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SIXTH SEMESTER B.C.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021

(CUCBCSS-UG)

CC17U BCA6 B12 - OPERATING SYSTEMS

(Computer Application – Core Course)

(2017 Admissions - Regular)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Part I

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. What is an operating system?
- 2. Which system call is used to create a process?
- 3. Define a process.
- 4. What is the objective of time sharing operating system?
- 5. To avoid race condition, what is the number of processes that may be simultaneously inside the critical section.
- 6. What is meant by authentication?
- 7. Define the term hit ratio.
- 8. What is compaction and why it is used?
- 9. Why page sizes are always power of 2?
- 10. Write any four operators used in shell programming.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

Part II

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. Why an operating system is known as "Resource manager"?
- 12. Differentiate user level threads from kernel level threads.
- 13. How performance of demand paging can be measured.
- 14. List out the two primitive operations used in the implementation of a semaphore.
- 15. Which are the special characters in shell programming?
- 16. What are the minimum requirements that should be satisfied by a solution to a critical section problem?
- 17. Explain the goals of protection.
- 18. What is thrashing? What is the cause of thrashing?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

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Part III

Answer any *six* questions. Each question carries 4 marks.

- 19. Explain in detail the necessary conditions that cause the deadlock to occur.
- 20. Write an algorithm to implement mutual exclusion using test () and set () instruction.
- 21. Consider the following page reference string:

1,2,3,4,2,1,5,6,2,1,2,3,7,6,3,2,1,2,3,6

How many page faults would occur for the optimal page replacement algorithm, assuming three frames and all frames are initially empty.

- 22. Compare first fit, best fit and worst fit allocation of memory.
- 23. Explain the different file accessing methods.
- 24. With the help of a diagram, explain the different states of a process.
- 25. Explain producer consumer problem in detail.
- 26. Explain the conditional and iterative commands in shell script with an example.
- 27. What are scheduling queues? Explain the queuing diagram representation.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

Part IV

Answer any *three* questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

- 28. Discuss deadlock avoidance using Banker's algorithm with suitable example.
- 29. Explain the concept of paging in detail.
- 30. What is mean by CPU scheduling? State the various criteria used for the selection of any scheduling algorithm. Discuss in detail any three pre-emptive scheduling algorithms.
- 31. Compare and contrast Multiprogramming, Multitasking and Multiprocessing.
- 32. Explain resource allocation graph algorithm for deadlock detection with relevant diagram.

 $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ Marks})$
