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## EXAM

TDDD12 Database technology  
TDDD46 Database technology

16 august 2010, 14.00-18.00

### **Room**

TER1 and TERC

### **Help**

Dictionary, calculator.

### **Grades**

You can get max 29 points. To pass the exam, grade 3, you need 7 points in each of the two parts of the exam (Theory and Practice). For grade 4 and 5, you need 20 and 26 points, respectively.

### **Questions**

During the exam, there is possibility of asking questions and clarifications from Jose M. Peña, tel. 013 281651, who will visit the room at 15.00 och 17.00, and from Juha Takkinen, tel. 013 282603, will visit the room at 15.00, and from Patrick Lambrix, tel. 013282605, will visit the room at 17.00.

### **Instructions**

Write clearly. Give relevant and motivated answers only to the questions asked. State the assumptions you make besides those in the questions. None of these additional assumptions should change the spirit of the exercises. You can answer in Swedish or English.

Good luck!

## Practical part (15 p)

### Question 1. Data modeling with EER diagram (5 p):

Read the whole exercise before starting.

An online photo forum has much information which it must keep track of. Each of its members has a unique id, user name and the photography equipment he is using (camera, lens and filter). Members can upload their photos for sharing. Each photo has its unique id and title, as well as information about the member who uploaded it, and the photography equipment that was used for shooting it. Every member can comment on photos. The forum keeps track of the comments. The forum also invites professional photographers, e.g. journalists, as their expert members. A short biography is given for each expert member. Every week one photo is selected as "*the photo of week*". A photo can be "*the photo of week*" only once. One of the expert members writes a short review on "*the photo of week*". For "*the photo of week*" the forum stores the week number, the review and the expert that wrote the review.

Draw an EER diagram for the photo forum for the data described above.

**Question 2. SQL (1 + 1 + 1 + 3 = 6 p):**

Study the following relations describing the table seating at a wedding dinner:

Persons:

<b>PersonId</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sex</b>
1	Victoria	Female
2	Daniel	Male
3	Carl Gustaf	Male
4	Silvia	Female
5	Lena	Female

Languages:

<b>LanguagePerson</b>	<b>Language</b>
1	English
2	Swedish
1	Swedish
...	...

LanguagePerson is a foreign key referring to PersonId.

Places:

<b>TablePerson</b>	<b>Table</b>	<b>Chair</b>
1	1	1
2	1	2
3	2	1
4	2	2

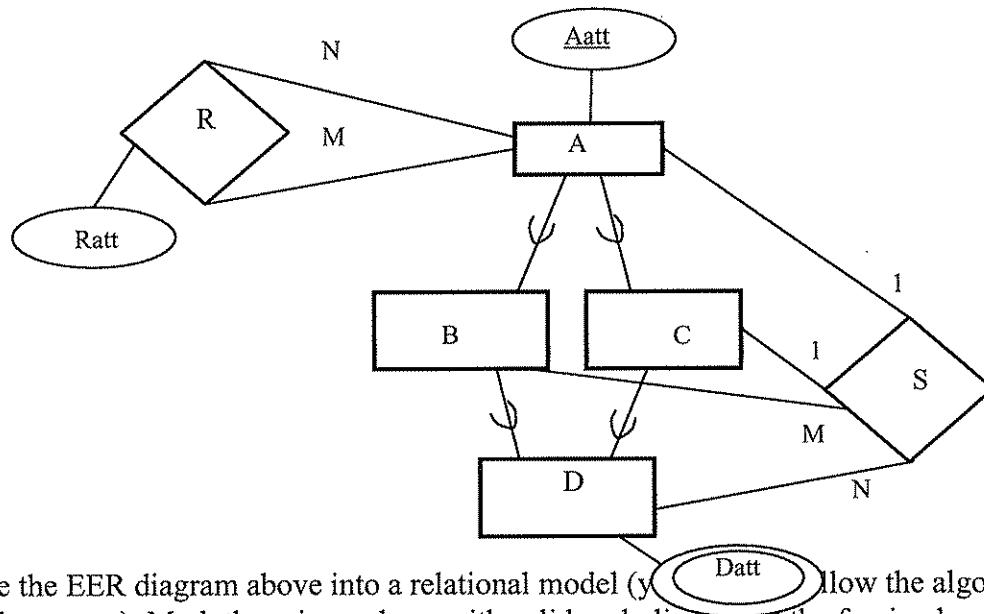
TablePerson is a foreign key referring to PersonId

The *Persons* relation gives information about all persons in the database. *Languages* shows which languages these persons speak and *Places* at which table and chair this person should sit during the wedding dinner.

Write SQL queries for the following:

- List all persons that speak English. (1p)
- List the names of persons ordered by the tables the persons are seated at (1p)
- List all persons not seated at any table. (1p)
- The aim of the seating is that all persons have at least one other person speaking the same language at his/her table. Provide a list of tables where this is the case. (3p)

**Question 3. Translation of EER to relational schema (3 + 1 = 4 p):**



Translate the EER diagram above into a relational model (you may follow the algorithm seen in the course). Mark the primary keys with solid underlining and the foreign keys with dotted underlining and an arrow from the foreign key to the attribute(s) pointed by the foreign key.

**Theoretical part (14 points)**

**Question 4. Normalization (2 p):**

Normalize (1NF→2NF→3NF→BCNF) the relation R(A, B, C, D, E) with functional dependencies {AB→CDE, D→E, CD→A}. *Explain your solution step by step.*

**Question 5. Data structures (1 + 1 + 2 = 4 p):**

Assume a table with 1,000,000 records. The table is ordered on the key field X. Each record is 400 bytes long. The database uses block size B = 4 096 bytes and the records are stored unspanning.

- i) How many blocks are needed to store the table?
- ii) Assume we create a secondary index based on another key field Y, where each index record uses 8 bytes (4 bytes for the key and 4 bytes for the disk pointer). How many blocks are needed to store the index?
- iii) How many block accesses are needed to find a record with a given value for key field Y
  - a. When no index is used.
  - b. When a secondary index is used.

**Question 6. Transactions and concurrency control (1 + 3 = 4 p):**

- a. Is the following transaction schedule serializable? Motivate your answer.

<b>T1</b>	<b>T2</b>
read(x)	
	read(x)
	x:=x+1
x:=x+1	
write(x)	
	write(x)

- b. Describe the ACID properties for transactions. For each property, describe whether serializability is important for maintaining this property. Motivate your answer.

**Question 7. Database recovery (3 + 1 = 4 p):**

- a) Describe the method for recovery with deferred update. Use the system log below to exemplify the method. Show all operations that are performed during the recovery. In the correct order!
- b) Is the use of checkpoints advantageous in this method? Explain your answer.

Part of system log:

Start-transaction T1  
Write-item T1, A, 10  
Start-transaction T2  
Write-item T1, B, 10  
Write-item T2, C, 10  
Commit T1  
Start-transaction T3  
Start-transaction T4  
Write-item T3, D, 20  
Write-item T4, E, 50  
Write-item T2, C, 20  
Commit T2  
→system crash