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DISTRIBUTED DATABASE MANAGEMENT

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

GROUP – A

(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternatives for the following : $10 \times 1 = 10$
 - i) The unit of data transfer to and from disk is
 - a) Information
 - b) Block
 - c) Pages
 - d) File.
 - ii) In how many ways m rows and n attributes can be represented ?
 - a) $m * n$
 - b) $n! * m$
 - c) $n * m!$
 - d) $m! * n!$
 - iii) Granularity means
 - a) Size of memory
 - b) Size of data
 - c) Locks
 - d) Transaction.
 - iv) Replication of attributed violate which of the following conditions of fragmentation ?
 - a) Completeness
 - b) Reconstruction
 - c) Disjointness
 - d) Both (b) and (c).



- v) Two phase commitment protocol is used for
 - a) Concurrency control
 - b) Integrity control
 - c) Recovery
 - d) Redundancy.
- vi) Atomicity of transaction demands
 - a) all the transaction's operations will be performed
 - b) none of the transaction's operations will be performed
 - c) no stable state
 - d) none of these.
- vii) Which of the following is not a benefit of site autonomy ?
 - a) Global catalog is not necessary to access local data
 - b) Node can upgrade software independently
 - c) Administrators can recover from isolated system failure independently
 - d) No need for backup and recovery.
- viii) Timestamp mechanism is used for
 - a) Concurrency control
 - b) Integrity control
 - c) Recovery
 - d) Redundancy.
- ix) Which of the following refers to the operation of copying and maintaining database object in multiple database belonging to a distributed system ?
 - a) Backup
 - b) Replication
 - c) Recovery
 - d) None of these.



x) Which of the following is the recovery management technique for distributed system ?

- a) Deferred update b) Immediate update
c) Two phase commit d) None of these.

GROUP – B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. 3 × 5 = 15

2. What are correctness rules of fragmentation ? Explain each rule.
3. What is the difference between parallel database and distributed database ?
4. What is the difference between reliability and availability ? What is local autonomy ?
5. What is the difference between tightly coupled and loosely coupled architecture ?
6. What is the false deadlock in DDBMS ?
7. Explain the different types of transparency in DDBMS.

GROUP – C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. 3 × 15 = 45

8. Explain reference architecture with diagram. Define different level of transparency. Discuss best fit, all beneficial site and additional beneficial site strategy for allocation of fragments.

6 + 3 + 6



9. a) Discuss the reasons of select distributed database instead of centralized DBMS. What are the possible disadvantages of such decision ?
- b) What are the additional threat to handle deadlock from centralized to distributed DBMS ? Explain centralized and hierarchical deadlock detector. Discuss the effect of replication to create deadlock. $3 + 2 + 3 + 5 + 2$
10. Write short notes of the following : 5×3
- a) Cold restart
- b) Distributed wait for graph
- c) Wound wait protocol
- d) Conservative timestamp ordering protocol
- e) False deadlock.
11. a) What are the uses of catalogs in DDBMS ? What are the contents of catalog ? How catalogs are allocated to different site in DBMS ?
- b) Discuss 2 phase locking protocol in DDBMS. $3 + 3 + 5 + 4$
12. Justify the following statements : 5×3
- a) 3-phase commitment protocol overcome limitation of 2-phase commitment protocol.
- b) Unique timestamp generation is difficult in DDBMS than centralized DBMS.
- c) Query graph identifies redundant relation in an SQL.
- d) Cold restart is very hard in distributed database.
- e) Bottom up approach of distributed data distribution is applicable for integrating existing databases.

