# CIS (21-774) Computer Information Systems in Industrial Engineering

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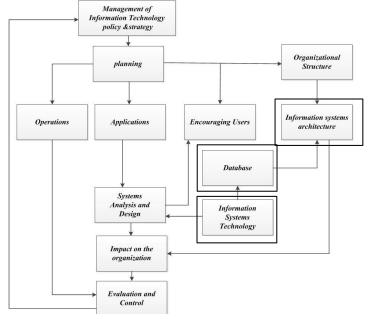
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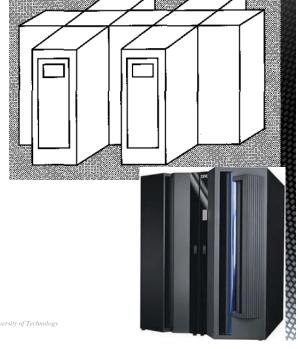
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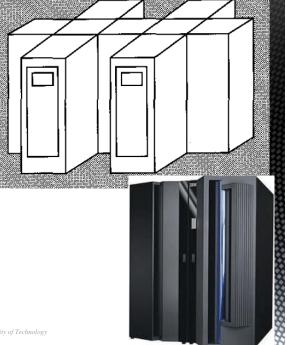
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  - The first computers developed were mainframes, which are large generalpurpose machines.
  - Today this type of machine is likely to support a number of terminals and personal computers interacting with huge databases containing billions of characters of data.
  - Mainframe computers are used extensively to process transactions and maintain vital data for access by various users.



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## Information Technology

- *The today's computers* 
  - Today many mainframe applications are called "legacy systems."
  - These systems represent a heavy investment; they process critical transactions, and they are difficult to change.
  - These mainframe systems are capable of processing a huge volume of transactions given very high speed data channels



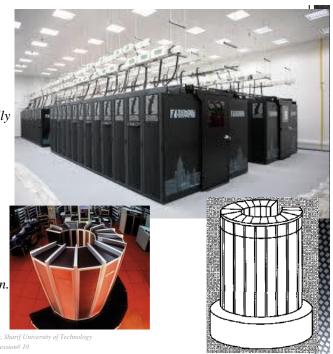
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- The today's computers
  - Organizations using mainframe computers generally process large amounts of data.
  - The computers may access databases with billions of characters of data and control networks of hundreds or thousands of terminals.
  - The computers need to be able to handle extensive telecommunications activities and input-output operations.

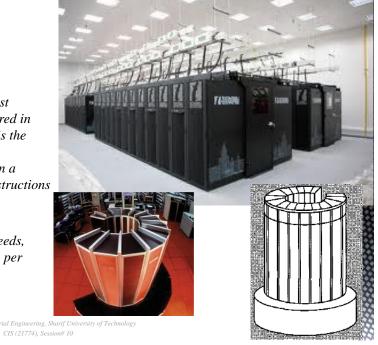


#### Information Technology

- *The today's computers* 
  - Scientists and engineers have computationally intensive problems to solve, often involving numbers with many digits of significance.
  - Examples include the
    - Simulation of airflow over an aircraft,
    - Weather forecasting simulations,
    - Analysis of geological data, and even
    - Predictions about the speed of a sailboat designed for the Americas Cup competition.



- The today's computers
  - Supercomputers are among the fastest computers today, with speeds measured in hundreds of megaflops (a megaflop is the execution of 1 million floating-point instructions per second) to more than a gigaflop (1 billion floating-point instructions per second).
  - Machines have achieved teraflop speeds, executing over 1 trillion instructions per second.



#### Information Technology

- *The today's computers* 
  - Minicomputers evolved as manufacturers increased processing speeds and expanded word sizes to 32 bits.
  - Companies use this midrange computer for a variety of processing tasks, some of which are similar to what a mainframe did a decade ago.
  - Next came the PC or personal computer, which was first designed as an 8-bit computer.
  - Workstations use high-performance 32-bit computers for engineering and scientific work. The workstation features superior graphics and is often used for design tasks.

- *The today's computers* 
  - In the client-server model of computing, a user's client PC makes requests of a server computer that has data and possibly programs on it
  - The server is responsible for the database and is likely to execute transactions to update and manage it.
  - One Compaq server containing four Pentium processors has been clocked at 600 transactions per second with standard database software compared to 200 transaction per second for some midrange computers.



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## Information Technology

- *The today's computers* 
  - The PDA or personal digital assistant began as super calculators able to store a user's calendar and phone book.
  - Today these devices often weigh less than a pound and some offer handwriting and voice recognition, fax and modem communications, and even a pager.
  - a sales representative might use a small PDA that has information on contracts. A longshoreman uses a PDA that has a bar-code reader and scanner to record the location of containers.

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#### The role of managers in Information Technology (IT)

- HW#07
  - Simon Marshall Associates
  - Study your reference book in page 195. The book talks about the case study of Simon Marshall Associates.
  - Try to answer the questions in the case study based on our described context in this session
- The Home work should be sent to <u>omidf@ie.sharif.edu</u> till Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> of Aban (Nov, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013)
- Email subject: "HW07:studentnumber"

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