

Element of Bus Design

1. Bus type

I. Dedicated Bus

- A dedicated bus is only reserved for a Single or specific purpose.

II. Multiplexed Bus

- Using a same line for multiple purposes.

2. Method of Arbitration.

I. Centralized Arbitration.

- Only one device decides who can use the bus.
- The devices send desired requests to the arbiter and grants access based on a rule

II. Distributed Arbitration

- No central controller. **Each device contains logic** to determine bus access.

3. Timing

I. Synchronous Bus

- All devices uses common clock.
- All the data transfers happen at fixed intervals.

II. Asynchronous Bus

- Instead of devices communicate using handshaking signals

4. Bus Width

I. Address Bus Width

- Determines how many memory locations can be addressed.

II. Data Bus Width

- Indicates How much data can be transferred at once

5. Data Transfer Types.

- I. Read:- The CPU or a devices request data from memory or I/O.
- II. Write:- The CPU or a device sends data to a memory location.
- III. Read-Modify-Write:- A special atomic operation.
- IV. Read-After-Write:- Ensures a recent write a visible immediately.
- V. Block Transfer:- Transfer a sequence of data words in one go.