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1. Relational Queries

1. Queries in Calculus, Algebra and SQL

Suppose there is a database with the Signature $\Sigma = \{\text{Movie}, \text{Schedule}\}$, which contains the relations

Both attributes, title and mtitle, refer to the title of a movie.

Consider the following queries:

- 1. Which theaters show some movies directed by Spielberg?
- 2. Which theaters do not show any movies directed by Spielberg?
- 3. Which theaters show only movies directed by Spielberg?
- 4. Which theaters show all movies directed by Spielberg?

Express each of the queries above in the three query languages of

- Relational Calculus
- Relational Algebra
- SQL.

2. Evaluation Cost of Relational Queries

Given

- a relational algebra query Q,
- a database instance I,

determine the worst case running time of a deterministic algorithm computing $Q(\mathbf{I})$.

- 1. Develop an upper bound in terms of the size of the query and the size of the instance.
- 2. Can you refine the upper bound by using another characteristic of the query than the size (= length of the string defining the query)?