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Midterm Examination

Time Limit: 80 minutes

- The exam is open book and notes.
- Any form of cheating on the examination will result in a zero grade.
- Please make your answers clear and succinct; you will lose credit for verbose, convoluted, or confusing answers. *Simplicity does count!*

Question:	1	2	3	Total
Points:	10	5	2	17
Score:				

1. Relational Languages: SQL & Datalog

Consider the following schema:

Coffee(cbrand, producer)

CoffeeShop(sname, addr)

Sells(sname,cbrand, price)

Attributes *cbrand* and *producer* in relation *Coffee* are names and producers of coffee brands, respectively. Attributes *sname* and *addr* in relation *CoffeeShop* contain the names and addresses of coffee shops. The relation *Sells* stores the price at which coffee shops sell different brands of coffee. The underlined attributes are the keys for their relations.

- (a) (1 point) Write a SQL query that returns each producer that makes the most expensive brand(s) of coffee, i.e., coffee brand(s) sold at the highest price.

Solution:

```
SELECT C.producer
FROM Coffee C, Sells S
WHERE C.cbrand = S.cbrand and S.price >= ALL
( Select price
  FROM Sells
)
```

- (b) (2 points) Write a SQL query that returns the address of each coffee shop that sells every brand in the *Coffee* relation.

Solution:

```
SELECT C.addr
FROM CoffeeShop C, Sells S
WHERE C.sname = S.sname
Group By sname
Having count(cbrand) =
(SELECT count(cbrand) FROM Coffee)
```

- (c) (2 points) Write a SQL query that returns the addresses of every pair of coffee shops that sell the same set of coffee brands.

Solution:

```
SELECT C1.addr, C2.addr
FROM CoffeeShop C1, CoffeeShop C2
WHERE NOT EXISTS
  ((SELECT cbrand
    FROM C1, Sells S1
    WHERE C1.sname = S1.sname)
  EXCEPT
  (SELECT cbrand
    FROM C2, Sells S2
    WHERE C2.sname = S2.sname))
```

Alternatively,

```
SELECT C1.addr, C2.addr
FROM CoffeeShop C1, CoffeeShop C2
WHERE NOT EXISTS
  (SELECT *
   FROM C1, Sells S1
   WHERE C1.sname = S1.sname AND
        cbrand NOT IN
          (SELECT cbrand
           FROM C2, Sells S2
           WHERE C2.sname = S2.sname))
```

- (d) (2 points) Write a SQL query that returns the address of every coffee shop that sells only the brand 'Coava'. 'Coava' is a brand of coffee.

Solution:

```
SELECT C1.addr
FROM CoffeeShop C1, Sells S1
WHERE C1.sname = S1.sname AND S1.cbrand = 'Coava'
AND NOT EXISTS
  ( SELECT *
    FROM Sells S2
    WHERE C1.sname = S2.sname AND S2.cbrand <> 'Coava');
```

- (e) (1 point) Consider the following SQL query.

```
SELECT C.cbrand
FROM Coffee C, Sells S
WHERE C.cbrand = S.cbrand
Group By C.cbrand
Having count(producer) > 10
```

Rewrite the above query without using the Group By and Having clauses so that the resulting query still produces the same result.

Solution:

```
SELECT C.cbrand
FROM Coffee C
WHERE 10 <
(SELECT count(producer)
 FROM C, Sells S
 WHERE C.cbrand = S.cbrand
)
```

- (f) (2 points) Write a Datalog query that returns the address of every coffee shop that sells only the brand 'Coava'. 'Coava' is a brand of coffee.

Solution:

```
Q1(x) :- Sells(x, 'Coava', z)
Q2(x) :- Sells(x, y, z), not Q1(x)
Q(y) :- CoffeeShop(x, y), Q1(x), not Q2(x)
```

2. Schema Normalization: BCNF & 3NF

Consider relation $R(A, B, C, D)$ with functional dependencies $A \rightarrow B$ and $C \rightarrow D$.

- (a) (3 points) Is relation R in BCNF? If it is not, convert it to a schema that is in BCNF.

Solution: The closure of the set of input FD is equal to the initial set of FDs. Thus, the key is A, C . It is not as the right hand side of $A \rightarrow B$ is not a key. Starting with $A \rightarrow B$ and applying the BCNF decomposition algorithm, we have $R_1(A, B), R_2(A, C, D)$. Using $C \rightarrow D$, we convert R_2 to $R_3(C, D)$ and $R_4(A, C)$.

- (b) (2 points) Is relation R in 3NF? If it is not, convert it to a schema that is in 3NF.

Solution: It is not as the right hand side of $A \rightarrow B$ is not a key or B is not part of a key. The minimum basis for the original set of FDs is $A \rightarrow B, C \rightarrow D$. The 3NF synthesis of R will be $R_1(A, B), R_2(C, D), R_3(A, C)$

3. Schema Normalization: Lossless Decomposition & Dependency Preservation

Consider relation $R(A, B, C, D, E, F)$ with the following functional dependencies: $A \rightarrow CDF$, $D \rightarrow A$ and $DF \rightarrow E$. We decompose R into two relations, $S(A, B, C, D)$ and $T(D, E, F)$.

- (a) (1 point) Is this decomposition a lossless decomposition? Briefly justify your answer.

Solution: Since D is a key of T , the decomposition is a lossless one.

- (b) (1 point) Is this decomposition a dependency-preserving decomposition? Briefly justify your answer.

Solution: It is not as it does not preserve $A \rightarrow CDF$, i.e., A and D are in different relations in the decomposition.