



## IDENTIFYING DATA

### Computer Architecture II

Subject	Computer Architecture II			
Code	O06G150V01303			
Study programme	(*)Grao en Enxeñaría Informática			
Descriptors	ECTS Credits	Choose	Year	Quadmester
	6	Mandatory	2nd	1st
Teaching language	#EnglishFriendly Spanish Galician			
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General description	This subject concerns in the basic concepts about the components of the architecture of a computer given in Computer Architecture I, in order to understand the operation of a current computer. Technical documentation will be used in English.			
	English Friendly subject: International students may request from the teachers: a) materials and bibliographic references in English, b) tutoring sessions in English, c) exams and assessments in English.			

## Competencies

Code	
A2	Students will be able to apply their knowledge and skills in their professional practice or vocation and they will show they have the required expertise through the construction and discussion of arguments and the resolution of problems within the relevant area of study.
B2	Ability to manage the project's activities from the computing field in accordance with the acquired knowledge and training.
B4	Ability to define, assess and select hardware and software platforms for the development and execution of computing systems, services and applications, according to the acquired knowledge and training.
B5	Ability to conceive, develop and maintain computing systems, services and applications through use of software engineering methods as tools to ensure quality, according to the knowledge and training acquired.
B6	Ability to conceive and develop centralized or distributed computing systems and architectures, integrating hardware, software and networks, according to the knowledge and training acquired.
B7	Ability to learn, understand and apply the necessary legislation during professional practice as a Computer Science Engineer and to use the relevant binding specifications, regulations and norms.
C7	Ability to design, develop, choose and assess computer applications and systems to guarantee their reliability, safety and quality, according to ethical principles and existing legislation and regulations.
C11	Knowledge, administration and maintenance of computer systems, services and applications.
C15	Ability to know, understand and assess the structure and architecture of computers, as well as their basic components.
C19	Knowledge and application of the necessary tools for storing, processing and accessing information Systems, including web-based ones.
C25	Ability to develop, maintain and assess software systems and services that satisfy all the demands of users and work reliably and efficiently, are easy to develop and maintain, and meet the quality standards, applying the theories, principles, methods and practices of Software Engineering.
C26	Ability to assess clients' needs and determine the software requirements to satisfy these needs, reconciling conflicting goals through attempts to reach acceptable compromises within the limits imposed by costs, available times, existing developed systems and organizations themselves.
C29	Ability to identify, assess and deal with associated risks that could potentially arise.

- C30 Ability to design appropriate solutions in one or more domains of application by using methods of software engineering that include ethical, social, legal and economic issues.
- C32 Ability to select, design, implement, integrate, assess, build, manage, exploit and maintain hardware, software and network technologies, within the appropriate costs and quality requirements.
- C34 Ability to select, design, implement, integrate and manage networks and communications infrastructures in organizations.
- C35 Ability to select, design, implement, integrate and manage information systems that meet the needs of organizations, once the costs and quality criteria have been identified.
- D1 I1: Analysis, synthesis and assessment skills.
- D3 I3: Oral and written communication skills in one's native language.
- D5 I5: Abstraction skills: ability to create and use models that reflect real situations.
- D7 I7: Ability to search for, establish links and organize information coming from different sources and to integrate ideas, knowledge and skills.
- D8 I8: Problem-resolution skills.
- D9 I9: Ability to make decisions.
- D10 I10: Ability to present arguments and justify one's decisions and opinions in logical terms.
- D11 P1: Ability to act independently.
- D12 P2: Ability to work in situations where information is lacking and under pressure.
- D13 P3: Ability to quickly fit into a group and to work efficiently in intradisciplinary teams and to cooperate in an interdisciplinary environment.
- D15 P5: Interpersonal relations skills.
- D16 S1: Critical-thinking skills.
- D17 S2: Commitment to uphold ethical and democratic values.
- D18 S3: Independent-learning skills.
- D19 S4: Ability to adapt to new situations.
- D20 S5: Creativity.
- D21 S6: Leadership skills.
- D22 S7: Ability to take the initiative and be determined.
- D24 S9: Commitment to striving for quality and continuous improvement.

### Learning outcomes

Expected results from this subject	Training and Learning Results		
New	A2	C19 C29	D1 D3 D5 D7 D8 D9 D10 D11 D12 D13 D15 D16 D17 D18 D19 D20 D21 D22 D24

New

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New

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B4	C30	D3
B5	C32	D5
B6		D7
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## Contents

Topic	
Introduction to current processors	Processors of the families x86, x64, ARM.
System and memory hierarchy I	Introduction to systems and the hierarchy of memory in personal computers. Internal memory. Principal memory. Types of DRAM memory. Cache. Memory system of the Intel family.
System and memory hierarchy II	External memory. Magnetic and solid state disks (HDD, SSD). Physical and logical discs. File systems in HDDs and SSDs. Optical and tape drives.
Input Output Technics	Input Output Techniques on personal computers. Peripherals and I / O modules. External interfaces: USB, IEEE 1394, PATA, SATA. Power supply: power supply, uninterruptured and emergency power systems, batteries.
Interconnection with buses	Interconnection and hierarchy of buses. PCI, AGP, PCI-Express buses.
Practices I	Low-level programming in a simple computer of the input-output techniques.
Practices II	Identification of components of personal computers. Disassembly and assembly of personal computers.

## Planning

	Class hours	Hours outside the classroom	Total hours
Lecturing	24	30	54
Problem solving	24	30	54
Laboratory practical	12	12	24
Problem and/or exercise solving	6	12	18

\*The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

## Methodologies

	Description
Lecturing	(*)Exposición ao alumnado dos contidos da materia.
Problem solving	(*)Formulación, análise, resolución e debate de problemas ou exercicios relacionados coa temática da materia.
Laboratory practical	(*)Formulación, análise, resolución e debate de problemas de programación de computadorras a baixo nivel relacionados con entrada saída

## Personalized assistance

Tests	Description
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Problem and/or exercise solving An individual analysis of the students will be carried out through a continuous control of the partial tests.

<b>Assessment</b>						
	Description	Qualification	Training and Learning Results			
Laboratory practical	2 laboratory practice tests to evaluate the small group classes. Each of these 2 tests will be 20% of the final grade. In order to pass the subject, it is mandatory that the student presents himself / herself to all the tests and that in each test he / she obtains a grade equal to or higher than 3 out of 10.  Results: RA02 y RA05.	40	A2	B5	C25 C26 C30 C32 C35	D1 D3 D5 D7 D8 D9 D10 D11 D12 D13 D15 D16 D17 D18 D19 D20 D21 D22 D24
Problem and/or exercise solving	2 short answer tests to evaluate the large group classes. Each of these 2 tests will be 30% of the final grade. In order to pass the subject, it is mandatory that the student presents himself / herself to all the tests and that in each test he / she obtains a grade equal to or higher than 3 out of 10.  Results: RA01, RA03 y RA04.	60	A2	B2 B4 B6 B7	C7 C11 C15 C19 C29 C34	D1 D3 D5 D7 D8 D9 D10 D11 D12 D13 D15 D16 D17 D18 D19 D20 D21 D22 D24

### Other comments on the Evaluation

All references to numeric grades in this guide are about 10.

#### ASSESSMENT CRITERIA FOR ASSISTANTS 1st EDITION OF ACTS

For the students attending the first edition of the acts, 4 mandatory partial tests will be carried out:

- 2 short answer tests to evaluate the large group classes. Each of these 2 tests will be 30% of the final grade.
- 2 laboratory practice tests to evaluate the small group classes. Each of these 2 tests will be 20% of the final grade.

To pass the subject it is mandatory that the student is present to all the tests and that in each test obtain a grade equal to or higher than 3.

In the case of not performing any test or obtain in a test a grade lower than 3, if the overall score is higher than 5, the final grade in the act will be 4.9, fail.

The dates of these 4 tests for the attending students can be consulted in the calendar of activities of the ESEI.

#### EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR NON-ASSISTANTS 1st EDITION OF ACTS

The evaluation for the non-attending students in the first edition of the acts will be 2 tests:

Methodology / Test 1: short answer test

Description: A mandatory test with short answers on all the contents of the large group classes.

% Grade: This test will be 60% of the final grade.

Evaluated competences: CB2, CG5, CE25, CE26, CE30, CE32, CE35, CT1, CT3, CT5, CT7, CT8, CT9, CT10, CT11, CT12, CT13, CT15, CT16, CT17, CT18, CT19, CT20, CT21, CT22, CT24

Evaluated learning outcomes: RA01, RA02 y RA04.

Methodology / Test 2: laboratory practice

Description: A mandatory practical test on the contents of the classes of the small groups. This practice will be developed with a PC and specific hardware. The download of the hardware manuals and software programs used will be available at [fatic.uvigo.es](http://fatic.uvigo.es).

% Grade: This test will be 40% of the final grade.

Evaluated competences: CB2, CG2, CG4, CG6, CG7, CE7, CE11, CE15, CE19, CE29, CE34, CT1, CT3, CT5, CT7, CT8, CT9, CT10, CT11, CT12, CT13, CT15, CT16, CT17, CT18, CT19, CT20, CT21, CT22, CT24

Evaluated learning outcomes: RA01 y RA03.

To pass the subject, it is mandatory that the student presents himself / herself to the 2 tests and that in each test he / she obtains a grade equal to or greater than 3.

In the case of not performing any test or obtain in a test a grade lower than 3, if the overall score is higher than 5, the final grade in the minutes will be 4.9, fail.

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR THE 2nd EDITION AND OTHERS ACTS**

The same evaluation system applied for non-assistants will be used.

## **ACTS QUALIFICATION PROCESS**

Regardless of the call, in the case of not performing any test or obtain in a test a grade lower than 3, if the overall score was greater than 5, the final grade in minutes will be 4.9, fail.

## **EVALUATION DATES.**

The calendar of evaluation tests officially approved by the Center Board of the ESEI is published on the web page <http://www.esei.uvigo.es/index.php?id=29>.

## **PROHIBITION OF USE OF ANY ELECTRONIC DEVICE**

All students are reminded to prohibit the use of any electronic device in exercises and practices.

## **JUSTIFICATION OF ABSENCE**

To be able to justify the absence to a test, a certificate issued by a doctor is necessary. A proof of the doctor's appointment will not be valid.

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### **Recommendations**

#### **Subjects that continue the syllabus**

Parallel architectures/O06G150V01401

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#### **Subjects that are recommended to be taken simultaneously**

Algorithms and data structures II/O06G150V01302

Operating systems I/O06G150V01305

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#### **Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before**

Physics: Digital Systems/O06G150V01105

IT: Computer Architecture I/O06G150V01203

IT: Programming I/O06G150V01104

Programming II/O06G150V01205

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