Final Exam

Name: SSN (last 4 digits):

Total is 100 points.

You must show all of your work -- partial credit may be given to partially correct answers, while answers with no justification may not receive full points. Use the back of the exam sheets if you need extra space.

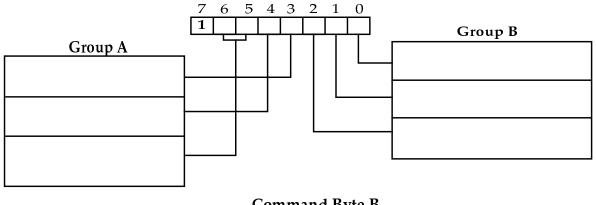
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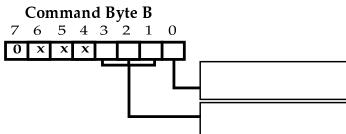
This exam is 10 pages long and has 4 questions.

1) a) (6 pts) Briefly explain using timing diagram, Mode 1 Strobed Input mode of the 8255 Programmable Peripheral Interface.

b) (4 pts) Fill in the boxes with definitions of bit(s) for the two 8255 command bytes.

Command Byte A 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

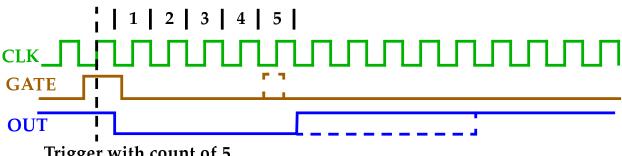




- 1) c) (5 pts)
- i) (3 pts) Briefly explain the three basic steps for programming a keyboard interface using the 8279 Programmable Keyboard/Display Interface.

ii) (2 pts) How do you determine that a key is pressed when interfacing the keyboard with a 8279?





Trigger with count of 5

i (3 pts) Name and briefly explain the mode of operation for the 8254 given the following timing diagram for the CLK, GATE and OUT connections of one of the counters.

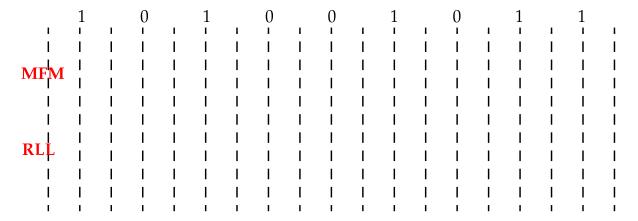
ii) (2 pts) Give the timing diagram for the OUT pin given that the gate is held at 1. The 8254 is programmed in Mode 4 (software triggered one-shot) and a count of 8 is loaded.



- 1) (e) (5 pts)
- i) (2 pts) Explain the line control register and the status line register in the 16550 Programmable Communications Interface?

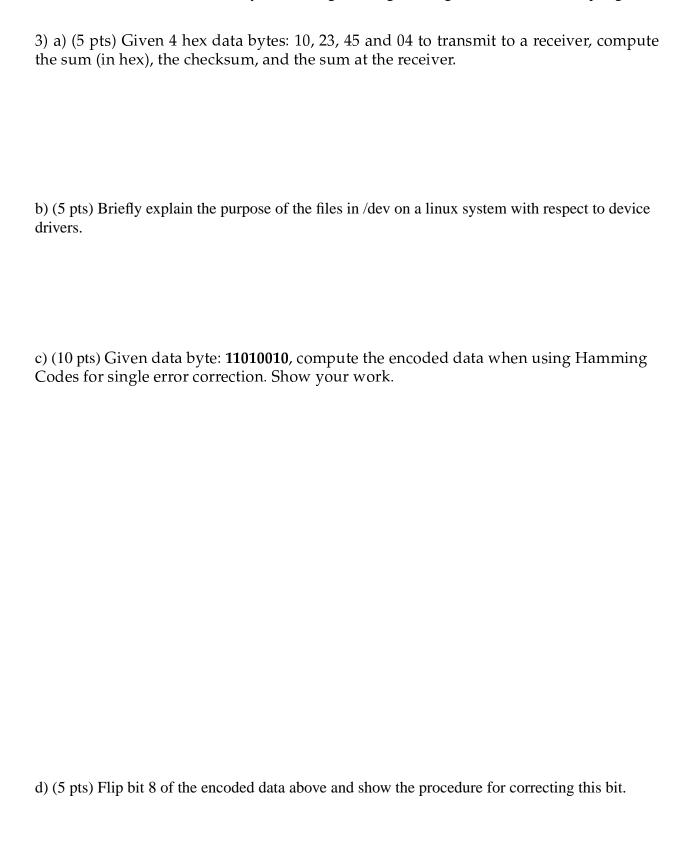
ii) (3 pts) List and explain briefly the types of error that can be encountered when using the 16550?

2) (a) (5 pts) Given the data stream 101001011, give the encoded data streams using the MFM and RLL encoding schemes..

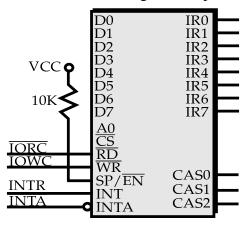


(b) (5 pts) Describe the architecture required to implement an 8-bit per pixel depth in a video card capable of displaying 256K possible colors. Be sure to include a description of the palette and the DACs.

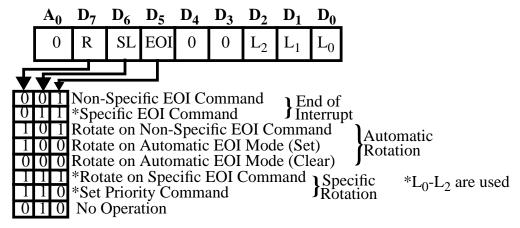
(c) (5 pts) Compute the time available for horizontal and vertical retrace given the following data. No. of pixels per line = 640, number of raster lines = 400, Time to paint one pixel = 40ns, Horizontal time = 31.5 kHz, Vertical time = 70.1 Hz.
(d) (6 pts) List and name the different type of bus interfaces and give their data bus lengths (all possible) and maximum operational speeds or data transfer rates.
(2 pts) Briefly explain how Plug-and-Play is implemented within the PCI bus architecture.
(2 pts) Give the encoded data stream transmitted using the USB interface for the given digital data stream.
Digital Data



4) a) (5 pts) What is the purpose of the CAS0 through CAS2 pins on the 8259A.



b) (10 pts).



- i) (5 pts) Briefly distinguish between Non-specific EOI and specific EOI
- ii) (2 pts) Briefly explain the Set Priority Command.
- iii) (3 pts) Briefly explain Rotating Priority.

c) (4 pts) List the four types of interrupts that can be generated by the 16550.

d) (6 pts) Briefly explain two alternative schemes of handling multiple hardware interrupts without using the 8259A.

EXTRA CREDIT (10 pts). Given the generator polynomial:

$$G(X) = X^{16} + X^{15} + X^2 + 1$$

and the following 16-bit data stream: $26F0H = 0010\ 0110\ 1111\ 0000$, compute the remainder appended to the data stream using CRC error detection scheme.