CS 186/286 Spring 2018 Final

- Do not turn this page until instructed to start the exam.
- You should receive 1 single-page answer sheet and a 36-page exam packet.
- All answers should be written on the answer sheet. The exam packet will be collected but not graded.
- You have 170 minutes to complete the final.
- The final has 7 questions, each with multiple parts.
- The final is worth a total of 108 points.
- For each question, place only your final answer on the answer sheet; do not show work.
- For multiple choice questions, please fill in the bubble or box completely, do not mark the box with an X or checkmark.
- Use the blank spaces in your exam for scratch paper.
- \bullet You are allowed three 8.5" \times 11" double-sided page of notes.
- Only standard scientific calculators are allowed.

1 SQL and Relational Algebra (14 points)

Imagine you need to build a site like Piazza and want to maintain its data in a relational database. In this question, we will use the following schema to represent this data.

Users represent the users posting on the site. Assume there are only two types of users, either "students" or "instructors".

Folders represent various topics in which posts are categorized.

Posts represent a post with its summary title.

Postings represent the individual messages in a post. Each message has a unique position in the post.

```
CREATE TABLE Users(
  uid INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,
  name VARCHAR(32),
  dob DATE,
  user_type VARCHAR(10) NOT NULL
CREATE TABLE Folders(
  fid integer PRIMARY KEY,
  fname VARCHAR(128)
CREATE TABLE Posts(
  pid INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,
  folder INTEGER REFERENCES folders(fid),
  summary VARCHAR(128)
)
CREATE TABLE Postings(
  post INTEGER REFERENCES posts(pid),
  position INTEGER,
  user INTEGER REFERENCES users(uid),
  ptext TEXT,
  PRIMARY KEY(post, position)
)
```

For the questions below, choose the relational algebra expressions that compute the results for the provided English queries. You may choose one or more options. Assume all joins are *natural* joins unless otherwise specified.

- 1. (2 points) Return names of all users that posted in the "lecture" folder with the summary title "Midterm 2 grades".
 - **A.** $\Pi_{name}(\sigma_{summary="Midterm\ 2\ grades"}(\sigma_{fname="lecture"}(Folders) \bowtie_{Folders.fid=Posts.folder} Posts \bowtie_{Posts.pid=Postings.post} Postings) \bowtie_{Postings.user=User.uid} Users)$
 - B. $\Pi_{name}(\sigma_{summary="Midterm\ 2\ grades"}(\Pi_{fid}(\sigma_{fname="lecture"}(Folders)))$ $\bowtie_{Folders.fid=Posts.folder\ Posts}\bowtie_{Posts.pid=Postings.post}Postings)\bowtie_{Postings.user=User.uid}Users)$
 - C. $\Pi_{name}((\sigma_{fname="lecture"}(Folders) \bowtie_{Folders.fid=Posts.folder} Posts \bowtie_{Posts.pid=Postings.post} Postings) \bowtie_{Postings.user=User.uid} \Pi_{uid}(Users))$
 - D. $\Pi_{name}(\sigma_{fname="lecture",summary="Midterm~2~grades"}((Folders \bowtie_{Folders.fid=Posts.folder} Posts \bowtie_{Posts.pid=Postings.post} Postings) \bowtie_{Postings.user=User.uid} Users))$

Solution: C is wrong because it projects *uid* from Users, dropping names.

- 2. (2 points) Return summary titles of all posts with more than one user posting on that post. Assume $\rho(R1, Postings)$, $\rho(R2, Postings)$.
 - **A.** $\Pi_{summary}(\Pi_{R1.post}(\sigma_{R1.user \neq R2.user}(R1 \bowtie_{R1.post = R2.post} R2)) \bowtie_{R1.post = Posts.pid} Posts)$
 - $\text{B. } \Pi_{summary}(\Pi_{R1.post}(\sigma_{R1.user \neq R2.user}(\Pi_{R1.post,R1.user,R2.user}(R1 \times R2))) \bowtie_{R1.post = Posts.pid} Posts)$
 - C. $\Pi_{summary}(\Pi_{R1.post}(R1 \times R2 (R1 \bowtie_{R1.post=R2.post} R2)) \bowtie_{R1.post=Posts.pid} Posts)$
 - **D.** $\Pi_{summary}(\Pi_{R1.post}(\sigma_{R1.post=R2.post \land R1.user \neq R2.user}(R1 \times R2)) \bowtie_{R1.post=Posts.pid} Posts)$

Solution: B is wrong because the innermost projection doesn't consider whether the two posts are the same; it only checks for different users but not different users of the same post. C is wrong because the subtraction leaves you with users who did not write that post.

3. (2 points) Return the name of the oldest user.

Assume $\rho(R1, Users), \rho(R2, Users)$

- A. $\Pi_{name}(\sigma_{Users.dob=min(\Pi_{dob}(R1))}(Users))$
- **B.** $\Pi_{name}(\rho(1 \rightarrow dob, \gamma_{min(dob)}(R1)) \bowtie Users)$
- C. $\Pi_{name}((\Pi_{uid}(Users) \Pi_{R1.uid}(\sigma_{R1.dob>R2.dob}(R1 \times R2))) \bowtie Users)$
- D. $\Pi_{name}(\Pi_{R1.uid}(\sigma_{R1.dob < R2.dob}(R1 \times R2)) (\Pi_{uid}(Users)) \bowtie Users)$

Solution: A is illegal syntax (see B for correct syntax). D is an empty set because we subtract a superset from a subset.

For the questions below, choose the SQL queries that compute the results for the provided English queries. You may choose one or more options.

4. (2 points) Return posts with both students and instructor postings.

```
A. (SELECT P.pid, P.folder, P.summary
   FROM Posts as P INNER JOIN Postings as Ping on P.pid = Ping.post INNER JOIN
       Users as U on Ping.user = U.uid
   WHERE U.user_type = 'student')
   INTERSECT
   (SELECT P.pid, P.folder, P.summary
   FROM Posts as P INNER JOIN Postings as Ping on P.pid = Ping.post INNER JOIN
       Users as U on Ping.user = U.uid
   WHERE U.user_type = 'instructor');
B. (SELECT P.pid, P.folder, P.summary
   FROM Posts as P INNER JOIN Postings as Ping on P.pid = Ping.post INNER JOIN
       Users as U on Ping.user = U.uid
   WHERE U.user_type = 'student')
   EXCEPT
   (SELECT P.pid, P.folder, P.summary
   FROM Posts as P INNER JOIN Postings as Ping on P.pid = Ping.post INNER JOIN
       Users as U on Ping.user = U.uid
   WHERE U.user_type = 'instructor');
C. (SELECT P.pid, P.folder, P.summary
   FROM Posts as P INNER JOIN Postings as Ping on P.pid = Ping.post INNER JOIN
       Users as U on Ping.user = U.uid
   WHERE U.user_type = 'student'
   OR U.user_type = 'instructor');
D. (SELECT P.pid, P.folder, P.summary
   FROM Posts as P INNER JOIN Postings as Ping on P.pid = Ping.post INNER JOIN
       Users as U on Ping.user = U.uid
   WHERE U.user_type = 'student'
   AND U.user_type = 'instructor');
```

Solution: B is posts with students only. C is posts with either students or instructors. D is the empty set.

5. (2 points) Find the largest folder(s). This is the folder(s) with the largest number of postings.

```
A. WITH R AS (
       SELECT P.folder, count(P.pid) as cnt
       FROM Posts as P
       GROUP BY P.folder
   (SELECT folder
   FROM R)
   EXCEPT
   (SELECT R1.folder
   FROM R as R1, R as R2
   WHERE R1.cnt < R2.cnt);
{f B}. SELECT folder FROM (
     SELECT folder, count(pid)
     FROM Posts
     GROUP BY folder
     HAVING count(pid) = (
     SELECT max(cnt) FROM (
       SELECT folder, count(pid) as cnt
       FROM Posts
       GROUP BY folder
      ) AS t1)
     ) as t2;
C. SELECT R.folder FROM
       (SELECT folder, count(pid) as cnt
       FROM Posts
       GROUP BY folder) as R
   WHERE R.cnt = (
       SELECT max(R.cnt)
       FROM R
       );
D. WITH R as (
     SELECT folder, count(pid) as cnt
     FROM Posts
     GROUP BY folder
   SELECT R.folder
   FROM R
   WHERE R.cnt = (
   SELECT max(R.cnt)
   FROM R
   );
```

Solution: C is illegal because R is not defined in the WHERE clause. All other SQL queries are valid and correct.

6. (2 points) How many users post more than once on the same post? SELECT count(distinct user) FROM Postings WHERE position > 0 AND user in (SELECT user FROM Postings WHERE position = 0) B. SELECT count(DISTINCT P1.user) FROM Postings as P1, Postings as P2 WHERE P1.post = P2.post AND P1.user = P2.user AND P1.position <> P2.position C. SELECT count(DISTINCT P1.user) FROM Postings as P1 NATURAL JOIN Postings as P2 WHERE P1.position <> P2.position D. SELECT count(distinct user) FROM Postings as P1 WHERE exists (SELECT user FROM Postings as P2 WHERE P1.post = P2.post AND P1.user = P2.user AND P2.position <> P1.position)

Solution: A answers a query of "Who answered their own post?". C is wrong because the natural join entails P1.position = P2.position, so the where clause is a contradiction, so the output is the empty set.

```
7. (2 points) Which users (user id) post in more than one folder?
        A. WITH USERFOLDER AS
           (SELECT user, folder
           FROM Posts INNER JOIN Postings on Posts.pid = Postings.post)
           SELECT DISTINCT uf1.user
           FROM USERFOLDER as uf1, USERFOLDER as uf2
           WHERE uf1.user = uf2.user and uf1.post <> uf2.post;
        B. SELECT DISTINCT P1.user
           FROM Postings as P1, Postings as P2
           WHERE P1.user = P2.user and P1.post <> P2.post;
        C. WITH USERFOLDER AS
           (SELECT user, folder
           FROM Posts INNER JOIN Postings on Posts.pid = Postings.post)
           SELECT user FROM
           (SELECT user, COUNT(folder) AS cnt
           FROM USERFOLDER
           GROUP BY user
          HAVING cnt > 1);
       D. WITH USERFOLDER AS
           (SELECT user, folder
           FROM Posts INNER JOIN Postings on Posts.pid = Postings.post)
           SELECT user FROM
           (SELECT user, COUNT(DISTINCT folder) AS cnt
           FROM USERFOLDER
           GROUP BY user
           HAVING cnt > 1);
```

Solution: A projected away the post column, so it is not referable from the top level query. B finds different posts rather than different folders. C doesn't remove duplicates.

2 Files, Indices, and Buffers (18 points)

For this section, remember that the height of a one level tree is defined to be 0, the height of a tree with two levels is defined to be 1, and so on.

2.1 True and False

- 1. (3 points) Fill in the corresponding box on the answer sheet if True.
 - A. Flash memory is preferable to disk because flash allows for fine-grained writes.
 - B. In random page access patterns, seek time and rotational delays are significant overheads in I/O costs.
 - C. The leaves of an ISAM are the only part of the structure that can be modified on an insert.
 - D. To keep track of the amount of free space on a page, we use a page directory.
 - E. Assuming we only have one copy of a table, we can only build an Alternative 1 clustered index on a single column of that table.
 - F. A clustered B+ tree will always perform better than an unclustered B+ tree for equality searches.

2.2 The Lottery

To celebrate the end of the semester, the CS 186 TAs decide to enter a lottery! Each time a TA buys a ticket, a tuple containing the first letter of their name and the number of their ticket is inserted into an unordered file. Note, the each lottery ticket number is unique. At the end of the day, the file contains the following 10 tuples:

Name (Char(1))	Number (Integer)
E	2245
Y	2240
V	2235
Е	2243
Y	2244
E	0007
R	2241
С	2242
S	2250
L	2249

Buffer Management

Suppose the Lottery Company stores customer profile information on a page that corresponds to the first letter of their name (e.g. Customer information on Eugene would be stored on page E).

Before the winning number is announced, the Lottery Company wants to go through all tickets that were sold that day and see if their respective purchaser has any criminal records that would disqualify them from participating in the lottery. The company goes through all tickets twice to make sure they don't make any mistakes.

This leads to the following access pattern of pages:

E, Y, V, E, Y, E, R, C, S, L, E, Y, V, E, Y, E, R, C, S, L

Note that these letters reference pages of a customer profile table and not the records listed in the above user tickets table.

For the following questions, assume we have 4 pages in the buffer pool and assume that pages are unpinned immediately.

2. (2 points) Using the Most Recently Used replacement policy, which 4 pages remain in the buffer pool (in alphabetical order)? How many cache hits do we have?

Solution: LSVY. 10 hits

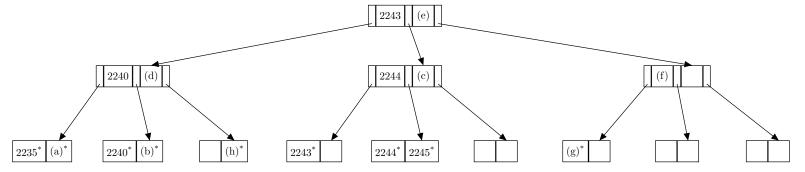
3. (2 points) Using the Clock replacement policy, which 4 pages remain in the buffer pool (in alphabetical order)? How many cache hits do we have?

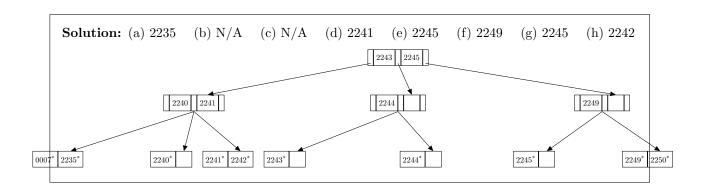
Solution: CLRS. 6 hits

Indices

At the end of the day, the Lottery Company decides upon one winning number from all of the purchased tickets. Instead of traversing the entire file to find the name of the person with the winning ticket, they hire you to build an Alternative 2 B+ tree index on **Number** of order 1. To build this index, they specifically tell you to insert the tuples from the file one at a time in the order they appear (so no bulk loading).

4. (6 points) Draw the resulting B+ tree after all 10 inserts, and write the value of each specified entry on your answer sheet. If the specified entry either does not exist in the final tree or has no value in the final tree, write N/A. The first five records have already been inserted for you. Note that after a split, the new right node gets the larger number of keys or records.





Index Alternatives

Now, consider a different scenario where we have an Alternative 2 Clustered Index and an Alternative 2 Unclustered Index, both with height 3. Assume that 4 records fit on a page for the heap file.

5. (1.5 points) Suppose a range scan returns 6 records. Assuming that all leaf records were on the same leaf of the index, how many IOs does this take for the unclustered Index in the worst case?

Solution: 10 IOs. In the worst case, all 6 records can be on 6 different heap file pages, each of which requires a separate IO to retrieve. After factoring the 4 IO cost to travel from the root to the leaf, we have a total of 4 + 6 = 10 IOs.

6. (1.5 points) Suppose a range scan returns 6 records. Assuming that all leaf records were on the same leaf of the index, how many IOs does this take for the clustered Index in the worst case?

Solution: 10 I/Os. In the worst case, the 6 matching records in a clustered index are on 6 different pages. For example, a a heap file may start out dense but after deletes, the heap file pages may become empty.

Some may have considered the following configuration in the heap file, if the heap file was still dense (all records tightly packed and co-located) – (1, 4, 1). Thus, it would be 4 + 3 = 7 I/Os. This is incorrect, but we gave partial credit of 1 pt.

Files

After a while, the business of the Lottery Company grows immensely. On any given day, they expect over 10,000 people to buy tickets for the lottery. At the beginning of each day, the Lottery Company creates a brand new file. Each time a person buys a ticket, a new record (with schema shown earlier) is inserted into the file. At the end of each day, **one** winning number is chosen and the corresponding record is retrieved from the file.

7. (2 points) Given this specification, mark the letters of the parameters (one from each column) that will optimize the performance for the tasks the Lottery Company must perform:

Page Format	File Layout	Index
(a) Fixed length (Packed)	(d) Heap File	(f) Clustered Index on Number
(b) Fixed length (Unpacked)	(e) Sorted File	(g) Unclustered Index on Number
(c) Slotted Page		(h) None

Solution: a, d, h.

The Lottery Company is doing many inserts, one equality search and no deletes. So we should primarily focus on optimizing inserts.

A fixed length (packed) page is the best page layout because records have a fixed length of 5 bytes (1 char, 1 int), and since we don't have to worry about deletes.

A heap file is the best file layout because many inserts are being done and heap files have a constant time insert while the cost to maintain the sorted file becomes progressively worse.

Building any type of index will add unnecessary overhead to our inserts so it is best to build none.

3 Sorting, Hashing, and Parallel Queries (12 points)

For the following questions, we consider the following schema:

```
CREATE TABLE Player(
   pid INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,
   name TEXT
);

CREATE TABLE Relationship(
   pid1 INTEGER REFERENCES Player(pid),
   pid2 INTEGER REFERENCES Player(pid)
);
```

Because there are no uniqueness constraints on (pid1, pid2), a pair of players may appear multiple times in Relationship. This is undesirable, and unfortunately, we have already accumulated some duplicates in this table. So, suppose we want to clean up our table by removing duplicates.

In this section, assume that every machine has B=101 pages of memory available. Assume all hash functions perfectly partition their input, and assume a fill factor of 0.5 for all in-memory hash tables. **Do not give your answer as a formula; simplify and provide your answer for each part as a single number.**

First assume we have a **single machine**, and that [Relationship] = 200 pages. Also, do not include the I/O cost for writing the output in your answer.

1. (1.5 points) One way to remove duplicates is to first sort the data. What is the cost of sorting Relationship?

Solution: Sorting takes exactly one merge pass (the sorting pass results in 2 runs of 101 and 99 pages), so the disk I/O cost for sorting is 3 * [Relationship] = 600 I/Os.

This question was graded all or nothing. The correct answer received 1.5 points; every other answer received 0 points.

2. (1.5 points) Alternatively, we can use hashing to remove duplicates. What is the disk I/O cost of removing duplicates using the standard hashing algorithm?

Solution: We have B = 101, so the hash table in the probing phase is 101 pages, and can fit 50 pages of data (because the fill factor is 0.5). We divide our data into B - 1 = 100 partitions at each

partitioning pass, so after one partitioning pass we have partitions of size 2, which is sufficiently small.

The I/O cost is therefore (2+1) * 200 = 600 I/Os.

The correct answer received 1.5 points. If then answer included the final write (800 IOs), one point was awarded. Every other answer received 0 points.

A common optimization is *partial pre-aggregation*. In this, operators computing decomposable aggregations, like DISTINCT, can opportunistically compute the aggregate on part of the data to reduce disk I/O. For example, during a partitioning pass in hashing, we can scan through an output buffer and only append a record if it is unique. As before, we append the output buffer to its partition on disk when full or at the end of the pass.

3. (1.5 points) Suppose every unique row appears exactly 4 times in Relationship. What is the disk I/O cost of the partitioning pass of hashing with partial pre-aggregation?

Solution: As there are 200/4 = 50 pages worth of unduplicated data, assuming a uniform hash function, each partition will contain half a page of data after deduplication. Consequently, all duplicates will be removed during the partitioning phase, resulting in read I/O cost of 200 I/Os and a write I/O cost of 100 I/Os = 300 I/Os.

The correct answer received 1.5 points, the answer of 250 received 0.5 points, all other answers received 0 points.

4. (1.5 points) Assume we complete the first partitioning pass with partial pre-aggregation, as above, and maintain the separate partition runs on disk. Using these partitions, what is the disk I/O cost to check if a new record is a duplicate? Ignore the I/O cost of reading the new record, and assume that no data from the partitions is in memory.

Solution: To check if a new row is a duplicate, we hash the row's key to determine which partition it belongs to, and read in and probe the appropriate partition. We have B=101 pages, and 200/4=50 pages of unique records, so each partition is one page in size (assuming a uniform hash function). Therefore, it takes **one** I/O to check if the new row is a duplicate.

This question was graded all or nothing. The correct answer received 1.5 points; every other answer received 0 points.

Now suppose we have m=100 machines. Assume that the data is initially distributed round robin across all the machines. Assume further that every unique row in Relationship appears exactly 100 times and [Relationship] = 100,000 pages. The key we use for parallel hashing is (pid1, pid2).

5. (1.5 points) What is the total amount of data in MBs transferred over the network when doing duplicate elimination with parallel hashing? Assume each page is 1MB.

Solution: Each machine has 1000 pages. It sends 990 pages of data across the network, so the overall network cost is 100 machines \cdot 990 page/machine \cdot 1 MB/page = 99,000 MB.

This question was graded all or nothing. The correct answer received 1.5 points; every other answer received 0 points.

6. (1.5 points) What is the total disk I/O cost of the partitioning pass of parallel hashing with all optimizations including partial pre-aggregation for duplicate elimination?

Solution: Each machine reads from disk or receives from network a total of 1,000 pages of records. Of those, there are only 1,000/100 = 10 pages of unique records per machine. These records are streamed in and evenly distributed over 100 output buffers. Thus, each buffer will only be 10% full when using partial pre-aggregation. Thus, the total I/O cost is 100 machines * (1000 pages/machines read + 100 pages/machine written) = 110,000 I/Os.

7. (3 points) Suppose we have completely de-duplicated and compacted the Relationship table, and it is hash partitioned by (pid1, pid2) without any skew across machines. Consider the following query:

```
SELECT *
FROM Players, Relationship
WHERE pid2 = pid;
```

(a) (1.5 points) Suppose [Player] = 2,000 pages, and Player is hash partitioned by pid over all 100 machines. Using the cheapest query plan, how much data (in MBs) must be transferred over the network to compute this query? Assume each page is 1MB.

Solution: Player is partitioned properly, so we have an asymmetric shuffle. We must send $\frac{99}{100}$ of Relationship over the network, so our network cost is $\frac{99}{100} \cdot 1,000 \cdot 1 \text{MB/page} = 990 \text{ MB}$.

(b) (1.5 points) Using the cheapest query plan, what is the total disk I/O cost across all machines needed to compute this query? Do not include the I/O cost for writing the output.

Solution: Each machine has 2,000/100 = 20 pages of Player and 10 pages of (deduplicated) Relationship. We have 101 pages of buffer, so we can perform a naive hash join on each machine. We allocate 20 pages for a hash table on Relationship, and build the table as the records stream in. Player on each machine then probes this table to generate the output. The overall I/O cost is just that of reading both relations from disk, or $100 \cdot (10 + 20) = 3000$ I/Os.

4 Joins and Query Optimization (20 points)

For this section, we consider a modified schema from Section 1. The database has the schema below with the corresponding statistics and indices built on the tables. Remember that the height of a one level tree is defined to be 0, the height of a tree with two levels is defined to be 1, and so on. **Assume that the buffer pool has 10 pages**, and column values are uniformly distributed unless otherwise specified.

Table Schema	Records	Pages	Indices
CREATE TABLE Users (uid INTEGER PRIMARY KEY, name VARCHAR(32), age INTEGER, user_type VARCHAR(10) NOT NULL,)	10,000	500	Index 0: Clustered alternative 2 B+-tree of height 3 on uid
CREATE TABLE Posts (pid INTEGER PRIMARY KEY, summary VARCHAR(32), post_time TIMESTAMP, type VARCHAR(10))	30,000	300	 Index 1: Clustered alternative 2 B+ tree of height 2 on post_time Index 2: Unclustered alternative 2 B+ tree of height 1 on type
CREATE TABLE Postings (post INTEGER REFERENCES posts(pid), position INTEGER, user INTEGER REFERENCES users(uid), ptext TEXT, PRIMARY KEY(post, position))	100,000	1,000	Index 3: Unclustered alternative 2 B+-tree index of height 1 on position

Assume for Q1-3 that traversing the index from root to leaf and scanning the leaf pages on Index 0 incurs a cost of 50 I/Os.

1. (2 points) What is the best cost of a sort-merge join between Postings and Users on uid? Use any optimizations from lecture, if possible, and assume we stream the output.

Solution: 7,550 I/Os. Using the index, Users records will be sorted on the join key. After pass 0 we have 100 sorted runs of the Postings table. After pass 1 we have 12 sorted runs of the Postings table. After pass 2 we have 2 sorted runs of the Postings table. Then we can merge the 2 runs together with the index output in pass 3 and stream the output. The total cost is 6*(1,000) + 1*(1,000 + 550) = 7,550

2. (2 points) What is the best cost of a hash join between Postings and Users on uid? Assume that you have a perfect hash function and fill factor of 1.0. Use the optimization from lecture if possible. Assume we stream the output.

Solution: 7,500 I/Os. Using a fill factor of 1 we find that k=(500-8)/7=ceil(492/7)>10. We cannot use hybrid hash. Therefore we must use Grace hash join. We have to make two partitioning passes, therefore the total I/O cost will be (2+2+1)*(1,000+500)=7,500 I/Os.

3. (2 points) Now assume that we have 15 buffers and a fill factor of 1.0. What is the I/O cost for a hybrid hash join between Posts and Postings on pid? Assume we stream the output.

Solution: We again cannot use Hybrid Hash. k ge (500 - (13) * 1) / (12) = 40.6. So, we need 41 buffers and have only 15. It reverts to Grace Hash, which requires 3 passes. So the answer is the same as above (5) * (1500) = 7500.

We intended this to be a proper hybrid hash question, but instead ended up being a degenerate case. So we gave everyone 1 pt for showing up for the test, 1.5 points for identifying it cannot preform hybrid hash, and 2 pts for the right answer: 7,500 I/Os.

Assume the following histogram for the distribution of Users.age. Note, each bucket's range is [min,max), exclusive of the max.

	15-18	18-21	21-24	≥ 24
ĺ	30%	15%	35%	20%

Figure 1: Histogram on Users.age

Consider the following query:

```
SELECT Postings.text, Posts.summary, U.name
FROM (Postings INNER JOIN Posts ON Postings.post = Posts.pid)
                                                                          ---Predicate 1
      RIGHT OUTER JOIN Users U ON Postings.user = U.uid
                                                                          ---Predicate 2
WHERE Posts.type = 'final'
                                                                          ---Predicate 3
      AND U.age < 19
                                                                          ---Predicate 4
      AND U.name <> 'Ryan'
                                                                          ---Predicate 5
      AND Posts.summary != 'Final_Exam_Solutions'
                                                                          ---Predicate 6
      AND (Postings.position >= 1,000 OR Posts.post_time <= 2018:05:10)
                                                                          ---Predicate 7
ORDER BY U.name DESC;
```

- 4. (1 point) What selectivity would a System R-style optimizer estimate for join Predicate 1?
 - A. 1/3,000,000,000
 - B. 1/100,000
 - C. 1/30,000
 - D. 1/10,000
 - E. 1/3,000

Solution: The number of distinct values for pid is 30,000.

- 5. (1 point) What is the best estimate for the selectivity of Predicate 4 on the Users table?
 - A. 40%
 - B. 38%
 - C. 37.5%
 - D. 35%
 - E. 33.75%

Solution: 35%. Looking at the histogram in Figure 1, we see that 30% of the users are less than 18. Assuming uniform distribution of values in the next bucket, there are 5% for every age, so 30 + 5 = 35%.

Suppose we use a System R-style bottom-up optimization algorithm. In the following questions, you may choose more than one option.

6. (1 point) Which predicate(s) would be considered in the **first** pass of optimization? You may select none of them if no predicates apply in this pass.

- A. Predicate 1
- B. Predicate 2
- C. Predicate 3
- D. Predicate 4
- E. Predicate 5
- F. Predicate 6
- G. Predicate 7

Solution: In the first pass, we consider all access paths for single tables and push down the predicates to the base tables, if possible.

- 7. (1 point) Which predicate(s) would be considered in the **second** pass of optimization? You may select none of them if no predicates apply in this pass.
 - A. Predicate 1
 - B. Predicate 2
 - C. Predicate 3
 - D. Predicate 4
 - E. Predicate 5
 - F. Predicate 6
 - G. Predicate 7

Solution: In the second pass, we will consider joins where there are predicates specified between the two tables. We will avoid cross products.

- 8. (1 point) Which of the following additional indices would be the most useful in speeding up the query?
 - A. An unclustered alternative 2 index on Users.uid
 - B. A clustered alternative 1 index on Users.name
 - C. An unclustered alternative 3 index on Users.age

Solution: We already have a clustered index on Users.uid, which would be better than the unclustered alternative 2 index. The clustered index on Users.name could help us return the results ordered on U.name, but we would have to keep the results ordered throughout the query and even if we did it would not be as effective as the index of U.age which we could use to eliminate the users older than 19.

Assume that the following table contains the correct costs for each access method for the Posts relation.

Relation	Access Method	I/O Cost
Posts	Full table scan	300
Posts	Index 1 on post_time	325
Posts	Index 2 on type	250

- 9. (1 point) Select all the single table access plans that are considered for the Posts table.
 - A. Full table scan
 - B. Index 1
 - C. Index 2
- 10. (1 point) Select all the single table access plans for the Posts table that remain for consideration at the start of the second pass.
 - A. Full table scan
 - B. Index 1
 - C. Index 2
- 11. (1 point) Now consider all the tables. After the first pass, how many single-table access plans have an interesting order?
 - A. 0
 - B. 1
 - C. 2
 - D. 3
 - E. 4
 - F. 5

Solution: 1. U.uid is the only index used in a downstream join, group by, or order by

Assume that we now have an index on Users.name and the following is the System R-style dynamic programming table after Pass 1:

Relation	Interesting Order	Output Size (in Pages)	I/O cost
Users	none	500	500
Users	name	500	750
Users	uid	500	525
Posts	none	100	100
Postings	none	1,000	1,000

Use the given pass 1 results from the table above to solve the pass 2 questions and use your pass 2 solution to solve for pass 3.

- 12. (1.5 points) Which of the following joins orders may be **considered** in pass 2?
 - A. (Users ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 10,500 Output Order: none
 - B. (Users ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 20,000 Output Order: U.name
 - C. (Posts ⋈ Users) I/O Cost: 10,750 Output Order: U.uid
 - D. (Postings Wusers) I/O Cost: 5,000 Output Order: none
 - E. (Users \bowtie Postings) I/O Cost: 10,250 Output Order: U.name
 - F. (Users > Postings) I/O Cost: 20,100 Output Order: U.uid
 - G. (Users > Postings) I/O Cost: 9,000 Output Order: none
 - H. (Posts ⋈ Postings) I/O Cost: 10,600 Output Order: none
 - I. (Postings \bowtie Posts) I/O Cost: 10,000 Output Order: none
- 13. (1.5 points) Which of the following join orders would be **selected** in pass 2?
 - A. (Users ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 10,500 Output Order: none
 - B. (Users ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 20,000 Output Order: U.name
 - C. (Posts ⋈ Users) I/O Cost: 10,750 Output Order: U.uid
 - D. (Postings W Users) I/O Cost: 5,000 Output Order: none
 - E. (Users ⋈ Postings) I/O Cost: 10,250 Output Order: U.name
 - F. (Users ⋈ Postings) I/O Cost: 20,100 Output Order: U.uid
 - G. (Users ⋈ Postings) I/O Cost: 9,000 Output Order: none
 - H. (Posts ⋈ Postings) I/O Cost: 10,600 Output Order: none
 - I. (Postings ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 10,000 Output Order: none
- 14. (1.5 points) Which of the following join orders may be **considered** in pass 3?
 - A. (Users ⋈ (Postings ⋈ Posts)) I/O Cost: 60,300 Output Order: none
 - B. ((Users ⋈ Postings) ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 70,100 Output Order: U.name
 - C. ((Postings \bowtie Posts) \bowtie Users) I/O Cost: 130,200 Output Order: none
 - D. (Posts ⋈ (Users ⋈ Postings)) I/O Cost: 90,250 Output Order: none
 - E. ((Postings ⋈ Users) ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 70,000 Output Order: none
 - F. (Posts ⋈ (Users ⋈ Postings)) I/O Cost: 60,750 Output Order: U.name
 - G. ((Users ⋈ Posts) ⋈ Postings) I/O Cost: 50,100 Output Order: U.uid
 - H. ((Posts ⋈ Users) ⋈ Postings)) I/O Cost: 50,600 Output Order: none
 - I. (Postings ⋈ (Posts ⋈ Users)) I/O Cost: 110,700 Output Order: U.uid
 - J. (Postings ⋈ (Users ⋈ Posts)) I/O Cost: 80,400 Output Order: U.name

- 15. (1.5 points) Assume that the final output size is 500 pages. Which of the following subplans would comprise the final query plan?
 - A. (Users ⋈ (Postings ⋈ Posts)) I/O Cost: 60,300 Output Order: none
 - B. ((Users ⋈ Postings) ⋈ Posts) I/O Cost: 70,100 Output Order: U.name
 - C. ((Postings \bowtie Posts) \bowtie Users) I/O Cost: 130,200 Output Order: none
 - D. (Posts ⋈ (Users ⋈ Postings)) I/O Cost: 90,250 Output Order: none
 - E. ((Postings \bowtie Users) \bowtie Posts) I/O Cost: 70,000 Output Order: none
 - F. (Posts ⋈ (Users ⋈ Postings)) I/O Cost: 60,750 Output Order: U.name
 - G. ((Users ⋈ Posts) ⋈ Postings) I/O Cost: 50,100 Output Order: U.uid
 - H. ((Posts ⋈ Users) ⋈ Postings)) I/O Cost: 50,600 Output Order: none
 - I. (Postings ⋈ (Posts ⋈ Users)) I/O Cost: 110,700 Output Order: U.uid
 - J. (Postings ⋈ (Users ⋈ Posts)) I/O Cost: 80,400 Output Order: U.name

Solution: Of the considered choices, we select the one with the smallest I/O, but cannot ignore interesting orders. Since the output must be sorted on U.name, and the output size is 500 pages, plan E plus an additional sort of 500 pages would clearly be higher cost than plan B. Hence, plan B is the one that would be chosen.

5 Transactions and Concurrency Control (16 points)

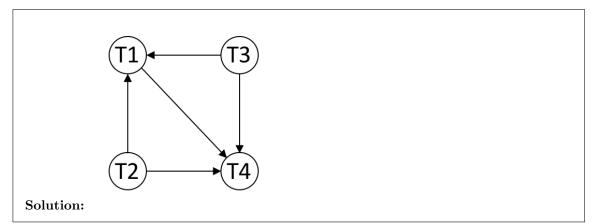
- 1. (3.5 points) Fill in the corresponding box on the answer sheet if True.
 - A. SIX locks cannot be escalated.
 - B. IX locks are compatible with X locks.
 - C. All conflict serializable schedules guarantee no cascading aborts if they are created using Strict 2PL.
 - D. All conflict serializable schedules are also view serializable.
 - E. In deadlock avoidance, later transaction timestamps always map to higher transaction priorities.
 - F. Multi-granularity locking allows for higher concurrency.
 - G. In multi-granularity locking, we should acquire the locks from bottom to top hierarchy (e.g. from record-level to page-level) and release the locks from top to bottom hierarchy (e.g. from page-level to record-level).

Solution:

- A. False, SIX locks can be escalated upwards.
- B. True, by definition
- C. True, view serializable schedules are a super set of conflict serializable schedules.
- D. False, higher transaction timestamps map to younger transactions, which are lower priority.
- E. True, this is the motivation for multi-granularity locking.
- F. Locks should be acquired from top to bottom, and released from bottom to top.
- 2. (4 points) Consider the following schedule. (For each of the questions below, you may mark zero, one or more than one of the choices.)

	T1	T2	T3	T4
1	R(A)			
2		R(A)		
3			R(C)	
4			W(C)	
5		R(B)		
6		W(B)		
7	R(B)			
8				R(B)
9	R(C)			
10				R(C)
11				W(B)
12		COM		
13			COM	
14	COM			
15				СОМ

- (a) (0.5 points) What transactions is T1 pointing to in the conflict graph for the schedule above?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3
 - D. T4



- (b) (0.5 points) What transactions is T2 pointing to in the conflict graph for the schedule above?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3
 - D. T4
- (c) (0.5 points) What transactions is T3 pointing to in the conflict graph for the schedule above?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3
 - D. T4
- (d) (0.5 points) What transactions is T4 pointing to in the conflict graph for the schedule above?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3
 - D. T4

Solution: None of these are the correct answers.

- (e) (1 point) Which of the following locking disciplines could have produced the above schedule?
 - A. 2 phase locking
 - B. Strict 2 phase locking

Solution: 2PL is possible because each transaction could release it's lock immediately after it's done with its operation and so this schedule would be allowed to happen. Strict 2PL is not

possible because transactions have to hold their locks (ex. T1 would not be able to R(B) in 7 because T2 would have to hold its exclusive lock on B until it ends)

- (f) (1 point) Which of the following schedules below are conflict equivalent to the schedule above?
 - A. T3, T1, T2, T4
 - B. T2, T3, T1, T4
 - C. T4, T3, T1, T2
 - D. T1, T2, T3, T4
 - E. T3, T2, T1, T4

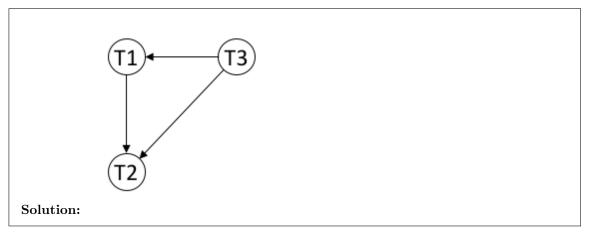
Solution: Just by doing a topological sort, we know that T4 has to be last and T1 has to be second to last. Whether T2 or T3 comes first is irrelevant since they have no incoming edges, so we have 2 possible conflict equivalent schedules.

3. (8.5 points) A Kitchener high school, Huron Heights, is trying to figure out class assignments for its students! Suppose their database has 2 tables, Students and Classes. Students consists of 2 pages, A and B. Classes consists of another 2 pages, C, and D. They have 3 transactions currently running. Consider the following lock table and wait list of requested locks for each object. Wait list requests are ordered from left to right with the leftmost to be granted next. (For each of the questions below, you may mark zero, one or more than one of the choices.)

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Object	Granted
Database	T1: IX, T2:IX, T3: IX
Students	T1: IX, T3: IS
Classes	T2: SIX, T3: IS
Α	T1: S
В	T1: X
С	T2: X
D	T3: S

Object	Waitlist
Database	
Students	
Classes	T3: SIX, T1: S
Α	
В	T3: S
С	
D	

- (a) (0.5 points) What transactions is T1 pointing to in the waits-for graph for the table above?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3



- (b) (0.5 points) What transactions is T2 pointing to in the waits-for graph for the table above?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3

Solution: T2 does not have any requests in the wait list.

- (c) (0.5 points) What transactions is T3 pointing to in the waits-for graph for the table above?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3
- (d) (1 point) True or False? Suppose T3 asks to escalate to an IX lock on Classes and subsequently requests an X lock on page D. Its requests can be immediately granted.

Solution: False. The IX lock requested is not compatible with the SIX lock held by T2.

- (e) (1 point) Suppose T2 commits in the next time step. After T2 commits, which locks are granted?
 - A. T3: S(B)
 - B. T3: SIX(Classes)
 - C. T1: S(Classes)

Solution: T3: S(B) does not get granted because T1 has X(B). T1: S(Classes) does not get granted because T3 will get SIX (Classes) before.

- (f) (1.5 points) Starting from the original lock table, assume we are using Wait-Die deadlock avoidance and that the transactions were started in the following chronological order: T2, T3, T1. If T2 requests X lock on Students, which of the following happen as a result of deadlock avoidance?
 - A. T1 dies
 - B. T2 dies
 - C. T3 dies
 - D. T2 waits

Solution: The cycle is between T2, T3, and T1. Since T2 is the highest priority transaction, it waits for t1 and t3.

- (g) (1.5 points) Starting from the original lock table, assume we are using Wound-Wait deadlock avoidance and that the transactions were started in the following chronological order: T2, T3, T1. If T2 requests X lock on Students, which of the following happen as a result of deadlock avoidance?
 - A. T1 dies
 - B. T2 dies
 - C. T3 dies
 - D. T2 waits

Solution: The cycle is between T2, T3, and T1. Since T2 is the highest priority transaction, it kills both t1 and t3.

- (h) (1 point) Starting from the original lock table, suppose T2 requests an X lock on Classes. Which transaction(s) will be in the waitlist for Classes?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3

Solution: T2's X lock will be queued since it is incompatible with T3's IS lock.

- (i) (1 point) Support further that T3 subsequently aborts. Which transaction(s) will remain in the waitlist for Classes?
 - A. T1
 - B. T2
 - C. T3

Solution: T2 will have its SIX lock upgraded to an X lock; otherwise, there would be a deadlock in the waitlist between T2 and T1.

6 Recovery (18 points)

- 1. (3.5 points) Fill in the corresponding box on the answer sheet if True.
 - A. If we do not allow buffer-pool frames with uncommitted updates to overwrite committed data on DB disk (No Steal), then we do not need UNDO logging.
 - B. Write-Ahead Logging (WAL) guarantees that a transactions log records are flushed to disk before the transaction commit.
 - C. If PageLSN is greater than the max LSN flushed so far (flushedLSN), we can safely write this page to disk.
 - D. In the REDO phase, the PageLSN is used to identify and skip updates that have been already applied.
 - E. The recovery REDO process does not force any updates to disk.
 - F. If we are forced to flush pages in the dirty page table (DPT) to disk upon checkpointing, then we can skip the analysis phase whenever we have a checkpoint available.
 - G. When we perform checkpointing in a distributed database system, nodes have to communicate synchronously to agree on a checkpoint timestamp to ensure correctness.

Solution:

- C. WAL requires that PageLSN \leq flushedLSN.
- F. We still have to perform the analysis phase to figure out what happened after the checkpoint.
- G. Checkpoint can be seen as an optimization to speed up the recovery process, and machines can independently perform their own checkpoint without coordinating with others.
- 2. (3 points) Consider the following log. If the **flushedLSN** is **50**, under WAL, which of the following scenario(s) are possible?

LSN	Record	prevLSN
10	UPDATE: T1 writes P1	null
20	UPDATE: T2 writes P2	null
30	Begin Checkpoint	-
40	End Checkpoint	-
50	UPDATE: T2 writes P2	20
60	UPDATE: T1 writes P3	10

- A. No dirty pages have been flushed to disk.
- B. The page updated at LSN 50 has been flushed to disk but the page updated at LSN 10 has not.
- C. The page updated at LSN 50 has been flushed to disk but the page updated at LSN 20 has not.
- D. All dirty pages have been flushed to disk.

Solution: C is not possible because we need to flush the updates to the same page in order. D is not possible because the flushedLSN is only 50, so LSN 60 is not allowed to be flushed yet.

Consider the following log, recovered after a crash. T1, T2, and T3 are the only transactions. All pages were flushed to disk at and including LSN 50, so the log record has been truncated to start at LSN 60. For the following questions, assume we have not flushed any pages to disk after LSN 50, that is, all pages on disk have pageLSN < 60.

LSN	Record	prevLSN
60	UPDATE: T1 writes P2	null
70	UPDATE: T2 writes P3	40
80	Begin Checkpoint	-
90	End Checkpoint	-
100	UPDATE: T2 writes P1	70
110	UPDATE: T1 writes P3	60
120	UPDATE: T3 writes P1	null
130	T1 ABORT	110
140	CLR: T1 LSN 110, undoNextLSN: 60	130
150	T2 COMMIT	100
	CRASH	

3. (4 points) Fill out the transaction table (**order by TID**) and dirty page table (**order by PID**) as recorded in the end checkpoint record. You may not need all rows.

Solution:

TID	Status	lastLSN
1	Running	60
2	Running	70

PID	recLSN
2	60
3	70

4. (4 points) Now, fill out the transaction table (**order by TID**) and dirty page table (**order by PID**) for the same log after the analysis phase. You may not need all rows.

Solution:

TID	Status	lastLSN
1	Aborting	140
2	Committing	150
3	Running	120

PID	recLSN	
1	100	
2	60	
3	70	

- 5. (2 points) After the UNDO phase is complete, which of the record(s) are added to log?
 - A. a CLR for T1's update at LSN 60
 - B. a CLR for T2's update at LSN 100
 - C. a CLR for T2's update at LSN 70
 - D. a CLR for T3's update at LSN 120

Solution: The following logs are appended. Hence A and D.

LSN	Record	prevLSN
160	CLR: T3 LSN 120, undoNextLSN: null	120
170	CLR: T1 LSN 60, undoNextLSN: null	140

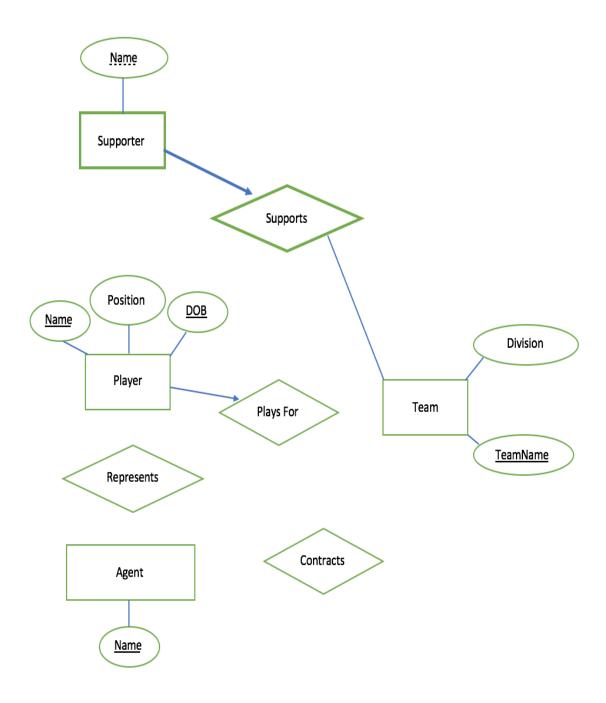
- 6. (1.5 points) Consider a slightly different scenario, in which the records at LSN 90 and 100 are in opposite order (that is, the UPDATE occurs before the End Checkpoint). Of the following, choose the most appropriate answer.
 - A. The dirty page table stored in the checkpoint must be different than in the original scenario.
 - B. The dirty page table stored in the checkpoint could be different than in the original scenario.
 - C. The dirty page table stored in the checkpoint must be the same as in the original scenario.

Solution:

For fuzzy checkpoint, we don't know if the update is considered by the checkpoint, so B.

7 Database Design (10 points)

In this question, we will choose to model elements of a baseball league using ER-Diagrams. We have 4 entities: supporters, teams, players, and agents. Refer to the diagram below for the following question. Some elements of the ER-diagram are missing; we will ask you to fill them in.



- 1. (1 point) Each team must have at least 30 players on its roster. Which edge should we draw to connect the Team entity set with the Plays For relationship set?
 - A. Thin line
 - B. Thick line
 - C. Thin Arrow
 - D. Thick Arrow

Solution: We must draw a thick line from Team to Plays For, because each team can and must have multiple players on its roster.

- 2. (2 points) Each player must have exactly one agent, and each agent can represent as many players as he or she wants to, or none at all. Select all choices indicating the appropriate edges we should draw to indicate this relationship.
 - A. Thin Line (Agent to Represents)
 - B. Thick Line (Agent to Represents)
 - C. Thick Arrow (Agent to Represents)
 - D. Thin Arrow (Agent to Represents)
 - E. Thin Line (Player to Represents)
 - F. Thick Line (Player to Represents)
 - G. Thick Arrow (Player to Represents)
 - H. Thin Arrow (Player to Represents)

Solution: We want a thin line from Agent to Represents; it is not bolded because there is no participation constraint, and there is no arrow because there is no uniqueness constraint. An agent can represent however many (or none) players he wants. However, both of these constraints do exist on the Player table, so we must have a thick arrow for this.

- 3. (1 point) True or False: In the diagram above, a supporter may **not** support multiple baseball teams.
 - A. True
 - B. False

Solution: As Supporter is a weak entity that must have unique and total participation in the Supports relation, its primary key is determined by TeamName and the supporter's name, and so each supporter can only support one team.

- 4. (2 points) Select the proper SQL table corresponding to the **Supporter** Entity set:
 - A. CREATE TABLE Supporter(Name CHAR(20), TeamName CHAR(20) NOT NULL, PRIMARY KEY (Name, TeamName), FOREIGN KEY (TeamName) REFERENCES TEAM ON DELETE CASCADE);
 - B. CREATE TABLE Supporter(Name CHAR(20), TeamName CHAR(20) REFERENCES TEAM, PRIMARY KEY (Name, TeamName));
 - C. CREATE TABLE Supporter(Name CHAR(20), TeamName CHAR(20) REFERENCES TEAM NOT NULL, PRIMARY KEY (Name);

D. CREATE TABLE Supporter(Name CHAR(20), TeamName CHAR(20) REFERENCES TEAM ON DELETE CASCADE, PRIMARY KEY (Name, TeamName));

Solution: We need a NOT NULL constraint on TeamName because Supporter is a weak entity. We also need ON DELETE CASCADE, because Supporter is a weak entity set.

- 5. (2 points) Select the SQL tables (there may be more than one appropriate one) that can represent the **PlaysFor** relationship for Players:
 - A. CREATE TABLE PLAYER_PLAYSFOR (Name CHAR(20), Position CHAR(20), DOB DATE, TeamName CHAR(20), PRIMARY KEY (Name, DOB), FOREIGN KEY (TeamName) REFERENCES Team);
 - B. CREATE TABLE PLAYSFOR (Name CHAR(20), DOB DATE, Division CHAR(10), TeamName CHAR(20), PRIMARY KEY (Name, TeamName));
 - C. CREATE TABLE PLAYSFOR (Name CHAR(20), DOB DATE, TeamName CHAR(20), PRIMARY KEY (Name, DOB), FOREIGN KEY (Name, DOB) REFERENCES Player, FOREIGN KEY (TeamName) REFERENCES Team);
 - D. CREATE TABLE PLAYSFOR (Name CHAR(20), DOB DATE, TeamName CHAR(20), PRIMARY KEY (Name, DOB, TeamName), FOREIGN KEY (Name, DOB) REFERENCES Player;
 - E. CREATE TABLE PLAYSFOR (Name CHAR(20), DOB DATE, TeamName CHAR(20), PRIMARY KEY (Name, DOB, TeamName);

Solution: We need the primary key as (Name, DOB) and must store a reference to Team; hence, the correct choice is C or A. Note that in A we simply store all the information about players in Player_PlaysFor itself.

- 6. (1 point) Let us now add in another set: the relation **Contract**, which involves a player, his agent, and his team. Let us model this using a ternary relationship. Assuming that each player can have at most one contract, but that the other assumptions from previous parts hold, what should be the edge connecting the **Player** entity and **Contracts** relation?
 - A. Thin Line (Player to Contracts)
 - B. Thick Line (Player to Contracts)
 - C. Thick Arrow (Player to Contracts)
 - D. Thin Arrow (Player to Contracts)

Solution: Each player may have at most one contract, so there is a uniqueness constraint; however, he does not need to have a contract and therefore this **does not** have a participation constraint.

- 7. (1 point) Assuming that each player can have at most one contract, but that the other assumptions from previous parts hold, what should be the edge connecting the **Agent** entity and **Contracts** relation? Remember that agents can choose to represent as many players as they want, or none at all.
 - A. Thin Line (Agent to Contracts)
 - B. Thick Line (Agent to Contracts)
 - C. Thick Arrow (Agent to Contracts)
 - D. Thin Arrow (Agent to Contracts)

Solution: The **Agents** entity has a one-to-many relationship with the Contracts relation, but does **not** have a participation constraint.