

CPSC 121: Models of Computation
Quiz #1: Section 203, February 4, 2009

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

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- You have **30 minutes** to write the 4 questions on this quiz.
- A total of **16 marks** are available. You may want to complete what you consider to be the easiest questions first!
- Ensure that you clearly indicate a single legible answer for each question.
- You are allowed a single 8.5" x 11" reference sheet. The sheet must have your name on it and may contain any content you like. Otherwise, no notes, aides, or electronic equipment are allowed.
- Good luck!

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1 Describing Relationships with Predicate Logic [4 marks]

Definitions: Let I be the set of all valid input text. Let P be the set of all valid Java programs. Let $\text{Runs}(p, i)$ mean that program p runs to completion on input text i . (In other words, we start up program p and then type in the input text i . If the program ever stops, it runs to completion. If it never stops for some reason, then it does not run to completion.)

Using these definitions, translate the following statement into predicate logic:

Not every program runs to completion on every input.

3 Number Representation [4 marks]

Suppose we are willing to allocate 64 bits to represent integers. Consider the trade-offs (i.e., the pros and cons) of choosing between signed binary and an encoded representation, such as 16 digits of binary coded decimal (BCD).

For each of signed binary and BCD, suggest one advantage and one disadvantage it has compared to the other. HINT: Factors to consider include the range of numbers that can be represented and the difficulty in designing circuits to do basic operations such as input/output and simple arithmetic (addition/subtraction).

4 Circuit Design [4 marks]

Design a circuit using only inverters and two-input AND, OR, and XOR gates that takes as input three signals a_3 , a_2 , and a_1 and produces two outputs x_1 and x_0 . If all of the inputs are 0, then all of the outputs should be 0. Otherwise, the output, x_1x_0 , should be the unsigned, binary encoding of the smallest i for which a_i is 1. For example, if $a_3 = 1$, $a_2 = 1$, and $a_1 = 0$ then $x_1 = 1$ and $x_0 = 0$. HINT: This can be done using 6 gates, two of which are inverters.