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Instruction/Notes:

1. Exam is Open book, Open notes.
2. Properly comment your code.
3. You need not to copy code from book. Just call any subroutine needed .
4. Write your answer in the space provided. You **can take extra sheets BUT they WONT BE ATTACHED WITH THE QUESTION PAPER OR MARKED.**

Question 1: Short Questions. [30 Marks]

(no cutting, no over-writing , no partial marking)

1. How many times int 0x01 will come in the following code? (3 Marks)

```
pushf                ; setting TF=1
pop ax
or ax, 0x100
push ax
popf

mov cx, 5
rep stosb
mov ax, 0x4c00
int 21h
```

Solution:

7 times

2. Suppose initpcb code is hooked on interrupt 0x80. This isr, along with timer and all variables are made tsr. When int 0x80 is called from another program, what will be the value of ss in pcb variable? Currently initpcb initializes it on DS. (3 Marks)

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3. Suppose mytask code in example runs a finite number of times and the loop ends. The code finally reaches the return statement at line 83 and performs ret 2. The return address it pops is 0xFA20. Where do you think, in complete code given in book, should this address be placed on stack for mytask? (Mention line number) (3 Marks)

After line 115 with this mov [si], 0xFA20 statement.

4. Int 0x03 is responsible for: (2 Marks)

- (a) Inserting break point
- (b) Removing breakpoint

(c) Removing opcode

(d) Restoring opcode

5. Write code of two ways through which timer interrupt can be disabled. (2+2 Marks)

In al, 0x21

Or al, 0x01

Out 0x21, al

cli

6. In an inter segment call, what will be the order in which segment and offset of return address will be placed on the stack. (2 Marks)

Segment at higher address, offset at lower

7. Write code of two ways through which we can read scan code of a key board button. (2+2 Marks)

In al, 0x60

Mov ah, 0

Int 0x16

;ah will have scan code

8. What is the maximum size of IVT? (mention in kb) (1 Mark)

1kb

9. Which of the following is a syntax error? (1 Mark)

a. mov ax, [bx-5*7/2]

b. mov ax, [bx+si-5]

c. mov ax, [bx-si +5]

10. Convert the following expressions into assembly language code using only shift, addition, and subtraction instructions in place of the multiplication: (2+2 Marks)

a. AX * 15

Sub bx, bx

Add bx, ax

Shl ax, 4

Sub ax, bx

b. AX * 129
Sub bx, bx
Add bx, ax
Shl ax, 7
add ax, bx

11. What will be the value of **CX**, **DI** and **ZF** after the following code? If **DI** at start of code is 0x0111. (3 Marks)

```
[org 0x100]
push ds
pop es
mov al, [string]
mov cx, 5
mov di, string
cld
rep scasb

mov ax, 0x4c00
int 21h
string: db 'hello',0
```

CX__3__

DI__0113__

ZF__0__

Question 2: (30 Marks)

Read the following problem carefully and write complete code.

Consider we are implementing a **small message display** service. The service performs two functions: display user messages on video screen and secondly facilitate the user to delete any previously displayed message. The user can never send a message longer than 80 characters. Longer messages sent are automatically discarded by the service. After displaying the message the service facilitates the user to delete any previous message, already displayed on the screen within 10 seconds after it was sent. The service displays the string *"this message has been deleted"* in the deleted message's space (just like whatsapp)

Suppose that the above service uses interrupts interface to export its services.

For your simplicity of implementation, let's divide the service's functionalities in two interrupts:

Int 0x60: It displays the messages on video screen and takes the following parameters:

ES: segment where string is present in data segment

DI: offset of string

DH: row number of the video screen where to display

(You don't need to take input of messages from user. Imagine that messages are already present in the data segment and you pass only the segment and offset of that string to int 0x60).

Int 0x65: It deletes the message from the video screen and takes the following parameters:

DH: row number from where the message is to be deleted.

Some important conditions: there is no restriction of over writing a message. The user can call int 0x60 and over-write any previous message as well. You can simply call subroutines like printstring, strlen from book rather than writing their code.

25 times dw 0 - 1
time: ~~dw 0~~

int 60 isr:
sti ; so timer ISR can come

→ es has segment
→ di has offset
→ DH has row no.

mov bh, dh ; bh will have index of
mov bh, 0 time array

~~mov time[bx], a~~

; call strlen to calculate length of message

; if length of string > 80 → exit

; clear row & put space.
else

push row
push col
push length
call printstr.

cli
mov [time[bx]], 0
sti

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|---|--------------------|
| 2 | ① calculate length |
| 2 | ② print string |
| 3 | ③ time Note |
| 3 | ④ enable interrupt |

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msg: "this message has been deleted."

int 68 isr:

→ mov bl, dh ; for times away.
→ mov bh, 0

cmp time[bx], 180
jl exit

~~push~~ ~~mov~~ si
p ~~mov~~ ~~ah~~, 80
mul dh
shl ~~ah~~, 1

6 mov cx, 80
~~mov~~ ~~si~~, ~~cx~~

~~l1:~~ l1: mov [si], 0x0720
add si, 2
loop l1

push bx
push 0
push smen
call printstr

3 ① check time

2 ② clear line

3 ③ print string

2 ④ set time to -1

mov time[bx], -1

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```

times:
    mov cx, 25
    mov si, 0

```

```

l1: cmp time[si], -1
    je skip
    add time[si], 1

```

```

skip: add si, 2
    loop l1

```

① time array & its default values

② other variables
msg

③ inactivity time

Main

; hooking interrupts

③

(10)

are created and are running. Each process runs for 5 seconds and then stops, staying in the list as a dormant process but not running. When all processes have stopped, a message is displayed on the screen "multi-tasking program ending..." and after 5 seconds, the program terminates normally and is completely removed from memory.

Suggest all changes required in the code to achieve the above, clearly mentioning the line numbers where you want to make changes/insert code. (30 Marks)

change in initpcb. ^{initialize} ~~initialize~~ dummy to 91
(anywhere between 100 to 117)

mov [pcb + bx + 30], 91

Change in timer

variables :-

flag: db 0

count: db 0

newtick: db 54 (1/55)

; to check if all
processes have ended
; to count for 5 sec
after all processes end

; to create new
process after every 3
sec.

code:

line 134 : cmp byte [flag], 1
jne cont1
inc byte [~~end~~], 1
~~dec~~ ; EOI

① to check if
all processes
have already
ended

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(line 134) Cont 1:

push ds

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after line 138:

② create new
process in
timer
after every 3
seconds

dec byte [newtick]

cmp byte [newtick], 0

jne cont2

push cs

mov ~~ax~~ ^{bx}, mytask

push bx

push word [line no]

call initpcb

inc word [line no]

mov byte [newtick], 54

(line 140)
Cont 2:

⋮

till line 145 same code.

after line 145,

decrement
execution
time of
processes other
than main

```
cmp word[current], 0
je cont3
dec [pcb+bx+30], 1
cmp [pcb+bx+30], 0
jne cont3
mov [pcb+bx+30], -1
inc byte[count], 1
```

(line 146)

cont3:

(same code)

(till line 166)

at line 167:-
l1:

④ find next
process whose
avg doesn't
have -1

```
mov bx, [pcb+bx+28]
mov [current], bx
mov cl, 5
shl bx, cl
cmp [pcb+bx+30], -1
je l1
```

(continue from line 172)

changes in main :-

after line 203 :-

```
204 l2: cmp byte [count], 31
      jne l2
```

```
      mov byte [flag], 1
```

```
l3:   cmp byte [end], 91
      jne l3
```

```
→ unhook timer, printing " _____ "
```

```
int 21h.
```

① in initpcb (4)

② changes in main (8)

③ timer :-

- i) check if all processes have ended (5)
- ii) create new process (5)
- iii) dec exe time & set delay to -1 & inc count (5)
- iv) find next process (5)

~Best of Luck! ☺~