INFS3200 Advanced Database Systems

Tutorial 7: Data Quality Management

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Question 1: Explain the following data quality dimensions with examples.

- Integrity
- Accuracy
- Representational consistency
- Completeness
- Timeliness
- Accessibility

What data quality problems, e.g., inaccuracy, inconsistency, duplication, etc. can you find from the following tables?

| Surname | Firstname | Age | Major | Degree | Sex |
|---------|-----------|-----|---------|--------|--------|
| Barratt | John | 22 | Maths | BSc | Male |
| Burns | Robert | 24 | CS | BSc | Male |
| Carter | Laura | 20 | Physics | MSc | Female |
| Davies | Michael | 12 | CS | BSc | Male |

(a) Student Table

| Surname | Firstname | DoB | Driving test passed |
|---------|-----------|----------|---------------------|
| Smith | J. | 17/12/85 | 12/12/05 |
| Smith | Jack | 17/12/85 | 12/12/2005 |
| Smith | Jock | 17/12/95 | 12/12/2005 |

(b) Driving Test Table

Question 2: In a company, the *reference table* consists of the clean data on the surname and given name of its employees. Given a set of input records, the duplicates can be identified by checking against the reference table. In other words, two input records are regarded as duplicates if they are linked to the same tuple in the reference table. Suppose that we use Edit distance as the similarity measure and use dynamic programming matrix to calculate Edit distance between two strings.

- (a) Considering surname only, are there any duplicates in the following input records?
- (b) When both surname and given name are considered (with the same importance), are there any duplicates in the following input records?

| ID | Surname | Given name |
|----|----------|------------|
| 1 | Duboice | Nicholas |
| 2 | Hansson | William |
| 3 | Wang | Sean |
| 4 | Dubosh | Nick |
| 5 | Garnette | Kevin |
| 6 | Pitt | William |
| 7 | Hanschen | Williams |
| 8 | Aniston | Jennifer |
| 9 | Zhou | Xuan |

| ID | Surname | Given name | Expense |
|-----|---------|------------|---------|
| 001 | Duboise | Nicholas | 130 |
| 002 | Duboch | Nicolas | 30 |
| 003 | Hanson | Williams | 47 |

Input records

Reference

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