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**Subject: OPERATING SYSTEMS & SYSTEMS SOFTWARE**

**AMIETE – CS/IT (Current & New Scheme)**

Time: 3 Hours

**December - 2017**

Max. Marks: 100

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**NOTE: There are 9 Questions in all.**

- **Question 1 is compulsory and carries 20 marks. Answer to Q. 1 must be written in the space provided for it in the answer book supplied and nowhere else.**
- **The answer sheet for the Q.1 will be collected by the invigilator after 45 minutes of the commencement of the examination.**
- **Out of the remaining EIGHT Questions, answer any FIVE Questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part. Each question carries 16 marks.**
- **Any required data not explicitly given, may be suitably assumed and stated.**

**Q.1 Choose the correct or the best alternative in the following: (2×10)**

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ examines the information in PCB's to select a process for execution and hands over its PCB to the dispatcher.  
(A) Process dispatcher (B) Process scheduler  
(C) Process terminator (D) Event handler
- b. Elimination of redundancies in program statements and rearranging of program statements without the change in logic are features of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) code optimization (B) interpreters  
(C) parameter passing (D) code fragmentation
- c. Which amongst the following is not a valid page replacement policy?  
(A) LRU policy (Least Recently Used)  
(B) FIFO policy (First in first out)  
(C) RU policy (Recurrently used)  
(D) Optimal page replacement policy
- d. To avoid the race condition, the number of processes that may be simultaneously inside their critical section is  
(A) 8 (B) 1  
(C) 16 (D) 0
- e. Which statement is valid about interpreter?  
(A) It translates one instruction at a time  
(B) Object code is saved for future use  
(C) Repeated interpretation is not necessary  
(D) All of these
- f. Which of the following are(is) Language Processor(s)  
(A) assembles (B) compilers  
(C) interpreters (D) all of these

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- g. Analysis which determines the meaning of a statement once its grammatical structure becomes known is termed as  
 (A) Syntax analysis (B) Semantic analysis  
 (C) Code analysis (D) None of these
- h. In \_\_\_\_\_, a programmer identifies the logical entities in his/her program and declares them as program components for the purpose of virtual memory implementation.  
 (A) Paging (B) Demand segmentation  
 (C) Segmentation (D) Fragmentation
- i. Processes synchronization means  
 (A) all processes start at the same time  
 (B) one process starts as soon as another process ends  
 (C) a process performs an action only when some other process(es) reach specific points in their execution  
 (D) none of the above
- j. Distributed systems provide  
 (A) Resource sharing. (B) Speed.  
 (C) Reliability (D) All of these.

**PART A**

**Answer at least TWO questions. Each question carries 16 marks.**

- Q.2** a. Distinguish between multiprogramming and multiprocessing systems. (4)  
 b. What is cooperating process? Give reasons for providing an environment that allows process cooperation. (4)  
 c. List typical functionalities of an OS Kernel. What are the disadvantages of the layered OS model based on Kernels that became primary motivation for a microkernel? (8)

- Q.3** a. Consider the following set of processes: (7)

Process Name	Arrival Time	Processing Time
A	0	7
B	1	5
C	2	2
D	3	4

Find the average turn round time for the FCFS, SJF and RR (time quantum = 4) non-preemptive CPU scheduling methods.

- b. Compare the following scheduling algorithms with an example:  
 (i) FCFS (ii) SJF  
 (iii) Priority Based (3x3)

- Q.4** a. Discuss the different techniques with which a file can be shared among different users. (6)

- b. What is a semaphore? Explain binary semaphore with the help of an example. (4)

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- c. What is Critical-Section problem? What are the requirements that critical – section problem must satisfy for its solution? (6)
- Q.5** a. What is memory allocation? Differentiate between contiguous and non contiguous memory allocation. Explain the concept of virtual memory. (2+3+3)
- b. Describe the First fit, Best fit and Worst fit allocation algorithms. Given memory partitions of 100K, 500K, 200K, 300K, and 600K (in order), how would each of the First-fit, Best-fit, and Worst-fit algorithms place processes of 212K, 417K, 112K and 426K (in order)? Which algorithm makes the most efficient use of memory? (6+2)

**PART B****Answer at least TWO questions. Each question carries 16 marks.**

- Q.6** a. What are the various *language processing* activities in the domain of system software? (4+4)
- b. Discuss about intermediate representation of programs. (4)
- c. Discuss the different criteria used to classify the data structures used for Language Processors? (4)
- Q.7** a. Give the specifications of LEX scanner with regular expression and respective semantic actions. (6)
- b. What is parsing? Write down the drawback of top down parsing using backtracking. (5)
- c. Differentiate between non-relocatable, relocatable and self relocatable programs. (5)
- Q.8** a. What are the functions of passes used in two-pass assembler? Explain pass-1 algorithm. (8)
- b. What are assembler directives in assembly languages? Illustrate with an example the importance of assembler directives. (3+5)
- Q.9** a. Explain analysis and synthesis phase of a compiler. (6)
- b. Which kind of optimisation is more effective inside loops - space optimisation or time optimisation? Why? (4)
- c. Consider the following program segment:
- ```

main()
{
int i, j;
float x, y;
    y = 10; .....(A)
    i = 5;
    x = y + i; .....(B)
}

```
- Explain what action the compiler must take during the compilation of assignment statements marked as (A) and (B)? (6)