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DEPARTMENT: COMPUTER SCIENCE AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

MODULE: DATA WAREHOUSING AND MINING

CODE: INSY412

**SESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS
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DURATION: 3 HOURS

EXAMINER: MS G MUTIPFORO

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer **all** questions in **Section A**
2. Answer **any three** questions in Section B
3. Start a new question on a fresh page

Total marks 100

Section A, compulsory

Answer all questions in this section

Question 1

Consider the market basket transactions shown in the following table.

Transaction ID	Items Bought
1	{Bread, Butter, Milk}
2	{Bread, Butter}
3	{Beer, Cookies, Diapers}
4	{Milk, Diapers, Bread, Butter}
5	{Beer, Diapers}

Assume that $\text{min_support}=40\%$ and $\text{min_confidence}=70\%$. Further, assume that the Apriori algorithm is used to discover strong association rules among transaction items.

- Show the candidate and the frequent itemsets or each database scan. (20)
- Generate all possible association rules from the frequent itemsets obtained in the previous question. Calculate the confidence of each rule and identify all the strong association rules. (10)
- Describe two scenarios that would warrant the use of a data warehouse. (10)

Section B

Answer any three questions from this section

Question 2

- With the aid of a diagram, explain the three-tier architecture of a Data warehouse. (10)
- Illustrate the difference between a dependent and independent Data Mart. Indicate the ETL process on your diagram. (10)

Question 3

- a) Suppose that a data warehouse consists of the three dimensions time, doctor, and patient, and the two measures count and charge, where charge is the fee that a doctor charges a patient for a visit. Draw a star schema diagram for the data warehouse. (10)
- b) Outline and explain the steps involved in data mining process. (10)

Question 4

- a) Explore four reasons why organizations choose to use data marts? (12)
- b) Explain the steps involved in the ETL process and how they contribute to preparing data for analysis. (8)

Question 5

- a) Differentiate between operational systems and data warehousing systems. (10)
- b) Explain the data warehouse model you are familiar with. (10)

END OF EXAMINATION