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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS DEGREE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

DATABASE APPLICATIONS IN LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES AND PUBLISHING

ILI 2201

Second Semester Examination Paper

May 2016

This examination paper consists of 2 pages

Time Allowed: 3 hours

Total Marks: 100

Special Requirements: None

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INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Answer any <u>four</u> (4) questions.
- 2. Give equal time to all questions you choose.
- 3. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 4. Importance is attached to clear presentation of ideas, good expression and legibility of handwriting.

MARK ALLOCATION

QUESTION	MARKS		
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1. With the aid of relevant examples discuss the following database models.

1.1 Hierarchical Model[8 marks]1.2 Relational Model[9 marks]1.3 Network Model[8 marks]

2. Critique the notion of distributed database systems in academic libraries. [25 marks]

3. Discuss the ACID properties of database transactions. [25 marks]

4.1 Analyse the importance of the normalisation technique, given the details in Table, 1. [8 marks]

Table 1: Student details

Student	Student	Age	Date of Birth	Course	Course	Student
name	id			code	Title	grade
Moyo	N0078	18	24/02/1998	Ili2201	Databases	1
Dube	P0067	19	08/12/1997	Ili2201	Databases	2.1
Moyo	N0078	18	24/02/1998	Ili2202	Research	2.1
Prince	N0065	23	20/06/1993	Ili2205	Academic	P
					libraries	

- 4.2 Examine the Table 1 and explain update and deletion anomalies that may occur if the table is not normalized [7 marks]
- 4.3 Discuss the Normal forms that are violated in this table, and demonstrates how the table can be normalised [10 marks]
- 5 Assess the role of a database administrator within a Zimbabwean library environment. [25 marks]
- 6. Analyse the impact of the Internet on Library Database Systems. [25 marks]

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