



# CC 423: **ADVANCED COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE**

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## Basic Info.

### □ Textbooks

- “*Computer architecture: a quantitative approach.*”, Patterson, David A., and John L. Hennessy. 5<sup>th</sup> ed

### □ Supplementary References

- “Digital Design and Computer Architecture”, David Harris, Sarah Harris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition
- “*Computer organization and design: the hardware/software interface*”, Patterson, David A., and John L. Hennessy. 5<sup>th</sup> ed

### □ Prerequisites

- Computer Architecture

### □ Computer tools:

- [https://www.aldec.com/en/products/fpga\\_simulation/active\\_hdl\\_student](https://www.aldec.com/en/products/fpga_simulation/active_hdl_student)



# Course Outline

- Design principles associated with modern parallel computer architectures
- Overview of Pipelining and memory hierarchy
- Processor Design using Hardware Description Languages
- Instruction Level Parallelism
- Data-Level Parallelism in
  - Vector, SIMD, and GPU Architectures
  - Thread-Level Parallelism



## Course Work

- Homework Assignments: 10 marks
- Project: You can choose only one of the following three projects
  - Design of A SPARCv8- Compatible Processor (30marks+bonus)
  - Research on Computer Architecture (30 marks)
  - Survey on Processors or Computer Systems (30 marks)
- Midterm exam: 20 marks
- Final Exam: 40 marks



## Course Webpage

- All course materials and lecture slides will be published to the following website:

[http://eng.staff.alexu.edu.eg/~mmorsy/Courses/Undergraduate/CC423\\_Advanced\\_Computer\\_Architecture/CC423.html](http://eng.staff.alexu.edu.eg/~mmorsy/Courses/Undergraduate/CC423_Advanced_Computer_Architecture/CC423.html)

- Announcements and course updates will be published on the course webpage