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**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS  
YEAR THREE SEMESTER ONE EXAMINATIONS**

**FOR THE DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE COMPUTER  
SCIENCE**

**COURSE CODE : CSC 351 E.**

**COURSE TITLE : ADVANCED ASSEMBLY  
LANGUAGE AND  
MICROPROCESSORS**

**DATE: 15 / 12 / 2022**

**TIME: 2.00 P.M. – 4.00 P.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

## ANSWER QUESTIONS ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO.

### QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) [30 MARKS]

- a) Define the role of the tools below as used in programming:
- i) A debugger (2 marks)
  - ii) A linker (2 marks)
  - iii) Compiler (2 marks)
- b) Distinguish between memory mapped I/O and port address I/O (4 marks)
- c) For each of the instruction below, state its category and write its hexcode:
- i) ADI 40H (3 marks)
  - ii) STAX D (3 marks)
  - iii) JNC 4200H (3 marks)
- d) A 1024KB memory chip has 16 pins for data. Find:
- i) State its memory organisation. (2 marks)
  - ii) The number of address pins needed to address the memory. (2 marks)
  - iii) The address range of the chip (2 marks)
- e) Write an ALP to exchange the memory contents 4400h and 4401h (5 marks)

### QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- a) Explain the following DMA techniques:
- i) Byte mode (2 marks)
  - ii) Block mode (3 marks)
  - iii) Burst mode (3 marks)
- b) Disassemble each machine instruction below and state its task:
- i) C6H 45H (2 marks)
  - ii) 21H, 00H, FFH (2 marks)
  - iii) 0AH (2 marks)
- c) Distinguish between the following terms as applies to microprocessor programming:
- i) *Instruction* (2 marks)
  - ii) *Instruction format* (2 marks)
  - iii) *Instruction set* (2 marks)

**QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]**

- a) Show the contents of the accumulator and the status of the flag bits after each of the following operations:
- i)  $37H+46H$  (4 marks)
  - ii)  $50H + 50H - A0H$  (3 marks)
  - iii)  $78H-A9H$  (3 marks)
- b) Write an assemble program to multiply a value 12H by 8 and provide output through port 80H. (10 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]**

- a) Describe the stages of executing a PUSH B instruction in the microprocessor. (4 marks)
- b) Below is a delay program:

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LXI B, 2000H
DELAY: DCX B
      MOV A, C
      ORA B
      JNZ DELAY
      HLT
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- i) Given a clock frequency of 3MHz, calculate the duration of the delay program (7 marks)
- ii) Write the algorithm of a delay program (5 marks)
- iii) Convert the assembly language of the delay program into hand code. (4 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]**

- a) Write a program to count from zero to 255 then downwards to 125 and stops (10 marks)
- b) With the help of a suitable diagram, illustrate the interfacing of the PPI-8255 to the 8085 microprocessor. (10 marks)