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B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2011

Fifth Semester

Branch : Computer Science and Engineering/Information Technology

DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (R, T)

(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)

Time : Three Hours

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Maximum : 100 Marks

Answer all questions.

Part A

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 1. What is meant by the terms entity and attribute ? What are the different types of attributes ?
- 2. Briefly explain the concept of an object oriented data model.
- 3. What is meant by a relational database schema ? When is a relational database considered to be in a valid state ?
- 4. Explain the concept of referential integrity in a relational database. How is it enforced ?
- 5. What is meant by the system log of a database ? What is its utility ?
- 6. Explain the desirable properties of a transaction.
- 7. What is meant by a transitive dependency ? Explain with examples.
- 8. Explain the concept of a full functional dependency with an example.
- 9. Explain the concept of data transparency in a distributed database. What are the different kinds of transparencies ?
- 10. What is meant by data fragmentation ? Discuss the different types of fragmentation.

 $(10 \times 4 = 40 \text{ marks})$

Part B

Each question carries 12 marks.

11. (a) Explain the components modules of a DBMS with neat diagram.

Or

(b) Write notes on the concept of data independence in a database. Explain the three schema architecture for database systems.

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12. (a) Explain the tuple relational calculus with suitable examples.

Or

- (b) Give an overview of the different data definition and manipulation operations possible with SQL with suitable example queries.
- 13. (a) Write notes on serial and non serial schedules of transactions. What is meant by the term serializability in the context of schedules ?

Or

- (b) What is meant by a timestamp? Explain the timestamp ordering algorithm used to implement concurrency among transactions in a database.
- 14. (a) What is meant by a join dependency? Write notes on 4NF and 5NF.

Or

- (b) What is meant by the closure of a set of functional dependencies on a relation ? List and explain the algorithm for determining the same. Determine the closure of the following set F of functional dependencies for relation schema R = {A, B, C, D, E}. F = {A → BC, CD → E. B → D, E → A}. List the candidate keys for R.
- 15. (a) Write notes on the distributed two phase commit protocol.

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(b) Discuss the different possible locking protocol schemes in a distributed database.

 $(5 \times 12 = 60 \text{ marks})$