

FIFTH SEMESTER CBCSS-UG DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2025

(2019 Syllabus)

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BCA 5B 07—COMPUTER ORGANISATION AND ARCHITECTURE

Time: Two Hours

Maximum: 60 Marks

Section A - Short Answer Type Questions

All questions can be answered Each correct answer carries a maximum of 2 marks. (Ceiling 20 Marks)

- 1. How does an AND gate operate?
- 2. What is the purpose of an XOR gate?
- 3. Discuss the significance of NAND and NOR gates as universal gates.
- 4. What is the significance of an SR flip-flop in digital electronics?
- 5. Describe the functionality of a master-slave JK flip-flop.
- 6. Explain the operation of an asynchronous counter.
- 7. Explain the role and function of computer registers.
- 8. Explain the concept of register reference instructions.
- 9. What is the purpose of a control memory in micro-programmed control?
- 10. How are data transfer and manipulation operations typically implemented in processors?
- 11. Discuss the role and function of cache memory in a computer system.
- 12. Compare and contrast asynchronous and synchronous modes of data transfer.

(Ceiling 20 marks)

Section B - Paragraph/ Problem Type Questions

All questions can be answered. Each question carries 5 marks. (Ceiling 30 Marks)

- 13. Explain with example the difference between positive and negative logic in digital circuits.
- 14. Describe the operation of a BCD to 7-segment decoder with a truth table for the decoder.

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- 15. Explain the working of half adders and full adders with suitable diagrams.
- 16. Explain the working principles of SR and JK flip-flops with suitable diagrams and truth tables.
- 17. Describe the role of virtual memory in a computer system. How does it help manage memory more efficiently?
- 18. Discuss the steps involved in data transfer of DMA and its advantages over traditional data transfer methods.
- 19. Describe the working of a multiplexer with a neat diagram.

(Ceiling 30 marks)

Section C - Essay Type Questions

Answer any **one** of the following questions.

The question carries 10 marks.

- 20. Design a synchronous 4-bit up/down counter using JK flip-flops.
- 21. Explain the concept of microprogrammed control and its implementation.

 $(1 \times 10 = 10 \text{ marks})$