Roll No

MCA - 402

M.C.A. IV Semester

Examination, December 2014

Information Storage and Management

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: i) Answer five questions. In each question part A, B, C is compulsory and D part has internal choice.

- All parts of each question are to be attempted at one place.
- iii) All questions carry equal marks, out of which part A and B (Max.50 words) carry 2 marks, part C (Max.100 words) carry 3 marks, part D (Max.400 words) carry 7 marks.
- iv) Except numericals, Derivation, Design and Drawing etc.

Unit - I

- a) What are the key components of an intelligent storage system?
 - b) What is an advantage of reporting on storage arrays?
 - c) What are the key storage infrastructure components?
 - d) Explain disk drive components with neat diagram.

OR

Explain information Lifecycle. What are the key challenges in managing information?

Unit - II

- 2. a) What is a benefit of virtual storage provisioning over traditional provisioning?
 - b) What is prevented using RAID technology?
 - c) Which process minimizes the exposure to a loss of uncommitted cached data when there is a power failure?
 - d) Explain RAID levels in detail with neat diagram.

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Explain the architecture of intelligent storage system in detail.

Unit-III

- a) Which feature(s) ensures that the stored content has NOT been altered in a CAS system?
 - b) What is a accurate statement about a gateway NAS solution?
 - c) What is a key security consideration when a NAS device enables sharing of the same data among UNIX and Microsoft Windows users?
 - d) What are the components of NAS? Explain NAS implementations.

OR

Explain object storage and retrieval in CAS.

Unit-IV

- 4. a) What is a key benefit of virtualization?
 - b) What are the three elements of the risk triad from an information security perspective?
 - c) When developing a disaster recovery plan, What is the result of choosing a particular recovery time objective for a system?
 - d) Explain various forms of virtualization and storage virtualization challenges.

OR

Explain storage security domains with reference to threats, availability controls and examples.

Unit - V

- 5. a) What is a benefit of cloud computing over traditional computing?
 - b) Which cloud computing characteristic enables consumers to grow and shrink the demand for resources dynamically?
 - c) Which cloud computing capability enables monitoring and reporting resource usage?
 - d) What is a challenge to consumers in adopting a public cloud?

OR

What is a characteristic of cloud-optimized storage?