

Sixth Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, June/July 2025
Advanced Computer Architecture

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. Describe Flynn's classification of computer architecture. (10 Marks)
- b. With a neat diagram, describe the three shared memory multi processor models. (10 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. With respect to dependencies between the instructions, discuss the following with example:
 - i) Data dependency
 - ii) Control dependency
 - iii) Resource dependency. (10 Marks)
- b. Illustrate the architecture of vector super computer with neat diagram. (10 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. Distinguish between typical RISC and CISC processor architectures. (10 Marks)
- b. Illustrate the architectural features of VLIW processor with timing diagram. How does it differ from super – scalar processor? (10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. With a neat diagram, discuss the hierarchical memory technology. (10 Marks)
- b. Discuss the virtual memory models for multiprocessor system. (10 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Discuss bus arbitration and its types in multiprocessor systems. (10 Marks)
- b. Discuss cache memory organizations using direct, fully associative and set-associative methods. (10 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Describe low-order and high-order interleaved memory organizations. (10 Marks)
- b. Illustrate sequential and weak consistency models. (10 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. Illustrate snoopy protocols with its approaches. (10 Marks)
- b. With a neat diagram, describe the implementation models of SIMD. (10 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. Discuss different vector access memory schemes. (10 Marks)
- b. Illustrate the processor consistency models. (10 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Define parallel programming models. Discuss any two models. (10 Marks)
- b. With a neat diagram, illustrate different phases of parallelizing compiler. (10 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Describe testing algorithm for dependence testing. (10 Marks)
- b. Illustrate the dynamic scheduling of a pipeline using Tomasulo's algorithm. (10 Marks)

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