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**Third Semester M.C.A. Degree Examination, May 2009**  
**06.305.1. : SYSTEM PROGRAMMING**  
**(Elective – I)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

*Instructions : a) Answer **all** questions from Part A.  
b) Answer **any two** questions from **each** Module of Part B.*

**PART – A**

1. Explain how does a hardware influence a system program.
2. What are the differences between application and system programming ?
3. What are linkers and loaders ?
4. Define addressing modes. What are the addressing modes of SIC machine ?
5. Explain any four assembler directives.
6. What is assembly language program ? Give its structure.
7. What is macro invocation statements ?
8. What is finite automata ?
9. Explain top-down parsing with suitable examples.
10. What is code optimization and what are its types ? **(10×4=40 Marks)**

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PART – B

MODULE – I

- 11. Write an assembly language program to divide two eight bit data. **10**
- 12. Explain the architecture of CRAY machine. **10**
- 13. How does pentium processor differ from other traditional machines ? **10**

MODULE – II

- 14. Compare MASM assembler with SPARC assembler. **10**
- 15. Explain linkage editors with a neat block diagram. **10**
- 16. Explain the design of a loader. **10**

MODULE – III

- 17. Explain conditional macro expansion in detail. **10**
  - 18. Describe the functions and capabilities of an interactive debugger. **10**
  - 19. Explain various phases of a compiler with neat diagram. **10**
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