

Roll No.

Subject Code—6760-X

M. Sc. EXAMINATION

(Third Semester)

(MCA 3 Years)

(Re-appear Batch-2009)

COMPUTER SCIENCE

MS-11

Relational Database Management System

(RDBMS)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Attempt any *Five* questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. What do you understand by data independence ? Distinguish between logical and physical data independence. What are the advantages of having data independence ?

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2. What do you understand by normal forms ? Why is BCNF more desirable than 3NF ? Using an example show the decomposition of a relation in 3NF into BCNF.
3. What is the two-phase locking protocol ? Discuss the different variations of this protocol. Why is strict two-phase locking often preferred ?
4. What is meant by concurrent execution of database transactions ? Discuss the atomicity, durability, isolation and consistency preservation properties of a database transaction.
5. (a) What is a weak entity ? How is it represented in E-R diagram ? Explain using suitable example.
(b) Distinguish between redo and undo recovery techniques.
6. What are the problems with concurrency control and recovery in distributed databases ? Give a brief overview of concurrency control and recovery techniques in distributed databases.

7. Write short notes on the following :

- (a) Heuristics in query optimization
- (b) Shadow Paging
- (c) Client-server architecture.

8. Differentiate between the following :

- (a) Referential integrity constraint and entity integrity constraint
- (b) Selection and projection operation of relational algebra.