

Question 1 [Short Answers – 45 points]. Consider the following relation schemas

$R(A, B)$

$T(B, C)$

and their instances

$r(A, B) = \{ \langle a, b \rangle, \langle a, c \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle, \langle b, e \rangle \}$

$t(B, C) = \{ \langle b, e \rangle, \langle d, h \rangle, \langle b, f \rangle, \langle a, d \rangle, \langle a, e \rangle \}$

(1.a) [10 points] Compute the result of the following relational algebra expression:

$$\pi_{A,C}(r \bowtie_{\text{LEFT}} t)$$

Answer:

A	C
a	e
a	f
c	h
a	NULL
b	NULL

(1.b) [15 points] Express $r \bowtie_{\text{LEFT}} t$ in (1.a) using **only** the primary relational algebra operators ($\cup, \cap, -, \rho, \sigma, \pi, \times$) according to the definition of \bowtie_{LEFT} .

Answer:

$$r \bowtie_{\text{LEFT}} t = (r \bowtie t) \cup ((r - \pi_{A,B}(r \bowtie t)) \times \{(\text{NULL})\})$$

(1.c) [10 points] Compute the result of the following SQL query:

```
SELECT R.A, COUNT(T.C) AS C_COUNT
FROM R, T
WHERE R.A = T.B
GROUP BY R.A;
```

Answer:

A	C_COUNT
a	4
b	2

(1.d) [10 points] Compute the result of the following SQL query:

```
SELECT T.B, COUNT(T.C) AS C_COUNT
FROM T
GROUP BY T.B
HAVING COUNT(T.C) > 1
```

Answer:

S.B	C_COUNT
b	2
a	2

Question 2 [Relational Algebra – 60 points]. Consider the following database schema computer products:

Computer (maker, model, category)

Model (num, speed, ram, hd, price)

Maker (name, address, phone)

Where

- maker indicates the manufacturer of the computer
- category takes values such as “desktop”, “laptop”, “server”;
- Following inclusion dependencies hold
 - maker \subseteq name
 - model \subseteq num

Express following queries in relational algebra:

(2.a) [10 points] “Find *all* the makers who make *some* laptop(s)”

Answer:

$\pi_{\text{maker}}(\sigma_{\text{category}=\text{“laptop”}}(\text{Computer}))$

(2.b) [15 points] “Find *all* the makers who make *at least three* different desktop models”

Answer:

$\pi_{\text{maker}}(\sigma_{\text{model1} \neq \text{model2} \wedge \text{model2} \neq \text{model3} \wedge \text{model3} \neq \text{model1}}$
 $(\rho_{\text{model1} \leftarrow \text{model}}(\sigma_{\text{category}=\text{“desktop”}}(\text{Computer})))$
 $\bowtie \rho_{\text{model2} \leftarrow \text{model}}(\sigma_{\text{category}=\text{“desktop”}}(\text{Computer}))$
 $\bowtie \rho_{\text{model3} \leftarrow \text{model}}(\sigma_{\text{category}=\text{“desktop”}}(\text{Computer})))$

(2.c) [10 points] “Find the phone numbers of *all* the makers who make desktops with speed = 3.2”

Answer:

$$\pi_{\text{maker}} \sigma_{\text{model}=\text{num}} (\sigma_{\text{category}=\text{"desktop"}}(\text{Computer}) \times \sigma_{\text{speed}=3.2}(\text{Model}))$$

(2.d) [10 points] “Find the makers who don’t make any desktop, and do make some laptop(s)”

Answer:

$$(\text{Computer} - \sigma_{\text{category}=\text{"desktop"}}(\text{Computer})) \cap \pi_{\text{maker}}(\sigma_{\text{category}=\text{"laptop"}}(\text{Computer}))$$

(2.e) [15 points] “Find the makers who make all models with speed faster than 3.2”

Answer:

$$\pi_{\text{maker, model}}(\text{Computer}) / (\rho_{\text{model} \leftarrow \text{num}} \pi_{\text{num}}(\sigma_{\text{speed} > 3.2}(\text{Model})))$$

Question 3 [SQL – 40 points]. Given the schema in Question 3, express following queries in SQL:

(3.a) [15 points] “Find all laptop models and their makers”

Answer:

```
SELECT    maker, model
FROM      Computer
WHERE     category = “laptop”
```

(3.b) [20 points] “Find all makers who make the most expensive server”

Answer:

```
SELECT    C.maker
FROM      Computer C, Model M
WHERE     C.category = “server” AND
          C.model = M.num AND
          M.price = (SELECT MAX(price) FROM Model)
```

(3.c) [20 points] “Find all desktop models with the highest speed/price ratio, and return them along with their makers”

Answer:

```
SELECT    C.maker, C.model
FROM      Computer C, Model M
WHERE     C.model = M.num AND
          M.speed/M.price ≥ ALL (SELECT (speed/price) FROM Model )
```

Question 5 [True/False questions – 40 points]. For each of the following statements, indicate whether they are true or false. A correct answer is worth **5** points, no answer is worth **0** points, wrong answer is worth **-3** points. The minimum you can receive on this question is 0/40.

(4.a) **T** In SQL DDL, there can be zero or one primary key declarations in each create table statement;

(4.b) **F** Atomicity means that each database transaction executes as if there are no other transactions running;

(4.c) **F** A relation with 5 attributes can have more than 100 keys and superkeys;

(4.d) **F** In SQL, relations are sets of tuples and can't have any duplicates;

(4.e) **T** In SQL, views can be updated just like database relations;

(4.f) **F** $S \bowtie R = S \times R$, if S and R don't share any attributes, and $S \bowtie R = S \cup R$, if S and R have the same attributes.

(4.g) **F** Consider relations R(A,B) and S(B,C). If B is a primary key for S, then $R \bowtie S$ *may* contain more tuples than R does.

$R \bowtie S$ has, at most, the cardinality of R, since each tuple in R shares its B value with at most one tuple in S (since B is a primary key for S).

(4.h) **F** Projection operators commute. That is, $\pi_X(\pi_Y(R)) = \pi_Y(\pi_X(R))$, holds for every relation R and all sets of attributes X and Y