

Code: 9F00303

MCA - III Semester Regular & Supplementary Examinations, January 2013

**LINUX PROGRAMMING**

(For students admitted in 2009, 2010 & 2011 only)

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 60

Answer any FIVE questions  
All questions carry equal marks

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- 1 (a) How does Linux differ from Unix? Discuss the features of Linux.  
(b) Explain various text processing utilities, with a suitable example for each.
- 2 (a) Discuss the responsibilities of a shell.  
(b) Write a shell script to generate first 'n' prime numbers.
- 3 (a) With a neat sketch, explain the Linux file system layout.  
(b) Write the following in brief:  
(i) Record locking. (ii) System calls. (iii) Chmod.
- 4 (a) How processing of states can be performed in Linux?  
(b) Discuss any three system calls for process management and explain.
- 5 (a) What is the difference between reliable and unreliable signals? Explain with suitable example.  
(b) Write and explain the mechanism for handling a signal.
- 6 (a) What is a pipe? Explain the process of calling a pipe.  
(b) What is a message queue? Explain.
- 7 (a) What is meant by synchronization? How synchronization is achieved with semaphores?  
(b) Explain the structure of a thread. Discuss its uses.
- 8 Write and explain the program for client/server communication using sockets.

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