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M.E. (Computer Engg.)
DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS
(2008 Pattern)

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Instructions to the candidates:

- 1) Answer any three questions from each section.*
- 2) Answers to the two sections should be written in separate answer books.*
- 3) Neat diagrams must be drawn wherever necessary.*
- 4) Figures to the right indicate full marks.*
- 5) Assume suitable data, if necessary.*

SECTION - I

Q1) a) Explain, in detail, the challenges encountered during the design of distributed systems. **[8]**

b) What do you mean by physical model of distributed system? Explain following physical models in detail- **[10]**

- i) Baseline Physical model
- ii) Early distributed systems
- iii) Internet-scale distributed systems
- iv) Contemporary distributed systems
- v) Distributed systems of systems

Q2) a) Explain the characteristics of interprocess communication. **[6]**

b) Define - **[10]**

- i) External data representation
- ii) Marshalling and Unmarshalling

Discuss three approaches for External data representation and marshalling.

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- Q3)** a) Discuss the following elements in detail - [8]
- i) Clock
 - ii) Clock skew and clock drift
 - iii) Coordinated universal time
 - iv) Events and history of process
- b) Describe Chandy and Lamport's 'snapshot' algorithm for determining global states of distributed systems. [8]

- Q4)** Write short notes on- [16]
- a) Client-server communication.
 - b) Java RMI
 - c) Mutual exclusion
 - d) Synchronizing physical clocks

SECTION - II

- Q5)** a) Explain the goals of Global Name Service. Explain as an example of name service, Internet Domain Name System (DNS). [8]
- b) Draw schematic of the File Service Architecture. Explain the following modules of this architecture. [10]
- i) Flat file service
 - ii) Directory service
 - iii) Client module
 - iv) Flat file service interface
- Q6)** a) What are the different threats and attacks for computer systems? [8]
- b) Explain the use of cryptography in- [8]
- i) Secrecy and Integrity
 - ii) Authentication
 - iii) Digital Signatures

- Q7)** a) Explain sequential consistency model in detail. [8]
- b) With the help of a neat schematic, explain the main data structures of Universal Description, Discovery and Integration Service (UDDI). [8]

Q8) Write short notes on- [16]

- a) Access Control Mechanisms
- b) Coordination of web service
- c) Release consistency
- d) Sun Network File System

