



Assignment 6

Hand in this assignment until **Thursday, 15 June 2023, 12:00** at the latest.

⚠ Lecture Evaluation

In the near future, you will have the opportunity to **evaluate lectures** you are attending. With this in mind, we kindly ask you to keep an eye on your inbox and to provide us with **your** valuable feedback. Thank you!

📖 Exam-style Exercises

Exercises marked with 📖 are similar in style to those you will find in the exam. You can use these to hone your expectations and gauge your skills.

Running out of ideas?

Are you hitting a roadblock? Are some of the exercises unclear? Do you just need that one hint to get the ball rolling? Refer to the [#forum](#) channel on our Discord server and check the tag for this assignment —maybe you'll find just the help you need.

Task 1: About SQL

(1 credit)

Please answer the following questions **briefly**:

(a) 📖 Consider the following schemata and query:

```
1 CREATE TABLE r(d real, e int, f int);
2 CREATE TABLE s(x int, y int);
3 CREATE TABLE t(a real, b text, c text);
4
5 SELECT *
6 FROM (SELECT r.*, t.a, t.b
7       FROM r AS r, t AS t
8       WHERE r.d < t.a) AS r1,
9       s AS r2
10 WHERE r2.x <> r1.f;
```

What is the *row type* of row variable r1? What is the *row type* of the overall query result?

(b) Explain briefly, why the following queries are invalid.

i.

```
1 CREATE TABLE r(a int, b int, c int);
2
3 SELECT t.b, r.c, t.d
4 FROM (SELECT r.*, r.a + r.b AS d FROM r AS r) AS t;
```

ii.

```
1 CREATE TABLE r(a int, b int, c int);
2 CREATE TABLE s(x int, y int);
3
4 SELECT r.*, t.y
5 FROM r AS r, (SELECT s.y
6              FROM s AS s
7              WHERE s.x = r.a) AS t;
```

iii.

```
1 CREATE TABLE r(a int, b int, c int);
2 CREATE TABLE s(x int, y int);
3 ALTER TABLE s ADD PRIMARY KEY (x);
4
5 SELECT s.a, (SELECT s.y
6              FROM   s AS s
7              WHERE  s.x = s.a) AS c
8 FROM   (SELECT r.a, r.b FROM r AS r) AS s;
```

(c)  Simplify the following SQL queries as far as possible.

i.

```
1 CREATE TABLE r(a int, b int, c int, d int);
2
3 SELECT r1.a, r1.b, r1.c
4 FROM   (TABLE r) AS r1
5 WHERE  true;
```

ii.

```
1 CREATE TABLE r(a int, b int, c int, d int);
2
3 SELECT r1.a, r1.b, r1.c, r1.d
4 FROM   (SELECT t.* FROM r AS t) AS r1;
```

iii.

```
1 SELECT ROW(v.*) :: t FROM t AS v;
```

(d)  Consider the following query:

```
1 SELECT r.*,s.* FROM r AS r, s AS s WHERE r.a = s.x;
```

Tables r and s contain $|r|$ and $|s|$ rows, respectively.

- Without further knowledge, what can you say about the number of rows in the join result?
- Now, assume that x is the primary key in s . What can you now say about the size of the join result?

Task 2: SQL University

(1 credit)

In this task you will take a look at a database representing a fictional university and write queries over it to answer some questions.

student				
student_id	student_name	major	pursued_degree	age
051135593	Maria White	English	M.Sc.	24
060839453	Charles Harris	Architecture	M.Sc.	23
...

class				
class_id	class_name	meets_at	room	class_staff_id
1	Data Structures	MWF 10	R128	489456522
2	Database Systems	MWF 12:30-1:45	1320 DCL	142519864
...

enrolled	
enrolled_student_id	enrolled_class_id
112348546	2
115987938	2
...	...

department	
department_id	department_name
20	Computer Science
68	Engineering
...	...

staff			
staff_id	staff_name	staff_department	age
142519864	Ivana Teach	20	54
242518965	James Smith	68	45
...

To get started, import the schema from the supplied `uni-schema.sql` and then load the data into the tables by running

```
\copy <table> FROM <file> CSV
```

for each `.csv` file. Write the following SQL queries using only the SQL constructs discussed up to Chapter 6 (*A Diversion into SQL*) of the lecture. The resulting schemas of your SQL queries should follow the examples on the right.

- List names of all BSc students whose name begins with "Mar". Use `LIKE`¹ to formulate this predicate.
- For each class, its class name and the name of the teaching staff member.
- List all students enrolled in classes of the "Computer Science" department. The result should not contain any duplicates. Is `DISTINCT` necessary to ensure this? Explain.
- Find names of B.Sc. students which are enrolled in classes taught by "Ivana Teach". Draw the join graph for your query as well.
- ⓔ List names of staff members who are at least twice as old as some student enrolled in one of their classes.
- Which classes have both B.Sc. and M.Sc. students enrolled? Draw the join graph for your query as well.

result	
staff_name	
Maria White	
...	

result	
class_name	staff_name
Data Structures	Linda Davis
...	...

result	
student_id	student_name
112348546	Joseph Thompson
...	...

result	
student_name	
Christopher Garcia	
...	

result	
staff_name	
Ivana Teach	
...	

result	
class_name	
Database Systems	
...	

Note

Do not list classes for which only one category of students is enrolled.

¹<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/functions-matching.html#FUNCTIONS-LIKE>

- (g) **E** For each class, list its class name, the name of the teaching staff member and the name of their department. Do not forget to list teaching staff members without a designated department.

result		
class_name	staff_name	department_name
Data Structures	Linda Davis	Computer Science
...

Note

Missing department information shall be represented by **NULL**. Think about using a correlated subquery to determine the department name.