Assignment 4 (Chapter 4, Chapter 5)

- 4.13 Consider a view v whose definition references only relation r.
- (1) If a user is granted select authorization on v, does that user need to have select authorization on r as well? Why or why not?

Answer: No, the user does not need to have select authorization on r.

(Chapter 4, page 4.54), "Granting a privilege on a view does not imply granting any privileges on the underlying relations."

(2) If a user is granted update authorization on v, does that user need to have update authorization on r as well? Why or why not?

Answer: Yes, the user does need to have update authorization on r.

If v is updatable, an UPDATE operation on v translates to an UPDATE on r. To update a view, the user must have the appropriate privileges for the view and the underlying tables.

5.6 Consider the bank database of Figure 5.21. Let us define a view branch cust as follows:

```
create view branch cust as (
select branch_name, customer_name
from depositor, account
where depositor.account number = account.account number);
```

Suppose that the view is materialized (so you can regard branch cust as a base table); that is, the view is computed and stored. Write triggers to maintain the view, that is, to keep it up-to-date on insertions to depositor or account. It is not necessary to handle deletions or updates. Note that, for simplicity, we have not required the elimination of duplicates.

```
branch (branch name, branch_city, assets)
customer (customer name, customer street, customer city)
loan (loan_number, branch_name, amount)
borrower (customer name, loan number)
account (account number, branch name, balance)
depositor (customer name, account number)
```

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Figure 5.21 Banking database for Exercise 5.6.
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Answer: Trigger on depositor:
CREATE TRIGGER maintain branch cust after insert depositor
AFTER INSERT ON depositor
FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
 INSERT INTO branch_cust (branch_name, customer_name)
 SELECT account.branch name, NEW.customer name
 FROM account
 WHERE account_number = NEW.account_number;
END;
```

## **Trigger on account:**

No trigger is needed for insertions into account. When a new account is inserted, no matching depositor tuples exist yet, so the join condition depositor.account\_number = account\_account\_number produces no results for the new account\_number.