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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June/July 2015

Storage Area Networks

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.

PART – A

- 1
 - a. Explain the evolution of storage technology from non intelligent internal storage of intelligent network storage. (10 Marks)
 - b. What are the key requirements for data center elements? (05 Marks)
 - c. Consider a disk I/O system in which an I/O request arrives at the rate of 80IOPS. The disk service time is 6ms. Compute i) Utilization of I/O controller ii) Total response time iii) Average queue size iv) Total time spent by a request in a queue. If the controller power is doubled or service time is halved, what is the utilization? (05 Marks)
- 2
 - a. Compare RAID 5 and RAID 6. (05 Marks)
 - b. With neat diagrams, explain the structure, read and write operations in cache. (10 Marks)
 - c. An application has 1000 heavy users at a peak of 2IOPS each and 2000 typical users at a peak of 1 IOPs each. With a read/write ratio of 2:1. It is estimated that the application also experiences an overhead of 10 percent for other workloads. Calculate IOPS requirement for RAID 1, RAID 3, RAID 5 and RAID 6. (05 Marks)
- 3
 - a. Write about SCSI 3 architecture with a neat diagram. (05 Marks)
 - b. What is the significance of the various layers of SCSI communication model. (05 Marks)
 - c. Explain the three basic connectivity options in FC Architecture. (10 Marks)
- 4
 - a. What is NAS? What are its benefits? (10 Marks)
 - b. Write a note on iSCSI. (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5
 - a. Explain the features and benefits of CAS. (10 Marks)
 - b. What is virtualization? Elaborate on the types of storage virtualization. (10 Marks)
- 6
 - a. Define the following terms:
 - i) Disaster Recovery ii) Disaster Restart
 - iii) Recovery point objective iv) Recovery time objective.(10 Marks)
 - b. Explain the three basic topologies used in backup environment. (10 Marks)
- 7
 - a. Differentiate between full volume mirroring and pointer based full volume replication. (10 Marks)
 - b. What are the basic approaches to host based remote replication. (10 Marks)
- 8
 - a. What are the primary security attributes? (05 Marks)
 - b. Explain the various management tasks in which a storage infrastructure can be classified. (10 Marks)
 - c. Write a note on threats. (05 Marks)