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B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2015

Sixth Semester

Branch: Electronics and Communication Engineering .

EC 010 604—COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE AND PARALLEL PROCESSING (EC)

(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. Define zero-address, one-address and 1½ address instructions.
- 2. Explain how floating point numbers are represented.
- 3. What is meant by locality of reference?
- 4. Write a note on data dependences.
- 5. List the functions of SMPS.

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

Part B

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 5 marks.

- 6. Briefly explain program controlled I/O.
- 7. Explain single bus, two bus and three bus structures.
- 8. Write a note on I/O channels.
- 9. Explain Flynn's classification of computers.
- 10. Write a note on Pentium processor.

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

Part C

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 12 marks.

11. Explain various addressing modes.

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12. Write a note on pipelining. Explain multithreading.

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13. Explain hardwired and microprogrammed control.

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- 14. Explain restoring division and non-restoring division algorithms.
- 15. Explain various semiconductor RAM memories.

Or

- 16. Give the block diagram showing memory organization of a 4 M \times 16 memory using 256 K \times 1 memory chips.
- 17. Explain message passing architecture.

Or

- 18. Write notes on multicore processors, multiprocessor systems and multicomputer systems.
- 19. Explain the architecture of a PC, with block diagram.

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20. Explain the architecture and components of motherboard.

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