END SEMESTER EXAMINATION : NOVEMBER 2023

SEMESTER 3 : INTEGRATED M.Sc. PROGRAMME COMPUTER SCIENCE

COURSE : 21UP3CRMCP10 : COMPUTER ORGANIZATION AND ARCHITECTURE

(For Regular 2022 Admission and Improvement/Supplementary 2021 Admission)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Weightage: 30

PART A

Answer any 8

- 1. The number of bits in the control word of a CPU architecture with seven general purpose registers is ______.
- 2. Write the formula to calculate the effective address of an operand.
- 3. In 2's complement system, the leftmost bit is _____ for negative numbers.
- 4. List any two examples of cache coherence protocols.
- 5. If a RAM is of size 128 x 8, calculate the number of bits required as the address bits.
- 6. The ----- register points to the top of the stack.
- 7. State the main advantage of having a modular memory.
- 8. Define Gray code in number system.
- 9. In a 16-bit address bus, the ----- bit position indicates the selection of RAM or ROM.
- 10. The typical access time ratio between cache and main memory is in the range _____.

(1 x 8 = 8 weight)

PART B

Answer any 6

- 11. With a diagram, explain how memory is connected to CPU.
- 12. Write short notes on multiprogramming.
- 13. Consider the expression X = (AB + CD)/E. Write the instructions that evaluates the expression in two-address form.
- 14. Write brief notes on hypercube connection.
- 15. List the steps involved in the instruction cycle of an instruction pipeline.
- 16. With an example, differentiate between register notation and assembly language notation of machine instructions.
- 17. A computer must have instructions capable of performing four types of operations. List the operations.
- 18. Multiprocessing can improve performance by decomposing a program into parallel executable tasks. Discuss how this can be acheived.

(2 x 6 = 12 Weight)

PART C Answer any 2

19. Make short notes on RISC instructions. Write the RISC instructions for the following expression:
X = (P / Q) x (Q - R)

20. Implement the logic function F = (XZ + Y'Z + X'YZ)' using universal gates alone.

- 21. Discuss how straight-line sequencing and branching are performed by the CPU.
- 22. With an example of page replacement, explain the LRU algorithm.

(5 x 2 = 10 weight)