SEVENTH SEMESTER B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2007

CS 2K 705.G Advanced Topics in Database Systems

Time: 3 hours

Maximum: 100 marks

PART - A

I. a. What primary characteristics should an OID possess?

b. What is meant by object query language. Given an example of a query.

c. Discuss the advantages of distributed databases.

d. What are the problems involved in a distributed DBMS environment compared to centralized environment.

e. Explain the multimedia Database concepts.

f. Explain how spatial databases differ from regular databases.

g. Discuss some important features of the Oracle database.

h. Compare the features of Oracle and Microsoft access.

(8x5=40 marks)

PART - B

2. a. Describe the steps of the algorithm for object database design by EER-to-00 mapping. (15 marks)

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2. b. Describe the following object query language concepts.

i) database entry points

ii) path expressions

iii) named queries (views).

(15 marks)

3. a. i) Why is data replication useful in DDBMS? What typical units of data are replicated. (8 marks)

ii) Discuss the types of distributed database systems.

(7 marks)

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3. b. Why is fragmentation a useful concept in distributed database design.

(8 marks)

What are the software components in a Client - Server DDBMS. (7 marks)

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