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A direct mapping cache with WTWA (i.e. Write Through Write Allocate) is used to reduce the average memory access time on a computer. This cache holds 65,536 entries, 16-bit data, and ties into a 24-bit address bus with no byte or word select bits. Determine the contents of the cache and memory below after the memory requests shown are sent to the cache. Immediately after powering up, the cache is initially empty and all valid bits are reset to indicate entries are invalid. Keep track of hits and misses so you can compute the cache miss rate when you are done. All values are in hex. "X" means undefined.

Cache before

Cache after

Block	Valid	Tag	Data	Block	Valid	Tag	Data
1	0	X	X	1	1	10	0001 (2)
2	1	04	6789	2	1	04	6789 (2)
3	1	04	0ABE	3	1	04	0ABE (2)
4	0	X	X	4	0	X	X ~
5	0	X	X	5	0	X	X ~

Memory before

Memory after

Address	Data	Address	Data
100001	FACE	100001	0001 (1)
040001	1234	040001	1234 ✓
040002	6789	040002	6789 ~
040003	0ABE	040003	0ABE ~

Memory requests

Address	Type	Data	Hit(y/n)
040001	Read		n
040002	Read		n
040003	Read		n
100001	Write	0001	n
040001	Read		y
040002	Read		y
040003	Read		y
100001	Read		n

Handwritten notes: One wrong (-1), Two or more wrong (-2)

Cache hit rate (include reads only) = 28.6 % (1)

Miss Rate instead of Hit Rate (-1)

Full credit for hit rate if correct based on wrong answers