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**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. Briefly answer the following questions : 2×10=20
 - (i) What is flow dependence ?
 - (ii) What are the Diameter and Bisection width of a network ?
 - (iii) What is a Data flow computer ?
 - (iv) What is parallel processing ?
 - (v) State the limitations of sequential machines.
 - (vi) What is very fine grain parallelism ?

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- (vii) What is Data-flow graph ? Draw the flow graph of fork operation.
- (viii) What is grain packing ?
- (ix) What is resource dependence ?
- (x) What is MIPS rate ?
2. (i) Discuss the various mechanisms used in uniprocessor system to achieve the parallel processing. 10
- (ii) Explain the various parallel computer architectures with suitable diagrams. 10
3. (i) Discuss the Flynn's classification on parallel architectures. 5
- (ii) Identify the various dependencies present in the following program segment. Draw the dependence graph for the same. 5
- S1 : $A = B + D$
- S2 : $C = A * B$
- S3 : $A = A + C$
- S4 : $E = A / 2$
- (iii) Write the primary characteristics of a symbolic array topology. 5

(iv) Draw the data-flow graph for the following statements : 5

If $x > y$ then $(x - y)$
else $(x * y)$
endif

4. (i) Show how parallel execution is more efficient than the sequential execution by considering the following five processes.

P1 - P5

P1 : $C = D * E$

P2 : $M = G + C$

P3 : $A = B + C$

P4 : $C = L + M$

P5 : $F = G / E$

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(ii) State the Bernstein conditions for parallelism. 5

(iii) Write the differences between CISC and RISC instruction set architecture. 5

(iv) Explain the Inclusion and Coherence properties of computer memory. 5

5. (i) What is Bus Arbitration ? Discuss *any three* bus arbitration schemes with suitable diagrams. 10

- (ii) What is paging ? Compare FIFO, optimal and LRU page replacement algorithms considering suitable examples. 10

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

- (i) Levels of parallelism
- (ii) VLIW architecture
- (iii) Locality of reference
- (iv) Linear pipeline
- (v) Data Hazards.