Sec - A

1. What is locality of reference?

ans Locality of reference refers to the tendency of a Program to access a relatively small Portion of its address space at any given time. It can be temporal (repeating access to the same memory) or spatial (accessing memory locations near recently accessed ones).

2. What is µPC?

ans → µPC (microprogram Counter) holds the address of the next microinstruction to be executed, in a control memory during microprogrammed control.

3. What is the use of wmfc control signal?
ans wmfc (wait for memory function complete) is a control signal used to Pause the CPU until the memory completes the requested operation, ensuring synchronization between CPU and memory.

4. What is difference between memory access and memory cycle time?

• memory Access time is the time taken to access data from a memory location.

• memory cycle time is the minimum time required between two succesive memory operations (accesses), usually longer then access time.

<u>sec -B</u>

1. Explain the conversion of virtual addrees to physical address:

ans: The Virtual address generated by the CPU is translated to a physical address using a memory management Unit (mmu). The most common method is Paging, where the virtual address is divided into a page number and offset. The page number is mapped to a frame number is the page table, and the physical address is formed by combining the frame number and offset.

2. Explain the main memory address format in direct, associative & set associative mapping:

• Direct mapping:

Physical Address = (Tag + Line Number + Word)

Each block maps to only one cache line

• Associative mapping:

　　Physical Address = (Tag + Word)

　　any block can be placed in any
Cache line.

　　Cache stores tags and searches
all ~~times~~ lines in parallel.

• Set - Associative mapping:

　　Physical Address = (Tag + Set Number + Word)

　　cache is divided into sets; each set
contains several lines. A block maps to a
specific set but any line in that set.

Sec - C

1. Differentiate between write through and
write back policies with example:

feature	Write Through	Write Back
Updated method	Updates both cache and memory Simultaneously	Updates only cache; memory updated later.
Speed	Slower due to memory write every time	Faster as memory writes are reduced
Example	Writing 5 to X: Updates both Cache and RAM	Writing 5 to X: Updates only cache, RAM is updated on block replacement.

2. ADD (R3), R1 - Describe the machine instruction
using one-bus organization, with diagram:

Instruction: ADD (R3), R1
meaning: Add the value at the memory
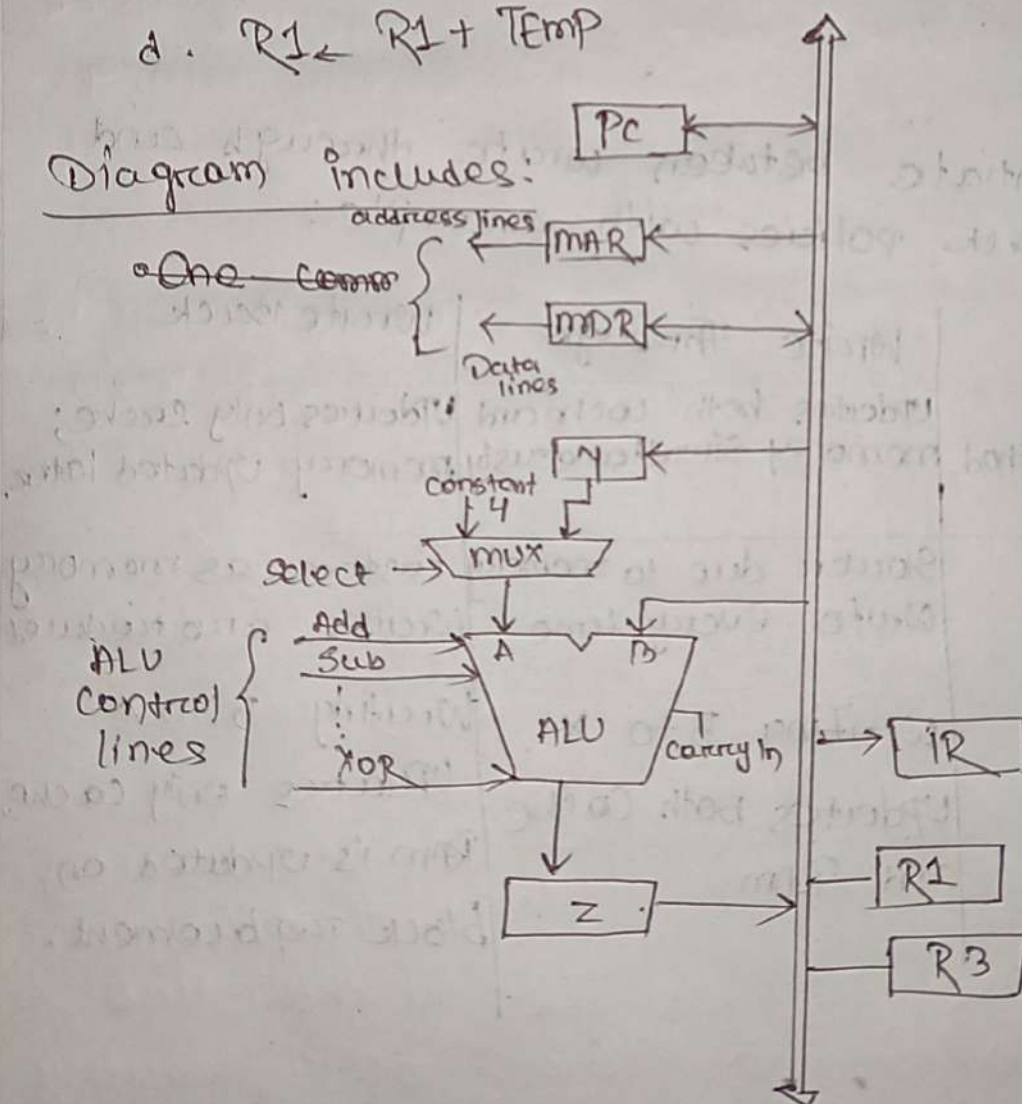location Pointed to by R3 to R1.

Sequence (one-bus Organization):

 a. MAR ← R3 (Place address from R3 into
memory Address Register).

 b. Read memory → MDR (memory Data
Register)

 c. TEMP ← MDR (Temporary register Stores
memory value)

 d. R1 ← R1 + TEMP

Diagram includes:

 • One-bus {

Step	Action
1.	PC_{out}, MAR_{in}, Read, Select 4, Add, Z_{in}
2.	Z_{out}, PC_{in}, WMFC
3.	MDR_{out}, IR_{in}
4.	$R3_{out}$, MAR_{in}, Read
5.	$R1_{out}$, Y_{in}, WMFC
6.	MDR_{out}, Select Y, Add, Z_{in}
7.	Z_{out}, $R1_{in}$, End