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**THIRD SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2012**

**Computer Science**

**CSC 3C 01—OPERATING SYSTEM**

**(2010 admissions)**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weightage : 36

**Part A**

*Answer all questions.*

*Each question carries 1 weightage.*

1. Define Kernel. What do you mean by kernel model ?
2. List and explain the four basic types of user mode processes supported by Windows.
3. Differentiate between the characteristics of modern Unix systems and Linux.
4. Give the purpose of memory tables, JO tables, file tables and process tables.
5. Explain the four basic thread operations.
6. Briefly explain the significance of semaphores in concurrency control.
7. Explain relocation in memory management.
8. Differentiate paging and segmentation.
9. Explain any *two* page replacement algorithm.
10. Briefly explain FCFS scheduling.
11. Differentiate turnaround time and response time.
12. List objectives of file management systems.

(12 x 1 = 12 weightage)

**Part B**

*Answer any six questions.*

*Each question carries 2 weightage.*

13. Discuss the architecture of modern Unix Operating System.
14. Discuss the principal Linux Kernel components.
15. Briefly explain five-state process model.
16. Write notes on symmetric multiprocessing.
17. Explain windows virtual address map.

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18. With the help of block diagram, explain data structures used for paged virtual memory in Unix systems.
19. Write notes on process and thread priorities in Windows scheduling.
20. Explain the need for buffering. Discuss various approaches to buffering.
21. What is an i-node ? Write notes on file allocation in Unix file management.

(6 x 2 = 12 weightage)

### Part C

*Answer any three questions.  
Each question carries 4 weightage.*

22. Discuss Windows thread and SMP management.
23. (a) Explain how synchronization objects and critical section provides synchronization in WINDOWS.  
(b) Explain the role of semaphores and signals in UNIX interprocessor communication and synchronization.
24. Give a detailed account of Linux memory management.
25. Explain aspects of real-time scheduling.
26. Discuss the salient features of Unix Scheduling.
27. Discuss the features of WINDOWS PO.

(3 x 4 = 12 weightage)