2024

Computer Architecture and Organization

Full Marks: 100

Time: Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer any five questions.

| 1. | a) | Draw the IAS (Institute for Advance Study) Structure of a computer system and then state the functions of each register available in IAS structure. | 10 |
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| | b) | Discuss the various components of a computer system with suitable diagram of Top-Level View. | 10 |
| 2. | a) | Discuss the key characteristics of computer memory. | 5 |
| | b) | Discuss various types of computer memory with suitable diagram of memory hierarchy. | 5 |
| | c) | What are the memory word, unit of transfer and data transfer rate. | 5 |
| | d) | Discuss the various accessing methods of computer memory. | 5 |
| 3. | a) | Discuss the various types of Semiconductor Memory with different characteristics. | 10 |
| | b) | Discuss the input output subsystem of a computer system. Explain why the special communication links are needed for interfacing between the peripherals and the central processing unit. | 5+5=10 |
| 4. | | Discuss the following 3 ways that computer buses can be used to communicate with memory and I/O. | 20 |
| | | i. Programmed I/O Mode | |
| | | ii. Interrupt-Initiated I/O | |
| | | iii. Direct Memory Access (DMA) | |
| 5. | a) | Discuss the Von Neumann architecture of computer system with suitable diagram. | 10 |
| | b) | i. Discuss the functionalities of DMA controller. | 5+5=10 |
| | | ii. Explain briefly the DMA transfer operation. | |
| 6. | Wr | rite short notes on (any four) | 4*5=20 |
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- i. Monitor and Printer
- ii. Top-Level Structure of computer system
- iii Functions of Computer System
- iv Keyboard and Mouse
- v Secondary memory

