

File Organization Contents and Question Samples

- 1- What is File Structure and what are the main roles of file structure?
- 2- Data processing involves..... , and
- 3- Compare between main memory and secondary memory.
- 4- Describe the memory hierarchy.
- 5- What are the main characteristics of a good file structure design?
- 6- You should know the rules of naming files.
- 7- Define file extension with examples.
- 8- Define file format with examples.
- 9- What .hlp, .com, .avi and ods file formats refer to?
- 10- Define file header.
- 11- What is file management, and what are the advices or tips that make the file management easier and efficient?
- 12- What are the types of secondary storage devices with examples?
- 13- What are the types of storage technologies, with examples of each?
- 14- Describe the structure of hard disk in details, with charts and figures for illustration. (you should write full details)
- 15- You should study well how to calculate disk capacity as given in lecture 2, slides (30,31 and 32)
- 16- Define cluster and extent.
- 17- When to choose large cluster size and small cluster size?
- 18- What is the cost of disk Access?
- 19- Write short notes about Optical Storage Technology.
- 20- What is buffering, describe with a chart system I/O buffer?
- 21- What are the different buffer strategies in details?
- 22- Define field, record and key, then compare between the two types of keys?
- 23- Explain in detail the different methods for organizing fields (example, advantages and disadvantages)
- 24- Write the 5 methods of organizing records with examples?
- 25- Describe in detail the methods for record access.

- 26- What are the main strategies of record deletion with explanation?
- 27- What are the main strategies of placement of new record with explanation?
- 28- Show an example of fragmentation and defragmentation.
- 29- What is the motivation for data compression?
- 30- Define entropy and write the formula?
- 31- List data compression methods.
- 32- Use Run-length encoding algorithm to encode the following data stream: 33 44 56 33 33 33 44 55 66 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 56 56 56 77.

- 33- Assume you have the following frequency table of characters

| A | B | T | G | F | L | K |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 17 | 12 | 22 | 15 | 13 | 19 | 10 |

Calculate the Huffman code for each character: {A, B, T, G, F, L and K}

- 34- Using Lempel Ziv Encoding, encode a file containing the following characters and draw the corresponding digital tree. **“a a a b b c b c d d d e a b”**
- 35- Write short notes on Lossy Compression Methods.
- 36- What is hashing, with examples?
- 37- How to reduce collision while defining hash function?
- 38- You will be given hash function and you should use to assign memory cell to each record as in slides 30, 36, 41, 46,...