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PECS-3405

Embedded Systems

Time – 3 Hours

Marks – 70

Answer Question No.1 which is compulsory and any five from the rest.
The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks for the questions.

- 1 Answer the following Questions:- 2X10
 - a Name at least 4(four) different type of processors that can be used as the core of an embedded system.
 - b What is a charge pump? Give at least one example where charge pump is used.
 - c What is index register and segment register?
 - d Explain the use of each control bit of I²C bus.
 - e What are Virtual Devices? Give two examples of virtual devices.
 - f What are the advantages of re-entrant functions in embedded system software?
 - g List and justify two most important functions of kernel.
 - h When are RPCs used? List two examples.
 - i Explain the term context switching.

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j What do you understand by “Priority Inversion”?
Mention one situation where priority inversion can occur

- a Draw the block diagram of structural units of a processor in the embedded system and list the common units in most processors. 4
- b With the help of suitable diagrams explain how the following data structures are stored in memory: 6
 - 1. Stack
 - 2. Circular Queue

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- a A 16bit counter is getting inputs from an internal clock at 12MHz. There is a pre-scaling circuit, which pre-scales by a factor of 16. What are the time intervals at which overflow interrupts will occur from this timer? What will be the period before which these interrupts must be serviced? 6
- b What are the advantages and disadvantages of negative acknowledgement? 4

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 - a Write the algorithm for a serial UART device driver in a system using POSIX defined functions. 5
 - b Explain how do you write physical device driving ISRs in a system? 5
List all the steps involved.
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 - a What are the features of UML? 4
Draw the sequence diagram for the automatic chocolate vending machine sequence states.
 - b What are the analogies between process, task and thread? 6
List out all the differences between process, task and thread, Also state how the functions differ from ISRs, tasks, threads and processes.
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 - a State at least 4 MUCOS functions with their important features. When do you use OS_ENTER_CRITICAL () and OS_EXIT_CRITICAL () in MUCOS ? 6
 - b Explain how prototype development tools and IDE (Integrated Development Environment) can be used to develop sophisticated embedded systems with simpler efforts. 4

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 - a Smart Cards are one of the most used systems today in the area of secure SoC systems. 5
List all the special features required in the OS to implement the embedded software in the smart card.
 - b Explain the software-hardware tradeoff. 5
What are the advantages and disadvantages of software implementation instead of hardware implementation in embedded system design?
- 8 Write short notes on any two of the following 5X2
 - a Hardware Software Co-Design
 - b Network OS
 - c Interrupt Servicing Mechanism in an embedded system
 - d Multiple task scheduling in real time RTOS.

~ All The Best ~