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COURSE CODE: ICB 1303

COURSE TITLE: Advanced Operating System

EXAM VENUE: STREAM: BSc Information Communication Technology

DATE: DECEMBER 2022 EXAM

SESSION: TIME: 2.00 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Answer Question 1 (Compulsory) and ANY other two questions**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room**

Question 1

- a) Explain **the main** rationale of learning about advanced operating System (2mks)
- b) State and explain the **TWO basic** functions of an operating system (4mks)
- c) Distinguish between Policies and Mechanisms in the design of Operating System (2mks)
- d) Identify and explain **THREE** Design approaches in Operating System (6mks)
- e) A process is a program whose execution has started but is not yet complete (i.e., a program in execution). State the **THREE** basic states of a process. (3mks)
- f) Define a semaphore as used in synchronization and write an expression to unblock a process (2mks)
- g) Describe **FOUR** activities of operating system does in memory management (4mks)
- h) Define spooling as used in peripheral operations and state **TWO** advantages of spooling (3mks)
- i) State **TWO** demerits of Paging (1mk)
- j) Identify and explain **THREE** system threats. (3mks)

Question 2

- a) Define a thread and explain the **TWO** types of threads (5mks)
- b) Identify and explain **FOUR** Benefits of multithreaded programming (8mks)
- c) Define Virtual memory and identify **SIX** situations where an entire program is not required to be fully loaded in main memory (7mks)

Question 3

- (a) Discuss **FOUR** common program threats which compromises the security of a computer (4mks)
- (b) Identify **THREE** components of a Linux operating System (6mks)
- (c) State and explain **FIVE** basic features of a Linux Operating system (10mks)

Question 4

- (a) State and explain the **FIVE** process scheduling Algorithms (10mks)
- (b) A Process Control Block (PCB) is a data structure maintained by Operating System for every process. List down **TEN** information a PCB needs to keep track of a process(10mks)

Question 5

- (a) Operating systems can be categorized as; architecture and application driven, Identify and explain the **FOUR** types of advanced operating systems under the two categories (8mks)
- (b) With the aid of a well-drawn **diagram** describe the **FIVE** process life cycle of an Operating system. (12mks)