CSE 414 Midterm

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• This exam is CLOSED book and CLOSED devices.
• You are allowed ONE letter-size page with notes (both sides).
• You have 50 minutes; budget time carefully.
• Please read all questions carefully before answering them.
• Some questions are easier, others harder. Plan to answer all questions, do not get stuck on one question. If you have no idea how to answer a question, write your thoughts about the question for partial credit.
• Good luck!
1 SQL and Indexing

1. (50 points)

Consider the following database an online video rental service:

Customer([cid], name, country)
Movie([mid], title, year)
Rent([cid], [mid], date)
Rate([cid], [mid], score)

The Customer relation store all customers of the rental service, their names and the
countries where they are located.

Movie stores all movies available for rent, their titles and the year of production.

When a customer rents a movie, a record is inserted in the relation Rent; a customer is
allowed to rent a movie only once.

After watching the movie, a customer is allowed to rate the movie, with a score from 1
(worst) to 5 (best): this information is stored in the Rate table. Notice that a customer
may rate a movie only if she/he has also rented the movie.

All primary keys are underlined. The attributes’ types are as follows:

- [cid], [mid], year, score are integers.
- name, country, title, date are text.
(a) (10 points) Write SQL statements to create the tables for the rental service application. Make sure you choose the right types for the attributes, and define all key and foreign key constraints.
(b) (10 points) The *Canadian rating* of a movie is the average score received by that movie from customers in Canada. Write a SQL query that computes the average Canadian rating of each movie; order your answers by the Canadian rating, starting from the highest rating.
(c) (10 points) We want to return the name of all customers who were never rented a movie made before 2010; in other words, we want to find customers who rented only movies made in 2010 or later. Indicate which of the query or queries below answers this question correctly:

Q1 = select distinct x.name 
    from Customer x, Rent y 
    where x.cid = y.cid 
    and not exists (select * 
                  from Movie z 
                  where y.mid = z.mid 
                  and z.year < 2010);

Q2 = select distinct x.name 
    from Customer x 
    where not exists (select * 
                    from Rent y, Movie z 
                    where x.cid = y.cid 
                    and y.mid = z.mid 
                    and z.year < 2010);

Q3 = select distinct x.name 
    from Customer x 
    where not exists (select * 
                    from Rent y 
                    where x.cid = y.cid 
                    and not exists 
                        (select * 
                         from Movie z 
                         where y.mid = z.mid 
                         and z.year >= 2010));

Q4 = select distinct x.name 
    from Customer x left outer join Rent y on x.cid = y.cid 
    left outer join Movie z on y.mid = z.mid and z.year < 2010 
    group by x.name 
    having count(z.mid) = 0;

Answer with any subset of Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4:
(d) (10 points) Write a SQL query that returns the cid’s and names of all customers who rented all the movies where “Alice” gave a score of 5. For example, if Alice gave a score of 5 to “Mad Max” and “Hunger Games” and gave no other score of 5, then your query should return the customers who rented both “Mad Max” and “Hunger Games”.
(e) Consider the following indexes:

create clustered index C_cid on Customer(cid);
create index C_name on Customer(name);
create index C_country on Customer(country);

create clustered index M_mid on Movie(mid);
create index M_year on Movie(year);

create index R_cid on Rate(cid);
create index R_mid on Rate(mid);
create index R_score on Rate(score);

For each query below, indicate which indexes might be used by the query optimizer in order to improve query performance. You may answer with more than one; if no index may be used, then write NONE. As usual, the optimizer makes uniformity assumptions when estimating if an index is useful.

i. (1 point) Which indexes might be used by this query?
   select distinct x.country
   from Customer x
   where x.name = 'Alice';

ii. (3 points) Which indexes might be used by this query?
   select distinct z.title
   from Customer x, Rate y, Movie z
   where x.cid = y.cid and y.mid = z.mid
   and x.name = 'Alice' and y.score = 5;

iii. (3 points) Which indexes might be used by this query?
    select distinct x.name
    from Customer x, Rate y, Movie z
    where x.cid = y.cid and y.mid = z.mid
    and y.score = 5 and z.year = '1910';

iv. (3 points) Which indexes might be used by this query?
    select distinct x.name
    from Customer x, Rate y, Movie z
    where x.cid = y.cid and y.mid = z.mid
    and x.country = z.title and y.score = 5;
2. (20 points)

Consider the same relational schema as before:

Customer(cid, name, country)
Movie(mid, title, year)
Rent(cid, mid, date)
Rate(cid, mid, score)

(a) (5 points) Write a Relational Algebra expression in the form of a logical query plan (i.e., draw a tree) that is equivalent to the SQL query below. Your query plan does not have to be necessarily “optimal”: however, points will be taken off for overly complex solutions.

select x.cid, x.name, avg(y.score) as s
from Customer x, Rate y, Movie z
where x.cid = y.cid and y.mid = z.mid and z.year < 1940
group by x.cid, x.name
having count(*) > 100;
(b) (10 points) Write a query in datalog that returns all customers who rated the movie “Hunger Games” with a score of 3; return their cid’s and their names.
(c) (5 points) Write a query in datalog with negation that returns all movies who were never rented by any customer living in Canada; return their mid’s and their titles.
3 Relational Data Model and Query Evaluation

3. (30 points)

Answer each question below.

(a) (2 points) True or false? If an attribute of a relation is a foreign key, then all records in the relation must have distinct values for that attribute.

True or false?

(b) (2 points) In SQL, a relation can have at most one key.

True or false?

(c) (2 points) In SQL, a relation can have at most one foreign key.

True or false?

(d) (2 points) The goal of a foreign key is to help the query optimizer evaluate queries more efficiently.

True or false?
(e) (2 points) If the relation \( R(A, B) \) has \( m \) tuples, and the relation \( S(B, C) \) has \( n \) tuples, what is the largest possible size of the output of the natural join \( R \Join S \)? Choose one of the following:

(a) \( m \)
(b) \( n \)
(c) \( mn \)
(d) \( m + n \)
(e) \( \max(m, n) \)
(f) \( (m + n)/2 \)
(g) None of the above.

Answer a-g:

(e) ____________

(f) Consider two relations \( R(A, B) \), \( S(C, D) \).

i. (1 point) Is the size of \( R \Join_{A=C} S \) always larger than or equal to the size of \( R \Join_{A=C \text{ and } B=D} S \)?

i. ____________

Yes or no?

ii. (1 point) Is the size of \( R \Join_{A=C \text{ and } B \neq D} S \) always larger than or equal to the size of \( R \Join_{A=C \text{ and } B=D} S \)?

ii. ____________

Yes or no?

iii. (1 point) Are these two expressions equivalent \( \sigma_{A=5}(R \Join_{B=C} S) = (\sigma_{A=5}(R)) \Join_{B=C} S \)?

iii. ____________

Yes or no?

iv. (1 point) Are these two expressions equivalent \( (R \times S) - (R \Join_{B=C} S) = R \Join_{B \neq C} S \)?

iv. ____________

Yes or no?
(g) (2 points) True or false? A “disk block” is a mechanical device that moves over the disk platter in order to read from or write to disk.

(g)____________

True or false?

(h) Assuming $B(R) = 1000$, $T(R) = 200,000$ and $V(R, A) = 500$, estimate the number of disk I/O’s for an index-based selection for $\sigma_{A=55}(R)$ in each of the following cases:

i. (2 points) The system uses an unclustered index on $R.A$.

\[\text{Number of I/O's:}\]

i. ____________

ii. (2 points) The system uses a clustered index on $R.A$.

\[\text{Number of I/O's:}\]

ii. ____________

(i) (2 points) The main advantage of a clustered index over an unclustered index is that the clustered index uses less space.

(i) ____________

True or false?

(j) (2 points) The main reason why we cannot create too many indexes is because they will slow down updates to the database.

(j) ____________

True or false?
(k) (2 points) There is an important distinction between logical operators and physical operators. Indicate which of the operators below are physical operators:

(a) Theta join
(b) Hash join
(c) Natural join
(d) Eq join
(e) Index-based join
(f) Merge join

Answer a-f (choose all that apply):

(l) (2 points) Did the speed of sequential reads from disk increase significantly over the years?

Yes or no?

(m) (2 points) Did the speed of random reads from disk increase significantly over the years?

Yes or no?