



## 排序題

- (1) (5%排序題，順序全對才給分) Please give the correct order of starting up a modern computer system:
- BIOS executes Power-On Self-Test (POST) to initialize the hardware devices
  - Initialize the OS kernel and bring up applications
  - The boot loader loads the image of an operating system kernel into RAM
  - BIOS searches for an operating system to boot

## 問答及計算題

- (2) (5%) RAID 1 has the highest check disk overhead among RAID levels 1, 3 and 5. On the other hand, RAID 3 and 5 have the same throughput for large writes. True or false?
- (3) (10%) In synchronous processor-memory I/O bus system, the synchronous bus clock cycle time is 50 ns, each bus transmission takes 1 clock cycle, and data bus is 32-bits wide. Find the bandwidth when performing one-word reads from a 200-ns memory.
- (4) (10%) Design a three-bit Booth's algorithm.
- (5) (5%) Cache thrashing occurs if main memory is accessed in a pattern that leads to multiple main memory locations competing for the same cache lines. This is most problematic for caches that have high associativity. True or false?
- (6) (25%) Assume that a 4-way 32KB cache has 128 sets. For a 32-bit architecture, calculate the following: (Please show how you get your answers)
- The cache line size (in bytes)? (5%)
  - How many bits are used for each tag field? (5%)
  - How many bits are used for each index field? (5%)
  - How big the entire tag array (in bytes) is needed? (5%)
  - Now the cache is changed from a 4-way 32KB cache to a fully-associative 32KB cache. For the same 32-bit architecture, how big the entire array (in bytes) is needed? (5%)
- (For (D) and (E), just the tags, you don't need to account for valid, dirty or LRU bits.)
- (7) (10%) Consider a computer has clock rate of 2 GHz. The CPI with a perfect cache is 4. The cache miss penalty is 50 ns. Assume the cache miss rate is 10%. Calculate the following: (Please show how you get your answers)
- What is the actual CPI? (5%)
  - If a second level cache with the 1<sup>st</sup> level miss penalty 5ns is added, the miss rate to the main memory is reduced to 5%. What is the actual CPI? (5%)
- (8) (20%) Consider a computer system with a 500MHz-Clock processor. Its hard disk transfers data in 4-word (16-byte) chunks and can transfer at 4 MB/sec without any transfer lost.
- If the system use interrupt-driven I/O, the overhead for each transfer, including the interrupt, is 500 clock cycles. Find the fraction of the processor consumed if the hard disk is only transferring data 5% of the time. (10%)
  - If the system uses DMA to transfer data, the initial setup of a DMA transfer takes 1000



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clock cycles for the processor, and it assumes the handling of the interrupt at DMA completion requires 500 clock cycles for the processor. The hard disk has a transfer rate 4 MB/sec and use DMA. If the average transfer from the disk is 8KB, what fraction of the processor consumed if the hard disk is actively transferring 100% of the time? Ignore any impact from bus contention between the processor and DMA controller. (10 %)

(9) (10%) Consider a pipeline system.

A. Identify all of the data dependencies in the following code. (5 %)

B. Which dependencies are data hazard that can be resolved via forwarding? (5 %)

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sub $2, $1, $3
and $12, $2, $5
or $13, $6, $2
add $14, $2, $2
sw $15, 100($2)
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