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# B.E. VII Semester

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# Information Storage and Management

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: Attempt any five questions. One question from each unit.

# Unit - I

- a) What is structured and unstructured data? What are the challenges of storing and managing unstructured data?
  - b) Explain various phases of information life cycle management? Take any suitable example.

## OR

- 2. a) List the key characteristics of Data Center?
  - What are the advantages of a virtualized data center over a classic data center.

# Unit - II

- a) Discuss the impact of random and sequential I/O in different RAID configuration.
  - b) Explain the components of an intelligent storage system.

## OR

- a) Discuss cache coherency mechanism and explain how they address the environment with multiple stared caches.
  - Compare the RAID level (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) in terms of storage efficiency, cost, read and write performance, write penalty and protection.

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#### Unit - III

- 5. a) How does flow control work in an FC network?
  - Explain how the performance of NAS can be affected in the TCP window size at the sender and receiver are not synchronized.

#### OR

- a) Explain storage migration using block-level storage virtualization. Compare this migration.
  - b) How does the use of jumbo frames affect the NAS performance?

#### Unit - IV

- a) Explain the benefits and challenges of using cloud storage for archiving.
  - b) Explain MD-5, SHA-256 Algorithms.

# OR

- a) Explain Backup and recovery strategy in NAS environments.
  - Describe the benefits of using a virtual tape library over a physical tape library.

# Unit-V

- 9. a) What are the various considerations for selecting a public cloud service provider?
  - b) What are the essential characteristics of cloud computing?

# OR

10. Write short notes on:

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- a) Cloud challenges
- b) Cloud computing infrastructure.