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**FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2023/2024 SESSION**

**COURSE TITLE: OPERATING SYSTEM I**

**COURSE CODE: COM 311**

**CLASS: COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**UNIT: 3**

**LEVEL: HND I (FT & PT)**

**TIME ALLOTTED: 3HRS**

**INSTRUCTIONS 1:** Attempt ANY FOUR (4) Questions in SECTION A and ANY ONE (1) Question in SECTION B

**2:** Write only your Matric number on this question paper and nothing else.

**SECTION A**

1 (a). Briefly explain the following CPU scheduling techniques: (i) First Come First Serve (FCFS) (ii) Shortest Job First (SJF) (iii) Priority (iv) Round Robin (RR) 8 marks

(b). Consider the following set of processes that arrive at the stipulated time with the length of the CPU burst time given in milliseconds.

| <u>Process</u> | <u>Arrival time</u> | <u>Burst Time</u> |
|----------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| P <sub>1</sub> | 0                   | 8                 |
| P <sub>2</sub> | 1                   | 4                 |
| P <sub>3</sub> | 2                   | 9                 |
| P <sub>4</sub> | 3                   | 5                 |
| P <sub>5</sub> | 4                   | 7                 |

Draw the Gantt Chart, calculate the turnaround time and the average waiting time using: (i) FCFS (ii) RR scheduling  
(quantum time: 4 milliseconds) 8 marks

(c). Distinguish between Independent processes and Cooperating processes 4 marks

2 (a). How would you describe an Operating System (OS)? 2 marks  
(b). Discuss the main goals of OS. 4 marks  
(c). Highlight functions (4) of OS. 4 marks  
(d). Write on: (i) Kernel (ii) Shell (iii) GUI 6 marks  
(e). State two (2) differences between MS-DOS and Windows OS. 4 marks

3 (a). Explain the following OS structures:

- (i). Monolithic Systems      (ii). Layered Systems  
(iii) Virtual Machines      (iv) Exokernels

12 marks

(b). Define: (i) Throughput (ii) Turnaround time (iii) Waiting time  
(iv) Response time 8 marks

- 4 (a). Write briefly on these types of OS: (i) Batch Processing OS (ii) Time-sharing OS  
(iii) Real time OS (iv) Distributed OS (v) Multiprocessor OS 10 marks
- (b). What is Context switching, and how does it affect process management? 6 marks
- (c). State and explain four (4) conditions for deadlock occurrence. 4 marks
- ✓ 5 (a). What is: (i) a process; and (ii) a thread? 4 marks
- (b). In a tabular form, identify five (5) differences between a process and a thread. 10 marks
- (c). What happens when a process is in: (i) Running state (ii) Blocked state  
(iii) Ready state? 3 marks
- (d). List three (3) of the information stored in a Process Control Block (PCB). 3 marks

## SECTION B

**Instruction:** Attempt only **ONE (1)** question in this section.

### **QUESTION 1**

- a) Describe the key stages of the Windows OS booting process. 4 marks
- b) What is the purpose of memory management in an operating system? 4 marks
- c) Explain the purpose of device management in an operating system. 4 marks
- d) Explain the concept of process management in an operating system. 4 marks
- e) What is the role of the kernel in an operating system? 4 marks

### **QUESTION 2**

- a) Explain the key steps involved in the Windows OS booting process. 4 marks
- b) What is the primary function of an operating system? 4 marks
- c) Explain the difference between logical and physical addresses in memory management. 4 marks
- d) Explain the concept of device drivers and their importance in an operating system. 4 marks
- e) What is the purpose of the kernel in an operating system, and what are its main responsibilities 4 marks