

Relational Algebra vis-à-vis Domain Relational Calculus

Example:

Consider the database shown below:

Student <StID, SName, Dept, Status>

Department<DCode, DName, Location, Tel, DHead>

Instructor<InsID, InsName, Dept>

Course<CCode, CName, Credit, Dept>

Enrolled<StID, CourseID, InsID, Year, Semester>

(Notation used: Project: Π Select: σ Join: $| \times |$)

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Query 1: Find all students taking CENG356 in Spring 2014

Relational Algebra

$\Pi_{StID, SName} \sigma_{CourseID = 'CENG356' \wedge Year = 2014 \wedge Semester = 'Spring'} (Student | \times | Enrolled)$

Relational Calculus

$\{ \langle ID, Name \rangle \mid \exists Dept, Stat \langle ID, Name, Dept, Stat \rangle \in Student,$

$\wedge \exists A, B, C, D, E \langle A, B, C, D, E \rangle \in Enrolled$

$\wedge ID=A \wedge B='CENG356' \wedge D=2014 \wedge E='Spring' \}$

Query 2: Find instructors offering CENG356 in Spring 2015

Relational Algebra

$\Pi_{InsName, Dept} \sigma_{CourseID = 'CENG356' \wedge Year = 2015 \wedge Semester = 'Spring'} (Instructor | \times | Enrolled)$

Relational Calculus

$\{ \langle Name, Dept \rangle \mid \exists ID \langle ID, Name, Dept \rangle \in Instructor,$

$\wedge \exists A, B, C, D, E \langle A, B, C, D, E \rangle \in Enrolled$

$\wedge ID=C \wedge B='CENG356' \wedge D=2015 \wedge E='Spring' \}$

Query 3: Find all courses taken by the student named 'Emre'

Relational Algebra

$\Pi_{CCode, CName} \sigma_{SName = 'Emre'} ((Student \bowtie Enrolled) \bowtie_{CCode=CourseID} Course)$

Relational Calculus

$\{ \langle Code, Name \rangle \mid \exists ID \langle ID, Name, Dept \rangle \in Student,$
 $\quad \wedge \exists A, B, C, D, E \langle A, B, C, D, E \rangle \in Enrolled$
 $\quad \wedge \exists F, G, H, K \langle F, G, H, K \rangle \in Course$
 $\quad \wedge ID=A \wedge F=B \}$

Query 4: Find the department head of 'Computer Engineering'

Relational Algebra

$\Pi_{InsName} \sigma_{DName = 'Computer Engineering'} (Instructor \bowtie_{InsID=DHead} Department)$

Relational Calculus

$\{ \langle Name \rangle \mid \exists ID, Dept \langle ID, Name, Dept \rangle \in Instructor,$
 $\quad \wedge \exists A, B, C, D, E \langle A, B, C, D, E \rangle \in Department$
 $\quad \wedge ID=E \wedge B='Computer Engineering' \}$