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B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2015

Sixth Semester

Branch: Computer Science and Engineering

CS 010 603—SYSTEM SOFTWARE (CS)

(New Scheme-2010 Admission onwards)

[Regular/Improvement/Supplementary]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Part A

Answer all questions.
Each question carries 3 marks.

- 1. Why do we say that a system program is machine dependent?
- 2. Differentiate between Compiler and Interpreter.
- 3. What is an assembler directive? Explain with examples.
- 4. Give the formats of define and refer records.
- 5. What is dynamic linking?

 $(5 \times 3 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Part B

Answer all questions.
Each question carries 5 marks.

- 6. Explain conditional macroexpansion with an example.
- 7. Differentiate between Program blocks and Control sections.
- 8. What is program relocation? Explain with examples.
- 9. Give an overview of editing process.
- 10. What is a character device?

 $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$

Part C

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 12 marks.

11. Explain the different types of macros.

Or

12. Write notes on C preprocessor.

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13. Explain Pars1 algorithm for a two pass algorithm specifying the data structures and variables used.

Or

- 14. Explain multipass assemblers.
- 15. Write notes on relocating loader.

Or

- 16. Explain the different loader design options.
- 17. Explain Text Editors with the help of a diagram.

Or

- 18. Describe the different debugging methods.
- 19. Write notes on block devices and block device drivers.

Or

20. What are the different types of device drivers?

 $(5 \times 12 = 60 \text{ marks})$

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