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Instruction/Notes: A scratch sheet can be used for rough work; however, all the questions and steps are to be shown on the question paper. No extra/rough sheets should be submitted with question paper.
You will not get any credit if you do not show proper working, reasoning, and steps as asked in the question statements.

Consider the following simplified database schema for a forum post system like ***Stack Overflow***. A forum post system is an online platform where users can engage in discussions by posting messages. Users can create newposts or reply to existing posts.
In the DB schema given below:

- The Post table stores information about forum posts. The AuthorID is the ID of the User who created the post.
- The User table stores information about users.
- The Reply table stores replies to forum posts. A user can write a reply to an existing reply, meaning that replies are hierarchical and can be organized into parent-child relationships. Each reply can have zero or more replies, and each reply is associated with a parent reply. The column ParentReplyID indicates the parent reply to which the current reply is a response. If a reply is a direct response to the main post, then the "ParentReplyID" is NULL.

```
CREATE TABLE Post (
    PostID INT PRIMARY KEY,
    Title VARCHAR(255),
    Content TEXT,
    AuthorID INT,
    CreatedAt DATETIME

);
```

```
CREATE TABLE Reply (
    ReplyID INT PRIMARY KEY,
    PostID INT,
    ReplyText TEXT,
    AuthorID INT,
    ParentReplyID INT,
    CreatedAt DATETIME
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE User (
    UserID INT PRIMARY KEY,
    Username VARCHAR(50),
    Email VARCHAR(100),
    Gender CHAR(1)
);
```

Q.1 Add the following constraints in the above-mentioned DB schema

a. The column 'UserId' in user table is a foreign key in Post table with name author Id and referential integrity constraint is on Delete cascade.
ALTER TABLE post ADD CONSTRAINT fk_authorP_id FOREIGN KEY (authorId) REFERENCES user (userid) ON DELETE CASCADE on UPDATE CASCADE;

b. The column 'UserId' in user table is a foreign key in Reply table with name author Id and referential integrity constraint is on Delete cascade.
ALTER TABLE reply ADD CONSTRAINT fk_authorP_id FOREIGN KEY (authorId) REFERENCES user (userid)
ON DELETE CASCADE on UPDATE CASCADE;

c. The column 'PostId' in post table is a foreign key in Reply table with name postId and referential integrity constraint is on Delete cascade.
ALTER TABLE reply ADD CONSTRAINT fk_authorP_id FOREIGN KEY (postId) REFERENCES post (postId) ON DELETE CASCADE on UPDATE CASCADE;

d. `ParentReplyID is a foreign key (that references replyID from same table. SELF reference….`

e. ALTER TABLE reply ADD CONSTRAINT fk_parentr_id FOREIGN KEY (`ParentReplyID`) REFERENCES Reply (ReplyId) ON DELETE CASCADE on UPDATE CASCADE;

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Q.2 Question on queries*(15 points)* Specify the following queries in ***SQL***

a. List the IDs and Names of the Female **Users who have not created any posts**.

b. Print IDs of the **Replies** that have received two or more replies.

c. List the usernames of users who have replied to their posts.

SOLUTION

a)
```
SELECT u.UserID, u.Username
FROM User u LEFT JOIN Post p ON u.UserID = p.AuthorID
WHERE p.PostID IS NULL AND u.Gender = 'F';
```

b)
```
SELECT ParentReplyID
FROM Reply
GROUP BY ParentReplyID
HAVING COUNT(ReplyID) >= 2;
```

c)
```
SELECT u.Username
FROM User u JOIN Reply r ON u.UserID = r.AuthorID JOIN Post p ON r.PostID = p.PostID
WHERE u.UserID = p.AuthorID;
```

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Q3. Write the result of the following queries for database state given above and explain in one sentence what these queries are doing?

User table:

UserID	UserName	Gender	Email
1	Alice	Female	alice@example.com
2	Bob	Male	bob@example.com
3	Charlie	Male	charlie@example.com

Post table:

PostID	Title	CreatedAt	AuthorID	Content
1	Introduction	2024-02-20	1	Welcome to our platform!
2	Tips and Tricks	2024-02-21	2	Here are some tips for you.
3	Question about AI	2024-02-22	3	I have a question about AI.
4	Programming Question	2024-02-23	1	I need help with programming.
5	Data Science	2024-02-24	2	Let's discuss data science.

Reply table:

ReplyID	PostID	AuthorID	ParentReplyID	ReplyText	CreatedAt
1	1	2	NULL	Welcome, Alice!	2024-02-20
2	1	1	NULL	Thanks, Bob!	2024-02-21
3	1	3	1	Hello, everyone!	2024-02-22
4	1	2	2	Hi, Alice!	2024-02-22
5	2	1	NULL	Great tips, Bob!	2024-02-21
6	2	3	5	I agree!	2024-02-22
7	3	2	NULL	Can someone help me?	2024-02-22
8	3	1	NULL	Sure, what's up?	2024-02-22
9	3	3	7	What do you need help with?	2024-02-22

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a)

```
SELECT UserID AS ID , UserName AS user_name, count (*) as num_post
 FROM User u
JOIN   Post p   ON u.user_id = p.author_id
 GROUP BY UserID, UserName
HAVING COUNT(*) > 1
ORDER BY UserID desc, UserName desc;
```

Answer: This query will return the users who have posted more than once, sorted by the number of posts they have made.

User_id	User_name	num_post
2	Bob	2
1	Alice	2

b)

```
SELECT p.PostID,  p.Title, p.CreatedAt, p.AuthorID, p.Content,u.UserName AS AuthorName,
 COUNT(r.ReplyID) AS ReplyCount
FROM  Post p
LEFT JOIN  User u ON p.AuthorID = u.UserID
LEFT JOIN  Reply r ON p.PostID = r.PostID
GROUP BY  p.PostID, p.Title, p.AuthorID,  CreatedAt, Content, UserName,
ORDER BY ReplyCount DESC;
```

Answer: showing each post along with its author's name and the number of replies it has received.

PostID	Title	CreatedAt	AuthorID	Content	AuthorName	ReplyCount
1	Introduction	2024-02-20	1	Welcome to our platform!	Alice	4
2	Tips and Tricks	2024-02-21	2	Here are some tips for you.	Bob	2
3	Question about AI	2024-02-22	3	I have a question about AI.	Charlie	3
4	Programming Question	2024-02-23	1	I need help with programming.	Alice	0
5	Data Science	2024-02-24	2	Let's discuss data science.	Bob	0

c)
```
SELECT u.UserName AS user_name,  p.Title AS title,  r.ReplyText AS text
FROM  User u
JOIN  Post p ON u.UserID = p.AuthorID
JOIN  Reply r ON p.PostID = r.PostID
WHERE  p.Title <> 'Introduction'  AND r.ParentReplyID IS NULL;
```

Answer:This query retrieves the usernames, post titles, and top-level reply texts for posts that are not titled 'Introduction'.

User_name	title	text
Bob	Tips and Tricks	Great tips Bob!
Charlie	Questions about AI	Can someone help me?
charlie	Questions about AI	Sure,what's up?

Q.4 Considering the constraints applied on the schema (Q.1) and data populated (Q.3).

Apply following operations on the above database. State if the operation would be carried out successfully or not. In case of successful operation indicate the changes that will be made to the above database. Also state all the integrity constraints violated by each operation, if any. Please note that **all operations are independent**.

a. DELETE FROM user WHERE username='Bob';

Successful, eight rows deleted

b. INSERT INTO reply VALUES (10,6,'hello',3,NULL,'2024-02-13');

Failed, reference integrity issue

c. UPDATE post SET postId=7 WHERE title='introduction';

Failed, reference integrity issue

d. DELETE FROM post WHERE postId=4;

Successful, one row deleted from post table