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### EECS 1520.03 COMPUTER USE: Fundamentals Test 1 – Version A

#### Instructions:

- This is an in class examination, therefore examination rules are in effect.
- Fill in the box at the top of this page, and print your ID# at the top of each odd numbered page.
- Answer ALL questions.
- Time allowed is **50** minutes.
- Use of all electronic devices is **PROHIBIED**.
- There are **5** pages of questions in addition to the cover.  
Please count them.

<u>Part</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Mark</u>
A	5	_____
B	7	_____
C	2	_____
D	5	_____
E	5	_____
F	1	_____
G	15	_____
H	10	_____
<b>Total:</b>	<b>50</b>	_____

## Part A [5 points]

For each of these concepts, write the generation in which it was first used into the blank, and circle the history (**hardware** or **software**) to which it belongs.

assembly languages	_____1	hardware / software
magnetic disks	_____2	hardware / software
spreadsheets	_____4	hardware / software
transistors used as memory	_____3	hardware / software
World Wide Web	_____5	hardware / software

## Part B [7 points]

A pattern of binary digits can be interpreted in several different ways.

Show how the pattern **01101110** translates using each of the following interpretations.

unsigned integer	110
integer in 2's complement notation	+110
integer in excess notation	-18
Hexadecimal short form	6E
Octal short form	156
floating point notation	+3½
ASCII	n

## Part C [2 points]

- In EECS1520, how many of a student's test grades can be annulled?
  - None
  - Only Test 2
  - Only Test 1
  - 0, 1, or 2
- At what point in the course can a student in EECS1520 annul a test grade?
  - Before the test
  - At the end of the term
  - Immediately after the test
  - Never

## Part D [5 points]

- 1) The process of converting sound to digital data is called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) digitizing
  - b) reset
  - c) encoding
  - d) **sampling**
  - e) reclocking
  
- 2) The process of correcting degradation to digital data is called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) digitizing
  - b) reset
  - c) encoding
  - d) sampling
  - e) **reclocking**
  
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ removes redundant information from within a frame of a video.
  - a) Huffman encoding
  - b) Keyword encoding
  - c) Run length encoding
  - d) **Spatial compression**
  - e) Temporal compression
  
- 4) A discrete representation, breaking the information up into separate elements.
  - a) analog data
  - b) **digital data**
  
- 5) Data can be retrieved without any loss of the original information.
  - a) **lossless**
  - b) lossy

Part E [5 points]

This partial worksheet generates random values that can be mapped onto Heads or Tails.

<b>Random_Bit</b>	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Heads_or_Tails</b>	Heads	Heads	Tails	Tails	Heads	Heads	Heads	Heads

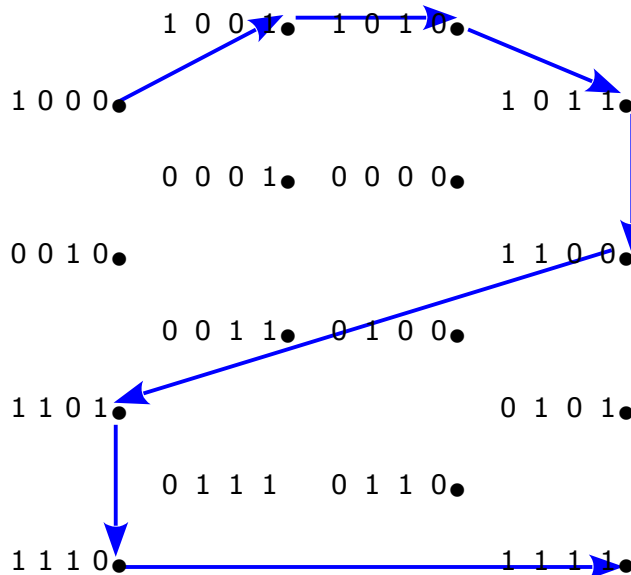
1. Write a **single** Excel formula that will generate each **Random\_Bit** when copied to the other cells. [3]

= [INT\( RAND\(\) \\* 2\)](#)

2. In Excel, a formula on one worksheet that reads data from another worksheet
  - a) can only use relative addressing
  - b) cannot use LOOKUP
  - c) is called a "between the sheets formula"
  - d) [is called an "intersheet formula"](#)
  - e) is illegal
3. An Excel worksheet that contains instructions for the spreadsheet model would usually be called:
  - a) [Comments](#)
  - b) Parameters
  - c) Graph
  - d) Summary
  - e) Main Data

Part F [1 point] – Join the Dots

The dots below are labelled (on the left) in **2's Complement** notation. Connect the dots that have **negative** numbers as labels. Start with the smallest value and proceed to the largest.



## Part G [15 points]

- 1) In 8-bit, 2's complement notation, how many of the bit patterns represent negative numbers?[1]

128

- 2) Perform the following calculation in Binary:[1]

$$\begin{array}{r} 0011.0001 \\ + 0001.0011 \\ \hline 0100.0100 \end{array}$$

- 3) Express the above answer as a proper fraction in decimal.[1]

$4\frac{1}{4}$

- 4) Show how to encode this value in 8-bit binary Floating Point notation.[1]

Not possible! 011110001 is 9 bits

Award a mark for this, or 01111000, or 01111001, or for saying "not possible".

- 5) Show how a computer would use 8 bit binary notation to compute the following. [5]

$49 / 23$

23 converts to	00010111	
So -23 is	11101001	1
49 converts to	<u>00110001</u>	1
Add 49 and -23	1 00011010	1
The remainder is larger than the divisor so add -23 again	<u>11101001</u>	
	10 00000011	2

- 6) Perform the following calculation in Binary.[6]

$25 * 36$

$= 25 * (32 + 4)$		1
$= 25 * 2^5 + 25 * 2^2$		1
25 converts to	11001	1
$*2^5$	1100100000	1
$*2^2$	1100100	1
Add them	1110000100	1

## Part H [10 points] – Short!! Answer

- 1) If the "\*" is the flag character in a run-length encoding scheme, how would the following string be compressed?

XXXXXXXXYYYYAAABBBBZZ  
\*X7\*Y4AAA\*B4ZZ

- 2) What is the compression ratio achieved by this process?

14/20 or .7 or 70%

- 3) Using the same run-length encoding scheme, unpack the following:

XX\*Y8XX\*14XX  
XXYYYYYYYYXX1111XX

- 4) Use the following Huffman alphabet to decode the string.

a = 00 r = 1111 d = 110 e = 1110 c = 01 t = 10  
1111001011100010010010  
rateatcat

- 5) Using the same Huffman alphabet, encode the following:

"crate"  
01111100101110

- 6) What compression ratio was achieved by this encryption?

Original size: 5 characters @ 8 bits each = 40 bits  
14/40 or .35 or 35%

- 7) What is the word that refers to the number of pixels used to represent a picture?

resolution

- 8) Our retinas have three types of colour photoreceptor cells that respond to different sets of frequencies. To what colours do the photoreceptor categories correspond?

red, green, blue

- 9) The storage of image information on a pixel-by-pixel basis is called

raster graphics

- 10) If an image's size is 100 X 250 pixels, and is stored in Hi-Color format, how many bytes of memory are needed to store the image without compression?

125 \* 200 = 25,000 pixels \* 2 bytes/pixel = 50,000 bytes