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This homework assignment has 5 problems, for a total of 60 points.

- 1. (10 points) Moved here from H2.
 - A. A business service is characterized by the value it offers one or more stakeholders
 - B. A business service is characterized by an underlying or associated financial exchange
 - C. A business service offering is different from a goods offering in that a business service inherently involves coproduction
 - D. A business service is intangible but goods are tangible
 - E. Accounting and auditing are examples of business-level responsibilities that can be understood as crosscutting concerns on par with logging at a technical level
- 2. (6 points) Of the following statements, identify all that hold about XML.
 - A. XML is valuable for e-business because it provides the desired level of conceptual modeling needed in e-business
 - B. XML has a natural match with messaging middleware but can be effectively used even without messaging middleware
 - C. The XML Schema instance namespace offers some essential terms (elements or attributes) to be used within a schema-compliant XML document
- 3. (16 points) Of the following statements, identify all that hold about XML Schema.
 - A. Specifying the schema of an XML document helps catch certain errors in an incoming document even before trying to use that document
 - B. Using XML syntax for a language is most valuable from the tooling perspective, and not necessarily so for human readability
 - C. XML InfoSet specifies that the attributes of an element are unordered
 - D. XML InfoSet specifies that comments may occur only before the main element of an XML document
 - E. XML Schema provides a way to specify minimum and maximum bounds on the number of values an attribute of an element can take
 - F. Since attributes can only take string values, XML Schema doesn't allow types on attributes
 - G. In XML, a text node under an element includes the largest possible contiguous block of text not interrupted by a subelement
 - H. Attributes are a convenience but anything that attributes can represent we can represent using elements
- 4. (8 points) Of the following statements, identify all that hold about keys and other database-related concepts.
 - A. The document-centric view was generally not promoted by Database Administrators (DBAs) in large enterprises because they preferred to give a central role to existing enterprise databases
 - B. Although XML doesn't allow the keys on an element to refer to its parents, this is mainly based on implementation ease: there is no fundamental or logical reason why keys referring to parents could not be defined
 - C. To define a keyref presupposes that a correponding key or unique is defined

- D. Let K_1 be a key with one selector and three fields that applies on a context node. Let K_2 be another key on the same context node, with the same selector, and with exactly two of the three fields. Then given K_1 , K_2 is redundant
- 5. (20 points) Of the following statements, identify all that hold about XML keys, integrity constraints, and other aspects of relating XML to databases:
 - A. Common business documents such as real-life purchase orders and repair manuals are typically better treated in the document-centric view than the data-centric view
 - B. In the document-centric view, we would generally find real-life documents that have no or few elements with mixed content
 - C. The XML Root as defined in SQL/XML is identical to the root of the XML InfoSet
 - D. XML supports creating NULL elements for each element type that we wish to define as nillable
 - E. SQL/XML Publishing functions can be used in a SELECT query to output serialized representations of XML elements, possibly even including subelements and attributes
 - F. What makes it difficult to represent an XML document as a set of tables is that every table has a key but not every XML document has a key
 - G. Except for the introduction of XML Type as a data type, SQL/XML makes no substantial change to the traditional SQL DDL
 - H. In a number of settings, SQL/XML treats char, varchar, and clob as if they were more or less interchangeable string-like data types
 - I. SQL/XML SELECT queries output rows some of whose cell values may be XML elements
 - J. When defining a table in SQL/XML, the XML Type must always be marked NOT NULL, since we should express a null value in the style of (elem xsi:nil='true'/)