Distributed Systems

Course Objectives:

- provides an introduction to the fundamentals of distributed computer systems, assuming the availability of facilities for data transmission, IPC mechanisms in distributed systems, Remote procedure calls.
- 2. Expose students to current technology used to build architectures to enhance distributed computing infrastructures with various computing principles

Course Outcomes:

- 1. Develop a familiarity with distributed file systems.
- 2. Describe important characteristics of distributed systems and the salient architectural features of such systems.
- 3. Describe the features and applications of important standard protocols which are used in distributed systems.
- 4. Gaining practical experience of inter-process communication in a distributed environment

Syllabus:

UNIT-I:

Characterization of Distributed Systems: Introduction, Examples of Distributed Systems, Resource Sharing and the Web, Challenges.

System Models: Introduction, Architectural Models- Software Layers, System Architecture, Variations, Interface and Objects, Design Requirements for Distributed Architectures, Fundamental Models- Interaction Model, Failure Model, Security Model.

UNIT-II:

Interprocess Communication: Introduction, The API for the Internet Protocols- The Characteristics of Interprocess communication, Sockets, UDP Datagram Communication, TCP Stream Communication; External Data Representation and Marshalling; Client Server Communication; Group Communication- IP Multicast- an implementation of group communication, Reliability and Ordering of Multicast.

UNIT-III:

Distributed Objects and Remote Invocation: Introduction, Communication between Distributed Objects-Object Model, Distributed Object Modal, Design Issues for RMI, Implementation of RMI, Distributed Garbage Collection; Remote Procedure Call, Events and Notifications, Case Study: JAVA RMI

UNIT-IV:

Operating System Support: Introduction, The Operating System Layer, Protection, Processes and Threads –Address Space, Creation of a New Process, Threads.

UNIT-V:

Distributed File Systems: Introduction, File Service Architecture; Peer-to-Peer Systems: Introduction, Napster and its Legacy, Peer-to-Peer Middleware, Routing Overlays.

Coordination and Agreement: Introduction, Distributed Mutual Exclusion, Elections, Multicast Communication.

UNIT-VI:

Transactions & Replications: Introduction, System Model and Group Communication, Concurrency Control in Distributed Transactions, Distributed Dead Locks, Transaction Recovery; Replication-Introduction, Passive (Primary) Replication, Active Replication.

TEXT BOOKS:

- Ajay D Kshemkalyani, Mukesh Sighal, "Distributed Computing, Principles, Algorithms and Systems", Cambridge
- George Coulouris, Jean Dollimore, Tim Kindberg, "Distributed Systems- Concepts and Design", Fourth Edition, Pearson Publication