## CS2102 Tutorial 1: Relational Model Wk 3, Sem 2, 2021/22

Questions to be presented: 1, 2, 3(a)-(d), 4(a)-(d)

1. Consider the following relation instance r of the relational schema R(A, B, C, D).

${ m R}$						
A	В	C	D			
0	0	0	1			
2	1	2	0			
1	1	2	0			
0	0	1	2			

- (a) Assuming that r is a *valid* relation instance of R, write down all the *possible* superkeys of R.
- (b) Additionally, suppose that it is also known that  $\{A, C\}$  is definitely a superkey of R. Based on the additional information, write down all the possible candidate keys of R. Which of these (if any) must be the candidate key of R?

2. Consider a relational database consisting of two relations with schema R(A, B) and S(W, X, Y, Z) such that A is the primary key of R and W is the primary key of S (for future use, we denote this with  $R(\underline{A}, B)$  and  $S(\underline{W}, X, Y, Z)$  where the attributes being underlined are parts of primary key). Let r and s be the current instances of R and S, respectively, as shown below.

$\mathbf{R}$			
A	В		
3	0		
2	1		
1	1		
0	0		

Э						
W	X	$\mathbf{Y}$	$\mathbf{Z}$			
0	4	0	NULL			
1	NULL	2	NULL			
2	1	2	NULL			
3	0	1	NULL			

Based on the current database instance above, write down all the *possible* foreign keys in S that refer to attribute A in R.

3. Two queries  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  on a relational database with schema D are defined to be **equivalent queries** (denoted by  $Q_1 \equiv Q_2$ ) if for *every* valid instance d of D, both  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  always compute the same results on d.

Consider a database with the following relational schema:  $R(\underline{A}, C)$ ,  $S(\underline{A}, D)$ , and  $T(\underline{X}, Y)$ , with primary key attributes underlined. Assume all the attributes have integer domain. For each of the following pairs of queries  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , state whether or not  $Q_1 \equiv Q_2$ .

- (a)  $Q_1 = \pi_A(\sigma_{A<10}(R))$  and  $Q_2 = \sigma_{A<10}(\pi_A(R))$
- (b)  $Q_1 = \pi_A(\sigma_{C<10}(R))$  and  $Q_2 = \sigma_{C<10}(\pi_A(R))$
- (c)  $Q_1 = \pi_{D,Y}(S \times T)$  and  $Q_2 = \pi_D(S) \times \pi_Y(T)$
- (d)  $Q_1 = \pi_{D,Y}(S \times T)$  and  $Q_2 = \pi_{D,Y}(T \times S)$
- (e)  $Q_1 = (R \times \pi_D(S)) \times T$  and  $Q_2 = R \times (\pi_D(S) \times T)$
- (f)  $Q_1 = \pi_A(R \cup S)$  and  $Q_2 = \pi_A(R) \cup \pi_A(S)$
- (g)  $Q_1 = \pi_A(R S)$  and  $Q_2 = \pi_A(R) \pi_A(S)$

- 4. Consider the following relational database schema discussed in lecture given in T01.sql. We further add the primary keys of each relation in underline.
  - Pizza(pizza): All the pizzas of interest.
  - Customers (cname, area): The name and location of each customer.
  - Restaurants (rname, area): The name and location of each restaurant.
  - Contains(pizza, ingredient): The ingredients used in each pizza.
  - Sells(rname, pizza, price): Pizzas sold by restaurants and the prices.
  - Likes(cname, pizza): Pizzas that customers like.

Additionally, we have the following foreign key constraints on the database schema:

- Contains.pizza is a foreign key that refers to Pizzas.pizza
- Sells.rname is a foreign key that refers to Restaurants.rname
- Sells.pizza is a foreign key that refers to Pizzas.pizza
- Likes.cname is a foreign key that refers to Customers.cname
- Likes.pizza is a foreign key that refers to Pizzas.pizza

Answer each of the following queries using relational algebra.

- (a) Find all pizzas that Alice likes but is not liked by Bob<sup>1</sup>.
- (b) Find all customer-restaurant pairs (C, R) where C and R both located in the same area and C likes some pizza that is sold by R.
- (c) Suppose the relation Likes contains all information about all customers. In other words, if the pair (cname, pizza) is not in the relation likes, it means that the customer cname *dislikes* the pizza pizza. Write a relational algebra expression to find for all customers, the pizza that they dislike. The result should be of the form (cname, pizza).
- (d) Consider having a relation Dislikes (<u>cname</u>, <u>pizza</u>) that are created based on the query from Part (c). Find all customer pairs (C1, C2) such that C1 likes some pizza that C2 does not like.
- (e) Find all customer pairs (C1, C2) such that C1 < C2 and they like *exactly* the same pizzas. You may assume that you have a relation LikesDislikes(C1,C2) that are created based on the query from Part (d). *Exclude* pairs of customers who do not like any pizza.
- (f) For each restaurant, find the price of the most expensive pizzas sold by that restaurant. Exclude restaurants that do not sell any pizza.
- (g) Find all customer-pizza pairs (C, P) where the pizza P sold by some restaurant that is located in the same area as that of the customer C. Include customers whose associated set of pizzas is empty.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The intention is to state it as "all pizzas that Alice likes but Bob does not like", however, this may indicate dislike which we have not discussed the underlying assumption yet.

5. Consider the following relational algebra query expressed on the database schema in Question 4.

$$\begin{split} R_1 &:= \pi_{\texttt{pizza}}(\sigma_{\texttt{cname='Maggie'}}(\texttt{Likes})) \\ R_2 &:= \pi_{\texttt{rname}}(\texttt{Sells}) \times R_1 \\ R_3 &:= \pi_{\texttt{rname}}(R_2 - \pi_{\texttt{rname},\texttt{pizza}}(\texttt{Sells})) \\ R_4 &:= \pi_{\texttt{rname}}(\texttt{Sells}) - R_3 \\ R_5 &:= \pi_{\texttt{pizza}}(\sigma_{\texttt{cname='Ralph'}}(\texttt{Likes})) \\ R_6 &:= \pi_{\texttt{rname}}(\sigma_{\texttt{pizza5=pizza}}((\texttt{Sells} \times \rho_{\texttt{pizza\leftarrow pizza5}}(R_5)))) \\ R_7 &:= R_4 - R_6 \end{split}$$

For each of the relational algebra expression  $R_i$ , write down a concise English sentence to precisely describe the information retrieved by  $R_i$ .