

Department of Computer Science

Spring 2017 CS 219 – Computer Organization (Section 1002) Mon & Wed 5:30pm – 6:45pm @ CBC C110

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Textbook

"Computer Organization and Architecture: Designing for Performance", by William Stallings, Pearson publishing, 10th Edition.

ISBN-10: 0134101618

Prerequisites

- CS 202 Computer Science II
- CS 218 Introduction to Systems Programming

Course Topics

 Basic organization of digital computers, including I/O units, arithmetic logic units, control units and memory organization. Number and character representations. Instruction sets and addressing. Microprogramming.

Course Objectives

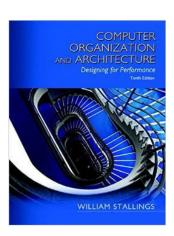
- Understand organization of computer systems, identify the parts and their operation mechanisms.
- Understand elements of instruction set architecture and their application to commercial systems.
- Understand microarchitecture concepts, learn their performance implications.
- Learn the history of computer and discuss the future of computer.

Homework

- 6 homework assignments
- Should be handed in hard copy in class when class begins at 5:30pm

Quiz

- 6 scheduled, in-class quizzes (closed books and notes)
- Your lowest quiz score will be ignored



Midterm exams

- Closed books and notes
- Feb 22nd and Apr 3rd, in class 5:30pm 6:45pm

Final exam

- Closed books and notes
- May 10th, Wednesday, 6:00pm 8:00pm @ CBC C110 (classroom)
- The final exam will cover materials from the entire course, with emphasis on later materials.

Grading

- Midterm and final scores will be normalized to class's highest score.
- Your homework scores will be added and then normalized to class highest score.
- All quiz scores, except the lowest, will be added and then normalized.
- The normalized scores will be weighted using the table below to arrive final letter grade.

Test	Weight	
Midterm 1	20%	
Midterm 2	20%	
Final	35%	
Quiz	10%	
Homework	15%	
Class participation	Up to extra 5%	

- The final letter grade will be curved, with midpoint roughly at B-.
- Instructor reserves the right to adjust class-wide normalization factor.

Class schedule (subject to change)

	Week of	Monday	Wednesday
1	Jan 16	MLK Jr. Day Recess	
2	Jan 23	Homework #1 Assgn	
3	Jan 30	Quiz #1	
4	Feb 6	Homework #2 Assgn	
5	Feb 13	Quiz #2	
6	Feb 20	Washington's Birthday Recess	Midterm exam 1
7	Feb 27	Homework #3 Assgn	
8	Mar 6	Quiz #3	
9	Mar 13	Homework #4 Assgn	
10	Mar 20	Quiz #4	
11	Mar 27	Homework #5 Assgn	
12	Apr 3	Quiz #5	Midterm exam 2
13	Apr 10	Spring Break Recess	Spring Break Recess
14	Apr 17	Homework #6 Assgn	
15	Apr 24	Quiz #6	
16	May 1		
17	May 8	Final week – No Class	Final exam

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