

CS315: Principles of Database Systems, IIT Kanpur			Quiz II (25 Oct 2024)	
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Instructions:

1. This question paper contains 1 page (2 sides of paper). Please verify.
2. Write your name, roll number, department above in **block letters neatly with ink**.
3. Write your final answers neatly **with a blue/black pen**. Pencil marks may get smudged.
4. Don't overwrite/scratch answers, **no hardcoding** allowed – ambiguous cases may get 0 marks.



Q1. The tables p and q share a schema (both have two columns, named A, B), and have m, n rows respectively with $m < n$. Neither table has any duplicate rows. Find out the minimum, maximum sizes (in terms of m, n) of the tables resulting from the following operations? Justify your answers. Suboptimal answers will get no credit. (4 + 4 = 8 marks)

$p \bowtie q$ (natural join)	Minimum size 0	Maximum size m
Give justification here <p style="color: red;">Since the tables have identical schema, both columns will participate in the natural join and hence, $p \bowtie q$ is essentially $p \cap q$. Thus, the join will be the largest when $p \subset q$ and smallest when the tables are disjoint.</p>		
$p \cup q$ (union)	Minimum size n	Maximum size m + n
Give justification here <p style="color: red;">The union will be the smallest when $p \subset q$ and the largest when the tables are disjoint.</p>		

Q2. Given a table `tbl (A INTEGER, B INTEGER)`, Deebo wants to write a conditional SQLite query (of the kind given on the right) to print **YES** if the column `A` is *cute* and **NO** otherwise. Deebo calls a column *cute* if that column contains no NULL values and moreover, that column has unique values in all rows (cute columns

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SELECT CASE
  WHEN [Boolean expression]
  THEN 'YES'
  ELSE 'NO'
END;

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are candidate keys). Complete the query by giving the Boolean expression for the **YES** case. Give only the Boolean expression and not the entire query. *Hint: put parenthesis around statements if comparing their results.* **Note:** We will type your answers as SQLite queries to actual DBs to give marks. If your query takes excessively long to execute, it will get a default zero score. (6 marks)

$((\text{SELECT COUNT}(*) \text{ FROM tbl}) = (\text{SELECT COUNT}(\text{DISTINCT } A) \text{ FROM tbl}))$
 AND
 $((\text{SELECT COUNT}(*) \text{ FROM tbl WHERE } A \text{ IS NULL}) = 0)$

Q3. Fill exactly one box on the right and give brief justification.

(2 x (1+2) = 6 marks)

For a schema R with $R', R'' \subseteq R$ being **subsets** of the columns, the dependency $R' \rightarrow R''$ is known to hold. For which columns $C \in R$ does $R'C \rightarrow R''$ hold true? ($R'C \equiv R' \cup \{C\}$ and *iff* means if-and-only-if). Justify using Armstrong's axioms.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Every $C \in R$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | No $C \in R$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Iff $C \in R'$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Iff $C \in R''$ |

Give justification here

Reflexivity gives us $R'C \rightarrow R'$ after which applying transitivity with $R' \rightarrow R''$ gives $R'C \rightarrow R''$.

The schema $R(A, B, C, D, E)$ has 3 dependencies $AB \rightarrow C$, $CD \rightarrow E$ and $DE \rightarrow B$. Is AB a candidate key for this schema? Is ABD a candidate key? Justify by applying the algorithm for finding attribute set closure.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | AB but not ABD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ABD but not AB |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Both AB , ABD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Neither AB nor ABD |

Give justification here

Starting with $(AB)^+ \supseteq AB$, as $AB \subseteq AB$, the dependency $AB \rightarrow C$ allows us to update the closure to $(AB)^+ \supseteq ABC$. However, no other FDs can be applied hereon since CD, DE are not subsets of ABC which forces the algorithm to terminate. This tells us that $(AB)^+ \neq R$.

Starting with $(ABD)^+ \supseteq ABD$, as $AB \subseteq ABD$, the dependency $AB \rightarrow C$ allows us to update the closure to $(ABD)^+ \supseteq ABCD$ and, as $CD \subseteq ABCD$, the dependency $CD \rightarrow E$ allows us to update the closure to $(ABD)^+ \supseteq ABCDE = R$. Since $(ABD)^+ \subseteq R$, we get $(ABD)^+ = R$.