# Database Management Systems UNIT-I

# **Short answer Questions**

- 1. Define the terms data and information?
- 2. Define (i) Database (ii) DBMS
- 3. List the advantages and applications of DBMS?
- 4. What are the disadvantages of file processing system?
- 5. Define instances and schemas of database?
- 6. What is data model? List the types of data models?
- 7. Discuss about Data Definition language?
- 8. Discuss about Data Manipulation language?
- 9. What is data Abstraction? Give the levels of data abstraction?
- 10. Who is DBA? What are the responsibilities of DBA?
- 11. Discuss Data Independence?
- 12. What is an entity relationship model?
- 13. Define (i) Entity (ii) Attribute
- 14. Define Relationship and Relationship set?
- 15. What are key constraint and participating constraints?
- 16. Define weak entity and strong entity sets?
- 17. Define relation, relation instance and relation schema.
- 18. Define i) super key ii)candidate key iii) primary key
- 19. Explain the use of foreign key constraint?
- 20. Define the terms arity and cardinality of relation?
- 21. What are domain constraints
- 22. Explain about querying relational data?
- 23. Define views?
- 24. Discuss how can you change the data in the table?
- 25. List various types of attributes?
- 26. Discuss how can you alter and destroy tables?
- 27. Explain the use of null values?

- 1. Compare and Contrast file Systems with database system?
- 2. Define Data Abstraction and discuss levels of Abstraction?
- 3. Discuss about different types of Data models?
- 4. Describe the architecture of DBMS?
- 5. Discuss additional features of the ER-Models?
- 6. Discuss about the Conceptual Design with the ER-Model?
- 7. Write about views and updates on views?
- 8. Explain different types of database users and write the functions of DBA?
- 9. Explain about different types of integrity constraints?
- 10. Discuss about the logical database Design?
- 11. Distinguish strong entity set with weak entity set? Draw an ER diagram to illustrate Weak entity set?
- 12. Explain how the integrity constraints are specified and enforces?
- 13. Explain in detail about views?

# **UNIT-II Short answer Questions**

- 1 Define relational database query?
- 2 Explain different types of query languages?
- 3 Explain about relational algebra?
- 4 State about SELECT operation in Relational algebra?
- 5 State about PROJECT operation in Relational algebra?
- 6 Explain about set operations?
- 7 Discuss the use of rename operation?
- 8 Define join? Explain different join operations?
- 9 Illustrate division operation?
- 10 Explain about tuple relational calculus?
- 11 Explain about Domain relational calculus?
- 12 Discuss about the expressive power of relational algebra and calculus?

- 13 Discuss the basic form of SQL query?
- 14 Explain the working of union, intersection and except operations?
- 15 Define nested queries?
- 16 Define correlated nested queries?
- 17 Explain Aggregate Functions?
- 18 What is the use of groupby and having clauses?
- 19 Define Null Values?
- 20 Define tuple variable with its syntax?
- 21 Define outer join? Explain its types?
- 22 Explain how to create new domain?
- 23 Define Assertions?
- 24 Discuss about trigger?
- 25 Demonstrate how to add a NOT NULL column to a table?
- 26 Write a TRC query to find the names of sailors who have reserved boat 103?
- 27 Write a DRC query to find the names of sailors who have reserved red boat?

- 1. Illustrate different operations in Relational algebra with an example?
- 2. Define Join? Explain different types of joins?
- 3. Discuss about Relational calculus in detail?
- 4. Define trigger and explain its three parts? Differentiate row level and statement level triggers?
- 5. Illustrate Group by and having clauses with examples?
- 6. Discuss about Complex integrity constraints in SQL?
- 7. Define null value? Describe the effect of null values in database?
- 8. Discuss different types of aggregate operators with examples in SQL?
- 9. a Define a nested query?
  - b Write a nested query to find the names of sailors who have reserved both a red and green boat?
  - c. Write a nested query to find the names of sailors who have reserved all boats?

- 9 a. Discuss correlated nested queries?
  - b. Write a query to find the names of sailors who have reserved a red boat?
  - c. Write a query to find the names of sailors who have not reserved a red boat?

#### **UNIT-III**

#### **Short answer Questions**

- 1. Define redundancy?
- 2. Define functional dependency?
- 3. Explain the problems with Redundancy?
- 4. What is decomposition? Explain the properties of Decomposition?
- 5. Discuss normalization?
- 6. Illustrate functional dependency with example?
- 7. Illustrate fully functional dependency with example?
- 8. Demonstrate transitive dependency? Give an example?
- 9. Define First Normal Form?
- 10. Define Second Normal Form?
- 11. Define Third Normal Form?
- 12. Explain about Loss Less Join Decomposition?
- 13. Describe Dependency Preserving Decomposition?
- 14. What is multi valued Dependency?
- 15. Define Fourth Normal Form?
- 16. Define Join Dependency?
- 17. Define BCNF?
- 18. Explain Fifth Normal Form?
- 19. Explain about Inclusion Dependency?

#### **Long answer Questions**

1. Illustrate redundancy and the problems that it can cause

- 2. Define decomposition and how does it address redundancy? Discuss the problems that may be caused by the use of decompositions?
- 3. Define functional dependencies. How are primary keys related to FD's?
- 4. Define normalization? Explain 1NF,2NF,3NF normal forms
- 5. Compare and contrast BCNF with 3NF?
- 6. Describe properties of decompositions

#### **UNIT-IV**

#### **Short answer Questions**

- 1. Define a Transaction? List the properties of transaction
- 2. Discuss different phases(states) of transaction?
- 3. What is shadow copy technique?
- 4. List the advantages of concurrent execution?
- 5. Define Schedule? What is a serial schedule?
- 6. Discuss the Procedure to test Serializability?
- 7. Demonstrate Conflict Serializability?
- 8. Discuss View Serializability?
- 9. Discuss recoverable schedules?
- 10. Discuss cascade less schedules?
- 11. Explain the procedure to test for serializability?
- 12. Explain about different types of locks?
- 13. Define Deadlock?
- 14. Explain about locking protocols?
- 15. Define Two Phase locking protocol?
- 16. Demonstrate the implementation of Isolation?
- 17. Explain how the locks are implemented?
- 18. Explain the rules of tree protocol?
- 19. What is timestamp? Explain different timestamps used by a transaction?
- 20. Explain Thomas write rule?
- 21. What are the phases of validation based protocol?
- 22. Explain different timestamps used by validation protocol?
- 23. Define granularity?

- 24. Discuss about Failure Classification?
- 25. What are different storage types?
- 26. What are the fields of update record?
- 27. Discuss log based recovery?
- 28. Differentiate deferred and immediate database modifications?
- 29. Define a checkpoint?
- 30. Discuss the failures that can occur with loss of Non-volatile storage
- 31. Explain about ARIES?

- 1. Explain ACID properties and illustrate them through examples?
- 2. Discuss How do you implement Atomicity and Durability
- 3. Illustrate Concurrent execution of transaction with examples
- 4. Discuss Serializability in detail?
- 5. Discuss two phase locking protocol and strict two phase locking protocols?
- 6. Describe Times tamp based locking protocols?
- 7. Describe Validation-based locking protocols?
- 8. Discuss in detail Multiple Granularity?
- 9. Explain in detail storage structure
- 10. Discuss how do you recover from failure?
- 11. Explain Buffer Management?
- 12. Explain different types of advanced recovery techniques
- 13. Write in detail about Remote Backup systems?

#### **UNIT-V**

# **Short answer Questions**

- 1. Discuss about data on External storage?
- 2. What is indexing and what are the different kinds of indexing?
- 3. Explain Clustered Indexes?
- 4. Discuss the Primary and Secondary indexes?
- 5. Define Tree Indexing?
- 6. Explain Hash based Indexing?
- 7. Compare different file organizations?
- 8. Discuss the intuition for Tree Indexes?
- 9. Define Indexed Sequential Access Method?
- 10. Discuss about Overflow pages and Locking considerations of ISAM?
- 11. Discuss the Cost model of Heap files, Sorted files and Clustered files?
- 12. Explain the structure of B+ tree?
- 13. Describe how the insert and delete operations are performed in B+ tree?
- 14. Explain how search is performed in B+ tree?
- 15. Define static Hashing?
- 16. Explain extendible hashing?
- 17. Define linear hashing?
- 18. Differentiate between linear and extensible hashing?

- 1. Write in detail about hash based indexing and Tree based indexing
- 2. Compare I/O costs for all file organizations
- 3. Explain in detail about ISAM
- 4. Explain about B+ tree index file?
- 5. Demonstrate searching a given element in B+ trees? Explain with example?
- 6. Illustrate insertion of an element in B+ Tree with example
- 7. Illustrate deletion of an element in B+ Tree with example
- 8. Write in detail about Static Hashing
- 9. Explain in detail about Extendible hashing
- 10. Explain in detail about Linear hashing

11. Compare and contrast Extendible hashing With Linear hashing