPUSH byte	push byte onto stack
59	DUP	copy top word on stack and push onto stack
A7	GOTO offset	unconditional branch
60	IADD	pop two words from stack; push their sum
7E	IAND	pop two words from stack; push Boolean AND
99	IFEQ offset	pop word from stack; branch if it is zero
9B	IFLT offset	pop word from stack; branch if it is less than zero
9F	IF_ICMPEQ offset	pop two words from stack; branch if equal
84	IINC varnum const	add a constant to a local variable
15	ILOAD varnum	push local variable onto stack
В6	INVOKEVIRTUAL disp	invoke a method
80	IOR	pop two words from stack; push Boolean OR
AC	IRETURN	return from method with integer value
36	ISTORE varnum	pop word from stack; store in local variable
64	ISUB	pop two words from stack; push their difference
13	LDC_W index	push constant from constant pool onto stack
00	NOP	do nothing
57	POP	delete word on top of stack
5F	SWAP	swap the top two words on the stack
C4	WIDE	prefix instruction; next instruction has 16-bit index

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