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## III B.Tech II Semester(R05) Supplementary Examinations, April/May 2011 ADVANCED COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE

(Computer Science & Systems Engineering)

Time: 3 hours Max Marks: 80

## Answer any FIVE questions All questions carry equal marks

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- 1. Write the formula for weighted execution time. Explain the same with an example.
- 2. Give the reasons for emergence of general purpose resisters. What are the advantages and disadvantages of general purpose register computers?
- 3. Explain data dependent hazard with example.
- 4. (a) What are the advantages of loop unrolling?
  - (b) Explain about trace sheduling.
- 5. Where can a block be placed in upper level? How is a block found if it is in upper level? Which block should be replaced on a miss.
- 6. (a) On what problem sizes the performance of scientific technical workload is measured. Explain.
  - (b) What factors contribute to L3 cache miss rate and how do they change as the L3 cache grows?
- 7. (a) Give the characteristic of common desktop IO buses
  - (b) Write about the bus design decision.
- 8. (a) What is a cluster? Give an example.
  - (b) Explain about cost of cluster hardware alternating with local disk.

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