

**DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/MANAGEMENT/  
COMMERCIAL PRACTICE – NOVEMBER - 2022**  
**COMPUTER SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE**

(Maximum Marks : 75)

[Time : 3 hours]

**PART–A**

**I. Answer all the following questions in one word or one sentence. Each question carries 1 mark.**

**(9x1=9 marks)**

		Module Outcome	Cognitive level
1	The interface between motherboard and an external device is called-----	M1.03	R
2	List any two pointing devices of a laptop.	M1.05	R
3	BIOS stands for-----	M1.06	R
4	The method which offers higher speeds of I/O transfer is-----	M2.02	U
5	Define cache memory.	M2.03	R
6	List registers involved in fetch operation.	M3.01	R
7	-----is the number of instructions that can be executed in unit time.	M3.04	R
8	Intel 8086 is a-----bit microprocessor.	M4.01	R
9	List any two data transfer instructions.	M4.04	R

**PART - B**

**II. Answer any Eight questions from the following. Each question carries 3 marks.**

**(8x3=24marks)**

		Module Outcome	Cognitive level
1	Explain Von Neumann architecture.	M1.02	U
2	Write notes on control bus.	M1.03	U
3	Explain the features of laptop processors and memory.	M1.05	R
4	Describe the steps involved in booting process.	M1.06	R
5	Explain program controlled I/O	M2.02	U
6	List the key characteristics of memory systems.	M2.03	R
7	Describe different levels of cache memory.	M2.04	U
8	Compare SRAM and DRAM	M2.04	U
9	Write notes on user-visible registers.	M3.01	U
10	Describe the flag registers of 8086	M4.02	R

**PART - C**

Answer **all** questions from the following. Each question carries 7 marks.

**(6x7=42marks)**

		Module Outcome	Cognitive level
III	Explain functional units of a computer with a block diagram. <b>OR</b>	M1.01	R
IV	Compare the features of IDE and SATA hard disk connectors.	M1.04	U
V	Explain any three input devices. <b>OR</b>	M2.01	R
VI	Distinguish between sequential, random and direct storage access methods.	M2.04	U
VII	Explain structure and functions of processor. <b>OR</b>	M3.01	R
VIII	Explain instruction pipelining	M3.04	U
IX	Describe hardwired control unit with a neat diagram. <b>OR</b>	M3.02	U
X	Explain classification of parallel processing systems.	M3.04	U
XI	Explain addressing modes of 8086 with examples. <b>OR</b>	M4.03	R
XII	Write an assembly language program to multiply two 8 bit numbers.	M4.04	U
XIII	Explain the internal architecture of 8086. <b>OR</b>	M4.02	U
XIV	Write a program to find the factorial of a number.	M4.04	U

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