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COURSE	:	BACHELOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, BACHELOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE
PAPER	:	OPERATING SYSTEMS
CODE	:	CSC 2103
SEMESTER	:	TWO
DATE	:	24/01/2022
TIME	:	9:30-12:30pm
DURATION	:	3 HOURS

Instructions

3. *Attempt any 4 Questions*
 4. *Time Allowed 3 Hours Only*
 5. *Use of relevant Illustrations/diagrams will earn you a bonus mark (s)*
 6. *Remember to indicate the question number you have answered.*
 7. *Write your name, course and registration number on all your answer sheets*
 8. *All answers should be written on the answer booklet*
 9. *All university rules apply*
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Question 1

- a. Write short notes on the following terms as used in Operating Systems (14 Marks)
- i. Multitasking
 - ii. Multiprogramming
 - iii. System Call
 - iv. IPC
 - v. Interrupt
 - vi. Kernel
 - vii. Bootstrap Program
- b. Explain the Functions of an Operating System (6 Mark)
- c. What are the main advantages and disadvantages of the microkernel approach to operating system design? (5 Mark)

Question 2

- a) Define an Operating system (1 mark)
- b) Differentiate between the following
- i. Monolithic and layered structures to designing operating systems (4marks)
 - i. Message passing and shared memory interprocess communication (4marks)
 - ii. Independent and cooperating processes (4marks)
 - iii. Job queue and ready queue (4marks)
 - iv. Preemptive and non-preemptive scheduling (4marks)
 - v. User mode and kernel mode (4marks)

Question 3

- a) Define a Process (1mark)
- b) Briefly explain components of a process (3marks)
- c) Briefly explain the five process states (5 marks)
- d) Describe the contents of a Process Control Block (PCB). Use a diagram to illustrate (6 marks)
- e) Describe the major activities of an operating system in regard to process management? [10 Marks]

Question 4

- a. Define a thread (1 Mark)
- b. Most operating-system kernels are now multithreaded. Explain the benefits of multithreaded programming (3 marks)
- c. Explain the three multi-threading models (5 marks)
- d. A deadlock situation can arise if four conditions hold simultaneously. List these conditions (4 Marks)
- e. Discuss the methods for deadlock handling (12 Marks)

Question 5

Define the following CPU scheduling criteria terms: - (8marks)

- i) Waiting time
 - ii) Turnaround time
 - iii) throughput
 - iv) Response time
- a) Consider the following set of processes, with the length of the CPU burst given in milliseconds:

Process	Burst Time	Priority
P_1	2	2
P_2	1	1
P_3	8	4
P_4	4	2
P_5	5	3

The processes are assumed to have arrived in the order P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5 , all at time 0.

- i. Draw four Gantt charts that illustrate the execution of these processes using the following scheduling algorithms: FCFS, SJF, non-preemptive priority (a larger priority number implies a higher priority), and RR (quantum = 2). (8 Marks)
- ii. What is the Average waiting time each of the scheduling algorithms in part i) above? (4 Marks)
- iii. What is the Average Turnaround Time for each of the scheduling algorithms in part i) above? (4 Marks)
- iv. Which of the algorithms results in the minimum average waiting time (over all processes)? (1mark)

Question 6

- a. Define memory management (1 mark)
- b. Distinguish between the following as used in memory management
 - i. Internal Fragmentation and External Fragmentation (4marks)
 - ii. Dynamic Loading and Dynamic Linking (4marks)
 - iii. Logical Address space and physical address space (4marks)
 - iv. Fixed partitions and Dynamic partitions (4marks)
 - v. Segmentation and Paging (4marks)
 - vi. Page and frame (4marks)