TIC1001—Introduction to Computing and Programming National University of Singapore

Lecture 11 : Database Management System (DBMS)

Question 1: Property of Database Application

Select all common properties for a database application:

Usually consists of data with no obvious structure, e.g. a student's essay, a forum post.

Usually needs to support many CRUD applications.

May need to support many simultaneous (concurrent) CRUD operations.

Need to ensure robustness in case of unexpected failure.

Question 2: Property of Normalization

What are the properties of normalization (1NF, 2NF and 3NF)?

Normalization is to remove update anomaly.

Normalization is to remove processing anomaly.

Normalization is to reduce number of tables.

Normalization is to avoid duplicated information as much as possible.

Question 3: Property of Entity-Relationship Diagram

What are the property of entity-relationship diagram?

Entity can have multiple attributes.

Entity cannot have more than one identifying attribute(s).

Relationship can involve only 2 entities.

Relationship can have its own attributes.

Question 4: Simple SQL Query

Using the book table from lecture, what is the behaviour of the following SQL query?

SELECT authors, pages

FROM book

WHERE (price > 50) OR (title <> 'ABC for Database');

Results consists of only "authors" and "price" of the book

Results consist of only "authors' and "pages" of the book.

Books with price lesser or equal to \$50 CANNOT be part of the results.

Books with title equal to "ABC for Database" CANNOT be part of the results.

The query has a syntax error as the criteria consists of columns not used in ":select" e.g. "Price" is not selected, nor "title")