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M.E. (Computer Engineering)
ADVANCED COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE
(2013 Pattern)

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Instructions to the candidates :

- 1) *Answers to the two sections should be written in separate books.*
- 2) *Neat diagrams must be drawn wherever necessary.*
- 3) *Figures to the right indicate full marks.*
- 4) *Assume suitable data, if necessary.*

SECTION - I

Q1) What is the significance of PRAM models? Describe the four variants of PRAM model and compare it with parallel computer architectures. [9]

OR

State the following terms w.r.t. various interconnect architectures : [9]

- a) Network diameter.
- b) Node degree.
- c) Bisection Bandwidth.
- d) Static IN.
- e) Dynamic IN.
- f) Non blocking Network.

Q2) Explain the terms speedup, efficiency and throughput w.r.t. performance of parallel computer system. Derive the Amdahl's law for speedup performance. [8]

OR

With example, illustrate the mismatch between software and hardware parallelism. How can we match the software and hardware parallelism. [8]

Q3) Compare between instruction and arithmetic pipeline. Design a 6-bit multiplier using CSA tree. How it can be viewed as a k-stage pipeline. [8]

OR

Discuss three important properties related to information stored in memory hierarchy. How the data transfer takes place between adjacent levels of a memory hierarchy? [8]

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SECTION - II

- Q4)** Explain the following terms associated with cache design : **[8]**
- a) Write back v/s write-through caches.
 - b) Write update v/s write-invalidate protocol.
 - c) Private v/s shared caches.

OR

Discuss the dataflow and hybrid approach used in the design of multi-threaded architectures. **[8]**

- Q5)** What do you mean by implicit and explicit parallel programming? With example discuss message passing parallel programming. **[8]**

OR

With example, explain in brief the dependance analysis of data arrays done in parallelizing compilers. **[8]**

- Q6)** Explain the following terms w.r.t. grid computing : **[9]**
- a) Middle ware.
 - b) Virtual organization.
 - c) OGSA.
 - d) OGSI.

OR

Explain in brief the following architectures w.r.t. distributed parallel processing : **[9]**

- a) Cloud computing.
- b) Neuro computing.
- c) Quantum computing.

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