

## Embedded System Concepts:-

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- ▷ Introduction :- Design of any system is not difficult if we know the fundamentals similarly E.S also.
- Like any other General Computing Systems, Embedded System also possess a set of characteristics which are unique to E.S under consideration.
- The General Computing System & Embedded Systems are highly domain specific in nature, and application specific i.e. they are specifically designed for certain set of application in Consumer Electronics; telecom; automotive industry control, measurement system etc.
- \* An Embedded system is an electrical/electromechanical system which specifically designed for an application catering to specific domain.
- An E.S contains processing unit which can be MP (or) MC Application Specific Integrated Standard Product (ASIP) (or)
- (or) System on chip (soc) (or) Application Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC) | Application Specific Programmable logic Device (PLD) like FPGA (or) CPLD or. It's subsystem which facilitates interaction of sensors & actuators which acts like messenger from and to Realworld.
- Depending on the response requirements and type of applications for which E.S is designed, an Embedded System can be a Real-time (or) a Non-Real time system.
- The response for real time is Flight Control system, Airbag Development system; Automotive etc.
- Non-Real time :- Automatic Teller machine (ATM), media playback system, etc.

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## Learning objectives:-

① What is an Embedded System

② diff b/w E.S & General Computing Systems

③ History of E.S

④ Classifications of E.S based on Performance, Complexity & Era in which evolved

⑤ Domain & Area applications of E.S.

⑥ Different Purpose of E.S

⑦ Real life bounding of Embedded technology.

## Embedded System:-

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- ① System:- is a way of working (or) organizing (or) doing one (or) many task according to a fixed plan, program (or) set of rules.  
→ A system is also an arrangement in which all its units assemble and work together according to plan (or) program.

### 2 Embedded System:-

Def-1: It is a system that has embedded software & computer hardware, which makes it a system dedicated for an application (or) specific part of an application (or) product (or) an part of larger system.

Def-2 Any device that includes a programmable computer that is not itself intended to be general purpose computer and a fast machine (or) a clock built from a MP is an embedded computing system.

Def-3 E.S are electronic systems that contain a MP (or) microcontroller but we do not think them as computers. the computer is hidden or embedded in the system.

2) A Computer is system that has many components

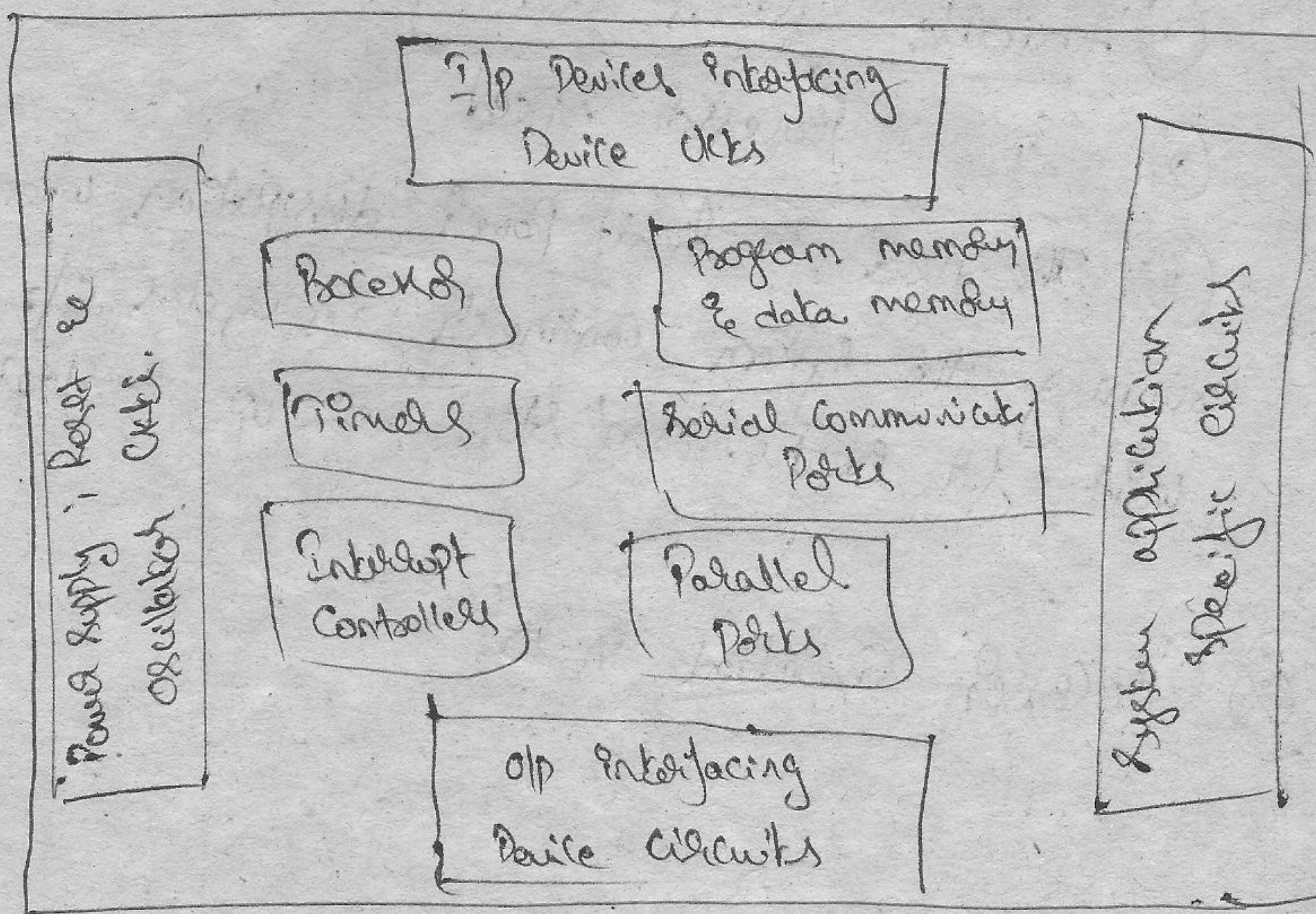
- ① micro Processor
- ② Semiconductor, (hddisk, diskette, cartridges, magnetic memory) CD-Roms, memory sticks
- ③ I/O unit such as touch screen, video monitor, fax, ...
- ④ I/O units such as Keyboard, Scanner
- ⑤ I/O " LCD Screen, video monitor
- ⑥ I/O units  $\rightarrow$  Ethernet, serial
- ⑦ I/O units  $\rightarrow$  g.p.s

3) An Embedded System has 3- Components

- ① hardware similar to computer; as software usually embeds in the Rom (or) flash memory; or usually donot need a secondary harddisk & CD memory.
- ② Embeds main application software. The application software may concurrently perform a series of task (or) processes (or) threads
- ③ Embeds Supervised hardware Real time Operating system (RTOS) that the application software running on and organize access to a resource give to ~~Pri~~ Priorities of task in system. It provides mechanism to let the process run a process as scheduled and context

↳ valid Buses.

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(4) characteristics:-

- ① Real time :- multiple operation define the ways in which system works, react to events, interrupt, & schedules the system functioning in real time.
- ② Latency :- refers to the waiting period b/w running the codes of task (or) interrupt service routine.
- ③ Complex algorithms  
" graphic user interface (GUI's)
- ④ " dedicated functions.

(5) Constraints:- designed based on 3-types.

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- (1) Available system memory
- (2) " Processor speed
- (3) The need to limit power dissipation when running the system continuously. An cycle of wait for events, 'run' stop, wake up, & sleep.

(7) Processor Embedded in to.

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## Difference b/w General Computing & Embedded Systems:-

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### General Purpose System

- (i) A system which is a combination of generic hardware and a general purpose O.S for executing a variety of applications.
- (ii) Contains General Purpose O.S.
- (iii) Applications are alterable (Programmable) by the user.
- (iv) Performance is key deciding factor in selection of system (Faster / Better).
- (v) Not at all tailored towards desired operating power requirements options for different levels of power management.
- (vi) Response requirement not critical time.
- (vii) Need not be deterministic in execution behavior.

### Eg: Desktop System

### Embedded System:-

- (i) It is combination of special purpose hardware and Embedded OS executing a specific set of application.
- (ii) May (or) may not contain O.S.
- (iii) The firmware of E.S is pre-programmed and it is non-upgradeable by end-user.
- (iv) Applications are specific requirements (Performance ; Power Requirements ; memory usage).
- (v) Highly tailored to take advantages of power saving modes supported by hardware and O.S.
- (vi) For certain category of E.S like mission critical system, the response time requirement is highly critical.
- (vii) Execution behavior is deterministic for certain type of E.S like Hard Real time systems.  
Eg.: Smart phones.

\* If we have PC, Laptop, etc., it used for multipurpose for performing various applications like Pointing (Photos or Documents) & able to work with Microsoft Office for document work. → A.C.S

\* Now let's consider a DVD Player used for playing movies etc., if it is possible for you to change O.S of your DVD? it is possible to add a printer application and also develop O.S for it? → Embedded System.

## 7) History of Embedded Systems:-

- E.S existed before IT revolution.
- E.S <sup>today</sup> were built around the old vacuum tubes & transistors
- technologies and algorithm was developed in low level language
- Advance in Semiconductor & nano technology & IT revolution gave way to development of miniature E.S.
- 1<sup>st</sup> recognized model E.S is Apollo Guidance Computer (AGC) developed by "MIT Instrumentation Lab". for Lunar Expedition.
- Lunar Expedition → on the inertial guidance systems of both the "Command module (CM)" & "Lunar Excursion Module (LEM)"
- designed to encircle the moon
- designed to go down to moon surface and land there safely.
- featured in total 18-engines
- 16-reaction control thrusters
- descent engine & Ascent engine
- "descent engine" → designed to provide thrust to L.M out of lunar orbit and land it safely on the moon.
- MIT's original design was based on 4K words of fixed memory (Read only memory) and 256 words of erasable memory (Random Access memory).
- By June 1963 it reached to 10K (10,000) of fixed and 1K (1000) of erasable memory.
- The clock freq of first microchip Potts model used on AGC was 1.024 MHz & it was derived from 2.048 MHz Crystal clock.

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- The computing unit for AGC consisted approximately 11 instructions and 16-bit word logic.
- Around 5000 IC's (3 input NOR gates, RTL logic) supplied by Fairchild Semiconductor used in design.
- The user interface unit of AGC is known as DSKY (Display/keyboard) which looked like calculator type keypad. with array of numerals. used for computing inputting commands to module numerically.
- The first mass produced E.S was the guidance computer for minuteman -1 missile in 1961.
- It was the Autonetic using discrete transistors logic and a hard-disk for main memory. The first IC was produced in 1958-September but complete using them didn't begin until 1963.
- D-17 guidance computer built for NASA for Apollo Guidance Computer (AGC) and by US-military in minuteman-2 intercontinental ballistic missile.

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### Classification of Embedded Systems:-

Considerations based on,

- (i) Based on generation.
- (ii) Complexity and performance requirements. → Applicable for real time systems.
- (iii) Based on deterministic behaviors → Alc to application / task defines deterministic / non-deterministic
- (iv) Based on triggering.
  - ↳ Process Control system in industrial control applications classified based on trigger.
  - ↳ Reactive system can be either event triggered / time triggered.

## (i) Classification Based on Generation :-

① First Generation:- Early E.S were built around 8-bit MP's like (8085 & 780) and 24-bit MC (micro controllers), simple in hardware developed circuits with firmware in Assembly code.

Eg:- Digital Keyboards, telephones ; Stepper motor control units.

② Second Generation:- This E.S built around 16-bit MP & 8/16-bit MC following 1<sup>st</sup> generation E.S. The instruction set of the 2<sup>nd</sup> generation were much more powerful & complex than 1<sup>st</sup> generation.

Some of 2<sup>nd</sup> generation E.S contain operating systems for their operation. Data Acquisition systems, SCADA systems, etc.,

③ Third Generation:- With advances in microprocessors technology, embedded systems developed started making use of powerful 32-bit processors & 16-bit MC for design.

A new concept of application & domain specific Processors controllers like digital signal processing (DSP) and Application specific I.C (ASIC) came in to picture.

The instruction set also became more powerful & complex and

concept of pipelining also introduced.

The different Processors like Intel Pentium, Motorola 68K, etc.,

gained attention in high performance.

E.S spread area towards robotics, media, industrial

Process control, bio-sys.,

Power control, etc.

④ Fourth Generation:- The advent of System on chip (SoC), reconfigurable Processors & multiprocessor are bringing high performance, tight integration and miniaturization into Embedded device market.

The SoC technique implement to System on chip by integrating different functionalities with a Processor core

on an IC.

The 4<sup>th</sup> generation E.S making use of high performance real time Embedded operating systems for their functioning.

e.g.: Smart phone devices, mobile internet devices (MID's) ...

## (ii) Classification Based on Complexity & Performance :-

(i) Small Scale E.S : - which are simple in application needs and where the performance requirements are not time critical fall under this category.

e.g.: Electronic toy.

Small scale E.S are usually built around low performance and low cost 8 (or) 16-bit microprocessors / microcontrollers.

A. Small Scale E.S may/not may contain O.S. for functioning.

## (ii) Medium Scale Embedded Systems :- E.S which are slightly complex in hardware & software requirements fall under this category.

which these are built for medium performance, low cost 16 (or) 32-bit MP/MC (or) DSP processors. These may usually contain E.O.S (either general purpose (or) Real time O.S) for functioning.

## (iii) Large Scale E.S / Complex System :- E.S which are involved highly complex hardware (or) software requirements fall under this category.

which are used for high performance. Such system commonly built around high performance 32 (or) 64-bit RISC Processors / controllers and multiple Processor.

(or) Re-configurable System on chip (SOC)

and Programmable logic devices.  
They may contain multiple MP/MC and hardware Co-units  
accelerator for offloading the processing requirements for main Processor.

g. system.

\* e.g.: Decoding / Encoding of media, cryptographic function implementation  
are examples.  
Complex systems usually contain (RTOS) for task scheduling.

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### q) Major Applications Areas of E.S. :-

E.S. technology has acquired a new dimension from its first generation model, Apollo Guidance Computer to the latest Radio navigation system combined within - car entertainment technology and MP based smart running shoes launched by Adidas in April 2005.

Q:- List:-

- 1) Consumer Electronics :- Commodore, Camcorder etc.
- 2) Household appliances :- TV, DVD's players, washing machine, fridge, microwave oven,
- 3) Home automation & security system :- Air Conditioners, sprinklers, infrared detection alarms, closed circuit TV, cameras, fire alarms etc.
- 4) Automotive industry :- Anti lock Braking system (ABS), engine control, ignition system, Automatic navigation system etc.
- 5) Telecom :- Cellular phones, telephone switches, handset multimedia, applications etc.
- 6) Computer Peripherals :- Printers, scanners, fax machines, etc.
- 7) Computer nw systems :- N/w routers, switches, hubs, firewalls etc.
- 8) Health Care :- Different kinds of scanners, EEG, ECG machines.
- 9) Measurement etc. instrumentation :- Digital multimeters, digital voltmeters, logic analyzers, PLC systems, etc.
- 10) Banking & Retail :- Automatic teller machines (ATM's) etc., grocery counters, Point of sales (POS)
- 11) Card Readers :- Bar Codes, Smart card readers, hand held devices etc.

## 10) Purpose of Embedded Systems :-

- 1) Data Collection | Storage | Representation
- 2) Data Communication
- 3) Data Signal Processing
- 4) Monitoring
- 5) Control
- 6) Application specific user interface.

1) Data Collection / Storage / Representation :- E.S designed for data collection from external world. Data collection is usually done for storage purpose, analysis, manipulation and transmission, where Data refers (text, voice, image, video, electrical signal, measurable quantities). Data can be either analog (or) digital.

E.S with analog data capturing will be in analog signal but data capturing of digital collection mechanism converts to analog signals to corresponding digital signals. (A/D converter)

The collected data may be stored directly in the system (or) it may be processed by some other systems (or) may be deleted instantly after giving meaningful info.

E.g:- Digital Camera.

2) Data Communication :-

The data collecting embedded terminals itself can incorporate data communication units like wireless modules (Bluetooth, ZigBee, WiFi, EDGE, GPRS etc..) (or) wireline modules (RS 232-C, USB, ICP/EP, P2P, etc..)

3) Data Signal Processing :-

E.S with data is (voice, video, image, electrical signal, etc...) collected in various kinds of data processing. E.S may be used for various kinds of data processing. demanding signal processing functionalities are employed in application like speech processing, synthesis, audio video codecs, signal processing application.. etc; transmission application.. etc;

E.g:- A digital hearing aid.

ii) Monitoring:-

- E.S specially designed for monitoring people.
- E.S coming under medical domain are monitoring functions only which are used for determining the state of some variables using sensors.

Eg:- Electro Cardiogram (ECG) machine for monitoring heart beat. The sensors used in ECG are the different electrodes connected to the patient's body.

5) Control:-

Eg:- Air Conditioner for controlling room temp.

6) Application specific user interface:-

like buttons, switches, Keypads, lights, bells, displays etc.

Eg:- mobile phone., vibration alert. //,

Characteristics & Quality Attributes of E.S:-

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Characteristics of E.S:-

- Application & domain specific
- Reactive & Real time
- Operates in harsh environments
- Distributed
- Small size & weight
- Power Concerns.

### (a) Application & Domain Specific:-

E.S. is having certain functions to perform and they are developed in such a manner to do intended functions only, which cannot be used for any other purpose.

Eg:- An not be able to replace an control unit of microwave oven and air conditional Control unit. becaz' which are specified design units.

### (b) Reactive in Real time:-

E.S. are in constant interaction with Real world through Sensors & user-defined I/O devices which are connected to I/P Port of System. Any changes happening in Real world (is called Event) are captured by the Sensors (or) I/O devices in Real time & the Control algorithm running inside the unit reacts in designed manner to bring Controlled I/O variable to desired level.

→ The Event may be periodic (or) unpredicted one.

→ If the Event is an unpredicted one then Such system should be designed in such a way that it should be scheduled to capture the Events without missing them. E.S. produce changes in I/O in response to changes in the I/O. So they are generally referred as Reactive Systems.

→ Real time system operations means timing behaviors of system.

→ Real time system operations

should be deterministic.

i.e. the system known amount of time.

should respond to request (or) tasks in

Eg:- flight control ; Antilock Brake System (ABS).

→ Operated in Harsh Environment:-

(c) Operated in Harsh Environment (like deserts)

→ no required

E.S. should be deployed in Environments

→ i.e. designer should take care of operating systems condition of area where it is implemented.

(d) Distributed:-

- The term distributed means that E.S may be a part of large system.
- Many no. of distributed system form a single large Embedded control unit.

Eg:- Automatic vending machine.

(Contains Vending machine Card reader ; a vending unit , etc.)  
(or)

(Automatic Teller machine (ATM's) contain Card reader ; transaction unit ;  
Currency Counter ; dispatching (vending currency) ; Printer unit ; ...etc.)

(e) Small size and weight:-

In E.S compactness is significant deciding factor.

(f) Power Concerns:-

E.S should be designed in such a way as to minimize the heat dissipation by the system.  
The production of high amount of heat demands cooling requirement like cooling fans which occupies additional space and make system bulky.  
The more the power consumption less the battery life.

(g) Quality Attributes of Embedded Systems :-

" " are the non-functional requirements that need to be documented properly in any system design.  
If Quality attributes are more concrete and measurable it will give a positive impact on the system development process and end product.

① Operational Quality Attributes  
② Non-Operational "

# ① Operational Quality Attributes :-

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depends on when operational mode (or) online mode.

- (a) Response
- (b) Throughput
- (c) Reliability
- (d) Maintainability
- (e) Security
- (f) Safety.

(a) Response :- measures performance of system.

(b) Throughput :- deals with efficiency of system. defined as the rate of production (or) operation of defined products over a stated period of time.

→ The rates can be expressed in terms of units of products, batches produced, (or) any other meaningful measurements. "A benchmark is reference point by which something can be measured.

(c) Reliability :- is a measure of how much % you can rely upon the proper functioning of the system (or) what is the % susceptibility of the system to failures.

→ Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF) & Mean Time to Repair (MTTR)

are terms define Reliability.

→ MTBF gives freq of failures in hours/weeks/months.

→ MTTR gives specifies how long the system is allowed to be out of order following failure.

(d) Maintainability :- deals with support of maintenance to end user (or) client in case of technical issues, and product failures.

→ Reliability & maintainability are two complementary disciplines.

- A more reliable system means a system with less corrective maintainability requirements.
  - As reliability increases the chance of failure and non-functioning also reduces, thereby need for maintainability is also reduced.
  - Maintainability is closely related to System availability.
- " Maintainability classified "

" Scheduled "

" Periodic maintenance "

- E.g. Printer is typically illustrating two types of maintainability.
- Printer cartridge that can be replaced after 'n' no of printouts.
- Printer cartridge that can be replaced after 'n' no of printouts to get quality prints. → e.g. for 'Scheduled (or) Periodic maintenance'.
- If paper feeding part of the printer fails the printer fail to print and requires immediate repair to rectify then it is → e.g. for Maintenance to unexpected failure

∴ The ideal value for availability \*

$$A_i = \frac{MTBF}{(MTBF + MTTR)}$$

$A_i$  → Availability in ideal condition

MTBF → Mean time b/w failures

MTTR → " " to repair.

② Security :- Confidentiality ; Integrity ; Availability (mentioned in Maintainability)

→ i.e. (Availability with protection of data and application from

→ Confidentiality deals with disclosure.

on authorized disclosure.

→ Integrity deals with modification

from unauthorized

e.g. PDA (Personal Digital Assistant) used in shared release (or) individual release like (username; password to access Person profile).

① Safety :- Safety & Security are two confusing terms.

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→ Safety deals with the possible damages that can happen to the operators, public and environment due to breakdown of an E.S. (or) due to emission of radioactive (or) hazardous materials from E.S.

→ Breakdown causes due to hardware & firmware failures.

## ② Non-operational Quality Attributes :-

The quality attributes that need to be addressed for Product not on basis of operational aspects

✓ (a) Testability & Debug ability

✓ (b) Evolvability

✓ (c) Portability

✓ (d) Time to Prototype and market

✓ (e) Per unit and total cost.

(a) Testability & Debug ability:- deals with how early one can test his/her design, application and by which mean he/she test it.

Testability applicable for both hardware & firmware.

Testability is means of debugging the product as such.

Debug ability:- is means of debugging that creates unexpected behaviors for isolating out probable sources development context hardware level debugging in total system.

→ Debug ability has two aspects → Context → hardware level debugging " " firmware " "

→ ~~Hardware level debugging~~ Evolvability is closely related to biology.

(b) Evolvability:- It is closely related to variation.

suggested as non - heritable i.e. (hardware & firmware) can be modified to take advantage

of new firmware (or) hardware technologies.

(c) Portability:- measures of system independence

- A system is said to be portable if the product is capable of functioning as such in various environments, target processors/controllers & embedded operating systems.
- In embedded products term "Porting" represents the migration of embedded hardware written for one target processor eg (intel x86) to different target processor (say Hitachi SH3 Processor).  
Eg:- like changing programming languages to processors ; platforms

(d) Time to Prototype and Market:

- Time to market is the time elapsed b/w Conceptualisation of a product and the time at which product is ready for selling (or) use.
- The commercial embedded product market is highly competitive and time to market the product is a critical factor in the success of commercial embedded product.  
\* (like, mobiles, media players) ...

→ Prototyping is a normal kind of rapid product development in which the important features of product under consideration are developed.

make use of all possible options like the use of off-the shelf components, reusable assets etc.,

Shelf Components, Reusable Assets etc.,

Cost and Revenue:-

