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B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2016

Sixth Semester

Branch: Computer Science and Engineering

CS 010 603—SYSTEM SOFTWARE (CS)

(New Scheme—2010 Admission onwards)

[Regular/Improvement/Supplementary]

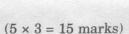
Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Part A

Answer all questions.
Each question carries 3 marks.

- 1. Explain parameterised macros with an example.
- 2. Give the format of header, text and end records in assembler output.
- 3. What is an absolute loader?
- 4. What are the capabilities of a debugger?
- 5. Define block device driver.



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Part B

Answer all questions.
Each question carries 5 marks.

- 6. How can we generate unique labels in a macro?
- 7. What is a forward reference? How is it handled in an assembler with two passes?
- 8. What is the need for linking?
- 9. Explain text editor user interface.
- 10. Write notes on general device characteristics.

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

Part C

Answer all questions.

Each full question carries 12 marks.

11. Explain macropreprocessor algorithm.

Or

12. Describe how nested macrocalls and recursive macrocalls are handled with the help of examples.

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13. Give the algorithm for a single pass assembler.

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- 14. Explain the handling of external references by an assembler with the help of examples.
- 15. Give the algorithm for linking loader.

Or

- 16. Write notes on UNIX ELF.
- 17. Explain overall editor structure with a diagram.

Or

- 18. Explain how the debugger relates with other parts of the system.
- 19. Give the general design and anatomy of devices.

Or

20. Write notes on character devices and their drivers.

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

