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BCS515C

**Fifth Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, Dec.2024/Jan.2025**

## UNIX System Programming

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

*Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.*

*2. M : Marks , L: Bloom's level , C: Course outcomes.*

Module – 1				M	L	C
Q.1	a.	Explain the Kernel and Shell relationship in UNIX operating system with a neat diagram.	10	L1	CO1	
	b.	Explain the following UNIX commands with syntax and examples: i) who      ii) ls      iii) passwd      iv) echo      v) date	10	L2	CO1	
OR						
Q.2	a.	Explain any five file related commands with syntax and example of each.	10	L2	CO1	
	b.	Explain the salient features of UNIX operating system.	04	L1	CO1	
	c.	Explain the file types or categories.	06	L2	CO1	
Module – 2						
Q.3	a.	Explain the use of chmod command to change file permission using both absolute and relative methods.	10	L2	CO2	
	b.	Explain ls commands with all the options and examples.	10	L2	CO2	
OR						
Q.4	a.	Explain grep commands with all its options.	10	L2	CO2	
	b.	Explain three standard files in UNIX.	06	L2	CO2	
	c.	Explain the steps of shell interpretive cycle.	04	L2	CO2	
Module – 3						
Q.5	a.	Explain POSIX and SUS (Single UNIX Specification) standards.	04	L2	CO3	
	b.	Develop a C program to demonstrate the use of open( ) and read( ) system call in UNIX.	10	L3	CO3	
	c.	Explain the use of mkdir( ) and rmdir( ) function in managing directories.	06	L2	CO3	
OR						
Q.6	a.	Differentiate between character special files and block special files.	06	L2	CO3	
	b.	Develop a c program to demonstrate the chdir( ) and fchdir( ) functions in UNIX.	10	L3	CO3	
	c.	Explain the memory layout of a C program in UNIX.	04	L2	CO3	
Module – 4						
Q.7	a.	Develop both the fork and vfork function in a example program.	10	L3	CO4	
	b.	Explain briefly with an example two system v IPC mechanism: i) Message Queues      ii) Semaphores	10	L2	CO4	
OR						
Q.8	a.	Explain pipes and its limitations upon developing a program to send data from parent to child over a pipe.	10	L2	CO4	
	b.	Explain the client server communication using FIFO with a neat diagram.	10	L2	CO4	
Module – 5						
Q.9	a.	Illustrate signal in UNIX and develop program to setup signal handlers for sigsetjmp( ) and abort( ).	10	L3	CO5	
	b.	Explain Daemon process by developing program to transform a normal user into a Daemon process.	10	L3	CO5	
OR						
Q.10	a.	Explain implement SIGPROCMASK and SIGCONJMP functions with examples.	10	L2	CO5	
	b.	Explain coding rules and error logging for Daemon process with neat diagram.	10	L2	CO5	

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	<p>user category (user, group, others)  operation (assign or remove permission)  type (read, write, execute)</p> <p><u>ex</u> \$ chmod u+x test # assign (+) x (execute) to u (user)</p> <p>\$ chmod ugo+x test # assign (+) x to ugo (user, group &amp; other)</p> <p>\$ chmod u+x test, test2, test3</p> <p><u>Absolute permission</u>:- Give permission explicitly  String of three octal digits.</p> <p>Read permission - 4 (octal 100)  Write " " - 2 (octal 010)  Execute " " - 1 (octal 001)</p> <p><u>ex</u> \$ chmod 666 test</p> <p>\$ chmod 777 test</p> <p>\$ chmod 761 test</p>	<p>5m + 2  = 7  = 10m</p>
(b)	<p>ls → list / display all files &amp; directories</p> <p>syntax \$ ls [option] [argument]</p> <p>options:-</p> <p>-a, -F, -k, -i, } write example of each (any five)  -d, -R, -t, -l</p> <p><u>ex</u> \$ ls -l chapt</p> <p>\$ ls -x</p> <p>\$ ls -Fx</p> <p>-ls -a</p> <p>-ls -lxF</p>	<p>2m x 5  = 10m</p>



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U(a)	<p>grep → display lines containing the pattern</p> <p>Syntax - \$grep options pattern filename(s)</p> <p>e.g. \$grep "sales" emp.lst # display all lines containing sales in emp.lst</p> <p>Any five examples by using below option</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) <del>grep</del> -i → ignore case <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">2m x 5</span></li> <li>ii) -v → don't display lines.</li> <li>iii) -n → display line numbers along with line</li> <li>iv) -l → display list of filename only</li> <li>v) -e → exp specific expression with option</li> <li>vi) -x → file matches with patterns with entire line</li> <li>vii) -f → pattern from file</li> <li>viii) -E → treats pattern as an extended ERE</li> <li>ix) -F → matches multiple fixed string.</li> </ul> <p>e.g. \$grep -i "unix programming" emp.lst</p>	10m
(b)	<p>Explanation of three standard files</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) standard input → The file(stream) representing input connected to the keyboard(0)</li> <li>ii) standard output → The file(stream) representing output connected to display(1)</li> <li>iii) standard error → The file(stream) representing error message(2)</li> </ul>	2m x 3 = 6m
(c)	<p>Shell Interpretive Cycle: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ shell sits between user &amp; OS acting as command interpreter.</li> <li>→ read input &amp; translate the command into action</li> <li>→ shell is analogous to command in DOS.</li> <li>- Every UNIX platform will either have Bourne shell</li> <li>- \$, #, %.</li> </ul>	4m

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	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Module-3</u></p> <p>5(a) POSIX → a set of standardized specification to ensure compatibility between operating system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Process management — fork(), exec(), wait()</li> <li>* File I/O operation — open(), read(), write</li> </ul> <p>SUS (Single Unix specification)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ It maintained by open group &amp; serves as a certification program for operating systems.</li> <li>shell utilities — ls, grep, find &amp; basic commands</li> </ul> <p>(b)</p> <pre> #include &lt;stdio.h&gt; #include &lt;fcntl.h&gt; #include &lt;unistd.h&gt; #define BUFFER_SIZE 1024 int main() {     int fd;     char buf[BUFFER_SIZE];     ssize_t br;     fd = open("abc.txt", O_RDONLY);     if (fd &lt; 0) {         perror("failed to open file");         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }     printf("File opened successfully, reading content");     while (br = read(fd, buf, sizeof(buf) - 1) &gt; 0) {         buf[br] = '\0';         printf("x.s", buf);     }     if (br &lt; 0) {         perror("failed to read from file");         close(fd);         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }     close(fd);     printf("File read &amp; closed successfully");     return 0; } </pre>	<p>4M</p> <p>10M</p>



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(c)	<p>mkdir() → used to create a new directory</p> <p>Syntax - <code>int mkdir(const char *pathname, mode_t mode);</code></p> <pre> int main() {     const char *dir = "new-directory";     if (mkdir(dir, 0755) == 0) {         printf("Directory '%s' Created successfully\n", dir);     }     else {         perror("mkdir failed");     }     return 0; } </pre> <p>rmdir() → delete an empty directory.</p> <p>Syntax <code>int rmdir(const char *pathname);</code></p> <pre> int main() {     const char *dir = "new directory";     if (rmdir(dir) == 0) {         printf("Directory '%s', removed successfully\n", dir);     }     else {         perror("rmdir failed");     }     return 0; } </pre>	6m																					
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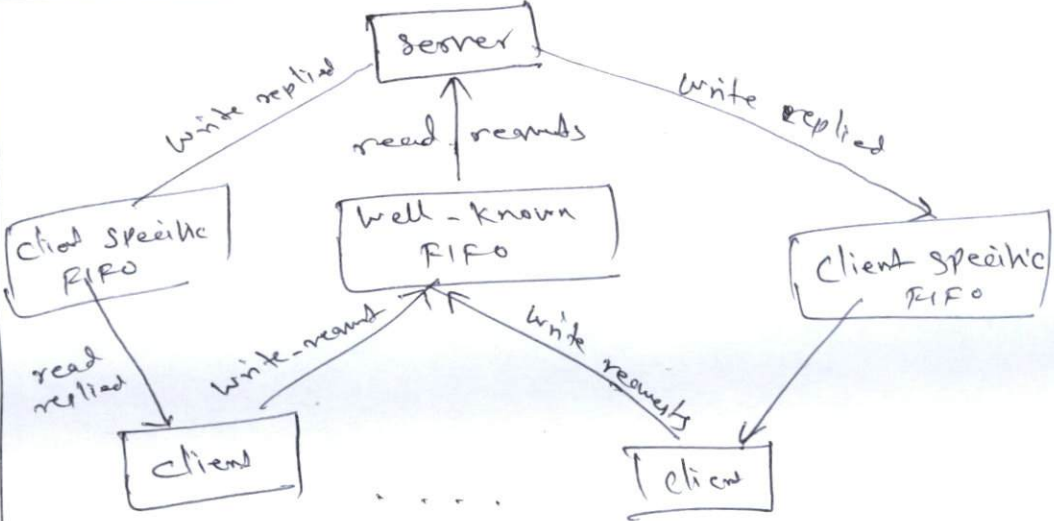
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(b)	<pre> #include &lt;stdio.h&gt; #include &lt;unistd.h&gt; #define buf-size 1024 int main() {     char cwd[buf-size];     int fd;     if (getcwd(cwd, sizeof(cwd)) == NULL) {         perror("getcwd failed");         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }     printf("Current directory: %s\n", cwd);     if (chdir("/tmp") != 0) {         perror("chdir failed");         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }     printf("Changed directory to /tmp using chdir\n");     fd = open(cwd, O_RDONLY);     if (fd &lt; 0) {         perror("failed to open previous directory");         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }     if (fchdir(fd) != 0) {         perror("fchdir failed");         close(fd);         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }     printf("Changed back to %s using fchdir\n", cwd);     close(fd);     if (getcwd(cwd, sizeof(cwd)) == NULL) {         perror("getcwd failed");         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }     printf("Current directory after fchdir(): %s\n", cwd);     return 0; } </pre>	10m



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(C)	<p>memory layout of C program includes:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text (code) segment</li> <li>Data segment</li> <li>Heap segment</li> <li>Stack segment</li> <li>Command line argument &amp; Environment variable</li> </ol>	4m
7(a)	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Module - 4</u></p> <p>fork() → existing process can create a new one by calling the fork function.</p> <p><u>prototype</u>:- <code>#include &lt;unistd.h&gt;</code>  <code>pid_t fork(void);</code>          return: 0 in child, process ID of child in parent, 1 on error.</p> <pre> es int main() {     int a = 10; pid;     if ((pid = fork()) &gt; 0)     {         printf("error");         return -1;     }     else     {         a = a + 1;         printf("child process a = %d\n", a);     }     printf("parent process a = %d\n", a); } </pre> <p>Vfork() → It has the same calling sequence &amp; return. Same return value as fork. The vfork function is organised with 2.9 BSD.</p> <pre> #include &lt;stdio.h&gt; int main() {     int a = 10; pid;     if ((pid = vfork()) &lt; 0)     {         printf("error");     }     else     {         a = a + 1;         printf("child process a = %d\n", a);     }     printf("parent process a = %d\n", a); } </pre>	10m

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8 (a)	<p>pipes are used for communicating between Unix process</p> <p>two limitations:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) pipes are half duplex</li> <li>ii) pipes can be used to communicate only between two process that have a common ancestor (4M)</li> </ul> <pre> int main() {     int n;     int fd[2];     pid_t pid;     char line[MAXLINE];     if (pipe(fd) &lt; 0)         printf("Error in creating pipe\n");     if ((pid = fork()) &lt; 0)         printf("Error in creating process\n");     else if (pid &gt; 0)     {         close(fd[0]);         write(fd[1], "hello world\n", 12);     }     else     {         close(fd[1]);         n = read(fd[0], line, MAXLINE);         write(1, line, n);     }     exit(0); } </pre>	10M
(b)	<p>FIFOs another means of inter-process communication in UNIX. They are also called named pipes. pipe can be used only between related process when a common ancestor has created the pipe. with FIFOs, however, unrelated processes can exchange data.</p> <p>FIFO is to send data between client &amp; a server.</p>	



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	 <p>explanation of above client server communication</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Module 5</u></p> <p>9(a) Signals are software interrupts. Signal provide a way of handling asynchronous events.</p> <p>Ctrl + C Ctrl + Z Ctrl + \</p> <p style="text-align: right;">- 2m</p> <p><u>program</u></p> <pre> #include &lt;stdio.h&gt; #include &lt;signal.h&gt; #include &lt;setjmp.h&gt;  sigjmp_buf jmp-bubler; void handle-sig(int sig) {     printf("caught signal (signal %d) jumping back to saved state, sig).\n", sig);     siglongjmp(jmp-bubler, 1); } void hand-sigabrt(int sig) {     printf("caught sigabrt (signal %d), program aborted", sig);     exit(EXIT_FAILURE); } </pre>	10m

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	<pre> int main() {     signal(<del>sigint</del> SIGINT, handle_sigint);     signal(SIGABRT, handle_sigabrt);      if (sigsetjmp(jump_buffer, 1) == 0) {         printf("Jump point saved prev ctrl+c to trigger");         else             printf("Back to SIGINT");     }      while(1)     {         char input;         printf("Enter 'q' to abort");         scanf("%c", &amp;input);         if (input == 'q') {             printf("Aborting the program using abort()\n");             abort();         }         else             printf("Continuing execution, Press ctrl+c to send SIGINT");     }      return 0; } </pre>	10M
(b)	<p>Daemon process is a background process that is not under the direct control of the user. This process is usually started when the system is bootstrapped &amp; it terminates with the system shut down. — 2M</p> <p><u>Program</u></p> <pre> #include &lt;sys/types.h&gt; #include &lt;sys/stat.h&gt; #include &lt;stdio.h&gt; #include &lt;unistd.h&gt; #include &lt;fcntl.h&gt;  int main() {     pid_t pid; </pre>	



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	<pre> int i; pid = fork(); if (pid == -1)     return -1; else if (pid != 0)     exit(EXIT_SUCCESS); if (setsid() == -1)     return -1; if (chdir("/") == -1)     return -1; for (i = 0; i &lt; NR_OPEN; i++)     close(i); open("/dev/null", O_RDWR); dup(0); dup(0);  /* do it later thing */ return 0; </pre>	8m
10 (a)	<p>sigprocmask() - block specific signals, unblock signals and check.</p> <pre> int sigprocmask(int how, const sigset_t *set, sigset_t *oldset); siglongjmp() → restore the context saved by sigsetjmp() void siglongjmp (sigjmp_buf env, int val); #include &lt;stdio.h&gt; #include &lt;unistd.h&gt; sigjmp_buf jmp_buf; void sigint_handler(int sig) {     printf("caught signal");     siglongjmp(jmp_buf, 1); } </pre>	

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	<pre> int main() {     sigset_t new_mask, old_mask;     signal(SIGINT, sigint_handler);     sigemptyset(&amp;new_mask);     sigaddset(&amp;new_mask, SIGINT);     if (sigprocmask(SIG_BLOCK, &amp;new_mask,         &amp;old_mask) &lt; 0) {         perror("sigprocmask");         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);     }      if (sigsetjmp(jump_buffer, 1) != 0)         printf("jump pool saved");     else         printf("back from sigint");      if (sigprocmask(SIG_UNBLOCK,         &amp;old_mask, NULL) &lt; 0) </pre>	<p>2</p> <pre>     perror("sigprocmask");     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);      while (1);     pause(); }  return 0; } </pre> <p>10m</p>
<p>5</p> <p>1</p>	<p>Coding rules:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) fork process to create child</li> <li>ii) changing working directory to / (root)</li> <li>iii) close standard files descriptors.</li> <li>iv) set file permission using umask()</li> <li>v) create new session with setsid()</li> </ol> <p><u>Error logging:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) use syslog()</li> <li>ii) open the log using openlog()</li> <li>iii) use syslog for message reporting</li> <li>iv) close the log with closelog()</li> </ol> <p>any example program.</p>	<p>10m</p> <p>8m x 2</p>