

Midterm Exam Review Outline  
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References: Slides for Lectures 1-9, Ullman and Widom Sections 1.1-1.3, 2.1-2.3, 6.1-6.6, 7.1-7.3.

(This is not necessarily an exhaustive list of every detail of every topic we have discussed; it is meant as a guide to what I consider to be the most important concepts we have seen so far.)

Introduction to Databases:

Properties of databases  
Costs and benefits of databases  
Types of database models  
~~Components of a DBMS~~

The Relational Model:

Relations/Tables  
Records/Tuples  
Attributes  
Domains  
Properties of relations  
Schema vs instance  
Candidate keys  
Primary keys  
Foreign keys  
Domain constraints  
Key constraints  
Entity integrity  
Referential integrity

SQL DDL:

CREATE TABLE  
Domains (Numerical, String, Date)  
CHECK  
Defining keys  
INSERT INTO  
DROP TABLE  
ALTER TABLE  
UPDATE  
DELETE

SQL Queries:

SELECT  
DISTINCT  
AS  
FROM  
WHERE  
Comparison operators (=, !=, <>, <, <=, >, >=)  
LIKE and wildcards (\_, %)

Logical operators (AND, OR, NOT)

NULLs  
ORDER BY  
ASC/DESC  
Aggregate functions  
GROUP BY  
HAVING  
Subqueries  
Single-value vs table  
= vs IN  
EXISTS  
NOT EXISTS  
ANY  
ALL  
Correlated subqueries  
~~Set operations~~  
Inner join vs outer join  
INNER JOIN  
LEFT OUTER JOIN  
RIGHT OUTER JOIN  
~~FULL OUTER JOIN~~

SQL Transactions:

ACID properties  
COMMIT  
ROLLBACK  
Serializable  
~~Repeatable read~~  
Read committed  
Read uncommitted  
Phantoms  
~~Non-repeatable reads~~  
~~Dirty reads~~