

SE Exam

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1 Questions

1. Select the name of the only CPU register that does not exist (the other two were discussed during the lectures):
 - IP
 - F
 - `int`
2. In modern computer machines, the caches L1, L2 and L3 are physically located
 - in the CPU
 - in the RAM
 - nowhere, as they are simulated by the virtual memory
3. In the dining philosophers example, there can be a deadlock situation when
 - philosopher 0 waits for all others to finish before asking for forks
 - philosophers with even identifiers do not ask for forks
 - all philosophers ask for the left-sided fork at the same time
4. The implementation of a `Semaphore` is said to be *fair* when
 - threads asking for more permits can acquire them with priority
 - the threads that are the first to ask are those which can acquire with priority
 - threads asking for less permits are always able to acquire with priority
5. Dekker's algorithm
 - allows for synchronizing two or more concurrent threads sharing common memory
 - is one possible implementation of `Semaphores` in Java
 - is equivalent to Peterson's algorithm, but requires the use of `Semaphores`
6. In the virtual memory page tables, the dirty bit indicates whether or not the page was
 - modified since its last copy from the hard disk
 - overwritten with another page, requested more recently by a program
 - already saved in the hard disk