

CS 6901 Capstone Exam Systems Spring 2017: Choose any 2 of the 3 problems.

1) Design a fully simplified 3-bit mod 6 down counter with your choice of T, JK, or D flip-flops. The circuit decrements at each clock pulse, going through the sequence

0, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, 5, 4, 3, ...

Show the circuit diagram.

2) Consider the following page replacement algorithms: FIFO (first in first out) and LRU (least recently used). Logical memory has 10 pages (pages 0 .. 9), while physical memory consists of 4 frames (frames 0 .. 3). The page reference string begins with 2, 6, 5, 7 to fill the four frames. Each part begins from this same initial point.

On your solution page, show the 2 frame traces for each part.

a) Continue the page reference string with at most 3 additional terms where LRU will result in strictly fewer page faults than FIFO.

ref. str.:	2	6	5	7	_	_	_	

	2	2	2	2				
		6	6	6				LRU
			5	5				
				7				

	2	2	2	2				
		6	6	6				FIFO
			5	5				
				7				

b) Continue the page reference string with at most 3 additional terms where FIFO will result in strictly fewer page faults than LRU.

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	2	2	2	2				
		6	6	6				LRU
			5	5				
				7				

	2	2	2	2				
		6	6	6				FIFO
			5	5				
				7				

3) Consider the Readers/Writers problem with a single writer. Any number of readers can examine a file and the writer is only allowed access when there are no active readers. Consider the following incorrect solution. The common variables and their initializations are given by:

```
semaphore wrt=1;
int readcount=0;
```

Code for the writer and the readers:

```
writer()
{
    wait(wrt);
    //Do the writing
    signal(wrt);
}

reader()
{
    if(readcount==0)wait(wrt);
    readcount++;
    //Do the Reading
    readcount--;
    if(readcount==0)signal(wrt);
}
```

Give an execution sequence where a reader and the writer have access at the same time.

CS 6901 Capstone Exam Data Structures and Algorithms Spring 2017

Choose any 2 of the 3 problems.

1) Given a possibly empty binary tree containing character data, write a function that returns the number of left children in the tree. The prototype for your function should be

```
int LeftCount(TreeNode *ptr) .
```

Global variables may not be used. Declare all data structures.

2) Given a possibly empty singly linked list, write a function that reverses the last 4 nodes of the list (without altering the earlier nodes). If the given list has fewer than 5 nodes, the entire list should be reversed. The prototype for your function should be

```
void Reverse4(NodeType *ptr) .
```

3) Solve the recurrence relation $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + (n-1)$ where $T(1) = 0$ and $n = 2^k$ for a nonnegative integer k . Your answer should be a precise function of n in closed form. An asymptotic answer is not acceptable. Justify your solution.

Theory Exam

Answer **ANY TWO** of the following three questions:

1. A certain programming language P defines a comment as delimited by $/\#$ and $\#/$. Let the alphabet $\Sigma = \{a, b, /, \#\}$ and let C be the set of all comments that begin with $/\#$, end with $\#/$, and contain no intervening $\#/$. The shortest legal string in L is therefore $/\#\#/$.
 - a. (10 points) Give a deterministic finite automaton (DFA) that recognizes legal comments C in the language P .
 - b. (10 points) Write a context-free grammar (CFG) that generates legal comments C in the language P .
2. Consider the language $L = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a Turing machine that accepts the string } w = 0011 \}$.

- a. (5 points) Is L decidable or undecidable?
- b. (15 points) Prove your answer above using reducibility. You may assume that the following languages are known to be undecidable:

$$\text{HALT}_{\text{TM}} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle : M \text{ is a Turing machine that halts on } w \}$$

$$A_{\text{TM}} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle : M \text{ is a Turing machine that accepts } w \}$$

You may not use Rice's Theorem.

3. For each decision problem listed below, answer:
 - i. Is the problem in the class **NP**?
 - ii. Is the problem **NP-complete**?

Scoring: each correct answer given is +2, each incorrect answers given is -1, no answer given is 0]

DO NOT GUESS!

- a. Given a graph G , does G contains a 3-clique?

(a 3-clique is a subgraph of G that is fully connected or complete on 3 vertices)

- b. Given two integers n and m , are n and m relatively prime?

(two integers are relatively prime if their greatest common divisor is 1)

c. Given a graph G and a number k , is the largest clique in G of size k ?

(a clique is a subgraph of G that is a complete graph)

d. Given a Boolean expression E , are there are exactly two truth assignments that satisfy E ?

(a Boolean expression is satisfiable if some assignment of variables makes it true)

e. Given a set of students $N = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{|N|}\}$, a set of final exams $M = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{|M|}\}$, a mapping $f: N \rightarrow P(M)$ showing the specific subset of exams each student is taking, and a number t of possible time slots for the exams, is it possible to schedule the exams into the t time slots such that no student has two of his or her exams assigned to the same time slot?