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Assignment 0 - Week 0 (Jan 2025)

TYPE OF QUESTION: MCQ/MSQ

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QUESTION 1

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What will be the output of the following C code?
#include <stdio.h>
int increment(int *x) {
    return *x++;
}
int main() {
    int arr[] = {10, 20, 30};
    int temp = increment(&arr[0]);
    printf("%d", temp);
    return 0;
a. 10
b. 11
c. 20
d. 21
```

Answer: (a)

Detailed solution:

The pointer is first dereferenced, and the value is returned. Then, the pointer is incremented.

QUESTION 2

Which of the following scheduling algorithms can lead to starvation in an operating system?

- a. Round-robin
- b. Shortest Job Next (SJN)
- c. Priority scheduling
- d. None of the above

Answer: (b) and (c)

Detailed solution:

In SJN, longer jobs will starve if shorter jobs continuously arrive in the queue. Similarly, in Priority Scheduling, low-priority processes will starve.



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QUESTION 3

Which of the following system calls is used to change the current working directory of a process in a Unix-based operating system?

- a. rmdir()
- b. getcwd()
- c. mkdir()
- d. chdir()

Answer: (d)

Detailed solution:

chdir() changes the current working directory. mkdir() and rmdir() deal with directory creation and removal, respectively.

QUESTION 4

Which of the following IP addresses belongs to a private address range?

- a. 172.16.0.1
- b. 192.0.2.1
- c. 203.0.113.10
- d. 10.10.1.1

Answer: (a) and (d)

Detailed solution:

172.16.0.1 belongs to Class B private range (172.16.0.0 - 172.31.255.255) and 10.10.1.1 belongs to Class A private range (10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255).



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QUESTION 5

What will be the output of the following C code in a 32-bit/64-bit system? #include <stdio.h>

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int main() {
    int arr[10];
    printf("%lu", sizeof(arr));
    return 0;
}
    a. 10
    b. 100
    c. 40
    d. 4
```

Answer: (c)

Detailed solution:

int is 4 bytes, and there are 10 elements, so the total size is $4 \times 10 = 40$.

QUESTION 6

In a memory management system that utilizes paging, the address space of a process is divided into fixed-size units called _____. The equivalent units in physical memory are known as _____.

- a. Segments, Blocks
- b. Frames, Pages
- c. Pages, Frames
- d. Pages, Segments

Answer: (c)

Detailed solution:

The memory space of a process is divided into fixed-size segments known as **pages**, while the corresponding units in physical memory are referred to as **frames**. In a paging system, a page table maps these pages to their respective frames in memory.

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QUESTION 7

Which of the following statements about virtual memory in an operating system are true?

- a. Virtual memory allows a process to use more memory than is physically available.
- b. Virtual memory uses disk space to simulate additional RAM.
- c. In a system with virtual memory, all processes are allocated the same amount of physical memory.
- d. Virtual memory eliminates the need for paging.

Answer: (a) and (b)

Detailed solution:

(a) Virtual memory enables processes to use more memory by leveraging disk space as an extension of RAM. (b) Virtual memory extends the available memory by extending a portion of the disk, called the swap space or page file.

QUESTION 8

Which of the following pairs correctly match network services with their associated port numbers?

- a. Port 443 HTTPS and Port 22 FTP
- b. Port 22 FTP and Port 53 DNS
- c. Port 80 HTTP and Port 21 FTP
- d. Port 443 HTTPS and Port 53 Telnet

Answer: (c)

Detailed solution:

Correct port numbers: HTTPS - Port 443, FTP - Port 21, DNS - Port 53, Telnet - Port 23, HTTP - Port 80.



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QUESTION 9

To keep a hash table in memory and save it to a file for later use, which of the following combinations is correct?

- a. malloc() to allocate memory and fork() to store data.
- b. calloc() to allocate memory and read() to retrieve the data.
- c. malloc() to allocate memory and open() to create a file.
- d. malloc() to allocate memory and write() to store data in a file.

Answer: (d)

Detailed solution:

To manage a hash table, malloc() dynamically allocates memory for storing the hash table in the program's heap, and write() saves the hash table data to a file, enabling it to be reused later.

QUESTION 10

You are given the IP address 192.168.0.0/24 and need 6 subnets, each with at least 30 usable IP addresses. Which subnet mask should you use?

- a. 255.255.255.240 (/28)
- b. 255.255.255.224 (/27)
- c. 255.255.255.192 (/26)
- d. 255.255.255.248 (/29)

Answer: (b)

Detailed solution:

The correct subnet mask is 255.255.255.255.224 (/27), which provides 32 total IP addresses per subnet, with 30 usable IP addresses after reserving 2 for network and broadcast addresses. This allows for 8 subnets to meet the requirement of 6 subnets with at least 30 usable IP addresses each.



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