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Quiz #3

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Question #1 (15 Points): consider a processor to be developed with the following characteristics

- It has multiple instruction formats; each instruction is 32-bit.
- It has a register set; each register is 32-bit.
- It has a unified byte-addressable memory

The following is the R-Type arithmetic and logic instruction format

Opcode (6 bits)Rd (5 bits)Ra (5 bits)Rb or Signed Immediate (16 bits)

The following is the load/store instruction format

Opcode (6 bits)	Rd (5 bits)	Memory Address (21 bits)
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The following is a snapshot of a part of this processor's memory. Assume that instructions start at address 200, data start at address 217, and the memory content is in hexadecimal

Address	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216
Content	18	01	88	12	FA	0E	3B	5E	00	12	45	87	FA	0B	A3	55	60
Address	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233
Content	45	AB	FF	39	C4	48	E0	1F	79	08	01	20	EC	FD	19	03	11

Answer the following questions:

1. (2 points) What is the maximum number of instructions this processor can have?

The maximum number of instructions = maximum number of possible opcodes = $2^{number of bits to represent opcode}$ = $2^6 = 64$ instructions

2. (2 points) What is the maximum number of registers this processor can have?

The maximum number of registers = $2^{number of bits to represent register number}$ = $2^5 = 32$ registers

3. (2 points) What is the maximum memory size (in MB) this processor can address?

The maximum addressable memory size = $2^{number of bits}$ in the memory address = $2^{21} = 2 \text{ MB}$

4. (2 points) What is the range of the signed immediate operand value this processor can have?

The data has 16-bit width. Thus range is:

 $-2^{n-1} \xrightarrow{} 2^{n-1} - 1 \xrightarrow{} -2^{15} \xrightarrow{} 2^{15} - 1$

- 5. (4 points) Assume that lb instruction loads one byte from memory to the least significant part of the destination register, lh loads half word, and lw loads one word. Assume little endianness, what is the content of the first five registers in hexadecimal after executing the following sequence of instructions, assuming the initial values of registers are zeros?
 - lw R1, 220 lb R0, 220 lh R4, 230
 - lw R7, 210

Register No.	Content in Hexadecimal
R0	0x0000039
R1	0xE048C439
R2	0x0000000
R3	0x0000000
R4	0x000019FD

6. (**3 points**) Assume PC = 200, what is the content of the PC and the IR registers after executing the instruction that the PC points to

PC	204
IR	0x18018812