



## Final Examination

<b>College</b>	Engineering, Science & Technology
<b>School</b>	Electrical & Electronics Engineering
<b>Programme</b>	Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical & Renewable) [Year 3]
<b>Semester</b>	II
<b>Year</b>	2016
<b>Unit Code</b>	EEE766
<b>Unit Title</b>	Microcontroller Based System Design
<b>Date of Examination</b>	TBA
<b>Time</b>	TBA
<b>Venue</b>	TBA
<b>Duration</b>	3 Hours ( <i>extra 10 mins allowed to read the paper</i> )
<b>Maximum Marks</b>	100

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### Instructions

1. There are three (3) questions in total with parts and subparts. Attempt all questions in the answer booklet.
2. Write your answers legibly in the answer booklet.
3. Write your student identification number on each page used.

**Question 1 (20 Marks)**

The following are short answer questions.

- (a) What are microcontrollers and where are they used? (2)
- (b) What is the function of a CPU in a microcontroller? (2)
- (c) Explain the purpose of the accumulator or working (W) register? (1)
- (d) What is an interrupt? (2)
- (e) Explain the main difference between the three subgroups of 8-bit PIC microcontroller family and give an example of each. (6)
- (f) With the aid of a block diagram compare the Harvard architecture and the von-Neumann architecture. Which architecture is used in 8 bit PIC microcontroller family? (5)
- (g) The 8 bit PIC processors are referred to as reduced instruction set computers (RISCs). What is the main idea behind RISC? (2)

**Question 2 (40 Marks)**

The following questions are related to your projects completed as part of the course.

- (a) With the aid of a block diagram discuss the overall functionality and features of your microcontroller based project. (8)
- (b) List the input devices or components of your project. (2)
- (c) List the output devices or components of your project. (2)
- (d) You have used the PIC16F877 microcontroller in your project. Give justifications for this choice in your project. (Note: Do not give availability as a justification) (2)
- (e) Draw a schematic showing how you have interfaced an input device or component in your project and write a segment of the embedded C code showing how to read the input device. (Note: Clearly show the microcontroller pins you have used and write the main() program only) (8)
- (f) Draw a schematic showing how you have interfaced an output device or component in your project and write a segment of the embedded C code showing how you controlled the output device. (Note: Clearly show the microcontroller pins you have used and write the main() program only) (8)
- (g) Draw a high level flowchart of the complete embedded software that you have developed for your project. (10)

**Question 3 (40 Marks)**

The following are design questions.

- (a) You are required to design a microcontroller based wash selector for a washing machine whereby the user will press a push button to select a washing mode. There are three led's on the washing machine to indicate the modes 'wash', 'rinse' and 'dry'. The push button can be pressed continuously to cycle between the three modes.

- i. Draw and label a PIC16F877 microcontroller based schematic diagram showing the pin connections clearly. (8)
  - ii. Write a complete C program to fulfill the objective of the circuit. (Assume that you are using CCS®C compiler) (10)
  - iii. Which subgroup of 8-bit PIC microcontroller would you recommend for this design project. Give justifications. (2)
- (b) Design a microcontroller based system to read and display the temperature in degrees Celcius. You are given an analog temperature sensor LM35 which outputs analog voltage signal representing temperature. The voltage/temperature coefficient is 10 mV/degrees Celcius. Thus, an output voltage of 100 mV represents 10 degrees Celcius. You are required to display the temperature on a 16×2 LCD alphanumeric display.
- i. Draw and label a PIC16F877 microcontroller based schematic diagram showing the pin connections clearly. (8)
  - ii. Write a complete C program to fulfill the objective of the circuit. (Assume that you are using CCS®C compiler) (10)
  - iii. Which subgroup of 8-bit PIC microcontroller would you recommend for this design project. Give justifications. (2)

The End  
Happy Holidays!

## LM35 Precision Centigrade Temperature Sensors

### General Description

The LM35 series are precision integrated-circuit temperature sensors, whose output voltage is linearly proportional to the Celsius (Centigrade) temperature. The LM35 thus has an advantage over linear temperature sensors calibrated in ° Kelvin, as the user is not required to subtract a large constant voltage from its output to obtain convenient Centigrade scaling. The LM35 does not require any external calibration or trimming to provide typical accuracies of  $\pm 1/4^\circ\text{C}$  at room temperature and  $\pm 3/4^\circ\text{C}$  over a full  $-55$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$  temperature range. Low cost is assured by trimming and calibration at the wafer level. The LM35's low output impedance, linear output, and precise inherent calibration make interfacing to readout or control circuitry especially easy. It can be used with single power supplies, or with plus and minus supplies. As it draws only  $60\ \mu\text{A}$  from its supply, it has very low self-heating, less than  $0.1^\circ\text{C}$  in still air. The LM35 is rated to operate over a  $-55^\circ$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$  temperature range, while the LM35C is rated for a  $-40^\circ$  to  $+110^\circ\text{C}$  range ( $-10^\circ$  with improved accuracy). The LM35 series is available pack-

aged in hermetic TO-46 transistor packages, while the LM35C, LM35CA, and LM35D are also available in the plastic TO-92 transistor package. The LM35D is also available in an 8-lead surface mount small outline package and a plastic TO-220 package.

### Features

- Calibrated directly in ° Celsius (Centigrade)
- Linear  $+10.0\ \text{mV}/^\circ\text{C}$  scale factor
- $0.5^\circ\text{C}$  accuracy guaranteeable (at  $+25^\circ\text{C}$ )
- Rated for full  $-55^\circ$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$  range
- Suitable for remote applications
- Low cost due to wafer-level trimming
- Operates from 4 to 30 volts
- Less than  $60\ \mu\text{A}$  current drain
- Low self-heating,  $0.08^\circ\text{C}$  in still air
- Nonlinearity only  $\pm 1/4^\circ\text{C}$  typical
- Low impedance output,  $0.1\ \Omega$  for 1 mA load

### Typical Applications

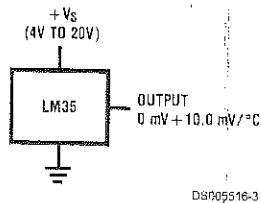
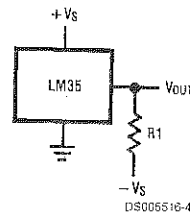


FIGURE 1. Basic Centigrade Temperature Sensor  
( $+2^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$ )



Choose  $R_1 = -V_S/50\ \mu\text{A}$   
 $V_{\text{OUT}} = +1,500\ \text{mV}$  at  $+150^\circ\text{C}$   
 $= +250\ \text{mV}$  at  $+25^\circ\text{C}$   
 $= -550\ \text{mV}$  at  $-55^\circ\text{C}$

FIGURE 2. Full-Range Centigrade Temperature Sensor



