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Lab Activity 1 – Introduction to Operating Systems

Feedback

Strengths:

Section on Future of Operating Systems

- A very good attempt at the future of operating systems. You show a very good understanding of the future operating systems.
- Basic use of referencing.

Programming Activity

- Very good you have a parser that has most of the required functionality.

Improvements:

Section on Future of Operating Systems

- Include more details on the section on the future direction of the operating systems.
- Make better use of references in the section.
- Make better use of a diagram in the section on the future of operating systems.

Programming Activity

- Extend the functionality offered by parser.
- In the parse activity you might have added more detailed explaination for the grammar decision.
- Ensure you have sufficient examples of the code running.

Lab Activity 2 - Linux Commands

Feedback

Strengths:

- Very good, you completed most of the linux command activites.

Improvements:

- Ensure that you complete the missing linux commands activities.
- The grep commands should have been something like (i) ' grep -v 'it.*and\|and.*it' poem.txt | grep ' it \| and ' and (ii) 'grep vn 'it.*and\|and.*it' poem.txt | grep ' it \| and '
- To sort, reverse and append use sort -r poem.txt >> poem2.txt.
- When you do the grep command to show the lines you should have included the number of the lines using -n and to count the lines using -c.

Lab Activity 4 - Bootloader

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Strengths:

Basic Bootloader Tasks

- You complete the basic tasks correctly.

Improvements:

Basic Bootloader Tasks

- None, You completed the Basic bootloader Tasks successfully.

Advanced Bootloader Tasks

- Make use of user input.
- Comment the code with the required level of detail.

Advanced Bootloader Tasks

- You have used a nested loop to create the square.

Lab Activity 5 – Proc

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Strengths:

Basic proc Tasks

- You carry out most of the proc file manipulation tasks successfully.

Improvements:

Basic proc Tasks

- Make changes to your commands to complete the requirements.
- You could have used uniq to prevent duplications of the details.
- You could have remove the title line before counting the interrupts.

Advanced Shell Script Tasks

- A very good attempt at the menu shell script with much of the requirements made in an efficient manner.

Advanced Shell Script Tasks

- The option of finding the PID and displaying the process status could be performed in a more interesting manner. For example it could have include state=\$(cat /proc/"\$pid"/status | grep State | awk {'print \$3'})
- Comment the code with the required level of detail.

Lab Activity 7 – Buffer

Feedback

Strengths:

Basic Buffer Tasks

- Excellent you complete all the basic activities for the Buffer lab.

Advanced Buffer Tasks

Comparing the Files

Improvements:

Basic Buffer Tasks

- None, You complete the Basic Tasks successfully.

Advanced Buffer Tasks
Comparing the Files

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- You successful adapt the code so it can compare two files.

Creating the Summary

- You successful adapt the code to create a basic summary.

- Although you do alter the code to compare the file, I would have liked a more interesting approach to represent the differences.

Creating a Summary

- Although you attempt the code to create the summary, I would have liked a more interesting approach.

Lab Activity 8 – Cache Library

Feedback

Strengths:

Basic Cache Library Task

- You complete the code to add the required function.

Advanced Cache Library Tasks

- You adapt the code to provide most of the statistical information.
- Outstanding, You adapt the code to show one character is read at a time and when the buffer is filled.

Improvements:

Basic Cache Library Tasks

- None, you created the function to return each character.

Advanced Cache Library Tasks

- You should adapt the code to provide all of the statistical information.
- None, you completed the activities to show that one character is read at a time and when the buffer is filled.
- Count the keywords.

Lab Activity 10 – Cache Library System Calls

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Strengths:

Basic Cache Library System Calls Task

- You successfully convert all of the functions to system calls.

Advanced Cache Library System Calls Task

- None, You failed to attempt the Advanced Tasks for Lab 10.

Improvements:

Basic Cache Library System Calls Task

- None. you completed all the elements of the Basic Task for lab 10.

Advanced Cache Library System Calls Task

- You should have adapted the code to limit the impact of caching by setting the appropriate flags when opening the file.

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- You should have devise an approach to show that you reduced the impact of caching on the library.

Presentation

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Strengths:

Structure of the Report

- The report has an excellent layout and structure.

Presenting the Outcomes from the Tasks

- The outcomes presentation has an excellent feel.

References

- Basic Referencing.

Contents Page and Page Numbers

- None, no contents page or page numbers.

Presentation of the Code in the Report

- There is a little too much use of screenshots of the code.

Improvements:

Structure of the Report

- None, the structure needs little improvement.

Presentation of Outcomes the Tasks

- The presentation of outcomes needs a little work.

References

- Make better use of references.

Contents Page and Page Numbers

- Include a contents page and page numbers

Presentation of the Code in the Report

- Make better use of an approach that colour codes the syntax of your programs.
- Add the missing code.

Overall Comments

An outstanding portfolio, I look forward to seeing your Portfolio 2.

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