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B.Tech. (Fifth Semester)

Database Management Systems (PCC-CS-501)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 75

**Note :** It is compulsory to answer all the questions (1.5 marks each) of Part A in short. Answer any four questions from Part B in detail. Different sub-parts of a question are to be attempted adjacent to each other. Assume the data and values, wherever required

**Part A**

1. (a) Define Primary key and Foreign key in a relational database system with example. 1.5
- (b) Write an algorithm to find closure of a set of attributes. 3

- (c) Explain different types of attributes supported in an ER diagram along with their design notations. 1.5
- (d) What are the differences between OLTP and OLAP ? 1.5
- (e) What are Wait-Die and Wound-Wait schemes of deadlock prevention ? 1.5
- (f) Explain any two join strategies for joining two relations. 1.5
- (g) State and explain First Normal Form (1NF). 1.5
- (h) How domain calculus and tuple calculus differ ? Explain by an example query. 1.5
- (i) How checkpoints are useful in database recovery ? 1.5

## Part B

(a) Elaborate in detail the three-schema architecture of Database system. 5

(b) Explain cardinality constraints and participation constraints applicable in Entity-Relationship (ER) Modeling. 5

(c) How Network Model and Hierarchical Model differ from each other in terms of data representation and query processing ? 5

3. (a) Given relation  $R(A, B, C, D)$  with the following functional dependencies : 5

$$F = \{\underline{A} \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D\}$$

(i) Find the candidate key(s) of R.

(ii) Decompose R into BCNF (or 3NF, if BCNF not possible) such that the decomposition is lossless.

- (iii) Does your decomposition preserve all the functional dependencies ?
- (b) What are the Inference Rules of Functional Dependencies ? Why Armstrong's inference rules are called sound and complete ? 5
- (c) What are the different types of Database Users ? 5
4. (a) Consider the *Sailors-Boats-Reserves* Database as described below, which models a reservation system where sailors can reserve boats on certain dates : 8
- Sailors (sid, sname, rating, age)
- boats (bid, bname, color)
- reserves (sid, bid, date)
- Write each of the following queries in Relational Algebra :

- (i) Find the names of sailors who have reserved a boat with Id 103
  - (ii) Find the colors of boats reserved by the sailor "Alber".
  - (iii) Find sailor Ids of all sailors who have a rating of at least 8 or reserved a boat with Id 103.
  - (iv) Find the names of sailors who have made more than 5 reservations.
- (b) Describe how a DBMS recovers from a system crash using *undo* and *redo* logging. Why these scheme is preferred over Shadow copy scheme of recovery ? 7

5. (a) Explain the Two-Phase Locking (2PL) protocol for concurrency control. Why Strict 2PL is preferred for ensuring recoverability in DBMS ? 8



- (b) Differentiate between Conflict Serializability and View Serializability. Using Precedence Graph method, check whether the given schedule S (with three transactions T1, T2 & T3) is Conflict Serializable or not : 7

S : R1(A), R1(B), W1(A), R2(B),  
W2(D), R3(C), R3(B), R3(D), W2(B),  
W1(C), W3(D)

6. (a) Explain how B-tree indexing helps in query processing. What are the advantages of using B-trees for indexing in databases ? 8
- (b) Differentiate between MAC, DAC and RBAC access control mechanisms stating their relative advantages and disadvantages. 7

7. (a) What are the different data storage mechanisms in Distributed Databases ? 5
- (b) Describe the complete process of Knowledge Discovery from Databases (KDD). 5
- (c) How query optimization can be performed using heuristic rules ? 5

