

2018

ADVANCED COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE

Paper : IT 714

Full Marks : 100

Time : Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer any five questions.

1. (a) Explain the conventional machine architecture with proper diagram. Discuss the differences between sequential computers and parallel computers. 5+5=10
- (b) Discuss various parallel processing mechanisms for uniprocessor systems. 10
2. (a) What are the differences between Multiprocessor and Multicomputer systems? Discuss the classification of parallel computers with relevant diagram. 10

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(b) Discuss the Feng's Classification and classification based on Grain size for parallel architecture. 5+5=10

3. (a) A program is run on a 40MHz CPU with different types of instructions and corresponding clock cycle count as mentioned in the below table. Determine : 10

- (i) Effective CPI.
- (ii) Execution Time.
- (iii) MIPS rate for the program.

Instruction type	Clock Cycle count	Instruction count
1) Integer Arithmetic	1	45,000
2) Floating point	2	32,000
3) Data transfer	2	15,000
4) Control transfer	2	8,000

(b) Discuss RISC and CISC instruction set architecture. Write the pros and cons of VLIW architecture. 6+4=10

4. (a) What is locality of references ? Compare FIFO, optimal and LRU page replacement algorithms. 10

(b) What is bus arbitration ? Explain various bus arbitration schemes with advantage and disadvantage for each. 10

5. (a) What are the two types of linear pipeline ? Discuss the working and Space-Time diagram for linear pipeline. 10

(b) What is pipeline hazard ? Write briefly about the various types of data and control hazards. 10

6. Write short notes on : (any four) 5×4=20

- (i) Flynn's classification
- (ii) Andahl's law
- (iii) CDC 6600 architecture
- (iv) Computer generation
- (v) Instruction pipeline.