

CO526 Databases Course Work 2: SQL (An Implementation of the RA)

Due in noon Monday 15th February 2016

The tables below gives details of a **family_history** database. In the **person** table, people are identified by their name, and always have their gender, date of birth (**dob**) and place of birth (**born_in**) recorded. In addition, each person may optionally have recorded the name of their father, and the name of their mother. If the person has died, then the date of death **dod** must be present. Note that only a fragment of the data held in the database is listed below.

person						
<u>name</u>	gender	dob	dod?	father?	mother?	born_in
Alice	F	1885-02-25	1969-12-05	null	null	Windsor
Andrew	M	1960-02-19	null	Philip	Elizabeth II	London
Andrew of Greece	M	1882-02-02	1944-12-03	George I of Greece	null	Athens
Anne (Princess)	F	1950-08-15	null	Philip	Elizabeth II	London
Charles	M	1948-11-14	null	Philip	Elizabeth II	London
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$\text{person}(\text{father}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$ $\text{person}(\text{mother}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$

In addition, there is a table **monarch** which contains the English head of state — normally a monarch (*i.e.* a King or Queen) — where the **house** of each monarch indicates which royal house the monarch belongs to, **accession** indicates the date the person came to the throne, and **coronation** the date any coronation of the monarch. If **null** appears in **coronation** then the person had no coronation. Each monarch remains head of state until the succession of the next monarch. Note that the value of **null** appearing in **house** indicates *not* a King or Queen, but a head of state (for example Oliver Cromwell) who filled the role of Protector during the Commonwealth period in the 17th Century.

monarch			
<u>name</u>	house?	accession	coronation?
James I	Stuart	1603-03-24	1603-07-25
Charles I	Stuart	1625-03-27	1626-02-02
Oliver Cromwell	null	1649-01-30	null
Richard Cromwell	null	1658-09-03	null
Charles II	Stuart	1659-05-25	1626-02-02
James II	Stuart	1685-02-06	1685-04-23
⋮			

$\text{monarch}(\text{name}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$

Finally, there is a table **prime_minister**, recording the **party** the person led whilst Prime Minister, and the date of **entry** into office. A person remains Prime Minister until the date of entry to office of the next Prime Minister. Note a person may have more than one period in office.

prime_minister		
<u>name</u>	party	<u>entry</u>
David Cameron	Conservative	2010-05-11
Gordon Brown	Labour	2007-06-27
Tony Blair	Labour	1997-05-02
John Major	Conservative	1990-11-28
Margaret Thatcher	Conservative	1979-05-04
James Callaghan	Labour	1976-04-05
Harold Wilson	Labour	1974-03-04
Edward Heath	Conservative	1970-06-19
⋮		

$\text{prime_minister}(\text{name}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$

Submission

To gain full marks, answers to the following questions should make full use of ANSI SQL commands to write compact and efficient queries, and be laid out such that structure of the query is clear. The queries must also run correctly on the Postgres version of the database, and be submitted electronically to CATE as single batch file `db_2016_cw2.sql` by the coursework deadline. A template version of the file is available on CATE for download. The queries in the file must be given in the order of the questions below, and be separated by semi-colons.

To test your answer against the Postgres version of the database, you should run the command:

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psql -h db.doc.ic.ac.uk -d family_history -U lab -W -f db_2016_cw2.sql
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Note that 60% of the marks will be awarded for correctness, and 40% of the marks for style, including efficiency, how concise the queries are, appropriate use of indentation, use of Capital letters for keywords, and expressing join conditions by use of JOIN statements in the FROM clause as opposed to using equals in the WHERE clause.

Questions

1. Suppose the following RA query has been executed (where $\text{person}_a, \text{person}_b, \dots$ are aliases for the `person` table):

$$\pi_{\text{person}_a.\text{name}, \text{person}_b.\text{name}, \text{person}_a.\text{born_in}} \sigma_{\text{person}_a.\text{name}=\text{person}_c.\text{father} \wedge \text{person}_b.\text{name}=\text{person}_c.\text{mother} \wedge \text{person}_a.\text{born_in}=\text{person}_b.\text{born_in}} (\text{person}_a \times \text{person}_b \times \text{person}_c)$$

Give an equivalent query expressed in SQL.

2. Write an SQL query that returns the scheme (`name`) ordered by `name` listing the name of all Kings and Queens that had no coronation.
3. Write an SQL query that returns the scheme (`name, father, mother`) ordered by `name` containing the name of all people known to have died before both their father and mother, together with the name of the mother and the name of the father.
4. Write an SQL query returning the scheme (`name`) ordered by `name` that lists all people that have either been a King, Queen or Prime Minister.
5. A King or Queen is said to abdicate if their reign ceases before their death. Write an SQL query returning the scheme (`name`) ordered by `name` that lists the name of all Kings or Queens that have abdicated
6. Write a query that returns the scheme (`house, name, accession`) ordered by `accession` that lists house and name of monarchs who were the first of a house to accede to the throne. Maximum marks will be given only to answers that use either the ALL or SOME operators.