

AMIETE – CS/IT (OLD SCHEME)

Code: AC14 / AT11
Time: 3 Hours

Subject: DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS
Max. Marks: 100

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NOTE: There are 9 Questions in all.

- Question 1 is compulsory and carries 20 marks. Answer to Q.1 must be written in the space provided for it in the answer book supplied and nowhere else.
- The answer sheet for the Q.1 will be collected by the invigilator after 45 Minutes of the commencement of the examination.
- Out of the remaining EIGHT Questions answer any FIVE Questions. Each question carries 16 marks.
- Any required data not explicitly given, may be suitably assumed and stated.

Q.1 Choose the correct or the best alternative in the following: (2×10)

- a. The _____ rule specifies that an entity can be a member of only one subtype at a time.
- (A) Removal (B) exclusion
(C) Disjoint (D) inclusion
- b. An attribute or attributes that uniquely identify each row in a relation is called a
- (A) Field pointer (B) Column
(C) Primary key (D) Foreign key
- c. A database is an organized collection of _____ related data.
- (A) not (B) badly
(C) physically (D) logically
- d. What is a 'tuple'?
- (A) An attribute attached to a record.
(B) Another name for the key linking different tables in a database.
(C) Another name for a table in an RDBMS
(D) A row or record in a database table
- e. The advantages of Standard Query Language (SQL) include which of the following in relation to GIS databases?
- (A) is widely used
(B) Uses a pseudo- English style of questioning
(C) It is good at handling geographical concepts.
(D) It is simple and easy to understand.
- f. A(n) _____ specifies the number of instances of one entity that can be associated with the each instance of another entity.
- (A) maximum (B) cardinality constraint
(C) limit (D) counter constraint

- g. _____ is a program module that provides the interface between the low-level data stored in database, application programs and queries submitted to the system
- (A) storage manager (B) buffer manager
(C) transaction manager (D) file manager
- h. Which of the following is NOT a function of a DBMS?
- (A) Data storage, retrieval, and update
(B) Logical data dependence
(C) Recovery services
(D) Integrity services
- i. This data model is based on real world that consists of basic objects called entities and of relationship among these objects
- (A) data model (B) E-R model
(C) Object oriented model (D) none
- j. The language that is used to specify the internal schema is
- (A) DDL (B) VDL
(C) DML (D) SDL

**Answer any FIVE Questions out of EIGHT Questions.
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- Q.2** a. Briefly explain the different types of database users. (8)
- b. Explain steps involved in query processing. List different measures of query cost. (8)
- Q.3.** a. What is sequential file processing? How is it different from Indexed Sequential file processing method? (4)
- b. What is functional dependency? Given A1, A2, A3 and A4, list all functional dependencies satisfied by the relation given below: (6)
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| A1 | A2 | A3 | A4 |
| T1 | U2 | V1 | W2 |
| T1 | U2 | V2 | W2 |
| T2 | U2 | V1 | W1 |
| T2 | U2 | V3 | W1 |
- c. Explain the procedure to perform ER-to Relational mapping with the help of a suitable example. (6)

- Q.4** a. Why 3NF decomposition is preferable over BCNF? Prove that BCNF decomposition is not a dependency preserving decomposition. (6)
- b. What are the problems caused by data redundancies? Can data redundancies be completely eliminated when a database approach is used? Explain this with the help of an example. (6)
- c. What do you mean by atomicity of transaction? Explain. (4)
- Q.5** Consider the employee database.
- Employee (person-name, street, city)
 - Works(person-name, company-name, salary)
 - Company(company-name, city)
 - Managers(person-name, manager-name)
- (i) Write create table statements to create the above mentioned tables. Assume appropriate types for the attributes. (6)
- (ii) Write select statement to find names of all employees who work for first Bank Corporation. (3)
- (iii) Write select statement to find minimum salary of employees of first Bank corporation. (3)
- (iv) Write relational algebra expression for query in part (ii). (4)
- Q.6** a. State the conditions for the two schedules to be equivalent. Define a serializable schedule. (6)
- b. Explain, how cascaded rollback can be avoided? (4)
- c. Explain triggers in SQL with the help of an example. (6)
- Q.7** a. Describe Two-Phase Commit (2PC) protocol, in terms of messages exchanged and log records written. Explain how this protocol is useful in Restart after a Failure. (8)
- b. How a Transaction Processing Monitor manages memory and processor resources more effectively than a typical operating system? Explain. (8)
- Q.8** a. Give a brief note on RAID technology. (8)
- b. Explain the external sort-merge algorithm. (8)
- Q.9** Briefly explain the following with the help of examples: (4×4=16)
- (i) Natural-join
 - (ii) Outer-join
 - (iii) Tuple calculus
 - (iv) Views