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**First Semester B.C.A.4 Degree Examination, Nov./Dec. 2017**  
**COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS**  
**(Regular)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- Instructions :**
- 1) **All the three Sections are compulsory.**
  - 2) **Answer the questions of a Section together.**
  - 3) **Draw diagram where necessary.**

**PART - A**

1. Answer any ten of the following :

(10x2=20)

- a) What is data processing ?
- b) State the functions of input unit.
- c) Why binary numbers are used in computer system ?
- d) Expand the term BCD and MIPS.
- e) Define word length.
- f) What is microprocessor ?
- g) Hardware and software of computer system are like two sides of a coin.  
Justify.
- h) What are the two modes of editing text in MS word ? Explain briefly.
- i) Define operating system.
- j) What is the purpose of title bar in windows operating system ?
- k) What is multiprogramming ?
- l) What is the purpose of 'tail' and 'cat' command in Linux operating system ?

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## PART – B

Answer **any four** questions of the following :

(4×5=20)

2. Explain John Von Neuman's 'Stored program' concept for computer.
3. Draw the block diagram to illustrate the basic organization of computer system and state the functions of each unit.
4. Explain the code (**any one**) :
  - i) ASCII
  - ii) EBCDIC.
5. Explain the advantages and limitations of magnetic disk.
6. Distinguish between system software and application software. Explain briefly any two commonly known application software.
7. State the purpose and syntax of following commands (**any five**) :
  - i) *ls*
  - ii) *cd*
  - iii) *mkdir*
  - iv) *mv*
  - v) *cp*
  - vi) *rm*.

## PART – C

Answer **any four full** questions :

(4×10=40)

8. a) Explain any five characteristics of computer.  
b) Explain five basic functions performed by computer system. (5+5)
9. a) i) Convert the given binary  $(110110)_2$  to its equivalent decimal, octal and hexadecimal number.  
ii) Convert the given decimal number  $(425)_{10}$  to its equivalent binary and octal number.  
b) Discuss various number system and state their base and symbols (digits) in them. (5+5)

10. a) What is primary memory and briefly explain any four types of ROM.  
b) Write note on **(any one)** :  
i) Printer  
ii) Access time w.r.t. disk. **(5+5)**
11. a) Discuss formatting of document.  
b) Explain the concept **(any one)** :  
i) Multi programming  
ii) Time sharing. **(5+5)**
12. a) Explain **(any one)** :  
i) Task bar  
ii) File and folders.  
b) Write note on **(any one)** :  
i) Desktop  
ii) Display properties. **(5+5)**
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