CO 456 course note

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1 Introduction to database

1. Terms
   Data redundancy: presence of duplicate data in multiple data files
   Data inconsistency: the same attribute may have different values

2. Database
   a collection of related information stored in a stuctured form

3. DBMS:
   a collection of programs that manipulate a database

4. Data Model

   - Relational Model
   - Object-oriented model
   - semi-structed data model
   - network model
   - Hierarchical model

5. Schema

   - Physical schema: database at physical level
   - logical schema: database at logical schema
   - External schema: database at external schema

2 Ralational

1. Terms
   - attribute: each column with in a table
   - domain: all possiblae value of a atribute
   - Primiary key: a attribute in a row that must be unique in a table
   - Tuple: rows
   - Schema of a relation: definiton of a table
   - a instance: table content
2. Integrity Constaints
   is a condition that must be true for any instance of the database
   Domain constrain: must satisifeid domain
   Primary key constraints: each relation must have a primary key, and they must be unique
   Foreign key: set of filed in one relation used to refert to a tuple in another relation

3 Relational algebra and calculus

1. Relational Quesry language
   A major strengh of the relational model: supports simple, powerful querying of data

2. Relational algebra
   Result of a retrieval is new relation
   sqquence of relational algebra operations forms a relational algebra expression

3. Operations

   - selection (σ): select a subset of rows from relation
   - projection(π) deletes unwated columns from relation
   - cross-product(X) allows us combines 2 relation
   - Set-difference (-) tuples in relation1 but now 2
   - Union(Y) tuple in both 1 and 2

   Format: $(\text{operation})_{boolean}$ (relation)

4. Boolean
   used to show true value

5. Assignment operation
   $<-$ allowed to assign variable

6. Union compatible
   if 2 relation have the same degree and all attributes are defined on same domains

7. Foreign key
   Assume R1(ABC), R2(EFG) there is a FK: R1.A referrece R2.G
   the value of R1.A must be
   Null or unique in R2
   however, R2.G does not need to be PK

8. Rename operation
   format: $p_{(relation)}(relation)$ or $p_{(col,col)}(relation)$
   the first one rename relation, but the second one only rename column

9. Join operation
   symbol: a croos triangle
   a combination of cross product and selection
   The following are the same:

   - $e <- R1 X R2$
     result $<- \sigma_{bool}(e)$

- R1 (join)$_{bool}$(R2)

10. Natural join operation
    result $< -R1 * R2$
    Assume $R(ABC), S(AD)$ $R * S- > (ABCD)$

11. Division Operation
    Assume $R1(r1_i)$, $R2(r2_i)$, $R1 \div R2 =$
    $(r1_i)$ such that $r1_i \notin R2$ and all removed $r1_i$ appear in every R2 tuple in R1

12. Query Tree