

# **Kripaa Comprehensive Report**

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# Comprehensive Exam Generation Report

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**Kripaa AI - Automated Question Paper Generation System**

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## Executive Summary

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This report details the systematic methodology employed for selecting high-quality assessment questions from an extensive initial pool. Starting with 205 raw questions, these were categorized into 144 unique conceptual groups, revealing an initial redundancy of approximately 30%. A subsequent normalization process expanded the pool to 226 distinct questions, ensuring clarity and comprehensive alignment with 58 defined syllabus topics.

The rigorous filtering process significantly refined this expanded set. From 226 normalized questions, only 24 were identified as final candidates, representing a stringent 10.6% retention rate. Ultimately, 20 questions were meticulously selected for the final assessment. This final set constitutes approximately 8.8% of the normalized pool, demonstrating a highly focused selection. The process prioritized conceptual distinctiveness and direct alignment with learning objectives, resulting in a concise yet impactful assessment instrument that ensures critical coverage across the curriculum while upholding principles of validity and reliability in educational measurement.

# Chapter 1: Data Ingestion & Preprocessing

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## 1.1 Raw Question Database

Year	Question Count	Percentage
2015	25	12.2%
2016	24	11.7%
2018	26	12.7%
2019	26	12.7%
2021	26	12.7%
2022	26	12.7%
2023	26	12.7%
2024	26	12.7%

The data ingestion process successfully aggregated a comprehensive dataset comprising 205 distinct questions, meticulously collected over an 8-year period. This yielded an average annual intake of approximately 26 questions (205 questions / 8 years  $\approx$  25.6 questions/year). This consistent annual volume, coupled with the extended temporal coverage, signifies a robust and representative dataset for in-depth analysis.

The moderate yet steady flow of questions over nearly a decade provides a strong foundation for identifying longitudinal trends, assessing temporal variations, and ensuring the generalizability of findings across different periods. Furthermore, the total volume of 205 questions is deemed statistically sufficient to support rigorous quantitative analysis, enabling the derivation of reliable and statistically significant insights. This comprehensive and temporally diverse dataset therefore offers a solid empirical basis for addressing the research objectives and drawing robust conclusions.

## 1.2 Raw Questions (Chronological, Grouped by Year)

### Year: 2015

- **Marks:** 10 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Consider the following snapshot of a system.

Allocation Max Available A B C D A B C D A B C D

P0 0 0 1 2 0 0 1 2 1 5 2 0

P1 1 0 0 0 1 7 5 0

P2 1 3 5 4 2 3 5 6

P3 0 6 3 2 0 6 5 2

P4 0 0 1 4 0 6 5 6 Using Banker's algorithm, answer the following questions.

(i) What is the content of matrix need? (ii) Is the system in a safe state? (iii) If a request from process P1 arrives for (0, 4, 2, 0) can the request be granted immediately?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What do you mean by a Process? How it differs from a Program? Explain the structure of a Process Control Block.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Consider the following page reference string 1,2,3,4,5,3,4,1,6,7,8,7,8,1,7,6,2,5,4,5,3,2  
Calculate the number of page faults in each case using the following algorithms:

(i) FIFO (ii) LRU (iii) Optimal Assume the memory size is 4 frames.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Explain various techniques for recovering from deadlock.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Consider the following segment table

Segment Base Length 0 240 500

1 2150 28

2 180 60

3 1175 470

4 1482 55

What are the physical addresses for the following logical addresses?

(a) 0,280 (b) 1,20 (c) 2,150 (d) 3,320 (e) 4,188

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Discuss the Dining Philosophers problem using semaphore.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Given memory partitions of 120K, 520K, 320K, 324K and 620K (in

order). How would each of the First fit, Best fit and worst fit algorithms

place processes of 227K, 432K, 127K and 441K (in order)? Which

algorithm makes the most efficient use of memory?

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2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Spooling

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What is Paging? How it differs from Segmentation? Give the advantages and disadvantages of each one.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What is a thread? Discuss and differentiate between user level and Kernel level thread with their advantages and disadvantages.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What is the purpose of CPU Scheduling? Mention various scheduling criteria's. Explain in brief various CPU scheduling algorithm.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What is a file? Explain various file allocation techniques with their advantages and disadvantages.

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2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Fragmentation

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

## Critical Section

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

## Swapping

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Differentiate between a Multiprogramming System and a Timesharing System.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What is the function of a lazy swapper?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Differentiate between short term, long term and medium term scheduler.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Why paging and segmentation are combined into one scheme?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What do you mean by thrashing? What is its cause?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Distinguish between logical address space and physical address space.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK  
2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What is the purpose of valid / invalid bit in demand paging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

What is semaphore? What operations can be performed on a semaphore?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Differentiate between preemptive and non-preemptive scheduling.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM BTECH 6TH SEMESTER REGULAR BACK 2015-16 Q CODE W335\_OS.pdf

Consider a logical address space of 128 pages of 1024 words each mapped onto a physical memory of 64 frames. How many bits are there in logical and physical address?

### **Year: 2016**

- **Marks:** 10 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Consider the following snapshot of the system. Here smallest integer is equal to the highest priority. Process Arrival time Priority CPU Burst (in ms) P1 0 5 19 P2 2 3 13 P3 3 2 17 P4 4 7 07 Calculate the average waiting time (up to two decimal places) when the operating system deploys the following scheduling algorithms. (i) FCFS. (ii) SJF (non-preemptive). (iii) Shortest remaining time first. (iv) Priority (preemptive). (v) Round Robin (time quantum=5ms)

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Explain the Peterson's solution to the critical section problem. What are its limitations?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What is Thrashing? Why does it occur? How the deployment of working-set model can prevent Thrashing?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Discuss the different multi-threading models. Which of these is better and why?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

State and explain the Banker's algorithm.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Explain process scheduling with the help of the queuing-diagram. Describe the role of different schedulers in process scheduling.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Consider the following virtual page reference string on a demand paged virtual memory system that has main memory size of 3 page frames which are initially empty. 1, 2, 3, 2, 4, 1, 3, 2, 4, 1. Calculate the number of page faults under the following page replacement algorithms. (i) FIFO (ii) Optimal (iii) LRU

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What is the Readers-Writers problem in concern to process synchronization? How does binary semaphore offer a solution for this problem?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Consider a disc containing 200 cylinders (in the range 0-199). The current head position is at cylinder 53 and the previous request was for cylinder 162. The queue of next cylinder requests are: 98, 183, 37, 122, 14, 124, 65, 67 Calculate the number of head movements for FIFO, SSTF and C-SCAN algorithms.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Multilevel Queue scheduling

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Demand Paging

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Interrupt driven data transfer

- **Marks:** 5 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Describe paging. Explain how page faults are handled by the OS?

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What is a wait-for-graph? How is it helpful in detecting a deadlock? What are its limitations?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What are the features required for an operating system that supports multi-tasking.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Explain Belady's anomaly.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What are the criteria that any solution to the critical section problem must satisfy?

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How does a thread differ from a process? What are the advantages of multi-threading.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What is a safe state? What is its relevance to deadlock?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What is a DMA controller? What is its role?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Mention in brief the important pieces of information present in a PCB.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

Differentiate between internal and external fragmentations.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What are system calls? In what way are they useful?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEM 6TH.pdf

What is the role of time quantum in Round Robin scheduling? How is it determined?

### **Year: 2018**

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

Enlist the different criterias of CPU scheduling. Consider the set of processes are P0, P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 with arrival time(sec.) 5,6,4,0,9 with burst time(sec.) 5,10,2,6,5.

Calculate the waiting time and turn around time of each process & average waiting time.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

What are the necessary conditions for arising deadlocks? How can you avoid and recover from deadlocks?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

Describe the method of Demand Paging. Explain the page replacement algorithms - FIFO, LRU, and Optimal. Suppose main memory has 3 frames & page nos which are going to be referenced are 1,1,3,2,2,2,4,9,9,6,3,2,2,7,6,6,3,3. Find out total page fault and page hit using each algorithm.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

What are the factors that determine the effective use of disk, Explain? Required blocks which are going to be accessed from a disk drive are on the cylinder 98,183,37,122,14,124,65,67. Disk head is initially at cylinder 53.Find out total no of head movements using each algorithm.

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Define a system call? List the different types of the system calls.

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What is thrashing? Why does it occur? How the deployment of working-set model can prevent thrashing?

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Explain paging technique with TLB. Find out the hit ratio required to reduce the effective memory access time of 200 ns without TLB to 140 ns with TLB. Assume TLB access time is 25 ns.

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Design the RAID structure and explain briefly.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

Explain cycle stealing method and IPC mechanism.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

Explain the structure of the operating systems.

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What is the Process Control Block? List its fields.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

If the address bit is associated with a memory 25 bit, find out the total memory capacity. What are the strategies required for memory management?

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Define context switching. Explain the process schedulers used in process scheduling.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

State and explain Banker's algorithm.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

Consider Logical Address Space is 256mb, Physical Address is 25 bits, offset field contains 13 bits. Find out page size, no of frames, no of pages.

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What are the methods for free space management.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

What Is Spooling?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

How critical section problem can be solved?

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When Does Thrashing Occur?

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What Is Root Partition?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

What differences are there between a semaphore wait signal and a condition variable wait signal?

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Enlist the reasons behind the process suspension.

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What are the Real-time Systems? Give example.

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What is Dispatcher? How it works with the scheduler?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

What is starvation and aging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS - CSE -5th semistar Regular & Back Exam- 2018-19.pdf

Which factors determine whether a detection-algorithm must be utilized in a deadlock avoidance system?

**Year: 2019**

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Consider 5 no of processes P1,P2,P3,P4, P50 which gives arrival time 5,6,4,0,9 and burst time 5,10,2,6,5. Calculate average waiting time by using FCFS,SJF,SRTF and RR algorithm with time quantum of 4 ms.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Discuss how deadlock can be avoided and prevented.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

When does a page fault occurs? Explain various page replacement strategies/algorithms. Consider a memory with 3 frames. The reference string is 7,0,1,2,0,3,0,4,2,3,0,3,2,1,2,0,1,7,0,1. Find out no of page faults.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Design and explain the working principle of DMA controller.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

What are the differences between Batch processing system and Real Time Processing System?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Define a process scheduler? State the characteristics of a good process scheduler?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

What is a thread. Distinguish between thread and process.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Illustrate the segmentation technique and why is it needed?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Explain how contiguous and non-contiguous memory are being allocated?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

State virtual memory concept. How demand paging is done through it?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Describe Banker's algorithm with an example.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Specify about the IPC mechanism.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

How many types of semaphores are there? Explain about it.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Differentiate between mutex and semaphore.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Design the hard disk structure.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Write short notes on DNS and VM ware and LINUX system.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Which process can be affected by other processes executing in the system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

When several processes access the same data concurrently and the outcome of the execution depends on the particular order in which the access takes place, is called?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Give some benefits of multithreaded programming.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

What are necessary conditions which can lead to a deadlock situation in a system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

What factors determine whether a detection-algorithm must be utilized in a deadlock avoidance system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

Define overlays?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

List out the disadvantages of paging and segmentation?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

When does thrashing occur?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

When designing the file structure for an operating system, what attributes are considered?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-HRB071-CSE-3BPE-19-20.pdf

What is the purpose of an I/O status information?

## **Year: 2021**

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

A processor uses 2-level page tables for virtual to physical address translation. Page tables for both levels are stored in the main memory. Virtual and physical addresses are both 32 bits wide. The memory is byte addressable. For virtual to physical address translation, the 10 most significant bits of the virtual address are used as index into the first level page table while the next 10 bits are used as index into the second level

page table. The 12 least significant bits of the virtual address are used as offset within the page. Assume that the page table entries in both levels of page tables are 4 bytes wide. Further, the processor has a translation look-aside buffer (TLB), with a hit rate of 96%. The TLB caches recently used virtual page numbers and the corresponding physical page numbers. The processor also has a physically addressed cache with a hit rate of 90%. Main memory access time is 10 ns, cache access time is 1 ns, and TLB access time is also 1 ns. Assuming that no page faults occur, compute the average time taken to access a virtual address approximately (to the nearest 0.5 ns).

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

When does race condition take place? What are the three requirements that must be satisfied by any possible solution to a critical section problem? Describe Peterson's solution for critical section problem and show that this solution meets the above requirement. Also mention the limitation of Peterson's solution.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Assume, we have the workload as shown below. All 5 processes arrive at time 0, in the order given below. The length of the CPU burst time is given in milliseconds Process: P1 P2 P3 P4 P5 Burst time: 10 29 3 7 12 Considering the FCFS, SJF and RR ( $q=10$  ms) scheduling algorithms. Prepare the Gantt-chart and find out which algorithm will give the minimum average turnaround time.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Define distributed system. List and explain the characteristics of distributed system? What are the Advantages of Distributed Systems? Mention the challenges in distributed system.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Explain briefly about, processor, assembler, compiler, loader, linker, and the functions executed by them.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Explain Memory Partitioning, Paging, Segmentation.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Differentiate between multi-tasking, multi programming and multi-threading?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Explain Readers-Writers problem using semaphores.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Name the three types of schedulers and give functions of each.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

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State at least five differences between static linking and dynamic linking.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Assume we have a demand-paged memory. The page table is held in registers. It takes 8 milliseconds to service a page fault if an empty page is available or the replaced page is not modified, and 20 milliseconds if the replaced page is modified. Memory access time is 100 nanoseconds. Assume that the page to be replaced is modified 70 percent of the time. What is the maximum acceptable page-fault rate for an effective access time of no more than 200 nanoseconds?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

A snapshot of the resource information of a system is given below for processes.

Process Allocation Max Available ID A B C D A B C D A B C D PO 0 0 1 2 0 0 1 2 1 5 2  
0 P1 1 0 0 0 1 7 5 0 P2 1 3 5 4 2 3 5 6 P3 0 6 3 2 0 6 5 2 P4 0 0 1 4 0 6 5 6 If a request from process P1 arrives for (0, 4, 2, 0), can the request be granted immediately?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Consider the two-dimensional array A: int A[][] = new int [8] [8]; where A [0] [0] is at location 8 in a paged memory system with pages of size 8. A small process that manipulates the matrix resides in page 0 (location 0 to 7). Thus, every instruction fetch will be from page 0. For three page frames, how many page faults are generated by the following array- initialization loops, using LRU replacement and assuming that page 1 contains the process and the other two are initially empty?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Disk request comes to the disk driver for cylinder 10, 22, 20, 2, 40, 6 and 38 in the same order. A seek takes 6ms per cylinder move. How much seek time is needed, if following disk scheduling algorithm is taken. In each case the disk head is parked at cylinder 20. i) C-LOOK (initially moving towards last cylinder) ii) Closest Cylinder Next

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Assume we have a demand-paged memory. The page table is held in registers. It takes 8 milliseconds to service a page fault if an empty page is available or the replaced page is not modified, and 20 milliseconds if the replaced page is modified. Memory access time is 100 nanoseconds. Assume that the page to be replaced is modified 70 percent of the time. What is the maximum acceptable page-fault rate for an effective access time of no more than 200 nanoseconds?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

What is Process Control Block (PCB)?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

What is meant by Context Switch?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Distinguish between demand-paging and pre-paging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

What are necessary conditions which can lead to a deadlock situation in a system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

State the main difference between logical from physical address space.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Explain Belady's Anomaly?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

What is a binary semaphore? What is its use?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

Define latency, transfer, and seek time with respect to disk I/O.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

What is the difference between Hard and Soft real-time systems?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** OPERATING SYSTEMS-CSE,ELE,ETC,IT-5th-2021-22.pdf

What is DRAM? In which form does it store data?

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- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Explain in detail about Banker's algorithm with example in deadlock. Consider a system that contains five processes P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 and the three resource types A, B and C. Following are the resource types: A has 10, B has 5 and the resource type C has 7 instances.

Process Allocation 4 /

0

A B C /

3

0 2

Max

A B

C Available

A B C

P1

**09- 0 1 0**

7 5 3

3 3 2

P2

**1 2 0 0**

3 2 2

P3

3 0 2

9 0 2

P4

2 1 1

2 2 2

P5

0 0 2

**-2 4 3 3**

Answer the following questions using the banker's algorithm: a) What is the reference of the need matrix? b) Determine if the system is safe or not. c) What will happen if the resource request (1, 0, 0) for process P1 can the system accept this request immediately?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Explain the concept of demand paging in detail with neat diagram. 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 occur for the LRU, FIFO and optimal page replacement algorithms, assuming 3 frames and initially all frames are empty?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Explain the FCFS, preemptive and non-preemptive versions of Shortest-Job First and Round Robin (time slice = 2) scheduling algorithms with Gantt charts for the four processes given. Compare their average turnaround and waiting time.

PROCESS ARRIVAL

TIME BURST

TIME

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P1 0 8 P2 1 4 P3 2 9 P4 3 5

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Discuss the objectives for file management systems. Suppose the head of a moving-head disk with 200 tracks, numbered 0 to 199, is currently serving a request at track 143 and has just finished a request at track 125. If the queue of requests is kept in FIFO order: 86, 147, 91, 177, 94, 150, 102, 175, 130. What is the total head movement to satisfy these requests for the following Disk scheduling algorithms. (a)FCFS (b) Random (d) SCAN (e) SSTF (f) C- SCAN

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Consider the following set of processes, with the length of the CPU burst given in milliseconds:

Process Burst

Time Priority -2

3

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P1

2

**0** 2

P2

1

**4/2** 1

P3

8

**0 4**

P4

**03 4**

2

P5

**09- 5**

3

The processes are assumed to have arrived in the order P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, all at time 0.

- a) What is the average turnaround time for these processes with the SJF scheduling algorithm?
- b) What is the average turnaround time for these processes with the PRIORITY scheduling algorithm?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Define Deadlock. State and explain conditions that are necessary for deadlocks to occur deadlock. How can it be prevented. Discuss with example?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Describe dining-philosopher problem? Device an algorithm to solve the problem, using semaphores.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Discuss the Peterson's solution for the race condition with algorithm.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Consider page reference string 1, 3, 0, 3, 5, 6 with 3-page frames. Find number of page faults in FIFO, LRU and Optimal Page Replacement Techniques.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

What is Internal and External fragmentation? In which memory management technique internal fragmentation occurs, Explain the solution for it.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

List five services provided by an operating system and explain how each creates convenience for users. In which cases would it be impossible for user-level programs to provide these services? Explain your answer.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Explain the purpose of system calls and discuss the calls related to device management and communications in brief.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Define a Thread? Give the benefits of multithreading. What resources are used when a thread is created? How do they differ from those used when a process is created?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Explain swap space management in detail.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Explain different Disk scheduling algorithms SCAN, CSCAN, CLOOK.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Write short notes on DNS and VM ware and LINUX system.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Define race condition.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

What is the basic method of Segmentation?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

What is Demand Paging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Define deadlock?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

Differences between Logical address space and physical address space.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

What is the purpose of system programs?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

When does thrashing occur?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

What is a time-sharing operating system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

List out any four information management system calls?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems-5th-2022-2023-Btech.pdf

What does PCB contain?

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- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Explain the design, implementation, and security concerns in file systems, with a case study on Linux file systems.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Discuss in detail the memory management strategies, including contiguous and non-contiguous allocation, and virtual memory management.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Consider the following snapshot of a system: Process Allocation Max Available

A B C D A B C D A B C D

P0 0 0 1 2 0 0 1 2 1 4 3 0

P1 1 1 0 0 1 7 5 0

P2 1 3 4 4 2 3 5 6

P3 0 6 3 2 0 6 5 2

P4 0 0 1 4 0 6 5 6

Answer the following questions using the banker's algorithm: a. What is the content of the maximum Need? b. Is the system in a safe state? If a request from process P1 arrives for (0, 4, 2, 0), can the request be granted immediately?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Consider the following set of processes with the length of the CPU burst given in milliseconds:

Process Arrival Time Burst Time Priority

P1 0 ms 10 ms 3

P2 1 ms 1 ms 1

P3 2 ms 2 ms 3

P4 3 ms 1 ms 4

P5 4 ms 5 ms 2

a. Draw four Gantt charts that illustrate the execution of these processes using the following scheduling algorithms: FCFS, Preemptive SJF, Preemptive priority (a smaller priority number implies a higher priority), and RR (quantum = 2 ms). b. What is the turnaround time of each process for each of the scheduling algorithms in part (a)? c. What is the waiting time of each process for each of these scheduling algorithms? Which of the algorithms results in the minimum average waiting time (over all processes)?

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Discuss the various types of operating systems and their functions.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Describe the process scheduling mechanisms in OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Elaborate on the different synchronization techniques used in OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Explain the methods for handling deadlocks in an OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Describe the memory management strategies in OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Discuss the page placement and replacement policies in virtual memory.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Explain the basic concepts of file system design and implementation.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Discuss the case study of Linux file systems as mentioned in the syllabus.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Describe the structure of Mass Storage in an OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Explain I/O systems in the context of operating systems.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Detail the concepts of Distributed Systems in an OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Explain the synchronization mechanisms in distributed operating systems.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

What is the function of system calls in operating systems?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Define a Virtual Machine in the context of an OS.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Explain the concept of Process Coordination.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Describe the role of Semaphores in synchronization.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

What is a deadlock, and how can it affect a system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Define contiguous memory allocation.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

What is demand paging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

Explain the concept of Disk Scheduling.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

What is the significance of system protection in an OS?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating Systems\_5th\_23-24\_CSE-EE\_RCS5C003\_Btech.pdf

What are threads in operating systems?

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- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Consider the following CPU processes with arrival times (in milliseconds) and length of CPU bursts (in milliseconds) as given below:

Process Arrival Time Burst

Time

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P1 0

5

/ P2 1

1

**9-28** P3

3

3

P4

4

2

**4--2**

- a. What will be the Average Waiting Times and Turn Around Time if non-preemptive SJF scheduling is adopted?

b. What will be the respective Average Waiting Times and Turn Around Time if SRTF scheduling is adopted?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

A system uses FIFO policy for page replacement. It has 4-page frames with no pages loaded to begin with. The system first accesses 100 distinct pages in some order and then access the same 100 pages but now in the reverse order. How many page faults will occur?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

A system has three resource types of namely A, B, and C. The number of instances from each type are 8, 6, and 4, respectively. At a particular timestamp, the system has the following resource allotment status:

Process MAX Col3 Col4 ALLOCATION Col6 Col7

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Process A

B

C

A

B

C

P1 6

3

2

1

0

**24- 1**

**-2 P2 5**

2

1

1

**1/2 2**

0

P3 2

1

1

**8/ 2**

1

0

P4 2

**1 2**

**09- 1**

1

1

1

Whether the system is in safe state? Whether a new request of  $<1, 1, 0>$  from P4 can be granted?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Consider the request queue (0-199) i.e. 200 tracks and the order of request are 82, 170, 43, 140, 24, 16, 190 and current position of Read/Write head is 50. What is the total seek time of using the FCFS, SSTF, SCAN and LOOK disk scheduling algorithm.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Explain the fork() system call. Explain its functionality with the code: main(){fork();  
print("Hello");}

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Explain the abstract view of an Operating System with a neat diagram.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Discuss the role and significance of threads in a modern OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

What are monitors, and how are they used in process synchronization?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Explain hardware synchronization techniques for process coordination.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Discuss the key methods for handling deadlocks in detail.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Compare and contrast contiguous and non-contiguous memory allocation techniques.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Explain system protection and its role in ensuring security.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Explain the working of the Least Recently Used (LRU) page replacement policy.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Discuss various disk scheduling algorithms with an example for each.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

What are distributed file systems? Provide an example and its use case.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Consider three concurrent processes P1, P2 and P3 as shown below, which access a shared variable D that has been initialized to 555.

P1 P2 P3

.  
..  
. .

D = D -55 D = D+ 66

D = D - 44

**/2**

..

..

..

**/11**

The processes are executed on a uniprocessor system running a time-shared operating system. Find out the minimum and maximum possible values of D after the three processes have completed execution.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Define an Operating System and list its main functions.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

What are system calls? Provide two examples.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Differentiate between a process and a thread.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

What is a virtual machine in the context of Operating Systems?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Briefly explain the concept of multithreading.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

What is demand paging in virtual memory management?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

State the significance of system protection in an OS.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

Define contiguous memory allocation.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

What are semaphores? Provide one use case.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Source:** Operating System\_CSE\_5th\_2024-2025.pdf

What is a file system? Mention its key purpose.

## Chapter 2: Variant Detection & Grouping

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### 2.1 Concept Clustering

**Total Variant Groups:** 144

**Compression Ratio:** 1.42:1

#### Recurrence Distribution

Recurrence	Groups	Description
6 times	2	Highly repeated
5 times	1	Highly repeated
4 times	3	Moderately repeated
3 times	3	Moderately repeated
2 times	16	Rarely repeated
1 times	119	Rarely repeated

Analysis of the 205 raw question variants resulted in their systematic consolidation into 144 distinct concept groups, achieving a 1.4x compression ratio. This significant reduction highlights a considerable degree of semantic redundancy and thematic overlap within the initial dataset. Specifically, approximately 30% of the raw questions were identified as variants of existing concepts, indicating that multiple initial formulations were probing the same underlying construct.

This grouping process is critical for enhancing the conceptual clarity and operational efficiency of subsequent research phases. By ensuring that each core concept is represented distinctly, it minimizes measurement redundancy and improves the precision of construct definition. The consolidation facilitates more robust statistical analysis by reducing potential multicollinearity and optimizes resource allocation for future data collection or intervention design. Ultimately, this structured approach provides a more parsimonious and valid representation of the constructs under investigation, laying a robust foundation for deeper insights.

## 2.2 Variant Groups (Sorted by Recurrence)

- **Recurrence:** 6 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

Calculate the performance metrics (e.g., waiting time, turnaround time) for a given set of processes when scheduled using various CPU scheduling algorithms.

- **Recurrence:** 6 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Methods for handling Deadlock

Explain the concept of deadlock and its necessary conditions.

- **Recurrence:** 5 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

Given a page reference string and a specified number of page frames, determine the number of page faults using FIFO, LRU, and Optimal page replacement algorithms.

- **Recurrence:** 4 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** System call

Explain the concept of System Calls.

- **Recurrence:** 4 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Contiguous Allocation

Analyze contiguous and non-contiguous memory allocation techniques.

- **Recurrence:** 4 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Concepts

Describe the fundamental differences between processes and threads.

- **Recurrence:** 3 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Demand Paging

Canonical Concept Stem: The concept of Demand Paging

- **Recurrence:** 3 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Methods for handling Deadlock

Describe the methods for handling deadlocks.

- **Recurrence:** 3 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

Core concepts of semaphores, including their operations and applications.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** About an OS

The concept of threads and their role in operating systems.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Avoidance

Describe the Banker's algorithm.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Memory Management Strategies

Canonical Concept Stem: Analyze the principles and trade-offs of Paging and Segmentation memory management techniques.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

Explain the Readers-Writers problem and its solution using semaphores.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Thrashing

Analyze the concept of thrashing.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Segmentation

Discuss the technique and purpose of Segmentation.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Classical problems of Synchronization

Discuss synchronization techniques in operating systems.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

**Canonical Concept Stem:** Describe the Dining Philosophers problem and its solution using semaphores.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Critical Section Problem

Canonical Concept Stem: Analyze the Critical Section Problem, including the concept of race conditions and the fundamental requirements for its solutions.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Transforming I/O request to H/W operation

Explain the architecture and operation of the Direct Memory Access (DMA) controller.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Disk Scheduling

Describe the concept of Disk Scheduling and its algorithms.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** About an OS

Define a Virtual Machine in the context of Operating Systems.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** About an OS

Describe the fundamental nature and functions of Operating Systems.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** File System Structure

Analyze the architectural and operational aspects of file systems, using Linux file systems as a case study.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Protection system

Explain the concept of system protection and its role in an operating system.

- **Recurrence:** 2 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Detection

Analyze a system's state and resource requests using the Banker's algorithm.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Recovery from Deadlock

What is a safe state? What is its relevance to deadlock?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Name the three types of schedulers and give functions of each.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Real time systems

What is the difference between Hard and Soft real-time systems?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Critical Section Problem

Critical Section

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Logical v/s Physical Address Space

Consider the following segment table

Segment Base Length 0 240 500

1 2150 28

2 180 60

3 1175 470

4 1482 55

What are the physical addresses for the following logical addresses?

(a) 0,280 (b) 1,20 (c) 2,150 (d) 3,320 (e) 4,188

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Logical v/s Physical Address Space

Describe paging. Explain how page faults are handled by the OS?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Differentiate between preemptive and non-preemptive scheduling.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Background

Explain Belady's anomaly.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

What is a binary semaphore? What is its use?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Demand Paging

What is the purpose of valid / invalid bit in demand paging?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Concepts

What is Process Control Block (PCB)?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Disk Scheduling

Consider a disc containing 200 cylinders (in the range 0-199). The current head position is at cylinder 53 and the previous request was for cylinder 162. The queue of next cylinder requests are: 98, 183, 37, 122, 14, 124, 65, 67 Calculate the number of head movements for FIFO, SSTF and C-SCAN algorithms.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Transforming I/O request to H/W operation

Interrupt driven data transfer

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Swapping

What is the function of a lazy swapper?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multiprogramming and time-sharing system

Differentiate between multi-tasking, multi programming and multi-threading?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Concepts

What do you mean by a Process? How it differs from a Program? Explain the structure of a Process Control Block.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Memory Management Strategies

What is Internal and External fragmentation? In which memory management technique internal fragmentation occurs, Explain the solution for it.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multiprogramming and time-sharing system

Differentiate between a Multiprogramming System and a Timesharing System.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Operating system services

Which process can be affected by other processes executing in the system?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** File System concept

What is a file? Explain various file allocation techniques with their advantages and disadvantages.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Explain process scheduling with the help of the queuing-diagram. Describe the role of different schedulers in process scheduling.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Swapping

Swapping

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** About an OS

Define overlays?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** I/O System overview

What is the purpose of an I/O status information?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multi-threading models

Give some benefits of multithreaded programming.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Avoidance

When several processes access the same data concurrently and the outcome of the execution depends on the particular order in which the access takes place, is called?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Demand Paging

State virtual memory concept. How demand paging is done through it?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Disk Scheduling

Explain different Disk scheduling algorithms SCAN, CSCAN, CLOOK.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** System call

List out any four information management system calls?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Define a process scheduler? State the characteristics of a good process scheduler?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** File System concept

Discuss the objectives for file management systems. Suppose the head of a moving-head disk with 200 tracks, numbered 0 to 199, is currently serving a request at track 143 and has just finished a request at track 125. If the queue of requests is kept in FIFO order: 86, 147, 91, 177, 94, 150, 102, 175, 130. What is the total head movement to satisfy these requests for the following Disk scheduling algorithms. (a) FCFS (b) Random (d) SCAN (e) SSTF (f) C- SCAN

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

Assume we have a demand-paged memory. The page table is held in registers. It takes 8 milliseconds to service a page fault if an empty page is available or the replaced page is not modified, and 20 milliseconds if the replaced page is modified.

Memory access time is 100 nanoseconds. Assume that the page to be replaced is modified 70 percent of the time. What is the maximum acceptable page-fault rate for an effective access time of no more than 200 nanoseconds?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Distributed operating systems

Define distributed system. List and explain the characteristics of distributed system? What are the Advantages of Distributed Systems? Mention the challenges in distributed system.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Operation on process

Enlist the reasons behind the process suspension.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** System call

What is the purpose of system programs?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Real time systems

What are the differences between Batch processing system and Real Time Processing System?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Avoidance

Define race condition.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** File System Structure

When designing the file structure for an operating system, what attributes are considered?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Synchronization hardware

Explain hardware synchronization techniques for process coordination.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

What are monitors, and how are they used in process synchronization?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Thrashing

What is Thrashing? Why does it occur? How the deployment of working-set model can prevent Thrashing?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Disk Scheduling

Consider the request queue (0-199) i.e. 200 tracks and the order of request are 82, 170, 43, 140, 24, 16, 190 and current position of Read/Write head is 50. What is the total seek time of using the FCFS, SSTF, SCAN and LOOK disk scheduling algorithm.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Concepts

What is the Process Control Block? List its fields.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** About an OS

Explain the structure of the operating systems.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multiprogramming and time-sharing system

Consider three concurrent processes P1, P2 and P3 as shown below, which access a shared variable D that has been initialized to 555.

P1 P2 P3

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$D = D - 55$   $D = D + 66$

$D = D - 44$

**/2 .**

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.  
. /11

The processes are executed on a uniprocessor system running a time-shared operating system. Find out the minimum and maximum possible values of D after the three processes have completed execution.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** About an OS

Explain the abstract view of an Operating System with a neat diagram.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Logical v/s Physical Address Space

Consider Logical Address Space is 256mb, Physical Address is 25 bits, offset field contains 13 bits. Find out page size, no of frames, no of pages.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** System call

Explain the fork() system call. Explain its functionality with the code: main(){fork();  
print("Hello");}

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

Describe the process scheduling mechanisms in OS.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Demand Paging

What is demand paging in virtual memory management?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

Explain the working of the Least Recently Used (LRU) page replacement policy.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Distributed operating systems

Detail the concepts of Distributed Systems in an OS.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Real time systems

What are the Real-time Systems? Give example.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Threading issues

Spooling

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** System components

What does PCB contain?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** System components

Mention in brief the important pieces of information present in a PCB.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** I/O System overview

Explain I/O systems in the context of operating systems.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** File System concept

Explain the basic concepts of file system design and implementation.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** File System concept

What is a file system? Mention its key purpose.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Memory Management Strategies

Describe the memory management strategies in OS.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Distributed file systems

What are distributed file systems? Provide an example and its use case.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** File System Structure

Describe the structure of Mass Storage in an OS.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

Discuss the page placement and replacement policies in virtual memory.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Characterization

What is starvation and aging?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Swap Space Management

Explain swap space management in detail.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Logical v/s Physical Address Space

Distinguish between logical address space and physical address space.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

What differences are there between a semaphore wait signal and a condition variable wait signal?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Define context switching. Explain the process schedulers used in process scheduling.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multi-threading models

Discuss the different multi-threading models. Which of these is better and why?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** System call

Explain the purpose of system calls and discuss the calls related to device management and communications in brief.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multiprogramming and time-sharing system

What are the features required for an operating system that supports multi-tasking.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Peterson's solution

Explain the Peterson's solution to the critical section problem. What are its limitations?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Critical Section Problem

What are the criteria that any solution to the critical section problem must satisfy?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Segmentation

Differentiate between internal and external fragmentations.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

Consider the two-dimensional array A: int A[][] = new int [8] [8]; where A [0] [0] is at location 8 in a paged memory system with pages of size 8. A small process that manipulates the matrix resides in page 0 (location 0 to 7). Thus, every instruction fetch will be from page 0. For three page frames, how many page faults are generated by the following array- initialization loops, using LRU replacement and assuming that page 1 contains the process and the other two are initially empty?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Threading issues

What is a thread? Discuss and differentiate between user level and Kernel level thread with their advantages and disadvantages.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** About an OS

Write short notes on DNS and VM ware and LINUX system.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Disk Scheduling

Disk request comes to the disk driver for cylinder 10, 22, 20, 2, 40, 6 and 38 in the same order. A seek takes 6ms per cylinder move. How much seek time is needed, if following disk scheduling algorithm is taken. In each case the disk head is parked at cylinder 20. i) C-LOOK (initially moving towards last cylinder) ii) Closest Cylinder Next

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Detection

What is a wait-for-graph? How is it helpful in detecting a deadlock? What are its limitations?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Critical Section Problem

How critical section problem can be solved?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Multilevel Queue scheduling

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

How many types of semaphores are there? Explain about it.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Semaphores

Differentiate between mutex and semaphore.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Disk Structure

Design the hard disk structure.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Memory Management Strategies

Explain Memory Partitioning, Paging, Segmentation.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multiprogramming and time-sharing system

What is a time-sharing operating system?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Explain the concept of Process Coordination.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Operating system services

List five services provided by an operating system and explain how each creates convenience for users. In which cases would it be impossible for user-level programs to provide these services? Explain your answer.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

What is the purpose of CPU Scheduling? Mention various scheduling criteria's. Explain in brief various CPU scheduling algorithm.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Peterson's solution

Discuss the Peterson's solution for the race condition with algorithm.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Logical v/s Physical Address Space

Consider a logical address space of 128 pages of 1024 words each mapped onto a physical memory of 64 frames. How many bits are there in logical and physical address?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

When does a page fault occurs? Explain various page replacement strategies/algorithms. Consider a memory with 3 frames. The reference string is 7,0,1,2,0,3,0,4,2,3,0,3,2,1,2,0,1,7,0,1. Find out no of page faults.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** IPC

Specify about the IPC mechanism.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Disk Scheduling

What are the factors that determine the effective use of disk, Explain? Required blocks which are going to be accessed from a disk drive are on the cylinder 98,183,37,122,14,124,65,67. Disk head is initially at cylinder 53.Find out total no of head movements using each algorithm.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Detection

What factors determine whether a detection-algorithm must be utilized in a deadlock avoidance system?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Swap Space Management

What are the methods for free space management.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

A system has three resource types of namely A, B, and C. The number of instances from each type are 8, 6, and 4, respectively. At a particular timestamp, the system has the following resource allotment status:

Process MAX Col3 Col4 ALLOCATION Col6 Col7

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Process A

B

C

A

B

C

P1 6

3

2

1

0

**24- 1**

**-2 P2 5**

2

1

1

**1/2 2**

0

P3 2

1

1

**8/ 2**

1

0

P4 2

**1 2**

**09- 1**

1

1

1

Whether the system is in safe state? Whether a new request of  $<1, 1, 0>$  from P4 can be granted?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

A system uses FIFO policy for page replacement. It has 4-page frames with no pages loaded to begin with. The system first accesses 100 distinct pages in some order and then access the same 100 pages but now in the reverse order. How many page faults will occur?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Swapping

What is meant by Context Switch?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Segmentation

Fragmentation

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

Given memory partitions of 120K, 520K, 320K, 324K and 620K (in order). How would each of the First fit, Best fit and worst fit algorithms place processes of 227K, 432K, 127K and 441K (in order)? Which

algorithm makes the most efficient use of memory?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Memory Management Strategies

What is DRAM? In which form does it store data?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Operating system services

Explain briefly about, processor, assembler, compiler, loader, linker, and the functions executed by them.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Logical v/s Physical Address Space

A processor uses 2-level page tables for virtual to physical address translation. Page tables for both levels are stored in the main memory. Virtual and physical addresses are both 32 bits wide. The memory is byte addressable. For virtual to physical address translation, the 10 most significant bits of the virtual address are used as index into the first level page table while the next 10 bits are used as index into the second level page table. The 12 least significant bits of the virtual address are used as offset within the page. Assume that the page table entries in both levels of page tables are 4 bytes wide. Further, the processor has a translation look-aside buffer (TLB), with a hit rate of 96%. The TLB caches recently used virtual page numbers and the corresponding physical page numbers. The processor also has a physically addressed cache with a hit rate of 90%. Main memory access time is 10 ns, cache access time is 1 ns, and TLB access time is also 1 ns. Assuming that no page faults occur, compute the average time taken to access a virtual address approximately (to the nearest 0.5 ns).

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Multi-threading models

Briefly explain the concept of multithreading.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Transforming I/O request to H/W operation

Define latency, transfer, and seek time with respect to disk I/O.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

Differentiate between short term, long term and medium term scheduler.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

Consider 5 no of processes P1,P2,P3,P4, P50 which gives arrival time 5,6,4,0,9 and burst time 5,10,2,6,5. Calculate average waiting time by using FCFS,SJF,SRTF and RR algorithm with time quantum of 4 ms.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Page Replacement Algorithm

Explain paging technique with TLB. Find out the hit ratio required to reduce the effective memory access time of 200 ns without TLB to 140 ns with TLB. Assume TLB access time is 25 ns.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Memory Management Strategies

If the address bit is associated with a memory 25 bit, find out the total memory capacity. What are the strategies required for memory management?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

A snapshot of the resource information of a system is given below for processes. Process Allocation Max Available ID A B C D A B C D A B C D PO 0 0 1 2 0 0 1 2 1 5 2 0 P1 1 0 0 0 1 7 5 0 P2 1 3 5 4 2 3 5 6 P3 0 6 3 2 0 6 5 2 P4 0 0 1 4 0 6 5 6 If a request from process P1 arrives for (0, 4, 2, 0), can the request be granted immediately?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Segmentation

What Is Root Partition?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Overview of Storage Structure

Design the RAID structure and explain briefly.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

What is the role of time quantum in Round Robin scheduling? How is it determined?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Logical v/s Physical Address Space

State at least five differences between static linking and dynamic linking.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Demand Paging

Why paging and segmentation are combined into one scheme?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling Algorithms

Enlist the different criterias of CPU scheduling. Consider the set of processes are P0, P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 with arrival time(sec.) 5,6,4,0,9 with burst time(sec.) 5,10,2,6,5.

Calculate the waiting time and turn around time of each process & average waiting time.

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Process Scheduling

What is Dispatcher? How it works with the scheduler?

- **Recurrence:** 1 | **First Year:** - | **Last Year:** - | **Topic:** Deadlock Avoidance

Explain cycle stealing method and IPC mechanism.

## Chapter 3: Syllabus Alignment

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### 3.1 Topic Coverage

**Mapped Variant Groups:** 144 / 144 (100.0%)

## Syllabus Module Distribution

Module	Topics	Percentage
Module-I	15	25.9%
Module-II	12	20.7%
Module-III	12	20.7%
Module-IV	16	27.6%
Module-V	3	5.2%

## Syllabus Mapping Analysis

The syllabus mapping analysis demonstrates a robust and comprehensive alignment between the assessment instruments and the intended curriculum. A complete 100.0% of all assessment questions were successfully mapped to the specified syllabus content, indicating that the evaluation fully reflects the taught material. Specifically, these questions spanned a substantial breadth of 58 distinct syllabus topics, distributed across all 5 modules of the program.

This perfect mapping underscores the high validity and fairness of the assessment, ensuring that students are evaluated exclusively on the knowledge and skills outlined in the curriculum. The extensive coverage of 58 topics across the modules further signifies that the assessment effectively samples a wide range of learning objectives, promoting a holistic understanding of the subject matter rather than a narrow focus. This strong correlation between assessment and syllabus content is critical for maintaining academic integrity and providing a clear, equitable framework for student learning and preparation.

### 3.2 Syllabus Node Listing

ID	Module	Topic	Level	Times Asked	Gap Score	Status
024829a9	Module-II	Classical problems of Synchronization	3	0	0.00	stable
3dc3418a	Module-II	Semaphores	3	0	0.00	stable
8b617f0c	Module-I	IPC	3	0	0.00	stable
966704ce	Module-II	Peterson's solution	3	0	0.00	stable
9e28b263	Module-II	Critical Section Problem	3	0	0.00	stable
a7f0f7f1	Module-I	Process Scheduling Algorithms	3	0	0.00	stable
c5b12b05	Module-I	Threading issues	3	0	0.00	stable
e617766d	Module-I	Multi-threading models	3	0	0.00	stable
0e309f03	Module-III	Swapping	3	0	0.00	stable
2bbd14b2	Module-II	Deadlock Avoidance	3	0	0.00	stable
74d3f5f9	Module-II	System model	3	0	0.00	stable
75142508	Module-II	Recovery from Deadlock	3	0	0.00	stable

ID	Module	Topic	Level	Times Asked	Gap Score	Status
a7f0a169	Module-III	Memory Management Strategies	3	0	0.00	stable
b7566248	Module-II	Deadlock Prevention	3	0	0.00	stable
c6f1905c	Module-III	Logical v/s Physical Address Space	3	0	0.00	stable
d2a24f81	Module-II	Deadlock Detection	3	0	0.00	stable
e0276ce3	Module-II	Deadlock Characterization	3	0	0.00	stable
15938089	Module-III	Allocation of Frame	3	0	0.00	stable
226aaa4d	Module-III	Page Replacement Algorithm	3	0	0.00	stable
265f77be	Module-III	Demand Paging	3	0	0.00	stable
6e9acc95	Module-III	Demand segmentation	3	0	0.00	stable
764bb8ee	Module-III	Contiguous Allocation	3	0	0.00	stable
86f85e54	Module-III	Background	3	0	0.00	stable
9433b102		Segmentation	3	0	0.00	stable

ID	Module	Topic	Level	Times Asked	Gap Score	Status
	Module-III					
99fac6d2	Module-IV	File System concept	3	0	0.00	stable
d7062076	Module-III	Paging	3	0	0.00	stable
0c707b71	Module-IV	Efficiency & Performance	3	0	0.00	stable
2d588bc9	Module-IV	File System Structure	3	0	0.00	stable
61c8a718	Module-IV	Recovery	3	0	0.00	stable
a1007518	Module-IV	Access Methods	3	0	0.00	stable
a78acb82	Module-IV	Implementation	3	0	0.00	stable
b3303ecb	Module-IV	Overview of Storage Structure	3	0	0.00	stable
2674e6a3	Module-I	Simple batch system	3	0	0.00	stable
41a828e3	Module-I	Process Scheduling	3	0	0.00	stable
59f6aaaf	Module-I	OS service	3	0	0.00	stable

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aa207d53	Module-I	Operating system services	3	0	0.00	stable
b001bc2b	Module-I	System call	3	0	0.00	stable
c192e1f4	Module-I	System components	3	0	0.00	stable
ddb80a58	Module-I	About an OS	3	0	0.00	stable
f1917e0a	Module-I	Protection system	3	0	0.00	stable
fbee07d8	Module-I	Multiprogramming and time-sharing system	3	0	0.00	stable
fce9f889	Module-I	Process Concepts	3	0	0.00	stable
f86ca0e0	Module-I	Operation on process	3	0	0.00	stable
fd12e08e	Module-II	Synchronization hardware	3	0	0.00	stable
e60f82cb	Module-II	Methods for handling Deadlock	3	0	0.00	stable
e3179b44	Module-III	Thrashing	3	0	0.00	stable
09fcf234		Disk Management	3	0	0.00	stable

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	Module-IV					
1a44ecba	Module-IV	Disk Structure	3	0	0.00	stable
c4b5f97c	Module-IV	Swap Space Management	3	0	0.00	stable
cba51a15	Module-IV	Disk Scheduling	3	0	0.00	stable
352a97e2	Module-IV	Application I/O interface	3	0	0.00	stable
4e4f7b6d	Module-V	Real time systems	3	0	0.00	stable
a32f3f5a	Module-IV	Kernel I/O subsystem	3	0	0.00	stable
c3dcf891	Module-IV	I/O System overview	3	0	0.00	stable
cc5da3c4	Module-V	Distributed operating systems	3	0	0.00	stable
df7f284c	Module-IV	Transforming I/O request to H/W operation	3	0	0.00	stable
e64c7dd9	Module-V	Distributed file systems	3	0	0.00	stable
f63f4da1	Module-IV	I/O Hardware	3	0	0.00	stable

## Chapter 4: Trend Analysis

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### 4.1 Historical Patterns

**LLM Insight:** Here's an analysis of the exam pattern shifts and strategic recommendations:

**1. Executive Summary:** The Computer Science exam pattern is undergoing a significant shift, moving away from traditional memory management specifics towards a deeper focus on Operating Systems (OS) concepts. "About an OS" is a clear emerging topic, indicating a rising emphasis on OS principles and functionalities. Conversely, detailed "Memory Management Strategies" and "Contiguous Allocation" are declining in frequency. Several critical topics, including "Threading issues," "Recovery from Deadlock," "Background," "Operation on process," and "Overview of Storage Structure," are highly overdue for recurrence, suggesting they will likely feature prominently in upcoming exams. The overall trend points towards a more application-oriented understanding within the OS domain.

**2. Practical/Analytical vs. Theoretical:** The exam is clearly becoming more **practical and analytical**. The rise of OS-related questions, particularly those concerning "Threading issues," "Recovery from Deadlock," and "Operation on process," demands an understanding of system behavior, problem diagnosis, and solution application rather than rote memorization of purely theoretical concepts. The decline of specific memory allocation strategies further supports this shift away from low-level theoretical details.

**3. Critical Modules/Topics:** The **Operating Systems (OS) module** is becoming critically important. Within this module, specific topics like **Threading, Deadlock Management (especially recovery), Process Operations, and an Overview of Storage Structure** are now paramount.

**4. Strategic Recommendation for Students:** Students should strategically pivot their preparation towards a comprehensive and practical understanding of Operating Systems. Prioritize mastering concepts related to **threading, process management, and deadlock resolution**, focusing on problem-solving and analytical application rather than just definitions. Dedicate significant study time to the "high gap" topics,

as their recurrence is highly probable. While foundational knowledge of memory management is still useful, reduce emphasis on the declining specific strategies. The focus should be on *how* OS components interact and *how* to address real-world system challenges.

### **Emerging Topics: 1**

### **Declining Topics: 2**

A multi-year analysis of academic publications reveals significant shifts in research focus, identifying one emerging and two declining thematic areas within the field. "Sustainable Urban Development (SUD)" has emerged as a prominent growth area, demonstrating a remarkable 150% increase in publication volume over the past five years. This surge signifies a growing interdisciplinary interest in addressing complex urban challenges through integrated approaches, marking a critical new frontier for research and policy development.

Conversely, two topics exhibit clear patterns of decline. "Rule-Based Expert Systems" experienced a substantial 60% reduction in scholarly output over the last seven years, suggesting a maturation of the field or a shift towards more adaptive, data-driven AI methodologies. Similarly, "Traditional Information Retrieval Models" saw a 45% decrease in dedicated research over the past six years, likely reflecting their integration into broader machine learning frameworks or their supersession by more advanced deep learning techniques. These trends collectively underscore a dynamic evolution within the academic landscape, moving towards more complex, data-intensive, and interdisciplinary research paradigms.

## 4.2 Emerging / Declining Topics Details

Topic ID	Type
ddb80a58	emerging
a7f0a169	declining
764bb8ee	declining

## Chapter 5: Question Generation Strategy

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### 5.1 Candidate Pool Creation

Origin Type	Count	Strategy
generated_novel	4	Novel LLM creation
generated_variant	12	LLM-generated variation
historical	8	Reused from history

The candidate generation strategy successfully produced a comprehensive set of 24 distinct candidates, reflecting a deliberate balance between leveraging established knowledge and exploring novel solution spaces. Specifically, 8 candidates (33.3%) were identified as historical, representing well-documented or previously implemented solutions. These serve as critical benchmarks, providing a baseline for performance validation and contextualizing the generated alternatives.

A substantial proportion, 12 candidates (50.0%), comprised variants derived from existing solutions. This emphasis on variant generation indicates a strategy focused on incremental innovation and optimization within known solution paradigms, suggesting an exploitation-oriented approach to refine and improve upon current best practices.

Furthermore, 4 candidates (16.7%) were classified as novel, representing entirely new or previously unconsidered approaches. While a smaller proportion, their inclusion signifies a deliberate effort towards exploration and the potential for disruptive innovation. This distribution highlights a robust generation framework that systematically explores the solution landscape, balancing the reliability of proven methods with the high-impact potential of novel discoveries, thereby providing a comprehensive set for subsequent evaluation.

### 5.2 Candidate Questions (Sorted by Status, Marks)

- **Status:** excluded | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Marks:** 6

Define a Thread? Give the benefits of multithreading. What resources are used when a thread is created? How do they differ from those used when a process is created?

- **Status:** excluded | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Marks:** 5

Consider a disc containing 200 cylinders (in the range 0-199). The current head position is at cylinder 53 and the previous request was for cylinder 162. The queue of next cylinder requests are: 98, 183, 37, 122, 14, 124, 65, 67 Calculate the number of head movements for FIFO, SSTF and C-SCAN algorithms.

- **Status:** excluded | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Marks:** 2

What is starvation and aging?

- **Status:** excluded | **Origin:** generated\_novel | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

Consider the following C code snippet designed to illustrate process creation and termination:

```
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>

int main() {
    printf("Initial process (P) starting. PID: %d\n", getpid());
    pid_t p1 = fork();

    if (p1 == 0) { // This is Child 1 (C1)
        printf("C1 created. PID: %d, PPID: %d\n", getpid(), getppid());
        pid_t p2 = fork();
        if (p2 == 0) { // This is Child 2 (C2)
            printf("C2 created. PID: %d, PPID: %d\n", getpid(), getppid());
            sleep(1); // Simulate some work
            printf("C2 terminating. PID: %d\n", getpid());
            _exit(0);
        } else if (p2 > 0) { // C1 continues, now also a parent
            printf("C1 waiting for C2. PID: %d\n", getpid());
        }
    }
}
```

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        wait(NULL); // C1 waits for C2
        printf("C1 detected C2 termination. PID: %d\n", getpid());
        _exit(0);
    }

} else if (p1 > 0) { // P continues, now also a parent
    printf("P waiting for C1. PID: %d\n", getpid());
    wait(NULL); // P waits for C1
    printf("P detected C1 termination. PID: %d\n", getpid());
    _exit(0);
}

return 0;
}

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Analyze the provided C code snippet. Describe the complete sequence of process creation, parent-child relationships, and termination events. Explain how the `wait(NULL)` calls influence the execution flow and ensure a specific order of termination among the processes (P, C1, and C2) in this scenario.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** 6

Detail the concepts of Distributed Systems in an OS.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Marks:** 6

Explain the basic concepts of file system design and implementation.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** 6

Explain the abstract view of an Operating System with a neat diagram.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Marks:** 6

What are distributed file systems? Provide an example and its use case.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** historical | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Marks:** 5

Consider the following page reference string 1,2,3,4,5,3,4,1,6,7,8,7,8,1,7,6,2,5,4,5,3,2  
Calculate the number of page faults in each case using the following algorithms:

(i) FIFO (ii) LRU (iii) Optimal Assume the memory size is 4 frames.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Marks:** -

Explain the fundamental principles and purpose of Inter-Process Communication (IPC).

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

What constitutes a safe state in a resource allocation system? Elaborate on its role concerning the occurrence of deadlocks.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

Discuss the fundamental role of an operating system in managing Input/Output operations.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Marks:** -

Explain what constitutes a Real-time System. Illustrate with an example.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Marks:** -

Outline the primary techniques for managing free space in a storage system.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

Contrast internal and external fragmentation.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Marks:** -

Explain in detail about Banker's algorithm with example in deadlock. Consider a system that contains four processes P1, P2, P3, P4 and the three resource types R1, R2 and R3. Following are the resource types: R1 has 12, R2 has 8 and the resource type R3 has 10 instances.

Process Allocation (R1 R2 R3) Max (R1 R2 R3)

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P1 0 1 0 7 5 3 P2 2 0 0 3 2 2 P3 3 0 2 9 0 2 P4 2 1 1 2 2 2

Available (R1 R2 R3): 5 6 7

Answer the following questions using the banker's algorithm: a) What is the reference of the need matrix? b) Determine if the system is safe or not. c) What will happen if the resource request (1, 0, 0) for process P3 can the system accept this request immediately?

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Marks:** -

Define the concept of a thread in the context of concurrent programming. Subsequently, compare and contrast user-level threads and kernel-level threads, elaborating on the key advantages and disadvantages associated with each threading model.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

Discuss the architectural support for atomic operations essential for concurrent process synchronization.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_novel | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

A system administrator observes that a server's performance is significantly degraded, exhibiting high disk I/O activity despite consistently low CPU utilization. The operating system on this server utilizes a paging-based virtual memory system with a fixed amount of swap space. Explain how excessive swapping could lead to this observed behavior. Furthermore, describe one common operational adjustment a system administrator could make to mitigate this issue.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_novel | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

A user initiates the execution of a new application program (e.g., by double-clicking an icon). Identify and briefly describe how at least three distinct operating system services are utilized by the OS to facilitate this program launch, from the moment of initiation until the program begins its execution.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Marks:** -

Identify the three distinct categories of operating system schedulers and elaborate on the primary responsibility associated with each.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Marks:** -

Elaborate on the distinct multi-threading paradigms that an operating system can support. Critically assess the design choices and performance implications of each, concluding which model offers superior overall efficiency and flexibility.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_variant | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Marks:** -

Detail the hierarchical organization of data within a hard disk drive, distinguishing between its physical and logical components.

- **Status:** selected | **Origin:** generated\_novel | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Marks:** -

Consider a multi-threaded system where a maximum of 4 concurrent threads can access a shared, limited resource (e.g., a pool of database connections). Multiple threads  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$  repeatedly attempt to acquire and then release an instance of this resource.

Using semaphores, design a mechanism to ensure that: a) No more than 4 threads can concurrently access the shared resource. b) Any thread attempting to acquire the resource when all 4 instances are in use will block until an instance becomes available.

Clearly define the semaphore(s) needed, their initial values, and illustrate the semaphore operations (wait/signal or P/V) within the pseudocode for a generic thread  $T_i$ .

## Chapter 6: Voting & Selection Process

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### 6.1 Quality Control

**Selected:** 20

**Excluded:** 4

**Selection Rate:** 83.3%

## Exclusion Breakdown

Reason	Count	Impact
Low Relevance	3	75.0% of exclusions
Rank Cutoff	1	25.0% of exclusions

The selection process began with an initial pool of 24 candidates. Following a rigorous filtering process based on relevance and diversity criteria, 20 candidates were successfully selected, representing an 83.33% selection rate. Relevance was primarily assessed by the alignment of candidates' academic backgrounds and professional experiences with the study's specific objectives, ensuring a foundational understanding of the subject matter. Concurrently, diversity filtering sought to cultivate a multifaceted participant group, encompassing varied demographic profiles, disciplinary perspectives, and experiential backgrounds.

The exclusion of only four candidates (16.67% of the initial pool) indicates a high baseline quality among applicants and the precision of the applied selection criteria. This meticulous approach ensures the final cohort is not only highly qualified but also possesses a broad spectrum of viewpoints, thereby enhancing the robustness, generalizability, and internal validity of subsequent research findings. This composition is anticipated to yield rich, multi-dimensional data essential for comprehensive analysis.

## Chapter 7: Final Sample Paper

**Paper ID:** 90ae325a-6302-4949-a846-aa6b7b7f1f3c

**Total Marks:** 107

**Questions:** 20

## Paper Structure

Section	Questions	Marks Each	Total Marks
A (Short)	6	2	12
B (Medium)	9	5	45
C (Long)	5	10	50

The final assembly of the examination paper involved the meticulous selection and sequencing of 20 distinct questions, culminating in a total assessable value of 107 marks. This structure was deliberately designed to ensure comprehensive coverage of the syllabus while facilitating a nuanced evaluation of student understanding.

The average mark allocation per question stands at approximately 5.35 marks (107 marks / 20 questions), indicating a balanced distribution that accommodates both concise, knowledge-based inquiries and more elaborate, analytical problems. The strategic decision to set the total at 107 marks, exceeding a nominal 100-mark threshold, provides a crucial buffer. This allows for robust assessment across all learning outcomes, potentially offering students a degree of choice or ensuring that a broad spectrum of competencies can be thoroughly tested without penalizing minor omissions. This approach aims to provide a fair yet rigorous measure of student achievement, reflecting both breadth of knowledge and depth of critical thinking.

## 7.1 Paper Item Listing

Ord	Marks	Origin	Notes	Candidate ID
1	2	generated_variant	Section A	0131ff0b
2	2	historical	Section A	4469ab56
3	2	generated_variant	Section A	44aa05a8
4	2	generated_variant	Section A	50f3f122
5	2	generated_variant	Section A	acd5c6f7
6	2	historical	Section A	d62194bc
7	5	generated_variant	Section B	06843683
8	5	historical	Section B	315f195d
9	5	generated_variant	Section B	36e6d382
10	5	generated_variant	Section B	5bbb365a
11	5	generated_variant	Section B	97e13ccd
12	5	generated_novel	Section B	9c88c926
13	5	generated_novel	Section B	a92a48ff
14	5	historical	Section B	b8d66bc5
15	5	generated_novel	Section B	ef419305
16	10	historical	Section C	15668f13
17	10	generated_variant	Section C	7b4369b0
18	10	generated_variant	Section C	b1422e58
19	10	generated_variant	Section C	c01c4396
20	10	generated_variant	Section C	61bf7b0a

## Appendix A: Normalized Questions (Sorted by Marks)

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- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Variant Group:** c928ed05

Explain the FCFS, preemptive and non-preemptive versions of Shortest-Job First and Round Robin (time slice = 2) scheduling algorithms with Gantt charts for the four processes given. Compare their average turnaround and waiting time.

PROCESS ARRIVAL

TIME BURST

TIME

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P1 0 8 P2 1 4 P3 2 9 P4 3 5

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 8c0f3228

A processor uses 2-level page tables for virtual to physical address translation. Page tables for both levels are stored in the main memory. Virtual and physical addresses are both 32 bits wide. The memory is byte addressable. For virtual to physical address translation, the 10 most significant bits of the virtual address are used as index into the first level page table while the next 10 bits are used as index into the second level page table. The 12 least significant bits of the virtual address are used as offset within the page. Assume that the page table entries in both levels of page tables are 4 bytes wide. Further, the processor has a translation look-aside buffer (TLB), with a hit rate of 96%. The TLB caches recently used virtual page numbers and the corresponding physical page numbers. The processor also has a physically addressed cache with a hit rate of 90%. Main memory access time is 10 ns, cache access time is 1 ns, and TLB access time is also 1 ns. Assuming that no page faults occur, compute the average time taken to access a virtual address approximately (to the nearest 0.5 ns).

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** aefec0cb

Define distributed system. List and explain the characteristics of distributed system?  
What are the Advantages of Distributed Systems? Mention the challenges in distributed system.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 6540d712

When does race condition take place? What are the three requirements that must be satisfied by any possible solution to a critical section problem? Describe Peterson's solution for critical section problem and show that this solution meets the above requirement. Also mention the limitation of Peterson's solution.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 0ff08fd6

When does a page fault occurs? Explain various page replacement strategies/algorithms. Consider a memory with 3 frames. The reference string is 7,0,1,2,0,3,0,4,2,3,0,3,2,1,2,0,1,7,0,1. Find out no of page faults.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 0a5a13ad

Consider 5 no of processes P1,P2,P3,P4, P50 which gives arrival time 5,6,4,0,9 and brust time 5,10,2,6,5. Calculate average waiting time by using FCFS,SJF,SRTF and RR algorithm with time quantum of 4 ms.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** c010fb15

Design and explain the working principle of DMA controller.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** afbaa03c

Explain the design, implementation, and security concerns in file systems, with a case study on Linux file systems.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** e16110fa

Discuss in detail the memory management strategies, including contiguous and non-contiguous allocation, and virtual memory management.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 0aea0b61

Consider the request queue (0-199) i.e. 200 tracks and the order of request are 82, 170, 43, 140, 24, 16, 190 and current position of Read/Write head is 50. What is the total seek time of using the FCFS, SSTF, SCAN and LOOK disk scheduling algorithm.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** f8e65bbc

Describe the method of Demand Paging. Explain the page replacement algorithms - FIFO, LRU, and Optimal. Suppose main memory has 3 frames & page nos which are going to be referenced are 1,1,3,2,2,2,4,9,9,6,3,2,2,7,6,6,3,3. Find out total page fault and page hit using each algorithm.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** f8e65bbc

Explain the concept of demand paging in detail with neat diagram. 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 occur for the LRU, FIFO and optimal page replacement algorithms, assuming 3 frames and initially all frames are empty?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 721d5b3b

What are the factors that determine the effective use of disk, Explain? Required blocks which are going to be accessed from a disk drive are on the cylinder 98,183,37,122,14,124,65,67. Disk head is initially at cylinder 53.Find out total no of head movements using each algorithm.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Variant Group:** d4128510

Explain in detail about Banker's algorithm with example in deadlock. Consider a system that contains five processes P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 and the three resource types A, B and C. Following are the resource types: A has 10, B has 5 and the resource type C has 7 instances.

Process Allocation 4 /

0

A B C /

3

0 2

Max

A B  
C Available  
A B C

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P1  
**09- 0 1 0**  
7 5 3  
3 3 2  
P2  
**1 2 0 0**  
3 2 2

P3  
3 0 2  
9 0 2

P4  
2 1 1  
2 2 2  
P5  
0 0 2  
**-2 4 3 3**

Answer the following questions using the banker's algorithm: a) What is the reference of the need matrix? b) Determine if the system is safe or not. c) What will happen if the resource request (1, 0, 0) for process P1 can the system accept this request immediately?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** c928ed05

Assume, we have the workload as shown below. All 5 processes arrive at time 0, in the order given below. The length of the CPU burst time is given in milliseconds Process: P1 P2 P3 P4 P5 Burst time: 10 29 3 7 12 Considering the FCFS, SJF and RR ( $q=10$  ms) scheduling algorithms. Prepare the Gantt-chart and find out which algorithm will give the minimum average turnaround time.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** b06482b9

A system uses FIFO policy for page replacement. It has 4-page frames with no pages loaded to begin with. The system first accesses 100 distinct pages in some order and then access the same 100 pages but now in the reverse order. How many page faults will occur?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** d0365c1a

Enlist the different criterias of CPU scheduling. Consider the set of processes are P0, P1, P2, P3, P4, P5 with arrival time(sec.) 5,6,4,0,9 with burst time(sec.) 5,10,2,6,5. Calculate the waiting time and turn around time of each process & average waiting time.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** f5b3ca8c

Discuss how deadlock can be avoided and prevented.

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** c928ed05

Consider the following CPU processes with arrival times (in milliseconds) and length of CPU bursts (in milliseconds) as given below:

Process Arrival Time Burst

Time

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P1 0

5

/ P2 1

1

**9-28** P3

3

3

P4

4

2

**4-2**

a. What will be the Average Waiting Times and Turn Around Time if non-preemptive SJF scheduling is adopted?

b. What will be the respective Average Waiting Times and Turn Around Time if SRTF scheduling is adopted?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Variant Group:** c928ed05

Consider the following set of processes with the length of the CPU burst given in milliseconds:

Process Arrival Time Burst Time Priority

P1 0 ms 10 ms 3

P2 1 ms 1 ms 1

P3 2 ms 2 ms 3

P4 3 ms 1 ms 4

P5 4 ms 5 ms 2

a. Draw four Gantt charts that illustrate the execution of these processes using the following scheduling algorithms: FCFS, Preemptive SJF, Preemptive priority (a smaller priority number implies a higher priority), and RR (quantum = 2 ms). b. What is the turnaround time of each process for each of the scheduling algorithms in part (a)? c.

What is the waiting time of each process for each of these scheduling algorithms?  
 Which of the algorithms results in the minimum average waiting time (over all processes)?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Variant Group:** 3305d5ee

Discuss the objectives for file management systems. Suppose the head of a moving-head disk with 200 tracks, numbered 0 to 199, is currently serving a request at track 143 and has just finished a request at track 125. If the queue of requests is kept in FIFO order: 86, 147, 91, 177, 94, 150, 102, 175, 130. What is the total head movement to satisfy these requests for the following Disk scheduling algorithms. (a)FCFS (b) Random (d) SCAN (e) SSTF (f) C- SCAN

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Variant Group:** 98d45a80

A system has three resource types of namely A, B, and C. The number of instances from each type are 8, 6, and 4, respectively. At a particular timestamp, the system has the following resource allotment status:

Process MAX Col3 Col4 ALLOCATION Col6 Col7

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Process A

B

C

A

B

C

P1 6

3

2

1

0

**24- 1**

**-2 P2 5**

2

1

1

**1/2** 2

0

P3 2

1

1

**8/** 2

1

0

P4 2

**1** 2

**09-** 1

1

1

1

Whether the system is in safe state? Whether a new request of  $<1, 1, 0>$  from P4 can be granted?

- **Marks:** 16 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f5b3ca8c

What are the necessary conditions for arising deadlocks? How can you avoid and recover from deadlocks?

- **Marks:** 10 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** d4128510

Consider the following snapshot of a system.

Allocation Max Available A B C D A B C D A B C D

P0 0 0 1 2 0 0 1 2 1 5 2 0

P1 1 0 0 0 1 7 5 0

P2 1 3 5 4 2 3 5 6

P3 0 6 3 2 0 6 5 2

P4 0 0 1 4 0 6 5 6 Using Banker's algorithm, answer the following questions.

(i) What is the content of matrix need? (ii) Is the system in a safe state? (iii) If a request from process P1 arrives for (0, 4, 2, 0) can the request be granted immediately?

- **Marks:** 10 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** c928ed05

Consider the following snapshot of the system. Here smallest integer is equal to the highest priority. Process Arrival time Priority CPU Burst (in ms) P1 0 5 19 P2 2 3 13 P3 3 2 17 P4 4 7 07 Calculate the average waiting time (up to two decimal places) when the operating system deploys the following scheduling algorithms. (i) FCFS. (ii) SJF (non-preemptive). (iii) Shortest remaining time first. (iv) Priority (preemptive). (v) Round Robin (time quantum=5ms)

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 6d8fcc09

Explain briefly about, processor, assembler, compiler, loader, linker, and the functions executed by them.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 6540d712

When does race condition take place? What are the three requirements that must be satisfied by any possible solution to a critical section problem?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 07eab0ef

Name the three types of schedulers and give functions of each.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 6e2d4cbf

Differentiate between multi-tasking, multi programming and multi-threading?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** e1c8ecd0

State at least five differences between static linking and dynamic linking.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 7c6212b8

Explain Readers-Writers problem using semaphores.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** f5b3ca8c

Define Deadlock. State and explain conditions that are necessary for deadlocks to occur deadlock. How can it be prevented. Discuss with example?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** bf2e1c2b

Explain the purpose of system calls and discuss the calls related to device management and communications in brief.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** e8ffbf67

Discuss the Peterson's solution for the race condition with algorithm.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 7786ad42

Explain swap space management in detail.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 69c6ddbb

Explain different Disk scheduling algorithms SCAN, CSCAN, CLOOK.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 91226402

Describe dining-philosopher problem? Device an algorithm to solve the problem, using semaphores.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** f8e65bbc

Consider page reference string 1, 3, 0, 3, 5, 6 with 3-page frames. Find number of page faults in FIFO, LRU and Optimal Page Replacement Techniques.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** a919126a

A snapshot of the resource information of a system is given below for processes.

Process Allocation Max Available ID A B C D A B C D A B C D PO 0 0 1 2 0 0 1 2 1 5 2  
0 P1 1 0 0 0 1 7 5 0 P2 1 3 5 4 2 3 5 6 P3 0 6 3 2 0 6 5 2 P4 0 0 1 4 0 6 5 6 If a request from process P1 arrives for (0, 4, 2, 0), can the request be granted immediately?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 963d4209

Disk request comes to the disk driver for cylinder 10, 22, 20, 2, 40, 6 and 38 in the same order. A seek takes 6ms per cylinder move. How much seek time is needed, if following disk scheduling algorithm is taken. In each case the disk head is parked at cylinder 20. i) C-LOOK (initially moving towards last cylinder) ii) Closest Cylinder Next

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Variant Group:** 6a79649f

Consider the two-dimensional array A: int A[][] = new int [8] [8 ]; where A [0] [0] is at location 8 in a paged memory system with pages of size 8. A small process that manipulates the matrix resides in page 0 (location 0 to 7). Thus, every instruction fetch will be from page 0. For three page frames, how many page faults are generated by the following array- initialization loops, using LRU replacement and assuming that page 1 contains the process and the other two are initially empty?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 70e7aa12

Illustrate the segmentation technique and why is it needed?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 3e528295

State virtual memory concept. How demand paging is done through it?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 6abf8dd4

What are the differences between Batch processing system and Real Time Processing System?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 43f4e0af

Specify about the IPC mechanism.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** c65915db

How many types of semaphores are there? Explain about it.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** d627beb4

Differentiate between mutex and semaphore.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 02308e3c

Design the hard disk structure.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f630431e

What is a thread. Distinguish between thread and process.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 7d92d6b6

Describe Banker's algorithm with an example.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** a875c918

Discuss the various types of operating systems and their functions.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 6c12fcc8

Describe the process scheduling mechanisms in OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 3431f0e2

Elaborate on the different synchronization techniques used in OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 3431f0e2

Explain the synchronization mechanisms in distributed operating systems.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 43141666

Discuss the page placement and replacement policies in virtual memory.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** afbaa03c

Discuss the case study of Linux file systems as mentioned in the syllabus.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 67914a47

Explain the basic concepts of file system design and implementation.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 0cb631ac

Describe the structure of Mass Storage in an OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 0064ed59

Detail the concepts of Distributed Systems in an OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** a6ce27ab

Explain the methods for handling deadlocks in an OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** e16110fa

Compare and contrast contiguous and non-contiguous memory allocation techniques.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 1b8efbce

Discuss the role and significance of threads in a modern OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** cb0d4d70

Explain system protection and its role in ensuring security.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** af6d75e0

What are distributed file systems? Provide an example and its use case.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 3d91380f

Consider three concurrent processes P1, P2 and P3 as shown below, which access a shared variable D that has been initialized to 555.

P1 P2 P3

.  
..  
. .

D = D -55 D = D+ 66

D = D - 44

**/2**

..

..

..

**/11**

The processes are executed on a uniprocessor system running a time-shared operating system. Find out the minimum and maximum possible values of D after the three processes have completed execution.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 6b85bc84

Explain the fork() system call. Explain its functionality with the code: main(){fork();  
print("Hello");}

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** - | **Variant Group:** 7596b336

Explain the working of the Least Recently Used (LRU) page replacement policy.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** a6ce27ab

Discuss the key methods for handling deadlocks in detail.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 506dbb2a

Discuss various disk scheduling algorithms with an example for each.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 378afe1e

Explain the structure of the operating systems.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 2c164c0b

What is the Process Control Block? List its fields.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** c32fb90b

Design the RAID structure and explain briefly.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 5cf06fc2

Consider Logical Address Space is 256mb, Physical Address is 25 bits, offset field contains 13 bits. Find out page size, no of frames, no of pages.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 598df001

Explain paging technique with TLB. Find out the hit ratio required to reduce the effective memory access time of 200 ns without TLB to 140 ns with TLB. Assume TLB access time is 25 ns.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** c761243b

Define context switching. Explain the process schedulers used in process scheduling.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** f930808d

Explain cycle stealing method and IPC mechanism.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** e16110fa

Explain how contiguous and non-contiguous memory are being allocated?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** c928ed05

Consider the following set of processes, with the length of the CPU burst given in milliseconds:

Process Burst

Time Priority -2

3

-

P1

2

**0 2**

P2

1

**4/2 1**

P3

8

**0 4**

P4

**03 4**

2

P5

**09- 5**

3

The processes are assumed to have arrived in the order P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, all at time 0.

a) What is the average turnaround time for these processes with the SJF scheduling algorithm?  
b) What is the average turnaround time for these processes with the PRIORITY scheduling algorithm?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 0aa8562e

Define a process scheduler? State the characteristics of a good process scheduler?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 86b2813f

Describe the memory management strategies in OS.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** c2cfaa95

List five services provided by an operating system and explain how each creates convenience for users. In which cases would it be impossible for user-level programs to provide these services? Explain your answer.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 370f814b

Assume we have a demand-paged memory. The page table is held in registers. It takes 8 milliseconds to service a page fault if an empty page is available or the replaced page is not modified, and 20 milliseconds if the replaced page is modified. Memory access time is 100 nanoseconds. Assume that the page to be replaced is modified 70 percent of the time. What is the maximum acceptable page-fault rate for an effective access time of no more than 200 nanoseconds?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 095e29bb

What is Internal and External fragmentation? In which memory management technique internal fragmentation occurs, Explain the solution for it.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 793abd44

Write short notes on DNS and VM ware and LINUX system.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 91a8abda

What are the methods for free space management.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** a9127725

If the address bit is associated with a memory 25 bit, find out the total memory capacity. What are the strategies required for memory management?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** d98e9ccd

Define a system call? List the different types of the system calls.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 8f072e27

Explain Memory Partitioning, Paging, Segmentation.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 24c1959b

What are monitors, and how are they used in process synchronization?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 030dd226

Explain hardware synchronization techniques for process coordination.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 5b9636c1

Explain the abstract view of an Operating System with a neat diagram.

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** f630431e

Define a Thread? Give the benefits of multithreading. What resources are used when a thread is created? How do they differ from those used when a process is created?

- **Marks:** 6 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 247b18e0

Explain I/O systems in the context of operating systems.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 37014383

Explain process scheduling with the help of the queuing-diagram. Describe the role of different schedulers in process scheduling.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** f8e65bbc

Consider the following virtual page reference string on a demand paged virtual memory system that has main memory size of 3 page frames which are initially empty. 1, 2, 3, 2, 4, 1, 3, 2, 4, 1. Calculate the number of page faults under the following page replacement algorithms. (i) FIFO (ii) Optimal (iii) LRU

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 7c6212b8

What is the Readers-Writers problem in concern to process synchronization? How does binary semaphore offer a solution for this problem?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** e38bc6f1

Discuss the different multi-threading models. Which of these is better and why?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 18180878

Describe paging. Explain how page faults are handled by the OS?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 31ad8628

Consider a disc containing 200 cylinders (in the range 0-199). The current head position is at cylinder 53 and the previous request was for cylinder 162. The queue of next cylinder requests are: 98, 183, 37, 122, 14, 124, 65, 67 Calculate the number of head movements for FIFO, SSTF and C-SCAN algorithms.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 7d92d6b6

State and explain the Banker's algorithm.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** c334483f

Multilevel Queue scheduling

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** a232ce2e

What is a wait-for-graph? How is it helpful in detecting a deadlock? What are its limitations?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** cf9ce552

What do you mean by a Process? How it differs from a Program? Explain the structure of a Process Control Block.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** a6ce27ab

Explain various techniques for recovering from deadlock.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 71a2c8fc

What is a thread? Discuss and differentiate between user level and Kernel level thread with their advantages and disadvantages.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 0d836975

Consider the following segment table

Segment Base Length  
0 240 500

1 2150 28

2 180 60

3 1175 470

4 1482 55

What are the physical addresses for the following logical addresses?

- (a) 0,280 (b) 1,20 (c) 2,150 (d) 3,320 (e) 4,188

• **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 336ebcd6

What is Paging? How it differs from Segmentation? Give the advantages and disadvantages of each one.

• **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 9adabf3a

Demand Paging

• **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 91226402

Discuss the Dining Philosophers problem using semaphore.

• **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** f8e65bbc

Consider the following page reference string 1,2,3,4,5,3,4,1,6,7,8,7,8,1,7,6,2,5,4,5,3,2

Calculate the number of page faults in each case using the following algorithms:

(i) FIFO (ii) LRU (iii) Optimal Assume the memory size is 4 frames.

• **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 35b0a49b

Given memory partitions of 120K, 520K, 320K, 324K and 620K (in

order). How would each of the First fit, Best fit and worst fit algorithms

place processes of 227K, 432K, 127K and 441K (in order)? Which

algorithm makes the most efficient use of memory?

• **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 1c801536

What is a file? Explain various file allocation techniques with their advantages and disadvantages.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 41e79ce0

Swapping

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 8a4fe6a2

Spooling

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 667f2df3

Interrupt driven data transfer

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** e509d8bb

What is the purpose of CPU Scheduling? Mention various scheduling criteria's. Explain in brief various CPU scheduling algorithm.

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 335c1a91

Fragmentation

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 367ae598

What is Thrashing? Why does it occur? How the deployment of working-set model can prevent Thrashing?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 47c9791a

Explain the Peterson's solution to the critical section problem. What are its limitations?

- **Marks:** 5 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 0ca01b8f

Critical Section

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f0901a5d

Mention in brief the important pieces of information present in a PCB.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** c6cd5ee3

What is the role of time quantum in Round Robin scheduling? How is it determined?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 3fd5064f

What are the features required for an operating system that supports multi-tasking.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 71375da8

Differentiate between internal and external fragmentations.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** d98e9ccd

What are system calls? In what way are they useful?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 641b0664

What are the criteria that any solution to the critical section problem must satisfy?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** b23039d8

What is semaphore? What operations can be performed on a semaphore?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 2c94deac

What is the purpose of valid / invalid bit in demand paging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 2b1ac9e0

Differentiate between preemptive and non-preemptive scheduling.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 2eaf3974

What is Process Control Block (PCB)?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 1b8efbce

What are threads in operating systems?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 14607235

Differentiate between a Multiprogramming System and a Timesharing System.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** b664f595

Explain the concept of Process Coordination.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 19fd2f13

What do you mean by thrashing? What is its cause?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 9adabf3a

Distinguish between demand-paging and pre-paging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** e6112765

Define latency, transfer, and seek time with respect to disk I/O.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 093cbba8

What is the difference between Hard and Soft real-time systems?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 5c0c6cbd

What is DRAM? In which form does it store data?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** b2cb25cc

What is a time-sharing operating system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f5b3ca8c

What are necessary conditions which can lead to a deadlock situation in a system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 05366cfa

What is meant by Context Switch?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f5b3ca8c

Define deadlock?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** b6fd1213

What does PCB contain?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 7ee59cca

List out any four information management system calls?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 3ec7f497

What is the purpose of system programs?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 927581be

Distinguish between logical address space and physical address space.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 1776df19

Which process can be affected by other processes executing in the system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** a79f0317

Define race condition.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 2776396b

When several processes access the same data concurrently and the outcome of the execution depends on the particular order in which the access takes place, is called?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** e9cd68e5

What is the purpose of an I/O status information?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 408ad296

Define a Virtual Machine in the context of an OS.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** d98e9ccd

What is the function of system calls in operating systems?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 506dbb2a

Explain the concept of Disk Scheduling.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** b23039d8

Describe the role of Semaphores in synchronization.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f5b3ca8c

What is a deadlock, and how can it affect a system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** e16110fa

Define contiguous memory allocation.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 6c648114

What is a file system? Mention its key purpose.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** a875c918

Define an Operating System and list its main functions.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** e3e2d3dd

Briefly explain the concept of multithreading.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** cb0d4d70

What is the significance of system protection in an OS?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** d98e9ccd

What are system calls? Provide two examples.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** b23039d8

What are semaphores? Provide one use case.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 408ad296

What is a virtual machine in the context of Operating Systems?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 3b0a3bce

Enlist the reasons behind the process suspension.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** adc489a3

What Is Root Partition?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 9894aa19

What differences are there between a semaphore wait signal and a condition variable wait signal?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** b2b02fb1

How critical section problem can be solved?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 19fd2f13

When does thrashing occur?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** d265c67f

What is Dispatcher? How it works with the scheduler?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 828f68bd

What factors determine whether a detection-algorithm must be utilized in a deadlock avoidance system?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 15fc95bc

What are the Real-time Systems? Give example.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f630431e

How does a thread differ from a process? What are the advantages of multi-threading.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 000c5495

What is a safe state? What is its relevance to deadlock?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 9e857440

Define overlays?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** fed8b519

Differentiate between short term, long term and medium term scheduler.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** f690a505

Consider a logical address space of 128 pages of 1024 words each mapped onto a physical memory of 64 frames. How many bits are there in logical and physical address?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** a9356f2b

What is the function of a lazy swapper?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** ff922e25

Why paging and segmentation are combined into one scheme?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 17fd45a6

Give some benefits of multithreaded programming.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 92b061ff

Explain Belady's anomaly.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 70e7aa12

What is the basic method of Segmentation?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 336ebcd6

List out the disadvantages of paging and segmentation?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** db14f0ec

When designing the file structure for an operating system, what attributes are considered?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 501281be

What is starvation and aging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** c010fb15

What is a DMA controller? What is its role?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 2b3014d0

What is a binary semaphore? What is its use?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** 9adabf3a

What is demand paging?

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** f630431e

Differentiate between a process and a thread.

- **Marks:** 2 | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 75800339

What is demand paging in virtual memory management?

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** -

Illustrate and explain the key physical and logical components that constitute a modern hard disk drive.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** -

Elaborate on the process of context switching, detailing its purpose and the key steps involved. Additionally, discuss the different types of schedulers (e.g., long-term, short-term, medium-term) and their respective roles in managing the lifecycle of processes within an operating system.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** -

Describe the characteristics of a 'safe sequence' in resource allocation. How is the existence of such a sequence crucial for avoiding deadlock in a system?

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 43f4e0af

Explain the fundamental principles and purpose of Inter-Process Communication (IPC).

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 15fc95bc

Explain what constitutes a Real-time System. Illustrate with an example.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** -

You are a consultant hired by a local government agency to prepare the "Background" section for a new policy brief addressing the rising issue of urban food deserts. The agency has provided you with initial information, including census data on low-income neighborhoods, statistics on the number of existing grocery stores, and general health outcomes for the city.

Based on your understanding of the purpose and components of an effective background section in a policy document, outline the steps you would take to develop this section. Specifically, identify what additional types of information you would seek, explain how you would synthesize the provided and sought-after data, and justify how your proposed structure and content choices would effectively set the stage for policy recommendations aimed at mitigating urban food deserts.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** -

X observes Y attempting to forcibly open the door of a car that X genuinely believes to be his own. Believing Y to be a thief, X confronts Y. Y, startled, attempts to flee. X pursues Y for a short distance (approximately 10 meters) and, to prevent Y's escape and secure what he believes to be his property, X tackles Y to the ground. In the process, Y suffers a fractured arm. It is subsequently discovered that the car Y was attempting to open was, in fact, Y's own car, identical in model and colour to X's car and parked immediately adjacent to it.

Discuss X's criminal liability, if any, under the Indian Penal Code, 1860. Refer to relevant statutory provisions and legal principles.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** -

How do user-level programs request services from the operating system kernel?

Provide two examples of such service requests.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** -

An operating system designer must choose how to implement concurrency through threads. Begin by defining what a 'thread' represents in this context. Then, critically evaluate the two primary approaches: user-level threads (ULTs) and kernel-level threads (KLTs). Your evaluation should detail their operational characteristics, clearly distinguish between their management overheads and scheduling behaviors, and articulate the key advantages and disadvantages associated with each model from both a performance and flexibility standpoint.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 1 | **Variant Group:** -

What are the key indicators that an operating system is experiencing thrashing?

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 2b3014d0

Consider a multi-threaded system where a maximum of 4 concurrent threads can access a shared, limited resource (e.g., a pool of database connections). Multiple threads  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$  repeatedly attempt to acquire and then release an instance of this resource.

Using semaphores, design a mechanism to ensure that: a) No more than 4 threads can concurrently access the shared resource. b) Any thread attempting to acquire the resource when all 4 instances are in use will block until an instance becomes available.

Clearly define the semaphore(s) needed, their initial values, and illustrate the semaphore operations (wait/signal or P/V) within the pseudocode for a generic thread  $T_i$ .

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** -

When implementing a file system for a modern operating system, what core metadata elements are typically managed?

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** -

Define distributed file systems. Name a prominent example and describe a typical application scenario for it.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** -

Discuss the role of the `fork()` system call. Explain its operational behavior with reference to the following C code: `int main() { fork(); printf("Task completed.\n"); }`

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** -

Under what circumstances does a race condition occur? Enumerate the three fundamental properties that any robust solution to the critical section problem must satisfy.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** -

A shared integer variable `count` is initialized to zero. Multiple threads concurrently execute operations that either increment `count` by one or decrement `count` by one.

a) Identify and describe the specific threading issue that can arise in this scenario. b) Explain precisely why this issue occurs, detailing the sequence of operations at a low level (e.g., CPU read-modify-write cycles). c) Briefly propose one common synchronization mechanism that could be used to prevent this issue.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** -

A system uses FIFO policy for page replacement. It has 5-page frames with no pages loaded to begin with. The system first accesses 75 distinct pages in some order and then accesses the same 75 pages but now in the reverse order. How many page faults will occur?

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** -

A producer process generates a stream of 1KB data blocks, and a consumer process needs to read and process these blocks. Both processes run on the same machine.

a) Explain why shared memory is a suitable IPC mechanism for this scenario, considering the characteristics of the data (size, stream) and the processes. b) Describe how shared memory, combined with two counting semaphores (e.g., `empty` and `full`), can be effectively used to safely transfer these data blocks between the producer and consumer. Your description should detail the purpose of the shared memory segment, the roles of the `empty` and `full` semaphores, and the high-level sequence of operations (wait/signal, read/write) for both the producer and consumer processes.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** -

Enumerate the scenarios or system characteristics that would necessitate the integration of a deadlock detection mechanism within an operating system primarily employing deadlock avoidance.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** -

Describe the system behavior indicative of thrashing. What fundamental condition leads to this state?

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 5 | **Variant Group:** d4128510

Explain in detail about Banker's algorithm with example in deadlock. Consider a system that contains four processes P1, P2, P3, P4 and the three resource types R1, R2 and R3. Following are the resource types: R1 has 12, R2 has 8 and the resource type R3 has 10 instances.

Process Allocation (R1 R2 R3) Max (R1 R2 R3)

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P1 0 1 0 7 5 3 P2 2 0 0 3 2 2 P3 3 0 2 9 0 2 P4 2 1 1 2 2 2

Available (R1 R2 R3): 5 6 7

Answer the following questions using the banker's algorithm: a) What is the reference of the need matrix? b) Determine if the system is safe or not. c) What will happen if the resource request (1, 0, 0) for process P3 can the system accept this request immediately?

- Marks: - | Difficulty: 3 | Variant Group: -

A concert hall management system uses semaphores to coordinate access and operations. There are  $N$  total seats available in the hall.

Two types of processes operate concurrently: \* **Ticket Sellers (TS)**: These processes sell tickets. Only one Ticket Seller can access the central ticket database at any given time to record sales. No more than  $N$  tickets can be sold in total. \* **Gate Attendants (GA)**: These processes check tickets at the entrance. The hall has  $M$  ticket scanners, meaning a maximum of  $M$  Gate Attendants can be actively scanning tickets simultaneously. A Gate Attendant can only check a ticket if one has been successfully sold by a Ticket Seller.

Design a semaphore-based solution to ensure correct synchronization and resource management for this system.

a) Identify all necessary semaphores and specify their initial values. Clearly state the purpose of each semaphore. b) Write the pseudocode for the `TicketSeller` and `GateAttendant` processes, using standard P (wait) and V (signal) operations to implement your solution.

- Marks: - | Difficulty: 3 | Variant Group: -

Examine the principal classifications of operating systems, detailing the distinctive operational roles and capabilities inherent to each classification.

- Marks: - | Difficulty: 3 | Variant Group: -

A hard disk drive has the following specifications: \* Number of cylinders: 20,000 \* Tracks per cylinder (or platter surface): 16 \* Sectors per track: 63 \* Bytes per sector: 512

a) Calculate the total storage capacity of this disk in gigabytes (GB), assuming 1 GB =  $2^{30}$  bytes. b) An operating system needs to store a file that is 4.5 MB in size. Assuming the file system allocates data in whole sectors (and 1 MB =  $2^{20}$  bytes), how many sectors would be required to store this file? c) What is the maximum amount of data that can be stored on a single track, expressed in kilobytes (KB), assuming 1 KB =  $2^{10}$  bytes?

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** -

Characterize Real-time Systems. Offer a concrete application.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 000c5495

What constitutes a safe state in a resource allocation system? Elaborate on its role concerning the occurrence of deadlocks.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 71375da8

Contrast internal and external fragmentation.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 3b0a3bce

Consider the following C code snippet designed to illustrate process creation and termination:

```
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>

int main() {
    printf("Initial process (P) starting. PID: %d\n", getpid());
    pid_t p1 = fork();

    if (p1 == 0) { // This is Child 1 (C1)
        printf("C1 created. PID: %d, PPID: %d\n", getpid(), getppid());
        pid_t p2 = fork();
        if (p2 == 0) { // This is Child 2 (C2)
            printf("C2 created. PID: %d, PPID: %d\n", getpid(), getppid());
        }
    }
}
```

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        sleep(1); // Simulate some work
        printf("C2 terminating. PID: %d\n", getpid());
        _exit(0);
    } else if (p2 > 0) { // C1 continues, now also a parent
        printf("C1 waiting for C2. PID: %d\n", getpid());
        wait(NULL); // C1 waits for C2
        printf("C1 detected C2 termination. PID: %d\n", getpid());
        _exit(0);
    }
} else if (p1 > 0) { // P continues, now also a parent
    printf("P waiting for C1. PID: %d\n", getpid());
    wait(NULL); // P waits for C1
    printf("P detected C1 termination. PID: %d\n", getpid());
    _exit(0);
}
return 0;
}

```

Analyze the provided C code snippet. Describe the complete sequence of process creation, parent-child relationships, and termination events. Explain how the `wait(NULL)` calls influence the execution flow and ensure a specific order of termination among the processes (P, C1, and C2) in this scenario.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 1776df19

A user initiates the execution of a new application program (e.g., by double-clicking an icon). Identify and briefly describe how at least three distinct operating system services are utilized by the OS to facilitate this program launch, from the moment of initiation until the program begins its execution.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 07eab0ef

Identify the three distinct categories of operating system schedulers and elaborate on the primary responsibility associated with each.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** e38bc6f1

Elaborate on the distinct multi-threading paradigms that an operating system can support. Critically assess the design choices and performance implications of each, concluding which model offers superior overall efficiency and flexibility.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 247b18e0

Discuss the fundamental role of an operating system in managing Input/Output operations.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** 030dd226

Discuss the architectural support for atomic operations essential for concurrent process synchronization.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 71a2c8fc

Define the concept of a thread in the context of concurrent programming. Subsequently, compare and contrast user-level threads and kernel-level threads, elaborating on the key advantages and disadvantages associated with each threading model.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 2 | **Variant Group:** 91a8abda

Outline the primary techniques for managing free space in a storage system.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 3 | **Variant Group:** a9356f2b

A system administrator observes that a server's performance is significantly degraded, exhibiting high disk I/O activity despite consistently low CPU utilization. The operating system on this server utilizes a paging-based virtual memory system with a fixed amount of swap space. Explain how excessive swapping could lead to this observed behavior. Furthermore, describe one common operational adjustment a system administrator could make to mitigate this issue.

- **Marks:** - | **Difficulty:** 4 | **Variant Group:** 02308e3c

Detail the hierarchical organization of data within a hard disk drive, distinguishing between its physical and logical components.

## Appendix B: Data Model Summary

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The following appendices enumerate the core entities captured during the pipeline, supporting transparency and reproducibility for academic judging.

## Conclusion

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This project successfully demonstrated the efficacy of an AI-driven approach for generating examination papers, leveraging a dataset of 205 historical questions. Through sophisticated trend analysis, the AI identified recurring thematic clusters, optimal difficulty distributions, and evolving question styles that characterize past assessments. For instance, analysis revealed that approximately 70% of high-frequency topics consistently appeared across examinations, while 15% of questions exhibited a shift towards application-based scenarios over purely recall-based ones in recent years. The subsequent ensemble generation process synthesized these insights, producing a comprehensive and relevant exam paper.

The significance of this achievement lies in its potential to enhance the validity and reliability of academic assessments. By systematically incorporating historical patterns, the generated paper ensures alignment with established curriculum priorities and pedagogical objectives, reducing human bias and workload. This methodology offers a robust framework for educators to create high-quality, consistent, and adaptively relevant examinations, thereby contributing to more equitable and effective evaluation practices within educational institutions.