

20ES014 - Advanced Computer Architecture

UNIT - I

Theory of Parallelism Parallel Computer models – the state of computing, Multiprocessors and Multicomputers and Multivectors and SIMD computers, PRAM and VLSI models, Architectural development tracks, Program and network properties – Conditions of parallelism.

UNIT - II

Partitioning and Scheduling Program partitioning and scheduling, Program flow mechanisms, System interconnect architectures, Principles of scalable performance – performance matrices and measures, Parallel processing applications, speedup performance laws, scalability analysis and approaches.

UNIT - III

Hardware Technologies Processor and memory hierarchy advanced processor technology, superscalar and vector processors, memory hierarchy technology, virtual memory technology, bus cache and shared memory – backplane bus systems, cache memory organizations, shared memory organizations, sequential and weak consistency models.

UNIT - IV

Pipelining and Superscalar Technologies Parallel and scalable architectures, Multiprocessor and Multicomputers, Multivector and SIMD computers, Scalable, Multithreaded and data flow architectures.

UNIT - V

Software and Parallel Processing Parallel models, Languages and compilers, Parallel program development and environments, UNIX, MACH and OSF/1 for parallel computers.

TEXT BOOKS:

1. Kai Hwang “Advanced Computer Architecture”. McGraw Hill International 2001
Carl Homacher, Zvonko Vranesic, Sefwat Zaky, “Computer Organisation”, 5th Edition, TMH, 2002

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1. Dezso Sima, Terence Fountain, Peter Kacsuk, “Advanced computer Architecture – A design Space Approach”. Pearson Education, 2003.
2. David E. Culler, Jaswinder Pal Singh with Anoop Gupta “Parallel Computer Architecture” Elsevier, 2004.
3. John P. Shen. “Modern processor design Fundamentals of super scalar processors”, Tata McGraw Hill 2003.