

# Databases: Assignment #1

CS 338 Fall 2015

Solutions on September 29 in class

## Notes (please read carefully)

All the queries have to be formulated with respect to the bibliography database introduced in class; here is the schema of our database again:

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author(AID, NAME, URL)
wrote(AUTHOR, PUBLICATION)
publication(PUBID, TITLE)
book(PUBID, PUBLISHER, YEAR)
journal(PUBID, VOLUME, NUMBER, YEAR)
proceedings(PUBID, YEAR)
article(PUBID, CROSSREF, STARTPAGE, ENDPAGE)
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## Queries:

Write the following queries in Relational Calculus:

1. Find all books.  
Answer: publication id, title, publisher, and year.
2. Find all articles that have appeared in proceedings entitled “LNCS 1234” .  
Answer: publication id, title, and page numbers.
3. Is there any publication that is simultaneously a book and an article?  
Answer: publication id and title.
4. Find all articles that have appeared in two (or more) proceedings.  
Answer: publication id of the article, publication id of proceedings #1, and publication id of proceedings #2.
5. Find all articles and the year in which they appeared.  
Answer: pubid, title, and year.

6. Find all authors who have written a book or are editors of a journal.  
Answer: author id and title of the book or name of the journal (there may be multiple answers for a single author listing all her books/journals).
7. Find all articles that haven't appeared in a book.  
Answer: publication id and title.
8. Is every publication a book, journal, proceedings, or an article? Answer: yes/no
9. Find all authors who are editors of a journal and have an article appearing in that journal.  
Answer: author id and title of the article or name of the journal (again, there may be multiple answers)
10. Find all books that do not contain any articles.  
Answer: publication id and title.
11. Find all journals that do not contain an article with more than 50 pages  
Answer: journal name, volume, number, and year.
12. Find all articles that have appeared in conference proceedings and later in a journal.  
Answer: article title, proceedings title, journal name  
Note: you can compare years using "<", i.e.,  $x < y$  is true when the value assigned to  $x$  is smaller than the one assigned to  $y$ .
13. Find all authors whose publications are solely articles.  
Answer: author id and name.
14. Find proceedings that contain exactly one article.  
Answer: proceedings' publication id and title.
15. Find all pairs of authors who always publish together.  
Answer: author ids and names of both authors.