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M.TECH
CSPC202

2nd Sem MTech Regular / Back examination – 2014-15
SUBJECT NAME: DISTRIBUTED OPERATING SYSTEMS

BRANCH(S): COMPUTER SC. & ENGG.,

Time: 3 Hours

Max marks: 70

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Answer Question No.1 which is compulsory and any five from the rest.
The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks.

- Q1 **Answer the following questions:** (2 x 10)
- a) What are the parallel programming models ?
 - b) How a distributed system differs from a parallel system?
 - c) What is speed up and throughput? Write Amdahl's law.
 - d) List down the characteristics of a distributed system.
 - e) What is the need of marshalling and unmarshalling?
 - f) What do you mean by RPC?
 - g) Differentiate between name and directory service.
 - h) List down the concurrency protocols.
 - i) What do you mean by fault tolerance?
 - j) Distinguish between process and port identifiers.
- Q2 a) Discuss the structures of parallel computers. Give examples for each structure. (5)
- b) Distinguish between multiprocessor and multicomputer systems. How these system differs from multicore processors and SIMD array processors. (5)
- Q3 a) Write the design goals of distributed systems. Why distributed algorithms are difficult to implement? (5)
- b) How a synchronous distributed system differs from asynchronous distributed system? How the connectivity and exchange of messages are important for these distributed systems? (5)
- Q4 Consider an asynchronous not completely connected reliable distributed system with N nodes. Write an algorithm to search an item X using this distributed system. Compute its time and message complexities using asymptotic notation. What would be the time and message complexity for the above algorithm for a synchronous reliable completely connected distributed system? (10)
- Q5 a) Write a distributed algorithm for recording the global state assuming that each clock in the nodes of distributed system is perfectly synchronized and the communication network is reliable. (5)
- b) Compare the time and message complexity of your algorithm with that of Chandy-lamport algorithm. Specify whether your algorithm is better than Chandy-lamport algorithm. (5)
- Q6 a) Consider the design of distributed system having the major goal to achieve fault tolerance and security. What are the different ways these two goals can be achieved? (5)
- b) Discuss the use of atomic broadcast protocol to achieve reliable communication. (5)
- Q7 a) Discuss the different flexibilities provided by distributed file system when the system (5)

request to access data, files and physical memory location.

- b) How cache consistency is maintained in distributed environment? Explain with example. (5)

Q8 Write short notes on any two: (5 x 2)

- a) Kerberos system
- b) Granularity
- c) Load balancing
- d) Memory coherence