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DBMS

Assignment 8

All questions involve a database about student organizations, with two tables:
OFFICERS (club role pname) and **LOCATION** (club room). There is an example instance below.

1. Consider a following relational algebra query over this database:

ρ (oclub, role, pname) (OFFICERS)

$\pi_{pname, room}(\sigma_{oclub = club \text{ AND } role = 'Treasurer'}(OFFICERS \times LOCATION))$

Write an equivalent (always gives the same answer) relational algebra query using join.

2. Give the result of the relational algebra query in Question 1 when applied to the following database instance.

OFFICERS	club	role	pname	LOCATION	club	room
	outdoor	President	Rosy		outdoor	SH118
	outdoor	VP	Lalit		biking	NH312
	outdoor	Treasurer	Mohan			
	biking	President	Moti			
	biking	VP	John			
	biking	Treasurer	Bharat			
	sailing	President	Akash			
	sailing	VP	Amita			
	sailing	Treasurer	Prakash			

3. For each algebraic expression given below, say whether it is true or false in general. Whenever your answer is “false”, give an example instance of the database where the two expressions are not equal (and show the value of the expressions for your database instance). For Cartesian products, club attribute of OFFICER is renamed as oclub.

a. $(\sigma_{club = 'biking'} (\sigma_{role = 'Treasurer'}(OFFICERS))) = (\sigma_{role = 'Treasurer'} (\sigma_{club = 'biking'} OFFICERS))$

b. $\pi_{room}(\sigma_{oclub = club}(OFFICERS \times LOCATION)) = \pi_{room}(LOCATION)$

c. $\pi_{pname, room}(\sigma_{oclub = club \text{ AND } role = 'Treasurer'}(OFFICERS \times LOCATION)) = \pi_{pname, room}(\sigma_{oclub = club} (\sigma_{role = 'Treasurer'}(OFFICERS) \times LOCATION))$

d. $\pi_{pname}(OFFICERS - \sigma_{role = 'Treasurer'}(OFFICERS)) = \pi_{pname}(OFFICERS) - \pi_{pname}(\sigma_{role = 'Treasurer'}(OFFICERS))$