Assignment#1

MSIT 630 Database Systems (Summer, 2019)

Total: 60 points

Due: 5/26/2019 11:59PM

1. Explain the concept of physical data independence and its importance in database systems (**4 points**)

2. Explain what problems are caused by the design of the following table. (**4 points**)

customer_id	customer_name	customer_street	customer_city	account_number
192-83-7465	Johnson	12 Alma St.	Palo Alto	A-101
192-83-7465	Johnson	12 Alma St.	Palo Alto	A-201
677-89-9011	Hayes	3 Main St.	Harrison	A-102
182-73-6091	Turner	123 Putnam St.	Stamford	A-305
321-12-3123	Jones	100 Main St.	Harrison	A-217
336-66-9999	Lindsay	175 Park Ave.	Pittsfield	A-222
019-28-3746	Smith	72 North St.	Rye	A-201

The Customer table

- **3.** List four significant differences between a file-processing system and a DBMS. (**4 points**)
- **4.** Describe the differences in meaning between the terms *relation* and *relation schema*. (**4 points**)
- **5.** List two reasons why null values might be introduced into the database. (**4 points**)
- 6. Write the following queries in SQL, using the university schema, execute your SQL statement on the sample database and show me the query results. (Appendix A, page 1287) (**20 points**, **4 points each**)
- a. Find the titles of courses in the Comp. Sci department that have 4 credits.
- b. Find the name(s) of the instructor(s) who DON'T earn the lowest salary in Physics department.
- c. Find the enrollment of each section (number of students enrolled) that was offered in Fall 2009.
- d. Find the minimum enrollment, across all sections offered in Fall 2009.
- e. Find the course ID and section ID of the sections that had the minimum enrollment in Fall 2009.
- 7. Write the following queries in SQL, using the university schema, execute your SQL statement on the sample database and show me the query results (Appendix A, page 1287) (20 points, 4 points each)
- a. Find the names of all students who have taken at least two courses offered by Comp. Sci. department; make sure there are no duplicate names in the result. Note that student in other departments can take courses from Comp. Sci. as well.
- b. Find the IDs and names of all students who have not taken any course offering in 2009.
- c. For each department, find the name and salary of the instructor who earns the minimum salary in that department. You may assume that every department has at least one instructor.

- d. Find the highest, across all departments, of the per-department minimum salary computed by the preceding query (part 7.c).e. Find the course titles of all prerequisite courses of "CS-319".