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CSCI235 Database Systems

Final Examination Paper Session 4 2021 (1 December 2021)

Exam duration 3 hours and 40 minutes

Weighting 40% of the subject assessment

Marks available 40 marks

Items permitted by examiner Text-book, Lecture slides, and Tutorial notes

Directions to students 4 questions to be answered.

Marks for each question are shown beside the question.

All answers must be written in the answer booklet provided.

This examination is a take-it-home examination to be done on-line on the date of examination.

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Question 2 - (Total 10 marks) Indexing

Time allocated: 40 minutes Start time: 3:10 pm SGT End time: 3:50 pm SGT

Submission time start: 3:45 pm SGT Submission time end: 4:00 pm SGT

Consider a relational database that consists of the relational tables created by the following CREATE TABLE statements:

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CREATE TABLE CUSTOMER(
C_CUSTKEY
                    NUMBER(12)
                                   NOT NULL,
C_NAME
                    VARCHAR(25)
                                   NOT NULL,
C ADDRESS
                    VARCHAR(40)
                                   NOT NULL,
C NATIONKEY
                    NUMBER(12)
                                   NOT NULL,
C PHONE
                                   NOT NULL,
                    CHAR(15)
C ACCTBAL
                    NUMBER(12,2)
                                   NOT NULL,
C MKTSEGMENT
                                   NOT NULL,
                    CHAR(10)
C_COMMENT
                    VARCHAR(117)
                                   NOT NULL,
C TOTORDERS
                    NUMBER(5),
     CONSTRAINT CUSTOMER_PKEY PRIMARY KEY(C_CUSTKEY),
     CONSTRAINT CUSTOMER CHECK1 CHECK(C CUSTKEY >= 0));
CREATE TABLE ORDERS(
O ORDERKEY
                                   NOT NULL,
                    NUMBER(12)
O_CUSTKEY
                                   NOT NULL,
                    NUMBER(12)
O ORDERSTATUS
                    CHAR(1)
                                   NOT NULL,
O TOTALPRICE
                    NUMBER(12,2)
                                   NOT NULL,
O ORDERDATE
                    DATE
                                   NOT NULL,
O ORDERPRIORITY
                    CHAR(15)
                                   NOT NULL,
O CLERK
                    CHAR(15)
                                   NOT NULL,
O SHIPPRIORITY
                    NUMBER(12)
                                   NOT NULL,
O COMMENT
                    VARCHAR(79)
                                   NOT NULL,
     CONSTRAINT ORDERS PKEY PRIMARY KEY (O ORDERKEY),
     CONSTRAINT ORDERS FKEY1 FOREIGN KEY (O CUSTKEY)
          REFERENCES CUSTOMER(C_CUSTKEY),
     CONSTRAINT ORDER CHECK1 CHECK( O TOTALPRICE >= 0) );
CREATE TABLE LINEITEM(
L ORDERKEY
                    NUMBER(12)
                                   NOT NULL,
L PARTKEY
                    NUMBER(12)
                                   NOT NULL,
L SUPPKEY
                    NUMBER(12)
                                   NOT NULL,
L LINENUMBER
                    NUMBER(12)
                                   NOT NULL,
                    NUMBER(12,2)
                                   NOT NULL,
L QUANTITY
L EXTENDEDPRICE
                    NUMBER(12,2)
                                   NOT NULL,
L_DISCOUNT
                    NUMBER(12,2)
                                   NOT NULL,
L TAX
                    NUMBER(12,2)
                                   NOT NULL,
L_COMMENT
                                   NOT NULL,
                    VARCHAR(44)
     CONSTRAINT LINEITEM_PKEY PRIMARY KEY (L_ORDERKEY, L_LINENUMBER),
     CONSTRAINT LINEITEM_FKEY1 FOREIGN KEY (L_ORDERKEY)
          REFERENCES ORDERS(O_ORDERKEY),
     CONSTRAINT LINEITEM_CHECK1 CHECK (L_QUANTITY >= 0),
     CONSTRAINT LINEITEM_CHECK2 CHECK (L_EXTENDEDPRICE >= 0),
     CONSTRAINT LINEITEM_CHECK3 CHECK (L_TAX >= 0),
     CONSTRAINT LINEITEM_CHECK4 CHECK (L_DISCOUNT BETWEEN 0.00 AND 1.00));
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Determine what index should be created to improve the performance of the queries listed below in the best possible way. **Consider each one of the queries as an individual case**. If you decide that an index should be created, then **list** the names of attributes that form an index key and **write** the **'create index'** statement to create the index. Remember that the order of attributes in an index key is important. **Explain** why a new index is needed **or** is not needed to improve the performance of the queries. That is, if a new index is created, explain why the index improve the performance of the query, and if no new index is created, explain why the performance of the query is not suffer (degraded). Assume that all relational tables are large enough to make full tables scan more time consuming than accessing the tables through an index.

i. SELECT C_CUSTKEY, C_NAME, C_ADDRESS FROM CUSTOMER ORDER BY C_NAME;

(2.0 marks)

ii. SELECT C_ADDRESS, COUNT(*)
 FROM CUSTOMER
 WHERE C_NAME = 'James Bond'
 GROUP BY C_ADDRESS
 HAVING COUNT(*) > 2
 ORDER BY C_ADDRESS;

(2.0 marks)

iii. SELECT DISTINCT O_TOTALPRICE, O_ORDERDATE FROM ORDERS ORDER BY O ORDERDATE;

(2.0 marks)

iv. SELECT L_PARTKEY, COUNT(*)
 FROM LINEITEM
 GROUP BY L_PARTKEY
 HAVING COUNT(L_TAX) > 4;

(2.0 marks)

v. SELECT O_CLERK, COUNT(O_CUSTKEY)
FROM ORDERS
WHERE TO_CHAR(O_ORDERDATE, 'YYYY') = '2021'
GROUP BY O CLERK;

(2.0 marks)

END OF Question 2