

BETCE 4th YEAR 1st SEM. EXAM.-2024
SYSTEM SOFTWARE

Time: Three hours

Full Marks: 100

Set I Answer any *ten* questions Each question carries two marks 10x2

1. a) There are ____ registers in a SIC machine architecture.
- b) What does the SYMTAB hold?
- c) LOCCTR is a variable that is used to help in the assignment of ____.
- d) Load-and-go assembler does not need a ____.
- e) The linkage editor performs ____ of all control sections relative to the start of the linked program.
- f) Linking loader performs linking operation at load time. The scheme that postpones the linking function until execution time is called ____.
- g) The main data structure needed for the linking loader is the ____.
- h) All the literal operands used in a program are gathered together into one or more ____.
- i) The symbol &EORCK is a macro time variable, also called a ____ , which can be used to store working values during the macro expansion.
- j) What does MEND signify?
- k) The argument table ARGTAB stores the ____ according to their position in the ____ list, when a macro invocation statement is recognized.
- l) Replacement of run-time computations by compile time computations is called ____.
- m) ____ involves replicating the body of the loop to reduce the number of tests required to be carried out, if the number of iterations are constant.
- n) It is convenient to regard a source program statement as a sequence of ____ rather than simply as a string of characters.
- o) Finite automata provides an easy way to visualize the operation of a ____.
- p) Write a regular expression to represent the set of all strings of 1's and 0's having exactly one '1' or one '0'.

Set II Answer any *three* questions Each question carries ten marks 10x3

2. a) What are the special uses for the registers of a SIC. What are the uses of the additional registers of SIC/XE? Mention the mnemonics used to represent them. 4+4+2
- b) Mention the functions involved in translation of source program to object code. What is the significance of the three types of records in a simple objet program? 5+5

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- c) Define Bit Mask. In a complex computer that runs more than one program will the absolute loader be efficient? Suggest a solution if not.
- d) Suppose that a computer primarily uses direct addressing but has several different instructions formats. What problems does this create for the relocation-bit approach to progress relocation? How might these problems be solved? 5+5
- e) Immediate operands and literals are both ways of specifying an operand value in a source statement. What are the advantages and disadvantages of each? When might each be preferred to the other? 6+4

Set III Answer any *three* questions Each question carries *ten* marks 10x3

- 3. a) Some macro processors allow macro instructions in which some of the parameters are keyword parameters and some are positional parameters. How could a macro processor handle such mixed-mode macro instructions? Give examples. 4+6
- b) Describe how the lexical specifications of a programming language can be described by regular expressions. 10
- c) How do we increase the efficiency of a Linkage editor? Discuss from memory usage perspective. 10
- d) Consider the following piece of code:

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begin
while a>b do
begin
    x=y+z
    a=a-b
end
    x=y-z
end
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Construct the corresponding parse tree 10

Set IV Answer any *two* questions Each question carries *ten* marks 10x2

- 4. a)(i)What kinds of source program errors would be detected during lexical analysis?
- (ii)What kinds of source program errors would be detected during syntactic analysis? 5+5
- b) Give the intermediate code of the following subroutine in the form of quadruples- 10
 BEGIN

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SUM    :=0;
SUMSQ  :=0;
FOR    I:= 1 TO 100 DO
  BEGIN
    READ (VALUE);
    SUM   := SUM + VALUE;
    SUMSQ := SUMSQ + VALUE * VALUE
  END
MEAN    := SUM DIV 100;
VARIANCE := SUMSQ DIV 100- MEAN * MEAN;
WRITE (MEAN, VARIANCE)
END

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c) Construct an NFA for the following regular expression R.

$$R = a|ab^*|aa^*b$$

Derive a DFA for the NFA obtained, minimize the states of the DFA and show the result in the form of a state table. 10

d) Draw a state diagram for a finite automaton to recognize a token type named "real constant". This token consists of a string of digits that contains a decimal point. There must be at least one digit before the decimal point. 10