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Sommario/riassunto	Offering a balance of theory and applications and a mix of text and readings, Consider Ethics begins with chapters covering ethical theory, each of which is followed by related, classical readings. The book concludes with an examination of six contemporary ethical issues presented in a pro/con format with introductory material that places each issue in context. Featuring selections from the world's most influential philosophers, this combination of primary texts and explanatory pedagogy presents the material in a clear, accessible way that does not sacrifice rigor. Making connections among different ethical theories throughout, the text helps students to engage the subject matter and apply theories to important contemporary ethical issues. NEW! Pearson's Reading Hour Program for Instructors Interested in reviewing new and updated texts in Philosophy? Click on

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References; 2 Media Compression; 2.1 Introduction; 2.1.1 Digital Audio; 2.1.2 Digital Video; 2.1.3 Media Compression; 2.2 Media Multiplexing; 2.3 Temporal Dependencies in Compressed Video; 2.4 Bit-rate Variations; 2.5 Media Adaptation; 2.5.1 Transcoding Techniques; 2.5.2 Transcoder Design; 2.5.3 Implementation Issues; 2.5.4 Experimental Results; 2.6 Summary; References; 3 Continuous Media Storage and Retrieval; 3.1 Structure and Model of Hard Disk; 3.2 Disk Scheduling; 3.2.1 Performance Modeling; 3.2.2 Capacity Dimensioning; 3.3 Improving Disk Throughput; 3.4 Grouped Sweeping Scheme; 3.5 Multi-Disk Storage And Retrieval; 3.5.1 Partition and Replication; 3.5.2 Disk Striping; 3.5.3 Multi-Disk Scheduling; 3.6 Disk Zoning; 3.7 Summary; References; 4 Soft Scheduling; 4.1 Introduction; 4.2 Statistical Capacity Dimensioning; 4.3 Dual-Round Scheduling; 4.3.1 Read-Ahead Algorithm; 4.3.2 Performance Modeling; 4.3.3 Buffer Requirement; 4.4 Early-Admission Scheduling; 4.4.1 Admission Algorithm; 4.4.2 First-Block Replication; 4.5 Overflow Management; 4.5.1 Deadline-Driven Detection; 4.5.2 Overflow Recovery; 4.6 Performance Evaluation; 4.6.1 Service Round Length Distribution; 4.6.2 Statistical Streaming Capacity; 4.6.3 Dual-Round Scheduling; 4.6.4 Early-Admission Scheduling; 4.6.5 Buffer Requirement; 4.7 Related Work; 4.8 Summary; References; 5 Reliable and Fault-Tolerant Storage Systems; 5.1 Introduction; 5.2 Background; 5.3 System Model; 5.3.1 Disk Redundancy; 5.3.2 Storage Allocation and I/O Scheduling; 5.3.3 Disk Performance Model; 5.3.4 Capacity Dimensioning; 5.4 Automatic Data Rebuild; 5.4.1 Sparing Scheme; 5.4.2 Rebuild Algorithm; 5.4.3 Analysis of Rebuild Time; 5.4.4 Buffer Requirement; 5.5 Track-Based Rebuild; 5.5.1 Rebuild Algorithm; 5.5.2 Analysis of Rebuild Time; 5.5.3 Buffer Requirement; 5.6 Pipelined Rebuild; 5.6.1 Buffer Requirement; 5.6.2 Active Disk Synchronization; 5.7 Performance Evaluation; 5.7.1 Comparison of Rebuild Time; 5.7.2 Sensitivity to Server Utilization; 5.7.3 Sensitivity to Media Block Size; 5.7.4 Buffer Requirement; 5.8 Summary; References; 6 Media Data Streaming; 6.1 Streaming over TCP/UDP; 6.2 Specialized Streaming Protocols; 6.2.1 Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP); 6.2.2 Real-Time Transport Protocol (RTP); 6.3 Summary; References; 7 Streaming Variable Bit-Rate Media Streams

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Continuous media streaming systems will shape the future of information infrastructure. The challenge is to design systems and networks capable of supporting millions of concurrent users. Key to this is the integration of fault-tolerant mechanisms to prevent individual component failures from disrupting systems operations. These are just some of the hurdles that need to be overcome before large-scale continuous media services such as video-on-demand can be deployed with maximum efficiency. The author places the subject in context, drawing together findings from the past decade of rese