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## **Review Questions: Chapter 3**

- List system service functions provided for the convenience of the programmer.
- List system service functions provided for the efficiency of the system.
- · List some system calls used for file manipulation.
- · List some debugging aid.
- · What is command line interpreter?

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## **Review Questions: Chapter 4**

- What are the differences between a program, a process, and a thread?
- · What is process control block?
- What are tasks of long term, short term and midterm schedulers?
- · Which one should be fast?
- · What is the degree of multiprogramming?
- What is time sharing?
- What is swapping?
- · What is content switching?
- Describe the producer/consumer problem.
- Give examples of producer/consumer problem.

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#### **Review Questions: Chapter 5**

- What is a CPU burst? An I/O burst?
- What is FIFO?
- · What is preemption?
- · List 5 performance criteria for a system.
- What is convoy effect?
- · What is exponential averaging?
- What is the purpose of "aging"?
- · What is SJF, SRTF and RR scheduling?
- · How time quanta is related to context switching time?
- · What is multilevel queue based scheduling?

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#### **Review Questions: Chapter 6**

- · What is critical section problem?
- What are the three requirements for a good CSP solution?
- · What is term "atomically" means?
- What was wrong with the first two CSP solutions?
- Define the wait() and signal() operations on semaphore.
- If processes S1 and S2 have to execute in sequence, how you will use a semaphore?

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#### **Review Questions: Chapter 7**

- · What are the 4 necessary conditions for deadlock?
  - (One resource is non-sharable, a process is in hold and wait state, no preemption, circular wait)
- List three strategies for dealing with deadlock.
- List few technique of deadlock prevention attacking 2nd condition.
  - ♦ (request all at the beginning, can request one, if it is not holding one)
- List few technique of deadlock prevention attacking 3rd condition.
  - ♦ (requestor is preempted first, requestor can preempt from others).
- List few technique of deadlock prevention attacking 4th condition.
  - ♦ (order resources, to request a higher resource release the lower order ones).
- · What is safe state?
- Summarize Banker's algorithm.

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#### **Review Questions: Chapter 8**

- What is binding?
- · What are overlays?
- · What is dynamic loading?
- · What is swapping?
- Explain Internal and External fragmentations.
- · What is page and what is frame?
- What is the content of a page table?
- List three ways of implementing page tables (registers, memory and associative registers).
- What is segmentation?

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# **Review Questions: Chapter 9**

- What is Virtual memory? What are the advantages?
- · What is demand paging? What are the advantages?
- What is the purpose of valid/invalid bit?
- What is a page fault?
- How you compute effective access time on a demand pages system?
  (1-p) m + p x d
- · How do you resolve when there is no more free frames?
- What is dirty bit?
- · What is the ideal criteria to choose a victim?
- · What is Belady's anamaly?
- · What is LRU?
- What is second chance replacement algorithm?
- · How frames can be allocated to processes?
- What local and global replacement differs?
- What is thrashing?
- How CPU utilization varies with degree of multiprogramming?

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#### **Review Questions: Chapters 10-11**

- · What is a file?
- What is involved in opening a file?
- · What are the advantages of directory?
- · List three ways of allocating disk blocks to files.
- · What are the difficulties of contiguous allocation?
- · What are the difficulties of linked allocation?
- · How BSD Unix implements a mixed scheme?
- Rank the allocation methods based on speed of access.

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## **Review Questions: Chapters 13**

- What is sector, track and cylinder?
- What are components of disk access time?
- What is the problem with FCFS disk scheduling?
- What is SSTF scheduling?
- What is the difference between SCAN and C-SCAN algorithms?
- Which track will have best performance?