

Spring 2010

CS401- Computer Architecture and Assembly Language Programming (Session - 2)

Time: 90 min

Marks: 58

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Question No: 1 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Suppose AL contains 5 decimal then after two left shifts produces the value as

- ▶ 5
- ▶ 10
- ▶ 15
- ▶ 20

Question No: 2 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In graphics mode a location in video memory corresponds to a _____ on the screen.

- ▶ line
- ▶ dot
- ▶ circle
- ▶ rectangle

Question No: 3 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Creation of threads can be

- ▶ static
- ▶ dynamic
- ▶ easy
- ▶ difficult

Question No: 4 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

The thread registration code initializes the PCB and adds it to the linked list so that the _____ will give it a turn.

- ▶ assembler
- ▶ scheduler
- ▶ linker
- ▶ debugger

Question No: 5 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

VESA VBE 2.0 is a standard for

- ▶ High resolution Mode
- ▶ Low resolution Mode
- ▶ Medium resolution Mode
- ▶ Very High resolution Mode

Question No: 6 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Which of the following gives the more logical view of the storage medium

- ▶ BIOS
- ▶ DOS
- ▶ Both
- ▶ None

Question No: 7 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Which of the following IRQs is derived by a key board?

- ▶ IRQ 0
- ▶ **IRQ 1**
- ▶ IRQ 2
- ▶ IRQ 3

Question No: 8 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Which of the following IRQs is used for Floppy disk derive?

- ▶ IRQ 4
- ▶ IRQ 5
- ▶ **IRQ 6**
- ▶ IRQ 7

Question No: 9 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Which of the following pins of a parallel port connector are grounded?

- ▶ 10-18
- ▶ **18-25**
- ▶ 25-32
- ▶ 32-39

Question No: 10 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

The physical address of IDT(Interrupt Descriptor Table) is stored in _____

- ▶ GDTR
- ▶ **IDTR**
- ▶ IVT
- ▶ IDTT

Question No: 11 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In NASM an imported symbol is declared with the while and exported symbol is declared with the

- ▶ Global directive, External directive
- ▶ **External directive, Global directive**
- ▶ Home Directive, Foreign Directive
- ▶ Foreign Directive, Home Directive

Question No: 12 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In 68K processors there is a program counter (PC) that holds the address of currently executing instruction

- ▶ 8bit
- ▶ 16bit
- ▶ **32bit**
- ▶ 64bit

Question No: 13 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

To reserve 8-bits in memory ____ directive is used.

- ▶ **db**
- ▶ dw
- ▶ dn
- ▶ dd

Question No: 14 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In the “mov ax, 5” 5 is the _____ operand.

- ▶ **source**
- ▶ destination
- ▶ memory
- ▶ register

Question No: 15 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

RETF will pop the segment address in the

- ▶ **CS register**
- ▶ DS register
- ▶ SS register
- ▶ ES register

Question No: 16 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

For the execution of the instruction “DIV BL”, the implied dividend will be stored in

- ▶ **AX**
- ▶ BX
- ▶ CX
- ▶ DX

Question No: 17 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

When a number is divided by zero “A Division by 0” interrupt is generated. Which instruction is used for this purpose

- ▶ INT 0
- ▶ INT 1
- ▶ INT 2
- ▶ **This interrupt is generated automatically**

Question No: 18 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

INT-21 service 01H is used to read character from standard input with echo. It returns the result in _____ register.

- ▶ **AL**
- ▶ BL
- ▶ CL
- ▶ BH

Question No: 19 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

BIOS sees the disks as

- ▶ logical storage

► **raw storage**

- in the form of sectors only
- in the form of tracks only

Question No: 20 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In 9pin DB 9, which pin number is assigned to CD (Carrier Detect) ?

- **1**
- 2
- 3
- 4

Question No: 21 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In 9pin DB 9, Signal ground is assigned on pin number

- 4
- **5**
- 6
- 3

Question No: 22 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In 9pin DB 9, RI (Ring Indicator) is assigned on pin number

- 6
- 7
- 8
- **9**

Question No: 23 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Motorola 68K processors have 23bit general purpose registers.

- 4
- 8
- **16**
- 32

Question No: 24 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

When two devices in the system want to use the same IRQ line then what will happen?

- An IRQ Collision
- **An IRQ Conflict**
- An IRQ Crash
- An IRQ Blockage

Question No: 25 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

In the instruction **MOV AX, 5** the number of operands are

- ▶ 1
- ▶ 2
- ▶ 3
- ▶ 4

Question No: 26 (Marks: 1) - Please choose one

Which flags are NOT used for mathematical operations ?

- ▶ Carry, Interrupt and Trap flag.
- ▶ **Direction, Interrupt and Trap flag.**
- ▶ Direction, Overflow and Trap flag.
- ▶ Direction, Interrupt and Sign flag.

Question No: 27 (Marks: 2)

How can we improve the speed of multitasking?

Ans:

We can improve the speed of multitasking by changing the frequency of timer interrupt.

Question No: 28 (Marks: 2)

Write instructions to do the following. Copy contents of memory location with offset 0025 in the current data segment into AX.

Ans:

Mov ax , [0025]

mov[0fff], ax

mov ax , [0010]
mov [002f] , ax

Question No: 29 (Marks: 2)

Write types of Devices?

Ans:

There are two types devices used in pc.

1. Input devices(keyboard, mouse,)
2. Output devices.(monitor, printer)

Question No: 30 (Marks: 2)

What dose descriptor 1st 16 bit tell?

Ans:

Each segment is describe by the descriptor like

1. base,
2. limit,
3. and attributes,

it basically define the actual base address.

Question No: 31 (Marks: 3)

List down any three common video services for INT 10 used in text mode.

Ans:

INT 10 - VIDEO - SET TEXT-MODE CURSOR SHAPE

AH = 01h

CH = cursor start and options

CL = bottom scan line containing cursor (bits 0-4)

Question No: 32 (Marks: 3)

How to create or Truncate File using INT 21 Service?

Ans:

INT 21 - TRUNCATE FILE

AH = 3Ch

CX = file attributes

DS:DX -> cs401 filename

Return:

CF = error flag

AX = file handle or error code

Question No: 33 (Marks: 3)

How many Types of granularity also name them?

Ans:

There are three types of granuality :

1. Data Granularity
2. Business Value Granularity
3. Functionality Granularity

Question No: 34 (Marks: 5)

How to read disk sector into memory using INT 13 service?

Ans:

INT 13 - DISK - READ SECTOR(S) INTO MEMORY :

AH = 02h

AL = number of sectors to read (must be nonzero)

CH = low eight bits of cylinder number

CL = sector number 1-63 (bits 0-5)
high two bits of cylinder (bits 6-7, hard disk only)

DH = head number

DL = drive number (bit 7 set for hard disk)

ES:BX -> data buffer

Return:

CF = error flag

AH = error code

AL = number of sectors transferred

Question No: 35 (Marks: 5)

The program given below is written in assembly language. Write a program in C to call this assembly routine.

[section .text]

```
global swap
swap: mov ecx,[esp+4] ; copy parameter p1 to ecx
      mov edx,[esp+8] ; copy parameter p2 to edx
      mov eax,[ecx]   ; copy *p1 into eax
      xchg eax,[edx]  ; exchange eax with *p2
      mov [ecx],eax   ; copy eax into *p1
      ret             ; return from this function
```

Ans:

The above code will assemble in c through this command. Other aurwise error will occur.

Nasm-f win32 swap .asm

This command will generate swap.obj file.

The code for given program will be as follow.

```
#include <stdio.h>
Void swap(int* p1, int* p2);
Int main()
{
    Int a=10,
    Int b= 20;
    Print f ("a=%d b=%d\n" , a ,b);

    Swap (&a ,&b);

    Print f ("a=%d b=%d\n" , a ,b);

    System ( "pause");

    Return 0;

}
```

Question No: 36 (Marks: 5)

Write the code of "break point interrupt routine".

Ans:

Breakpoint interrupts service routine :

```
debugISR:    push bp
             mov  bp, sp          ; .....to read cs, ip and flags
             push ax
             push bx
             push cx
             push dx
             push si
             push di
             push ds
             push es

             sti                  ;..... waiting for keyboard interrupt
             push cs
             pop  ds              ;..... initialize ds to data segment
```

```

mov ax, [bp+4]
mov es, ax      ; .....load interrupted segment in es
dec word [bp+2] ; .....decrement the return address
mov di, [bp+2]  ; ..... read the return address in di
mov word [opcodepos], di ; ..... remember the return position
mov al, [opcode] ; .....load the original opcode
mov [es:di], al ; ..... restore original opcode there

```

```

mov byte [flag], 0 ; .....set flag to wait for key
call clrscr        ; ..... clear the screen

```

```

mov si, 6      ; .....first register is at bp+6
mov cx, 12     ; ..... total 12 registers to print
mov ax, 0      ; .....start from row 0
mov bx, 5      ; .....print at column 5

```

```

push ax      ; .....row number
push bx      ; ..... column number
mov dx, [bp+si]
push dx      ; ..... number to be printed
call printnum ; ..... print the number
sub si, 2    ; .....point to next register
inc ax      ; .....next row number
loop l3      ; ..... repeat for the 12 registers

```

```

mov ax, 0      ; .....start from row 0
mov bx, 0      ; .....start from column 0
mov cx, 12     ; .....total 12 register names
mov si, 4      ; ..... each name length is 4 chars
mov dx, names  ; .....offset of first name in dx

```

```

push ax      ; ..... row number
push bx      ; .....column number
push dx      ; .....offset of string
push si      ; .....length of string
call printstr ; .....print the string
add dx, 4    ; ..... point to start of next string
inc ax      ; .....new row number
loop l1      ; ..... repeat for 12 register names

```

```

or word [bp+6], 0x0100 ; .....set TF in flags image on stack

```

```

keywait:  cmp byte [flag], 0 ; ..... has a key been pressed
             je keywait        ; ..... no, check again

```

```

pop es

```

```

pop ds
pop di
pop si
pop dx
pop cx
pop bx
pop ax
pop bp
iret

```

```

start:    xor ax, ax
            mov es, ax ; .....point es to IVT base
            mov word [es:1*4], trapisr ; ..... store offset at n*4
            mov [es:1*4+2], cs ; .....store segment at n*4+2
            mov word [es:3*4], .....debugisr ; store offset at n*4
            mov [es:3*4+2], cs ; .....store segment at n*4+2
            cli ; .....disable interrupts
            mov word [es:9*4], kbisr ; .....store offset at n*4
            mov [es:9*4+2], cs ; .....store segment at n*4+2
            sti ; .....enable interrupts

```