COS 480/580 Fall 2021 <u>Midterm Exam 1</u> 50 + 10<del>\*</del> pts.; 60 minutes; 5 Qs; 8 pgs. 2021-10-07 12:30 p.m.

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## 1. (1 pt.)

## $\circ\,$ Read all material carefully.

- If in doubt whether something is allowed, ask, don't assume.
- You may refer to your books, papers, and notes during this test.
- E-books may be used *subject to the restrictions* noted in class.
- Computers are not permitted, except when used strictly as ebooks.
- Network access of any kind (cell, voice, text, data, ...) is not permitted.
- Write, and draw, carefully. Ambiguous or cryptic answers receive zero credit.
- Use class and textbook conventions for notation, algorithmic options, etc.

Write your name in the space provided above.

# WAIT UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO CONTINUE TO REMAINING QUESTIONS.

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3	10	
4	20	
5	20	
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2. (9 pts.) Consider a relation R(A, B, C, D, E, F, G) with the following basis of dependencies:

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} AB & \to & C \\ B & \to & D \\ DC & \to & A \\ CEF & \to & AB \\ FG & \to & C \end{array}$$

Provide a smallest (cardinality) instance of R that *violates* the dependency  $CEF \rightarrow AB$  without violating any of the other dependencies. Briefly explain why your answer is correct (including why no smaller instance suffices).

- 3. (10 pts.) Indicate which of the following dependencies are *logically implied* by those in the basis of Question 2. *Justify* your answers briefly.
  - (a)  $AF \rightarrow B$ .
  - (b)  $BCF \rightarrow A$ .
  - (c)  $EFG \rightarrow C$ .

4. (20 pts.) For the relation R of Question 2 (dependencies repeated here):

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} AB & \to & C \\ B & \to & D \\ DC & \to & A \\ CEF & \to & AB \\ FG & \to & C \end{array}$$

- (a) List **all** keys of R.
- (b) Explain your answer, noting why the keys you list are valid and also why there are no other keys.
- (c) How many superkeys does R have? Explain your answer. (You need not list all superkeys.)

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5. (20 pts.) Decompose the schema of Question 2 to BCNF. Show all intermediate steps and details, such as keys, projected dependencies, and decomposed relations, for each (recursive) normalization invocation.

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