

CS 534: Advanced Topics in Computer Architecture
(aka Energy-Efficient Computer Architecture)
Prof. Josep Torrellas, Fall 2021
Tentative Course Outline

1. T1: Modeling process variation and wear-out (2 lectures)
2. T2: Tolerating/mitigating variation with body biasing (1 lecture)
3. T3: Tolerating/mitigating variation with timing speculation (2 lectures)
4. T4: Tolerating/mitigating variation with application scheduling (1 lecture)
5. T5: Reducing voltage guardbands (3 lectures)
6. T6: Managing voltage droops (1 lecture)
7. T7: Design for low voltage (2 lectures)
8. T8: Leakage (1 lecture)
9. T9: Efficient DRAM/eDRAM design (3 lectures)
10. T10: Power gating and microcheckpointing (1 lecture)
11. T11: On-chip controllers (3 lectures)
12. T12: Temperature (1 lecture)
13. T13: 3D stacked architectures (4 lectures)
14. T14: Extreme scale architectures (1 lectures)
15. T15: Mobile systems (1 lecture)

8/25: Introduction
8/27: T1
9/1: T1
9/3: T2
9/8: T3
9/10: T3
9/15: T4 Project proposals due
9/17: T5
9/22: T5
9/24: T5
9/29: T6
10/1: T7
10/6: T7
10/8: T8
10/13: T9
10/15: T9
10/20: T9
10/22: T10 Midterm Progress Report in Class
10/27: T11
10/29: T11
11/3: T11
11/5: T12
11/10: T13
11/12: T13
11/17: T13
11/19: T13
*** Thanksgiving Break ****
12/1: T14
12/3: T15
12/8: Project presentations. Final project due later