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TEST1

CSC2118: Embedded and Real Time Systems

Date: 12th-Oct-2023

DURATION: 1 Hour

Instructions:

Answer all 11 questions; Total marks = 50; closed book test, no copying; Indicate student number, name, and stream on all answer booklets.

- 1. What are embedded systems? (2 marks)
- 2. What is the difference between a general-purpose micro-processor and a micro-controller? (2 marks)
- 3. What is the main difference between the Von-Neuman and Harvard computer architectures? (2 marks)
- 4. How does Security differ from Safety in embedded systems? (2 marks)
- 5. List out the 5 steps of the embedded systems design process, explaining what each step entails. (10 marks)
- 6. Is ANSI C a compiled or interpreted language? (1 mark)
- 7. What are some 3 uses pointer in C? (3 marks)
- 8. Explain 2 dangers of pointers in C (4 marks)
- 9. Fill out the values of n and x after the statements in the first column are executed (8 marks)

| Statement | x Before | n After | x After |
|-----------|----------|---------|---------|
| n = x++; | 10 | | |
| n = ++x; | 20 | | |
| n = x; | 30 | | |
| n =x; | 40 | | |

10. Fill in the value of z after each statement execution and the name of the operation (8 marks)

| Statement | x | у | z After | Operation |
|---------------|------|------|---------|-----------|
| z = (x ^ y); | 0xF0 | 0x0F | | |
| z = (x && y); | 1 | 2 | | |
| z = (x y); | 1 | 2 | | |
| z = (x & y); | 1 | 2 | | |

11. Assuming that p is a pointer to a variable c which is of type char, and c is stored at address 100, what are the values of p and *p after each scenario of statements in the table is executed (8 marks)

| Statement | c Before | p After | *p After |
|-----------|----------|---------|----------|
| *p += 1; | 5 | | |
| ++*p; | 10 | | |
| *p; | 20 | | |
| (*p)++; | 40 | | |