

CSC343 Worksheet Solution

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1. **Exercise 2.2.1:** In fig 2.6 are instances of two relations that might constitute part of a banking exercise. Indicate the following

| <i>acctNo</i> | <i>type</i> | <i>balance</i> |
|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| 12345 | savings | 12000 |
| 23456 | checking | 1000 |
| 34567 | savings | 25 |

The relation **Accounts**

| <i>firstName</i> | <i>lastName</i> | <i>idNo</i> | <i>account</i> |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|
| Robbie | Banks | 901-222 | 12345 |
| Lena | Hand | 805-333 | 12345 |
| Lena | Hand | 805-333 | 23456 |

The relation **Customers**

Figure 2.6: Two relations of a banking database

- a) The attributes of each relation

Answer:

- Accounts: *acctNo*, *type*, *balance*
- Customers: *firstName*, *lastName*, *idNo*, *account*

- b) The tuples of each relation

Answer:

- Accounts: *acctNo*, *type*, *balance*
- Customers: *firstName*, *lastName*, *idNo*, *account*

Notes:

- **Tuple:** the rows of a relation, other than the header row containing the attribute names, are called tuples.
- A tuple has one component for each attribute

| <i>title</i> | <i>year</i> | <i>length</i> | <i>genre</i> |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Gone With the Wind | 1939 | 231 | drama |
| Star Wars | 1977 | 124 | sciFi |
| Wayne's World | 1992 | 95 | comedy |

Component
Tuple

- c) The components of one tuple from each relation
 - d) The database schema
 - e) A suitable domain for each attribute
 - f) Another equivalent way to present each relation
2. **Exercise 2.2.2:** In section 2.2.7 we suggested that there are many examples of attributes that are created for the purpose of serving as keys of relations. Give some additional examples.
 3. **Exercise 2.3.1** In this exercise we introduce one of our running examples of a relational database schema. The database schema consists of four relations, whose schemas are:

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1 Product(maker, model, type)
2 PC(model, speed, ram, hd, price)
3 Laptop(model, speed, ram, hd, screen, price)
4 Printer(model, color, type, price)
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The **Product** relation gives the manufacturer, model number and type (PC; laptop, or printer) of various products. We assume for convenience that model numbers are unique over all manufacturers and product types; that assumption is not realistic, and a real database would include a code for the manufacturer as part of the model number. The PC relation gives for each model number that is a PC the speed (of the processor, in

gigahertz), the amount of RAM (in megabytes), the size of the hard disk (in gigabytes), and the price. The **Laptop** relation is similar, except that the screen size (in inches) is also included. The **Printer** relation records for each printer model whether the printer produces color output (true, if so), the process type (laser or ink-jet, typically), and the price.

Write the following declarations:

- a) A suitable schema for relation **Product**
- b) A suitable schema for relation **Laptop**
- c) A suitable schema for relation **Printer**
- d) An alteration to your **Printer** schema from (d) to delete the attribute **color**
- e) An alternation to your **Laptop** schema from (c) to add the attribute **od** (optical-disk, e.g. cd or dvd). Let the default value for this attribute be ‘**none**’ if the laptop does not have an optical disk.

4. **Exericse 2.3.2** This exercise introduces another running example, concerning World War II capital ships. It involves the following relations:

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1  Classes(class, type, country, numGuns, bore, displacement)
2  Ships(name, class, launched)
3  Battles(name, date)
4  Outcomes(ship, battle, result)
5

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Ships are bult in ‘classes’ from the same design, and the class is usually named for the first ship of that class. The relation **Classes** records the name of the class, the type (‘bb’ for battleship or ‘bc’ for battlecruiser), the country that built the ship, the number of main guns, the bore (diameter of the gun barrel, in inches) of the main guns, and the displacement (weight, in tones). Relation **Ships** records the name of the ship, the name of its class, and the year in which the ship was launched. Relation **Battles** gives the name and date battles involving these ships, and relation **Outcome** gives the result (sunk, damaged or ok) for each ship in each battle.

Write the following declarations

- a) A suitable schema for relation **Classes**
- b) A suitable schema for relation **Ships**
- c) A suitable schema for relation **Battles**
- d) A suitable schema for relation **Outcomes**
- e) An alteration to your **Classes** relation from (a) to delete the attribute **bore**
- f) An alteration to your **Ships** relation from (b) to include attribute **yard** giving the shipard where the ship was built.