

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

PhD Qualifier Examination, Paper II

Total time: 2 Hours

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Maximum Marks: 120

Answer from ALL the three parts

Part A: Computer Organisation and Architecture

Answer FOUR questions in this part

- A.1 Illustrate the working of Booth's multiplication algorithm for multiplying -5 and -13 . 10
- A.2 Answer the following with respect to floating point addition:
- i) Represent 1024.25 in IEEE 754 format 6
 - ii) Give an example to show that floating point addition is not associative for a finite precision representation of floating point numbers. 4
- A.3 The **HLT** instruction of a CPU is for suspending instruction execution and waiting for an interrupt. List the logical steps (micro instructions) that need to be carried out to implement it. 10
- A.4 Depict the steps followed to resolve a logical address to a physical address in a virtual memory environment. How will the scheme cope with context switching (whereby a different process is made to execute)? 7+3
- A.5 Answer the following:
- i) Explain the process of interrupt handling. 5
 - ii) Compare the following two modes of DMA transfer: (i) cycle stealing DMA (ii) burst mode DMA. 3+2

Part B: Operating Systems

Answer ALL questions in this part

- B.1 There are five concurrent processes A, B, C, D and E, with the first three trying to add 50 to a shared variable M , while the last two trying to subtract 75 from M . Assume that the initial value of M is 0 and memory add and subtract operations are non-atomic. Is it possible that after all five processes have executed, the final value of M is 75? If yes, show an execution sequence that will result in the final value being 75. If not, justify why. Give a solution that will ensure that the final value is always zero. 7+3
- B.2 Consider the following page trace of memory accesses in a demand paging system with three page frames: 2, 3, 1, 5, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 2, 3. Determine the number of page faults if the Least Recently Used (LRU) algorithm is used for page replacement. 10
- B.3 In a multiuser operating system, a user program must not be allowed to access the memory locations corresponding to other user programs. How is such memory protection ensured in the following memory management schemes: (a) Single contiguous allocation (b) Paging? 5+5

- B.4 i) N processes share M resource units that can be reserved and released only one at a time. Each process needs a maximum of two units. Show that a deadlock cannot occur in the system. 3
- ii) Draw the process state transition diagram of a typical multiuser operating system, which includes the swapped out states (in disk). 7
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Part C: Programming

Answer ALL questions in this part

- C.1 Write code for the following in 'C'. Where functions are to be written, ensure that the function prototype matches the requirements expressed in the problem statement.
- i) type definition to represent a node of a binary search tree (BST) 4
 - ii) a function to check whether a given element is present in a given BST 4
 - iii) a function to sort the elements in a given BST 6
 - iv) a function to insert a given key in a given BST 8
- C.2 Write code for the following in 'C'. Where functions are to be written, ensure that the function prototype matches the requirements expressed in the problem statement.
- i) type definition to (approximately) represent a point in 2-D real space 2
 - ii) type definition to represent a circle in 2-D real space 2
 - iii) a function to return the points of intersection of two given circles if they intersect; return value must indicate how the circles intersect (whether they do not intersect, etc.) 10+4