

MSc. 1st Semester, 2018
Paper: IT-12 Computer Architecture

Time : 3 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 75

*Attempt five questions in all, Question No. 1 is compulsory.
All questions carry equal marks.*

Q 1(a): What are the addressing modes in computer architecture? Explain their importance with suitable example. 5

(b): Explain asynchronous data transfer in detail. $2\frac{1}{2}$

(c): What is Flynn's classification of computers? $2\frac{1}{2}$

(d): What is virtual memory? Differentiate between multicomputer and multiprocessor system. 5

Q 2(a): Simplify the Boolean expression using K-map :

$$f(A, B, C, D, E) = \sum m(0, 2, 4, 7, 9, 12, 14, 15, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 28).$$

Calculate minimum number of logic gates required for its implementation. 8

(b): Calculate 1's, 2's and 9's complement of 57_{10} . 3

(c): Solve using Boolean algebra: $(A + B)(A + C)$ and $\overline{A + B C}$. 4

Q 3(a): Differentiate between a hard-wired controlled and a microprogrammed controlled unit. 5

(b): What are different types of expansion buses in computer architecture? Differentiate on the basis of their functionalities. 5

(c): Consider the following page reference stream: 5

1 2 1 3 2 5 2 3 6 2 4 6 3 1 3 6 1 2 4 3

Compare the number of page faults for LRU and FIFO page replacement schemes.

Q 4(a): What are encoders? Explain the use of encoders in real life with examples. Design an 8 bit encoder using J-K flip flop. 2 + 3 + 5.

(b): What are parallel and serial ports in a computer? Write the transmission sequence of a parallel port. 2 + 3

Q 5(a): Explain the concept of shift registers. Differentiate between various types of shift registers available in a computer. 2 + 5.

(b): What is an Instruction set? Differentiate between CISC and RISC architectures. 5.

(c): Discuss various types of memories used in a computers. 3

Q 6 Write short notes on each of the following:- 15

- (a) Universal shift register
- (b) Cache coherency
- (c) Power PC architecture
- (d) Kernel and device drivers
- (e) ALU design