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**BACHELOR OF COMPUTER
APPLICATIONS (BCA)**

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Term-End Examination

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**BCS-011 : COMPUTER BASICS AND PC
SOFTWARE**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Weightage : 75%

*Note : Question No. 1 is compulsory and carries
40 marks. Attempt any ~~three~~ questions from
the rest.*

1. (a) Convert the following decimal numbers to
equivalent binary number : 2

(i) 37

(ii) 0.125

- (b) Convert the following hexadecimal number to equivalent binary : 2

(FA3)₁₆

- (c) What will the storage capacity of a disk of 2.5 inch diameter 8 plates (16 recording surfaces) with 512 sectors per track and 2048 tracks per recording surface ? Assume that one sector can store 1048 bytes of data. 2
- (d) Differentiate between the parallel port and serial port of a computer. 2
- (e) What is an integrated circuit ? Is microprocessor an integrated circuit ? 2
- (f) Explain the concept of memory hierarchy with the help of a diagram. 4

- (g) Draw a flowchart to find if the given number is odd. 5
- (h) What is the file management in the context to operating system ? How does file management system keeps track of a file ? Explain. 5
- (i) What is the role of compiler in a computer system ? 3
- (j) Which of the following are valid IPv4 address ? Give justification : 3
- (i) 256.0.0.0
- (ii) 192.168.1.27
- (iii) 10.0.5.7.5
- (k) What is meant by the term 'Network Topology' ? Explain the bus topology with

the help of a diagram. List the advantages and disadvantages of bus topology. 6

(l) What is e-Learning ? What are its advantages and disadvantages ? 4

2. (a) Explain the *three* modes of data transmission. 5

(b) What is URL ? Why is it needed ? Explain various parts of a URL with the help of an example. How URL is translated to physical address of the resource ? Explain with the help of an example. 8

(c) Explain the following terms in the context of a search engine : 2+3+2=7

(i) Spidering or Web Crawling

(ii) Indexing

(iii) Searching

3. (a) What is Computer Virus ? How is it different from Trojan Horse in the context of a computer ? List the ways to counter the perverse software. 7
- (b) Explain the following features of an application software : 8
- (i) Mail merge in word processing
 - (ii) Macros in spreadsheet
 - (iii) Defining relationship in Database Management System
 - (iv) Scheduling in Project Management Software
- (c) Differentiate between the open source software and proprietary software. 5

4. (a) Explain the role of various components of a computer system with the help of a diagram. 5
- (b) Differentiate between the following : 10
- (i) Serial Access and Random Access
 - (ii) RAM and ROM
 - (iii) SRAM and DRAM
 - (iv) ROM and PROM
 - (v) Inkjet Printer and Laser Printer
- (c) What are utility software ? Explain the use of disk checker and disk defragmenter utility software. 5
5. Explain any *five* of the following with the help of an example/diagram, if needed : 5×4=20
- (a) Web Browser
 - (b) Optical Memories

- (c) ASCII and Unicode
- (d) Looping Statement
- (e) Kernel of an Operating System
- (f) Linker and Text Editors
- (g) Hub and Switches (Networking devices)
- (h) WIKI