

COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS

(3 Lectures & 1 Seminar/Tutorial per Week Total Marks: 100)

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- To provide basic understanding of logical organization and architecture of a computer
- To introduce fundamental concepts related to gates and logic circuits used in a digital computer
- To impart fundamental knowledge on various data structures

PREREQUISITES:

- Basic familiarity with computer systems

OUTCOMES OF THE COURSE:

- Understanding of fundamental concepts related to organization of a computer system
- Understanding of the fundamental concepts related to gates and logic circuits used in a digital computer
- Fundamental knowledge on different data structures

COURSE CONTENT

**Unit Course Content
No.**

1 Introduction and Processor Organization

- Block diagram of a simple computer and its different functional units
- Representation of information: integer & floating-point number representation, character codes
- Error detection and correction codes
- CPU organization
- Instruction execution
- Instruction-level parallelism: pipelining, superscalar architectures
- Processor-level parallelism: array processors, multiprocessors, multicomputers
- Microprocessor chips, Architecture of a typical microprocessor
- RISC Vs. CISC

2 Memory, Input/Output, Instruction Formats and Flow of Control

- Memory: main memory, secondary memory, types & organization
- Input/Output: common types of I/O devices, Controllers
- Design criteria for instruction formats
- Addressing techniques, Instruction types
- Traps & Interrupts

3 Gates and Basic Logic Circuits

- Gates, Boolean algebra, Truth tables
- Circuit equivalence, De Morgan's theorems
- Combinational circuits
- Arithmetic circuits
- Latches, Flip flops
- Introduction to Registers and Counters

4 Introduction to Data Structures

- Primitive and composite data types
- Arrays, stacks, queues, linked lists
- Binary trees, B-trees
- Hashing techniques
- Linear Search, Binary Search
- Bubble Sort

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