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**B.Sc. (General) Degree in Information and Communication Technology
First Year - Semester I Examination – June/July 2018.**

ICT 1201 – FUNDAMENTALS OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS (THEORY)

Time: Two (02) hours

Answer all questions

1.

- a) Explain how sound is digitized in a computer? (6 marks)
- b) What are the main functions of CPU? Briefly describe each of them. (5 marks)
- c) Show scatter diagram of memory hierarchy of a computer. (5 marks)
- d) Justify the following statement using an appropriate example.
“All data must be present in registers before they can be processed” (5 marks)
- e) Is Random Access Memory volatile or non-volatile? Briefly describe reasons for your answer. (4 marks)

2.

- a) Briefly describe five types of computer ports. (5 marks)
- b) How does a single byte represent multiple colors in a computer? (5 marks)
- c) Compare and contrast machine level language and assembly level language. (6 marks)
- d) What are the types of language processors? (3 marks)
- e) Write an algorithm to find the area of a circle and display it. (6 marks)

3.

- a) Draw a flowchart for the following problem.
Enter marks of four subjects and find the average. Display the grading as follows.
- If average is ≥ 90 , A
 - If average is ≥ 80 , B
 - If average is ≥ 70 , C
 - If average is ≥ 50 , D
 - If average is < 50 , F
- (10 marks)
- b) Why database management software is used? (3 marks)
- c) Briefly describe the process of debugging. (5 marks)
- d) What are the disadvantages of software suits? (2 marks)
- e) What are the characteristics of good software? (5 marks)

4.

- a) What do boot programs do when your laptop is turned on? (5 marks)
- b) Compare and contrast distributed operating systems and network operating systems. (5 marks)
- c) Justify following statement.
"Hub is an intelligence device" (5 marks)
- d) Differentiate WAN from LAN. (5 marks)
- e) Briefly describe computer crimes. (5 marks)

End