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Q.1 Explain various relational algebra operators

⇒ • Fundamental operations of Relational Algebra :

1) Unary Relational Operations

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a) Project Operation (π)

b) Select operation (σ)

c) Rename operation (ρ)

2) SET Theory Operations

⇒

a) Union Operation (\cup)

b) Difference Operation ($-$)

c) Intersection Operation (\cap)

3) Binary Operation

⇒

a) Join Operation (\Join)

b) Cartesian product Operation (\times)

c) Division operation (\div)

• Unary Relational Operation:

1) Select Operation

⇒ • This operator is used to select some rows from table which satisfy particular selection condition given in the selection operation.

• Selection operator selects a set of tuples that satisfy a particular selection condition.

- The symbol σ (sigma) is used to denote the select operator.
- Its syntax is -

$\sigma < \text{attribute_name} > < \text{comparison_operator} > < \text{constant_value} >$

- For e.g.,
SELECT the Employee tuples whose salary is greater than ₹.75,000/-

$\sigma_{\text{salary} > 75000} (\text{Employee})$

2) PROJECT Operation (π)

⇒ • This operator is used for selecting some of many columns in table to displayed in result set.

- It is denoted by π symbol.
- Its syntax -

$\pi < \text{column_list} > (\text{Input_table_name})$

- For e.g.,

To list each employee's first, and last name and salary

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$\pi \text{ LNAME, FNAME, SALARY} (\text{EMPLOYEE})$

3) RENAME Operation

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- We can give alternative name to any column or any table of query expressions using operator called RENAME operator.
- It is denoted by ρ (rho)
- Its syntax is -

$P \leftarrow \text{New-name} (\text{Input-table-name})$

- For e.g.,

Find salary and age of all Employees

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$\Pi_{\text{e.age, e.salary}} (\rho_e (\text{Employee}))$

• SET Operation

1) Union Operator

⇒ This operator finds out all combined rows in table 1 and table 2.

Duplicates are eliminated.

Its syntax is -

$(\text{Query Expression 1}) \cup (\text{Query Expression 2})$

For e.g.,

Find all students in comps & IT dept.

⇒

$(\text{COMPS_STUDENT}) \cup (\text{IT_STUDENT})$

e) Intersection Operator

⇒ This operator finds out all rows that are common in table 1 and table 2.

It is denoted by \cap .

It's syntax is -

(Query Expression 1) \cap (Query Expression 2)

For e.g., Find all members ~~of~~ who are in both CSI & codecell committee.

⇒ (CSI) \cap (CODECELL)

f) Difference Operator

⇒ This operator finds out all rows that are present in table 1 and not in table 2.

It is denoted by $(-)$.

It's syntax is -

(Query Expression 1) $-$ (Query Expression 2)

For e.g.,

Find all members of CSI committee.

⇒ (CSI_member) $-$ (Other_committee_member)

- Binary Operation

⇒

1) Cartesian Product

⇒ This operation is used to combine tuples from two relations in a combinatorial fashion.

Denoted by -

$$R(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) \times S(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m)$$

For e.g.,

Find all combinations of all Employee and departments.

⇒ $(\text{Employee}) \times (\text{Department})$

- A cartesian product is formed when-

i) A Join condition is omitted

ii) A join condition is invalid

iii) To avoid a Cartesian product, always include a valid join condition in a WHERE clause.

iii) Different types of joins.

⇒ Join operations helps us to retrieve data from multiple tables or relations.

i) Natural Join

⇒ Natural can join tables based on the common columns in the tables being joined.

For e.g.,

E-no	E-name	Address	Dept-no	Name	E-no
1	A	W	D ₁	I	1
2	B	X	D ₂	J	2
3	C	Y	D ₃	K	5
4	D	Z	D ₄	H	4

Query

⇒ find all Emp-names who is working in a department.

Solution

⇒

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SELECT E-name
FROM EMP NATURAL JOIN Dept
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Output

⇒

E-no	Ename	Address	Dept-no	Name	E-no
1	A	W	D ₁	I	1
2	B	X	D ₂	J	2
4	D	Z	D ₃	H	4

ii) Self Join

⇒ SQL SELF JOIN is used to join a table to itself as if the table were two tables.

For e.g;

<u>S_id</u>	<u>C_id</u>	Since
S ₁	C ₁	2016
S ₂	C ₂	2017
S ₁	C ₂	2017

→ study

Query

⇒ Find student id who is enrolled in at least two courses.

Solution

⇒

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SELECT T1.s_id
FROM study as T1, study as T2
WHERE T1.s_id = T2.s_id and
      T1.c_id <> T2.c_id
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↑
Not equal to

Output

⇒

<u>S_id</u>	<u>C_id</u>
S ₁	C ₂

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iii) EQUI JOIN (INNER)

⇒ This will combine tuples from multiple relations if they satisfy join the specified join condition.

For e.g.,

E-No	E-name	Address	Dept-No	location	E-No
1	A	Delhi	D1	Delhi	1
2	B	Pune	D2	Pune	2
3	C	Mumbai	D3	Haryana	4
4	D	Bandra			

Query

⇒ Find the Emp-name who worked in a department having location same as address

Solution

⇒

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SELECT E-name
FROM Emp, Dept
WHERE Emp.E-No = Dept.E-No and
      Emp.Address = Dept.location
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Output

⇒

E-No	E-Name	Address	Dept-No	location	E-No
1	A	Delhi	D1	Delhi	1
2	B	Pune	D2	Pune	2

iv) Outer Joins

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a) Left Outer Join

⇒ Returns all the rows from the left table, even if there are no match in the right table.

For e.g.:

Emp			Dept	
Eid	ENAME	Did	Did	Dname
1	A	D ₁	D ₁	IT
2	B	D ₂	D ₂	HR
3	C	D ₃	D ₄	TIS

Query

⇒ Find all departments with emp data.

Solution

⇒ ~~SELECT~~

Emp = * emp.did = dept.did Dept.

Output

⇒

Eid	ENAME	Did	Did	Dname
1	A	D ₁	D ₁	IT
2	B	D ₂	D ₂	HR
3	C	D ₃	NULL	NULL

b) Right outer join

⇒ Returns all the rows from the right table, even if there are no matches in the ~~right~~ left table.

c) Full outer join

⇒ Combines the result of both left and right outer join.