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Chapter 2 – Operating System Overview

TRUE/FALSE QUESTIONS:

- 1) An OS should be constructed in such a way as to permit the effective development, testing, and introduction of new system functions without interfering with service.

Answer: True False

- 2) The OS masks the details of the hardware from the programmer and provides the programmer with a convenient interface for using the system.

Answer: True False

- 3) The ABI gives a program access to the hardware resources and services available in a system through the user ISA.

Answer: True False

- 4) The OS frequently relinquishes control and must depend on the processor to allow it to regain control.

Answer: True False

- 5) One of the driving forces in operating system evolution is advancement in the underlying hardware technology.

Answer: True False

- 6) The processor itself is not a resource so the OS is not involved in determining how much of the processor time is devoted to the execution of a user program.

Answer: True False

- 7) A process consists of three components: an executable program, the associated data needed by the program, and the execution context of the program.

Answer: True False

- 8) Uniprogramming typically provides better utilization of system resources than multiprogramming.

Answer: True False

- 9) A monolithic kernel is implemented as a single process with all elements sharing the same address space.

Answer: True False

10) The user has direct access to the processor with a batch-processing type of OS.

Answer: True False

11) Both batch processing and time sharing use multiprogramming.

Answer: True False

12) The phrase "control is passed to a job" means that the processor is now fetching and executing instructions from the monitor program.

Answer: True False

13) In a time sharing system, a user's program is preempted at regular intervals, but due to relatively slow human reaction time this occurrence is usually transparent to the user.

Answer: True False

14) The principle objective of Batch Multiprogramming is to minimize response time.

Answer: True False

15) Virtualization technology enables a single PC or server to simultaneously run multiple operating systems or multiple sessions of a single OS.

Answer: True False

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS:

1) The _____ is the interface that is the boundary between hardware and software.

- A) ABI B) ISA C) IAS D) API

Answer: B

2) A(n) _____ is a set of resources for the movement, storage, and processing of data and for the control of these functions.

- A) architecture B) program C) computer D) application

Answer: C

3) The operating system's _____ refers to its inherent flexibility in permitting functional modifications to the system without interfering with service.

- A) efficiency
- B) ability to evolve
- C) controlled access
- D) convenience

Answer: B

4) Operating systems must evolve over time because:

- A) new hardware is designed and implemented in the computer system
- B) hardware must be replaced when it fails
- C) hardware is hierarchical
- D) users will only purchase software that has a current copyright date

Answer: A

5) A special type of programming language used to provide instructions to the monitor is _____ .

- A) FPL
- B) JCL
- C) DML
- D) SML

Answer: B

6) Hardware features desirable in a batch-processing operating system include memory protection, timer, privileged instructions, and _____ .

- A) clock cycles
- B) associated data
- C) interrupts
- D) kernels

Answer: C

7) A user program executes in a _____ , in which certain areas of memory are protected from the user's use, and in which certain instructions may not be executed.

- A) kernel mode
- B) user mode
- C) task mode
- D) batch mode

Answer: B

8) Multiprogramming operating systems are fairly sophisticated compared to single-program or _____ systems.

- A) uniprogramming
- B) time-sharing
- C) multitasking
- D) memory management

Answer: A

9) One of the first time-sharing operating systems to be developed was the _____

- A) Compatible Time-Sharing System
- B) Real Time Transaction System
- C) Multiple-Access System
- D) Multiprogramming Operation System

Answer: A

10) The technique where a system clock generates interrupts, and at each clock interrupt the OS regains control and assigns the processor to another user, is _____ .

- A) time slicing
- B) multithreading
- C) round robin
- D) clock cycle

Answer: A

11) The _____ is the internal data by which the OS is able to supervise and control the process.

- A) executable program
- B) associated data
- C) nucleus
- D) execution context

Answer: D

12) _____ is where the OS must prevent independent processes from interfering with each other's memory, both data and instructions.

- A) Support of modular programming
- B) Process isolation
- C) Automatic allocation and management
- D) Protection and access control

Answer: B

13) _____ is concerned with the proper verification of the identity of users and the validity of messages or data.

- A) Availability
- B) Confidentiality
- C) Authenticity
- D) Data integrity

Answer: C

14) A common strategy to give each process in the queue some time in turn is referred to as a _____ technique.

- A) multithreading
- B) round-robin
- C) time slicing
- D) serial processing

Answer: B

15) The key to the success of Linux has been its character as a free software package available under the auspice of the _____ .

- A) World Wide Web Consortium B) Free Software Foundation
C) Berkeley Software Distribution D) GNU Public License

Answer: B

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS:

1) An _____ is a program that controls the execution of application programs and acts as an interface between applications and the computer hardware.

Answer: operating system (OS)

2) The portion of the monitor that is always in main memory and available for execution is referred to as the _____ .

Answer: resident monitor

3) _____ is a technique in which a process, executing an application, is divided into threads that can run concurrently.

Answer: Multithreading

4) Two major problems with early serial processing systems were scheduling and _____ .

Answer: setup time

5) The central idea behind the simple batch-processing scheme is the use of a piece of software known as the _____ .

Answer: monitor

6) Any resource allocation and scheduling policy must consider three factors: Fairness, Differential responsiveness, and _____ .

Answer: Efficiency

7) A _____ is set at the beginning of each job to prevent any single job from monopolizing the system.

Answer: timer

8) The OS has five principal storage management responsibilities: process isolation, automatic allocation and management, support of modular programming, protection and access control, and _____ .

Answer: long-term storage

9) The earliest computers employed _____ processing, a name derived by the way the users have access to the systems.

Answer: serial

10) _____ was designed to keep the processor and I/O devices, including storage devices, simultaneously busy to achieve maximum efficiency.

Answer: Multiprogramming

11) In a time-sharing, multiprogramming system, multiple users simultaneously access the system through _____ .

Answer: terminals

12) The principal objective of _____ is to maximize processor use.

Answer: Batch Multiprogramming

13) Three major lines of computer system development created problems in timing and synchronization that contributed to the development of the concept of the process: multiprogramming batch operation, time sharing, and _____ .

Answer: real-time transaction systems

14) _____ is a facility that allows programs to address memory from a logical point of view, without regard to the amount of main memory physically available.

Answer: Virtual memory

15) Security and protection as it relates to operating systems is grouped into four categories: Availability, Data integrity, Authenticity, and _____ .

Answer: Confidentiality