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# FIRST SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2019

(CUCBCSS-UG)

Computer Science

### BCS 1C 01—COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS

(Common for 2014 and 2017 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 64 Marks

### Part A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 mark.

- I. Choose the correct answer from the choices given.
  1 Which register holds the address of the active memory location?
  (a) MAR.
  (b) MBR.
  (c) PC.
  (d) IR.
  - 2. Which memory is also called flash memory?
    - (a) EEPROM.

(b) UVEPROM.

(c) Cache.

- (d) ROM.
- 3 The time required to position the read/write heads on the specified track/cylinder is called:
  - (a) Latency.

- (b) Seek time.
- (c) Turn around time.
- (d) Access time.

- II. Fill in the blanks:
  - 4 DVD stands for -----
  - 5 ——— converts bitmap images of characters to equivalent ASCII codes.
  - 6 Expand LCD: ----
- III. State whether the following statements are True or False.
  - $7 \quad 10_{10} = A_{16}$
  - 8 BCD is an 8 bit code that can represent 256 different characters.
  - 9 ROM is a volatile memory.

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 $(9 \times 1 = 9 \text{ marks})$ 

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### Part B

## Answer all questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 10 Differentiate seek time and latency.
- 11 What is MICR?
- 12 What is an image scanner?
- 13 Implement OR gate using NAND.
- 14 Convert
  - (a)  $(45)_8 = (-----)_{16}$ .
  - (b)  $(AC5)_{16} = (-----)_8$ .

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ marks})$ 

#### Part C

### Answer any five questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

- Construct a logic circuit for the Boolean expression A · ~ B + C · (A + B · D) using NAND gates only.
- 16. State and prove the two basic De Morgan's theorem.
- 17. State the functions of any five registers of CPU.
- 18. What are advantages and limitations of magnetic disks?
- 19. What is a flow chart? Draw a flowchart to print the biggest of three numbers.
- 20. What is an algorithm? Write an algorithm to add up all even numbers between 0 and 100 and print the result.
- 21. Define the term byte. What is the difference between a bit, nibble and byte? Write notes on BCD, EBCDIC, ASCII?
- 22. Compute the following:
  - (A) Convert (72)<sub>16</sub> to decimal and octal
  - (B) Convert (105)<sub>8</sub> to decimal and hexadecimal.
  - (C) Convert (45)10 to octal and hexadecimal.

 $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$ 

### Part D

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 10 marks.

### 23. Compute:

- (a)  $(110101)_2 + (10011)_2$ .
- (b)  $(1111110)_2 + (100010)_2$ .
- (c)  $(101011)_2 + (110)_2$ .
- (d)  $(111)_2 + (1000)_2$ .
- (e)  $(11000110)_2 + (0101001)_2$
- (f)  $(10001)_2 (111)_2$
- (g)  $(11111)_2 (10101)_2$
- (h)  $(101110)_2 (11011)_2$
- (i) (1010100)<sub>2</sub> (10010).
- (j)  $(100)_2 (11)_2$ .
- 24. Briefly explain Secondary storage devices.
- 25. Explain various types of printers.

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ mark})$