

# Computer- System Organization

## CHAPTER 12

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### CHAPTER OBJECTIVES

- Explain the performance characteristics of mass-storage devices.
- To provide a high-level overview of distributed systems and the networks that interconnect them.

#### 12.1 General System Structure

#### 12.2 Interrupts

#### 12.3 Storage Structure

#### 12.4 Caching

#### 12.5 I/O Structure

#### 12.6 Networking

#### 12.7 Summary

### Exercises

12.1 What is the meaning of life?

## Bibliographical Notes

Computer Science