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CS 106 – COMPUTER ORGANIZATION AND ARCHITECTURE
(Proper & Repeat)

Answer all questions

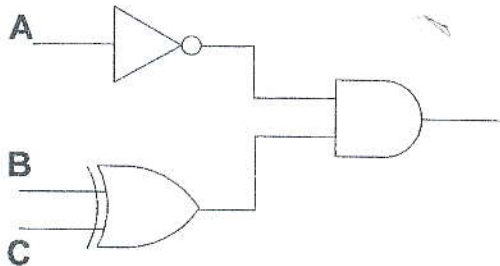
Time allowed: 02 hours

Computer Architecture describes the design of the computer at hardware or software interface.

- How the computer architecture differs from *Computer organization*? Briefly explain.
- What are the major structural components of CPU?
- Explain the functional view of a computer with the aid of a diagram.
- Discuss the Memory Hierarchy of a computer.
- Convert the following hexadecimal numbers to binary numbers:
 - A408F;
 - 8AE.

Logic gate is an elementary building block of a digital circuit.

- State and prove the *De Morgan's* laws.
- Show the behavior of the following circuit with a truth table:



- Differentiate between a half adder and a full adder.

- d) Standardization makes the evaluations and implementation of Boolean expression much more systematic and easier.
 - i. What is meant by the term “*Standard SOP forms*” (Standard Sum of Product form)?
 - ii. Write down the rules which can be used for the conversion from SOP to Standard SOP.

e) Convert the following Boolean expression into standard SOP form :

$$\overline{A}D + A\overline{B}C + \overline{A}B\overline{C}D + A\overline{B}D$$

03.

- a) A signed number is a number that is preceded by either a plus or minus sign.
 - i. What are the three common ways of representing signed numbers?
 - ii. Explain any two of which you have mentioned in part a (i) with examples.
- b) What do you mean by “*K-Map*” (Karnaugh Map)? Discuss the rules of Simplification in K-Map.
- c) Briefly explain the advantages of K-Map.
- d) Convert the following Boolean expression into Minimized SOP form using K-Map.

$$\overline{A}B\overline{C}D + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}D + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}D + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}D$$

04. Pipelining is a technique used in advanced micro processors.

- a) Suppose there are five instructions need to be executed. How would be the pipelined execution works?
- b) Describe briefly the *Instruction-Execution cycle* with five stages.
- c) What is *RISC* architecture? Briefly explain its features.
- d) Compare the *Superscalar Architecture* with simple pipelined architecture.