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Sixth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2016/Jan.2017
File Structures

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

*Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting
at least TWO questions from each part.*

PART – A

- 1 a. What are the three distinct operations that contribute to the total cost of access on disk? (04 Marks)
- b. Implement UNIX command grep. Display output of your program on standard output. (06 Marks)
- c. Explain the following functions: (10 Marks)
 - i) Open a file
 - ii) Close a file.
- 2 a. What is a record? Explain different methods for organizing records of a file with example. (11 Marks)
- b. Explain the concept of Inheritance using the I/O buffer class hierarchy. (06 Marks)
- c. Explain the tools available in UNIX for sequential processing of file. (03 Marks)
- 3 a. Briefly explain with example how spaces can be reclaimed dynamically in fixed length records. (08 Marks)
- b. Explain the different operations required to maintain indexed file. (12 Marks)
- 4 a. Explain how co-sequential is implemented in a general ledger program. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain with an example, the K-way merge algorithm. (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. In detail, discuss paged binary tree. What are its advantages and disadvantages? (10 Marks)
- b. What is B-tree? Explain deletion, merging and redistribution of elements on B-tree. (10 Marks)
- 6 a. What is indexed sequential access? Explain the block splitting and merging due to insertion and deletion in sequence set with example. (10 Marks)
- b. With a diagram, explain simple prefix B⁺ trees and its maintenance. (10 Marks)
- 7 a. What is hashing? Explain the simple hashing algorithm with example. (10 Marks)
- b. What is collision? Explain the process of collision resolution by progressive over flow technique. (10 Marks)
- 8 a. Explain the working of extendible hashing in detail. (10 Marks)
- b. Write short notes on: (10 Marks)
 - i) Pinned records
 - ii) Dynamic hashing.

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