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Question Bank for BCA

Sub: FILE STRUCTURE AND DATABASE CONCEPTS

Chapter 1: File Structure and Organization

- 1. What is File? Explain file structure in details.
- 2. Define logical & physical files.
- 3. Explain field structure in brief.
- 4. Compare variable length record and fixed length record.
- 5. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using
 - a) Unordered file
 - b) Ordered file
 - c) Hash file with respect to file operations search, insert & delete.
- 6. Write short notes on sequential files
- 7. What are Hash files and explain?
- 8. What is file? Explain different operations performed on the file.
- 9. State difference in spanned and unspanned records.
- 10. Write short note on sorted or sequential file
- 11. Explain index file organization in brief.
- 12. State different types of indexes.

Chapter 2: Tree Structure Indexing

- 1. What is an index file? What is the relationship between this files and indexes?
- 2. What is a clustered index? How many clustered indexes can you build on a file? How many unclustered indexed can you build?
- 3. What are the advantages & disadvantages of index sequential files?
- 4. What are B+ trees? Give insertion & deletions in the same.
- 5. Write a note on B tree.
- 6. What is limit indexing? Explain?
- 7. Explain multilevel indexing in detail..
- 8. Explain the structure of index sequential files.
- 9. Explain B + tree deletion algorithm.

<u>Chapter 3: Database Management System</u>

- 1. What is DBMS?
- 2. What are the limitations of conventional file processing system?
- 3. What is the difference between the traditional file system & DBMS?
- 4. State and explain the advantages and disadvantages of DBMS
- 5. What is data abstraction? What are different levels of data abstraction?
- 6. What is data independence? What are its different types?
- 7. List and explain different types of database users?
- 8. What are functions performed by Database Administrator (DBA)?
- 9. Give the difference between logical & physical data independence?
- 10. Write a short note on
 - a. DDL
 - b. DML
 - c. DCL
 - d. TCL
- 11. Explain following terms,
 - a. Instance
 - b. Schema
 - c. DML Compiler
 - d. Data dictionary
 - e. Data independence
- 12. What capabilities a good DBMS should have? Explain any four of them in detail?
- 13. Explain different components of DBMS structure.

Chapter 4: Data Models

- 1. Explain different types of Data Models?
- 2. Explain relational data model with example.
- 3. Explain network data model with example.
- 4. Explain hierarchical data model with example.
- 5. Explain with suitable examples an entity and entity sets.
- 6. Explain types of entity with suitable examples.
- 7.
- 8. What is an attributes? Explain its types in detail.
- 9. Explain relationships & relationship sets with example.
- 10. Write a short note on ER diagrams.
- 11. Explain the difference between primary key & foreign key.
- 12. Explain following terms
 - a. Primary key
 - b. Super key
 - c. Candidate Key
 - d. Foreign key
 - e. Composite key
- 13. State different types of relationship can exist between entity sets in an E R Model.
- 14. What is generalization? Explain with examples.
- 15. What is specialization? Explain with examples.

- 16. Draw an E-R diagram for College admission system.
- 17. Draw an E-R diagram for Hospital system

Chapter 5: Relational Databases

- 1. What are the advantages & disadvantages of RDM?
- 2. What is a relation? Explain the degree of a relation with types.
- 3. Write short note on,
 - f. Entity
 - g. Domain
 - h. Tuple
- 4. What is key constraint? Explain types of constraints.
- 5. Explain conversion of weak entity set with example.
- 6. What is data integrity?
- 7. Enlist the steps followed for conversion of E R to Relational model.
- 8. Explain different data integrity types?
- 9. Explain the following operation from relational algebra.
 - a. Select
 - b. Project
 - c. Union
 - d. Rename
 - e. Division
 - f. Cartesion product
 - g. Difference
 - h. Intersection
 - i. Natural join
 - j. Outer join

Chapter 6: SQL (STRUCTURED QUERY LANGUAGE)

- 1. Write short note on SQL
- 2. What is generalized structure of SQL query (with from & where)
- 3. Explain the following operations with suitable example.
 - a. Set operations
 - b. Predicates & join
 - c. Set membership
 - d. Set comparison
 - e. Aggregate function
 - f. Ordering of Tuple
- 4. Explain the following DDL commands of SQL.
 - a. Create
 - b. Alter

- c. Drop
- d. Truncate
- 5. Explain the following DML commands of SQL.
 - a. Insert
 - b. Delete
 - c. Update
- 6. How tables are created & maintained by using SQL.
- 7. Explain different aggregate functions with examples.
- 8. What are nested queries? How would you use the operators in, not in writing nested queries?
- 9. What is grouping? Discuss the interaction of the having & where clauses.
- 10. Explain different data types used in SQL?
- 11. What is the difference between where and having clause of selected statement.
- 12. What is the use of BETWEEN operators in SQL?

Chapter 7: Relational Database Design

- 1. Define functional dependency.
- 2. Define functional dependency with example.
- 3. Explain different anomalies related with database design? Explain with example.
- 4. Specify needs of normalization.
- 5. Define normalization forms.
 - a. 1NF
 - b. 2NF
 - c. 3NF
 - d. BCNF
- 6. What is decomposition? What are the techniques of denormalization?
- 7. What is the purpose of Normalization?
- 8. Explain advantages and disadvantages of normalization.
- 9. What is integrity constraint?
- 10. What is unique constraint?