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CPT 104		Department of Computing	

2020/21 SEMESTER 2 – Final Exam

BACHELOR DEGREE – Level 2

Operating Systems Concepts

TIME ALLOWED: 2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Total marks available are 100, accounting for 80% of the overall module marks.
2. Answer all FOUR questions.
3. The number in the column on the right indicates the marks for each question.
4. Relevant and clear steps should be included in the answers.
5. The university approved calculator - Casio FS82ES/83ES can be used.
6. All the answers must be in English in the answer script provided.

QUESTION I. Fundamentals

(46 marks)

1. Compare and contrast **internal fragmentation** and **external fragmentation**. Explain the circumstances where one might be preferred over the other. (6 marks)

2. What is a **virtual machine**? Briefly discuss each of the two components that make up a virtual machine. (6 marks)

3. The **file system** resides permanently on secondary storage. Briefly discuss each of the three major methods of allocating disk space. (12 marks)

4. Describe in your own words how a parent and child are created from the **fork ()** system call and why you think the child process will or will not continue if the parent process is terminated. (6 marks)

5. Describe in your own words why **mutual exclusion** is necessary for multiprogramming systems. (4 marks)

6. **System protection** is multifaceted. What are the four levels of **security** measures that are necessary for system protection? Name and explain them. (12 marks)

QUESTION II. CPU scheduling, Memory management, Disk scheduling

(34 marks)

1. Consider the following scenario of processes:

Process	Arrival time	Burst time
P1	0	9
P2	1	5
P3	2	3
P4	3	4

Draw the Gantt chart for the execution of the processes, showing their start time and end time, using **First-Come First-Served FCFS** scheduling algorithm. (2 marks)

Calculate average turnaround time, and average waiting time for the system in **First-Come First-Served FCFS** scheduling algorithm. (8 marks)

2. There is a system with **64 pages** of **512 bytes** page size and a physical memory of **32 frames**. How many bits are required in the logical and physical address? (6 marks)

3. Calculate the number of page faults for the following reference string using **First-In, First-Out FIFO algorithm** with frame size as 4.

5 0 2 1 0 3 0 2 4 3 0 3 2 1 3 0 1 5

4. Consider a disk queue with I/O requests on the following cylinders in their arriving order:

54, 97, 73, 128, 15, 44, 110, 34, 45

The disk head is assumed to be at cylinder number 23.

Write the sequence in which requested tracks are serviced using **Shortest-Seek-Time-First (SSTF) algorithm** and calculate the total head movement (in number of cylinders) incurred while servicing these requests. (5 marks)

5. Consider a **real-time system** in which there are three processes. Their period and execution time are as follows:

Process	Execution time, t	Period, p
P1	35	100
P2	10	50
P3	30	150

Calculate the total utilization of CPU. (1 mark)

We assume that all three processes are released at time 0. Explain the **Rate Monotonic Scheduling Algorithm** of the processes. (4 marks)

Show the processes on timing diagram. (2 marks)

QUESTION III. Resource allocation**(10 marks)**

Consider a system with the following information and assume that the system is in safe state.

At this moment, if **P4** requests two more instances of **R1** and two instances of **R3**, will the system still be in safe state? Explain the answer.

Total resources

R1	R2	R3
15	8	8

Process	Max			Allocation		
	R1	R2	R3	R1	R2	R3
P1	5	6	3	2	1	0
P2	8	5	6	3	2	3
P3	4	9	2	3	0	2
P4	7	4	3	3	2	0
P5	4	3	3	1	0	1

QUESTION IV. Operating System in C Language**(10 marks)**

If the statement **while** *flag[j]* **and** *turn = j* in Peterson's algorithm is changed to **while** *flag[j]* **or** *turn = j*, which properties of **Critical Section** implementation are violated by the resulting system? Explain.

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int turn;
boolean flag[2];
do
{
    flag[i] = true;
    turn = j;
    while (flag[j] && turn == j);
    // critical section
    flag[i] = false;
    // remainder section
}
while (true);

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