



The course code:  
 ECS4120

This course intend the following iLOS according to (NARS 2009):

a (6, 8, 11, 16, 17, 18) - b (9, 12, 13) - c (2, 15, 17, 19) - d (2, 6, 7, 8)

**Answer the following three question: (In two Pages)**

**Question 1** (30 Marks)

- (a) In the Processing in 3-Tier Applications, two kinds of page requests are used. Mention these pages and explain how they operate with the database server in WWW.  
 (Hint: you can use drawing to explain your answer)
- (b) From your study to the importance of attaching a database to a Web page:
- i. Mention Web Application Components.
  - ii. Internet-Related Languages used for creating WEB pages.
- (c) In Data warehousing, normalizing dimension tables is important. Explain the methods to normalize the dimension tables. Give an example for each method.
- (d) You are to construct a star schema for Simplified Automobile Insurance Company. The relevant dimensions, dimension attributes, and dimension sizes are as follows:

<b><i>InsuredParty</i></b>	<u>Attributes:</u> <i>InsuredPartyID</i> and <i>Name</i> . There is an average of two insured parties for each policy and covered item.
<b><i>CoverageItem</i></b>	<u>Attributes:</u> <i>CoverageKey</i> and <i>Description</i> . There is an average of 10 covered items per policy.
<b><i>Policy</i></b>	<u>Attributes:</u> <i>PolicyID</i> and <i>Type</i> . The company has approximately 1 million policies at the present time.
<b><i>Claim</i></b>	<u>Attributes:</u> <i>ClaimID</i> , <i>ClaimDescription</i> , and <i>ClaimType</i> The company experiences an average of 2000 claims per month
<b><i>Period</i></b>	<u>Attributes:</u> <i>DateKey</i> and <i>FiscalPeriod</i> .

Facts to be recorded for each combination of these dimensions are *PolicyPremium*, *Deductible*, and *MonthlyClaimTotal*.

- i. Design a star schema for this problem.
- ii. Estimate the number of rows in the fact table, using the assumptions stated previously.
- iii. Estimate the total size of the fact table (in bytes), assuming that each field has an average of (5 bytes).

## **Question 2** (30 Marks)

- (a) What is the relation between XML and Web Services? Mention the main component of the *Web Service Protocol Stack*.
- (b) From your study to Data Quality,
  - i) Mention the steps for improving poor data quality.
  - ii) Why is master data management important in an organization?
- (c) In *data integration*, reconciled data are referred to as the result of the ETL process. Mention the main steps of reconciled data. Explain briefly by drawing model for these steps.
- (d) SOX audit involves three area of controls. Mention them with brief discussion.
- (e) Today, *OLTP* and *Data Visualization* are two tools to represent Descriptive analytics in Data Science field. Explain this statement showing their meaning and types (if found).
- (f) In *database administration*, the type of restart used for database depends on the nature of its failure.
  - i) Mention the techniques used in recovery and restart the database failure.
  - ii) To prevent failure of database system, the administrator uses: *Deadlock* or *Data Availability* or *Versioning*. Explain showing the difference between them.

## **Question 3** (30 Marks)

- (a) What is Big Data? Mention its 5V's characteristics.
- (b) Give short notes about: *Hadoop*, *MapReduce*, *Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS)*, and *Business Intelligence (BI)*
- (c) i) What is meant by "Analytics"? Mention types of Analytics.
  - ii) Why is Analytics encompasses more than BI ?
- (d) Mention the three key issues needed for designing Distributed Database. Explain briefly each of them.
- (e) From you study to Distributed DBMS
  - i. Draw the Distributed DBMS Architecture (showing *local* transaction steps).
  - ii. Mention main Distributed DBMS Transparency Objectives.
- (g) What is meant by "business rules" in database? What is its importance in database? Mention types of business rules in database.