

# COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE AND SYSTEM SOFTWARE ( SEMESTER - 2 )

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ENGINEERING & MANAGEMENT EXAMINATIONS, JUNE – 2009

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Time : 3 Hours ]

[ Full Marks : 70

## INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES :

- This Booklet is a Question-cum-Answer Booklet. The Booklet consists of **32 pages**. The questions of this concerned subject commence from Page No. 3.
- In **Group – A**, Questions are of Multiple Choice type. You have to write the correct choice in the box provided **against each question**.
  - For **Groups – B & C** you have to answer the questions in the space provided marked 'Answer Sheet'. Questions of **Group – B** are Short answer type. Questions of **Group – C** are Long answer type. Write on both sides of the paper.
- Fill in your Roll No. in the box** provided as in your Admit Card before answering the questions.
- Read the instructions given inside carefully before answering.
- You should not forget to write the corresponding question numbers while answering.
- Do not write your name or put any special mark in the booklet that may disclose your identity, which will render you liable to disqualification. Any candidate found copying will be subject to Disciplinary Action under the relevant rules.
- Use of Mobile Phone and Programmable Calculator is totally prohibited in the examination hall.**
- You should return the booklet to the invigilator at the end of the examination and should not take any page of this booklet with you outside the examination hall, **which will lead to disqualification**.
- Rough work, if necessary is to be done in this booklet only and cross it through.

**No additional sheets are to be used and no loose paper will be provided**

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Marks Obtained

| Group – A          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Group – B |  |  |  | Group – C |  |  |  | Total<br>Marks | Examiner's<br>Signature |
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**GROUP – A****( Multiple Choice Type Questions )**

1. Choose the correct alternatives for the following :

10 × 1 = 10

i) The instruction LOAD A is a

- a) zero address instruction      b) one address instruction  
c) two address instruction      d) three address instruction.

ii) The purpose of cache memory in a computer is to

- a) ensure fast booting      b) reduce load on CPU registers  
c) replace static memory      d) speed up memory access.

iii) Object code is

- a) input to assembler      b) output of assembler  
c) intermediate code      d) none of these.

iv) Which of the following is not an advantage of Dynamic RAMs ?

- a) High density      b) Low cost  
c) High speed      d) No need of memory refresh.

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**GROUP – B****( Short Answer Type Questions )**Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 5 = 15$ 

2. Distinguish between Fixed point and Floating point representations. 5
3. Distinguish between vectored and non-vectored interrupt. What is subroutine ? 4 + 1
4. What are the 16-bit registers available in 8085 Microprocessor ? Write about them. 2 + 3
5. Why is 'bootstrap loader' program stored in ROM and not in RAM ? 5
6.
  - a) What would be happen if a computer does not have any OS installed in it ?
  - b) What are the differences between static memory and dynamic memory ?
  - c) What is flash memory ? 2 + 2 + 1

**GROUP – C****( Long Answer Type Questions )**Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 15 = 45$ 

7.
  - a) Explain memory interleaving with diagram.
  - b) Write short note about content addressable memory ( CAM ) with diagram.
  - c) Discuss direct mode and indirect mode of addressing of instruction with examples. 5 + 6 + 4
8.
  - a) What is parallel processing ?
  - b) What is arithmetic pipelining ?
  - c) What is vector processing ? Explain how matrix multiplication is performed using vector processing. 6 + 4 + ( 1 + 4 )



9. Draw and explain a 4-bit arithmetic circuit which can perform the following :

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- a) Add
- b) Add with carry
- c) Subtract with borrow
- d) Subtract
- e) Transfer of A
- f) Transfer A
- g) Increment
- h) Decrement.

10 a) What is virtual memory ? What could be the maximum size of virtual memory ? Justify.

- b) Briefly explain an instruction execution cycle with proper timing diagram.
- c) Explain the Booth algorithm. Illustrate with an example.
- d) Briefly discuss different types of ROM.

e) Differentiate between static RAM and dynamic RAM.

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11. Write short notes on any *three* of the following :

 $3 \times 5 = 15$ 

- a) Single-pass assembler
- b) DMA controller
- c) Interrupt handling
- d) Cache memory
- e) Shift micro-operations.

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