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#### UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS

#### 2013 /2014 ACADEMIC YEAR

## SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

## (MAIN EXAMINATION)

# FOR THE DIPLOMA IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

# COURSE CODE : DIT 059 COURSE TITLE: DATABASE SYSTEMS

**DATE:** 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST ,2014

**TIME:** 9:00A.M.-11:00A.M.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

Attempt question ONE (1) and ANY TWO (2) other questions from section B.

#### **Question 1 (24 Marks)**

- a) Define the following terms,
  - i) Database
  - ii) Entity
  - iii) Key attribute
  - iv) Relationship
  - v) Schema

#### (5Marks)

- b) Briefly explain the following concepts in reference to the 3-level ANSI database architecture.
  - **i.** Logical data independence
  - ii. Physical data independence

#### (4 Marks)

- c) Define the terms Data Definition Language and Data Manipulation languageas used in SQL, giving an example SQL command for each type. (5 Marks)
- a) List the various components that make a database system, giving a brief description of their functions. (10 Marks)

#### **Question 2**

a) Define database normalization [2 marks]
b) Explain why normalization is used databases [2 marks]
c) The relational set operators UNION, INTERSECT, and MINUS work properly only when the relations are union-compatible. What does union-compatible mean, and how would you check for this condition? [2mks]
d) Suppose you have two tables: EMPLOYEE and EMPLOYEE\_1. The EMPLOYEE table contains the records for three employees: Alice Njeri, John kioko,

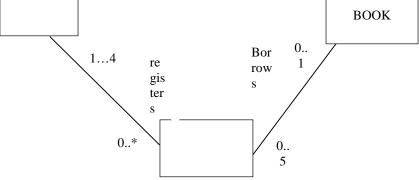
and Anne Nanjala.

The EMPLOYEE\_1 table contains therecords for employees John Kioko and Mary Omondi.

- i) Given that information, list the query output for theUNION query.[2mks]
- ii) Given the employee information in (d), list the query output for the UNION ALL query. [2mks]
- iii) Given the employee information in question (d) list the query output for the INTERSECT query. [2mks]
- iv) Given the employee information in (d), list the query output for the MINUS query of EMPLOYEE to EMPLOYEE\_1. [2mks]
- e) Outline the procedure used to create a select query in access [4 mks]

# **Question 3**

a)	Explain two types of data mapping as used in databases	[4mks]
b)	Why would you advice a client to use a DBMS instead of a file based system	
	[4MKS]	
c)	In the E-R diagram below state:	
i	. The multiplicity constraint for the book student relationship	[1mk]
ii	. The participation of the course when relating with the student	[1mk]



d) In a school system the details of the students and that of their guardians are stored manually by filling the following details in a form as shown in the diagram below before being stored in a spring file

STUDENTS REGISTRATION FORM					
AdmNoI					
Name		PName			
Age		PAddress			
DOB		Occupati			
Class					

- i) Give two disadvantages of this system [2mks] If you are to computerize this system, Draw an E-R diagram drawing showing the ii) possible entities, attributes, and relationships most appropriate for the system[4mks] iii) Write the appropriate SQL commands that would create the database tables to represent your entities in an MySQL database [2MKS] **Question 4** a) Differentiate between a relationship and relation a database model. [2mks] b) Explain the term functional dependency [2mks] c) A foundation dealing with regulation of publication of books maintains a database consisting of 3 related tables whose structure is as shown below: Book(bookCode, bookTitle, authorCode, pubCodedateOfPub) Author(authorCode, authorName, authorCountry, authorContacts) Publisher(pubCode, pubName, pubCountry, pubContacts) N/B Assume that a book is written by one authorized and is from one publisher An author may write many books, A publisher publishes many books. i) Draw an appropriate ERD for the above schema [3 mks]Write down an SQL state to: ii) a) Create the Author and Book table [2mks] b) Change the contacts of the publisher whose code in 'publ2' to 12299 [1mk] c) Insert a record into the authors table (use appropriate values [1mk] d) List the total number books [1mk] e) Display the titles of all books authored by 'Joseph Paul' [1mks] f) Display the name of the author of the book 'Database Management' [1mks] g) Display the titles of all books as well as the names of their authors and the names of their
  - authors. Ensure that books of the same author are listed together in a group. [2mks]
  - h) List the names of the publishers who have published books authored by 'CJ Date' [2mks]

## **Question 5**

(6mks)

a) In what ways can normalization be used to support database design? (2mks)

b) Discuss the different levels of normalization

c) Normalize the table below to  $3^{rd}$  NF (6mks)

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d) Distinguish between data security and data integrity [4mks]