

ALCCS – OLD SCHEME

Time: 3 Hours

AUGUST 2013

Max. Marks: 100

PLEASE WRITE YOUR ROLL NO. AT THE SPACE PROVIDED ON EACH PAGE IMMEDIATELY AFTER RECEIVING THE QUESTION PAPER.

NOTE:

- Question 1 is compulsory and carries 28 marks. Answer any FOUR questions from the rest. Marks are indicated against each question.
- Parts of a question should be answered at the same place.

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- Q.1** (7 × 4)
- Differentiate between Data Warehouse and Data Mart.
 - Explain Data granularity in Data Warehouse.
 - Discuss the Disadvantages of snowflake schema.
 - Explain the following with reference to Data Warehouse: “Data inconsistencies are removed; data from diverse operational applications is integrated”.
 - Explain the refreshing of data warehouse.
 - What do you understand by referential integrity?
 - Explain the benefits of granularity.
- Q.2**
- Explain the four levels of architecture in the data warehouse environment. (9)
 - What are the problems with the naturally evolving architecture? (9)
- Q.3**
- What kind of functionality is required as data passes from the operational, legacy environment to the data warehouse environment? (8)
 - What do you mean by snapshot? Describe briefly the basic components of a data warehouse snapshot. (10)
- Q.4**
- What are the advantages of Star Schema? Explain. (9)
 - What are the various Star Schema Keys? Explain With the help of an example. (9)

- Q.5** a. Why monitoring of data in Data Warehouse is required? (6)
- b. Explain the following: (12)
- (i) Efficient Index Utilization of data
 - (ii) Compaction of Data
 - (iii) Compound Keys
 - (iv) Lock Management
- Q.6** a. Justify “The mapping of local data into global data is the most difficult aspect of building the global data warehouse”. (6)
- b. Explain Redundancy or overlap of data with respect to global data warehouse and its supporting local data warehouses. (6)
- c. Explain with the help of an example the building and operation of completely unrelated warehouses. (6)
- Q.7** a. Who should be in the Data Warehouse design review? (4)
- b. What are the technological challenges in bringing the system-of-record data into the data warehouse? (5)
- c. Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following: (4.5×2)
- (i) Factless Fact Table
 - (ii) “Fact Table is Deep not Wide”
 - (iii) Drill Down Analysis
 - (iv) Event mapping in EIS processing