COMPUTER SCIENCE TRIPOS Part IA 75%, Part IB 50% – 2019 – Paper 3

1 Databases (tgg22)

Suppose that we have a relational database with the following tables.

Table	Primary Key
Movies(mid, title, year)	mid
People(pid, name)	pid
Genres(gid, genre)	gid
ActsIn(pid, mid)	pid, mid
HasRole(pid, mid, role)	pid, mid, role
HasGenre(gid, mid)	gid, mid

In tables ActsIn and HasRole, pid is a foreign key into People and mid is a foreign key into Movies. In table HasGenre, mid is a foreign key into Movies and gid is a foreign key into Genres.

Note that this database is similar to, but not the same as, the examples used in lectures and the database used for practicals.

- (a) For the table ActsIn, carefully explain what is meant by saying that pid is a foreign key into People.[2 marks]
- (b) Discuss potential problems this database might suffer due to data redundancy. [2 marks]
- (c) Write an SQL query that produces triples of the form genre1, genre2, total that count the number of movies associated with a pair of distinct genres. Each pair of genres should only appear once in the result. That is, if the triple genre1, genre2, total appears in the result, then the triple genre2, genre1, total should not. [5 marks]
- (d) Suppose that kid is the pid associated with Kevin Bacon. Write SQL that returns every pid for actors with a Bacon number of 2. This SQL should not include views. [5 marks]
- (e) Simplify the SQL of Part (d) using views. [6 marks]