



# KENYA METHODIST UNIVERSITY

## END OF 2<sup>ND</sup> TRIMESTER 2010 EXAMINATIONS

**FACULTY** : **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
**DEPARTMENT** : **COMPUTER SCIENCE & BUSINESS INFORMATION**  
**UNIT CODE** : **CISY 221**  
**UNIT TITLE** : **DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**  
**TIME** : **2 HOURS**

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### Instructions:

Answer ALL questions in Section A and any other TWO questions in Section B.

### Section A

#### Question One (30 Marks)

- i. Define the following terms:
  - a. Data model
  - b. Primary candidates
  - c. Attribute (3 mks)
- ii. Give any three advantages of database systems over traditional file systems. (3 mks)
- iii. Describe the three-schema architecture outlining the different mappings between the schema levels. (3 mks)
- iv. What is the importance of relationships in database systems? Describe three types of relationships. (7 mks)
- v. Give the advantages of normalizing tables. (6 mks)
- vi. How does SQL allow implementation of the entity integrity and referential integrity constraints? (4 mks)
- vii. Describe the major components of a data warehouse. (4 mks)

## Section B (30 Marks)

### Question Two (15 Marks)

- i. A company consists of a number of departments each having a number of employees each department has a manager who must be on a monthly payroll, other employees are either on a monthly or weekly payroll and are members of the sports club if they so wish. Construct an entity - relationship diagram depicting the scenario. (9 mks)
- ii. Give three advantages of OODBMS. (3 mks)
- iii. Describe the three levels of architecture of a DBMS. (3 mks)

### Question Three (15 Marks)

- i. Perform data normalization for the table to 3NF. Showing clearly the results of each stage. (10 mks)

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1022	Jones	412	101-07	143-01	159-02
4123	Smith	216	201-01	211-02	214-01

- ii. Give five threats that affect databases. (5 mks)

### Question Four (15 Marks)

- i. Discuss the main responsibilities of a database administrator. (3 mks)
- ii. Consider the relational database. For each of the following queries, give an expression in SQL:  
*Employee (e-name, street, city)*  
*Works (e-name, company-name, salary)*  
*Company (company-name, city)*  
*Manages (employee-name, manager-name)*
  - a. Find the names of all employees who work for First Bank Corporation.
  - b. Find the names and cities of residence of all employees who work for First Bank Corporation.
  - c. Find the names, street addresses, and cities of residence of all employees who work for First Bank Corporation and earn more than \$10,000 p.a.
  - d. Find the names of all employees in this database who live in the same city and on the same street as do their manager.
  - e. Find the names of all employees in this database who live in the same city as the company for which they work.
  - f. Find the names of all employees in this database who do not work for First Bank Corporation. (12 mks)