

CMPT 354: Database System I

About Midterm

Midterm Coverage

1. Database History (7.5%)



2. Relational Model (7.5%)



3. SQL (40%)



4. Relational Algebra (25%)



5. Query Processing and Indexing (20%)



Database History (7.5%)

- You need to **understand**
 - The concepts of OLTP and OLAP
 - Why NoSQL
 - The contents of MapReduce
- Example
 - F ☒ T MongoDB is a typical system of NoSQL

Relational Model (7.5%)

- You need to **understand**

- Basics of Data Models
- Terminologies
- Keys

- Example

☐ F ☐ T A primary key is a single column that uniquely identifies a record in a relation

SQL (40%)

- You need to be **familiar** with
 - SQL DDL
 - Create/Drop/Alter
 - Constraints
 - SQL DML
 - Selection, Projection
 - Set Operators (UNION, INTERSECT, EXCEPT)
 - Joins (INNER, OUTER)
 - Aggregation, Group By, Having
 - Order By, Distinct, NULL
 - Subqueries
- Example
 - Similar to A1 and A2

Relational Algebra (25%)

- You need to **know**
 - How to write an RA query
 - How to optimize an RA query
 - How to convert an SQL query to an RA query
- Examples
 1. All students whose birth is larger than 1995
 - $\sigma_{birth > 1995}(\text{Student})$
 2. Optimize this query $\sigma_{cNum=354} (R \bowtie S)$
 - $\sigma_{cNum=354} (R) \bowtie S$
 3. Convert “SELECT name FROM student” to an RA query
 - $\pi_{name}(\text{Student})$

Query Processing and Indexing (20%)

- You need to know
 - Query Processing Steps
 - Why indexing
 - Which index is better/useful?
- Examples
 - What does SQL Parser do?
 - Convert the input SQL text to a logical plan
 - Similar to A3
 - Can the following index make this SQL query faster, slower or the same:

```
CREATE INDEX newI ON Student(name)  
SELECT * FROM Student WHERE id = '301414'
```

The same!!

Query Processing and Indexing (20%): Additional Hint

- You need to know
 - If you create a relation with primary key, DBMS creates an index for this primary key automatically.
- Example

```
In [5]: 1 %%sql
        2
        3 CREATE TABLE students (
        4     id integer,
        5     name varchar(30) NOT NULL,
        6     gender char(30),
        7     age integer,
        8     PRIMARY KEY(id)
        9 )

* sqlite:///coursys.db
Done.
```

(1) Create relation students
'id' is the primary key

```
In [6]: 1 %%sql
        2 EXPLAIN QUERY PLAN
        3 SELECT * FROM students WHERE id=1

* sqlite:///coursys.db
Done.
```

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Out [6]:
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id	parent	notused	detail
2	0	0	SEARCH students USING INTEGER PRIMARY KEY (rowid=?)

(2) Query relation students with clause 'id = 1'
the index of primary key 'id' is used

Notes

- Midterm
 - Wed. 10:30 – 11:20 am
 - EDB7618
 - Please come to the classroom at least 5 mins earlier
- **Bring your Student IDs**
- Please **budget your time** so you get to all questions
- **Relax.** You are here to learn

