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# SECOND SEMESTER MCA DEGREE EXAMINATION (R), MAY 2023 (2021 SCHEME)

Course Code: 21CA203-C

Course Name: Distributed Systems

Max. Marks: 60 Duration: 3 Hours

#### PART A

### (Answer all questions. Each question carries 3 marks)

- 1. Write a note on distribution transparency.
- 2. Differentiate message passing systems and shared memory systems.
- 3. Define the terms clock skew and clock drift.
- 4. What is the role of interfaces in distributed system?
- 5. Write a note on Lamport's logical clock.
- 6. Explain about name service.
- 7. List the components of distributed file system.
- 8. With an example, describe the working of ring-based election algorithm.
- 9. What is sequential consistency?
- 10. Explain the role of middleware in distributed systems.

#### PART B

#### (Answer one full question from each module, each question carries 6 marks)

#### **MODULE I**

11. Explain types of failures in fundamental model of distributed systems. (6)

OR

- 12. a) What is distributed system? (2)
  - b) Explain the goals of distributed systems.

MODULE II

(4)

(6)

13. Describe distributed algorithm in clock synchronization.

OR

14. With a neat diagram, explain the implementation of RMI. (6)

#### **MODULE III**

15. Explain Ricart Agrawala algorithm. (6) What is multicast communication? 16. (2) a) b) Explain the types of message ordering in multicast (4) communication. **MODULE IV** Differentiate NFS and AFS. Explain both file systems in detail. 17. (6) OR 18. What is virtual file system? a) (2)Explain the role of virtual file system in NFS. b) (4)**MODULE V** Explain CORBA architecture. 19. (6) OR Summarize mobile agent in distributed systems. 20. (6) \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*