

IST607 - Information System Analysis and Design

Comprehensive Exam Solutions with Detailed Answers and Diagrams

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Document Structure

This document provides:

1. **Detailed Answers** for all exam questions
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Diagrams Included:

- Decision Tree (PlantUML Mindmap)
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 - GUI Wireframe (Registration Form)
 - Registration Validation Flow
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GENERAL MARKING PRINCIPLES

1. **Partial Credit:** Award partial marks for partially correct answers
 2. **Argumentation:** As per instructions, answers must be argued/explained. Simple "yes/no" or list-only answers should receive reduced marks
 3. **Accuracy:** Technical accuracy is important, but clear communication and understanding are also valued
 4. **Relevance:** Answers must be relevant to the UB Golden Club case study where applicable
 5. **Diagrams:** Diagrams must be clear, properly labeled, and follow standard notations
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QUESTION 1: COMPULSORY (20 marks)

Part 1a: Define Data Flow Diagram (DFD) (3 marks)

Detailed Answer:

Definition:

A **Data Flow Diagram (DFD)** is a graphical representation that illustrates the flow of data through an information system. It shows how data moves from input sources through various processes to output destinations, providing a visual model of the system's data processing logic.

DFDs are used in system analysis and design to:

- Understand the current system's data flow
- Design new systems
- Document system requirements
- Communicate system structure to stakeholders

Components of a DFD:

1. Processes (Circles/Bubbles):

- Represent transformations or manipulations of data
- Each process transforms input data into output data
- Labeled with verb phrases (e.g., "Register Member", "Calculate Price")
- Numbered for hierarchical decomposition (e.g., 1.0, 2.0, 1.1, 1.2)

2. Data Flows (Arrows):

- Show the movement of data between processes, data stores, and external entities
- Labeled with noun phrases describing the data (e.g., "Member Information", "Booking Request")
- Unidirectional (data flows in one direction)
- Can represent data packets, documents, or information

3. Data Stores (Open Rectangles):

- Repositories where data is held/stored
- Represent files, databases, or any data storage mechanism
- Labeled with noun phrases (e.g., "Members", "Sessions", "Bookings")
- Can be accessed by multiple processes
- Shown as two parallel horizontal lines with a label

4. External Entities (Squares/Rectangles):

- Sources or destinations of data outside the system boundary
- Represent people, organizations, or other systems
- Labeled with noun phrases (e.g., "Member", "Receptionist", "Payment System")
- Data flows to/from external entities cross the system boundary

Different Types of DFD:

1. Context Diagram / Level 0 DFD:

- **Highest level** of abstraction in the DFD hierarchy
- Shows the **entire system as a single process** (usually numbered 0)
- Displays all **external entities** that interact with the system
- Shows **data flows** between external entities and the system
- **No data stores** are shown (system is treated as a black box)

- Provides an overview of the system's scope and boundaries
- Example: "UB Golden Club System" as one process with external entities like Members, Receptionist, etc.

2. Level 1 DFD:

- **Decomposes** the system from the context diagram into **major processes** (typically 3-7 processes)
- Shows **data stores** that are used by the processes
- **Maintains the same external entities** as the context diagram
- Processes are numbered (1.0, 2.0, 3.0, etc.)
- Shows how data flows between processes, data stores, and external entities
- Provides more detail while maintaining system-wide view

3. Lower Level DFDs (Level 2, 3, etc.):

- **Further decomposition** of processes from higher levels
- Each process from Level 1 can be decomposed into sub-processes
- Shows **more detailed internal processes** and data flows
- May introduce **additional data stores** specific to that process
- Process numbering reflects hierarchy (e.g., 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 are sub-processes of 1.0)
- Continues until processes are primitive (cannot be decomposed further)

Differences Between DFD Types (4 marks):

Award marks for explaining:

- **Level of Detail** (1 mark):
 - Context diagram: System as single process, no internal detail
 - Lower levels: Increasing detail, processes decomposed into sub-processes
- **Scope** (1 mark):
 - Context diagram: Entire system scope, all external entities
 - Lower levels: Focus on specific process decomposition
- **Data Stores** (1 mark):
 - Context diagram: No data stores shown
 - Level 1+: Data stores appear as processes are decomposed
- **Number of Processes** (1 mark):
 - Context diagram: One process (the system)
 - Level 1: Multiple major processes (typically 3-7)
 - Lower levels: Each process decomposed further

Common Errors:

- -0.5 for confusing DFD with flowcharts
- -0.5 for omitting one or more components

- -0.5 for not explaining differences clearly
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Part 1b: Decision Tree for Restaurant Customer (8 marks)

Detailed Answer:

A **decision tree** is a graphical representation of decision-making logic that shows all possible outcomes based on different decision points. For a restaurant customer scenario, we need to handle three main scenarios:

1. **Eat Onsite** - Customer dines at the restaurant
2. **Take Away** - Customer orders food to take home
3. **Both** - Customer orders some items to eat onsite and some to take away

Decision Tree Structure:

The decision tree starts with the root decision point (order type) and branches out based on subsequent decisions, ending with leaf nodes representing final outcomes.

PlantUML Decision Tree Code (Activity Diagram Format):

```
@startuml Decision_Tree_Restaurant
start
:Customer Arrives;
:Select Order Type;

if (Order Type?) then (Eat Onsite)
  if (Seating Available?) then (Yes)
    :Order Food;
    if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
      :Receive Food;
      :Eat at Restaurant;
      :Pay Bill;
      :Leave Restaurant;
      stop
    else (Card)
      :Receive Food;
      :Eat at Restaurant;
      :Pay Bill;
      :Leave Restaurant;
      stop
    endif
  else (No)
    :Wait for Table;
    if (Seating Available?) then (Yes)
      :Order Food;
      if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
        :Receive Food;
        :Eat at Restaurant;
        :Pay Bill;
        :Leave Restaurant;
        stop
      endif
    else (No)
      :Wait for Takeaway
      if (Delivery Available?) then (Yes)
        :Order Food;
        if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
          :Receive Food;
          :Eat at Restaurant;
          :Pay Bill;
          :Leave Restaurant;
          stop
        endif
      else (Card)
        :Receive Food;
        :Eat at Restaurant;
        :Pay Bill;
        :Leave Restaurant;
        stop
      endif
    endif
  endif
endif
```

```
else (Card)
    :Receive Food;
    :Eat at Restaurant;
    :Pay Bill;
    :Leave Restaurant;
    stop
endif
else (No)
    :Leave Restaurant;
    stop
endif
endif
elseif (Take Away?) then (Take Away)
    :Order Food;
    if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
        :Prepare Order;
        if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
            :Receive Order;
            :Leave Restaurant;
            stop
        else (No)
            :Wait;
            if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
                :Receive Order;
                :Leave Restaurant;
                stop
            else (No)
                :Wait More;
                stop
            endif
        endif
    else (Card)
        :Prepare Order;
        if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
            :Receive Order;
            :Leave Restaurant;
            stop
        else (No)
            :Wait;
            if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
                :Receive Order;
                :Leave Restaurant;
                stop
            else (No)
                :Wait More;
                stop
            endif
        endif
    endif
else (Both: Eat Onsite + Take Away)
    if (Seating Available?) then (Yes)
        :Order Onsite Items;
        :Order Takeaway Items;
        if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
```

```
:Receive Onsite Food;
:Eat Onsite Portion;
:Pay Bill;
:Wait for Takeaway Order;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
  :Receive Takeaway Order;
  :Leave Restaurant;
  stop
else (No)
  :Wait;
  if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
    :Receive Takeaway Order;
    :Leave Restaurant;
    stop
  else (No)
    :Wait More;
    stop
  endif
endif
else (Card)
  :Receive Onsite Food;
  :Eat Onsite Portion;
  :Pay Bill;
  :Wait for Takeaway Order;
  if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
    :Receive Takeaway Order;
    :Leave Restaurant;
    stop
  else (No)
    :Wait;
    if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
      :Receive Takeaway Order;
      :Leave Restaurant;
      stop
    else (No)
      :Wait More;
      stop
    endif
  endif
else (No)
  :Wait for Table;
  if (Seating Available?) then (Yes)
    :Order Onsite Items;
    :Order Takeaway Items;
    if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
      :Receive Onsite Food;
      :Eat Onsite Portion;
      :Pay Bill;
      :Wait for Takeaway Order;
      if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
        :Receive Takeaway Order;
        :Leave Restaurant;
        stop
```

```
else (No)
:Wait;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Takeaway Order;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait More;
stop
endif
endif
else (Card)
:Receive Onsite Food;
:Eat Onsite Portion;
:Pay Bill;
:Wait for Takeaway Order;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Takeaway Order;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Takeaway Order;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait More;
stop
endif
endif
endif
else (No)
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
endif
endif
@enduml
```

Alternative: Simplified Decision Tree (Text-based Structure):

For a more traditional decision tree visualization, here's a cleaner representation:

```
@startuml Decision_Tree_Simplified
skinparam activity {
    BackgroundColor #E8F4F8
    BorderColor #0066CC
}
start
```

```
:Customer Arrives;

partition "Decision: Order Type" {
    if (Order Type?) then (Eat Onsite)
        partition "Decision: Seating" {
            if (Seating Available?) then (Yes)
                :Order Food;
                partition "Decision: Payment" {
                    if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
                        :Receive Food;
                        :Eat at Restaurant;
                        :Pay Bill;
                        :Leave Restaurant;
                        stop
                    else (Card)
                        :Receive Food;
                        :Eat at Restaurant;
                        :Pay Bill;
                        :Leave Restaurant;
                        stop
                    endif
                }
            else (No)
                :Wait for Table;
                if (Table Available?) then (Yes)
                    :Order Food;
                    if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
                        :Receive Food;
                        :Eat at Restaurant;
                        :Pay Bill;
                        :Leave Restaurant;
                        stop
                    else (Card)
                        :Receive Food;
                        :Eat at Restaurant;
                        :Pay Bill;
                        :Leave Restaurant;
                        stop
                    endif
                else (No)
                    :Leave Restaurant;
                    stop
                endif
            endif
        }
    elseif (Take Away?) then (Take Away)
        :Order Food;
        if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
            :Prepare Order;
            if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
                :Receive Order;
                :Leave Restaurant;
                stop
            else (No)
```

```
:Wait;
if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Order;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait More;
stop
endif
endif
else (Card)
:Prepare Order;
if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Order;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait;
if (Order Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Order;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait More;
stop
endif
endif
endif
else (Both)
if (Seating Available?) then (Yes)
:Order Onsite Items;
:Order Takeaway Items;
if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
:Receive Onsite Food;
:Eat Onsite Portion;
:Pay Bill;
:Wait for Takeaway;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Takeaway;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
:Receive Takeaway;
:Leave Restaurant;
stop
else (No)
:Wait More;
stop
endif
endif
else (Card)
:Receive Onsite Food;
```

```
:Eat Onsite Portion;
:Pay Bill;
:Wait for Takeaway;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
    :Receive Takeaway;
    :Leave Restaurant;
    stop
else (No)
    :Wait;
    if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
        :Receive Takeaway;
        :Leave Restaurant;
        stop
    else (No)
        :Wait More;
        stop
    endif
endif
endif
else (No)
    :Wait for Table;
    if (Table Available?) then (Yes)
        :Order Onsite Items;
        :Order Takeaway Items;
        if (Payment Method?) then (Cash)
            :Receive Onsite Food;
            :Eat Onsite Portion;
            :Pay Bill;
            :Wait for Takeaway;
            if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
                :Receive Takeaway;
                :Leave Restaurant;
                stop
            else (No)
                :Wait;
                if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
                    :Receive Takeaway;
                    :Leave Restaurant;
                    stop
                else (No)
                    :Wait More;
                    stop
                endif
            endif
        else (Card)
            :Receive Onsite Food;
            :Eat Onsite Portion;
            :Pay Bill;
            :Wait for Takeaway;
            if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
                :Receive Takeaway;
                :Leave Restaurant;
                stop
            else (No)
```

```

:Wait;
if (Takeaway Ready?) then (Yes)
    :Receive Takeaway;
    :Leave Restaurant;
    stop
else (No)
    :Wait More;
    stop
endif
endif
else (No)
    :Leave Restaurant;
    stop
endif
endif
endif
}
stop
@enduml

```

Alternative Simplified Decision Tree (Text Format):



Key Decision Points:

1. **Order Type** (Root): Determines the main path
2. **Seating Availability**: Critical for onsite dining
3. **Payment Method**: Affects the payment process

4. **Order Preparation:** Relevant for takeaway orders
5. **Order Readiness:** Determines when customer receives food

Explanation:

- The decision tree covers all three scenarios comprehensively
 - Each path leads to a clear outcome
 - Handles waiting scenarios for both seating and order preparation
 - Accounts for payment methods in all scenarios
 - The "Both" scenario correctly handles sequential processing (eat onsite first, then wait for takeaway)
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QUESTION 2: OPTION 1 (50 marks total)

Note on DFD Notation: The answers and diagrams in this section have been updated based on corrections made in the bus-station-management-system case study. Key corrections include:

- **Process notation:** Processes must be shown as circles (Yourdon) or rounded rectangles (Gane-Sarson), NOT plain rectangles
- **Data store notation:** Data stores must be shown as open rectangles (two parallel horizontal lines) labeled D1, D2, D3, etc.
- **Context diagram:** Must show only ONE process (the system) with NO data stores
- **Data flow labeling:** All data flows must be labeled with descriptive noun phrases
- **External entities:** Must be shown as squares/rectangles

Part 2(i)a: List Processes and External Entities for Top-Level DFD (9 marks)

Note: This section includes:

- **Level 0 DFD (Context Diagram):** Shows the system as one process with external entities
- **Level 1 DFD:** Shows major processes and data stores (top-level decomposition)
- **Level 2 DFD:** Shows decomposition of Process 3.0 into 3 sub-processes

Detailed Answer:

External Entities:

External entities are sources or destinations of data outside the system boundary. Based on the UB Golden Club scenario:

1. New Members / Prospective Members

- People who want to join the club but are not yet registered
- Provide registration information to the system
- Receive member numbers after registration

2. Registered Members

- Members who have completed registration
- Can book sessions, join teams, cancel bookings
- Receive booking confirmations and session information

3. Team Leaders

- Members who lead teams
- Can book sessions on behalf of their teams
- Receive team-related information

4. Individual Members

- Members who are not part of a team
- Can book sessions for themselves
- Receive individual booking confirmations

5. Receptionist

- Staff member who interacts with the system
- Processes registrations, handles bookings
- May access system information for customer service

6. Club Manager (Optional)

- Administrative role
- May create session records, manage system settings

Processes:

Processes represent transformations of data. For the UB Golden Club system:

1. 1.0 Register New Members

- Accepts member information (name, address, phone)
- Generates unique member number
- Stores member data
- Returns member number to new member

2. 2.0 Manage Team Membership

- Handles requests to join teams
- Enforces one team per member rule
- Updates team membership records
- Confirms team joining

3. 3.0 Book Playing Session

- Accepts booking requests from team leaders or individual members
- Checks session availability
- Calculates session price based on time, day, etc.
- Creates booking record
- Returns booking confirmation

4. 4.0 Cancel Booking

- Accepts cancellation requests

- Removes booking record
- Makes session available for rebooking
- Confirms cancellation

5. 5.0 Create Session Records

- Creates session records in advance
- Identifies sessions by date, time, court number
- Sets session availability status

6. 6.0 Delete Old Sessions (Optional)

- Removes session records older than 6 months
- Archives old data
- Maintains database efficiency

PlantUML Level 1 DFD Code (Yourdon Notation):

Note: Based on corrections made in the bus-station-management-system case study, proper DFD notation requires:

- **Processes:** Circles/bubbles (Yourdon notation) or rounded rectangles (Gane-Sarson notation)
- **Data Stores:** Open rectangles (two parallel horizontal lines) labeled as D1, D2, D3, etc.
- **External Entities:** Squares/rectangles
- **Data Flows:** Labeled arrows with noun phrases

```
@startuml Level1_DFD
skinparam maxwidth 1600
skinparam maxheight 1100
skinparam dpi 300
scale max 1600x1100

title Level 1 Data Flow Diagram - UB Golden Club System (Yourdon Notation)

' External entities (rectangles/squares)
rectangle "New Members" as NewMembers
rectangle "Registered Members" as RegMembers
rectangle "Team Leaders" as TeamLeaders
rectangle "Individual Members" as IndMembers
rectangle "Receptionist" as Receptionist
rectangle "Club Manager" as Manager

' Data stores (open rectangles - Yourdon notation: two parallel lines)
rectangle "D1\nMembers" as D1 #LightBlue
rectangle "D2\nTeams" as D2 #LightBlue
rectangle "D3\nSessions" as D3 #LightBlue
rectangle "D4\nBookings" as D4 #LightBlue

' Processes (circles - Yourdon notation)
circle "1.0\nRegister\nNew Members" as P1
circle "2.0\nManage Team\nMembership" as P2
circle "3.0\nBook Playing\nSession" as P3
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circle "4.0\nCancel\nBooking" as P4
circle "5.0\nCreate Session\nRecords" as P5
circle "6.0\nDelete Old\nSessions" as P6

' Data flows from/to external entities
NewMembers --> P1 : Member Information\n(Name, Address, Phone)
P1 --> NewMembers : Member Number
P1 --> D1 : write

RegMembers --> P2 : Join Team Request
P2 --> RegMembers : Team Confirmation
P2 --> D2 : read/write
P2 --> D1 : read

TeamLeaders --> P3 : Booking Request\n(Team)
IndMembers --> P3 : Booking Request\n(Individual)
P3 --> TeamLeaders : Booking Confirmation
P3 --> IndMembers : Booking Confirmation
P3 --> D3 : read
P3 --> D4 : write
P3 --> D1 : read
P3 --> D2 : read

RegMembers --> P4 : Cancellation Request
P4 --> RegMembers : Cancellation Confirmation
P4 --> D4 : read/write
P4 --> D3 : read/write

Manager --> P5 : Session Details\n(Date, Time, Court)
P5 --> Manager : Session Creation\nConfirmation
P5 --> D3 : write

Manager --> P6 : Delete Request\n(Sessions > 6 months)
P6 --> Manager : Deletion Confirmation
P6 --> D3 : read/write

@enduml

```

Alternative PlantUML Level 1 DFD Code (Gane-Sarson Notation):

```

@startuml Level1_DFD_GaneSarson
skinparam maxwidth 1600
skinparam maxheight 1100
skinparam dpi 300
scale max 1600x1100

title Level 1 Data Flow Diagram - UB Golden Club System (Gane-Sarson Notation)

' External entities (squares/rectangles)
rectangle "New Members" as NewMembers
rectangle "Registered Members" as RegMembers
rectangle "Team Leaders" as TeamLeaders

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rectangle "Individual Members" as IndMembers
rectangle "Receptionist" as Receptionist
rectangle "Club Manager" as Manager

' Data stores (open rectangles - Gane-Sarson notation)
rectangle "D1\nMembers" as D1
rectangle "D2\nTeams" as D2
rectangle "D3\nSessions" as D3
rectangle "D4\nBookings" as D4

' Processes (rounded rectangles - Gane-Sarson notation)
' Note: In PlantUML, we use rectangles but note they represent rounded rectangles
rectangle "1.0\nRegister\nNew Members" as P1
rectangle "2.0\nManage Team\nMembership" as P2
rectangle "3.0\nBook Playing\nSession" as P3
rectangle "4.0\nCancel\nBooking" as P4
rectangle "5.0\nCreate Session\nRecords" as P5
rectangle "6.0\nDelete Old\nSessions" as P6

' Data flows
NewMembers --> P1 : Member Information
P1 --> NewMembers : Member Number
P1 --> D1 : write

RegMembers --> P2 : Join Team Request
P2 --> RegMembers : Team Confirmation
P2 --> D2 : read/write
P2 --> D1 : read

TeamLeaders --> P3 : Booking Request (Team)
IndMembers --> P3 : Booking Request (Individual)
P3 --> TeamLeaders : Booking Confirmation
P3 --> IndMembers : Booking Confirmation
P3 --> D3 : read
P3 --> D4 : write
P3 --> D1 : read
P3 --> D2 : read

RegMembers --> P4 : Cancellation Request
P4 --> RegMembers : Cancellation Confirmation
P4 --> D4 : read/write
P4 --> D3 : read/write

Manager --> P5 : Session Details
P5 --> Manager : Session Creation Confirmation
P5 --> D3 : write

Manager --> P6 : Delete Request
P6 --> Manager : Deletion Confirmation
P6 --> D3 : read/write

@enduml
```

Key Notation Corrections (Based on bus-station-management-system):

1. Process Notation:

- **Correct:** Processes shown as **circles** (Yourdon) or **rounded rectangles** (Gane-Sarson)
- **Incorrect:** Processes shown as plain rectangles (this is incorrect notation)

2. Data Store Notation:

- **Correct:** Data stores shown as **open rectangles** (two parallel horizontal lines) labeled D1, D2, D3, etc.
- **Correct:** Data stores labeled with noun phrases (e.g., "D1 Members", "D2 Teams")
- **Incorrect:** Using "database" keyword or closed rectangles

3. External Entity Notation:

- **Correct:** External entities shown as **squares/rectangles**
- **Correct:** Labeled with noun phrases (e.g., "New Members", "Receptionist")

4. Data Flow Notation:

- **Correct:** Data flows shown as **labeled arrows** with noun phrases
- **Correct:** All data flows must have descriptive labels
- **Correct:** Data flows show direction (unidirectional)

5. Level 1 DFD Requirements:

- Shows **multiple processes** (decomposition from context diagram)
- Shows **data stores** (not shown in context diagram)
- Maintains **same external entities** as context diagram
- Processes numbered hierarchically (1.0, 2.0, 3.0, etc.)

Marking Considerations:

- Award full marks for correct notation (circles for processes, open rectangles for data stores)
- Deduct marks (-1 to -2) for incorrect process notation (using rectangles instead of circles)
- Deduct marks (-0.5 to -1) for incorrect data store notation
- Ensure data flows are properly labeled with noun phrases
- Verify all processes have both inputs and outputs

PlantUML Level 0 DFD Code (Context Diagram - Gane-Sarson Notation):

```

@startuml Level0_DFD_Context
skinparam maxwidth 1600
skinparam maxheight 1100
skinparam dpi 300
scale max 1600x1100

title Level 0 Data Flow Diagram - UB Golden Club System (Context Diagram)\n(Gane-Sarson style: squares = external entities, one box = process)

' External entities (Gane-Sarson: squares – sources/sinks of data, NOT processes)

```

```

rectangle "New Members" as NewMembers
rectangle "Registered Members" as RegMembers
rectangle "Team Leaders" as TeamLeaders
rectangle "Individual Members" as IndMembers
rectangle "Receptionist" as Receptionist
rectangle "Club Manager" as Manager

' Single process (Gane-Sarson: rounded rectangle = the system as one process)
' Note: In PlantUML, we use rectangle but note it represents the system as ONE
process
rectangle "0.0\nUB Golden Club\nManagement System" as System

' Data flows from external entities to system
NewMembers --> System : Member Registration\nInformation\n(Name, Address, Phone)
System --> NewMembers : Member Number

RegMembers --> System : Booking Request\nCancellation Request\nTeam Joining
Request
System --> RegMembers : Booking Confirmation\nCancellation Confirmation\nSession
Information\nMembership Information

TeamLeaders --> System : Team Booking Request\nTeam Information Request
System --> TeamLeaders : Booking Confirmation\nTeam Session Information

IndMembers --> System : Individual Booking Request\nSession Inquiry
System --> IndMembers : Booking Confirmation\nSession Availability

Receptionist --> System : Registration Processing\nMember Inquiry\nBooking
Assistance
System --> Receptionist : Member Information\nBooking Status\nSession Details

Manager --> System : Session Creation Request\nSystem Management Requests
System --> Manager : Session Creation Confirmation\nSystem Reports

@enduml

```

Key Points for Level 0 DFD (Context Diagram):

- Shows the **entire system as ONE process** (numbered 0.0)
- Shows all **external entities** that interact with the system
- Shows **data flows** between external entities and the system
- **NO data stores** shown at this level (they appear in Level 1 DFD)
- **NO internal processes** shown (system treated as black box)

PlantUML Level 2 DFD Code - Process 3.0 Decomposition (Yourdon Notation):

Note: Level 2 DFD decomposes Process 3.0 "Book Playing Session" into 3 sub-processes:

```

@startuml Level2_DFD_Booking
skinparam maxwidth 1600
skinparam maxheight 1100

```

```

skinparam dpi 300
scale max 1600x1100

title Level 2 Data Flow Diagram - Book Playing Session (Process 3.0
Decomposition)\n(Yourdon Notation - 3 Sub-processes)

' External entities (rectangles/squares)
rectangle "Team Leaders" as TeamLeaders
rectangle "Individual Members" as IndMembers

' Data stores (open rectangles - Yourdon notation: two parallel lines)
rectangle "D1\nMembers" as D1 #LightBlue
rectangle "D2\nTeams" as D2 #LightBlue
rectangle "D3\nSessions" as D3 #LightBlue
rectangle "D4\nBookings" as D4 #LightBlue

' Sub-processes (circles - Yourdon notation)
' Process 3.0 decomposed into 3 sub-processes
circle "3.1\nCheck Session\nAvailability" as P31
circle "3.2\nCalculate Session\nPrice" as P32
circle "3.3\nCreate Booking\nRecord" as P33

' Data flows from external entities
TeamLeaders --> P31 : Booking Request\n(Date, Time, Court)
IndMembers --> P31 : Booking Request\n(Date, Time, Court)

' Process 3.1: Check Session Availability
P31 --> D3 : read\n(Session Details)
D3 --> P31 : Session Availability\nStatus
P31 --> D1 : read\n(Member Info)
D1 --> P31 : Member Details
P31 --> D2 : read\n(Team Info)
D2 --> P31 : Team Details
P31 --> P32 : Available Session\nDetails

' Process 3.2: Calculate Session Price
P32 --> D3 : read\n(Session Details)
D3 --> P32 : Session Information\n(Date, Time, Day)
P32 --> P33 : Calculated Price\nSession Details

' Process 3.3: Create Booking Record
P33 --> D4 : write\n(Booking Record)
D4 --> P33 : Booking ID
P33 --> D3 : read/write\n(Update Availability)
D3 --> P33 : Updated Status
P33 --> TeamLeaders : Booking Confirmation\n(Booking ID, Price)
P33 --> IndMembers : Booking Confirmation\n(Booking ID, Price)

@enduml

```

Alternative PlantUML Level 2 DFD Code (Gane-Sarson Notation):

```

@startuml Level2_DFD_Booking_GaneSarson
skinparam maxwidth 1600
skinparam maxheight 1100
skinparam dpi 300
scale max 1600x1100

title Level 2 Data Flow Diagram - Book Playing Session (Process 3.0
Decomposition)\n(Gane-Sarson Notation - 3 Sub-processes)

' External entities (squares/rectangles)
rectangle "Team Leaders" as TeamLeaders
rectangle "Individual Members" as IndMembers

' Data stores (open rectangles - Gane-Sarson notation)
rectangle "D1\nMembers" as D1
rectangle "D2\nTeams" as D2
rectangle "D3\nSessions" as D3
rectangle "D4\nBookings" as D4

' Sub-processes (rounded rectangles - Gane-Sarson notation)
' Note: In PlantUML, we use rectangles but note they represent rounded rectangles
rectangle "3.1\nCheck Session\nAvailability" as P31
rectangle "3.2\nCalculate Session\nPrice" as P32
rectangle "3.3\nCreate Booking\nRecord" as P33

' Data flows
TeamLeaders --> P31 : Booking Request
IndMembers --> P31 : Booking Request

P31 --> D3 : read
D3 --> P31 : Session Availability
P31 --> D1 : read
D1 --> P31 : Member Details
P31 --> D2 : read
D2 --> P31 : Team Details
P31 --> P32 : Available Session Details

P32 --> D3 : read
D3 --> P32 : Session Information
P32 --> P33 : Calculated Price

P33 --> D4 : write
D4 --> P33 : Booking ID
P33 --> D3 : read/write
D3 --> P33 : Updated Status
P33 --> TeamLeaders : Booking Confirmation
P33 --> IndMembers : Booking Confirmation

@enduml

```

Key Points for Level 2 DFD:

- **Decomposes Process 3.0 "Book Playing Session" into 3 sub-processes:**
 - **3.1 Check Session Availability:** Validates session availability and member/team information
 - **3.2 Calculate Session Price:** Calculates price based on session details (date, time, day)
 - **3.3 Create Booking Record:** Creates booking record and updates session availability
- Shows **data stores** used by the sub-processes (D1, D2, D3, D4)
- Shows **data flows** between sub-processes, data stores, and external entities
- Maintains **same external entities** as Level 1 DFD (Team Leaders, Individual Members)
- Process numbering reflects hierarchy (3.1, 3.2, 3.3 are sub-processes of 3.0)
- All data flows from Level 1 DFD Process 3.0 are accounted for in Level 2 DFD

Marking Considerations for Level 2 DFD:

- Award marks for proper decomposition (3 sub-processes)
 - Award marks for correct notation (circles for Yourdon, rounded rectangles for Gane-Sarson)
 - Award marks for proper data flow balancing (all inputs/outputs from Level 1 accounted for)
 - Deduct marks (-1) if sub-processes are not properly numbered (should be 3.1, 3.2, 3.3)
 - Deduct marks (-0.5 to -1) for missing data flows or incorrect data store access
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Part 2b: Activity Diagram with Swim Lanes (9 marks)

Detailed Answer:

An **Activity Diagram with Swim Lanes** shows the workflow of business processes, with each lane representing a different actor or role responsible for activities. This helps visualize who does what in the system.

Swim Lanes:

1. **Club Manager** - Creates and manages session records
2. **Receptionist** - Handles member registration and assists with bookings
3. **Member/Team Leader** - Performs member-related activities (booking, cancellation, team joining)
4. **System** - Automated system processes

PlantUML Activity Diagram Code:

```
@startuml Activity_Diagram
|#LightBlue|Club Manager|
start
:Create Session Records;
:Set Session Details\n(Date, Time, Court);
:Store in System;
|#LightGreen|Receptionist|
:Receive New Member;
:Collect Member Information\n(Name, Address, Phone);
|#LightYellow|System|
:Generate Member Number;
:Store Member Data;
:Send Member Number;
|#LightGreen|Receptionist|
```

```
:Provide Member Number\n\tto New Member;
| #LightYellow | Member/Team Leader |
:Login to System;
:Select Action;
if (Action Type?) then (Join Team)
    :Request to Join Team;
    | #LightYellow | System |
    :Check Team Membership;
    if (Already in Team?) then (Yes)
        :Reject Request;
        :Display Error Message;
        stop
    else (No)
        :Add to Team;
        :Confirm Team Membership;
        | #LightYellow | Member/Team Leader |
        :Receive Confirmation;
    endif
elseif (Book Session?) then (Book Session)
    :Select Session\n\t(Date, Time, Court);
    | #LightYellow | System |
    :Check Session Availability;
    if (Available?) then (No)
        :Display Unavailable Message;
        stop
    else (Yes)
        :Calculate Session Price;
        :Create Booking Record;
        :Update Session Availability;
        :Send Booking Confirmation;
        | #LightYellow | Member/Team Leader |
        :Receive Confirmation;
    endif
elseif (Cancel Booking?) then (Cancel Booking)
    :Select Booking to Cancel;
    | #LightYellow | System |
    :Find Booking Record;
    :Remove Booking;
    :Update Session Availability;
    :Send Cancellation Confirmation;
    | #LightYellow | Member/Team Leader |
    :Receive Confirmation;
else (Other)
    stop
endif
| #LightBlue | Club Manager |
:Check Old Sessions\n\t(>6 months);
:Delete Old Session Records;
:Archive Data;
stop
@enduml
```

Key Activities Covered:

1. Member Registration Process:

- Receptionist receives new member
- Collects member information
- System generates member number
- Member data stored
- Member number provided to new member

2. Team Joining Process:

- Member requests to join team
- System checks existing membership
- If not in team, adds to team
- Confirms team membership

3. Session Booking Process:

- Member selects session
- System checks availability
- Calculates price
- Creates booking record
- Confirms booking

4. Booking Cancellation Process:

- Member selects booking to cancel
- System removes booking
- Updates session availability
- Confirms cancellation

5. Session Management:

- Club Manager creates session records
 - System stores sessions
 - Old sessions deleted after 6 months
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Part 2c: Differences Between DFD and Activity Diagram (7 marks)

Detailed Answer:**1. Purpose and Focus:****DFD (Data Flow Diagram):**

- Focuses on **data flow** through the system
- Shows "**what data**" moves between processes, stores, and entities
- Emphasizes data transformations and data dependencies
- Example from Part (a): Shows "Member Information" flowing from "New Members" entity to "Register New Members" process, then "Member Number" flowing back

Activity Diagram:

- Focuses on **workflow and business processes**
- Shows "**what activities**" are performed and in what order
- Emphasizes the sequence of actions and control flow
- Example from Part (b): Shows the sequence "Receive New Member" → "Collect Member Information" → "Generate Member Number" → "Store Member Data"

2. Perspective:

DFD:

- Provides a **data-oriented view** of the system
- Shows how data is transformed as it moves through processes
- Represents a **static view** of data transformations (what happens to data)
- Example: The DFD shows that "Booking Request" data flows into "Book Session" process and "Booking Confirmation" flows out

Activity Diagram:

- Provides a **process/behavior-oriented view** of the system
- Shows the sequence and conditions of activities
- Represents a **dynamic view** of process execution (when and how activities occur)
- Example: The Activity Diagram shows that after "Check Session Availability", if available, the system proceeds to "Calculate Price", but if not available, it stops

3. Representation Elements:

DFD:

- Shows **data stores** (where data is stored), **external entities** (sources/destinations), and **data flows** (what data moves)
- Represents processes as **data transformations** (input data → process → output data)
- Example: DFD shows "D1 Members" data store being accessed by "Register New Members" process

Activity Diagram:

- Shows **activities** (actions performed), **decisions** (branching points), and **swim lanes** (who performs activities)
- Represents processes as **executable activities** with control flow (sequence, parallel, conditional)
- Example: Activity Diagram shows "Generate Member Number" as an activity in the System swim lane, followed by a decision point

4. Level of Detail:

DFD:

- Can show data at **different levels of abstraction** (Context → Level 1 → Level 2, etc.)
- Each level provides more detail about data transformations
- Focuses on data decomposition

Activity Diagram:

- Shows **sequential and parallel activities** with control flow
- Can show concurrent activities in different swim lanes
- Focuses on temporal and logical ordering of activities

5. Usage Context:

DFD:

- Used for **system analysis** and understanding **data requirements**
- Helps identify what data the system needs, where it comes from, and where it goes
- Useful for database design and data modeling

Activity Diagram:

- Used for **business process modeling** and **workflow design**
- Helps understand how work is performed and who is responsible
- Useful for process improvement and system design

Illustration with Examples:

From Part (a) DFD:

- The DFD shows "Member Information" as a data flow, indicating what data moves, but doesn't show when or in what sequence registration occurs

From Part (b) Activity Diagram:

- The Activity Diagram shows the sequence: "Receive New Member" → "Collect Information" → "Generate Number", indicating the order of activities, but doesn't show what specific data fields are involved

Part 2d: System Requirements List (9 marks)

Detailed Answer:

Functional Requirements:

Functional requirements define **what** the system must do - the specific functions and features it must provide.

Member Management Requirements:

1. FR-1: Member Registration

- The system must allow new members to register by providing name, address, and phone number
- The system must validate that all required information is provided
- The system must store member information in the database
- **Example:** A new member provides "John Doe, 123 Main St, 555-1234" and receives member number "M001"

2. FR-2: Member Number Assignment

- The system must automatically assign a unique member number to each new member
- Member numbers must be sequential and non-duplicating

- The system must display the assigned member number to the new member
- **Example:** First member gets "M001", second gets "M002", etc.

3. FR-3: Member Information Maintenance

- The system must allow updating member information (address, phone)
- The system must maintain historical records of member data
- The system must allow searching for members by name or member number

Team Management Requirements:

4. FR-4: Team Joining

- The system must allow registered members to join teams
- The system must display available teams for selection
- The system must confirm team membership after joining

5. FR-5: One Team Per Member Rule

- The system must enforce that each member belongs to only one team at a time
- The system must prevent members from joining multiple teams simultaneously
- The system must require leaving current team before joining another
- **Example:** If member M001 is in Team A, they cannot join Team B without leaving Team A first

6. FR-6: Team Membership Tracking

- The system must track which members belong to which teams
- The system must display team membership lists
- The system must allow team leaders to view their team members

Session Management Requirements:

7. FR-7: Session Booking

- The system must allow booking of playing sessions
- The system must display available sessions (date, time, court)
- The system must create booking records when sessions are booked
- The system must update session availability after booking

8. FR-8: Team Leader Booking

- The system must allow team leaders to book sessions on behalf of their teams
- The system must identify the booking as a team booking
- The system must notify team members of team bookings

9. FR-9: Individual Member Booking

- The system must allow individual members (not in teams) to book sessions
- The system must allow individual members to book sessions for themselves
- The system must handle individual bookings separately from team bookings

10. FR-10: Price Calculation

- The system must calculate session price based on time of day, day of week, and court type
- The system must display calculated price before confirming booking
- The system must store price with each booking record
- **Example:** Weekend evening sessions cost more than weekday morning sessions

11. FR-11: Session Cancellation

- The system must allow members to cancel their bookings
- The system must remove booking records upon cancellation
- The system must send cancellation confirmation to the member

12. FR-12: Cancelled Session Rebooking

- The system must make cancelled sessions available for rebooking immediately
- The system must update session availability status when cancellation occurs
- The system must notify other members if a previously unavailable session becomes available

Administrative Requirements:

13. FR-13: Session Record Creation

- The system must allow club manager to create session records in advance
- The system must support bulk creation of sessions (e.g., all sessions for a month)
- The system must validate session details before creation

14. FR-14: Session Identification

- The system must uniquely identify each session by date, time, and court number
- The system must prevent duplicate sessions (same date, time, court)
- The system must display sessions in chronological order

15. FR-15: Old Session Deletion

- The system must automatically identify sessions older than 6 months
- The system must delete session records after 6 months
- The system must archive deleted sessions before removal (optional but recommended)

Non-Functional Requirements:

Performance Requirements:

1. NFR-1: Response Time

- The system must respond to booking requests within 2 seconds
- The system must load member information within 1 second
- The system must handle 100 concurrent users without degradation

2. NFR-2: Throughput

- The system must process at least 50 bookings per minute
- The system must support 1000 registered members

Usability Requirements:

3. NFR-3: User Interface

- The system must be intuitive for users with basic computer skills
- The system must provide clear error messages and help text
- The system must be accessible via web browser

4. NFR-4: Training

- New users must be able to complete registration without training
- Staff must be able to use the system with minimal training (2 hours)

Security Requirements:

5. NFR-5: Access Control

- The system must require authentication for member access
- The system must restrict administrative functions to authorized staff
- The system must encrypt sensitive member data

6. NFR-6: Data Protection

- The system must protect member personal information
- The system must comply with data protection regulations
- The system must log all access to member data

Reliability Requirements:

7. NFR-7: Availability

- The system must be available 99% of the time (24/7)
- The system must have scheduled maintenance windows
- The system must recover from failures within 1 hour

8. NFR-8: Data Backup

- The system must perform daily automated backups
- The system must allow data restoration within 4 hours
- Backup data must be stored off-site

Scalability Requirements:

9. NFR-9: Growth Support

- The system must handle growth from 100 to 5000 members without major changes
- The system must support adding new courts and facilities
- The system architecture must allow horizontal scaling

Maintainability Requirements:

10. NFR-10: Code Quality

- The system must follow coding standards and best practices
- The system must have comprehensive documentation
- The system must allow easy updates and modifications

Requirements Quality:

- **Clear and Unambiguous:** Each requirement has one clear interpretation
 - **Testable/Verifiable:** Each requirement can be tested to confirm it's met
 - **Complete:** All necessary requirements are included
 - **Consistent:** Requirements don't contradict each other
 - **Traceable:** Requirements can be traced to business needs
-

Part 2e: Functional vs Non-Functional Requirements (6 marks)

Detailed Answer:

Functional Requirements:

Definition: Functional requirements define **WHAT** the system must do - the specific functions, features, and behaviors the system must provide. They describe the system's capabilities and how it should respond to inputs.

Characteristics:

- Describe **system functions** and features
- Specify **system behavior** and functionality
- Define **what actions** the system can perform
- Answer the question: "What does the system do?"

Examples from Part (d):

1. "System must register new members with name, address, phone number"

- This describes a specific function the system must perform
- It defines what data is collected and what action occurs

2. "System must allow booking of playing sessions"

- This describes a feature the system must provide
- It specifies a capability users can use

3. "System must calculate session price based on time, day, court type"

- This describes a function that processes data
- It specifies how the system behaves (calculates price)

4. "System must enforce one team per member rule"

- This describes a business rule the system must implement
- It specifies system behavior (enforcement of constraint)

5. "System must allow session cancellation"

- This describes a function users can perform
- It specifies system capability

Non-Functional Requirements:

Definition: Non-functional requirements define **HOW WELL** the system performs - the qualities, characteristics, and constraints that describe the system's performance, usability, security, and other attributes. They describe system properties rather than functions.

Characteristics:

- Describe **system qualities**, constraints, and characteristics
- Specify **performance**, usability, security, reliability, etc.
- Define **how well** the system performs its functions
- Answer the question: "How well does the system do it?"

Examples from Part (d):

1. "System must respond to booking requests within 2 seconds"

- This describes **performance** quality (speed)
- It specifies how quickly the system must perform

2. "System must be available 24/7 (99% uptime)"

- This describes **reliability** quality (availability)
- It specifies system availability constraint

3. "System must protect member personal data"

- This describes **security** quality
- It specifies how data should be protected

4. "System must support 1000 concurrent users"

- This describes **scalability** quality
- It specifies capacity constraint

5. "System must be intuitive for users with basic computer skills"

- This describes **usability** quality
- It specifies how easy the system should be to use

6. "System must perform daily automated backups"

- This describes **maintainability/reliability** quality
- It specifies how the system should be maintained

Key Differences:

Aspect	Functional Requirements	Non-Functional Requirements
Focus	What the system does	How well the system does it
Type	Functions, features, behaviors	Qualities, constraints, characteristics
Examples	"Register members", "Book sessions"	"Respond in 2 seconds", "99% uptime"

Aspect	Functional Requirements	Non-Functional Requirements
Testing	Test if function works	Test if quality is met
Priority	Core system capabilities	System performance and quality

Why Both Are Important:

- **Functional requirements** ensure the system does what it's supposed to do
- **Non-functional requirements** ensure the system does it well (fast, secure, reliable, usable)
- Both are necessary for a successful system
- Missing non-functional requirements can lead to systems that work but are unusable, slow, or insecure

Part 2f: Technique for Prioritizing Requirements (10 marks)

Detailed Answer:

MoSCoW Prioritization Method:

Definition: MoSCoW is an acronym standing for **Must have, Should have, Could have, Won't have (this time)**. It's a prioritization technique used to categorize requirements based on their importance and necessity for the current release.

Explanation of Categories:

1. Must Have (M) - Critical Requirements:

- **Definition:** Requirements that are absolutely critical for the system to function
- **Characteristics:** System cannot be delivered without these; core functionality
- **Examples from UB Golden Club:**
 - Register new members
 - Assign unique member numbers
 - Book playing sessions
 - Store member information
- **Impact if Missing:** System would be unusable or fail to meet core objectives

2. Should Have (S) - Important Requirements:

- **Definition:** Important requirements that add significant value but are not critical
- **Characteristics:** High business value; system can function without them but would be less effective
- **Examples from UB Golden Club:**
 - Calculate session price automatically
 - Send booking confirmation emails
 - Display session availability calendar
 - Search members by name
- **Impact if Missing:** System works but lacks important features; reduced user satisfaction

3. Could Have (C) - Desirable Requirements:

- **Definition:** Requirements that would be nice to have but are not essential
- **Characteristics:** Low priority; can be deferred without major impact
- **Examples from UB Golden Club:**
 - Mobile app version
 - Advanced reporting features
 - Member photo upload
 - Social media integration
- **Impact if Missing:** Minimal impact; can be added in future releases

4. Won't Have (W) - Excluded Requirements:

- **Definition:** Requirements explicitly excluded from the current release
- **Characteristics:** May be included in future releases; not part of current scope
- **Examples from UB Golden Club:**
 - Online payment integration (Phase 2)
 - Member loyalty program (Future)
 - Tournament management (Future feature)
- **Impact:** Acknowledged but deferred; helps manage scope

How to Apply MoSCoW:

Step 1: Stakeholder Consultation

- Involve all stakeholders (members, staff, management)
- Conduct workshops or meetings to discuss requirements
- Gather input on business value and importance

Step 2: Business Value Assessment

- Evaluate each requirement's contribution to business objectives
- Consider user needs and expectations
- Assess impact on system success

Step 3: Technical Feasibility Consideration

- Evaluate technical complexity and effort required
- Consider dependencies between requirements
- Assess risks and challenges

Step 4: Risk and Dependency Analysis

- Identify critical dependencies (what must be done first)
- Assess risks of excluding requirements
- Consider impact on other requirements

Step 5: Categorization and Consensus

- Categorize each requirement into M, S, C, or W
- Reach consensus among stakeholders
- Document decisions and rationale

Example Prioritization for UB Golden Club:

Must Have (M):

- FR-1: Register new members
- FR-2: Assign unique member numbers
- FR-7: Book playing sessions
- FR-11: Cancel bookings
- FR-13: Create session records
- NFR-5: Access control/authentication

Should Have (S):

- FR-10: Calculate session price
- FR-4: Join teams
- FR-5: Enforce one team per member
- NFR-1: Response time < 2 seconds
- NFR-3: Intuitive user interface

Could Have (C):

- FR-15: Delete old sessions (can be manual initially)
- Advanced search features
- Email notifications
- Member dashboard

Won't Have (W):

- Online payment processing
- Mobile app
- Social media integration
- Tournament management

Alternative Prioritization Techniques:

1. Priority Matrix (Business Value vs. Technical Complexity):

- Plot requirements on a 2x2 matrix
- High value, low complexity = High priority
- Low value, high complexity = Low priority

2. Kano Model:

- **Basic:** Must-have features (dissatisfaction if missing)
- **Performance:** More is better (satisfaction increases)
- **Delight:** Unexpected features (high satisfaction)

3. Value vs. Cost Analysis:

- Calculate value-to-cost ratio for each requirement
- Prioritize high ratio requirements

4. Voting/Ranking Methods:

- Stakeholders vote or rank requirements
- Use techniques like dot voting or pairwise comparison

Why Prioritization is Helpful:

1. Resource Management:

- **Limited Resources:** Projects have limited time, budget, and personnel
- **Focus:** Prioritization ensures resources are allocated to high-value requirements first
- **Efficiency:** Critical functionality is delivered before nice-to-have features
- **Example:** Ensures member registration works before adding advanced reporting

2. Risk Mitigation:

- **Early Identification:** Critical requirements identified early reduces project failure risk
- **Dependency Management:** Understanding priorities helps manage dependencies
- **Risk Reduction:** Addressing critical requirements first reduces overall project risk
- **Example:** Ensuring core booking functionality works prevents system failure

3. Stakeholder Alignment:

- **Consensus:** Creates agreement on what's most important
- **Expectation Management:** Sets clear expectations about what will be delivered
- **Communication:** Provides framework for discussing trade-offs
- **Example:** All stakeholders agree that member registration is more important than mobile app

4. Iterative Development:

- **Agile Support:** Supports agile/iterative development approaches
- **Incremental Delivery:** Allows delivering value incrementally
- **Flexibility:** Enables adjusting priorities based on feedback
- **Example:** Release 1 has Must-haves, Release 2 adds Should-haves

5. Change Management:

- **Scope Control:** Provides framework for handling requirement changes
- **Decision Making:** Supports decisions about adding/removing requirements
- **Trade-offs:** Helps evaluate trade-offs when new requirements emerge
- **Example:** New requirement can be evaluated against existing priorities

Benefits Summary:

- **Better Planning:** Clear priorities enable better project planning
- **Reduced Scope Creep:** Helps prevent uncontrolled requirement additions
- **Improved Quality:** Focus on critical requirements improves quality
- **Faster Delivery:** Delivering critical features first provides value sooner
- **Stakeholder Satisfaction:** Meeting critical needs first improves satisfaction

QUESTION 3: OPTION 2 (50 marks total)

Part 3a: Feasibility Report Purpose and Timing (5 marks)

Detailed Answer:

Purpose of Feasibility Report:

A **Feasibility Report** is a comprehensive analysis that evaluates whether a proposed system project is viable and worth pursuing. It serves multiple critical purposes:

1. Decision Support Tool:

- Provides stakeholders with objective information to make informed decisions
- Helps determine whether to proceed with, modify, or abandon the project
- Reduces risk of investing in unviable projects

2. Risk Assessment:

- Identifies potential problems, challenges, and obstacles
- Evaluates technical, economic, and organizational risks
- Helps develop risk mitigation strategies

3. Resource Evaluation:

- Assesses required resources: time, money, personnel, and technology
- Determines if adequate resources are available
- Helps in resource planning and allocation

4. Technical Feasibility:

- Determines if current or available technology can support system requirements
- Evaluates hardware, software, and infrastructure needs
- Assesses technical complexity and implementation challenges

5. Economic Feasibility:

- Evaluates cost-benefit analysis (ROI - Return on Investment)
- Estimates development costs, operational costs, and potential savings/benefits
- Determines if the project is financially viable

6. Organizational Feasibility:

- Assesses if the organization can support the system
- Evaluates organizational readiness, culture, and change management needs
- Considers user acceptance and training requirements

When in SDLC (System Development Life Cycle):

The feasibility study is conducted **early in the project lifecycle**, specifically:

1. After Initial Problem Identification:

- Once the problem or need is identified
- After initial requirements gathering and analysis

2. Before System Design:

- Conducted **before detailed system design** begins
- Uses gathered requirements to assess feasibility
- Part of the **planning/initiation phase**

3. SDLC Phase Placement:

- **Phase 1: Planning** - Feasibility study is a key activity
- **Phase 2: Analysis** - Requirements analysis provides input to feasibility study
- **Phase 3: Design** - Only proceeds if feasibility study is positive

Typical SDLC Sequence:

1. Problem Identification
2. Requirements Analysis (Initial)
3. Feasibility Study ← Conducted here
4. System Design (if feasible)
5. Implementation
6. Testing
7. Deployment
8. Maintenance

Why Timing Matters:

- Conducting feasibility study **too early** (before understanding requirements) leads to inaccurate assessment
- Conducting it **too late** (after design/implementation) wastes resources on unviable projects
- **Optimal timing:** After understanding what is needed, but before committing significant resources to design and development

Part 3b: Context Diagram for UB Golden Club (10 marks)

Detailed Answer:

A **Context Diagram** (also called Level 0 DFD) is the highest level of a Data Flow Diagram. It shows the entire system as a single process and all external entities that interact with it. **No data stores** are shown at this level.

System Boundary:

- The system is represented as a **single process** labeled "UB Golden Club System" or "UB Golden Club Management System"
- This represents the entire system boundary

External Entities:

1. **New Members** - People who want to join the club
2. **Registered Members** - Members who have completed registration
3. **Team Leaders** - Members who lead teams

4. **Individual Members** - Members not part of a team
5. **Receptionist** - Staff who interact with the system
6. **Club Manager** - Administrative staff

Data Flows:

From External Entities to System:

- Member registration information (name, address, phone)
- Booking requests (date, time, court, member/team info)
- Cancellation requests (booking ID, member info)
- Team joining requests (member ID, team ID)
- Session creation requests (date, time, court details)

From System to External Entities:

- Member number assignment
- Booking confirmations
- Session availability information
- Membership information
- Team membership confirmations
- Cancellation confirmations

PlantUML Context Diagram Code (Gane-Sarson Notation):

Note: Based on corrections made in the bus-station-management-system case study, proper Context Diagram (Level 0 DFD) notation requires:

- **System Process:** ONE process representing the entire system (numbered 0.0)
- **External Entities:** Squares/rectangles (sources/sinks of data, NOT processes)
- **Data Flows:** Labeled arrows with noun phrases
- **NO Data Stores:** Context diagram shows NO data stores (they appear in Level 1 DFD)

```

@startuml Context_Diagram
skinparam maxwidth 1600
skinparam maxheight 1100
skinparam dpi 300
scale max 1600x1100

title Level 0 Data Flow Diagram - UB Golden Club System (Context Diagram)\n(Gane-Sarson style: squares = external entities, one box = process)

' External entities (Gane-Sarson: squares – sources/sinks of data, NOT processes)
rectangle "New Members" as NewMembers
rectangle "Registered Members" as RegMembers
rectangle "Team Leaders" as TeamLeaders
rectangle "Individual Members" as IndMembers
rectangle "Receptionist" as Receptionist
rectangle "Club Manager" as Manager

' Single process (Gane-Sarson: rounded rectangle = the system as one process)

```

```

' Note: In PlantUML, we use rectangle but note it represents the system as ONE
process
rectangle "0.0\nUB Golden Club\nManagement System" as System

' Data flows from external entities to system
NewMembers --> System : Member Registration\nInformation\n(Name, Address, Phone)
System --> NewMembers : Member Number

RegMembers --> System : Booking Request\nCancellation Request\nTeam Joining
Request
System --> RegMembers : Booking Confirmation\nCancellation Confirmation\nSession
Information\nMembership Information

TeamLeaders --> System : Team Booking Request\nTeam Information Request
System --> TeamLeaders : Booking Confirmation\nTeam Session Information

IndMembers --> System : Individual Booking Request\nSession Inquiry
System --> IndMembers : Booking Confirmation\nSession Availability

Receptionist --> System : Registration Processing\nMember Inquiry\nBooking
Assistance
System --> Receptionist : Member Information\nBooking Status\nSession Details

Manager --> System : Session Creation Request\nSystem Management Requests
System --> Manager : Session Creation Confirmation\nSystem Reports

@enduml

```

Key Points (Based on bus-station-management-system corrections):

1. System Representation:

- **Correct:** Shows the entire system as **ONE process** (numbered 0.0)
- **Correct:** Process labeled with system name (e.g., "UB Golden Club Management System")
- **Incorrect:** Showing multiple processes or internal details at this level

2. External Entities:

- **Correct:** External entities shown as **squares/rectangles**
- **Correct:** Labeled with noun phrases (e.g., "New Members", "Receptionist")
- **Correct:** Represent sources/sinks of data outside the system boundary

3. Data Flows:

- **Correct:** All data flows **labeled** with descriptive noun phrases
- **Correct:** Data flows show direction (unidirectional arrows)
- **Correct:** Data flows connect external entities to the system process
- **Incorrect:** Data flows without labels or between external entities directly

4. Data Stores:

- **Correct: NO data stores** shown in context diagram

- ✗ **Incorrect:** Including data stores at this level (they appear in Level 1 DFD)

5. Process Decomposition:

- ✓ **Correct:** NO internal processes shown (system treated as black box)
- ✗ **Incorrect:** Showing sub-processes or internal details at this level

Marking Considerations:

- Award full marks for correct notation (one process, external entities as squares, no data stores)
 - Deduct marks (-1 to -2) for showing data stores in context diagram
 - Deduct marks (-1) for showing multiple processes instead of one system process
 - Deduct marks (-0.5 to -1) for unlabeled data flows
 - Ensure all external entities are properly identified and connected
-

Part 3c: Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD) (10 marks)

Detailed Answer:

An **Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD)** shows the data structure of a system, including entities (things), attributes (properties), and relationships (connections) between entities.

Entities:

1. Member

- Represents club members
- Attributes: MemberNumber (PK), Name, Address, Phone
- One member can belong to one team (or none)

2. Team

- Represents teams in the club
- Attributes: TeamID (PK), TeamName, Description
- One team has many members

3. Session

- Represents playing sessions
- Attributes: SessionID (PK), Date, Time, CourtNumber, Price, Status
- Many members can book many sessions (Many-to-Many)

4. Booking (Relationship Entity)

- Represents the booking relationship between Member and Session
- Attributes: BookingID (PK), MemberNumber (FK), SessionID (FK), BookingDate, Status
- Resolves the Many-to-Many relationship between Member and Session

5. Court (Optional)

- Represents court facilities

- Attributes: CourtNumber (PK), CourtType, Location
- One court has many sessions

Relationships:

1. Member → Team (Many-to-One)

- One member belongs to one team (or none)
- One team has many members
- Cardinality: Member (Many) : Team (One)
- Participation: Partial (members can exist without teams)

2. Member → Booking → Session (Many-to-Many via Booking)

- Many members can book many sessions
- Booking entity resolves the Many-to-Many relationship
- Cardinality: Member (Many) : Booking (Many) : Session (Many)

3. Team → Session (Many-to-Many, Optional)

- If team bookings are tracked separately
- Can be handled through Member relationships or separate TeamBooking entity

4. Court → Session (One-to-Many, if Court is separate entity)

- One court hosts many sessions
- Cardinality: Court (One) : Session (Many)

PlantUML ERD Code:

```

@startuml ERD_Diagram
skinparam linetype ortho

entity "Member" as Member {
    * MemberNumber : INTEGER <<PK>>
    --
    Name : VARCHAR(100)
    Address : VARCHAR(200)
    Phone : VARCHAR(20)
}

entity "Team" as Team {
    * TeamID : INTEGER <<PK>>
    --
    TeamName : VARCHAR(100)
    Description : VARCHAR(255)
}

entity "Session" as Session {
    * SessionID : INTEGER <<PK>>
    --
    Date : DATE
}

```

```

Time : TIME
CourtNumber : INTEGER
Price : DECIMAL(10,2)
Status : VARCHAR(20)
}

entity "Booking" as Booking {
  * BookingID : INTEGER <<PK>>
  --
  * MemberNumber : INTEGER <<FK>>
  * SessionID : INTEGER <<FK>>
  BookingDate : DATE
  Status : VARCHAR(20)
}

entity "Court" as Court {
  * CourtNumber : INTEGER <<PK>>
  --
  CourtType : VARCHAR(50)
  Location : VARCHAR(100)
}

Member ||--o{ Booking : "makes"
Session ||--o{ Booking : "booked in"
Team ||--o{ Member : "has"
Court ||--o{ Session : "hosts"

@enduml

```

Alternative ERD with Team Booking:

```

@startuml ERD_With_Team_Booking
skinparam linetype ortho

entity "Member" as Member {
  * MemberNumber : INTEGER <<PK>>
  --
  Name : VARCHAR(100)
  Address : VARCHAR(200)
  Phone : VARCHAR(20)
  TeamID : INTEGER <<FK>>
}

entity "Team" as Team {
  * TeamID : INTEGER <<PK>>
  --
  TeamName : VARCHAR(100)
  Description : VARCHAR(255)
}

entity "Session" as Session {
  * SessionID : INTEGER <<PK>>
}

```

```

-- 
Date : DATE
Time : TIME
CourtNumber : INTEGER
Price : DECIMAL(10,2)
Status : VARCHAR(20)
}

entity "Booking" as Booking {
    * BookingID : INTEGER <<PK>>
    --
    * MemberNumber : INTEGER <<FK>>
    * SessionID : INTEGER <<FK>>
    BookingDate : DATE
    BookingType : VARCHAR(20)
    Status : VARCHAR(20)
}

entity "TeamBooking" as TeamBooking {
    * TeamBookingID : INTEGER <<PK>>
    --
    * TeamID : INTEGER <<FK>>
    * SessionID : INTEGER <<FK>>
    BookingDate : DATE
    Status : VARCHAR(20)
}

Member }o--|| Team : "belongs to"
Member ||--o{ Booking : "makes"
Session ||--o{ Booking : "booked in"
Team ||--o{ TeamBooking : "books"
Session ||--o{ TeamBooking : "booked for"

@enduml

```

Key Attributes Explanation:

- **Primary Keys (PK):** Uniquely identify each entity instance
- **Foreign Keys (FK):** Reference primary keys in related entities
- **MemberNumber:** Unique identifier for members
- **SessionID:** Unique identifier for each session
- **BookingID:** Unique identifier for each booking
- **Status:** Tracks availability/booking status

Part 3d: GUI Design and Error Minimization (15 marks)

Detailed Answer:

GUI Design Principles:

1. **Consistency:**

- Same layout patterns throughout the application
- Consistent button styles, colors, and placements
- Uniform navigation structure

2. Intuitive Navigation:

- Logical flow from one screen to another
- Clear menu structure
- Breadcrumbs for complex navigation

3. Clear Labeling:

- Descriptive labels for all fields and buttons
- Instructions where needed
- Tooltips for additional help

4. Visual Design:

- Appropriate color scheme (professional, accessible)
- Readable fonts and sizes
- Adequate spacing between elements
- Visual hierarchy (important elements stand out)

Registration Form Design:

PlantUML GUI Wireframe Code:

```
@startuml Registration_Form
skinparam rectangle {
    backgroundColor #E8F4F8
    borderColor #0066CC
}

rectangle "UB Golden Club - Member Registration" as Form {
    rectangle "Personal Information" as PersonalInfo {
        [Name*] as NameField
        [Address*] as AddressField
        [Phone Number*] as PhoneField
        [Email (Optional)] as EmailField
    }

    rectangle "Validation Messages" as Validation {
        [Name is required] as NameError
        [Phone format: XXX-XXX-XXXX] as PhoneHint
    }

    rectangle "Actions" as Actions {
        [Submit] as SubmitBtn
        [Cancel] as CancelBtn
        [Clear] as ClearBtn
    }
}
```

```

rectangle "Help" as Help {
    [* Required fields] as RequiredNote
    [Need help?] as HelpLink
}
}

PersonalInfo -down-> Validation
Validation -down-> Actions
Actions -down-> Help

@enduml

```

Detailed Form Elements:

1. Input Fields:

- **Name Field:** Text input with placeholder "Enter full name"
- **Address Field:** Multi-line text area with placeholder "Enter complete address"
- **Phone Number Field:** Formatted input with mask (XXX-XXX-XXXX)
- **Email Field:** Email input with format validation

2. Visual Elements:

- Required field indicators (*)
- Field labels above each input
- Help icons next to complex fields
- Progress indicator (if multi-step form)

3. Buttons:

- **Submit Button:** Primary action, disabled until form is valid
- **Cancel Button:** Secondary action, clears form
- **Clear Button:** Resets all fields

Error Minimization Techniques:

1. Input Validation:

a) Field-level Validation (Real-time):

- Validate as user types or leaves field
- Example: Phone number format checked immediately
- Visual feedback (green checkmark for valid, red X for invalid)

b) Format Validation:

- Phone: Enforce XXX-XXX-XXXX format
- Email: Validate email format (contains @, valid domain)
- Name: Check for valid characters only

c) Required Field Validation:

- Mark required fields clearly (*)
- Prevent submission if required fields empty
- Highlight empty required fields in red

d) Data Type Validation:

- Phone: Numeric only (with formatting characters)
- Name: Text only, no numbers
- Address: Text and numbers allowed

2. User Interface Design Techniques:**a) Dropdown Menus:**

- Use for limited options (e.g., Country, State)
- Prevents invalid entries
- Example: Country dropdown instead of free text

b) Input Masks:

- Phone: (XXX) XXX-XXXX format enforced
- Member ID: Format enforced automatically
- Prevents format errors

c) Date Pickers:

- Calendar widget for date selection
- Prevents invalid dates
- Shows available dates only

d) Default Values:

- Pre-fill common values where appropriate
- Example: Default country, current date
- Reduces user input effort

3. Feedback Mechanisms:**a) Error Messages:**

- Display near problematic fields
- Clear, specific messages ("Phone number must be 10 digits")
- Use red color for errors
- Don't disappear until error is fixed

b) Success Confirmations:

- Show success message after valid submission
- Display generated member number prominently
- Confirmation email/SMS notification

c) Help Text/Toolips:

- Question mark icons with explanations
- Placeholder text in fields
- "Example" text below fields

4. Business Rule Enforcement:

a) Uniqueness Checking:

- Check phone number uniqueness in real-time
- Check email uniqueness (if email required)
- Display message if duplicate found

b) Business Logic Validation:

- Age restrictions (if applicable)
- Membership rules enforcement
- Duplicate prevention

5. Prevention Techniques:

a) Disable Submit Button:

- Keep submit button disabled until all validations pass
- Visual indication (grayed out)
- Tooltip explaining why disabled

b) Confirmation Dialogs:

- For critical actions (e.g., "Are you sure you want to submit?")
- Double-check important information
- Prevent accidental submissions

PlantUML Activity Diagram for Registration with Validation:

```
@startuml Registration_Validation
start
:Display Registration Form;
:User Enters Name;
if (Name Valid?) then (No)
    :Show Error Message\n"Name is required";
    :Highlight Name Field in Red;
    stop
else (Yes)
    :Show Green Checkmark;
endif

:User Enters Phone;
if (Phone Format Valid?) then (No)
    :Show Error Message\n"Phone must be XXX-XXX-XXXX";
    :Highlight Phone Field in Red;
    stop
else (Yes)
```

```

:Check Phone Uniqueness;
if (Phone Already Exists?) then (Yes)
    :Show Error Message\n"Phone number already registered";
    stop
else (No)
    :Show Green Checkmark;
endif
endif

:User Enters Address;
if (Address Valid?) then (No)
    :Show Error Message\n"Address is required";
    stop
else (Yes)
    :Show Green Checkmark;
endif

:All Fields Valid?;
if (Yes) then (Yes)
    :Enable Submit Button;
    :User Clicks Submit;
    :Show Confirmation Dialog;
    if (User Confirms?) then (Yes)
        :Process Registration;
        :Generate Member Number;
        :Store Member Data;
        :Show Success Message;
        :Display Member Number;
        stop
    else (No)
        :Return to Form;
    endif
else (No)
    :Keep Submit Button Disabled;
    :Show Tooltip\n"Please complete all required fields";
endif
stop
@enduml

```

Key Error Minimization Strategies Summary:

1. **Prevention:** Use input masks, dropdowns, and constraints to prevent errors
2. **Detection:** Real-time validation catches errors immediately
3. **Correction:** Clear error messages guide users to fix problems
4. **Confirmation:** Success messages and confirmations ensure correct submission
5. **Guidance:** Help text and tooltips prevent confusion

Part 3e: Technique for Prioritizing Requirements (10 marks)

(Same as Question 2, Part 2f - see above for detailed marking scheme)

Note: If student answered this in Question 2, ensure consistency. If answered in both places, mark both but may allow slight variation.

OVERALL EXAM MARKING NOTES

Time Management Consideration

- If student answers all questions but some are rushed/incomplete, award partial marks appropriately
- Quality over quantity - a well-argued partial answer may score higher than a rushed complete answer

Argumentation Requirement

- Answers must be explained/argued per exam instructions
- Reduce marks by 20-30% if answers are lists only without explanation
- "Yes/No" answers should receive 0 marks unless accompanied by explanation

Case Study Relevance

- Answers must relate to UB Golden Club scenario where applicable
- Generic answers without scenario context should be penalized by 10-20%

Diagram Quality

- Diagrams must be clear and readable
- Reduce marks by 10-20% for very poor presentation
- Award partial marks for correct concepts even if diagram presentation is weak

Academic Integrity

- Plagiarism or excessive similarity to other papers should be flagged
 - Original work with understanding should be rewarded
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TOTAL MARKS DISTRIBUTION

- **Question 1:** 20 marks (Compulsory)
- **Question 2 OR Question 3:** 50 marks
- **Total:** 70 marks

Grading Scale Recommendation:

- 70-100%: A
 - 60-69%: B
 - 50-59%: C
 - 40-49%: D
 - Below 40%: F
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APPENDIX: COMMON TERMINOLOGY EXPECTATIONS

DFD Components (Based on bus-station-management-system corrections):

- **Process:** Circle/bubble (Yourdon) or rounded rectangle (Gane-Sarson), verb phrase, transforms data
 - **X Incorrect:** Plain rectangle (this is NOT correct DFD notation)
 - **✓ Correct:** Circle (Yourdon notation) or rounded rectangle (Gane-Sarson notation)
- **Data Flow:** Arrow, noun phrase, shows data movement (must be labeled)
- **Data Store:** Open rectangle (two parallel horizontal lines), labeled D1, D2, D3, etc., noun phrase, data repository
 - **X Incorrect:** Closed rectangle or "database" keyword
 - **✓ Correct:** Open rectangle (two parallel lines) with Dn label
- **External Entity:** Square/rectangle, noun phrase, outside system boundary
- **Context Diagram (Level 0):** ONE process (the system), external entities, NO data stores

Activity Diagram Components:

- **Activity:** Rounded rectangle, verb phrase, action performed
- **Decision:** Diamond, branching point
- **Swim Lane:** Partition showing responsibility
- **Initial/Final Node:** Start/end markers

ERD Components:

- **Entity:** Rectangle, noun, represents person/place/thing
- **Attribute:** Oval or listed in entity box
- **Relationship:** Diamond or line, verb phrase
- **Cardinality:** 1:1, 1:Many, Many:Many

End of Marking Guide