- 1. When do you think is proper to apply index?
- 2. What are the three approaches that combine SQL with procedural languages?
- 3. What are the pros and cons for using triggers?
- 4. Please draw 3-tier system architecture. And explain what each tier is used for.
- 5. What are the drawbacks for client-server architecture and how could you improve it?
- 6. Why web applications are so popular these days? List three reasons.
- 7. What are the differences between static and dynamic web pages? Which one involves data retrieval?
- 8. What are distributed databases? And under what conditions would you recommend distributed databases rather than centralized databases and vice versus?
- 9. What are the two properties we want to ensure for distributed databases?
- 10. What are the three recipes for distributed databases? Which one would you recommend and why?
- 11. For a replicated distributed database, what update plan would you choose and why?
- 12. If consistency is your first priority, which database configuration would you choose and why?
- 13. If both reliability and data consistency are your big concerns, which database configuration would you choose and why?
- 14. What properties do we want to ensure for a transaction?
- 15. Could you give me an example to explain the lost updates problems in concurrent transactions?
- 16. Could you give me an example to explain the uncommitted data problems in concurrent transactions?
- 17. Could you give me an example to explain the inconsistent retrievals problems in concurrent transactions?
- 18. How could you solve the concurrent transactions above?
- 19. What are two types of locks?
- 20. As a DBA, how could you improve the performance of database?

- 21. What are the differences between memory and disk?
- 22. What are thess three steps to do query processing?
- 23. What are the two manager tools for concurrency control?
- 24. What are the four object statuses in buffer pool?
- 25. What are the five approaches to secure data in organizations?
- 26. What is DAC and what are the types of DAC?
- 27. What is an onsite offline physical full backup? And what are the cons for using it?
- 28. What is SQL injection and how could you prevent it?
- 29. What are the four recipes for NoSQL databases and how could you choose one over the other?
- 30. What is CAP theorem?
- 31. What does BASE mean?