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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June 2012

Embedded Computing Systems

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.

PART – A

- 1 a. Define an embedded system. Explain the components of embedded system hardware. (06 Marks)
b. Point out major differences between Harvard and Von Neuman architecture. (04 Marks)
c. Explain the various software tools for designing an embedded system. (08 Marks)
d. Point out various applications of embedded system. (02 Marks)
- 2 a. Compare the advantages and disadvantages of data transfer using serial and parallel ports/devices. (10 Marks)
b. Describe and compare UART, Rs232C, SDI_o devices. (10 Marks)
- 3 a. What is a timer? How does a counter perform :
i) timer functions?
ii) prefixed time initiated event generation?
iii) time capture functions? (10 Marks)
b. Explain the following wireless and mobile system protocols :
i) Bluetooth ii) Zig Bee (10 Marks)
- 4 a. What do you mean by throwing an exception? How is the exception condition during execution of a function (routine) handled? (10 Marks)
b. What are the uses of hardware and software assigned priorities in interrupt service mechanism? (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. What are the different programming models? Give an example, explain the SDFG model. (10 Marks)
b. What is a semaphore? What are the IPC functions used by a software programmer? Explain them. (10 Marks)
- 6 a. What is a process manager? What are its services? (06 Marks)
b. What is RTOS? Point out and explain the various services of RTOS. (10 Marks)
c. Explain the user and supervisory mode structure in OS. (04 Marks)
- 7 a. Explain preemptive scheduling model. Point out the various scheduling models. (08 Marks)
b. What are the important operating system security issues? List the important security function. (04 Marks)
c. What are the methods of optimizing memory space in RTOS? (08 Marks)
- 8 a. What is a target system? How is embedded software loaded into the target system? (10 Marks)
b. What is a simulator? Illustrate the detailed design development process using a simulator. (10 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, December 2012
Embedded Computing Systems

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

*Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting
at least TWO questions from each part.*

PART – A

- 1 a. Give the characteristics and constraints of embedded system. (04 Marks)
- b. Define design metrics in an embedded system. What are the different computing design metrics? What are the challenges faced in designing an embedded system. (10 Marks)
- c. Describe the software tools used for designing an embedded system. (06 Marks)
- 2 a. With neat sketch, explain synchronous serial input and synchronous serial output operation. (10 Marks)
- b. Briefly explain the skills required for an embedded system designer. (06 Marks)
- c. Write a note on SDIO (secure digital input output). (04 Marks)
- 3 a. Describe: i) Timing device; ii) Counting device; iii) Timer cum counting device. (06 Marks)
- b. Explain watch dog timer with any one its applications. (06 Marks)
- c. With neat sketch, explain the control bit format in I²C bus protocol. (08 Marks)
- 4 a. What is interrupt vector? Explain various mechanism of interrupt vector with suitable examples. (10 Marks)
- b. Differentiate between device driver functions and ISR functions. (05 Marks)
- c. Explain the role of device drivers in interaction with device hardware with suitable example. (05 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. Explain the modeling of a multi-processor system. (07 Marks)
- b. Distinguish between function, ISR and Task. (06 Marks)
- c. Define process and tasks. Explain the tasks with their states. (07 Marks)
- 6 a. Describe any four RTOS timer functions and the actions on calling these functions. (04 Marks)
- b. Explain file system organization and implementation in an OS for an embedded system. (08 Marks)
- c. Explain process creation and management of created process. (08 Marks)
- 7 a. Briefly explain the design principles when using an RTOS to design an embedded system. (10 Marks)
- b. List any four common RTOS task scheduling models. (04 Marks)
- c. Describe fixed real time scheduling model with an example. (06 Marks)
- 8 a. What are the features of integrated development environment (IDE)? Explain. (07 Marks)
- b. Describe the platform dependency issues and the need for appropriate OS-hardware interface functions. (08 Marks)
- c. Discuss the limitations of simulation with appropriate illustration. (05 Marks)
