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# END TERM EXAMINATION

FIFTH SEMESTER [BCA] DECEMBER 2015

Paper Code: BCA-301

Subject: Operating Systems

(Batch: 2011 onwards)

Maximum Marks: 75

Time: 3 Hours

Note: Attempt any five questions including Q.no. 1 which is compulsory.  
Select one question from each unit.

(5x5=25)

Q1

- (a) Define race condition with an example.
- (b) What is dead-lock? List the necessary conditions for a deadlock to occur.
- (c) Define starvation in a deadlock situation with an example.
- (d) Briefly how starvation is avoided in the operating system.
- (e) Give four general examples of the use of threads in a single-user multiprocessing system.

### UNIT-I

Q2

- (a) What are deadlock prevention techniques? What do you mean by deadlock avoidance? (5)
- (b) What is dining philosopher problem? Provide solution to solve the dining philosopher problem. (7.5)

Q3

- (a) What is semaphore? Describe how semaphore can be used for block wake up synchronization between processes. (5)
- (b) Given a total of 10 units of a resource type, and given the sage state shown below, should process 2 be granted a request of 2 additional resources? Justify your answer whether the new state is safe or unsafe state. (7.5)

Process	Used	Max
P1	2	5
P2	1	6
P3	2	6
P4	1	2
P5	1	4

### UNIT-II

Q4

- (a) What is Critical-Section problem? What are the requirements that critical section problem must satisfy for its solution? (5)
- (b) Describe the need for Device management. Explain techniques used for managing and allocating devices. (7.5)

Q5

- (a) What is an operating system? Discuss the main services of operating system and also discuss the purpose of system calls in operating system. (5)
- (b) What is the goal of multiprogramming? Differentiate between a time sharing system and real time system. (7.5)

### UNIT-III

Q6

- (a) What is process control block (PCB)? Explain various states of a process with suitable diagram. (5)
- (b) What are cooperating processes? Explain message passing method for achieving inter-process communication (IPC) with suitable diagram. (7.5)

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- 27 (a) What are multiprocessor systems? List their advantages and explain different types of multiprocessor systems. (5)
- (b) What resources are typically shared by all the threads of a process? List reasons why a mode switch between threads may be cheaper than a mode switch between processes. And also differentiate between user level threads and kernel level threads. (7.5)

UNIT-IV

3 Consider that the pages are referenced in the following sequence (12.5)  
0,9,0,1,8,1,8,7,8,7,1,2,8,2,7,8,2,3,8,3.

How many page faults would occur for the following page replacement algorithm with three page frames?

- ✓(a) FIFO
- ✓(b) Optimal
- (c) LRU

(6.25x2=12.5)

Write a short note on:

- (a) Swap space management
- (b) Risk reliability