**Learning Management System (LMS) :**

**1. Introduction**

**1.1 Purpose**

The Learning Management System (LMS) is a web application that enables students and instructors to manage courses, track progress, and engage in discussions. This document outlines the Data Flow Diagrams (DFDs) for the LMS, illustrating how data flows between users, processes, and storage.

**1.2 Scope**

• **Users:** Students and instructors can log in, access courses, complete assignments, and participate in discussions.  
• **Course Management:** Instructors can create, edit, and manage course content.  
• **Lesson Management:** Students can access lessons that include videos, notes, and quizzes.  
• **Quizzes:** Students can take quizzes and receive feedback on their performance.  
• **Discussion Forum:** A platform for students and instructors to interact and share insights.  
• **Authentication:** Users must log in to access personalized features.

**2. Data Flow Diagram (DFD)**

**2.1 Level 0 DFD (Context Diagram)**

The Level 0 DFD represents the entire LMS as a single process interacting with external entities.  
  
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| Student | | Instructor |  
| (External User) | | (External User) |  
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| Learning Management System |  
| (Process 0) |  
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| User DB | | Course Database |  
| (Authentication)| | (Courses, Lessons, Quizzes, Forum)|  
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**2.2 Level 1 DFD**

The Learning Management System (LMS) has been updated to remove Progress Tracking and add Quizzes and a Discussion Forum for student engagement.  
  
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| Student |  
| (External Entity) |  
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| Process 1.1 - Login |  
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| Process 1.2 - Dashboard |  
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| Process 1.3 - Courses |  
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| Process 1.4 - Lesson Management |  
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| Process 1.5 - Quizzes |  
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| Process 1.6 - Discussion Forum |  
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***Explanation:***

• **Process 1.1 (Login):** Students and instructors enter their credentials to log in.  
• **Process 1.2 (Dashboard):** After login, users see their dashboard with enrolled courses and notifications.  
• **Process 1.3 (Courses):** Users can view, enroll, and interact with course materials.  
• **Process 1.4 (Lesson Management):** Instructors add lessons (videos, notes, and quizzes), and students access them.  
• **Process 1.5 (Quizzes):** Students take quizzes related to their courses; scores are stored in the database.  
• **Process 1.6 (Discussion Forum):** Students and instructors engage in discussions, ask questions, and share resources.

**3. Data Flow Explanation**

**3.1 User Authentication Flow**

1. User enters credentials → LMS checks User DB.  
2. Valid user?  
 - ✅ Yes → Load Dashboard  
 - ❌ No → Show Error Message

**3.2 Course Enrollment Flow**

1. Student selects a course from the Course Database.  
2. LMS updates User DB to link the student with the enrolled course.  
3. Student gains access to course content and assignments.

**3.3 Quizzes Flow**

1. Instructors create quizzes linked to courses.  
2. LMS stores quiz data in the Course Database.  
3. Students attempt quizzes, and scores are recorded.  
4. LMS provides feedback or solutions based on performance.

**3.4 Discussion Forum Flow**

1. Students and instructors post questions and responses.  
2. LMS stores discussion data for each course.  
3. Users can upvote, comment, and follow discussions.  
4. Forum interactions enhance collaborative learning.

**4. Conclusion**

The DFD for the Learning Management System (LMS) provides a structured overview of how data flows between users, authentication, courses, lessons, quizzes, and discussions. This structured system ensures an interactive and engaging learning environment.  
  
This document can be expanded to include more sub-processes like notifications and grading mechanisms as needed.