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13MCA352

Third Semester MCA Degree Examination, June/July 2017

Advanced Topics in DBMS

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

- 1
 - a. Define index. Discuss three alternatives of what to store as data entry in an index. (04 Marks)
 - b. Briefly explain hash based indexing using an example. (06 Marks)
 - c. What is redundancy in RAID? Explain different levels of redundancy. (10 Marks)

- 2
 - a. What is transaction? Discuss the desirable properties of transaction. (06 Marks)
 - b. Define binary lock. Briefly explain the rules to be followed by transaction in binary locking scheme. (06 Marks)
 - c. Discuss shadow paging using an example. (08 Marks)

- 3
 - a. With a neat diagram, explain ISAM index structure. (06 Marks)
 - b. Briefly explain the main characteristics of B+ tree. (06 Marks)
 - c. Write and explain the pseudocode of the SEARCH algorithm. (08 Marks)

- 4
 - a. Explain static hashing with a neat diagram. (06 Marks)
 - b. Explain insertion of record in linear hashing using an example. (08 Marks)
 - c. Write a note on extendible hashing. (06 Marks)

- 5
 - a. What is system catalog? Briefly explain the information stored in catalog. (06 Marks)
 - b. What is query optimization? Construct relation algebra tree and query evaluation plan for the following query. "Select S.sname from reserve R, sailors S where R.Sid = S.sid and R.bid = 100 and S.rating > 5". (06 Marks)
 - c. Briefly explain simple two way merge sort algorithm. (08 Marks)

- 6
 - a. Explain evaluation of projection operation based on sorting. (06 Marks)
 - b. Write and explain the importance of nested loop Join algorithm. (08 Marks)
 - c. Write a note on impact of buffering. (06 Marks)

- 7
 - a. List out and explain the steps involved in translating SQL queries into algebra. (08 Marks)
 - b. Explain relational algebra equivalence for selection, projection, Cartesian product and JOINS. (06 Marks)
 - c. Discuss different types of choices in tuning the conceptual schema. (06 Marks)

- 8
 - a. Explain different guidelines to be followed for index selection. (10 Marks)
 - b. Explain any six characteristics of GIS. (06 Marks)
 - c. Write a note on multimedia databases. (04 Marks)

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Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
 2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.