

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

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Mid-Term Examination, 2019/2020 SESSION

Course Title: Assembly Language

Course Code: COE 306

Units: 3 Time Allowed: 1 Hr.

INSTRUCTION: Attempt <u>ALL</u> Questions.

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Question 1

a. Why would it not be a good idea to use numeric addresses when writing instructions that access variables?

b. What types of files are produced by the assembler?

Question 2

- a. Briefly explain the concept of portability as it applies to programming languages.
- b. Is the assembly language for x86 processors the same as those for computer systems such as the AMD or Motorola 68x00? Give reason
- c. The general purpose register are used mainly for arithmetic and data movement, explain the lower families of EAX register with aid of a diagram.

Question 3

- a. Explain how segmentation is achieved in assembly language.
- b. Briefly explain the below assembly language snippet code:

Main Proc

MOV AX, 47104

ADD EAX, 127Q

MOV DS, AX

main ENDP

- c. Describe the following syntax below:
 - (i) value1 BYTE 6Dh
 - (ii) value2 DWORD ?
 - (iii)value3 SBYTE -10,-20,-30,-40,-50

Question 4

Write a program that subtracts three integers using only 16-bit registers. Insert a **call DumpRegs** statement to display the register values.