

C0-R4.B4 : COMPUTER SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

NOTE :

1. Answer question 1 and any FOUR questions from 2 to 7.
2. Parts of the same question should be answered together and in the same sequence.

Time : 3 Hours

Total Marks : 100

1. (a) How do you find the complement of a number ?
(b) What is pipeline processing ? List out the conflicts in instruction pipeline and explain each one of them in brief.
(c) Define Cache Memory and Main Memory. What are its advantages and disadvantages ?
(d) What are the various types of addressing modes ? Brief out each.
(e) How DMA improves I/O operation efficiency ?
(f) What is the difference between a microprocessor and a microprogram ? Is it possible to design a microprocessor without a microprogram ?
(g) Differentiate between SISD and MIMD architectures. (7x4)
2. (a) Explain Flynn's classification of computer architecture.
(b) Draw and explain Four-segment CPU Pipeline. (9+9)
3. (a) What are the steps required for a pipelined processor to process the instruction ?
(b) DMA stands for Direct Memory Access. What are the modes of operation of data transfer using DMA ? Explain each.
(c) Discuss the essential goals of CISC and RISC architecture? Describe the major characteristics of CISC and RISC processors. (4+4+10)
4. (a) Give an example to illustrate zero-address, one-address and two-address instructions.
(b) Explain the basic Von-Neumann Machine cycle. How timing and control are provided by hardwired control unit ? (8+10)
5. (a) What are the basic differences between a branch instruction, a call subroutine instruction, and program interrupt ?
(b) What is the difference between isolated I/O and memory-mapped I/O ? What are the advantages and disadvantages of each ? (9+9)

6. (a) Explain booth multiplication algorithms to multiply two binary integers. Also discuss its hardware implementation.
- (b) What is Register Transfer Language ? Explain it with the help of an example.
- (c) Explain the working of a parallel Adder/ Subtractor Circuit. **(10+4+4)**
7. (a) What is the basic advantage of using interrupt-initiated data transfer over transfer under program control without an interrupt ?
- (b) Explain virtual memory technique.
- (c) Differentiate between machine language and assembly language with appropriate example. **(8+5+5)**

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