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B. Tech
FEEC 6301

Fifth Semester Regular Examination – 2014

DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

BRANCH(S) : AEIE, EC, EEE, ELECTRICAL, ETC, IEE

QUESTION CODE : H 204

Full Marks – 70

Time : 3 Hours



*Answer Question No. 1 which is compulsory and any **five** from the rest.*

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

1. Answer the following questions : 2×10
 - (a) Differentiate between Schema, sub schema and Instances.
 - (b) What is weak entity type ? How it is represented in an E-R diagram ?
 - (c) What is the difference between DDL and DML ?
 - (d) What is minimal cover of a set of functional dependencies ?
 - (e) What are the properties of good decomposition of a relation ?
 - (f) What are the phases of query processing ?
 - (g) Why Armstrong's Axioms are sound and complete ?
 - (h) State different actions of a transaction.
 - (i) What is uncommitted dependency problem ?
 - (j) In the event of failure, what are the two principal effects that happen ?
2. (a) Discuss the concept of data independence and explain its importance in a database environment. 5
(b) Discuss the different types of keys that are used in relational model. 5
3. Draw an ER diagram for BPUT database and then transform the ERD to relations. 10

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4. Consider the following Schema :

Movie (Title, Year, Length, StudioName)

MovieStar (Name, Address, Gender, BirthDate)

StarsIn (Title, Year, StarName)

Studio (Name, Address)

Express the following queries either in relational algebra or in SQL : 10

- (a) Get the stars that have appeared in at least three movies.
- (b) Get the name and address of studios which have produced movies of Saharukh Khan.
- (c) Get the birth date and movie title of female stars who have appeared in movies in 1996.
- (d) Get the movies starred by both Amitabh Bachan and Rekha.

5. (a) A relation R (A, B, C, D) is given. For each of the following set of functional dependencies, assuming they are the only dependencies that hold for R, state whether or not the proposed decomposition of R into smaller relations is a good decomposition. 6

(i) $A \rightarrow BC, C \rightarrow AD$ decomposed into $R_1(A, B, C)$ and $R_2(A, D)$

(ii) $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \twoheadrightarrow D$ decomposed into $R_1(A, B), R_2(A, D)$ and $R_3(C, D)$

(iii) $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D$ decomposed into $R_1(A, B)$ and $R_2(A, C, D)$.

(b) What is the highest normal form of each of the following relations ? 4

$R_1 = (\{A, B, C\}, \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow A, A \rightarrow C\})$

$R_2 = (\{A, B, C\}, \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow A, C \rightarrow A\})$

$R_3 = (\{A, B, C, D\}, \{A \rightarrow C, D \rightarrow B\})$

$R_4 = (\{A, B, C, D\}, \{A \rightarrow C, CD \rightarrow B\})$

6. (a) What do you understand by the term normalization ? Describe the data normalization process. Describe the purpose of normalizing data. 5

(b) Discuss the different types of failures that may occur in a database environment. 5

7. (a) What is concurrency control ? What are its objectives ? State different concurrency control techniques. 5
- (b) What is serializability ? Differentiate view serializability and conflict serializability. Prove that 2PL guarantees serializability. 5
8. Write short notes on (any two) : 5×2
- (a) Hierarchical and network data model
- (b) Heuristic query optimization
- (c) Deferred update.

