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DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/ MANAGEMENT/COMMERCIAL PRACTICE — APRIL, 2019

COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE

[Time: 3 hours

(Maximum marks: 100)

PART --- A

(Maximum marks: 10)

Marks

- I Answer all questions in one or two sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.
 - 1. List the components of a computer.
 - 2. Define rotation delay.
 - 3. Write the need of User-visible register.
 - 4. List the two basic tasks performed by micro programmed control unit.
 - 5. Define fetch overlap.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

PART -- B

(Maximum marks: 30)

- II Answer any five of the following questions. Each question carries 6 marks.
 - 1. Describe the memory hierarchy with a diagram.
 - 2. Explain the Von-Neumann machine.
 - 3. Describe magnetic disk read and write mechanism.
 - 4. Explain programmed driven I/O.
 - 5. Write short note on control and status registers.
 - 6. Explain indirect cycle.
 - 7. Explain advantages and disadvantages of microprogramming.

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Marks

PART — C

(Maximum marks: 60)

(Answer one full question from each unit. Each full question carries 15 marks.)

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		Unit — I	
Ш	(a)	Explain the elements of bus design.	8
	(b)	Describe the characteristics of memory system.	7
		Or	
IV	(a)	Explain interrupt and instruction cycle with diagram.	8
	(b)	Explain types of ROM.	7
		Unit — II	
V	(a)	Explain disk performance parameters.	8
	(b)	Describe the Direct Memory Access (DMA).	7.
		OR	
VI	(a)	List and compare different RAID levels.	8
	(b)	Explain interrupt driven I/O.	7
		Unit — III	
VII	(a)	Describe the operations that must be performed by the processor.	8
	(b)	Explain instruction pipelining.	7
		Or	
VIII	(a)	Explain internal structure of the CPU with diagram.	8
	(b)	Explain advantages and disadvantages of condition codes.	7
		Unit — IV	
ΙX	(a)	Explain the functioning of the micro programmed control unit with diagram.	8
	(b)	Explain micro operations involved in a fetch cycle.	7
		Or	
X	Dra	w and explain different types of parallel organization.	15