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UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS

2013 /2014 ACADEMIC YEAR

1ST YEAR 1ST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE, EDUCATION, COMPUTER SCIENCE

& INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

COURSE CODE: CSC 110

COURSE TITLE: FUNDAMENTALS OF COMPUTING

DATE: 29th October, 2014

TIME: 9.00 a.m-11.00.a.m

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Attempt question **ONE (1)** and **ANY TWO (2)** other questions from section B.

Paper I

Question 1

- a) What are the advantages and limitations of multiprocessing?
(6 Marks)
- b) What is an analog computer and how is it different from a digital computer?
(6 Marks)
- c) Explain THREE main factors that impact on a computer's performance
(6 Marks)
- d) List SEVEN differences between magnetic tapes and magnetic disks
(7 Marks)
- e) List down FIVE major operations or functions performed by computers irrespective of their size and make.
(5 Marks)

Question 2

Draw a block diagram to illustrate the basic organization of a computer system and explain its various components and functional units

(20 Marks)

Question 3

How can you classify storage devices? What are its different types elaborate?

(20 Marks)

Question 4

a) Computers vary widely in terms of their size and purpose they serve.

Classify computers on the basis of the

- i. operating principles

(6 Marks)

ii. basis of Size

(8 Marks)

b) Computer is, no doubt, a marvelous tool. Yet it has some limitations. Explain THREE major limitations of computer

(6 Marks)

Question 5

Describe FIVE security measures an organizations needs to put in place certain safeguards for protecting their computer and information resources against unauthorized access, disasters and system failure.

(20 Marks)