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Microcontroller

Time: 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting ONE full question from each unit.

UNIT - I

- 1 a. List all the register of MPS 430 CPU and describe its speciality and necessity. 10
- b. Differentiate between :
- (i) Harvard and Von-Neuman architecture (ii) RISC and CISC 10
- (iii) Microprocessor and Microcontroller.
- 2 a. List all six blocks meant for peripheral function and describe their functionalities. 10
- b. Taking a practical control system as an example, explain the role of microcontroller and its various components with a neat diagram. Discuss possible choices for microcontroller in this application substantiating your choice. 10

UNIT - II

- 3 a. Explain the operation of a stack pointer register given following initial conditions and sequence of instructions. Indicate status of SP and other concerned register after executing each of these instructions.
- Initial value of SP : 0240
- Push W # 0x3355 10
- Push W # 0x2288
- Mov W # 0x1122, R₀
- Pop W R₀
- Pop W R₁
- b. Discuss the following with regard to Reset mechanisms in MSP 430 :
- i) Initialization process before the main activity begins 10
- ii) Handling Hardware issues
- iii) Flags in interrupt flag register IRG1.
- 4 a. Enumerate speciality of constant generator and its usefulness. 4
- b. Develop a simple hardware circuit and program to record the most recent eight status of a push bottom. 10
- c. Describe the following instructions with an example : 6
- i) Swpb src ii) dint iii) inv w dst.

UNIT - III

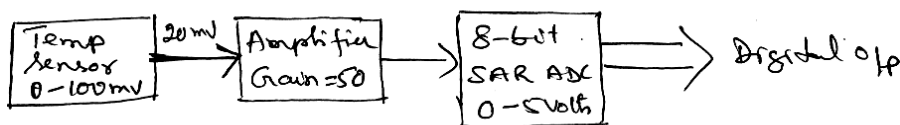
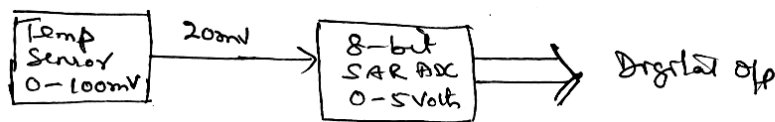
- 5 a. Differentiate between subroutines and interrupt service routines. 5
- b. Write an assembly language program to toggle LED's with period of 0.5 sec using interrupts generated by timer-A in up-mode. 10
- c. Compare the low-power modes of MSP 430 Active, LPM0, LPM3 and LPM4 for clock settings and current values. 5
- 6 a. Discuss the bit settings of SR register for different low power modes on MPS 430. 6
- b. Write an ISR in C language to toggle LED's with period of 0-5 sec using interrupts from timer-A. 8
- c. Describe the step wise process when an interrupt arises. 6

UNIT - IV

- 7 a. Draw the simplified block diagram of Basic timer 1 and list its high lighting features. Also, explain different bits of its control register BTCTL. 8
- b. Construct a state machine to set the timer of clock using Timer-A. 12
- 8 a. Draw the simplified block diagram of Timer-B and describe function of each unit. 10
- b. Discuss the edge-aligned PWM and two main parameters of PWM design for 60% duty cycle and frequency = 100 Hz. 10

UNIT - V

- 9 a. Show that a comparator acts as 1-bit ADC. Design a comparator based warning circuit which glows a LED when the temperature crosses the set threshold value. 10
- b. Describe the operation of a 4-bit switched capacitor SAR ADC with neat diagram. Indicate switch position for an input of $V_{in} = 0.4 VFS$ and binary outputs 0110 and 1000. 10
- 10 a. Draw the simplified block diagram of ADC10 and explain the sections relating to clock and voltage source options. 10
- b. Explain principle of operation of sigma delta ADC. 5
- c. Determine the digital output corresponding to two situations below and comment on the outputs



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