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Sixth Exercise Set: SPARQL

Exercise 1

We write $P_1 \equiv P_2$ for two SPARQL queries P_1, P_2 if and only if P_1 and P_2 yield the same result on every possible RDF document.

Let A, B , and C be SPARQL graph patterns, i.e. they are composed of BGPs, Union, Join and Leftjoin. For each of the following equivalences either prove that it holds or show – by counterexample – that the equivalence does not hold.

Note that we use $\text{LEFTJOIN}(A, B)$ as an abbreviation for $\text{LEFTJOIN}(A, B, \text{true})$. Assume that filter conditions are built from variables, URIs, literals, the bound operator, equality and the logical connectives $!, \wedge, \vee$

- a) $\text{UNION}(A, A) \equiv A$
- b) $\text{LEFTJOIN}(A, A) \equiv A$
- c) $\text{JOIN}(A, A) \equiv A$
- d) $\text{UNION}(A, \text{JOIN}(B, C)) \equiv \text{JOIN}(\text{UNION}(A, B), \text{UNION}(A, C))$
- e) $\text{JOIN}(A, \text{UNION}(B, C)) \equiv \text{UNION}(\text{JOIN}(A, B), \text{JOIN}(A, C))$
- f) $\text{LEFTJOIN}(A, B) \equiv \text{LEFTJOIN}(A, \text{JOIN}(A, B))$
- g) $\text{LEFTJOIN}(\text{UNION}(A, B), C) \equiv \text{UNION}(\text{LEFTJOIN}(A, C), \text{LEFTJOIN}(B, C))$
- h) Let $?x$ be a variable that occurs in B . $\text{FILTER}(\text{LEFTJOIN}(A, B), \text{bound}(?x)) \equiv \text{JOIN}(A, B)$
- i) Let $?x$ be a variable that occurs in A and F and F be a filter condition. $\text{FILTER}(\text{JOIN}(A, B), F) \equiv \text{JOIN}(\text{FILTER}(A, F), B)$
- j) Let $?x$ be a variable that occurs in A and F and F be a filter condition. $\text{FILTER}(\text{LEFTJOIN}(A, B), F) \equiv \text{LEFTJOIN}(\text{FILTER}(A, F), B)$

Exercise 2

We consider the RDF database D from Exercise 1 on Exercise Set 5.

- a) Provide the relational database instance that stores the RDF graph D according to the Vertical Partitioning scheme.
- b) Translate the queries from Exercise 1 on Exercise Set 5 into SQL queries over the vertically partitioned scheme from part a).

Due by: December 8, 2010 before the tutorial starts.