

## CO526 Databases Course Work 1: SQL

Due in noon Friday 16th February 2018

The tables below gives details of a **family\_history** database. In the **person** table, people are identified by their name, and always have their gender, date of birth (**dob**) and place of birth (**born\_in**) recorded. In addition, each person may optionally have recorded the name of their father, and the name of their mother. If the person has died, then the date of death **dod** must be present. Note that only a fragment of the data held in the database is listed below.

person						
<u>name</u>	gender	dob	dod?	father?	mother?	born_in
Alice	F	1885-02-25	1969-12-05	null	null	Windsor
Andrew	M	1960-02-19	null	Philip	Elizabeth II	London
Andrew of Greece	M	1882-02-02	1944-12-03	George I of Greece	null	Athens
Anne (Princess)	F	1950-08-15	null	Philip	Elizabeth II	London
Charles	M	1948-11-14	null	Philip	Elizabeth II	London
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$\text{person}(\text{father}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$      
  $\text{person}(\text{mother}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$

In addition, there is a table **monarch** which contains the English head of state — normally a monarch (*i.e.* a King or Queen) — where the **house** of each monarch indicates which royal house the monarch belongs to, **accession** indicates the date the person came to the throne, and **coronation** the date any coronation of the monarch. If **null** appears in **coronation** then the person had no coronation. Each monarch remains head of state until the succession of the next monarch. Note that the value of **null** appearing in **house** indicates *not* a King or Queen, but a head of state (for example Oliver Cromwell) who filled the role of Protector during the Commonwealth period in the 17th Century.

monarch			
<u>name</u>	house?	accession	coronation?
James I	Stuart	1603-03-24	1603-07-25
Charles I	Stuart	1625-03-27	1626-02-02
Oliver Cromwell	null	1649-01-30	null
Richard Cromwell	null	1658-09-03	null
Charles II	Stuart	1659-05-25	1626-02-02
James II	Stuart	1685-02-06	1685-04-23
⋮			

$\text{monarch}(\text{name}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$

Finally, there is a table **prime\_minister**, recording the **party** the person led whilst Prime Minister, and the date of **entry** into office. A person remains Prime Minister until the date of entry to office of the next Prime Minister. Note a person may have more than one period in office.

prime_minister		
<u>name</u>	party	<u>entry</u>
David Cameron	Conservative	2010-05-11
Gordon Brown	Labour	2007-06-27
Tony Blair	Labour	1997-05-02
John Major	Conservative	1990-11-28
Margaret Thatcher	Conservative	1979-05-04
James Callaghan	Labour	1976-04-05
Harold Wilson	Labour	1974-03-04
Edward Heath	Conservative	1970-06-19
⋮		

$\text{prime\_minister}(\text{name}) \xrightarrow{fk} \text{person}(\text{name})$

## Submission

To gain full marks, answers to the following questions should make full use of ANSI SQL commands to write compact and efficient queries, and be laid out such that structure of the query is clear. The queries must also run correctly on the Postgres version of the database, and be submitted electronically to CATE as single batch file `db_2018_cw1.sql` by the coursework deadline. A template version of the file is available on CATE for download. The queries in the file must be given in the order of the questions below, with the comment present in the template file left unchanged, and the query terminated by a single semi-colon.

To test your answer against the Postgres version of the database, you should run the command:

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psql -h db.doc.ic.ac.uk -d family_history -U lab -W -f db_2018_cw1.sql
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Note that 60% of the marks will be awarded for correctness, and 40% of the marks for style, including efficiency, how concise the queries are, appropriate use of indentation, use of Capital letters for keywords, and expressing join conditions by use of JOIN statements in the FROM clause as opposed to using equals in the WHERE clause.

## Questions

The first four questions test knowledge of SQL as an implementation of the Relational Algebra, and the last four questions test knowledge of SQL as a Programming Language.

1. Write an SQL query that returns the scheme (`name,father,mother`) ordered by `name` containing the name of all people known to have died before both their father and mother, together with the name of the mother and the name of the father.
2. Write an SQL query returning the scheme (`name`) ordered by `name` that lists all people that have either been a King, Queen or Prime Minister.
3. A King or Queen is said to abdicate if their reign ceases before their death. Write an SQL query returning the scheme (`name`) ordered by `name` that lists the name of all Kings or Queens that have abdicated
4. Write a query that returns the scheme (`house,name,accession`) ordered by `accession` that lists house and name of monarchs who were the first of a house to accede to the throne. Maximum marks will be given only to answers that use either the **ALL** or **SOME** operators.
5. Write an SQL query that returns the scheme (`first_name,popularity`) ordered in descending order of popularity, and then alphabetical order of `first_name`. Your answer should also exclude first names that only occur once in the database. A first name is taken to mean the first word appearing the `name` column of `person`.
6. Write an SQL query that returns the scheme (`house,seventeenth,eighteenth,nineteenth,twentieth`) ordered by `house` listing the number of monarchs of each royal house that acceded to the throne in the 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th centuries.
7. Write an SQL query returning the scheme (`father,child,born`) ordered by `father,born` that lists as `father` the name of all men in the database, together with the name of each child, with `born` being the number of the child of the father (*i.e.* returning 1 for the first born, 2 for the second born, *etc*). For men with no children, the man should be listed with null for both `child` and `born`.

8. Write an SQL query that returns the scheme (monarch,prime\_minister), ordered by monarch and prime minister, that lists prime ministers that held office during the reign of the monarch.