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**Instructions**

The exam is closed book, closed notes. You may *not* use a calculator, cell phone, etc.

For each of the questions of this quiz, you can assume the following sizes for C data types:

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For the following questions, you can assume that my home directory is the `jfiore` directory.

1. Unix shell stuff.

(a) (1 point) If I’m in my home directory *i.e.*, `/home/jfiore`, what command can I type in order to run the C compiler on `prog.c`, but not the linker?

(b) (1 point) If I’m in my home directory, what’s the one command that I can type in order to create a `files` directory within the assignment 1 directory?

(c) (1 point) What command can I type to see a list of all of the files in my current directory?

(d) (1 point) If I’m in my home directory, what’s the one command that I can type to move `prog.c` to the `files` directory inside assignment 2?

(e) (1 point) If I run the command `gcc -E prog.c` to run the preprocessor only on `prog.c`, what does the resulting file contain *i.e.*, how is it different from `prog.c`?

exam continues...
2. Some conversions.

(a) 104 tbytes = ? kbits

(b) 3 minutes = ? microseconds

(c) 48 mbytes = ? tbytes

(d) 128 mbytes = ? kbits

(e) 1 hour = ? nanoseconds

3. Convert $246_{10}$ to:

(a) base 2

(b) base 16

4. Using the approximation trick that we talked about in class, about how much are each of the following?

(a) $2^{31}$

(b) $2^{29}$

(c) $2^{43}$
(2 points) 5. What is $111101011_2 + 11101110_2$ in base 2?

\[
\begin{array}{cccccccc}
1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\
+ & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
\end{array}
\]

(2 points) 6. What is $3967_{16} + 2E67_{16}$ in base 16?

\[
\begin{array}{ccccccc}
3 & 9 & 6 & 7 & B & 7 \\
+ & 2 & E & 6 & 7 \\
\end{array}
\]

7. data representation. For these questions, please remember to answer in hex, not binary.

(1 point) (a) In hex, what is the smallest integer that can be represented by a 16-bit two’s complement int?

(a) __________

(1 point) (b) In hex, what is the largest integer that can be represented by a 16-bit two’s complement int?

(b) __________

(1 point) (c) In hex, what is the largest integer that can be represented by a 16-bit unsigned int?

(c) __________

(1 point) (d) In hex, what is $-1$ as a 16-bit two’s complement int?

(d) __________

(2 points) 8. What is printed by the following?

```c
char x = 50;
char signed_prod;
unsigned char unsigned_prod;

signed_prod = x*3;
unsigned_prod = x*3;

printf("%d\n", signed_prod);
printf("%u\n", unsigned_prod); /* recall that %u means to print as unsigned */
```

points: _______

out of a possible 10
9. **Some bit operations.** If we have `char x = 0x53, y = 0xF9;`, what is the result of the following operations? Your answer must be in the form of exactly two hex digits\(^1\).

(1 point) (a) `x|y`

(a) ____________

(1 point) (b) `x||y`

(b) ____________

(1 point) (c) `x<<2`

(c) ____________

(1 point) (d) `~x`

(d) ____________

(1 point) (e) `x&0x0F`

(e) ____________

(1 point) (f) `x^y`

(f) ____________

(1 point) (g) `x&&1`

(g) ____________

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\(^1\)Ignore the possibility of promotion to 32-bit ints. Behave as though we're living in the land of 8-bit arithmetic.
10. For this question, we’re doing 5-bit two’s complement representation of integers. Fill in the empty boxes in the following table. Addition and subtraction should be performed based on the rules for 5-bit, two’s complement arithmetic. Recall that in your book’s notation, TMin is defined to be the smallest negative two’s complement number that we can represent, and TMax is the largest positive one.

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11. If I have the following:

```c
int main(void)
{
    int a=10;
    int b=20;

    int *p=&b;
    int *q=p;

    (*p)++;
    q++;
}
```

and memory is laid out like this:

|   | q 1000 | p 1004 | b 1008 | a 1012 |

what do you see if you print:

(a) (1 point) a

(a) __________

(b) (1 point) &a

(b) __________

points: _______ 5 of 11 question 11 continues...
12. fun with floats

(3 points) (a) How would we represent the number 191.6875₁₀ in fixed-point binary?

(1 point) (b) Normalize your answer from part (a).

(3 points) (c) How would 191.6875₁₀ be stored in a C 32-bit float variable? (Remember that for 32-bit floats, the bias value is 127.)
13. **Recognizing the value of a floating-point variable.** In this question, consider 6-bit floating-point numbers. Two bits are used for the mantissa and 3 bits for the exponent.

(a) (1 point) For a 3-bit exponent field, what is the bias?

(b) (3 points) What floating-point value does the bit string 0 01 001 represent, where 0 is the sign bit, 01 is the mantissa and 001 is the exponent? Please show all work.
14. Use the following code to answer the questions.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

typedef struct {
    int x;
    int *p;
    int A[3];
} Stuff;

void func01(int[]);
void func02(char*);
void func03(char*);
void func04(Stuff);

int main(void) {
    int A[]={10,20,30};
    int i=40;
    Stuff s;
    char msg[100];
    s.x=50;
    s.p=&i;
    s.A[0]=60;
    strcpy(msg, "aspirin");
    func01(A);
    func02(msg);
    func03(msg);
    func04(s);
    return 0;
}

void func01(int[]) {
    A[0]++;
}

void func02(char*) {
    strcpy(s, "half way there");
}

void func03(char*) {
    s = malloc(10);
    strcpy(s, "coffee");
}

void func04(Stuff) {
    s.x=5555;
    *(s.p)=4040;
    s.p=(int*)malloc(sizeof(int));
    *(s.p)=4444;
    s.A[0]=6666;
}
```

(a) How many bytes are passed to the function `func01()`?

(b) How many bytes are passed to the function `func02()`?

(c) How many bytes are passed to the function `func04()`?

(d) What is the value of each of the following after `func04()` has been called?

(d) A[0]

(e) i

(f) s.x

(g) *(s.p)

points: _______  out of a possible 7  8 of 11 question 14 continues...
(1 point) (h) s.A[0]

(h) ____________

(1 point) (i) msg (What’s the string?)

(i) ____________

(7 points) 15. Write a function which is passed an int A[ ] of positive integers and A’s length. The function returns the largest item in A. Do not use the [ ] operator.

16. big-endian/little-endian

(7 points) (a) Write a function called is_big_endian() which returns 1 if the machine running the function is big endian or 0 otherwise.
(b) If we’re on a 32-bit little-endian machine and int x has the value 0x01234567, and x is stored starting at address 1000, what is the value of the byte stored at address 1002?

17. (7 points) Write a function caps( ) which is passed a string s. The function returns a copy of s, but with the first letter of each word capitalized. If s is NULL or if an error is encountered, the function returns NULL. It is up to the caller to free any memory allocated by caps( ).

18. (10 points) Write a program which reads text from STDIN until EOF is entered. The program prints the length of the longest word and the longest line in the file. (Be careful. You don’t need to print the longest line and longest word – just their length.)