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**Instructions:**

- You are required to attempt ALL Questions.
- This is a closed book/notes exam.
- Calculators are allowed,
- Return question paper with the answer sheet

Q. No	Questions	CLO	Marks
I	<p>A. Differentiate between the following with example</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Local and Global Labels</li><li>b) Call and return function</li><li>c) Loopnz and loopz</li><li>d) Pusha and pushad</li></ul> <p>B. MOV EAX, 0xFFFFFFFF9B CDQ</p> <p>How EAX and EDX are affected after CDQ. If you were to divide EAX by 4 using the IDIV instruction, what values will EAX and EDX contain after the division?</p> <p>C. Describe how the XOR instruction can be used to toggle the case of an ASCII character stored in the AL register.</p> <p>D. How can the TEST instruction be used to check the state of specific bits in a register without modifying the original value? Provide a practical use case.</p> <p>E. Explain how the LOOP instruction works. What are its limitations, and how can nested loops be implemented efficiently in assembly language?</p>	1	30

- A. Write instructions that jump to label L2 when the signed integer in AX is greater than the integer in CX.
- B. Given the following assembly code, determine the values in the registers after each instruction is executed.

```
varA BYTE 10h, 20h, 30h, 40h, 50h, 60h
varB WORD 1234h, 5678h
varC DWORD 12345678h, 87654321h
```

```
mov ax, WORD PTR [varA+2] ; AX = ?
mov bl, BYTE PTR [varC+5] ; BL = ?
mov ax, WORD PTR [varB+2] ; AX = ?
mov ecx, DWORD PTR [varC+4] ; EAX = ?
mov bx, WORD PTR [varA+4] ; BX = ?
```

- C. What will be the final value in EDX after this code executes?

```
mov  edx, 1
mov  eax, 7FFFh
cmp  eax, 0FFFF8000h
jl   L2
mov  edx, 0
L2:
```

- D. Explain bit masking technique and how in assembly we convert the characters from lower case to upper case with that?

- A. Write an assembly program to implement the following pseudocode using x86 assembly language.

```
if (num1 > num2) {
    result = num1 - num2;
} else if (num1 < num2) {
    result = num1 + num2;
} else {
    result = num1 * 2;
}
```

- B. Write an assembly program to **encrypt** a string stored in memory using a single-byte encryption key and decrypt it back to its original form. The string, "SECURE", is stored in the .data section using **key (5Ah)**. Your program should process each character in a loop, stop at the null terminator, and overwrite the original message with the encrypted and decrypted results.

- C. Write assembly code to locate the first nonzero value in the array. If no nonzero value is found, the ESI register should point to the sentinel value.

*.data*

*array SWORD 50 DUP(?)*

*sentinel SWORD 0FFFFh*

*.code*

*mov esi, OFFSET array ; Initialize ESI to the start of the array*

*mov ecx, LENGTHOF array ; Load the array length into ECX*

*L1: cmp WORD PTR [esi], 0*

*; (Fill in your code here in the answer sheet)*

*quit:*

Complete the assembly code under the label L1

\*\*\*\*\*End of Paper\*\*\*\*\*