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**SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015 EXAMINATION**

**SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**COURSE CODE:** CIT 344

**COURSE TITLE:** Introduction to Computer Design

**TIME ALLOWED:** 3 Hours

**INSTRUCTION:** Answer any five (5) questions

1a. Describe the process of implementing sequential circuits illustrating this by means of a well-labelled block diagram. (8 marks)

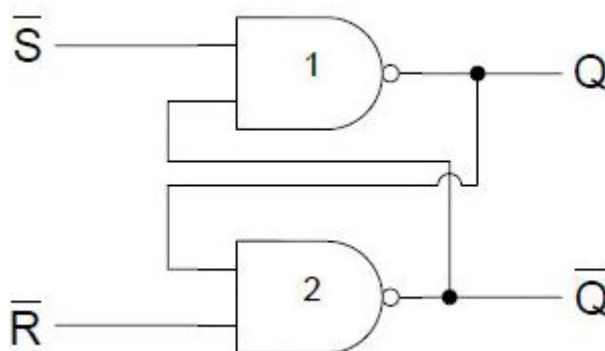
1b. Give the hexadecimal equivalent of the following:

- i. 11010110101110010110
- ii. 101110010110

(6 marks)

**[Total = 14 marks]**

2. Study the block diagram provided below carefully, as it will serve as your reference in answering the questions that follow:



- 2a. Which operation is depicted in the diagram? (4 marks)  
2c. Give a detailed explanation of how this process is implemented. (10 marks)  
**[Total = 14 marks]**

3a. Give the binary equivalent of the following decimal numbers

- i. 4
- ii. 3
- iii. 7 ) 2 marks each
- iv. 5

(8 marks)

3b. From the perspective of in computer design, list 2 key operations performed on memories. (6 marks)

**[Total = 14 marks]**

4a. Give a brief explanation of how sequential circuits are implemented, using a well-labelled block diagram to illustrate this. (8 marks)

4b. Distinguish between the two (2) common types of sequential circuits. (6 marks)

**[Total = 14 marks]**

5a. Find the sum of two 2-digit BCD numbers, 42 and 31. Your result should be in BCD. (8 marks)

5b. List 3 common forms of edge-triggered flip-flops employed in digital logic circuits. (6 marks)

**[Total = 14 marks]**

6a. Explain with the aid of a diagram how a full adder can be built from half adders (10 marks)

6b. Describe the term 'Microprocessor' in computer design. (4 marks)

**[Total = 14 marks]**

7a. Write a simple program for declaring a CPU "fetch-execute" cycle. (10 marks)

7b. Distinguish between the two (2) main types of sequential circuits. (4 marks)

**[Total = 14 marks]**