

MCA (Revised)

Term-End Examination

June, 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) Using semaphore, write an algorithm that solves the producer/consumers problem with a bounded buffer. How is it different from the unbounded buffer algorithm? Explain. 10
- (b) Compare the merits and demerits of various disk scheduling algorithms. 10
- (c) Consider the following set of processes, with the length of the CPU burst time given in milliseconds. 10

Process	Burst time
P1	12
P2	5
P3	27
P4	3
P5	15

All five processes arrive at time 0, in the order given. Draw Gantt charts illustrating the execution of the processes using FCFS, SJF and RR (quantum = 1) scheduling. What is the turn around time of each process for each of the scheduling algorithms? Also find the average waiting time for each algorithm.

- (d) Explain take-grant model for security of OS. Also explain three techniques of authentication. **10**
2. (a) Explain the hardware support for paging. Briefly explain the three page address translation technique. **10**
- (b) Illustrate a 3-dimensional hypercube system and describe its features. **5**
- (c) What is meant by context switch? Explain the overhead incurred due to context switching on process and thread. **5**
3. (a) Illustrate and discuss interprocess communication features in windows 2000 operating system. **5**
- (b) Mention the advantages and limitations of Multi-User Operating Systems. **5**

- (c) What is the difference between security policy and security model ? Explain the access matrix model. 10
4. (a) The following is the sequence of page requests : 10
1, 3, 2, 5, 4, 2, 1, 5, 3, 2, 4, 3
Assume that there are three frames. How many page faults will occur if the following algorithms are used to replace the pages :
- (i) FCFS
 - (ii) LRU
 - (iii) OPT
- (b) List and explain the four necessary conditions that must hold simultaneously for a deadlock to occur. Explain different ways to avoid deadlock. 10
5. (a) Explain the following in brief : 10
- (i) Remote Procedure Call (RPC)
 - (ii) Thrashing
 - (iii) Segmentation
 - (iv) Lock synchronization mechanism
- (b) What are different kinds of file systems in Unix ? Explain in brief. 10