



T.E. (Computer) (Semester – 5) (RC) Examination, May/June 2012  
**OPERATING SYSTEMS**

Duration : 3 Hours

Total Marks : 100

- Instructions:** 1) Answer **any five** questions by selecting at least **one** from **each** Module.  
2) **Assume** appropriate data **wherever** necessary.  
3) Sketch diagram **wherever** required.

**MODULE – I**

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| 1. a) What are the advantages of parallel systems ? Also explain types of it.  | 6 |
| b) Draw and explain microkernel architecture. List and explain advantages of microkernel.                                    | 7 |
| c) Explain and justify how multilevel queue scheduling different from multilevel feedback queue scheduling.                  | 7 |
| 2. a) What is critical section problem ? What requirements must be satisfied by a solution to the critical section problem ? | 4 |
| b) State and explain dining philosopher problem. Also write symbolic code for this using Semaphores.                         | 6 |
| c) What are Messages ? How they are different from Semaphore variables ?   | 5 |
| d) Write a short note on Monitors.   | 5 |

**MODULE – II**

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| 3. a) What are characteristics of deadlock ?               | 4 |
| b) Explain Banker's Algorithm with the help of an example. | 6 |
| c) Describe various methods for deadlock recovery.         | 5 |
| d) Write a short note on thrashing.                        | 5 |

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| 4. a) What is demand paging ? Enumerate and explain briefly the steps in handling page fault. | 6 |
| b) Write a short note on multilevel paging.   | 4 |
| c) Explain segmentation as memory management technique.                                       | 5 |
| d) What is Belady's Anomaly ? Explain with an example.  | 5 |

## MODULE – III

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| 5. a) Write a short note on Windows File Management.            | 6 |
| b) What are Block and Character devices ?                       | 3 |
| c) Explain the directory structure used in UNIX.                | 6 |
| d) What is polling ? Explain concept of handshaking in I/O.     | 5 |
| 6. a) Write a short note on swap space management.              | 6 |
| b) Describe different services offered by Kernel I/O subsystem. | 8 |
| c) Describe SCAN and C-SCAN disk scheduling algorithms.         | 6 |

## MODULE – IV

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| 7. a) Write short notes on :   | (5×4=20)    |
| i) Intruders   | ii) Worms   |
| iii) Access matrix   | iv) Viruses |
| 8. a) Write a shell script to print largest number of the given 3 numbers.   | 4           |
| b) Write a shell script to check whether number entered through keyboard is odd or even. If it is odd, then reverse the digits of the number and print it. | 6           |
| c) Explain following shell commands with example :   | 10          |
| i) head  | ii) ls -l   |
| iii) mv  | iv) cp      |
| v) cat   |             |