

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)**

**BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2018
(Third Semester)**

Branch - **COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY**

OPERATING SYSTEMS

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

SECTION-A (20 Marks)

Answer **ALL** questions

ALL questions carry **EQUAL** marks (10 x 2 = 20)

- 1 What are the main purposes of an Operating System?
- 2 What is the main advantage of Multi Programming?
- 3 Explain the difference between logical address and physical address space.
- 4 What are the necessary conditions for the occurrence of a deadlock?
- 5 What are the advantages of having an inverted page table?
- 6 What are the major activities of an operating system in regard to Process Management?
- 7 What advantage is there in having different time quantum sizes on different levels of a multilevel queueing system?
- 8 Why are segmentation and paging sometimes combined into one scheme?
- 9 What is FAT?
- 10 What is the need for disk scheduling?

SECTION - B (25 Marks)

Answer **ALL** Questions

ALL Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 x 5 = 25)

- 11 a What is the purpose of system calls? Briefly explain the types of system calls provided by a typical operating system.
OR
b Explain how Co-operating processes communicate with each other via an IPC.
- 12 a Explain the important operating system design issues for the following:
a) Multiprocessor systems b) Clustered systems
OR
b Differentiate preemptive scheduling from non-preemptive scheduling.
- 13 a Explain the banker's algorithm for deadlock avoidance with an illustration.
OR
b Explain the following page table structures:
a) Hierarchical Page table b) Hashed Page table
- 14 a Explain the following file allocation methods:
(i) Linked allocation (ii) Indexed allocation
OR
b Explain the different disk scheduling algorithms with neat diagram.
- 15 a Consider the following page reference string:
2,3,4,5,3,2,6,7,3,4,1,7,1,4,3,2,3,4,7
Calculate the number of page faults would occur for the following page replacement algorithm with frame size of 3 and 5.
a) LRU b) Optimal
OR
b Briefly explain the disk management and swap-space management.

SECTION - C (30 Marks)

Answer any **THREE** Questions

ALL Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (3 x 10 = 30)

- 16 Briefly explain various managements of the operating systems and their responsibilities in detail.
- 17 What is deadlock detection and recovery? Describe the methods for recovering from deadlock.
- 18 What is critical section? Specify the requirements for a solution to the critical section problem.
- 19 Explain and compare FCFS, SSTF, C-SCAN and C-LOOK disk scheduling algorithms with an example.
- 20 (i) Explain linked file allocation method.
(ii) Explain the file system in Windows XP.

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