COE 205, Term 061

Computer Organization & Assembly Programming

Quiz#1

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Q1. Fill the blank in each of the following questions:

- 1. The *Instruction Pointer (IP)* register holds the address of the next instruction to be fetched from memory.
- 2. The *Instruction (IR)* register holds the fetched instruction to be executed.
- 3. The *Memory Address (MAR)* register is connected to the **address bus** in the CPU memory interface.
- 4. The *Memory Data (MDR)* register is connected to the **data bus** in the CPU memory interface.
- 5. The Instruction Set Architecture (ISA) of a computer consists of *Instruction Set*, *Memory*, and *Programmer-accessible registers*.
- 6. The size of the **address bus** in the **8086** processor is *20* bits while in the **Pentium IV** Processor it is *36* bits.
- 7. The size of the **data bus** in the **8086** processor is *16* bits while in the **Pentium IV** Processor it is *64* bits.
- 8. Reading an instruction from Memory is performed in the *Fetch* phase.
- 9. Reading operands from Memory is performed in the *Execute* phase.
- 10. Incrementing the Instruction Pointer is performed in the *Fetch* phase.

- 11. Decoding an instruction is performed in the *Execute* phase.
- 12. With an address bus size equal to 36 bits, the memory address space is 64G Bytes.
- 13. With a **data bus size** equal to **64 bits**, the maximum number of bytes that is transferred between the CPU and memory per a read/write cycle is **8** Bytes.
- 14. After reading an instruction whose size is **32 bits**, the **instruction pointer** is incremented by **4**
- 15. The CPU is divided into two main units called *Control Unit* and *Data Path Unit*
- 16. Two of the reasons for why it is important to program in Assembly Language are *it gives us full control of the machine resources which allows us to do things that could not be done with high-level languages* and *for writing very efficient code for certain functions*.
- 17. The **Cache memory** is faster than the *RAM* and slower than the *Registers*.
- 18. The program that translates assembly language into machine language is called *Assembler*.
- 19. There is a one-to-one mapping between assembly language and *machine language*.
- 20. *High-level language* is portable while *assembly language* is not portable.