

CSE 532 Assignment #1

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1. Consider the tables *Frequents*(*drinker*, *bar*), *Likes*(*drinker*, *beer*), *Sells*(*bar*, *beer*), with the following meanings: A tuple (*d*,*b*) in *Frequents* means that *d* frequents the bar *b*, a tuple (*d*,*b*) in *Likes* means that *d* likes the beer *b*, and a tuple (*B*,*b*) in *Sells* means that the bar *B* sells the beer *b*. Assume the tables do not have any duplicates. Answer the following queries in Relational Algebra. Do not use the aggregate operator.

a) Find pairs of drinkers that frequent the SAME SET of bars.

Two pairs of drinkers (*D1*, *D2*) frequent the same set of bars, if *D1* frequents all bars that *D2* frequents and *D2* frequents all bars that *D1* frequents. So, to find pairs of drinkers (*D1*, *D2*) that frequent the same set of bars, we do the following:

1. Find all pairs of drinkers (*D1*, *D2*) such that *D1* frequents all the bars that *D2* frequents.
2. Find all pairs of drinkers (*D2*, *D1*) such that *D2* frequents all the bars that *D1* frequents.
3. Take intersection of the result of above two queries.

Query for Step 1:

$$AllDrinkers = \Pi_{drinker}(Frequents)$$

$$AllBars = \Pi_{bar}(Sells)$$

$$NotFrequents = AllDrinkers \times AllBars - Frequents$$

$$NotAnswer = \Pi_{NotFrequents.drinker, Frequents.drinker}(\sigma_{Frequents.drinker \neq NotFrequents.drinker \text{ AND } Frequents.bar = NotFrequents.bar})(Frequents \times NotFrequents)$$

$$Superset(D1, D2) = AllDrinkers \times AllDrinkers - NotAnswer$$

Query for Step 2:

$$Subset(D1, D2) = \rho_{D1/D2, D2/D1}(Superset)$$

Query for Step 3:

$$Answer = Superset \cap Subset$$

b) A beer is called "popular" if it is sold by at least 4 different bars. Find drinkers that like all the popular beers.

Steps:

- 1) In this, we first find the set of popular beers iteratively by first finding bars sold by at least 2 bars, then finding beers sold by at least 3 bars and then beers sold by at least 4 bars.
- 2) Then, we will find beers that a drinker doesn't like and make a table for that.
- 3) We will subtract those drinkers who doesn't like atleast 1 popular beer (by using natural join) from all drinkers which will give us the answer.

Queries:

1. Make copies S1, S2, S3 and S4 of Sells tables.
2. $S5 = \Pi(\sigma_{S1.bar \neq S2.bar \text{ and } S1.beer = S2.beer})(S1 \times S2)$
3. $S6 = \Pi(\sigma_{(S5.S1.bar \neq S3.bar \text{ and } S5.S2.bar \neq S3.bar \text{ and } S5.S1.beer = S3.beer)})(S5 \times S3)$
4. $PopBeer = \Pi_{Beer}(\sigma_{(S6.S5.S1.bar \neq S4.bar \text{ and } S6.S5.S2.bar \neq S4.bar \text{ and } S6.S5.S3.bar \neq S4.bar \text{ and } S6.S3.beer = S4.beer)})(S5 \times S4)$
5. $AllDrinker = \Pi_{drinker}(Frequents)$
6. $AllBeer = \Pi_{beer}(Sells)$
7. $NotLikes = (AllDrinker \times AllBeer) - Likes(Drinker, Beer)$
8. $Answer = AllDrinker - \Pi_{Drinker}(NotLikes \bowtie PopBeer)$

c) We say that a bar b is redundant if there exists a bar $b1$ such that (i) $b1$ sells all the beers that b sells, and (ii) All the drinkers that frequent b and like some beer that b sells, also frequent $b1$. Find all redundant bars.

Let's find:

(i) $b1$ sells all the beers that b sells -

So in first step we are just finding pair of bars ($b1, b2$) s.t $b1$ sells all beers that $b2$ sells.

$$AllBeers = \Pi_{beer}(Sells)$$

$$AllBars = \Pi_{bar}(Sells)$$

$$NotSells = AllBars \times AllBeers - Sells$$

$$NotAnswer = \Pi_{NotSells.bar, Sells.bar}(\sigma_{Sells.bar < NotSells.bar \text{ AND } Sells.beer = NotSells.beer})(Sells \times NotSells)$$

$$Superset(NBar, Bar) = AllBars \times AllBars - NotAnswer$$

(ii) All the drinkers that frequent b and like some beer that b sells, also frequent $b1$

So in this we are finding pair of bars($b1, b2$) s.t a drinker does not frequents $b1$ and frequents $b2$ and also likes a beer in $b2$.

$$LikesBar = \Pi_{drinker, bar}(Likes \bowtie Sells \bowtie Frequent)$$

$$AllDrinkers = \Pi_{drinker}(Frequent)$$

$$AllBars = \Pi_{bar}(Sells)$$

$$NF = AllDrinkers \times AllBars - Frequent$$

$\rho_F(Frequent)$ (creating a copy of $Frequent$ named F)

$$FNF = \Pi_{drinker/F.drinker, bar/F.bar, NBar/NF.bar}(\sigma_{F.drinker = NF.drinker \text{ AND } F.bar < NF.bar})(F \times NF)$$

$$NotAnswer = \Pi_{NBar, Bar}(LikesBar \bowtie FNF)$$

Now we subtract (ii) from (i) :

Finally, the answer is:

$$Answer = \Pi_{Bar}(Superset - NotAnswer1)$$

2) Consider the following two queries over R(a,c) and S(a,b).

Q1:

Select r.a, r.c

From R r

Where NOT EXISTS (Select s.a

From S s

Where s.b > '4' and r.a = s.a)

Q2:

Select r.a, r.c

From R r, (select distinct S.a, S.b From S) s

Where NOT (r.a = s.a and s.b > '4')

- Give a relational algebra expression that is equivalent to Q1. Assume bag semantics, i.e., assume that the relational algebra operators are bag operators.
- Are Q1 and Q2 equivalent (return the same bags, i.e, same tuples with the same number of duplicates)? If yes, PROVE it. If not, show a counter example.

Sol) a.) We will find those tuples in R X S where S.b > 4 and R.a equals to S.a and then we will subtract them from the R table to get our answer.

$$1.) A = \Pi_{(R.a, R.c)} \sigma_{(R.a = S.a \text{ AND } S.b > 4)} (R \times S)$$

$$2.) Answer = R - A$$

b.) The 2 queries are not equal because: in first query a tuple in R cannot occur more than once in result while in second query a tuple can come more than once if it satisfies the condition as we are taking cartesian product in second query. Lets see the example:

Consider 2 tables :

R =

a	c
Y	6

S =

a	b
X	3
X	1
X	2
X	3

In query 2, the result would be :

a	c
Y	6
Y	6
Y	6

While in query 1, the result is:

a	c
Y	6

Hence, the two queries are not equal.

Question .3)

Consider the following two queries over R(a,b) and S(b,c).

Q1: SELECT A
 FROM R NATURAL JOIN S
 GROUPBY A
 HAVING COUNT(*) < 2

Q2: SELECT A
 FROM R
 WHERE B NOT IN (SELECT B
 FROM S
 GROUPBY B
 HAVING COUNT(*) > 1)

Treating Q1 and Q2 as multisets (bags), which one of the following is true? Prove your answer (perhaps, by using a counter example or otherwise).

- . Q1 and Q2 always produce the same answer for all databases.
- . The answer to Q1 is always contained in the answer to Q2 for all databases.
- . The answer to Q2 is always contained in the answer to Q1 for all databases.
- . None of the above.

Sol) The answer is option b. **The answer to Q1 is always contained in the answer to Q2 for all databases.**

So first let's disapprove a and c by proving that q1 not equal q2 and also q2 is not subset of q1.

R =

a	b
X	Y
X	P

S =

b	c
Y	Z

So q1 will give output as :

a
X

While q2 will give output as :

a
X
X

Because the subquery in q2 will not return anything and we would get X from both rows as the operators are following bag semantics. So a and c are not possible.

Proof for b.)

q1) Due to natural join all those rows having no common values in the other table will get eliminated. Query 1 will give us only copy of R.a like it cannot give us 2 X's in R.a. **Query 1 will give R.a of only those rows whose R.b is found only once in S.b** and exact duplicate rows in q1 will also be eliminated.

q2.) **Query 2 will give R.a of those rows whose R.b is found only once in S.b due to subquery and it will also give R.a of those tuple whose R.b is not present in S at all which will not be given by query1 due to natural join.** Also as it is bag semantics, the number of R.a given by query2 will always be more than R.a given by query1 as we are selecting all R.a in query2

whose R.b is present only once in relation S while in query 1 as we have done group by so only one copy of R.a can be received.

4. Do the following exercises from the textbook.

2.4.1 (i). Note that you can't use the aggregate operator here.

Exercise 2.4.1: This exercise builds upon the products schema of Exercise 2.3.1. Recall that the database schema consists of four relations, whose schemas are:

Product(maker,model, type)

PC(model, speed, ram, hd, price)

Laptop(model, speed, ram, hd, screen, price)

Printer(model, color, type, price)

2.4.1 (i) Find the manufacturer(s) of the computer (PC or laptop) with the highest available speed.

$$A = \Pi_{model, speed}(PC)$$

$$B = \Pi_{model, speed}(Laptop)$$

$$C = A \cup B$$

$$D = \Pi_{model}(\sigma_{C1.speed < C2.speed}(\rho_{C1}(C) \times \rho_{C2}(C)))$$

$$E = \Pi_{maker}(Product \bowtie D)$$

$$Answer = \Pi_{maker}(Product) - E$$

2.4.10:

$$\text{Given : } R(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m) \\ S(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m)$$

Solution :

$$Q = \Pi_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n}(R)$$

$$T = Q \times S$$

$$P = \Pi_{T.A_1, T.A_2, \dots, T.A_n}(\sigma_{T.A_1 < R.A_1 \text{ OR } T.A_2 < R.A_2 \text{ OR } \dots T.A_n < R.A_n \dots \text{OR } T.B_m < R.B_m}(TXR))$$

$$Answer = Q - P$$

Exercise 6.3.1: Write the following queries, based on the database schema

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Product(maker,model, type)
PC(model, speed, ram, hd, price)
Laptop(model, speed, ram, hd, screen, price)
Printer(model, color, type, price)
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You should use at least one subquery in each of your answers and write each query in two significantly different ways (e.g., using different sets of the operators EXISTS, IN, ALL, and ANY).

f) Find the maker(s) of the PC(s) with the fastest processor among all those PC's that have the smallest amount of RAM.

Solution 1:

[illegible]

Solution 2:

[illegible]

6.3.6

Let S be a Relation:

EXISTS can be replaced by IN as follows:

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SELECT .....  
FROM S  
WHERE EXISTS ( R );
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becomes:

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SELECT ....  
FROM S  
WHERE 'Constant' IN (SELECT 'Constant' AS DummyColumn  
                      FROM R);
```

NOT EXISTS can be replaced by NOT IN as follows:

```
SELECT ....  
FROM S  
WHERE NOT EXISTS ( R );
```

becomes:

```
SELECT ....  
FROM S  
WHERE 'Constant' NOT IN (SELECT 'Constant' AS DummyColumn  
                          FROM R);
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So in general to prove we can say that when we use EXISTS operator, we put the condition that we want to filter inside EXISTS operator so that if that condition is true, it will return some rows and EXISTS operator will return TRUE so that row will be picked of outside query. So equivalently in IN operator, we use the LHS or RHS of condition in EXISTS operator as LHS of WHERE clause in IN operator and put the other part in IN clause, so LHS is in RHS we will still get the row of the relation. So both IN and EXISTS can be used interchangeably. Similarly NOT EXISTS can be replaced by NOT IN.

6.4.6 (j)

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SELECT pc.maker, AVG(hd)
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FROM PC pc NATURAL JOIN (SELECT p1.maker, p1.model
                        FROM Product p1
                        WHERE p1.maker IN (SELECT p2.maker
                                         FROM Product p2
                                         WHERE p2.model IN (SELECT printer.model
                                                            FROM Printer printer)))
GROUP BY pc.maker;
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