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**B.Tech. COMPUTER SCIENCE AND  
ENGINEERING**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2013**

**BICS-012 : MICROPROCESSOR**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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*Note : (i) Attempt any seven questions.*

*(ii) Question one is compulsory.*

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1. (a) How does a minicomputer differ from a mainframe computer ? 2x5=10
- (b) What is the difference between a microcomputer and a microprocessor ?
- (c) What are the conditions that will cause the BIU to suspend fetching instructions ?
- (d) Is it true that the four 8086 memory segments can be located anywhere within the 1 MB of address space of the 8086. Illustrate with an example.
- (e) Under what conditions will an overflow occur when performing signed arithmetic illustrate with example.

2. Describe memory-mapped I/O and direct I/O. 10  
Give the main advantage and main disadvantage of each.
3. (a) Why is the 8086 memory setup as 2-by te-wide banks ? Explain. 2x5=10  
(b) Why is some ROM put at the top of the address space in an 8086 system ? Explain.
4. (a) Describe the 8086 bus operations required to write a word to address 04373H 2x5=10  
(b) Describe the sequence of events on the 8086 data/address bus, the ALE, line the - M/ $\overline{IO}$  line, and the  $\overline{RD}$  line as the 8086 fetches an instruction word.
5. (a) Briefly describe the condition(s) which cause the 8086 to perform each of the following types of interrupts : type 0, type 1, type 2, type 3, type 4.  
(b) Describe the main use of the 8086 type 1 interrupt. 2x5=10
6. Write the algorithm and the program for an interrupt-service procedure which turns an LED connected to bit D0 of port FFFAH on for 25s and off for 25s. The procedure should also turn a second LED connected to bit D1 of port FFFAH on for 1 min. and off for 1 min. Assume that a 1-Hz interrupt signal is connected to the NMI input of an 8086 and that a high on a port bit turns on the LED Connected to it. 10

7. (a) An 8255A has a system base address of FFF9H. What are the system address for the three ports and the control register for this 8255A ? 2x5=10
- (b) Show the assembly language Instructions you would use to send these control words to the 8255A.
8. Write an 8086 procedure to round a 32-bit BCD number in DX : AX to a 16-bit BCD number in DX. 10
9. Why is DMA data transfer faster than doing the same data transfer with program instructions. Explain with a block diagram showing how a DMA controller operates in a microcomputer system. 10
10. Write short notes on *any two* : 2x5=10
- (a) Interrupts in 8086
- (b) Debugger
- (c) Comparison between 8086 and 80386
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