EMBEDDED SYSTEMS (CMPE 30274)

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- 1.Reliability
- 2.Performance
- 3.Real-Time Operation
- 4.Scalability
- 5.Safety
- 6.Security
- 7. Maintainability
- 8. Power Efficiency
- 9.Cost-Effectiveness
- 10.User Experience

Quality of an Embedded System:

- **1.Reliability**: The system must perform consistently over time without failures and should handle faults gracefully.
- **2.Performance**: This encompasses speed, responsiveness, and efficient use of resources such as CPU, memory, and power.
- **3.Real-Time Operation**: Many embedded systems are required to meet specific timing constraints, ensuring that they process inputs and produce outputs within defined time limits.

Quality of an Embedded System:

- **4.Scalability**: The system should be capable of adapting to increased loads and expanding in terms of functionality and performance.
- **5.Safety**: In critical applications, such as automotive or healthcare, the system must guarantee safe operation under all conditions.

6.Security: Robust protection against unauthorized access and cyberattacks is essential, especially for systems connected to networks.

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- **7.Maintainability**: The system should allow for easy updates, repairs, or modifications after deployment.
- **8.Power Efficiency**: For portable or battery-operated devices, minimizing power consumption is essential.
- **9.Cost-Effectiveness**: The overall cost of the system should be considered, including development and production expenses.
- **10.User Experience**: The system must offer a user-friendly interface and effectively meet user needs.



Applications

Some real-life applications of Embedded Systems are as follows:

- •Consumer Electronics: Examples include televisions, digital cameras, computer printers, video game consoles, and home entertainment systems like the PS4.
- •Household Appliances: This category encompasses refrigerators, washing machines, microwave ovens, and air conditioners.

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- •Medical Equipment: Includes scanners such as MRI and CT machines, ECG devices, and monitors for blood pressure and heartbeat.
- •Automobiles: Features fuel injection systems, anti-lock braking systems, music and entertainment systems, and air-conditioning controls.
- •Industrial Applications: Comprises assembly line automation, feedback systems, and data collection systems.
- •Aerospace: Encompasses navigation and guidance systems, including GPS.
- •Communications: Involves routers and satellite phone

Advantages of Embedded Systems

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- Cost-Effective for Mass Production: Embedded systems are designed for large-scale manufacturing, leading to a lower cost per unit.
- High Stability and Reliability: These systems are known for their consistent performance and dependability.
- Task-Specific Design: Embedded systems are tailored for specific functions, enhancing efficiency and effectiveness.

Disadvantages of Embedded System

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- Maintenance Challenges
- Difficult Troubleshooting
- Limited Hardware

Disadvantages

- •Limited Flexibility: Once configured, these systems cannot be altered, making it challenging to implement improvements or upgrades after design and creation.
- •Maintenance Challenges: Embedded systems can be difficult to maintain, and backing up embedded files is often problematic.

Disadvantages

- •Difficult Troubleshooting: Diagnosing issues in embedded systems can be complex, and transferring data between systems is often problematic.
- •Limited Hardware: Since these systems are designed for specific tasks, their hardware capabilities are often restricted.

End of Lesson