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FIRST SEMESTER M.TECH. (DEAC & ME) DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION NOV / DEC 2015

SUBJECT: PROCESSOR ARCHITECTURE & APPLICATIONS (ECE - 505)

TIME: 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 50

Instructions to candidates

- Answer **ANY FIVE** full questions.
- Missing data may be suitably assumed.
- 1A. Describe architectural overview of on chip memory of TMS320C62x DSP Processor.
- 1B. In a coherent multiprocessor scheme, four processors A, B, C, D and E are connected to a memory. Initial content of memory location X is 1. CPU A reads the content of memory location X and then writes 0 to X using write invalidate protocol. With a help of a table, narrate the bus activities and updating of contents in caches of different processors.
- 1C. Discuss circular addressing mode of a DSP Processor.

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- 2A. Describe different methods used, to overcome finite word length effects in a Digital Signal Processor.
- 2B. Discuss architecture and instructions of a processor, which uses registers for all vector operations except for load and store.
- 2C. A DSP has a circular buffer. Starting address = 0400h and End address = 040Fh. What are the new values of address pointer of buffer if in the course of address computation, it gets updated to i) 0412h b) 03FCh?

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3A. A superscalar pipelined machine, capable of fetching and decoding two instructions at a time, having three functional units (F1 & F2 are 2 integer + F3 is a 1 floating point) and having two instances of write back stages.

Given: Ten code segment (C1 to C10)

- C1 requires two cycles to execute
- C3 and C4 conflict for functional unit F3
- C5 depend on value produced by I4
- C5 and C6 conflict for functional unit F2
- C7 and C8 also conflict for functional unit F2
- C9 and C10 conflict for functional conflict for F1

Explain In order Issue, with, in Order completion instruction issue policy to implement the above code.

- 3B. Write programming model/architecture of a mixed signal microcontroller and discuss any one application.
- 3C. A 32 bit processor machine has remote memory access time 4000ns. Processors are stalled on remote request and cycle time of processors = 20ns. Base CPI= 6.0 and remote request rate = 0.5% of instructions. Calculate new CPI. Suppose a speed up overall = 100 and speed up enhanced = 200, what fraction of original computation can be sequential? Assume: Parallel with all processors and serial with one processor, in use.

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- 4A. Given: The sequence of 5 stage pipelined instructions.
 - a) $I_1 = lw $1,40 ($6)$
 - $I_2 = add \$6, \$2,\$2$
 - $I_3 = sw \$6, 50(\$1)$
 - b) $I_1 = \text{lw } \$5, -16 (\$5)$
 - $I_2 = \text{sw } \$5, -16 \ (\$5)$
 - $I_3 = add \$5, \$5, \$5$
 - i) Indicate dependencies and their types
 - ii) Assume there is no forwarding in this pipelined processor. Indicate hazards and add NOP instructions to eliminate them.
 - iii) Assume there is full forwarding. Indicate hazards and add NOP instructions to eliminate them.

Show with schematic diagrams.

- 4B. What is MMU? Explain the following, with necessary diagrams.
 - i) Different types of page tables.
 - ii) Different page table entries

Single step page table walk for 1 MB section page translation

4C. Explain Interrupt based I/O strategy with algorithm used for implementation.

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- 5A. Build a single cycle data path for implementing combined R –type and memory instructions.
- 5B. Compare Direct mapped cache, set associative cache and fully associated cache, with necessary examples and diagrams.
- 5C. Discuss overflow / underflow solutions associated with MAC unit in a DSP Processor.

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- 6A. Discuss different types of cache memory optimization techniques.
- 6B. With regard to parallel architecture of processors, describe
 - i) SISD
- ii) SIMD
- iii) MISD
- iv) MIMD

Centralized shared Memory architecture

- vi) Distributed memory architecture
- 6C. For the following pipelined instructions, with schematic diagram, discuss how program executes if
 - i) Branch not taken
 - ii) Branch taken
 - 20 beq \$1, \$3, 48
 - 24 sub \$12, \$2, \$5
 - 28 add \$13, \$6, \$2
 - 32 or \$14, \$2, \$2

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64 lw \$15,\$16,\$17

68 sub \$4, 50 (\$7)

72 sw \$22, \$23, \$24

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