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COSC 4330/6310

THIRD QUIZ

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THIS EXAM IS CLOSED BOOK. YOU CAN HAVE ONE PAGE OF NOTES. UH EXPELS CHEATERS.

1. Current implementations of the AMD64 architecture use 48-bit virtual addresses. Assuming a page size of 4 KB,

(a) How many bits of the address would be used by the *byte offset* (5 points) $\log_2 4,096 = 12$ bits

(b) How many bits of the address would be used by the *page number*? (5 points) $48 - 12 = 36$ bits

(c) How *many pages* would there be in a process address space? (5 points) 2^{36} pages

2. Explain why the FIFO page replacement policy

(a) Has a very low overhead. (5 points) It does not keep track of page accesses.

(b) Produces more page faults than other policies. (5 points) It does not keep track of page accesses.

3. A 32-bit FFS file system has a block size of 4 kilobytes. How many *blocks* of a 510 kilobyte file can be accessed :

(a) Directly from the i-node? (5 points) 12 (that's 48K bytes) blocks

(b) With one level of indirection? (5 points) $(510 \text{ K} - 48\text{K}) / 4\text{K} = 116$ (we round up to 512K) blocks

(c) With two levels of indirection? (5 points) Zero blocks

(Hint: The total of your three answers should equal to the number of blocks of the file.)

4. *Questions with short answers:* (6×5 points)

(a) What is the purpose of the UNIX `mount()` system call? _____

(b) How does a *journaling file system* record *metadata updates*? _____

(c) What is the *main disadvantage* of letting the *kernel* handle *TLB misses*? _____

(d) What is the purpose of the *dirty bit* in a virtual memory system? _____

(e) How can we prevent deadlocks by denying the *circular wait* condition? _____

(f) Why can *inverted page tables* fully reside in main memory? _____

5. Alice is the owner of the file `netsimulator` whose protection bits are `-rwxr-xr-x`. She has assigned the group `networks` to the file.

(a) What can she do with the file? (5 points) Anything she wants.

(b) What can members of the `networks` group do? (5 points) Reading and executing the file.

(c) What can other users do? (5 points) Reading and executing the file.

6. When does *thrashing* happen? (5 points) _____

What can we do to *prevent it*? (5 points) _____

7. In the *Windows page replacement policy*, what happens when a page is *expelled* from the resident set of a process? (5 points)