


UNIX SYSTEM PROGRAMMING [As per Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) scheme] (Effective from the academic year 2016 -2017) SEMESTER – VII			
Subject Code	15CS744	IA Marks	20
Number of Lecture Hours/Week	3	Exam Marks	80
Total Number of Lecture Hours	40	Exam Hours	03
CREDITS – 03			
Course objectives: This course will enable students to			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the fundamental design of the unix operating system • Familiarize with the systems calls provided in the unix environment • Design and build an application/service over the unix operating system 			
Module – 1			Teaching Hours
Introduction: UNIX and ANSI Standards: The ANSI C Standard, The ANSI/ISO C++ Standards, Difference between ANSI C and C++, The POSIX Standards, The POSIX.1 FIPS Standard, The X/Open Standards. UNIX and POSIX APIs: The POSIX APIs, The UNIX and POSIX Development Environment, API Common Characteristics.			8 Hours
Module – 2			
UNIX Files and APIs: File Types, The UNIX and POSIX File System, The UNIX and POSIX File Attributes, Inodes in UNIX System V, Application Program Interface to Files, UNIX Kernel Support for Files, Relationship of C Stream Pointers and File Descriptors, Directory Files, Hard and Symbolic Links. UNIX File APIs: General File APIs, File and Record Locking, Directory File APIs, Device File APIs, FIFO File APIs, Symbolic Link File APIs.			8 Hours
Module – 3			
UNIX Processes and Process Control: The Environment of a UNIX Process: Introduction, main function, Process Termination, Command-Line Arguments, Environment List, Memory Layout of a C Program, Shared Libraries, Memory Allocation, Environment Variables, setjmp and longjmp Functions, getrlimit, setrlimit Functions, UNIX Kernel Support for Processes. Process Control: Introduction, Process Identifiers, fork, vfork, exit, wait, waitpid, wait3, wait4 Functions, Race Conditions, exec Functions, Changing User IDs and Group IDs, Interpreter Files, system Function, Process Accounting, User Identification, Process Times, I/O Redirection. Process Relationships: Introduction, Terminal Logins, Network Logins, Process Groups, Sessions, Controlling Terminal, tcgetpgrp and tcsetpgrp Functions, Job Control, Shell Execution of Programs, Orphaned Process Groups.			8 Hours
Module – 4			
Signals and Daemon Processes: Signals: The UNIX Kernel Support for Signals, signal, Signal Mask, sigaction, The SIGCHLD Signal and the waitpid Function, The sigsetjmp and siglongjmp Functions, Kill, Alarm, Interval Timers, POSIX.1b Timers. Daemon Processes: Introduction, Daemon Characteristics, Coding Rules, Error Logging, Client-Server Model.			8 Hours
Module – 5			
Interprocess Communication : Overview of IPC Methods, Pipes, popen, pclose Functions, Coprocesses, FIFOs, System V IPC, Message Queues, Semaphores.			8 Hours

Shared Memory, Client-Server Properties, Stream Pipes, Passing File Descriptors, An Open Server-Version 1, Client-Server Connection Functions.	
Course outcomes: The students should be able to:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to understand and reason out the working of Unix Systems • Build an application/service over a Unix system. 	
Question paper pattern:	
The question paper will have ten questions.	
There will be 2 questions from each module.	
Each question will have questions covering all the topics under a module.	
The students will have to answer 5 full questions, selecting one full question from each module.	
Text Books:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unix System Programming Using C++ - Terrence Chan, PHI, 1999. 2. Advanced Programming in the UNIX Environment - W.Richard Stevens, Stephen A. Rago, 3rd Edition, Pearson Education / PHI, 2005. 	
Reference Books:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advanced Unix Programming- Marc J. Rochkind, 2nd Edition, Pearson Education, 2005. 2. The Design of the UNIX Operating System - Maurice.J.Bach, Pearson Education / PHI, 1987. 3. Unix Internals - Uresh Vahalia, Pearson Education, 2001. 	


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