Introduction to Computer Science: Mid-Term Exam

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Question 1

If the hardware of a computer is analog to the body of a human being, which of the following is the best description of the software.

- (a) Language
- (b) Blood
- (c) Mind
- (d) Neuron

Question 2

What was the original use of computers?

- (a) For playing game.
- (b) For data storage.
- (c) Computation.
- (d) Factory automation.

Question 3

Which of the following electronic technologies is the key technology for making the *first generation electronic computer*?

- (a) Transistor
- (b) Integrated circuit
- (c) Vacuum tube
- (d) Dual Core CPU

Question 4

During World War II, which of the following country did not have an electronic computer?

- (a) France
- (b) Germany
- (c) England
- (d) USA

Question 5

What is the name of the first commercial computer in US?

- (a) IBM System/360
- (b) UNIVAC
- (c) Macintosh
- (d) ENIAC

Question 6

What is the contribution of Xerox in the evolution of computer?

- (a) Window
- (b) Mouse
- (c) A4 paper
- (d) Touch screen

Question 7

Information is a set of data that have been shaped into a form that is _____.

- (a) meaningless and useless to human being
- (b) meaningful and useful to human being

- (c) meaningless and useless to information systems
- (d) meaningful and useful to information systems

Data is a stream of _____ representing *events* occurring in organization.

- (a) raw fact
- (b) meaningful information
- (c) information
- (d) numbers

Question 9

An information system is a set of interrelated components that _____, ____, ____ and distribute information to _____ in an organization.

Which of the following should NOT be put in the blanks ?

- (a) collect
- (b) process
- (c) store
- (d) make decision

Question 10

The mission of an information system is to improve the performance of _____ through the use of information technology.

- (a) computers in organizations
- (b) people in organizations
- (c) computer network
- (d) people network

Question 11

Which of the following items are part of information technologies ?

- (i) Digital camera
- (ii) Mobile phone
- (iii) Internet

Answer :

- (a) (i) & (ii)
- (b) (ii) & (iii)
- (c) (i) & (iii)
- (d) (i), (ii) and (iii)

Question 12

In terms of management level, how can the following information systems are ranked (from high level to low level) ?

- (1) Transaction processing systems
- (2) Executive information systems
- (3) Management information systems
- (4) Decision support systems

Answer :

- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4
 (b) 2, 3, 4, 1
- (c) 2, 4, 1, 3
- (d) 2, 4, 3, 1

Question 13

Which of the following operation(s) a computer is(are) able to perform?

- (i) Arithmetic operation.
- (ii) Logic operation.

Answer :

- (a) (i) only
- (b) (ii) only
- (c) (i) & (ii)
- (d) None of them

Diagram for Questions 14-18

The following schematic diagram is for Question 14 to Question 18. It is a circuit consisting of two logic gates.



Question 14

What are the output values X and Y if A is an XOR gate and B is an AND gate.

- (a) X = 0, Y = 0.
- (b) X = 0, Y = 1.
- (c) X = 1, Y = 0.
- (d) X = 1, Y = 1.

Question 15

What are the output values X and Y if A is an OR gate and B is an OR gate.

- (a) X = 0, Y = 0.
- (b) X = 0, Y = 1.
- (c) X = 1, Y = 0.
- (d) X = 1, Y = 1.

Question 16

What are the output values X and Y if A is an AND gate and B is an XOR gate.

- (a) X = 0, Y = 0.
- (b) X = 0, Y = 1.
- (c) X = 1, Y = 0.
- (d) X = 1, Y = 1.

Question 17

What are the output values X and Y if A is an OR gate and B is an NAND gate.

- (a) X = 0, Y = 0.
- (b) X = 0, Y = 1.

(c)
$$X = 1, Y = 0.$$

(d) X = 1, Y = 1.

Question 18

What are the output values X and Y if A is an NAND gate and B is an NAND gate.

- (a) X = 0, Y = 0.(b) X = 0, Y = 1.
- (c) X = 1, Y = 0.
- (d) X = 1, Y = 1.

Question 19

Convert 20_{10} in 8-bit 2'S complement formate.

- (a) 10010100_2
- (b) 00010100_2
- (c) 10001010_2
- (d) 00001010_2

Question 20

Convert -20_{10} in 8-bit 2'S complement formate.

- (a) 10010100_2
- (b) 00010100_2
- (c) 11101011_2
- (d) 11101100_2

Question 21

Convert 20_{10} in 16-bit 2'S complement formate.

- (a) 100000010010100_2
- (b) 000000000010100_2
- (c) 100000000001010_2
- (d) 000000000001010_2

Convert -20_{10} in 16-bit 2'S complement formate.

- (a) 100000000010100_2
- (b) 000000000010100₂
- (c) 100000001101011_2
- (d) 1111111111101100_2

Question 23

x and y are two binary numbers which are in 4-bit 2's complement formate, where

$$x = 0010_2$$
 and $y = 1101_2$.

Clearly, y is a negative number. What is the result of x + y in decimal formate?

(a) 1_{10}

- (b) -1_{10}
- (c) 0_{10}
- (d) -7_{10}

Question 24

x and y are two binary numbers which are in **4-bit 2's complement formate**, where

$$x = 0010_2$$
 and $y = 0001_2$.

Clearly, both of them are positive. What is the result of x + y in decimal formate?

- (a) 1_{10}
- (b) -1_{10}
- (c) 3_{10}
- (d) -3_{10}

Question 25

The truth table of an half adder is shown below.

Α	В	C	D
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

The implementation of this half adder can be done by two logic gates, say X and Y. Logic gate X is with A and B as input and C as output, while logic gate Y is with A and B as input and D as output. What should logic gates X and Yare?

- (a) X is a OR gate, while Y is an AND gate.
- (b) X is a XOR gate, while Y is an AND gate.
- (c) X is a AND gate, while Y is an OR gate.
- (d) X is a AND gate, while Y is an XOR gate.

Question 26

The following is the truth table of a full adder. What are the values X and Y?

Α	В	D	С	Ζ
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	X	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	Y

(a)
$$X = 0, Y = 0$$

(b)
$$X = 0, Y = 1.$$

(c)
$$X = 1, Y = 0.$$

(d) X = 1, Y = 1.

Question 27

Which of the following items are part of information technologies ?

- (i) Programming language
- (ii) Operating system
- (iii) Database

Answer :

- (a) (i) & (ii)
- (b) (ii) & (iii)
- (c) (i) & (iii)
- (d) (i), (ii) and (iii)

To execute an instruction, the CPU will first decode the instruction into a sequence of electrical signals controlling the connections amongst the logic gates. Which of the following unit is responsible for generating such signals?

- (a) Register
- (b) Control unit
- (c) ALU
- (d) Cache

Question 29

What does MBytes stand for ?

- (a) 10^0 Bytes (or 2^0 Bytes)
- (b) 10^3 Bytes (or 2^{10} Bytes)
- (c) 10^6 Bytes (or 2^{20} Bytes)
- (d) 10^9 Bytes (or 2^{30} Bytes)

Question 30

C Programming language is _____ for writing software.

- (a) a communication scheme
- (b) a coding scheme
- (c) a Visual Basic interface
- (d) a .NET interface

Question 31

To convert a C program to machine code, we need to use a _____.

- (a) DevC compiler
- (b) Java Development Kit
- (c) Visual Basic Compiler
- (d) Dictionary

Question 32

#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>

```
int main(void){
    printf("Hello world!\n");
```

```
system("PAUSE");
return 0;
```

}

After compiling the above C program. What will you see on the computer screen?

- (a) "Hello world"
- (b) "Hello world!"
- (c) Hello world
- (d) Hello world!

Question 33

In the above program, the files **stdio.h** and **stdlib.h** are commonly called ______ files. They _____.

- (a) help; help
- (b) header; help
- (c) help; define the operations of the functions like **printf** and **system**
- (d) header; define the operations of the functions like **printf** and **system**

Diagram for Questions 34-35

Below is a simple circuit. It consists of a **memory** with 16 memory spaces (from M1 to M16), an **ADD/SUB block**, 2 **input registers** (IA and IB) and one **output register** (OUT). M1 to M16, IA, IB and OUT are all 4 bits long.



To control the above circuit, three commands (MOV, ADD and SUB) are provided. The syntax and the descriptions of these commands are depicted in the following table.

Syntax	Description
MOV X Y	Moving the content of Y to X
ADD X Y	OUT = X + Y
SUB X Y	OUT = X - Y

MOV IA M1 MOV IB M2 ADD IA IB MOV IA OUT MOV IB M3 ADD IA IB MOV M4 OUT

Suppose the initial contents of M1, M2, M3 and M4 are given by

M1 = 0010, M2 = 0001, M3 = 0010, M4 = 0000.

What is the content of M4 once the program is finished?

- (a) 0010
- (b) 0011
- (c) 0111

(d) 0101

Question 35

MOV	IA	M1
MOV	ΙB	M2
ADD	IA	IB
MOV	IA	OUT
MOV	ΙB	МЗ
SUB	IA	IB
MOV	M4	OUT

Suppose the initial contents of M1, M2, M3 and M4 are given by

M1 = 0011, M2 = 0010, M3 = 0001, M4 = 0000.

What is the content of M4 once the program is finished?

- (a) 0010
- (b) 0011
- (c) 0100
- (d) 0101

Question 36

Which of the following is the language for use in the first generation electronic computer?

- (a) Natural language.
- (b) High level language.
- (c) C language
- (d) Machine code.

Question 37

The logic function of the following truth table is given by

$$Z = \bar{A}BC + A\bar{B}\bar{C}.$$

А	В	С	Ζ
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	Х
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	Y

What are the values of X and Y?

- (a) X = 0, Y = 0.
- (b) X = 0, Y = 1.
- (c) X = 1, Y = 0.

(d) X = 1, Y = 1.

Question 38

Which of the following statement(s) is(are) true?

- (i) All logic circuits can be built by using NAND gates only.
- (ii) All logic circuits can be built by using AND gates only.
- (iii) All logic circuits can be built by using XOR gates only.

Answer:

- (a) (i) only.
- (b) (ii) only.
- (c) (iii) only.
- (d) None of them.

Question 39

For a binary number which is represented in 6-bit 2's complement formate, what are the smallest and the largest numbers that can be represented?

- (a) -15 to 15.
- (b) -31 to 31.
- (c) -63 to 63.
- (d) 0 to 63.

Question 40

Which of the following statement(s) is(are) true?

- (i) Smartphone is able to connect to the Internet via 3G telcom network.
- (ii) Smartphone is able to connect to the Internet via WiFi.

(iii) WiFi is another name for 3G telcom network.

Answer:

- (a) (i) only.
- (b) (ii) only.
- (c) (i) and (ii) only.
- (d) (i), (ii) and (iii).