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FACULTY OF SCIENCES

2021_1 EXAMINATION DESCRIPTION

Course Code: CIT 427

Course Title: DATABASE SYSTEM AND MANAGEMENT

Time: 2 Hours 30 minutes

Credit: 3 Units

Instruction: Attempt 5 questions. Question1 is Compulsory and any other four (4)

Questions

QUESTION ONE (22 MARKS) COMPULSORY

- a. Explain the basic deficiency of the navigational model of the Codasyl. 2 Marks
- b. What is Domain Key Normal Form (DKNF) 2 Marks
- c. List the six operations of relational algebra as it relates to databases. 3 Marks
- d. Write the syntax for Delete in SQL. Illustrate with an example. 2 Marks
- e. Who is a Database Administrator? 2 Marks
- f. Explain the term "Data Definition Language. 3 Marks
- g. Why does a DBMS exhibit "replication transparency" 3 Marks.
- h. Compare and contrast between IMS and Codasyl DBMS. 3 Marks
- i. In Object Oriented Model, how can one Object access data of another Object? 2 Marks

QUESTION TWO (12 MARKS)

- a. Define data models. Give four examples of data models. 4 Marks
- b. Distinguish between the physical and the logical data models. 2 Marks
- c. Write briefly on the following features of DBMS:
 - i. Query ability. 2 Marksii. Backup and replication 2 Marksiii. Automated Optimization 2 Marks

QUESTION THREE (12 MARKS)

- a. What are web services? 2 Marks
- b. Distinguish between websites and web services. 3 Marks
- c. Give two (2) advantages and two (2) disadvantages of web services. 4 Marks
- d. At what point is it required to use the CDATA sections in your XML document. Illustrate with an example. **3 Marks**

QUESTION FOUR (12 MARKS)

- a. What is an Extensible Markup Language? 2 Marks
- b. Write the relationship between XML and SGML 5 Marks
- c. State any five (5) XML development goals based on W3C recommendation. 5 Marks

QUESTION FIVE (12 MARKS)

- a. Explain the term "Transaction Mechanism" in DBMS. 3 Marks
- b. Discuss briefly the following DBMS components.
 - i. Modeling Language **2 Marks** ii. Data Structures **2 Marks** iii. Data Query Language **2 Marks**
- c. Define the following terms in E-R Model. 3 Marks
 - i. Entity (1 Mark) ii. Relationship (1 Mark) iii. Mapping Cardinalities (1 Mark)

QUESTION SIX (12 MARKS)

- a. What is Existence Dependencies? Illustrate with an example. 5 Marks
- b. Explain the following SQL Commands.
 - i. Deletion **3 Marks** ii. Insertion **2 Marks** iii. Updates **2 Marks** (illustrate each with an example)