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THIRD YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICAL
ENGINEERING

EEE 0248: MICROPROCESSORS

DATE: APRIL 2014

TIME: 1 ½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions

QUESTION ONE – (30 MARKS)

- (a) What is the size of memory address space for the following microprocessors
- | Microprocessor | Data bus width | Address bus width | |
|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 8080A | 8 – bit | 16 – bit | |
| 6800 | 8 – bit | 16 – bit | |
| 8086 | 16 – bit | 20 – bit | |
| 9900 | 16 – bit | 16 – bit | |
| Z8000 | 16 – bit | 23 – bit | (5 Marks) |
- (b) It is desired to clear the accumulator of 8085. Explain the possible instructions for this purpose. (5 Marks)
- (c) Define the following terms
- (i) Data bus (1 Mark)
 - (ii) Address bus (1 Mark)
- (d) Draw a block diagram of a simple microprocessor system indicating the I/O ports, data bus, address bus, control bus and memory. (5 Marks)
- (e) Describe two basic operations of a microprocessor. (4 Marks)
- (f) Explain the function of the following microprocessor sub-systems
- (i) Arithmetic logic unit (ALU) (1 Mark)
 - (ii) Registers (1 Mark)
 - (iii) Program counter (1 Mark)
 - (iv) Flags (1 Mark)

- (g) Explain the difference between a microcontroller and a microprocessor. (2 Marks)
- (h) Write a simple Arduino program that blinks a LED attached at its digital pin 13 repeatedly at a rate of one second. (3 Marks)

QUESTION TWO – (15 MARKS)

- (a) List two Arduino features that make its more attractive than other microcontrollers. (2 Marks)
- (b) Name the parts labelled 1 – 10 in the arduino uno diagram in figure 1.1 below. (10 Marks)
- (c) What does the following arduino statements accomplish. (3 Marks)
- ```
digitalWrite (13, HIGH);
delay(1000);
digitalWrite (13, LOW);
```

**QUESTION THREE – (15 MARKS)**

- (a) The figure below is an arduino circuit that turns ON a LED when a button is pressed and turns OFF the LED when the button is released. Write an arduino program that accomplishes this task. (10 Marks)

- (b) The following program is used to program an Arduino board. The board is then connected to a circuit as shown below. Explain the task of the system. (5 Marks)

```
int LED = 9;
void set up () {
 pinMode (LED, OUTPUT);
}
void loop ()
{
 for (int i = 0; i < 256; i++){
 analogWrite (led, i);
 delay (10);
 }
 for (int i = 256; i >=0; i--){
 analogWrite (led, i);
 delay (10);
 }
}
```

**QUESTION FOUR – (15 MARKS)**

- (a) Draw a schematic diagram showing how a 12V DC motor can be connected to be microcontroller board for regulating the speed of the motor. (5 Marks)
- (b) Write Arduino program drive the motor described in question 4(a) above at speeds determined by a potentiometer attached at one of its analog input ports. (5 Marks)
- (c) Draw a H-bridge circuit for controlling the direction at which a DC Motor runs. (5 Marks)