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**FINAL EXAMINATION**

**CSU2178 : DIGITAL COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS**

DURATION: TWO HOURS (2 HOURS)

**Date: 15.10.2015**

**Time: 1.30 p.m – 3.30 pm**

Answer **FOUR** Questions **ONLY**.

**Q1.**

a. Convert the following Decimal numbers into Binary, Octal and Hexadecimal.

i.  $111_{10}$

ii.  $97_{10}$

b. Convert the following Binary numbers into Octal and Hexadecimal.

i.  $110010101_2$

ii.  $1010.11_2$

c. Convert the following Decimal numbers into BCD format.

i.  $35_{10}$

ii.  $937_{10}$

d. Draw a truth table for a full adder.

**Q2.**

a. Prove the following rules with regards to Boolean Algebra.

i. Associative Law

ii. Distributive Law

b. Prove DeMorgan's Theorem.

c. Let X be defined by  $X = A'BC + ABC' + A'B'C' + ABC + A'B'C$

i. Minimize the expression for X using Boolean rules. State the rules.

ii. Draw the logic circuit for X.

- d. Minimize the following truth table using K-map method.

Input				Output
A	B	C	D	Q
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

Q3.

- State two differences between sequential logic and combinational logic?
- Draw the Block diagrams to represent combinational logic and sequential logic.  
Describe the function of both logics.
- Briefly describe the term Circuit Hazard using an example circuit.
- Draw the truth table for the output of a S-R Flip-Flop.
- Draw the Circuit diagram and Timing diagram for a clocked S-R Flip-Flop.

**Q4.**

- a. Implement the following gates using two-input NAND gates.
  - i. NOT
  - ii. OR
  - iii. XOR
- b. Briefly explain the following digital circuits.
  - i. Multiplexer.
  - ii. Counter.
  - iii. Register.
- c. Draw the block diagram and truth table for a 4 to 1 multiplexer.
- d. Implement a 4 to 1 multiplexer using basic logic gates.

**Q5.**

- a. Briefly describe the following terms
  - i. Von Neumann architecture.
  - ii. System bus model.
- b. Briefly explain the fetch-execute cycle and explain how CPU works for a given data set.
- c. Write an advantage and a disadvantage of the Assembly language. Write an Assembly language program to add two values in the main memory and display the result.

**Q6.**

- a. Using examples, briefly explain the existence of a memory hierarchy in a computer system.
- b.
  - i. Design a RAM that stores Four-bit words.( Imagine RAM as a collection of registers)
  - ii. Draw the simplified version of four-word by the four-bit RAM designed above.
- c. State two advantages of a cache memory over main memory.

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