

(1) (20 points)

The W&W Technology has invented an advanced 64M-bit embedded DRAM core (the WW6416), which has a 16-bit data buffer (i.e. this is a 4M x 16-bit DRAM core). The WW6416 has an amazing 4K x 16K memory-cell array, and the following control inputs: *RAS*, *CAS*, *WE*, and *OE*.

- Specify the sizes (in number of bits) of the data buffer, row address buffer, and column address buffer of the WW6416.
- Use the WW6416 as the basic component and design an 8M x 64-bit RAM. Draw its block diagram.

(2) (10 points)

Define and briefly explain the following terms: (a) cache memory, (b) flash memory, (c) bus protocol, (d) clock skew, (e) latency.

(3) (20 points)

A full adder has three inputs: the two input number bits x_i , y_i and a carry in from previous stage c_i , and two outputs: the sum bit s_i and carry out c_{i+1} . Write down the logic expression of s_i and c_{i+1} . Design a 4-bit carry-lookahead adder using the full adder and appropriate logic gates for generation and propagation signals.

- Using the 4-bit carry-lookahead adder as building blocks, design a 16-bit adder with carry lookahead technique applied between the 4-bit adder blocks.
- Assume that the propagation delay of each logic gate (AND, OR, NOT) is τ , what is the total propagation delay of the 16-bit adder in (b)?

(4) (15 points)

If you have two 4-bit adders and some basic logic gates like AND, OR, XOR, etc., design an eight-bit binary add-subtract network with overflow signal indicating an overflow condition.

(5) (15 points)

A byte-addressable computer has a small data cache capable of holding eight 32-bit words. Each cache block consists of one 32-bit word. When a given program is executed, the processor reads data from the following sequence of hex addresses:

200, 204, 208, 20C, 2F4, 2F0, 200, 204, 218, 21C, 24C, 2F4

This pattern is repeated four times. Show the contents of the cache at the end of each pass through this loop if a direct-mapped cache is used. Assume that the cache is initially empty.

(6) (20 points)

Compare 0- and 1-address machines by writing programs to compute

$$X = (A + B * C) / (D - E * F)$$

for each of the two machines. The instructions available for use are as follows:

0 Address

PUSH M
POP M
ADD
SUB
MUL
DIV

1 Address

LOAD M
STORE M
ADD M
SUB M
MUL M
DIV M

M is a 16-bit memory address. The 0-address machine uses a stack and the 1-address machine uses an accumulator. Assuming 8-bit opcodes and instruction lengths that are multiples of 4 bits, how many bits does each machine need to compute X?