INFS1200/7900 Introduction to Information Systems

Course Summary and Exam Review

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Course-Level Learning Objectives

The course was designed to use tools and technologies that promote active learning and provide rich feedback to help you learn to

- 1. Extract information systems requirements to create basic conceptual models
- 2. Map basic conceptual data models to relational database schema
- 3. Reason with the logical foundation of the relational data model and the fundamental principles of correct relational database design
- 4. Express natural language queries using the SQL language
- 5. Construct simple computer-based information systems given a complete specification
- 6. Perform information systems analysis and design in a group setting using the concepts of this course

Active Lectures Piazza Pioject (Mock) Quizzes RippLE Nini-project Implementation
Assessment Feedback through Gradescope based Assessment

Revision Checklist for ER Diagrams

Terminology

- 1. Entity (Weak entity)
- 2. Relationship (Degree, Recursive)
- 3. Attribute (Key and Partial Key, Composite, Multivalued, Derived)
- 4. Constraints (Cardinality ratio, Participation constraints)
- 5. Extended ER (Specialization, Generalization)

- 1. Variation in Notation
- 2. Subjectivity (Expressability, Design choices)
- 3. Mapping to Relational Model

Revision Checklist for the Relational Model

Terminology

- 1. Relations (Is a Set, Table with Rows and Columns)
- 2. Domains (Atomicity, Data type)
- 3. Attributes (Degree of a relation, Prime or Key attribute)
- 4. Tuples
- 5. Key (Super key, Minimal key, Primary key, Candidate key, Foreign key)
- 6. Mapping

- 1. Constraints (Domain, Key, Entity, Referential)
- 2. Constraint violations, constraints and operations, inconsistent database state
- 3. Step by step process for mapping

Revision Checklist for FDs and Normalisation

Terminology

- 1. Anomalies
- 2. Functional Dependencies
- 3. Normal Forms

- 1. How to determine and how to infer FDs
- 2. Closure computation
- 3. Definitions of Normal Forms
- 4. Normalization is a Process

Revision Checklist for SQL

Terminology

- 1. Declarative vs. Procedural
- 2. DDL statements (CREATE TABLE, ALTER TABLE, DROP TABLE)
- 3. DML statements (INSERT, DELETE, UPDATE, **SELECT**)

- 1. Selection, Projection, Sorting (WHERE/HAVING, SELECT, ORDER BY)
- 2. Aggregation (COUNT, SUM, AVG, MIN, MAX) and Grouping (GROUP BY)
- 3. Conditions on groups and aggregates (HAVING)
- 4. Multiple relation queries (Joins, Nesting)
- 5. When to join and when to nest?
- 6. Correlated and non-correlated sub-queries
- 7. Sub-query operators (IN, comparison with (or without) ANY/ALL, EXISTS)

Revision Checklist for Data Warehousing

Terminology

- 1. OLTP vs OLAP
- 2. Multidimensional data modelling
- 3. CUBE and ROLLUP queries
- 4. Star Schema vs Snowflake Schema

- 1. Basic OLAP queries (Full Star, Roll-up, Drill-down, Slicing, Dicing, Pivoting)
- 2. Advanced OLAP queries (WITH CUBE and WITH ROLLUP)
- 3. Cube sizes and interpretations.

Revision Checklist for Database Security

Terminology

- 1. Privacy vs. Security
- 2. Sensitive Data
- 4. Database Audit
- 5. Access Control

- 1. Threats to database security
- 2. Database Control Measures (especially the three types of Access Control)
- 3. SQL Injection



RIPPLE

Piazza

Highest Rating

- (1) Luong Ba Duong
- (2) Yiyun Zhang
- (3) Tom Wang

Most Effective Questions

- (1) Si Yu Louis Yang
- (2) Tai-Chun Hung
- (3) Samuel Parchert

Most Answered Correctly

- (1) Zicong Gao
- (2) Marshall Kusabs
- (3) Juhua Huang

Highest Contribution

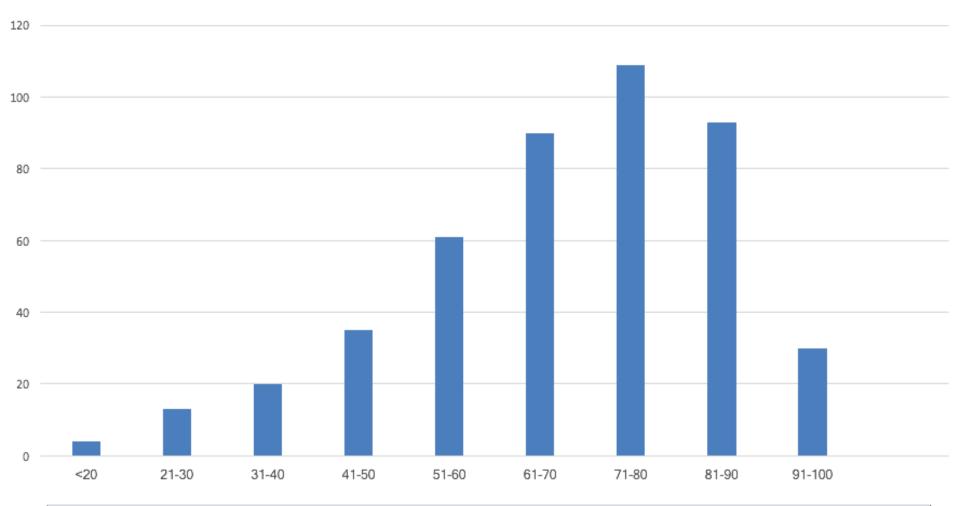
- (1) Scott Wong
- (2) Jie Peng
- (3) Maigan Palmer

Course

Highest Overall grade

- (1) Oliver Jeaffreson
- (2) Ruidan Wang
- (3) Tom Wang

Current Course Grade Distribution



I'll be adding 3% to your final course grade to carter for the difficulty level of the course compared to previous offerings.

Final Exam

Date/Time: November 5th at 8am

Venue: please check exam timetable (could be different for different last names)

Bring your Student Card

One A4 sheet of handwritten or typed notes double sided is permitted

Final Exam

- The final exam will address (theoretical) material from the entire semester
- Students are required to pass the final exam i.e. to obtain at least 50% in the Final Exam to pass the subject.

Final Exam

- Centrally Controlled
- Time allowed for working: 2 hours
- Time allowed for perusal: 10 minutes
- Answer all questions
- Write in the space provided on the exam paper
- Questions carry the number of marks indicated

Final Exam Questions

- 1. ER Diagrams (10 marks) Drawing an ER diagram
- 2. Relational Model (5 marks) Similar in format to the question from Quiz 1.
- 3. ER to Relational Mapping (5 marks)
- 4. Functional Dependency and Minimal Cover (8 marks)
- 5. Normalisation (8 marks)
- 6. SQL (20 marks) Using the student, college apply schema and data used during Lectures
- 7. Data Warehousing and OLAP–(10 marks) Using the sales schema used during Lectures
- 8. Database Security (10 marks)
- 9. Open Question— (4 marks)

Preparing for the Final exam

- Lecture Notes
- Textbook
- Tutorial Questions
- LDBM
- RiPPLE Questions
- Class Exercises & Practice Questions
- Passed Final exams through Library
- Quizzes and mock Quizzes.
- Piazza

Core Courses

- INFS1200 Information Systems will give you foundations of what a database system does and how to use it
- INFS2200 Relational Database Systems on what the database management software does and how to administer it
- What effect multiple computers and huge amounts of data have in INFS3200 Advanced Database Systems

Advanced Courses

- INFS3202 Web Information Systems (how the Web affects information systems)
- INFS3204 Service-Oriented Architectures (how organizations can be tied together using information systems technology).
- INFS4205 High Dimensional Data covers techniques on managing spatial and multimedia data
- INFS4203 Data Mining covers discovery of patterns and anomalies in large volumes of data, including the Web
- INFS7410 Information Retrieval where you can learn how search engines work and are built