

Question 1 [Computing queries – 50 points]. Consider the following relations

$R(A,B,C) = \{ \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle, \langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle \}$

$S(B,C,D) = \{ \langle 2, 3, 7 \rangle, \langle 1, 1, 4 \rangle, \langle 2, 2, 4 \rangle, \langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle \}$

(1.a)

Padding

$R' = \{ \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle, \langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle, \langle \text{null}, 1, 1 \rangle, \langle \text{null}, 2, 2 \rangle \}$

$S' = \{ \langle 2, 3, 7 \rangle, \langle 1, 1, 4 \rangle, \langle 2, 2, 4 \rangle, \langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle, \langle 0, 3, \text{null} \rangle \}$

Join

$R \bowtie_{\text{FULL}} S = \{ \langle 1, 2, 3, 7 \rangle, \langle 1, 2, 3, 5 \rangle, \langle 1, 0, 3, \text{null} \rangle, \langle \text{null}, 1, 1, 4 \rangle, \langle \text{null}, 2, 2, 4 \rangle \}$

Projection

$\pi_{A,D}(R \bowtie_{\text{FULL}} S) = \{ \langle 1, 7 \rangle, \langle 1, 5 \rangle, \langle 1, \text{null} \rangle, \langle \text{null}, 4 \rangle \}$

(1.b)

Answer
{<2>}

(1.c)

Cartesian product with selection

$\{ \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 7 \rangle, \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 2, 4 \rangle, \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5 \rangle \}$

Group by S.C ... two groups

$\{ \{ \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 7 \rangle, \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5 \rangle \}, \{ \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 2, 4 \rangle \} \}$

Select groups having COUNT > 1

$\{ \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 7 \rangle, \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5 \rangle \}$

Answer

{<3, 6>}

Question 2

Answer:

```
CREATE TABLE Course
(
  cid      CHAR(6)  PRIMARY KEY,
  ctitle   CHAR(16),
  dept     CHAR(3)
)

CREATE TABLE Student
(
  sid      NUMERIC(8)  PRIMARY KEY,
  sname    VARCHAR(16),
  dg       VARCHAR(4),
  city     VARCHAR(10),
  CHECK ((dg = 'BSC') OR (dg = 'BENG') OR (dg = 'BA'))
)

CREATE TABLE S_Take_C
(
  sid      NUMERIC(8),
  cid      CHAR(6),
  yr       NUMERIC(4),
  trm      CHAR(1),
  mark     INTEGER,
  CHECK ((trm = 'W') OR (trm = 'S') OR (trm = 'F')),
  CHECK ((mark ≥ 0) AND (mark ≤ 100)),
  UNIQUE(sid,cid),
  FOREIGN KEY(sid)
    REFERENCES Student(sid)
    ON DELETE CASCADE,
  FOREIGN KEY(cid)
    REFERENCES Course(cid)
    ON DELETE CASCADE
    ON UPDATE CASCADE
)
```

Question 3 [Relational Algebra – 50 points].

(3.a)

$\pi_{sid,sname}(\sigma_{cid="csc343"}((Student \bowtie S_Take_C)))$
or
 $\pi_{sid,sname}((\sigma_{cid="csc343"}(Student) \bowtie S_Take_C))$

(3.b)

$R1 = \pi_{yr,term,mark}(\sigma_{cid="csc343"}S_Take_C)$
 $R2 = \pi_{yr,term,mark}(\sigma_{mark1>mark}(R1 \bowtie \rho_{mark->mark1}R1))$
Answer = R1 – R2

(3.c) [20 points] “List student ids for students who have taken every computer science course”

Answer:

$R1 = \pi_{cid}(\sigma_{dept="CSC"}(Course))$
Answer = $(\pi_{sid,cid}(S_Take_C) / R1)$

Question 4 [SQL – 50 points].

(4.a)

```
SELECT    cid,cname
FROM      Course
WHERE     cid not in (SELECT cid FROM S_Take_C)
```

(4.b)

Answer:

```
SELECT    COUNT (DISTINCT T.sid)
FROM      Course C, S_Take_C T
WHERE     C.cid = T.cid AND C.dept = 'CSC'
```

(4.c)

Answer:

```
CREATE VIEW SA (sid,savg) AS
SELECT    T.sid, AVG (T.mark)
FROM      S_Take_C T
GROUP BY  T.sid

SELECT    S.sid, S.sname
FROM      Student S, SA
WHERE     S.sid = SA.sid AND savg ≥ ALL
(SELECT savg FROM SA)
```

Question 5 [True/False questions – 70 points].

- (5.a) [**F**] The equality $((S \bowtie R) \bowtie Q) = (S \bowtie (R \bowtie Q))$ holds if and only if **S** and **R**, **S** and **Q**, **R** and **Q** share respectively at least one attribute;
- (5.b) [**F**] Pointers are better than value-based references in a database because the latter are hardware-dependent;
- (5.c) [**T**] Every relation in the Relational Model has at least one superkey consisting of all its attributes;
- (5.d) [**F**] A trigger is an event that triggers an SQL statement to execute whenever the event occurs;
- (5.e) [**F**] In embedded SQL, cursors can only be declared for database tables, and not for results of queries;
- (5.f) [**T**] A DBMS supports mechanisms that allow multiple transactions to execute concurrently against a single database without interfering with each other;
- (5.g) [**T**] If query **Q** evaluates to the empty table, then the condition $0 > \text{ANY}(Q)$ is false;
- (5.h) [**F**] If **S** is empty, then $S \bowtie R = R$;
- (5.i) [**F**] In embedded SQL, `SQLSTATUS` is a special programming language variable whose value describes the execution status of the application;
- (5.j) [**F**] In SQL, all views can be updated just like database relations;
- (5.k) [**T**] If relation **R** consists of a single attribute, then $R \bowtie R = R$;
- (5.l) [**F**] In SQL-DDL, one can define new aggregate functions that can then be used in SQL queries;
- (5.m) [**F**] JDBC is a statement-level interface for executing SQL within a Java program;
- (5.n) [**F**] Object-oriented databases make it possible for Java programs to access relational databases.