



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Course Code: CIT752

Course Title: Operating Systems Concept

Instruction: Answer Question (1) (22 marks) and any other four questions each carrying 12 marks

Credit Units: 3

Time: 2½ hours

- 1a) What is scheduling? (2 marks)
- b) Briefly describe the types of scheduling (8 marks)
- c) Enumerate the specific tasks performed by process scheduler stating the mechanism responsible for each task? (8 marks)
- d) List the important features that distinguish one network from the other (4 marks)

- 2a) Enumerate reasons for providing an environment that allows process co-operation (6 marks)
- b) Operating system usually comes in two interfaces, state and describe each. (6 marks)

- 3a) Briefly explain the three types of internetwork addresses (9 marks)
- b) List the different approaches to open loop (3 marks)

- 4a) Calculate the CRC for the data polynomial $x^4 + x^2 + x + 1$ where the generator polynomial is $x^3 + 1$ (8 marks)
- b) What is thrashing? State two causes of thrashing. (4 marks)

- 5a) In asynchronous communications, a typical frame for transmitting character data has four components. Enumerate them. (6 marks)
- b) List the components of a X.509 Certificate (2 marks)
- c) List the important multiplexing mechanism at the Transport Layer and explain how they are different from each other. (4 marks)

- 6a) State any five differences between the OSI model and the TCP/IP model (10 marks)
- b) What is instant messaging? What are its vulnerabilities? (2 marks)

- 7a) State the conditions under which a parent process may terminate the execution of a child process. (3 marks)
- b) Write short notes on Translation Lookaside buffer (6 marks)
- c) List the issues for co-operating processes (1½ marks)
- d) List the components/content of the Thread Control Block (TCB). (1½ marks)