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Homework 6

**IMPORTANT**

- **Deposit hard copy** of your answers in **class at 3:00pm on Wednesday, 11/04/2015**.
- Separate answers, as usually, i.e., please solve each of the 5 questions on a **separate** page, and type the usual, full information, on each page: your **name**, **Andrew ID**, **course #** , **Homework #** , and **Question #** .

**Reminders**

- **Plagiarism:** Homework may be discussed with other students, but all homework is to be completed **individually**.
- **Typeset** all your answers.
- **Late homeworks:** Follow usual policy: email late homeworks
  - to all TAs
  - with the subject line exactly **15-415 Homework Submission (HW 6)**
  - and the count of slip-days you are using.

For your information:

- Graded out of **100** points; **5** questions total
- Rough time estimate:  $\approx$ 2-5 hours (0.5-1 hours for each question)

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Question	Points	Score
Query Optimization	20	
Functional Dependencies I	10	
Functional Dependencies II	20	
Decompositions	20	
Normal Forms	30	
Total:	100	

**Question 1: Query Optimization . . . . . [20 points]**

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For this problem we consider the yelp reviews database with following three tables (slightly simplified from Homework 2, for your convenience):

1. `Business`(`bid`, `name`, `city`, `state`), where the primary key is `bid`;
2. `yelp_user`(`uid`, `name`), where the primary key is `uid`;
3. `Review`(`bid`, `uid`, `stars`, `date`), where the primary key is (`bid`, `uid`), `bid` is foreign key referencing `Business`, and `uid` is foreign key referencing `yelp_user`.

For these tables we are given the following statistics (also, rounded-off with respect to Homework 2, for your convenience):

- `Business` consists of  $N_1 = 60,000$  tuples, and there are:
  - $V(\text{Business}, \text{name}) = 45,000$  distinct business names.
  - $V(\text{Business}, \text{city}) = 400$  distinct cities.
  - $V(\text{Business}, \text{state}) = 30$  distinct states.
- `yelp_user` consists of  $N_2 = 360,000$  tuples, and there are:
  - $V(\text{yelp\_user}, \text{name}) = 40,000$  distinct user names.
- `Review` consists of  $N_3 = 1,600,000$  tuples, and there are:
  - $V(\text{Review}, \text{uid}) = 360,000$  distinct uid's.
  - $V(\text{Review}, \text{bid}) = 60,000$  distinct bid's.
  - $V(\text{Review}, \text{stars}) = 5$  distinct star ratings (i.e. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5), without nulls.

For the queries below, assume that there are no correlations between the columns of a table nor any prior knowledge about the data (i.e., assume uniform distribution). Estimate the number of resulting tuples for the query, and give the answer with **\*\*\*fourth\*\*\*** significant digit accuracy. We will accept either rounding half up or down, but no partial credit will be given.

(a) [2 points] `SELECT * FROM Business WHERE city = 'Pittsburgh';`

(a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) [3 points] `SELECT * FROM Business WHERE state = 'PA' AND name = 'McDonald';`

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) [3 points] `SELECT * FROM Review WHERE stars > 3;`

(c) \_\_\_\_\_

(d) [3 points] `SELECT city, count(*) FROM Business GROUP BY city;`

(d) \_\_\_\_\_

- (e) [4 points] **SELECT \* FROM Business JOIN Review ON Business.bid = Review.bid WHERE state = 'PA';**

(e) \_\_\_\_\_

- (f) [5 points] **SELECT \* FROM Review as R1 JOIN Review as R2 ON R1.bid = R2.bid;**

The query returns all pairs of **users** (and more info), that have reviewed the same business. (For your ease of computation, the query reports mirror- and self- pairs.)

(f) \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 2: Functional Dependencies I . . . . . [10 points]**

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Consider the following legal instance of a relational schema  $S$  with attributes  $ABC$ :

S	A	B	C
	$a$	1	X
	$b$	2	Y
	$b$	2	Y
	$b$	3	X

Table 1: Legal instance of schema  $S$  for question 2.1

- (a) Which of the following dependencies are *violated* by the instances of  $S$  in Table 1?
- i. [1 point]  Yes  No :  $A \rightarrow B$  is violated.
  - ii. [2 points]  Yes  No :  $B \rightarrow A$  is violated.
  - iii. [2 points]  Yes  No :  $C \rightarrow A$  is violated.
  - iv. [2 points]  Yes  No :  $BC \rightarrow A$  is violated.
  - v. [2 points]  Yes  No :  $AC \rightarrow B$  is violated.
- (b) [1 point] By only observing the instance of  $S$  in Table 1, can you identify the functional dependencies that hold on schema  $S$ ?
- Yes  No

**Question 3: Functional Dependencies II . . . . . [20 points]**

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For the next set of questions consider the relational schema  $\mathcal{R} = \{A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H\}$  and the set of functional dependencies FD:

$$A \rightarrow B \quad (1)$$

$$B \rightarrow C \quad (2)$$

$$AD \rightarrow CEF \quad (3)$$

$$BE \rightarrow FG \quad (4)$$

$$CF \rightarrow GH \quad (5)$$

$$G \rightarrow H \quad (6)$$

- (a) [6 points] Which of the following is a minimum cover of the FD? If none, mark accordingly, and give your *own* answer.
- The given FDs (Eq 1-6), is a minimum cover already.
  - $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, AD \rightarrow E, AD \rightarrow F, BE \rightarrow F, BE \rightarrow G, CF \rightarrow G, G \rightarrow H\}$
  - $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, AD \rightarrow E, BE \rightarrow F, CF \rightarrow G, G \rightarrow H\}$
  - $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, AD \rightarrow E, AD \rightarrow F, BE \rightarrow F, CF \rightarrow G, G \rightarrow H\}$
  - none of the above - the cover is \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Yes/No: Which of the following functional dependencies can be deduced, from the above set of functional dependencies (Eq. (1)-(6))?
- [3 points]  Yes  No :  $A \rightarrow C$
  - [3 points]  Yes  No :  $AE \rightarrow F$
  - [3 points]  Yes  No :  $CE \rightarrow F$
  - [3 points]  Yes  No :  $BDE \rightarrow AG$
- (c) [1 point] True or False: The attribute closure  $\{B\}^+$  is  $\{B, C, F\}$ .  
 True  False
- (d) [1 point] True or False: The attribute closure  $\{AD\}^+$  is  $\{A, B, C, D, E, F, G\}$ .  
 True  False

**Question 4: Decompositions . . . . . [20 points]**

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For this set of questions, consider the relation with attributes,  $\mathcal{X} = \{P, Q, R, S, T\}$ , Let the following functional dependencies  $FD$  be defined over the relation  $\mathcal{X}$ :

$$P \rightarrow Q$$

$$Q \rightarrow R$$

$$S \rightarrow T$$

- (a) [2 points] Provide the attribute closure of  $\{PS\}$ .
- (b) Consider the decomposition  $PQR, ST$ . Mark 'True' or 'False':
- [1 point]  True  False : It is lossless
  - [1 point]  True  False : It is dependency-preserving
  - [2 points]  True  False : All tables of the decomposition, are in 3NF or higher
  - [2 points]  True  False : All tables of the decomposition, are in BCNF
- (c) Consider the decomposition  $PQ, QR, ST$ . Mark 'True' or 'False':
- [1 point]  True  False : It is lossless
  - [1 point]  True  False : It is dependency-preserving
  - [2 points]  True  False : All tables of the decomposition, are in 3NF or higher
  - [2 points]  True  False : All tables of the decomposition, are in BCNF
- (d) Consider the decomposition  $PQR, PS, ST$ . Mark 'True' or 'False':
- [1 point]  True  False : It is lossless
  - [1 point]  True  False : It is dependency-preserving
  - [2 points]  True  False : All tables of the decomposition, are in 3NF or higher
  - [2 points]  True  False : All tables of the decomposition, are in BCNF

**Question 5: Normal Forms ..... [30 points]**

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Consider the relation with attributes,  $\mathcal{E} = \{U, V, W, X, Y, Z\}$ . Suppose that the following functional dependencies hold:

$$U \rightarrow VW \quad (7)$$

$$WX \rightarrow Z \quad (8)$$

$$V \rightarrow X \quad (9)$$

$$V \rightarrow Y \quad (10)$$

$$Z \rightarrow U \quad (11)$$

- (a) [6 points] List *all* the candidate key(s) for  $\mathcal{E}$ . A, possibly correct, answer may be: “ $\{UV\}$  and  $\{UW\}$ ”.
- (b) [2 points] Is the relation  $\mathcal{E}$  in BCNF?  Yes  No
- (c) [3 points] Justify: Explain why  $\mathcal{E}$  is (or is not) in BCNF. Your answer should follow the style, e.g.: “*all FDs follow the rules of BCNF*” or “*FD (11) violates the rules: ‘Z’ is a determinant, but not a candidate key*”
- (d) [2 points] Is the relation  $\mathcal{E}$  in 3NF?  Yes  No
- (e) [3 points] Justify: Explain why  $\mathcal{E}$  is (or is not) in 3NF. Follow the style that we mentioned above.
- (f) [6 points] Give a 3NF decomposition of  $\mathcal{E}$  that is lossless, dependency preserving, and has as few tables as possible.
- (g) [8 points] Give a BCNF decomposition of  $\mathcal{E}$  that is lossless, and has as few tables as possible.