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# GATE SOLVED PAPER - CS

## DATABASES

YEAR 2000

ONE MARK

Q. 1

Given the relations

employee (name, salary, deptno), and  
department (deptno, deptname, address)

Which of the following queries cannot be expressed using the basic relational algebra operations ( $\sigma, \pi, \bowtie, \cup, \cap, -$ ) ?

- (A) Department address of every employee
- (B) Employee whose name is the same as their department name
- (C) The sum of all employee salaries
- (D) All employees of a given department

YEAR 2000

TWO MARKS

Q. 2

Given the following relation instance.

X	Y	Z
1	4	2
1	5	3
1	6	3
3	2	2

Which of the following functional dependencies are satisfied by the instance ?

- (A)  $XY \rightarrow Z$  and  $Z \rightarrow Y$
- (B)  $YZ \rightarrow X$  and  $Y \rightarrow Z$
- (C)  $YZ \rightarrow X$  and  $X \rightarrow Z$
- (D)  $XZ \rightarrow Y$  and  $Y \rightarrow X$

Q. 3

Given relations  $r(w,x)$  and  $s(y,z)$ , the result of select distinct  $w,x$  from  $r,s$ :

is guaranteed to be same as  $r$ , provided :

- (A)  $r$  has no duplicates and  $s$  is non empty
- (B)  $r$  and  $s$  have no duplicates
- (C)  $s$  has no duplicates and  $r$  is non empty
- (D)  $r$  and  $s$  have the same number of tuples

YEAR 2001

ONE MARK

Q. 4

Consider a schema  $R(A,B,C,D)$  and functional dependencies  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $C \rightarrow D$ . Then the decomposition of  $R$  into  $R_1(AB)$  and  $R_2(CD)$  is :

- (A) Dependency preserving and lossless join
- (B) Lossless join but not dependency preserving
- (C) Dependency preserving but not lossless join
- (D) Not dependency preserving and not lossless join

Q. 5

Suppose the adjacency relation of vertices in a graph is represented in a table  $\text{Adj}(X, Y)$ . Which of the following queries cannot be expressed by a relational algebra expression of constant length ?

- (A) List all vertices adjacent to a given vertex.
- (B) List all vertices which have self loops
- (C) List all vertices which belong to cycles of less than three vertices
- (D) List all vertices reachable from a given vertex

Q. 6

Let  $r$  and  $s$  be two relations over the relation schemes  $R$  and  $S$  respectively, and let  $A$  be an attribute in  $R$ . Then the relational algebra expression  $\sigma_{A=a}(r \bowtie s)$  is always equal to :

- |                                 |                       |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| (A) $\sigma_{A=a}(r)$           | (B) $r$               |
| (C) $\sigma_{A=a}(r \bowtie s)$ | (D) None of the above |

**YEAR 2001****TWO MARKS**

Q. 7

$R_1(A,B,C,D)$  is a relation. Which of the following does not have a lossless join, dependency preserving BCNF decomposition ?

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| (A) $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow CD$  | (B) $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D$ |
| (C) $AB \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow AD$ | (D) $A \rightarrow BCD$                                 |

Q. 8

Which of the following relational calculus expressions is not safe ?

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| (A) $\{r \mid \exists u \in R_1(t[A]) = u[A] \wedge \neg \exists s \in R_2(t[A] = s[A])\}$                   |  |
| (B) $\{r \mid \forall u \in R_1(u[A]) = "x" \Rightarrow \exists s \in R_2(t[A] = s[A] \wedge s[A] = u[A])\}$ |  |
| (C) $\{t \mid \neg(t \in R_1)\}$   |  |
| (D) $\{t \mid \exists u \in R_1(t[A] = u[A]) \wedge \exists s \in R_2(t[A] = s[A])\}$                        |  |

Q. 9

Consider a relation  $\text{geq}$  which represents “greater than or equal to”, that is,  $(x,y) \in \text{geq}$  only if  $y \leq x$ :

Create table  $\text{gaq}$

- |                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| (      ) <i>Ib</i> integer not null |  |
| <i>ub</i> integer not null          |  |

primary key *Ib*

foreign key (*ub*) references  $\text{geq}$  on delete cascade):

Which of the following is possible if a tuple  $(x,y)$  is deleted ?

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| (A) A tuple $(z,w)$ with $z > y$ is deleted | (B) A tuple $(z,w)$ with $z > x$ is deleted |
| (C) A tuple $(z,w)$ with $w < x$ is deleted | (D) The deletion of $(x,y)$ is prohibited   |

**YEAR 2002****ONE MARK**

Q. 10

Relation  $R$  with an associated set of functional dependencies,  $F$ , is decomposed into BCNF. The redundancy (arising out of functional dependencies) in the resulting set of relations is.

- (A) Zero
- (B) More than zero but less than that of an equivalent 3NF decomposition
- (C) Proportional to the size of  $F^+$
- (D) Indeterminate.

**Q. 11** With regard to the expressive power of the formal relational query languages, which of the following statements is true ?

- (A) Relational algebra is more powerful than relational calculus.
- (B) Relational algebra has the same power as relational calculus.
- (C) Relational algebra has the same power as safe relational calculus.
- (D) None of the above.

**Q. 12**  $AB^+$ -tree index is to be built on the Name attribute of the relation STUDENT . Assume that all student names are of length 8 bytes, disk blocks are of size 512 bytes, and index pointers are of size 4 bytes. Given this scenario, what would be the best choice of the degree (i.e. the number of pointers per node) of the  $B^+$ -tree

- (A) 16
- (B) 42
- (C) 43
- (D) 44

**Q. 13** Relation  $R$  is decomposed using a set of functional dependencies,  $F$ , and relation  $S$  is decomposed using another set of functional dependencies,  $G$ . One decomposition is definitely BCNF , the other is definitely 3NF , but it is not known which is which. To make a guaranteed identification, which one of the following tests should be used on the decompositions ? (Assume that the closures of  $F$  and  $G$  are available).

- (A) Dependency-preservation
- (B) Lossless-join
- (C) BCNF definition
- (D) 3NF definition

**Q. 14** From the following instance of relation schema  $R(A,B,C)$ , we can conclude that :

A	B	C
1	1	1
1	1	0
2	3	2
2	3	2

- (A)  $A$  functionally determines  $B$  and  $B$  functionally determines  $C$
- (B)  $A$  functionally determines  $B$  and  $B$  does not functionally determine  $C$  .
- (C)  $B$  does not functionally determine  $C$
- (D)  $A$  does not functionally  $B$  and  $B$  does not functionally determine  $C$ .

#### YEAR 2003

#### ONE MARK

**Q. 15** Which of the following scenarios may lead to an irrecoverable error in a database system?

- (A) A transaction writes a data item after it is read by an uncommitted transaction
- (B) A transaction read a data item after it is read by an uncommitted transaction
- (C) A transaction read a data item after it is written by an committed transaction
- (D) A transaction read a data item after it is written by an uncommitted transaction

Q. 16

Consider the following SQL query

```
select distinct a1, a2,....., an
from r1, r2,....., rm
where P
```

For an arbitrary predicate  $P$ , this query is equivalent to which of the following relational algebra expressions?

- (A)  $\prod_{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n} \sigma_p(r_1 \times r_2 \times \dots \times r_m)$
- (B)  $\prod_{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n} \sigma_p(r_1 \bowtie r_2 \bowtie \dots \bowtie r_m)$
- (C)  $\prod_{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n} \sigma_p(r_1 \cup r_2 \cup \dots \cup r_m)$
- (D)  $\prod_{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n} \sigma_p(r_1 \cap r_2 \cap \dots \cap r_m)$

YEAR 2003

TWO MARKS

Q. 17

Consider the following functional dependencies in a database:

Data\_of\_Birth  $\rightarrow$  Age

Age  $\rightarrow$  Eligibility

Name  $\rightarrow$  Roll\_number

Roll\_number  $\rightarrow$  Name

Course\_number  $\rightarrow$  Course\_name

Course\_number  $\rightarrow$  Instructor

(Roll\_number, Course\_number)  $\rightarrow$  Grade

The relation (Roll\_number, Name, Date\_of\_birth, Age) is

- (A) in second normal form but not in third normal form
- (B) in third normal form but not in BCNF

- (C) in BCNF

- (D) in none of the above

Q. 18

Consider the set of relations shown below and the SQL query that follow:

Students: (Roll\_number, Name, Date\_of\_birth)

Courses: (Course\_number, Course\_name, Instructor)

Grades: (Roll\_number, Course\_number, Grade)

select distinct Name

from Students, Courses, Grades

Where Students.Roll\_number = Grades.Toll\_number

and Courses.Instructor = Korth

and Courses.Course\_number = Grades.Course\_number

and Grades.grade = A

Which of the following sets is computed by the above query?

- (A) Names of students who have got an A grade in all courses taught by Korth
- (B) Names of students who have got an A grade in all courses
- (C) Name of students who have got an A grade in at least one of the courses taught by Korth
- (D) None of the above

Q. 19

Consider three data items  $D_1, D_2$  and  $D_3$  and the following execution schedule of transactions  $T_1, T_2$  and  $T_3$ . In the diagram,  $R(D)$  and  $W(D)$  denote the actions reading and writing the data item  $D$  respectively.

T1	T2	T3
	$R(D_3);$	
	$R(D_2);$	
	$R(D_2);$	
		$R(D_2);$
		$R(D_3);$
$R(D_1);$		
$R(D_1);$		
		$W(D_2);$
		$W(D_3);$
	$R(D_1);$	
$R(D_2);$		
$W(D_2);$		
		$W(D_1);$

- (A) The schedule is serializable as  $T_2; T_3; T_1;$
- (B) The schedule is serializable as  $T_2; T_1; T_3;$
- (C) The schedule is serializable as  $T_3; T_2; T_1;$
- (D) The schedule is not serializable

YEAR 2004

ONE MARK

Q. 20

Let  $R_1(\underline{A}, B, C)$  and  $R_2(\underline{D}, E)$  be two relation schema, where the primary keys are shown underlined, and let  $C$  be a foreign key in  $R_1$  referring to  $R_2$ . Suppose there is no violation of the above referential integrity constraint in the corresponding relation instances  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ . Which one of the following relational algebra expressions would necessarily produce an empty relation?

- (A)  $\Pi_D(r_1) - \Pi_C(r_1)$
- (B)  $\Pi_C(r_1) - \Pi_D(r_1)$
- (C)  $\Pi_D(r_1 \bowtie_{C \neq D} R_2) - \Pi_C(r_1)$
- (D)  $\Pi_C(r_1 \bowtie_{C=D} R_2)$

Q. 21

Consider the following relation schema pertaining to a students database:

Student(rollno, name, address)

Enroll(rollno, courseno, coursename)

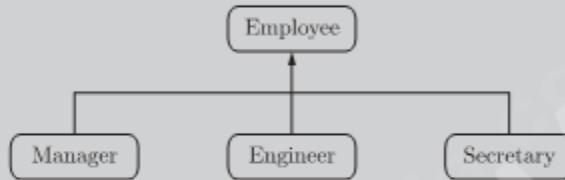
where the primary keys are shown underlined. The number of tuples in the student and Enroll tables are 120 and 8 respectively. What are the maximum and minimum number of tuples that can be present in  $(\text{Student} * \text{Enroll})$ , where '\*' denotes natural join?

- (A) 8,8
- (B) 120,8
- (C) 960,8
- (D) 960,120

Q. 22

It is desired to design an object-oriented employee record system for a company. Each employee has a name, unique id and salary. Employees belong to different categories and their salary is determined by their category. The functions get Name., getId and compute Salary are required. Given the class hierarchy below, possible locations for these functions are:

- (i) getId is implemented in the superclass
- (ii) getId is implemented in the subclass
- (iii) getName is an abstract function in the superclass
- (iv) getName is implemented in the superclass
- (v) getName is implemented in the subclass
- (vi) getSalary is an abstract function in the superclass
- (vii) getSalary is implemented in the superclass
- (viii) getSalary is implemented in the subclass



Choose the best design

- (A) (i),(iv),(vi),(viii)
- (B) (i),(iv),(vii)
- (C) (i),(iii),(v),(vi),(viii)
- (D) (ii),(v),(viii)

Q. 23

The relation scheme student Performance (name, courseNo, rollNo, grade) has the following functional dependencies:

name, courseNo → grade

RollNo, courseNo → grade

name → rollNo

rollNo → name

The highest normal form of this relation scheme is

- |          |          |
|----------|----------|
| (A) 2 NF | (B) 3NF  |
| (C) BCNF | (D) 4 NF |

Q. 24

Consider the relation Student (name, sex, marks), where the primary key is shown underlined, pertaining to students in a class that has at least one boy and one girl. What does the following relational algebra expression produce?

$$\Pi_{\text{name}}(r_{\text{sex} = \text{female}}(\text{Student}) \bowtie P_{\text{name}}(\text{Student} \wedge \begin{array}{l} \text{sex} = \text{female} \\ \wedge x = \text{male} \\ \wedge \text{marks} \leq m \end{array}))$$

- (A) names of girl students with the highest marks
- (B) names of girl students with more marks than some boy student
- (C) names of girl students with marks not less than some boy student
- (D) names of girl students with more marks than all the boy students

- Q. 26** The employee information in a company is stored in the relation

Employee (name, sex, salary, deptName)

Consider the following SQL query:

```
select deptname  
      from Employee  
     where sex='M'  
group by deptName  
having avg(salary)>  
      (select avg(sala
```

It returns the names of the department in which

- (A) the average salary is more than the average salary in the company
  - (B) the average salary of male employees is more than the average salary of all male employees in the company
  - (C) the average salary of male employees is more than the average salary of employees in the same department
  - (D) the average salary of male employees is more than the average salary in the company

YEAR 2005

ONE MARKS

- Q. 27 Which one of the following is a key factor for preferring  $B^+$ -trees to binary search trees for indexing database relation?

  - (A) Database relations have a large number of record
  - (B) Database relations are sorted on the primary key
  - (C)  $B^+$ -trees require less memory than binary search trees
  - (D) Data transfer from disks is in blocks

Q. 28 Which-one of the following statements about normal forms is FALSE?

  - (A) BCNF is stricter than 3 NF
  - (B) Loss less, dependency-preserving decomposition into 3 NF is always possible
  - (C) Loss less, dependency-preserving decomposition into BCNF is always possible
  - (D) Any relation with two attributes is BCNF

Q. 29 Let  $r$  be a relation instance with schema  $R = (A, B, C, D)$ . WE DEFINE  $R_1 = \Pi_{A,B,C}(r)$  and  $r_2 = \Pi_{AD}(r)$ . let  $S = r_1 * r_2$  where \* denotes natural join. Given that the decomposition of  $r$  into  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  is lossy, which one of the following is TRUE?

(A) $s \subset r$	(B) $r \subset s = r$
(C) $r \subset s$	(D) $r * s = s$

Q. 30

Let  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  be two entities in an E/R diagram with simple single-valued attributes.  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are two relationships between  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  where  $R_1$  is one-to-many and  $R_2$  is many-to-many.  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  do not have any attributes of their own. What is the minimum number of tables required to represent this situation in the relational model?

- |       |       |
|-------|-------|
| (A) 2 | (B) 3 |
| (C) 4 | (D) 5 |

Q. 31

The following table has two attributes  $A$  and  $C$  where  $A$  is the primary key and  $C$  is the foreign key referencing  $A$  with on-delete cascade.

A	C
2	4
3	4
4	3
5	2
7	2
9	5
6	4

The set of all tuples that must be additionally deleted to preserve referential integrity when the tuple (2,4) is deleted is:

- (A) (3,4) and (6,4)
- (B) (5,2) and (7,2)
- (C) (5,2)(7,2) and (9,5)
- (D) 1

Q. 32

The relation book (title, price) contains the titles and prices of different books. Assuming that no two books have the same price, what does the following SQL select title

```
from book as B
where (select count(*)
      from book as T
      where T.price > B.Price) < 5
```

- (A) Titles of the four most expensive books
- (B) Title of the fifth most inexpensive book
- (C) Title of the fifth most expensive book
- (D) Titles of the five most expensive books

Q. 33

Consider a relation scheme  $R = (A, B, C, D, E, H)$  on which the following functional dependencies hold:

$$\{A \rightarrow B, BC \rightarrow D, E \rightarrow C, D \rightarrow A\}$$

What are the candidate keys of  $R$ ?

- (A) AE,BE
- (B) AE,BE,DE
- (C) AEH,BEH,BCH
- (D) AEH,BEH,DEH

Q. 34

Consider the following log sequence of two transactions on a bank account, with initial balance 12000, that transfer 2000 to a mortgage payment and, then apply a 5% interest.

1. T1 start
2. T1 B old = 12000 new = 10000
3. T1 M old = 0 nc = 2000
4. T1 commit
5. T2 start
6. T2 B old = 10000 new = 10500
7. T2 commit

Suppose the database system crashed just before log record 7 is written. When the system is restarted, which one statement is true of the recovery procedure?

- (A) We must redo log record 6 to set B to 10500
- (B) We must undo log record 6 to set B to 10000 and then redo log records 2 and 3
- (C) We need not redo log records 2 and 3 because transaction T1 has committed
- (D) We can apply redo and undo operations in arbitrary order because they are idempotent

Q. 35

Consider the relation account (customer, balance) where customer is a primary key and there are no null values. We would like to rank customers according to decreasing balance. The customer with the largest balance gets rank 1. Ties are not broken but ranks are skipped: if exactly two customers have the largest balance they each get rank 1 and rank 2 is not assigned.

Query 1 : Select A. customer, count (B. customer) from account A, account B where A. customer

Query 2 : Select A. customer, 1+ count(B. customer) from account A, account B where A. balance < B. balance group by A. customer

Consider these statements about Query 1 and Query 2.

1. Query 1 will produce the same row set as Query 2 for some but not all databases
2. Both Query 1 and Query 2 are correct implementations of the specification
3. Query 1 is a correct implementation of the specification but Query 2 is not
4. Neither query 1 nor Query 2 is a correct implementation of the specification
5. Assigning rank with a pure relational Query takes less time than scanning in decreasing balance order the assigning ranks using ODBC

Which two of the above statements are correct?

- |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| (A) 2 and 5 | (B) 1 and 3 |
| (C) 1 and 4 | (D) 3 and 5 |

Q. 36

Consider the relation enrolled (student, course) in which student, course) is the primary key, and the relation paid (student, amount) where student is the primary key. Assume no null values and no foreign keys or integrity constraints. Given the following four queries:

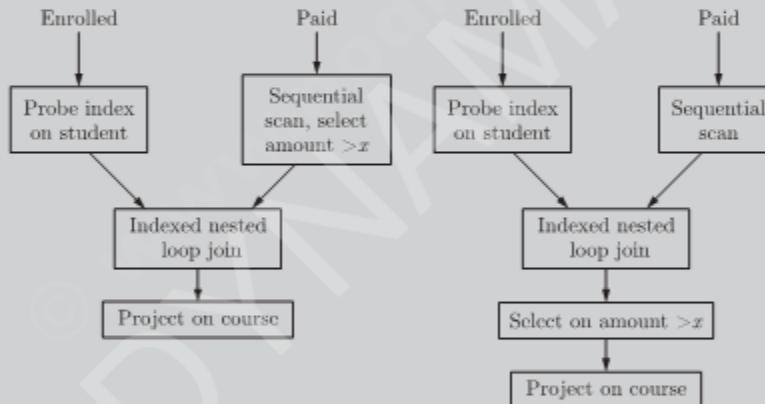
Query 1: Select from enrolled where student in (select student from paid)  
 Query 2: Select student from paid where student in (select student from enrolled)  
 Query 3: Select E. student from enrolled E, paid P where E. student= P student  
 Query 4: Select student from paid where exists (select\*from enrolled where enrolled student=paid.student)

Which one of the following statements is correct?

- (A) All queries return identical row sets for any database
- (B) Query 2 and Query 4 return identical row sets for all databases but there exist database for which Query 1 and Query 2 return different row sets
- (C) There exist databases for which Query 3 returns strictly fewer rows than Query 2
- (D) There exist databases for which Query 4 will encounter an integrity violation at runtime

Q. 37

Consider the relation enrolled (student, course) in which (student, course) is the primary key, and the relation paid (student, amount) where student is the primary key. Assume no null values and no foreign keys or integrity constraints. Assume that amounts 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000 and 10000 were each paid by 20% of the students. Consider these query plans (Plan 1 on left, Plan 2 on right) to “list all courses taken by students who have paid more than  $x$ .”



A disk seek takes 4 ms. disk data transfer bank width is 300 MB/s and checking a tuple to see if amount is greater  $x$  takes  $10\mu s$ . Which of the following statements

is correct?

- (A) Plan 1 and Plan 2 will not output identical row sets for all databases
- (B) A course may be listed more than once in the output of Plan 1 for some databases
- (C) For  $x = 5000$ , Plan 1 executes faster than Plan 2 for all databases
- (D) For  $x = 9000$ , Plan 1 executes slower than Plan 2 for all databases

Q. 38

The following functional dependencies are given:

$AB \rightarrow CF, AF \rightarrow D, DE \rightarrow F, C \rightarrow G, F \rightarrow E, G \rightarrow A$ .

Which one of the following options is false?

- |                             |                              |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| (A) $\{CF\}^+ = \{ACFEFG\}$ | (B) $\{BG\}^+ = \{ABCDEFG\}$ |
| (C) $\{AF\}^+ = \{ACDEFG\}$ | (D) $\{AB\}^+ = \{ACDFG\}$   |

Q. 39

Information about a collection of students is given by the relation studInfo (studId, name, sex). The relation enroll (studID, CourselD) gives which student has enrolled for (or taken) what course(s). Assume that every course is taken by at least one male and at least one female student. What does the following relational algebra expression represent?

$$\Pi_{\text{courselD}}((\Pi_{\text{studId}}(\sigma_{\text{sex} = \text{"female"}}(\text{studInfo})) \times \Pi_{\text{courselD}}(\text{enroll})) - \text{enroll})$$

- (A) Courses in which all the female students are enrolled
- (B) Courses in which a proper subset of female students are enrolled
- (C) Courses in which only male students are enrolled
- (D) None of the above.

Q. 40

Consider the relation employee (name, sex, supervisorName (with name as the key, supervisor Name-gives the name of the supervisor of the employee under consideration. What does the following Tuple Relational Calculus query produce?

$$\{e.name | \text{employee}(e) \vee (\forall x)[\neg \text{employee}(x) \vee x.\text{supervisorName} \neq e.name \vee x.sex = \text{"male"}]\}$$

- (A) Names of employees with a male supervisor
- (B) Names of employees with no immediate male subordinates
- (C) Names of employees with no immediate female subordinates
- (D) Names of employees with a female supervisor

Q. 41

Consider the table employee (empId, name, department, salary) and the two queries  $Q_1, Q_2$  below. Assuming that department 5 has more than one employee, and we want to find the employees who get higher salary than anyone in the department 5, which one of the statements is TRUE for any arbitrary employee table?

$Q_1$  : Select e. empId

From employee e

Where not exists

(Select \* From employee s Where s. department = "5" and s.salary >= e.salary)

$Q_2$  : Select e. empId

From employee e

Where e.salary > Any

(Select distinct salary From employee s Where s. department = "5")

- (A)  $Q_1$  is the correct query.
- (B)  $Q_2$  is the correct query
- (C) Both  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  produce the same answer
- (D) Neither  $Q_1$  nor  $Q_2$  is the correct query

Q. 42

Which one of the following statements is FALSE?

- (A) Any relation with two attributes is in BCNF
- (B) A relation in which every key has only one attribute is in 2NF
- (C) A prime attribute can be transitively dependent on a key in 3NF relation
- (D) A prime attribute can be transitively dependent on a key in a BNCF relation.

Q. 43

The order of a leaf node in a  $B^+$ -tree is the maximum number of (value, data record pointer) pairs it can hold. Given that the block size is 1K bytes, data record pointer is 7 bytes long, the value field is 9 bytes long and a block pointer is 6 bytes long, what is the order of the leaf node?



Q. 44

Consider the following schedules involving two transactions. Which one of the following statements is TRUE?

$$S_1 r_1(X); r_1(Y); r_2(X); r_2(Y); w_2(Y); w_1(X)$$

$s_2r_1(X); r_2(X); r_2(Y); w_2(Y); r_1(Y); w_1(X)$

- (A) Both  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are conflict serializable
  - (B)  $S_1$  is conflict serializable and  $S_2$  is not conflict serializable
  - (C)  $S_1$  is not conflict serializable and  $S_2$  is conflict serializable
  - (D) Both  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are not conflict serializable

YEAR 2008

ONE MARK

9, 45

A clustering index is defined on the fields which are of type



YEAR 2008

TWO MARKS

9. 46

Let  $R$  and  $S$  be two relations with the following schema

*R(P,O,R1,R2,R3)*

$S(P, Q, S1, S2)$

Where  $\{P, Q\}$  is the key for both schemes. Which of the following queries are equivalent?

- equivalent:

  - I       $\Pi_P(\bowtie S)$
  - II      $\Pi_P(R) \bowtie \Pi_P(S)$
  - III     $\Pi_P(\Pi_{P,Q}(R) \cap \Pi_{P,Q}(S))$
  - IV     $\Pi_P(\Pi_{P,Q}(R) - (\Pi_{P,Q}(R) - \Pi_{P,Q}(S)))$

(A) Only I and II	(B) Only I and III
(C) Only I, II and III	(D) Only I, II and IV

9.47

Consider the following relational schemes for a library database:

Print the following information about a recently read book (Title, Author, Catalog no., Publisher, Year, price).

Collection (Title, Author, Catalog no)

Which the following functional dependencies:

- Which of the following functional dependencies?

  - I. Title Author → Catalog\_no
  - II. Catalog\_no → Title Author Publisher Year
  - III. Publisher Title Year → price

Assume {Author, Title} is the key for both schemes: which of the following statements is true?

- statements is true?

  - (A) Both Book and Collection are in BCNF
  - (B) Both Book and Collection are in 3NF only
  - (C) Book is in 2NF and Collection is in 3NF
  - (D) Both Book and Collection are in 2NF only

Q. 48

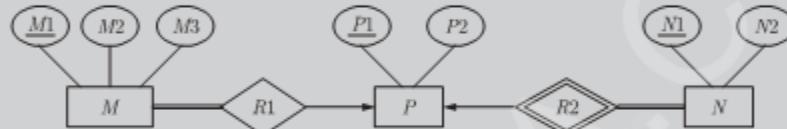
Consider a file of 1684 records. Each record is 32 bytes long and its key field is of size 6 bytes. The file is ordered on a non-key field, and the file organization is unspanned. The file is stored in a file system with block size 1024 bytes, and the size of a block pointer is 10 bytes. If the secondary index is built on the key field of the file, and a multi-level index scheme is used to store the secondary index, the number of first-level and second-level blocks in the multi-level index are respectively



**Common Data For Q. 49 & 50 :**

Solve the problems and choose the correct answers.

Consider the following ER diagram



Q. 49

The minimum number of tables needed to represent  $M, N, P, R1, R2$  is



Q. 50

Which of the following is a correct attribute set for one of the tables for the correct answer to the above question?



YEAR 2009

TWO MARKS

8.51

Consider two transactions  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  and four schedules  $S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4$  of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  as given below :

T1: R1[x]W1[x]W1[y]

T2:  $R2[x]R2[y]W2[y]$

S1:  $R1[x]R2[x]R2[y]W1[x]W1[y]W2[y]$

S2:  $R1[x]R2[x]R2[y]W1[x]W2[y]W1[y]$

S3:  $R1[x]W1[x]R2[x]W1[y]R2[y]W2[y]$

S4:  $R2[x]R2[y]R1[x]W1[x]W1[y]W2[y]$

Which of the above schedules are conflict-serializable?



Q. 52

The following key values are inserted into a  $B+$ -tree in which order of the internal nodes is 3, and that of the leaf nodes is 2, in the sequence given below. The order of internal nodes is the maximum number of tree pointers in each node, and the order of leaf nodes is the maximum number of data items that can be stored in it. The  $B+$ -tree is initially empty.

10,3,6,8,4,2,1

The maximum number of times leaf nodes would get split up as a result of these insertions is

- (A) 2 (B) 3  
(C) 4 (D) 5

Q. 53 Let  $R$  and  $S$  be relation schemes such that  $R = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $S = \{c\}$ . Now consider the following queries on the database :

- I.  $\pi_{R-S}(r) = \pi_{R-S}(\pi_{R-S}(r) \times S - \pi_{R-S,S}(r))$   
II.  $\{t \mid t \in \pi_{R-S}(r) \wedge \forall u \in s (\exists v \in r (u = v[s] \wedge t = v[R-S]))\}$   
III.  $\{t \mid t \in \pi_{R-S}(r) \wedge \forall v \in r (\exists u \in s (u = v[s] \wedge t = v[R-S]))\}$   
IV. Select  $R.a, R.b$

From  $R, S$

Where  $R.c = S.c$

Which of the above queries are equivalent?

- (A) I and II (B) I and III  
(C) II and IV (D) III and IV

Common Data For Q. 54 & 55 :

Consider the following relational schema:

Suppliers(sid: integer, sname:string, city:string, street:string)  
Parts(pid:integer, pname:string, color:string)  
Catalog(sid:integer, pid:integer, cost:real)

Q. 54 Consider the following relational query on the above database :

```
SELECT S.sname
FROM Suppliers S
WHERE S.sid NOT IN ( SELECT C.sid
                      FROM Catalog C
                      WHERE C.pid NOT IN ( SELECT P.pid
                                            FROM Parts P
                                            WHERE P.color ◊ 'blue' ))
```

Assume that relations corresponding to the above schema are not empty. Which one of the following is the correct interpretation of the above query?

- (A) Find the names of all suppliers who have supplied a non-blue part.  
(B) Find the names of all suppliers who have not supplied a non-blue part.  
(C) Find the names of all suppliers who have supplied only blue parts.  
(D) Find the names of all suppliers who have not supplied only blue parts.

Q. 55 Assume that, in the suppliers relation above, each supplier and each street within a city has a unique name, and (same, city) forms a candidate key. No other functional dependencies are implied other than those implied by primary and candidate keys. Which one of the following is TRUE about the above schema ?

- (A) The schema is in BCNF. (B) The schema is in 3NF but not in BCNF.  
(C) The schema is in 2NF but not in 3NF.  
(D) The schema is not in 2NF.

Q. 56

Consider a  $B^+$ -tree in which the maximum number of keys in a node is 5. What is the minimum number of keys in any non-root node?



9, 57

A relational schema for a train reservation database is given below.

Passenger (pid, pname, age)

Reservation (pid, class, tid)

Table : passenger

pid	pname	Age
0	'Sachin'	65
1	'Rahul'	66
2	'Sourav'	67
3	'Anil'	69

Table : Reservation

pid	class	tid
0	'AC'	8200
1	'AC'	8201
2	'SC'	8201
3	'AC'	8203
4	'SC'	8204
5	'AC'	8202

What pids are returned by the following SQL query for the above instance of the tables ?

```
SELECT pid  
FROM Reservation  
WHERE class= 'AC' AND  
EXISTS (SELECT*  
FROM Passenger  
WHERE age>65 AND  
Passenger.pid = Reservation.pid)
```



Which of the following concurrency control protocols ensure both conflict serializability and freedom from deadlock?

### I. 2-phase locking

## II Time-stamp ordering

Q. 59

Consider the following schedule for transactions T1, T2, and T3 :

T1	T2	T3
Read (X)		
	Read (Y)	
		Read (Y)
Write (X)		
		Write (X)
	Read (X)	
	Write (X)	

Which one of the schedules below is the correct serialization of the above ?

- (A)  $T_1 \rightarrow T_3 \rightarrow T_2$
- (B)  $T_2 \rightarrow T_1 \rightarrow T_3$
- (C)  $T_2 \rightarrow T_3 \rightarrow T_1$
- (D)  $T_3 \rightarrow T_1 \rightarrow T_2$

Q. 60

The following functional dependencies hold for relations R(A,B,C) and S(B,D,E):

$$\begin{aligned} B &\rightarrow A \\ A &\rightarrow C \end{aligned}$$

The relation R contains 200 tuples and the relation S contains 100 tuples. What is the maximum number of tuples possible in the natural join  $R \bowtie S$  ?

- (A) 100
- (B) 200
- (C) 300
- (D) 2000

Q. 61

Consider a relational table with a single record from each registered student with the following attributes.

1. Registration\_Num: Unique registration number of each registered student
2. UID: Unique identity number, unique at the national level for each citizen
3. BankAccount\_Num: Unique account number at the bank. A student can have multiple accounts or joint accounts. This attribute stores the primary account number.
4. Name: Name of the student
5. Hostel\_Room: Room number of the hostel

Which of the following options is INCORRECT?

- (A) BankAccount\_Num is a candidate key
- (B) Registration\_Num can be a primary key
- (C) UID is a candidate key if all students are from the same country
- (D) If S is a superkey such that  $S \cap UID$  is NULL the  $S \cup UID$  is also a superkey

Q. 62

Consider a database table T containing two columns X and Y each of type integer. After the creation of the table, one record ( $X=1, Y=1$ ) is inserted in the table. Let MX and MY denote the respective maximum values of X and Y among all records in the table at any point in time. Using MX and MY, new records are inserted in the table 128 times with X and Y values being  $MX + 1, 2*MY + 1$  respectively. It may be noted that each time after the insertion, values of MX and MY change.

What will be the output of the following SQL query after the steps mentioned above are carried out?

`SELECT Y FROM T WHERE X = 7;`

- (A) 127
- (B) 255
- (C) 129
- (D) 257

Q. 63

Database table by name `Loan_records` is given below:

Borrower	Bank_Manager	Loan_Amount
Ramesh	Sunderajan	10000.00
Suresh	Ramgopal	5000.00
Mahesh	Sunderajan	7000.00

What is the output of the following SQL query?

```
SELECT count(*)
FROM (
    (SELECT Borrower, Bank_Manager FROM Loan_Records)
    AS S NATURAL JOIN
    SELECT Bank_Manager, Loan_Amount FROM Loan_Records)
AST
);
```

- |       |       |
|-------|-------|
| (A) 3 | (B) 9 |
| (C) 5 | (D) 6 |

Q. 64

Which of the following is TRUE?

- (A) Every relation in 3NF is also in BCNF
- (B) A relation R is in 3NF if every non-prime attribute of R is fully functionally dependent on every key of R
- (C) Every relation in BCNF is also in 3NF
- (D) No relation can be in both BCNF and 3NF

Q. 65

Given the basic ER and relational models, which of the following is INCORRECT?

- (A) An attribute of an entity can have more than one value
- (B) An attribute of an entity can be composite
- (C) In a row of a relational table, an attribute can have more than one value
- (D) In a row of a relational table, an attribute can have exactly one value or a NULL value

Q. 66

Which of the following statements are TRUE about an SQL query?



YEAR 2012

TWO MARKS

9, 67

Consider the following transactions with data items P and Q initialized to zero:

```

T1: Read (P);
      red (0);
      if P = 0 then Q: = Q + 1;
      write (Q);

T2: read (0);
      read (P);
      if Q = 0 then P: = P + 1;
      write (P);

```

Any non-serial interleaving of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  for concurrent execution leads to  
(A) a serializable schedule

- (B) a schedule that is no conflict serializable
  - (C) a conflict serializable schedule
  - (D) a schedule for which a precedence graph cannot be drawn

Q. 68

Suppose  $R_1(A,B)$  and  $R_2(C,D)$  are two relation schemes. Let  $r1$  and  $r2$  be the corresponding relation instances. B is a foreign key that refers to C in  $R2$ . If data in  $r1$  and  $r2$  satisfy referential integrity constraints, which of the following is ALWAYS TRUE?

- (A)  $\Pi_B(r_1) - \Pi_C(r_2) = \emptyset$       (B)  $\Pi_C(r_2) - \Pi_B(r_1) = \emptyset$   
 (C)  $\Pi_B(r_1) = \Pi_C(r_2)$       (D)  $\Pi_B(r_1) - \Pi_C(r_2) \neq \emptyset$

**Common Data For Q. 69 and 70 :**

Consider the following relations A, B and C:

A

Id	Name	Age
12	Arun	60
15	Shreya	24
99	Rohit	11

B.

Id	Name	Age
15	Shreya	24
25	Hari	40
98	Rohit	20
99	Rohit	11

C.

Id	Phone	Age
10	2200	02
99	2100	01

Q. 69

How many tuples does the result of the following relational algebra expression contain? Assume that the schema of  $A \cup B$  is the same as that of A.

$$(A \cup B) \bowtie_{A.Id \geq 40 \vee C.Id \leq 15} C$$



Q. 70

How many tuples does the result of the following SQL query contain?

```
SELECT A.Id
```

FROM A

WHERE A.Age >

All (SELF)

FROM B

- WHERE B.Name= 'Arun')  
(A) 4 (B) 3  
(C) 0 (D) 1

本章小结

## ANSWER KEY

Databases									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
(C)	(B)	(A)	(C)	(C)	(C)	(D)	(C)	(C)	(A)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
(C)	(D)	(C)	(B)	(D)	(A)	(D)	(C)	(D)	(A)
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
(A)	(A)	(B)	(D)	(C)	(D)	(D)	(C)	(C)	(B)
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
(C)	(D)	(D)	(C)	(C)	(A)	(C)	(C)	(D)	(C)
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
(B)	(D)	(B)	(C)	(A)	(C)	(C)	(C)	(A)	(A)
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
(B)	(C)	(C)	(A)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(B)	(A)	(A)
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
(A)	(A)	(C)	(C)	(C)	(A)	(B)	(A)	(A)	(B)