UNIX PROGRAMMING (Effective from the academic year 2018 -2019)					
SEMESTER – V					
Course Code	18CS56	CIE Marks	40		
Number of Contact Hours/Week	3:0:0	SEE Marks	60		
Total Number of Contact Hours	40	Exam Hours	03		
CREDITS – 3					

Course Learning Objectives: This course (18CS56) will enable students to

- Interpret the features of UNIX and basic commands.
- Demonstrate different UNIX files and permissions
- Implement shell programs.
- Explain UNIX process, IPC and signals.

Module 1	Contact
	Hours
Introduction: Unix Components/Architecture. Features of Unix. The UNIX Environment	08
and UNIX Structure, Posix and Single Unix specification. General features of Unix	
commands/ command structure. Command arguments and options. Basic Unix commands	
such as echo, printf, ls, who, date, passwd, cal, Combining commands. Meaning of Internal	
and external commands. The type command: knowing the type of a command and locating it.	
The root login. Becoming the super user: su command.	
Unix files: Naming files. Basic file types/categories. Organization of files. Hidden files.	
Standard directories. Parent child relationship. The home directory and the HOME variable.	
Reaching required files- the PATH variable, manipulating the PATH, Relative and absolute	
pathnames. Directory commands – pwd, cd, mkdir, rmdir commands. The dot (.) and double	
dots () notations to represent present and parent directories and their usage in relative path	
names. File related commands – cat, my, rm, cp, wc and od commands.	
RBT: L1, L2	
Module 2	
File attributes and permissions: The ls command with options. Changing file permissions:	08
the relative and absolute permissions changing methods. Recursively changing file	
permissions. Directory permissions.	
The shells interpretive cycle: Wild cards. Removing the special meanings of wild cards.	
Three standard files and redirection. Connecting commands: Pipe. Basic and Extended	
regular expressions. The grep, egrep. Typical examples involving different regular	
expressions.	
Shell programming: Ordinary and environment variables. The .profile. Read and readonly	
commands. Command line arguments. exit and exit status of a command. Logical operators	
for conditional execution. The test command and its shortcut. The if, while, for and case	
control statements. The set and shift commands and handling positional parameters. The here	
(<<) document and trap command. Simple shell program examples.	
RBT: L1, L2	
Module 3	
UNIX File APIs: General File APIs, File and Record Locking, Directory File APIs, Device	08
File APIs, FIFO File APIs, Symbolic Link File APIs.	
UNIX Processes and Process Control:	
The Environment of a UNIX Process: Introduction, main function, Process Termination,	
Command-Line Arguments, Environment List, Memory Layout of a C Program, Shared	
Libraries, Memory Allocation, Environment Variables, setjmp and longjmp Functions,	

getrlimit, setrlimit Functions, UNIX Kernel Support for Processes.			
Process Control: Introduction, Process Identifiers, fork, vfork, exit, wait, waitpid, wait3,			
wait4 Functions, Race Conditions, exec Functions			
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	RBT: L1, L2, L3	İ	
	Module 4		
	Changing User IDs and Group IDs, Interpreter Files, system Function, Process Accounting,	08	
	User Identification, Process Times, I/O Redirection.	İ	
Overview of IPC Methods , Pipes, popen, pclose Functions, Coprocesses, FIFOs, System V			
	IPC, Message Queues, Semaphores.	ı	
	Shared Memory , Client-Server Properties, Stream Pipes, Passing File Descriptors, An Open	ı	
Server-Version 1, Client-Server Connection Functions.			
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	RBT: L1, L2, L3	ı	
	Module 5		
	Signals and Daemon Processes: Signals: The UNIX Kernel Support for Signals, signal,	08	
	Signal Mask, sigaction, The SIGCHLD Signal and the waitpid Function, The sigsetjmp and	ı	
	siglongimp Functions, Kill, Alarm, Interval Timers, POSIX.lb Timers. Daemon Processes:	İ	
Introduction, Daemon Characteristics, Coding Rules, Error Logging, Client-Server Model.			
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	RBT: L1, L2, L3	ı	

Course Outcomes: The student will be able to:

- Explain Unix Architecture, File system and use of Basic Commands
- Illustrate Shell Programming and to write Shell Scripts
- Categorize, compare and make use of Unix System Calls
- Build an application/service over a Unix system.

Question Paper Pattern:

- The question paper will have ten questions.
- Each full Question consisting of 20 marks
- There will be 2 full questions (with a maximum of four sub questions) from each module.
- Each full question will have sub questions covering all the topics under a module.
- The students will have to answer 5 full questions, selecting one full question from each module.

Textbooks:

- 1. Sumitabha Das., Unix Concepts and Applications., 4thEdition., Tata McGraw Hill (Chapter 1,2 ,3,4,5,6,8,13,14)
- 2. W. Richard Stevens: Advanced Programming in the UNIX Environment, 2nd Edition, Pearson Education, 2005 (Chapter 3,7,8,10,13,15)
- 3. Unix System Programming Using C++ Terrence Chan, PHI, 1999. (Chapter 7,8,9,10)

Reference Books:

- 1. M.G. Venkatesh Murthy: UNIX & Shell Programming, Pearson Education.
- 2. Richard Blum, Christine Bresnahan: Linux Command Line and Shell Scripting Bible, 2ndEdition, Wiley,2014.

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