Punjab Technical University Master of Computer Application Examination

MCA 3rd Semester COMPUTER SYTEM ARCHITCTURE 2009

Time: 03 Hours

Maximum Marks: 75 Instruction to Candidates:

1) Selection - A is Compulsory.

2) Attempt any Nine questions from Section – B

Section A

- a) What is the difference between latch and flip flop?
- b) What is Demultiplexer?
- c) What is the difference between high level and low level language?
- d) What is the function performed by timing and control unit in a microprocessor?
- e) What is a two byte instruction? Give example.
- f) What are the function that are integrated in Instruction Fetch Unit?
- g) What is difference between micro-operation and macro-operation?
- h) What are various methods of control logic design?
- i) List the several factors that affect the performance of a bus.
- i) What is the use of branch to subroutine instruction?
- k) Give the function of memory address and memory buffer registers.
- 1) What are the basic requirements for a memory unit?
- m) What are the functions of ROM?
- n) What is sequential access memory? Give Example.
- o) What are interleaved memory organization?

Section B

- Q2) What are the different logic gates used for the design of digital circuits? Give their logic symbols and truth tables.
- Q3) What is counter? Discuss its working principle.
- O4) Describe the various instruction code formats.
- Q5) Outline some specific properties of RISC systems.
- Q6) Describe the design procedure for hard wired control.
- Q7) Describe the concept of interrupts and vectored interrupts in handling I/O devices.
- O8) Sketch and explain the timing diagram of an input transfer on a synchronous bus.
- Q9) With the help of a neat diagram and example, explain the working of a typical micro programmed control unit.
- Q10) What are the various types of ROM? Discuss the methods of programming ROMs.
- Q11) Compare shared memory multiprocessor architecture and distributed memory architecture.
- Q12) Discuss about implementation of virtual memory and cache memory. What is their importance?
- Q13) Explain the working of dynamic memory. Why dynamic memory is more suitable for computer RAM?