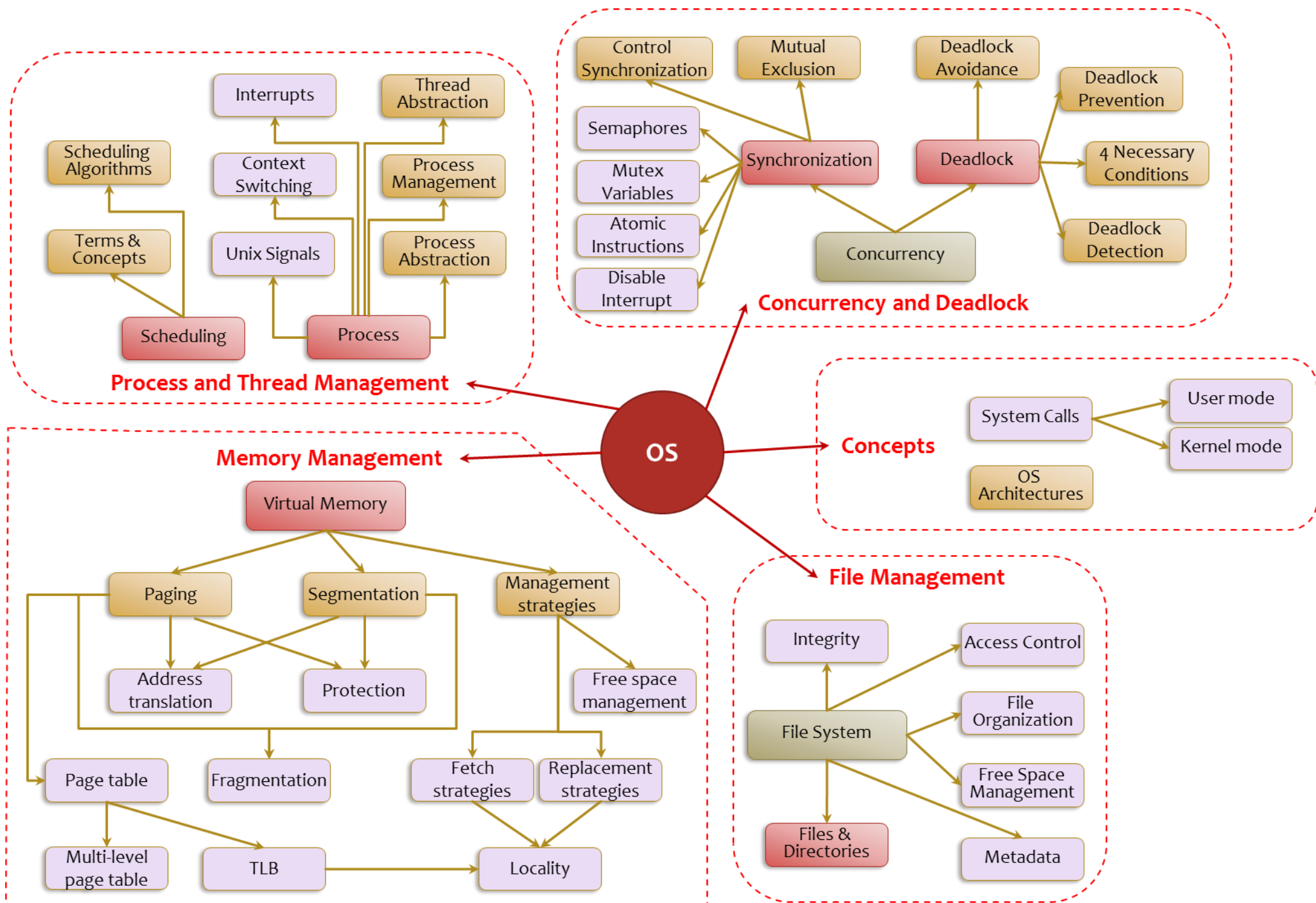


Final Examination



Final Examination

- Time and Date: 14:30 – 17:30 Dec 13, 2023 (Wednesday)
- Venue: CPD-LG7-10
- This is an open book examination. Candidates may bring to their examination any printed/written materials.
- Remember to bring your **calculator** to the examination
- Answer each question in the space provided.
 - If you need to continue an answer onto the back of a page, clearly indicate that and label the continuation with the question number

Final Examination

- Total 100 points in **Seven** questions
- **Answer all questions**
- Question 1 – MC Questions
- Question 2 – True/False Questions
- Questions 3 – 7
 - Each question focuses on a specific topic
 - If involves calculation, show the steps
 - Mostly related to the concepts
 - Given a scenario/situation, comment or explain on matters related to the OS features
 - Mostly request you to give a short answer to the question
 - Please take note of the number of points allocated to the questions. Don't write too many
- If you find a question ambiguous, be sure to write down any assumptions you have made

Examination Scope

- Include all Lectures, Programming Labs, Tutorials, & Assignments
- Levels of difficulty
 - Basic: 55%
 - Intermediate: 45%

Prepare the Examination

- Try to focus on key topics covered in the lecture notes
 - Read related sections of the readings would be helpful
 - Questions from the assignments and tutorials are good for helping you to understand some key topics/concepts
- Open-book means you don't need to memorize the details
 - Should focus on understanding of the concepts

Suggested Readings (Not For the Examination)

Intro	Virtualization		Concurrency	Persistence	Security
Preface	3 <i>Dialogue</i>	12 <i>Dialogue</i>	25 <i>Dialogue</i>	35 <i>Dialogue</i>	52 <i>Dialogue</i>
TOC	4 <i>Processes</i>	13 <i>Address Spaces</i> <code>code</code>	26 <i>Concurrency and Threads</i> <code>code</code>	36 <i>I/O Devices</i>	53 <i>Intro Security</i>
1 <i>Dialogue</i>	5 <i>Process API</i> <code>code</code>	14 <i>Memory API</i>	27 <i>Thread API</i> <code>code</code>	37 <i>Hard Disk Drives</i>	54 <i>Authentication</i>
2 <i>Introduction</i> <code>code</code>	6 <i>Direct Execution</i>	15 <i>Address Translation</i>	28 <i>Locks</i> <code>code</code>	38 <i>Redundant Disk Arrays (RAID)</i>	55 <i>Access Control</i>
	7 <i>CPU Scheduling</i>	16 <i>Segmentation</i>	29 <i>Locked Data Structures</i>	39 <i>Files and Directories</i>	56 <i>Cryptography</i>
	8 <i>Multi-level Feedback</i>	17 <i>Free Space Management</i>	30 <i>Condition Variables</i> <code>code</code>	40 <i>File System Implementation</i>	57 <i>Distributed</i>
	9 <i>Lottery Scheduling</i> <code>code</code>	18 <i>Introduction to Paging</i>	31 <i>Semaphores</i> <code>code</code>	41 <i>Fast File System (FFS)</i>	
	10 <i>Multi-CPU Scheduling</i>	19 <i>Translation Lookaside Buffers</i>	32 <i>Concurrency Bugs</i>	42 <i>FSCK and Journaling</i>	Appendices
	11 <i>Summary</i>	20 <i>Advanced Page Tables</i>	33 <i>Event-based Concurrency</i>	43 <i>Log-structured File System (LFS)</i>	Dialogue
		21 <i>Swapping: Mechanisms</i>	34 <i>Summary</i>	44 <i>Flash-based SSDs</i>	Virtual Machines
		22 <i>Swapping: Policies</i>		45 <i>Data Integrity and Protection</i>	Dialogue
		23 <i>Complete VM Systems</i>		46 <i>Summary</i>	Monitors
		24 <i>Summary</i>		47 <i>Dialogue</i>	Dialogue
				48 <i>Distributed Systems</i>	Lab Tutorial
				49 <i>Network File System (NFS)</i>	Systems Labs
				50 <i>Andrew File System (AFS)</i>	xv6 Labs
				51 <i>Summary</i>	

Operating System Research

- Many Core and Heterogenous Core systems
 - Their impact on the OS design, scheduler design, file systems design, and mutex lock design
- Performance benchmarking and analysis
- IoT OS
 - Designed to perform within the strict constraints (memory, processing power, networking, and power) of small IoT devices
- Cloud platforms and Data Centers
 - Resource management, scheduling, virtual machine migration

SFTL

- The online SFTL evaluation will be conducted for all Common Core courses, UG & RPG courses during **Nov 6 - Dec 4, 2023**. Students can complete the questionnaires any time before the deadline.
- The SFTL system can be accessed via: <https://sftl.hku.hk/>