

Assignment 2

Grades and Rules

Last updated: Saturday 13th November 9:02am

Most recent changes are shown in red ... older changes are shown in brown.

[Specification] [Database] [SQL]

Schema] [Grades+Rules] [Examples] [Testing] [Submitting] [Fixes+Updates]

Introduction

This document contains a detailed description of how different kinds of rules are defined and what effects grades have in various contexts.

Grades

Grades have different effects in different contexts:

- Rule = used in satisfying Rules
- UOC = used in calculating total UOC
- WAM = used in calcualting WAM (add to UOC-for-WAM + marks)

Note that UOC is for all courses passed; UOC-for-WAM is for all courses attempted.

Grades	Rule	UOC	WAM
A,B,C,D (with + or -)	yes	yes	no
HD,DN,CR,PS	yes	yes	yes
XE,T	yes	yes	no
SY,EC,RC,NC	yes	yes	no
AF,FL,UF,E,F	no	no	yes
AS,AW,NA,PW,RD	no	no	no
NF,LE,PE,WD,WJ	no	no	no
null	no	no	no

Note: AF has no associated mark; it is treated as if the mark were zero.

What to print on the transcript for each type of grade:

- Xuoc for A,B,C,D,HD,DN,CR,PS,XE,T,SY,EC,RC,NC
- fail for AF,FL,UF,E,F
- unrs (unresolved) for AS,AW,PW,NA,RD,NF,LE,PE,WD,WJ

Many of these grades do not appear in the database, and I don't include EM (excluded due to academic misconduct) which isn't really a grade applied to individual courses. If you want to find what all these grades mean, take a look at the UNSW web site.

Defining Rules

This gives examples of how different kinds of rules are defined in the MyMyUNSW database.

Code	Description	AO Group	Min/Max
DS	Done Stream = satisfied all requirement for a stream	enumerated list of stream codes	# streams to complete
CC	Core Courses; must complete all	list of course codes (no patterns)	not needed
PE	Prescribed Electives	list of courses (enumerated or patterns)	must complete UOC between min and max; (max = null) means "at least min UOC"; (min = null) means "up to max UOC"; cannot both be null
FE	Free Electives	don't need an AO group, but could have one with FREE#### as the pattern	as for PE
GE	General Education	any course like GEN##### **	typically min = max = 12
WM	WAM requirement	requires minimum WAM; typically used as a pre-req; not used in this assignment	min is minimum WAM
RQ, LR, MR	rules for pre-req requirements	not used in this assignment	-

** In theory, you should reject GEs from within the faculty. Since this database is based on enrolment data, this shouldn't happen. And since doing this checks adds extra complexity, there's no need to check.

You can find out more about the kinds of rules in the database by asking a query on the `rules` table, joined with the `academic_object_groups` table to see how things are structured.

When displaying rules, use the following for min and max

- min and max are null ... nothing to be displayed
- min is not null, max is null ... "at least min"
- min is null, max is not null ... "up to max"
- both are not null and min < max ... "between min and max"
- both are not null and min = max ... "min"

Academic Object Groups

A critical part of describing rules is the subject/stream info in the academic object group associated with each rule. In MyMyUNSW, such groups can be defined in three different ways:

- enumerated by giving a list of academic object codes
- pattern by giving patterns that identify sets of objects
- query by storing an SQL query which returns a set of objects

Note that each academic object group contains items of one particular type; either subjects or streams.

For this assignment, object groups are defined as comma-separated lists of items. Each item could be either a course or stream code, a choice of several courses, or a pattern, which identifies multiple courses. There are a wide variety of patterns. You should explore the `acad_object_groups` table to see what's available. To give you a head start, here are some patterns and what they mean:

- `COMP1511,COMP1521,COMP1531` ... core first year computing courses
- `{MATH1131;MATH1141}` ... alternatives; take one or the other
- `FREE####` ... any free elective; for this case, simply return the pattern itself**
- `GEN#####` ... any Gen Ed course; for this case, simply return the pattern itself**
- `####1###` ... any level 1 course at UNSW
- `COMP2###` ... any level 2 computing course (e.g. COMP2511, COMP2041)
- `COMP1###,COMP2###` ... first and second year COMP courses

Definitions such as the above are stored in the `definition` field in the `academic_object_groups` table.

Rules for CSE Programs and Streams

Here are the rule sets for each program and stream. They were derived from manual reading of the Handbook and some rules have been simplified compared to the Handbook. It's possible that some rule sets don't accurately reflect the Handbook. All of the examples and test cases are based on what's in the database and may not precisely reflect reality.

```
# Rules(id,name,type,min_req,max_req,ao_group,description)
# Academic_object_groups(id,name,type,defby,definition)
# Rules.type = (CC,PE,FE,GE,RQ,DS,MR,LR,WM)
# AOG.type = (subject,stream,program)
# AOG.defby = (enumerated,pattern,query)

# Programs

3707    3707    Bachelor of Engineering (Hons)
          DS      S      E      1      1      BE(Hons) Streams
                  AEROAH,BINFAH,CEICAH,CEICDH,COMPBH,CVNAH,CVENBH,ELECAH,MECAH,
          CC      C      E      -      -      Industrial Training
                  ENGG4999
          GE      C      P      12     12      General Education
                  GEN#####

3778    3778    Bachelor of Science (Comp Sci)
          DS      S      E      1      1      Comp Sci Majors
                  COMPA1,COMPD1,COMPE1,COMPI1,COMPJ1,COMPN1,COMPS1,COMPY1
          CC      C      E      -      -      Foundational Computing
                  COMP1511,COMP1521,COMP1531,COMP2511,COMP2521
```

		CC	C	E	-	-	Comp Sci Maths MATH1081,{MATH1131;MATH1141},{MATH1231;MATH1241}
		CC	C	E	-	-	Comp Sci Advanced Core {COMP3121;COMP3821},COMP3900,COMP4920
		GE	C	P	12	12	General Education GEN#####
	5543	5543					Graduate Diploma in IT
5543	5543	CC	C	E	-	-	PG Core Courses COMP9021,COMP9024,COMP9311,COMP9331
5543	5543	PE	C	E	18	18	ADK Courses COMP4121,COMP4161,COMP4418,COMP6714,COMP9153,COMP9242,COMP9243,
5543	5543	PE	C	P	30	30	Prescribed Electives COMP4###,COMP6###,COMP9###
7543	7543						Graduate Certificate in IT
7543	7543	PE	C	P	24	24	Grad Cert Elective Courses BINF9###,COMP4###,COMP6###,COMP9###
8543	8543						Master of Information Technology
8543	8543	DS	S	E	1	1	MIT Streams COMPAS,COMPBS,COMPACS,COMPDS,COMPES,COMPIS,COMPSS
8543	8543	CC	C	E	-	-	Project Management GS0E9820
8543	8543	CC	C	E	-	-	PG Core Courses COMP9021,COMP9024,COMP9311,COMP9331
8543	8543	CC	C	E	-	-	MIT Project Courses {COMP9900;COMP9991}
8543	8543	PE	C	E	36	36	ADK Courses COMP4121,COMP4161,COMP4418,COMP6714,COMP9153,COMP9242,COMP9243,

Streams

COMPA1	1						Computer Science
COMPA1	1	PE	C	P	30	-	COMPA1 Computing Electives ENGG2600,ENG3600,ENGG4600,COMP3###,COMP4###,COMP6###,COMP9###
COMPA1	1	FE	C	P	36	-	COMPA1 Free Electives #####
COMPAS	2						Artificial Intelligence
COMPAS	2	CC	C	E	-	-	COMPAS Core {COMP9414;COMP9814}
COMPAS	2	PE	C	E	18	18	COMPAS Electives COMP4418,COMP9318,COMP9417,COMP9418,COMP9434,COMP9444,COMP9491,
COMPAS	2	PE	C	P	-	6	COMPAS Disciplinary Electives BINF6###,BINF9###,COMP4###,COMP6###,COMP9##,GS0E92###
COMPBH	3						Computer Engineering
COMPBH	3	CC	C	E	-	-	Foundational Computing COMP1511,COMP1521,COMP1531,COMP2511,COMP2521
COMPBH	3	CC	C	E	-	-	COMPBH Maths {MATH1131;MATH1141},{MATH1231;MATH1241},MATH2069,MATH2099
COMPBH	3	CC	C	E	-	-	COMPBH Physics and Electronics

COMPI1	11	Artificial Intelligence				
	CC	C	E	-	-	COMPI1 Core
		COMP3411				
	PE	C	E	18	18	COMPI1 Electives
		COMP3431, COMP4418, COMP9318, COMP9417, COMP9418, COMP9444, COMP9517				
	PE	C	P	6	-	COMPI1 Computing Electives
		ENGG2600, ENG3600, ENGG4600, COMP3###, COMP4###, COMP6###, COMP9###				
	FE	C	P	36	-	COMPI1 Free Electives
		#####				
COMPIS	12	Internetworking				
	PE	C	E	18	18	COMPIS Electives
		COMP9332, COMP9334, COMP6733, COMP9336, COMP9337				
	PE	C	P	-	12	COMPDS Disciplinary Electives
		BINF6###, BINF9###, COMP4###, COMP6###, COMP9##, GS0E92###				
COMPJ1	13	Programming Languages				
	CC	C	E	-	-	COMPJ1 Core
		COMP3161				
	PE	C	E	18	18	COMPJ1 Electives
		COMP3131, COMP3141, COMP3151, COMP6771				
	PE	C	P	6	-	COMPJ1 Computing Electives
		ENGG2600, ENG3600, ENGG4600, COMP3###, COMP4###, COMP6###, COMP9###				
	FE	C	P	36	-	COMPJ1 Free Electives
		#####				
COMPN1	14	Computer Networks				
	CC	C	E	-	-	COMPN1 Core
		COMP3331				
	PE	C	E	18	18	COMPN1 Electives
		COMP4336, COMP4337, COMP6733, COMP9332, COMP9334				
	PE	C	P	6	-	COMPN1 Computing Electives
		ENGG2600, ENG3600, ENGG4600, COMP3###, COMP4###, COMP6###, COMP9###				
	FE	C	P	36	-	COMPN1 Free Electives
		#####				
COMPS1	15	Embedded Systems				
	CC	C	E	-	-	COMPS1 Core
		COMP2121, COMP3222				
	PE	C	E	18	18	COMPS1 Electives
		COMP3211, COMP3231, COMP3601, COMP4601, COMP9242, COMP9517				
	PE	C	P	6	-	COMPS1 Computing Electives
		ENGG2600, ENG3600, ENGG4600, COMP3###, COMP4###, COMP6###, COMP9###				
	FE	C	P	30	-	COMPS1 Free Electives
		#####				
COMPSS	16	Data Science and Engineering				
	PE	C	E	6	12	COMPSS Algos/Stats Electives
		COMP4141, COMP6741, MATH5845, MATH5855, MATH5905, MATH5960				
	PE	C	E	6	12	COMPSS Databases Electives
		COMP9313, COMP9315, COMP9318, COMP9319, COMP9321				
	PE	C	E	6	12	COMPSS Machine Learning Electives
		COMP4418, COMP6714, COMP9417, MATH5836, COMP9444				
	PE	C	P	-	6	COMPSS Disciplinary Electives

BINF6###, BINF9###, COMP4###, COMP6###, COMP9##, GS0E92###

COMPY1	17	Security Engineering				
CC	C E - -	COMPY1 Core				
	{COMP6441;COMP6841}					
PE	C E 18 18	COMPY1 Electives				
	COMP4337,{COMP6443;COMP6843},{COMP6445;COMP6845},COMP6447,COMP6448					
PE	C P 6 -	COMPY1 Computing Electives				
	ENGG2600,ENG3600,ENGG4600,COMP3###,COMP4###,COMP6###,COMP9###					
FE	C P 30 -	COMPY1 Free Electives				
	#####					
SENGAH	18	Software Engineering				
CC	C E - -	Foundational Computing				
	COMP1511,COMP1521,COMP1531,COMP2511,COMP2521					
CC	C E - -	SENGAH Maths				
	MATH1081,{MATH1131;MATH1141},{MATH1231;MATH1241},MATH2400,MATH2401					
CC	C E - -	SENGAH Workshops/Design				
	DESN2000,SENG2011,SENG2021,SENG3011					
CC	C E - -	SENGAH Advanced Core				
	COMP2041,COMP3141,COMP3311,COMP3331,SENG4920,COMP4951,COMP4952					
PE	C P 36 -	SENGAH Discipline Electives				
	ENGG2600,ENGG3060,ENGG3600,ENGG4600,COMP3###,COMP4###,COMP6###,COMP9###					
FE	C P 6 6	SENGAH Free Electives				
	#####					