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CSE108		Computer Science and Software	
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2nd SEMESTER 2016/17 RESIT EXAMINATIONS

BACHELOR DEGREE - Year 2

Operating Systems Concepts

TIME ALLOWED: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1, Total marks available are 100.
- 2. Answer all questions.
- 3. The number in the parentheses at the end of each question indicates the marks for each question.
- 4. Answer should be written in the answer booklet(s) provided.
- 5. The university approved calculator Casio FS82ES/83ES can be used.
- 6. All the answers must be in English.

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- 1. Explain the following terms:
- 1.1 File control block. (10 marks)
- 1.2 Virtual memory. (10 marks)
- 2. Assume in a system, there are:
- 3 processes P1 to P3;
- 3 resource types: A (9 instances), B (4 instances), and C (4 instances).

Below is a snapshot at time T:

	Allocation			Max		
	A	В	С	A	В	С
P1	0	1	0	6	4	2
P2	3	3	1	3	3	2
P3	3	0	2	9	0	2

- 2.1 Show that the system is in a safe state at time T. (10 marks)
- 2.2 Can request for (A: 2, B: 0, C: 1) by P1 be granted? Explain your answer. (10 marks)
- 3. Consider a disk queue holding requests to the following cylinders in the listed order: 91, 151, 21, 11, 61, 68. Assume the disk head is at cylinder 56 and moving downward through the cylinders
- 3.1 Using the FCFS scheduling algorithm, what is the order that the requests are serviced? (10 marks)
- 3.2 Using the SSTF scheduling algorithm, what is the order that the requests are serviced? (10 marks)
- 4. Suppose we have resources that have value for users or institutions. For example, in a medical information system, we keep sensitive information about patients. Unrestricted disclosure of this data would violate the privacy of the patients, while unrestricted modification could jeopardize their health. We need a way to control access to resources, otherwise any active entity could access any resource and we could have confidentiality and integrity problems.

Design a system that can control who is authorized to access specific resources; **specify its system structure** (20 marks), security policy principle (10 marks), and access control model (10 marks).

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