

# END TERM EXAMINATION

SECOND SEMESTER [MCA] MAY-JUNE 2012

Paper Code: MCA 108

Subject: Data Base Management System

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks :60

Note: Attempt any five questions including Q.no.1 which is compulsory. Select one question from each unit

Q1 Answer the following (2\* 10=20)

- (a) What is the difference between stored and derived attributes? Explain with an example.
- (b) Differentiate between physical data independence and logical data independence.
- (c) What is the difference between a candidate key and the primary key for a given relation?
- (d) What are the restrictions on the ALTER TABLE command?
- (e) What are explicit cursors?
- (f) What recovery techniques used to recovery the database?
- (g) What is a transaction? What are its properties?
- (h) Explain the two major advantages of distributed databases?
- (i) Discuss the applications of object oriented databases.
- (j) Consider the following relation

A	B	C
10	b1	c1
10	b2	c2
11	b4	c1
12	b3	c4
13	b1	c1
14	b3	c4

Which of the following functional dependencies may hold in the above relation:  $A \rightarrow B$ ,  $B \rightarrow C$ ,  $C \rightarrow B$ .

## UNIT-I

Q2 (a) Discuss the architecture of Database Management System . (5)

(b) A company database needs to store information about employees (identified by *ssn*, with *salary* and *phone* as attributes), departments (identified by *dno*, with *dname* and *budget* as attributes), and children of employees (with *name* and *age* as attributes). Employees work in departments; each department is managed by an employee; a child must be identified uniquely by *name* when the parent (who is an employee; assume that only one parent works for the company) is known. We are not interested in information about a child once the parent leaves the company.

Draw an ER diagram that captures this information. (5)

Q3 (a) Why would you choose a database system instead of simply storing data in operating system files? When would it make sense not to use a database system? (5)

(b) Differentiate between specialization and generalization. (5)

**UNIT-II**

Q4 Consider the following schema:  
Suppliers(sid: integer, sname: string, address: string)  
Parts(pid: integer, pname: string, color: string)  
Catalog(sid: integer, pid: integer, cost: real)

Using SQL answer the following queries:

- (a) Find the sids of suppliers who supply some red part or are at 221 Packer Street.
- (b) Find pairs of sids such that the supplier with the first sid charges more for some part than the supplier with the second sid.
- (c) Find the pids of parts supplied by at least two different suppliers.
- (d) Find the pids of the most expensive parts supplied by suppliers named Yosemite Sham.
- (e) Find the pids of parts supplied by every supplier at less than \$200. (10)

Q5 (a) What do you mean by relational algebra? Explain all the operations of relational algebra. (5)

(b) Write short notes on:

DDL, DML, DQL and DCL. (5)

**UNIT-III**

Q6 (a) Discuss the Oracle Memory Structure. (5)

(b) Discuss Exception handling in PL/SQL. (5)

Q7 (a) Explain the physical data structure of Oracle. (5)

(b) What are stored procedures in Oracle? (5)

**UNIT-IV**

Q8 Suppose you are given a relation  $R$  with four attributes  $ABCD$ . For each of the following sets of FDs, assuming those are the only dependencies that hold for  $R$ , do the following:

(a) Identify the candidate key(s) for  $R$ . (b) Identify the best normal form that  $R$  satisfies (1NF, 2NF, 3NF, or BCNF). (c) If  $R$  is not in BCNF, decompose it into a set of BCNF relations that preserve the dependencies. (10)

- 1.  $C \rightarrow D, C \rightarrow A, B \rightarrow C$
- 2.  $B \rightarrow C, D \rightarrow A$
- 3.  $ABC \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow A$
- 4.  $A \rightarrow B, BC \rightarrow D, A \rightarrow C$
- 5.  $AB \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow D, C \rightarrow A, D \rightarrow B$

Q9 Discuss the concurrency control techniques in details. (10)