

Homework Due 2022-04-08 by 23:59 New York Time

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1 General Instructions

1. You need to follow carefully the instructions for the assignment as written below.

It is advisable to print out this document and check off various points as they are addressed. It is easy to miss something when switching between the assignment and the solution on a single screen, especially on a laptop with a relatively small screen.

If you do not have access to a printer, at least review your solution before the submission to make sure that you followed the instructions and that you did all that you were requested to do and only what you were requested to do.

2. If you want to refer to a specific line in this document, refer to the small numbers in the left margin.

3. If you have questions concerning this homework email Shubham Srivastava, <mailto:ss14687@nyu.edu>, in the way specified in the course description. Note, however, that you should not ask for help in producing your submission. If you need help in understanding the material required, contact Zvi Kedem, <mailto:zk1@nyu.edu> in the way specified in the course description.

To be sure that you get an answer to your question before the submission deadline, *do not delay your question to the date on which the assignment is due.*

If you still have unresolved questions, email Zvi Kedem, <mailto:zk1@nyu.edu>, including all relevant correspondence with the assistant(s) listed above, *in the way specified in the course description.*

4. Submit your homework in an electronic form by uploading it to Brightspace by the due date and time. Use only permitted software and format. E.g., if you are asked for a relational database specification using SQL Power Architect than that's what you must submit.

Do not package the files you need to submit in an archive unless specifically asked to do that.

5. If you submit a scanned, handwritten assignment when permitted, it has to be written neatly, that is, it should be neatly divided into lines just as a typeset document, etc. You may submit a handwritten assignment only when that is explicitly allowed. And, unless stated otherwise, you must submit such a handwritten assignment as a file in PDF format only.

6. It is important that you follow the directions precisely. Also, please *check* that you submitted what you intended to submit, as you are responsible for making sure of that. The best way to do is to download what you submitted to check that.

And the best way to manage your work is to dedicate a folder/directory to each assignment.

7. Until the deadline you may resubmit your homework as many times as you like and you may want to submit it relatively frequently in case something happens to your partial work on your machine. If you submit your homework after the deadline, it may not be noticed or evaluated.

8. Do not email your submission to any of the assistants. If you did not submit your solution on time, please email Zvi Kedem, <mailto:zk1@nyu.edu>, *in the way specified in the course description* with an explanation of what has happened, and if you have a solution (possibly partial), email the solution also.

If you do need to submit the solution by email, and *only* if you need to submit by email because you are late or for other reasons, please follow the format as described next. Assuming that you are submitting your solution to Homework due 2034-02-15 and your Net ID is abc123, all the files of your homework should be emailed as a zip file named 20340215abc123.zip. Of course you need to specify the correct date and the correct Net ID.

Do not communicate with any of the graders concerning a late submission.

9. Be sure to follow the academic integrity rules listed in the posted syllabus. The department, the GSAS, and NYU treat academic integrity very seriously and we are required to report all possible violations.
10. Under some circumstance, we may be able to extend a deadline on request, but generally only on a one-by-one case. All such requests need to be addressed to Zvi Kedem, <mailto:zk1@nyu.edu> *in the way specified in the course description*, as soon as possible and preferably before the deadline, and with a reason for such a request.

2 Homework

Reminder: If you are not officially registered in the class and the class does not show on Albert for you, do not submit any assignments.

Please read and follow carefully the instructions in [Section 1](#).

2.1 Description

This is the second of two assignments dealing with SQL. Both assignments will use the same (or almost the same) small database. time you are actually writing and executing Oracle queries.

2.2 Assignments

1. (a) You are already supposed to know how to run SQL queries/commands on the Oracle systems at CIMS. You were asked to familiarize yourself with and follow the instructions in [How_To_Use_Oracle_At_CIMS.pdf](#).

You were asked to do that earlier in order to save you time while working on this homework.

So it is assumed that you know how to do that.

- (b) Look at the files `ER07.drawio` and `relational07.architect`. They will help you understand the database schema defined in the files `script07.sql` and `dataSetupScript07.sql`. These files fully specify the application.

- (c) Read `script07.sql` and `dataSetupScript07.sql` carefully. These scripts both define and create the sample database and serves as the placeholder for putting in your solutions.

Look carefully over ANSWER0 there. It shows you how to insert a result of a query into an empty table. It also uses the temp table TEMP0, just to demonstrate the usage of temp tables.

- (d) Input your queries into `script07.sql` after doing what is requested in [Item 1e](#) of [Section 2.2](#).

In addition, use DISTINCT and ORDER BY as described below. If the output is to be sorted in a different way, use an appropriate variant of ASC and DESC (ascending and descending) and list the sorting instructions in the appropriate order,

For each query, *unless something else is required by the query* make sure to

- i. Remove duplicates from the answer (unless requested otherwise); that's what DISTINCT does
- ii. Sort the result in ascending order (unless requested otherwise); that's what ORDER BY does

This is *extremely important* to make the grading more manageable.

So, for example, assuming that you are going to select `a` and `b` and rename `b` as `c`, you should actually *explicitly* use:

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85     SELECT DISTINCT a, b AS c
86     ...
87     ORDER BY a ASC, c ASC;

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88 *Do not rely the on default removal of duplicates and sorting order. Add the `DISTINCT` and `ORDER BY`*
89 *instructions even if you think that they are not necessary.*

90 You may use temporary tables. If you choose to do that, use tables TEMP1, TEMP2, ..., TEMP20.

- 91 (e) Replace “zk1” in `script07.sql` with your NetID.
- 92 (f) Do not remove the existing sample query.
- 93 (g) Notice that the `script07.sql` internally executes `dataSetupScript07.sql` followed by the queries
94 you write in `script07.sql`, and produces a spool file `spool07.txt` that contains just the details of the
95 queries specified in the script `script07.sql`. The spool should only contain the details while running
96 `script07.sql` and not the data setup script. The spool file created will be a part of the submission.
97 The `practiceSpool07.txt` gives you an idea for the first 3 questions of the assignment. The actual
98 test-cases will be hidden.

99 Do not be concerned that there are more placeholder ANSWERS that the queries that you are supposed
100 to produce.

101 For reference, `spool07.txt` corresponding to the given `script07.sql` (with one sample query) is
102 enclosed.

103 **The requested queries are listed below. Your answers must work for every instance of**
104 **the database and not only for the specific instance provided. Do not use subqueries to**
105 **produce your output.** The tables are named AnswerX, where “X” stands for the item number below.
106 So, as the first item is item number 1, the first table is Answer1.

- 107 1. Produce table AnswerX(NNumber, SerialNumber, DepositPriceRatio) that lists the Student and dog
108 pairs where the student deposit is more than twice the price of the dog, and the NetID of student is
109 unknown (NULL).
- 110 2. Produce table AnswerX(NNumber) that lists the NNumber of students that have at least 3 dogs,
111 and the student deposit is greater than or equal to 100.

112 Your answer should work if the question were phrased with 500 instead of 3 if you replace 3 by 500
113 in your answer.

- 114 3. Produce table AnswerX(NNumber) that lists the students that have dogs of all the breeds as those
115 of student with NNumber '2' .
- 116 4. Write and execute a query to delete from table Student the student with NNumber '7'.

117 Please do what's requested in [Item 2](#) of [Section 2.2](#).

- 118 5. Dog '2005' has died. Write and execute to reduce the deposit of the owner student (NNumber = '6')
119 by 5, and to delete this dog from the Dog table. (These can be multiple individual queries).

120 Please do what's requested in [Item 2](#) of [Section 2.2](#).

- 121 6. Dog with SerialNumber '3' has been incorrectly recorded. Write and execute a query to update the
122 breed of this dog to 'Poodle' .

123 Please do what's requested in [Item 2](#) of [Section 2.2](#).

- 124 7. Write and execute a query to create a record of Student with NNumber '2502' with deposit 50 and
125 unknown (NULL) NetID.

126 Please do what's requested in [Item 2](#) of [Section 2.2](#).

- 127 8. Write and execute a query to create a record of Student with NNumber '2503' with deposit 50 and
128 'aal' NetID.

129 Please do what's requested in [Item 2](#) of [Section 2.2](#).

2. Examine the database and fill out `text07.txt`. For each “AnswerX” (of course replacing “X” with the correct value), supply the information requested between the two square brackets, in []. The form is clear but to elaborate it is asking you to specify which tables (if any) were changed and why. You may get an error message pertaining to this question. If you do get it,

- copy the error into `text07.txt`, and
- explain in *your own words what the error was*, and do not just copy the message that Oracle gave you, though you can also quote it. You may consult the Web, if you like.

If you do not get an error, state so.

2.3 What to submit

Please upload 3 files, named *exactly* as specified and in the format *exactly* as specified.

1. `script07.sql`, the script with your answers
2. `spool07.txt`, the resulting spool file
3. `text07.txt`, the text file containing the errors