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Special Instructions :

This paper consists of **SIX (6)** questions. Answer any **FOUR (4)** questions in the answer booklet provided.

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Question 1

- (a) In general terms, identify **FIVE (5)** principle differences between computer organization and computer architecture. (5 marks)
- (b) Briefly discuss the **FOUR (4)** main functions of a computer. (8 marks)
- (c) Describe the following terms: (12 marks)
- i. Cache memory
 - ii. Bus
 - iii. Central Processing Unit (CPU)
 - iv. Computer Instruction Set
 - v. Control Bus
 - vi. Direct address

Question 2

- (a) Convert the following (without using calculator): (10 marks)
- i. 10110101_2 to decimal
 - ii. 11110101_2 to decimal
 - iii. 213_{10} to binary
 - iv. 99_{10} to binary
 - v. $32F_{16}$ to decimal
 - vi. $C25_{16}$ to decimal
 - vii. 233_{10} to hexadecimal
 - viii. $B1A_{16}$ to binary
 - ix. 10101101_2 to hexadecimal
 - x. 01111010_2 to hexadecimal

- (b) Briefly explain the main function of a Bus Interface Unit (BIU) and an Execution Unit (EU).
(5 marks)
- (c) Explain the following terms used for Intel 8086 Microprocessor with example(s):
- i. PUSH
 - ii. POP
 - iii. Subroutines
 - iv. Software Interrupt

(10 marks)

Question 3

- (a) Assume the following register conditions:

CF = 1 AX = ABCD_H BX = EF01_H DX = 2345_H

Perform the following operations. Indicate the result and the register where it is stored. The operations are independent of each other.

- i. XOR AL, 79_H
- ii. MOV CL, 4_H
ROR DX, CL
- iii. OR BX, DX
- iv. AND AX, BX
- v. MOV CL, 3_H
RCL BH, CL

(20 marks)

- (b) Explain the following typical assembly language statements:

- i. INC COUNT
- ii. MOV TOTAL, 48
- iii. ADD AH, BH
- iv. AND MASK1, 128
- v. ADD MARKS, 10

(5 marks)

Question 4

- (a) The register content for an Intel 8086 microprocessor is as follows:

CS = 1000H, DS = 2000H, SS = 3000H, SI = 4000H, DI = 5000H
 BX = 6080H, BP = 7000H, AX = 25FFH, CX = 8791H, DX = 1299H

Calculate the physical address of the memory where the operand is stored and the contents of the memory locations in each of the addresses shown below:

- i. MOV [SI], AL
- ii. MOV [DI+6H], BX
- iii. MOV [SI+BX-8H], AX
- iv. MOV [DI][BX]+28H, CX
- v. MOV [BP][SI]+10H, DX

(20 marks)

- (b) Discuss the purpose of flags register and list any **THREE (3)** flag registers.

(5 marks)

Question 5

- (a) Explain **FOUR (4)** ways the operating system allocates computer memory.

(8 marks)

- (b) Each virtual machine is an abstraction of the level below it. The machines at each level execute their own instructions, calling upon machines at lower levels to perform tasks as required. List and explain the **SEVEN (7)** levels in layered approach.

(14 marks)

- (c) Identify the **THREE (3)** components of the Von Neumann architecture.

(3 marks)

Question 6

- (a) There are two different design philosophy in processors, which are Complex Instruction Set Computer (CISC) and Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC). Differentiate any **FIVE (5)** characteristics of RISC and CISC. (10 marks)
- (b) Briefly explain any **THREE (3)** distinctive differences between cache memory and registers. (6 marks)
- (c) Identify and explain any **THREE (3)** I/O module functions. (9 marks)

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