



BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE, Pilani
Pilani Campus
AUGS/ AGSR Division

FIRST SEMESTER 2022-2023
COURSE HANDOUT

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In addition to part I (General Handout for all courses appended to the Time table) this portion gives further specific details regarding the course.

Course No : **EEE G512**
Course Title : **Embedded System Design**
Instructor-in-Charge : **Meetha V Shenoy**
Instructor (Hyderabad) : **Ershad Ahmed**
Lab Instructors(Pilani) : **Sumitra, Anukaran Khanna**
Lab Instructors(Hyderabad): **Jisy N K**

1. Course Description: Introduction to embedded systems; embedded architectures: Architectures and programming of microcontrollers, DSPs. Embedded applications and technologies; power issues in system design; introduction to software and hardware co-design.

2. Scope and Objective of the Course:

The course intends to cover the design issues involved in embedded systems and system-on-chip technologies. The course also deals with programming techniques, processor architectures, on-chip & off-chip protocols, performance analysis, and optimization techniques used in embedded system development. This course introduces the students to standard Embedded System Development tools and gives hands-on experience in developing various embedded applications.

| No | Course Objective |
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| 1 | Understanding of Hardware and Software Components of a typical Embedded System |
| 2 | Understanding the challenges in “ System Level Design” and developing system design skills |
| 3 | Develop programming skills and practical expertise in designing, debugging, and developing small-scale and medium-scale Embedded systems |
| 4 | Introduction to advanced topics of research in the field of Embedded Systems |

3. Text Books:

T1. Wolf, Wayne, Computers as Components – Principles of Embedded Computing System Design, Second Edition, Morgan-Kaufmann, 2008.

4. Reference Books:

- R1. Vahid, F, and Givargis, T, Embedded System Design – A Unified Hardware/Software Introduction, John Wiley, 2002.
- R2. Joseph Yiu, The Definitive Guide to ARM Cortex M3/M4 Processors-Third Edition
- R3. James.K.Peckol, Embedded System Design – A Contemporary Design Tool, Wiley Student Edition, 2010
- R4. Steve Furber, ARM System-on-chip Architecture, Second Edition, Pearson, 2007
- R5. 8051 Reference Manual
- R6. Atmel ATmega 128 Reference Manual



- R7. ARMv4 Reference Manual
- R8. ARMv7 Reference Manual
- R9. LPC 23xx Reference Manual
- R10. STMF407 Reference Manual
- R11. TI DSP 64xx Manual

5. Course Plan:

1. Introduction to Embedded System

- 1.1. Introduction
 - 1.1.1. Characteristics and Embodiments of Embedded System
 - 1.1.2. Classification of Embedded Systems
 - 1.1.3. Introduction to Hardware and Software Components of an Embedded System
- 1.2. Hardware Components of Embedded System
 - 1.2.1. Introduction to Processor Architectures
 - 1.2.2. Memory Types Organization, Cache
 - 1.2.3. Interrupts
 - 1.2.4. Basic peripherals like Timers, ADC/DAC
- 1.3. Software components of Embedded System
 - 1.3.1. RTOS & Tasks
 - 1.3.2. Introduction to SOC design, Embedded System Design Process/Flow

2. Small Scale Embedded System Design

- 2.1. Problem Specification
 - 2.1.1. User and System Design Requirements
 - 2.1.2. System Block Diagram Development
 - 2.1.3. Selection of Hardware and Software – Considerations
 - 2.1.4. Hardware/Software Design & Testing Considerations
 - 2.1.5. Final System Design

3. Embedded Architecture 1 – RISC ARM Architecture

- 3.1. Introduction to ARM CPU Architecture
- 3.2. Programmers Model of ARM CPU
 - 3.2.1. Register Organization
 - 3.2.2. Operating Modes
 - 3.2.3. Pipelining
 - 3.2.4. ARM Exception Handling
- 3.3. ARM Instruction Set

4. Embedded Architecture 2 –ARM-Based Microcontrollers

- 4.1. Introduction to ARMv7-Based Microcontrollers
 - 4.1.1. AMBA Bus Architecture
 - 4.1.2. GPIO, Timer, Watchdog
 - 4.1.3. Interrupt Handling -VIC, ADC/DAC
 - 4.1.4. DMAC
- 4.2. Communication Peripherals- Synchronous & Asynchronous
 - 4.2.1. SPI , I2C , I2S , UART
 - 4.2.2. CAN
 - 4.2.3. USB
- 4.2.4. Board Design - System Booting related Concepts



5. Embedded Architecture 3 –DSP Processors

5.1. Introduction to VLIW & DSP architectures

5.1.1. Fixed and Floating point Datapath

5.1.2. DSP Architectures – Characteristics

6. Distributed and Multiprocessor Based System Design

6.1.1. Introduction to Multiprocessor, Distributed and Networked Embedded Systems

6.1.2. Case Studies – Distributed and Multiprocessor Systems

7. Embedded Software Design

7.1. System Modeling

7.1.1. Hardware-software partitioning

7.2. Compilers, Assemblers, and Debuggers for Embedded Systems

7.3. Embedded C Programming

7.3.1. Memory Management, Shared Memory

7.3.2. System Initialization

8. Embedded Software

8.1. Tasks & Task management, Context Switching

8.2. RTS –Task Scheduling Concepts, Semaphore, Mutex, Deadlocks

8.3. Multitasking using ARM Cortex M Architectures – Introduction to RTOS Design/ Study on RTOS

9. Advanced Embedded System Concepts

9.1. Performance Analysis and Optimization

9.2. Accelerated Embedded System

9.3. Fault Tolerance and Reliability

5.1 Lecture Plan

| Lecture No | Topic | Reference | Learning outcomes |
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| 1 | Introduction to Embedded Systems, Characteristics of Embedded System, Course Overview | T1-Chapter 1 + Class Notes | Motivation , Understanding the challenges in “ System Level Design” , Develop system design skills |
| 2-3 | Performance Metrics, Challenges in Embedded System Design, Embedded System Design Process. Introduction to Hardware and software components of Embedded systems. | T1- Chapter 2 ,3, 4 &7 | |
| 4-5 | Introduction to Processor Architectures in Embedded Systems- Instruction level, Data Level & Thread-level parallel Architectures (Scalar/Superscalar/VLIW etc) Structural units in a processor and Processor Selection | R2 - Chapter 3 and 4. T1- Chapter 4 | Understanding of Hardware and Software Components of a typical Embedded System- How to select components of an embedded system for a given application. |
| 6-7 | Memory Devices and Selection, Interfacing Processor Memory + I/O Devices, Introduction to Cache organization | T1,R2,R4 | |



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| 8-13 | Introduction to ARM (RISC) architecture, Programmers Model, Operating Modes, Exception Handling, and Instruction Set(ARMv4 and ARMv7). Introduction to CISC architecture | R2,R4 | Detailed understanding of Embedded Architectures, impact on system development, design of the embedded system |
| 14-15 | AMBA Bus Architectures | R4, Programmers Manual | Understanding the Impact of the on-chip bus on system design, How to select an embedded architecture for an application. |
| 16-17 | Embedded System Clocking, Low Power Modes | Lecture Slides+ DataSheets | System Design, Optimization |
| 18-22 | I/O Devices- Interrupt Servicing- Timing and Counting devices, GPIO, ADC, DAC, DMA Interrupt Servicing, Interrupt Servicing Mechanism, Context and Periods of Context Switching, Latency.(Study will be based on a microcontroller based on ARM Cortex M4 architecture as an example architecture) | Lecture Slides+ Data Sheets | Understanding of on-chip & off-chip peripherals, bus standards, and Interfacing external components. |
| 23-25 | Bus Standards & Architectures - I2C, Microwire, CAN, I2S, UART, SPI, SSP | | |
| 26 | Case Studies Example-Small/Medium Scale Embedded System Design | Lecture Slides | System Design concept through on-paper design |
| 27-28 | Memory Management, Virtual Memory | T1,R4 | Impact of Memory System on overall system performance |
| 29-31 | Introduction to RTOS for Embedded Systems - Tasks & Task Management, Context Switching.IPC, Resource Sharing – Semaphores, Deadlock ,Locks, Mutexes. RTS & RTOS – Basic Scheduling Strategies. RTOS support features in ARM-Cortex M4. RTX RTOS- Case Studies | R3 | Introduction to Real Time Systems & Real Time Operating Systems- Designing Embedded Systems with RTOS |
| 32-33 | Embedded System modeling, Hardware Software Partitioning, Compiler, Assemblers, Debuggers for Embedded Systems . | R3 | Advanced Embedded C concepts |
| 34-35 | Introduction Multiprocessor, Distributed, | Supplementary | Case Studies |



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| | and Networked Embedded System (Including IoT Systems) | Notes will be provided | |
| 36 | Introduction to Advance Architectures, VLIW & DSP Architectures –Processors Data Path | Lecture Slides+ Data Sheets | Introduction to DSP |
| 37 | Power Issues- CPU Power Consumption and optimization(Covered through other lectures as well) | Supplementary Notes | System Design, Optimization |
| 38 | Embedded System Booting | R3 | System Start-up considerations, System Design |
| 39-40 | Reliability, Fault-tolerant, and Safety Critical Embedded System Design. Accelerated Embedded System. [The topic might change depending on the student's interest]. | Supplementary Notes, Published Papers | Introduction to advanced areas of study & research in Embedded Systems |

6. Evaluation Scheme:

| Component | Duration | weightage (%) | Date & Time | Nature of component (Close Book/ Open Book) |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|---|
| Mid-semester Exam | 90 mins | 25 | As per time Table | CB |
| Lab Tasks, Design Project | TBA | 30 | Continuous Evaluation | OB/OL |
| Study on Advanced Topics * | For 6 weeks | 10 | To be Announced | OB/OL |
| Comprehensive Examination | 3 hours | 35 | As per time Table | Part A- CB + Part B – OB/OL |

• Students in groups will have to refer to published papers in their chosen area and deliver two seminars and submit abstract/term paper (Details will be provided **). Marks are also reserved for interaction and participation in seminars. It is mandatory to attend the presentation of all student groups.

Lab Tasks, Design Project- Will be announced separately for Pilani & Hyderabad Campus.

7. Chamber Consultation Hour: Students can meet me after requesting an appointment via email: meetha.shenoy@pilani.bits-pilani.ac.in

8. Notices: All notices regarding the course will be put up on the course website.



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9. Make-up Policy: In general, Make-up will not be granted without prior permission. If the student is unable to appear for the Mid-Semester Test/ Comprehensive Examination due to genuine exigencies, the student must refer to the procedure for applying for Make-up.

10. Note (if any): It shall be the responsibility of the individual student to be regular in attending lectures and the lab sessions as per the schedule announced in time table.

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