

B.Tech I Year I Semester (R19) Regular Examinations January 2020

**PROBLEM SOLVING & PROGRAMMING**

(Common to all branches)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

**PART – A**

(Compulsory Question)

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- 1 Answer the following: (10 X 02 = 20 Marks)
- (a) What is a compiler? Give an example.
  - (b) Write an algorithm for finding the area of a given square.
  - (c) List the important steps in solving a problem.
  - (d) Give an example showing how redundant computations make an algorithm inefficient.
  - (e) What is type conversion? Give an example.
  - (f) Illustrate the use of break in loop statements with an example.
  - (g) What is a command line argument? How do you pass a command line arguments to a C-program?
  - (h) Let `int a[5] = { 1, 3, 5, 7, 9}`. What is the value output of:  
`printf("%d", *(a+2))`. Justify your answer.
  - (i) What is the use of typedef in C? Give an example.
  - (j) What are bit-fields? Give an example.

**PART – B**

(Answer all five units, 5 X 10 = 50 Marks)

**UNIT – I**

- 2 (a) Explain in detail about the working of a computer.  
(b) Write an algorithm to compute the roots of given quadratic equation.

**OR**

- 3 Explain in detail about the strategy for designing algorithms with suitable examples wherever necessary.

**UNIT – II**

- 4 (a) Explain the top-down approach for problem solving.  
(b) How do you measure the efficiency of an algorithm? Explain with an example.

**OR**

- 5 (a) Design an algorithm that reads a set of numbers from the user and makes a count of the number of negative and the number of non-negative members in the set.  
(b) Write an algorithm for computing the sum of all even numbers in the range 1 to n (including both 1 and n). Trace your algorithm for n = 10.

**UNIT – III**

- 6 Explain in detail about the arithmetic, relational and logical operators in C with suitable examples.

**OR**

- 7 (a) What is function? What are the advantages of using functions in a C-program? Write C-function for exchanging the values of two given variables.  
(b) Write a C-program for computing the sum of first n terms of the following series using for loop.  
 $S = 1 - 3 + 7 - 9 + 11 - 13 + \dots$  'n' terms.

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**UNIT – IV**

- 8 Design and write algorithm for finding the square root of a given integer. Trace your algorithm for input value 16.

**OR**

- 9 (a) What is a pointer and pointer to a pointer? Illustrate the declaration and use of pointers and pointer to a pointer in C with suitable example program.  
(b) Write an algorithm for reversing the array elements. Trace your algorithm for the following array of size 10.

$$a[10] = \{ 12, 3, 4, 48, 87, 54, 67, 43, 78, 19 \}$$
**UNIT – V**

- 10 Design and write an algorithm to sort a given set of randomly ordered integers into non-descending order using insertion method. Trace your algorithm for the following list of integers.

$$78 \ 43 \ 9 \ 2 \ 12 \ 45 \ 98 \ 22$$
**OR**

- 11 (a) Explain the difference between structures and unions with the help of a C-program.  
(b) Illustrate the passing of structures to functions through an example.

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