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B. Tech. EXAMINATION, 2020

(Seventh Semester)

(B Scheme)

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CSE461B

DISTRIBUTED OPERATING SYSTEMS

Time: 3 Hours [Maximum Marks: 75]

Before answering the question-paper candidates should ensure that they have been supplied to correct and complete question-paper. No complaint, in this regard, will be entertained after the examination.

Note: Attempt *Five* questions in all, selecting at least *one* question from each Unit. All questions carry equal marks.

Unit I

- 1. Write and explain any *five* characteristics of a true distributed system.
- Explain the remote procedure call mechanism in detail with the help of a suitable diagram.

Unit II

3. Differentiate between internal synchronization clocks and external synchronization clocks in distributed systems. Externally synchronized clocks are also internally synchronized, but the converse is not true. Explain, why?
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4. Explain why the advance knowledge of the resource requirement of processes is essential for dead lock avoidance? Why the deadlock avoidance approach is never used in distributed systems for deadlock problem.

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Unit III

- 5. Define the term 'Stable Storage'. Why is it important in a distributed system. 15
- 6. Network File System (NFS) does not provide a global, shared name space. Is there a way to mimic such a name space? Explain.

Unit IV

- 7. Define a highly dependable system. Dependable systems are often required to provide a high degree of security and fault tolerance. Explain why?
- 8. List and explain any *five* security threats and attacks generally encountered by a distributed system. Also suggest some approach to handle these threats.