

MCA (Revised)
Term-End Examination
December, 2013

MCS-041 : OPERATING SYSTEMS

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Weightage : 75%

Note : Question No. 1 is compulsory. Answer any three questions from the rest.

1. (a) A system contains 10 units of resource R1. **10**
 The resource requirement of 3 user processes P1, P2, P3 can be summarised as :
- | | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|--------------------|----|----|----|
| Max. Requirement | 7 | 3 | 5 |
| Current Allocation | 3 | 2 | 3 |
- Is the current allocation state feasible and safe ? Apply Banker's algorithm to check it.
- If a new request of (2, 1, 0) arises, check whether it will be granted or not using Banker's algorithm ?
- (b) Discuss the common failures in distributed systems. **10**

- (c) Write and explain the Bakery's algorithm to handle the critical section problem for 'n' processes. **10**
- (d) Explain the structure of UNIX operating system and its components in brief. **10**
2. (a) Explain FCFS and SSTF disk scheduling algorithms. Calculate the total head movement with the FCFS and SSTF for the following blocks. **10**
- 50, 91, 150, 92, 130, 18, 140, 70, 60
- Initially the head is on block No. 53. Draw the movement diagram also.
- (b) Discuss the implementation issues and considerations involved in processing and memory management in multiprocessor operating system. **10**
3. (a) Compare and contrast the architecture of WINDOWS OS with UNIX OS. **10**
- (b) Explain what causes the thrashing ? Suggest the mechanism to avoid the thrashing. **6**
- (c) With the help of diagrams, explain the concept of demand paging and demand segmentation. **4**

4. (a) Briefly describe the following CPU scheduling algorithms : **3+3+4**
- (i) FCFS
 - (ii) RR
 - (iii) Priority Based Scheduling
- Explain the difference in the degree to which the above scheduling algorithms discriminate in favour of short processes.
- (b) Define mutual exclusion in distributed systems and give an example. Also write and explain the Ricart and Agrawala's mutual exclusion algorithm in distributed systems. **10**
5. (a) Explain the two non-contiguous disk storage allocation schemes with the help of an illustration for each. **10**
- (b) Explain the Bell and La Padula Model. Also explain the few components of Information Flow Model. **10**
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