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Third Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, December 2012 Advances in Storage Area Networks

Time: 3 hrs. Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

- 1 a. Mention the two types of It architectures. Bring out its limitations and advantages. Briefly explain each of them. (08 Marks)
 - b. Explain the case study of "Replacing a server with storage networks". (08 Marks)
 - c. Why storage networking makes sense? Mention the two benefits of storage networks on business applications. (04 Marks)
- 2 Compare and explain the different RAID levels. (20 Marks)
- 3 a. Mention the design goals of fibre channel that are correct by the requirements of transmission technology for storage networks? Explain the fibre channel protocol stack.
 - b. Explain the "Arbitrated loop topology" of fibre channel SAN, in detail. (14 Marks)
 (06 Marks)
- 4 a. Explain the NAS architecture. (10 Marks)
 - b. Compare sanprhots and instant copy. Explain the volume manger, in detail. (10 Marks)
- 5 a. Define the term "storage virtualization". Explain the two models of storage virtualization in the network.

 (10 Marks)
 - b. List the three levels at which a virtualization entity can be positioned in the storage network explain them. (10 Marks)
- 6 Mention the SAN components. Explain them in detail. (20 Marks)
- 7 a. Explain the switch operating system of SAN. (08 Marks)
 - b. List the supporting components of switch operating system explain any two, in detail.

(12 Marks)

- 8 a. Define "Intrusion detection system". List and explain the different security elements that must be addressed by any secure solution. (14 Marks)
 - b. Discuss the role of storage networking in business continuity. (06 Marks)

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