Database Management System (DBMS) Lecture-20

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Updating

To update value of a particular row into a relation, we write the following type of query:-

$$r \leftarrow \Pi_{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n}(r)$$

where each F_i is either the i^{th} attribute of r, if the i^{th} attribute is not updated, or, if the attribute is to be updated, F_i is an expression, involving only constants and the attributes of r, that gives the new value for the attribute.

If we want to select some tuples from r and to update only them, we can use the following expression; here, P denotes the selection condition that chooses which tuples to update:

$$r \leftarrow \Pi_{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n}(\sigma_P(r)) \cup (r - \sigma_P(r))$$

Example: Suppose that interest payments are being made, and that all balances are to be increased by 5 percent.

Solution: $account \leftarrow \Pi_{account-number, branch-name, balance*1.05}(account)$

Example: Suppose that accounts with balances over \$10,000 receive 6 percent interest, whereas all others receive 5 percent.

Solution: $account \leftarrow \Pi_{account-number,branch-name,balance*1.06}(\sigma_{balance}>10000$ (account)) $\cup \Pi_{account-number,branch-name,balance*1.05}(\sigma_{balance}\leq 10000(account))$

Views

Any relation that is not part of the logical model, but is made visible to a user as a virtual relation, is called a view.

We define a view by using the create view statement. To define a view, we must give the view a name, and must state the query that computes the view. The form of the create view statement is

create view v as < query expression > where < query expression > is any legal relational-algebra query expression. The view name is represented by v.

Example: Consider the view consisting of branches and their customers. We wish this view to be called all-customer. We define this view as follows:

create view all-customer as $\Pi_{branch-name, customer-name}$ (depositor $\bowtie account$) $\cup \Pi_{branch-name, customer-name}$ (borrower $\bowtie loan$)

Once we have defined a view, we can use the view name to refer to the virtual relation that the view generates. Using the view allcustomer, we can find all customers of the Perryridge branch by writing

 $\Pi_{customer-name}(\sigma_{branch-name="Perryridge"}(all-customer))$

Tuple Relational Calculus

A query in the tuple relational calculus is expressed as

$$t - P(t)$$

that is, it is the set of all tuples t such that predicate P is true for t. We use t[A] to denote the value of tuple t on attribute A, and we use $t \in r$ to denote that tuple t is in relation r.

Example Queries

• Find the branch-name, loan-number, and amount for loans of over \$1200.

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Solution: \{ t \mid t \in loan \land t[amount] > 1200 \}
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 Find the loan number for each loan of an amount greater than \$1200.

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Solution: \{ t \mid \exists s \in loan(t[loan - number] = s[loan - number] \land s[amount] > 1200) \}
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 Find the names of all customers who have a loan from the Perryridge branch.

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Solution: \{t \mid \exists s \in borrower(t[customer - name] = s[customer - name] \land \exists s \in loan(u[loan - number] = s[loan - number] \land u[branch - name] = "Perryridge"))\}
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• Find all customers who have a loan, an account, or both at the bank.

Solution:

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\{t \mid \exists s \in borrower(t[customer-name] = s[customer-name]) \ \lor \exists u \in depositor(t[customer-name] = u[customer-name])\}
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 Find those customers who have both an account and a loan at the bank.

Solution:

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{ t \mid \exists s \in borrower(t[customer - name] = s[customer - name])} 
 ∧ \exists u \in depositor(t[customer - name] = u[customer - name])}
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• Find all customers who have an account at the bank but do not have a loan from the bank.

Solution:

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\{t \mid \exists s \in borrower(t[customer - name] = s[customer - name])
 \land \exists u \in depositor(t[customer - name] = u[customer - name])\}
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 Find all customers who have an account at all branches located in Brooklyn.

Solution:

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\{ t \mid \forall u \in branch(u[branch - city] = "Brooklyn" \Rightarrow \exists s \in depositor(t[customer - name] = s[customer - name] \land \exists w \in account(w[account - number] = s[account - number] \land w[branch - name] = u[branch - name])))\}
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Note:

- 1. The formula $P \Rightarrow Q$ means "P implies Q"; that is, "if P is true, then Q must be true."
- 2. Note that $P \Rightarrow Q$ is logically equivalent to $P \lor Q$.