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Question # 1

$$(a) \quad 64_{10} = (1000000)_2$$

$$(b) \quad (01111111)_2 = (127)_{10}$$

$$(c) \quad 4D7F = (19839)_{10}$$

$$(d) \quad (128)_{10} = (80)_{16}$$

$$(e) \quad 3AGF1G = (0011101001101111)_2$$

8	4	2	1	
1	1	1	1	F
0	1	1	0	G
1	0	1	0	A
0	0	1	1	3

$$(f) \quad (1100001111100101)_2 = (C3E5)_{16}$$

8	4	2	1	
□	1	□	1	5
1	1	1	0	E
□	□	1	1	3
1	1	□	□	C

$$= (C3E5)_{16}$$

$$(G) \quad (11111111)_2 = \pm (255)_{10}$$

$$(H) \quad -16_{10} = (-10000)_2$$

$$(i) \quad (□1111111)_2 - (□00000111)_2$$

$$= (1111000)_2$$

$$(j) \quad 6076 - 3F16 = (2E)_{10}$$

Question #2

Embedded System

An embedded system is a combination of computer hardware and software designed for a specific function or a function within a large system.

The system can be programmable or with fixed functionality.

Device driver

More commonly known as driver, a device driver or hardware driver is a group of files that enable one or more hardware devices to communicate with the computer's operating system. Without drivers, the computer would not be able to send and receive data correctly to hardware devices, such as printer.

Virtual machine concept

Virtual machine is an image file managed by the hypervisor that exhibits the behavior of a separate computer, capable of performing task such as running application and programs like a separate computer.

Instruction execution Cycle

A single machine instruction does not just magically execute all at once. The CPU has to go through a predefined sequence of steps to execute a machine instruction called the instruction execute cycle. Let's assume the instruction pointer register holds the address of instruction we want to execute. Here are the steps to execute it.

One Cycle:

- First, the CPU has to fetch the instruction from an area of memory called the instruction queue. Right after doing this, it increments the instruction pointer.
- Next, the CPU decodes the instruction by looking at its binary bits pattern. This bit pattern might reveal that the instruction has operands. If operands are involved, the CPU fetches the operand from registers and memory. Sometimes this involves address calculation.
- The CPU executes the instruction using any operands values it fetches during earlier steps. It also updates a few status flags such as Zero, carry, and overflow.

- Finally if an output operand was part of the instruction, the CPU stores the result of its execution in the operand.

Motherboard Chipset

A motherboard chipset is a collection of processor chips designed to work together on a specific type of motherboard.

Various Chipsets have features that increase processing power, multimedia capabilities or reduce power consumption.

Access Level for input-output operation

Application programs routinely read input from keyboard and disk files and write output to the screen and to files. I/O need, you not be accomplished by directly accessing hardware instead, you can call function provided by the operating system.

I/O is available at different access level similar to the virtual machine concept shown is. There are three primary levels.

- High-level language functions: (A high level program language such as C++ contain function to perform input-output).
- Operating System: (Programmer can call operating system function from library known as Application programming interface. (API))

BIOS:

The basic input output system is the collection of low-level subroutines that communicate directly with hardware devices. The bios is installed by computer's hardware. Operating systems typically communicate with the bios.

Basic Parts of an assembly language instruction

Instructions are statements that execute when we assemble the programme. The instructions (written in assembly language) are translated into machine language bytes.

An assembly instruction has 4 basic parts.

- Label (optional)
- Mnemonic (required)
- Operand (depends on the instruction)
- Comment (optional)

Question #3

Assembly Language and high level language

High-level language are machine independent. They are easy to learn, easy to use and convenient for managing complex tasks.

Assembly language programs are machine specific. It is the language that directly processor understand.

High-level language

- It is programmer friendly language.
- It is less memory efficient.
- Easy to understand.
- Simple to debug.
- Run on any platform.
- Simple to maintain.
- Needs compiler for translation.

Assembly Language

- It is machine friendly language.
- high memory efficient.
- tough to understand.
- Complex to debug.
- Complex to maintain.
- Machine dependent.
- Needs assembler for translation.

Protected mode and real address

A real mode program uses BIOS subroutines along with OS subroutines whereas a protected mode program uses only OS subroutines.

Assembler and linker

Assembler translates the assembly program into codes.

A linker tool is used to link all parts of the program together for execution.

Instruction and directive

A directive is mainly an order, usually issued by an authority. A directive may establish policy, assign responsibilities, define objectives and delegate authority to those working in and with authoritative figures.

Code label and data label

- Data label is the label that we use to define data as we defined memory locations num1, num2, ... etc in our program.
- Code label that we have on code and is normally used for loop control statement.

Line Comment and block comment

The first is called single line comment and as implies only to single line in the (source area).

The second is called block comment and refers to a group of text. A block comment has a start symbol and an end symbol and everything between is ignore by Computer.

Question # 4

Concept of Portability as it applies to programming language

Portability in relation to software, is a measure of how easily application can be transferred from one computer environment to another. A computer software application is considered portable to a new environment if the effort required to adapt it to the new environment is within reasonable limits. The meaning of the abstract term (reasonable) depend upon the nature of application and it open difficult to express in quantifiable units. Portability is the form of reusability. Some kinds of software are known to be less portable than other. An example of software that is not portable would be assembly code. Since Assembly code is specific to processor type.

No software is perfectly portable because all software has limitations. Some programming languages are fairly portable, for example the C language. C compilers are readily available for all the majority of operating systems, which in turn make C programs very portable. This portability of C language programs has resulted in some programmers re-writing their programs and recompiling them in C to make them much more portable.

Portability is also used to describe the flexibility of the use of data. Some file formats are less portable than others. For example, the view files with file formats such as PDF or JPEG, the formats depend on the availability of appropriate software applications.

Why would a high-level language not be an ideal tool for writing programs that directly access a particular brand of printer?

A high-level language may not be provided for direct hardware access. Even if it does, awkward coding techniques must often be used, resulting in possible maintenance problems.

Why was unicode invented?

An earlier time, being an electronic device, a computer store data converting into corresponding device. There were several character encoding systems for making character to some ASCII value or numbers. For different language, numerous encoding is required for the letters, punctuation and other system. Hence the same character could use the same number or even two number are used for a single character, before discovering the unicode scheme, there may be a conflict within these traditional encoding scheme, Unicode was discovered to resolve this issue,

representation that can be used for numbers, character, mathematical symbols and all other character.

A unique number (8/16/32-bit) between $U+0000$ to $U+10FFFF$ is available for encoding text or number from all the language. For example $U+0042$ represent the English letter "B"

Discuss the Basis program execution register used in x86 32-bit processor

Register: High-speed memories located in the CPU.

Register for 8086 and are 16 bits wide

Registers for IA-32 family are 32 bits wide

Irvine Kip R. Assembly Language for x86 processor
6/e, 2010

Why does memory access take more machine cycles than register access

Conventional memory is outside the CPU and it responds more slowly to access request. Registers are hard-wired inside the CPU.

Question #5

Discuss the following MASM directives.

Include:

Insert source code from the source file given by file name into the current source file during assembly. Syntax.
Include file name.

.386

Enable assembly of nonprivileged instruction for the 80386 processor.

Disable assembly of instruction introduced with later processors (32-bit MASM only.)

Model

Initializes the program memory model (32-bit MASM only)
Syntax

.Model memory-model [, language-type]
[, stack-option]

Stack

Stack Every program written only in MASM has one main module where programme execution begins. Main module can contain code, data or stack segment define will all of the simplified segment directive. Any additional modules should contain only code and data segments.

Proto:

Proto type a function or procedure. You can call the function prototyped.

By the proto type ^{invoke} directive by using the .Model, starts a near data segment. Syntax

.Label PROTO [distance] [Language-type]

[[parameter] :tag...]

Data

(32-bit MASM) When used with

.Model starts a near data segment for initialized data.

.Code

(32-bit MASM only.) When used with .Model indicates the start of a code segment. Syntax.

.Code name

[SegmentName] ... [code segment name id ENDS;]

PROC

Mark start and end of procedure block called label. The statements in the block can be called with the call instruction or INVOKE directive.

ENDP

Marks the end of procedure name previously begun with PROC syntax

name ENDP.

END

Marks the end of a module and optionally, sets the program entry point.

to procId. Syntax

End [procId]

Question #6

Write a programme that calculate the following express

$$A = (A+B) - (C+D)$$

• 386

• model flat, stdcall

• stack 4096

ExitProcess PROTO, dwExitCode: DWORD.

• Code.

main PROC.

mov eax, 3h

mov ebx, 8h

mov ecx, 1h

mov edx, 8h.

add eax, ebx

add eax, edx

sub eax, ecx

invoke ExitProcess, 0

main ENDP

END main

Write a programme that performs arithmetic operation on different register operands and store the result memory. Give step wise explanation.

$N = 12$ // Loop index initial value

ADDC (r31, N, r1) // r1 = loop index

ADDC (r31, 1, r0) // r0 = computed product

Loop: MUL (r0, r1, r0) // $r0 = r0 * r1$

SUBC (r1, 1, r1) // $r1 = r1 - 1$

BNE (r1, loop, r31) // if $r1 \neq 0$, Next PC = loop.