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CS 411a/433a/538a — Databases II
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50 Minutes

Answer all questions on the exam page

No aids; no electronic devices.

The marks total 60

Question	Maximum	Your Mark
1	16	
2	23	
3	12	
4	8	
Total	59	

1. (16 marks) For each of the following, state whether the term applies to one, two or all three of: **relational databases, object-oriented databases or XML databases**. Give a **BRIEF** reason for your answer.
 - (a) attributes
All three
 - (b) sharing
All three
 - (c) closed query language
all three - XQuery and OQL by design, relational queries always produce relations.
 - (d) nesting of data to arbitrary levels
OODB and XML
 - (e) always has a schema
Relational and OODB. XML DDTs or Schemas are optional
 - (f) tags in the data
only XML
 - (g) identity comparisons
Only OODB. XML if you know about IDREFs
 - (h) path expressions
OODB and XML

2. (23 marks) Consider the following O_2 schema information:

```
Class Person public type
  tuple(Name : string,
        Address : string) end;
```

```
Class Singer inherit Person public type
  tuple(Repertoire : unique set(Song));
```

```
Class Song public type
  tuple(Title : string,
        Composer : Person,
        Genre : string) end;
```

```
Class Performance public type
  tuple(Date : string,
        Performer : Singer,
        Performed : list(Song)) end;
```

```
Name Singers : unique set (Singer);
Name Songs : unique set (Song);
Name Performances : unique set (Performance);
```

Give **OQL** queries corresponding to the following:

- (a) Give all singer names, song titles such that the song is in the singer's repertoire.
Select s.Name, o.Title
From s in Singers, o in s.Repertoire
- (b) Give the names of all singers who have a song whose title is "Yesterday" in their repertoire.
Select s.Name
From s in Singers
Where exists o in s.Repertoire:(o.Title = "Yesterday")

- (c) Give names of singers who have a song in their repertoire such that the composer's name is the same as the singer's name.

```
Select s.Name
```

```
From s in Singers, o in s.Repertoire
```

```
Where o.Composer.Name = s.Name
```

- (d) Give the names of all singers who have not performed.

```
Select s.Name
```

```
From s in Singers
```

```
except
```

```
(Select g.Performer.Name
```

```
From g in Performances)
```

- (e) Write an O₂C run body, containing an embedded query, which, for each song, finds and prints out the song title and then the names of all the singers who have performed it in a Performance.

Idea is:

```
run body{
```

```
declare all your o2 variables;
```

```
for s in Songs {
```

```
    copy the song title to an o2 string variable v;
```

```
    o2query(Answ, "Select p.Performer.Name from p in Performances where  
                exists s in p.Performed:(p.Title = $1)", v);
```

```
    print out s.Title;
```

```
    for a in Answ {print out a};
```

```
};
```

```
}
```

3. (16 marks) Consider the following relations for a relational database:

Singer(SingerID, Name, Town) primary key: {SingerID}

Song(SongID, Title, Composer, Genre) primary key {SongID}

Performs(SingerID, SongID, Date, Position) primary key {SingerID, SongID}

Which of the following pairs of queries are equivalent (i.e. are guaranteed to produce the same answer)? If they are not equivalent, say why.

(a) $\sigma_{Name="Twain"}(\text{Singer}) \bowtie \text{Performs}$

and

$\sigma_{Name="Twain"}(\text{Singer} \bowtie \pi_{SingerID, Date}(\text{Performs}))$

No, the second version has fewer attributes.

(b) $\pi_{Title}(\text{Singer} \bowtie (\text{Song} \bowtie \text{Performs}))$

and

$\pi_{Title}(\text{Performs} \bowtie (\text{Song} \bowtie \text{Singer}))$

yes

(c) $\pi_{Town}(\sigma_{Name="Twain"}(\text{Singer}))$

and

$\sigma_{Name="Twain"}(\pi_{Town}(\text{Singer}))$

No, π in the second version gets rid of name, so query won't work.

Assume the following statistics for some of the above data:

For Singer:

No. of tuples in the Singer relation: 10

No. of bytes in SingerID: 8

No. of bytes per tuple in Singer: 50

Distinct values in SingerID: 10

For Performs:

No. of tuples in Performs: 50

No. of bytes in SingerID: 8

No. of bytes per tuple: 30

Distinct values in SingerID: 8

(d) How many tuples are in $\text{Singer} \bowtie \text{Performs}$?

8

(e) How many bytes per tuple are in $\text{Singer} \bowtie \text{Performs}$?

50

(f) How many bytes are in $\pi_{\text{SingerID}}(\text{Performs})$?

8 tuples * 8 bytes = 64 bytes.

4. (8 marks) Answer **TWO** of the following questions. (If you answer more than two, only the first two will be marked.)
- (a) What is the main goal of performing the algebraic query optimization for a relational database query?
 - (b) What is the main issue in having operations like π in relational algebra, in an object-oriented query language?
 - (c) What is one disadvantage of hash joins?
 - (d) What is meant by “identical \Rightarrow shallow equal”?
 - (e) Why does the execution of the π operation in relational algebra have an $O(n \log_2 n)$ run time rather than $O(n)$?

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