FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING MAIN TOPICS OF PROGRAMME NO.09/2012(SEPTEMBER) - ITEM 11 & 12

HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER – COMPUTER SCIENCE / COMPUTER APPLICATION,

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HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER – COMPUTER SCIENCE / COMPUTER APPLICATION (NCA NOTIFICATION)

HIGHER SECONDARY EDUCATION

CATEGORY NO. 111/2010 & 69/2010 (NCA- LC)

1. Discrete Structures


Computability : Models of computation - Finite Automata, Pushdown Automata, Non-determinism and NFA, DPDA and PDA s and Languages accepted by these structures. Grammars - types of grammars - type 0 , type I, type 2 and type 3. The relationship between types of grammars, Languages, Non-computability, Non-computable problems.

Groups : Finite fields and Error correcting / detecting codes.


2. Computer Arithmetic

Logic families : TTL, ECL and C-MOS gates. Boolean algebra and Minimization of Boolean functions, Flip-flops- types, race condition and comparison, Design of combinational and sequential circuits.

Representation of Integers : Octal. Hex. Decimal and Binary 2's complement and 1's complement arithmetic. Floating point representation.

3. Programming in C and C++

Programming in C : Elements of C - Tokens, identifiers, data types in C, Control constructs in C, Sequence, selection and iteration. Structured data types in C - arrays, structs, unions, strings and pointers.

Object-Oriented programming Concepts : Class - object, instantiation, Inheritance -polymorphism and overloading, aggregation, abstract classes, generalization as extension and restriction. Object oriented design. Multiple inheritance

C++ - programming : Elements of C++ - Tokens, Identifiers, Variables and constants. Data types, Operators. Control statements, Functions, parameter passing. Class and objects, Constructors and destructors, Overloading, Inheritance, Templates, Exception handling.

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4. Relational Database Design and Query Languages

E-R diagrams, Transformation of E-R models to relational design, Normalization - INF, 2NF, 3NF, BCNF and 4NF.

SQL : Data Definition Language (DDL), Data Manipulation Language (DML), Data Control Language (CDL) Commands. Database objects like- Views, indexes, sequences, synonyms, data dictionary, Embedded SQL, QBE

Query Processing and Optimisation, Centralised and Distributed Database, Security, Concurrency and Recovery in Centralised and Distributed Database Systems, Object Oriented Database Management Systems – Concepts, Composite objects, Integration with RDBMS applications.

5. Data Structures and Algorithms

Data, Information. Definition of data structure, Arrays, stacks, queues, linked lists, trees, graphs, priority queues and heaps.

File Structures : Fields, records and files. Sequential, direct, index-sequential and relative files. Hashing, inverted list and multi-lists, B-trees and B+ trees.

Graphs : Definition, walks, paths, connected graphs, regular and bipartite graphs, cycles and circuits. Tree and rooted tree, Spanning trees, Eccentricity of a vertex radius and diameter of a graph, Hamiltonian and Eulerian graphs. Planar graphs.


6. Data Communication and Computer Networks


Reference Models : The OSI model, TCP/IP model.

Topologies, Networking Devices. Protocols for - (i) Data link layer (ii) Network layer, and (iii) Transport layer, TCP/IP protocols, Networks security, Network administration.

Local Area Networks (LAN), Metropolitan Area Networks (MAN), Wide Area Networks (WAN). Wireless Networks, Inter Networks.


Network Security : Cryptography - public key, secret key, Domain Name System (DNS) - Electronic Mail and World Wide Web (WWW). The DNS, Resource Records. Name servers. E-mail architecture and E-mail Servers.

7. System software and Compilers.


Loading, linking, relocation, program relocatability. Linkage editing.

Text editors, Programming Environments. Debuggers and program generators.

Compilation and Interpretation. Bootstrapping. Phases of compilation. Lexical analysis. LEX.

Context free grammars. Parsing and parse trees. Representation of parse trees and rightmost and leftmost derivations, Bottom up parsers - shift-reduce. operator precedence and LR. YACC.


8. Operating Systems

Main functions of operating systems. Multiprogramming, multiprocessing and multitasking.

Memory management ; Virtual memory, paging, fragmentation.

Concurrent processing : Mutual exclusion. Critical regions, lock and unlock.


The Unix system : File system, process management. Bourne shell, shell variables, command line programming.

Systems Calls : Creat, open, close, read, write. Iseek, link, unlink, stat, fstat, umask, chmod, exec, fork, wait, system.
9. **Software Engineering**


Software Metrics ; Software Project Management.

Software Design : System design, detailed design, function oriented design, object-oriented design, user interface design. Design level metrics.

Coding and Testing : Testing level metrics. Software quality and reliability. Clean room approach, software engineering

10. **Computer Graphics**


11. **Programming Language Theory**

Programming language concepts, paradigms, models.


Principles, classes, inheritance, class hierarchies, polymorphism, dynamic binding, reference semantics and their implementation.

Principles, functions, lists, types and polymorphism, higher order functions, lazy evaluation, equations and pattern matching.

Principles, horn clauses and their execution, logical variables, relations, data structures, controlling the search order, program development in Prolog, implementation of Prolog, example programs in Prolog.

12. **Current Trends and Technologies**

The topics of current interest in Computer Science and Computer Applications shall be covered. The experts shall use their judgement from time to time to include the topics of popular interest which are expected to be known by an ardent follower of the field. Currently, they include:

*Parallel computing*

Parallel virtual Machine (PVM) and message passing interface (MPI) libraries and calls. Advanced architectures. Today's fastest computers
Mobile Computing

Mobile connectivity - Cells. Framework, wireless delivery technology and switching methods, mobile information access devices, mobile data internetworking standards, cellular data communication protocols, mobile computing applications. Mobile databases - protocols, scope, tools and technology.

E-Technologies


Data Warehousing : Data Warehouse environment, architecture of a data warehouse methodology, analysis, design, construction and administration.

Data Mining : Extracting models and patterns from large databases, data mining techniques, classification, regression, clustering, summarization, dependency modelling, link analysis, sequencing analysis, mining scientific and business data.

Principles of parallelism, co routines, communication and execution, Parallel Virtual Machine (PVM) and Message Passing Interface (MPI) routines and calls. Parallel programs in PVM paradigm as well as MPI paradigm for simple problems like matrix multiplication.

NOTE: - It may be noted that apart from the topics detailed above, questions from other topics prescribed for the educational qualification of the post may appear in the question paper. There is no undertaking that all the topics above may be covered in the question paper.