

# Database System

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# 4.1 Problems

- ◆ When we design a relational DB, the main objective is to **create an accurate representation** of the data, its relationships, and constraints.
- ◆ To achieve this objective, we must identify a suitable set of relations. **bad design or good design?**

S (sno, sname, DOB, sex)

C (cno, cname, credit)

SC (sno, cno, grage)

S (sno, sname, DOB, sex, cno, cname, credit, grage)

# Data Redundancy

- ◆ **Normalization** in this chapter is the technique that we can use to help identify such suitable relations.
- ◆ Major aim of **GOOD** relational database design is to group attributes into relations to **minimize data redundancy** and reduce file storage space required by base relations.
- ◆ Problems associated with data redundancy are illustrated by comparing the following **Staff** and **Branch** relations with the **StaffBranch** relation.

# Data Redundancy

**Staff**

staffNo	sName	position	salary	branchNo
SL21	John White	Manager	30000	B005
SG37	Ann Beech	Assistant	12000	B003
SG14	David Ford	Supervisor	18000	B003
SA9	Mary Howe	Assistant	9000	B007
SG5	Susan Brand	Manager	24000	B003
SL41	Julie Lee	Assistant	9000	B005

**Branch**

branchNo	bAddress
B005	22 Deer Rd, London
B007	16 Argyll St, Aberdeen
B003	163 Main St, Glasgow

**StaffBranch**

staffNo	sName	position	salary	branchNo	bAddress
SL21	John White	Manager	30000	B005	22 Deer Rd, London
SG37	Ann Beech	Assistant	12000	B003	163 Main St, Glasgow
SG14	David Ford	Supervisor	18000	B003	163 Main St, Glasgow
SA9	Mary Howe	Assistant	9000	B007	16 Argyll St, Aberdeen
SG5	Susan Brand	Manager	24000	B003	163 Main St, Glasgow
SL41	Julie Lee	Assistant	9000	B005	22 Deer Rd, London

# Update Anomalies (更新异常)

- Relations that contain **redundant information** may potentially suffer from update anomalies.
- Types of **update anomalies** include:
  - Insertion
  - Deletion
  - Modification

**Example** sct ( sno, cno, tno, sname, grade, cname )

S(sno, sname, age, sex)

C(cno, cname, tno)

SC(sno, cno, grade)

**Insert a new student:**

sno='s6', sname='张山' ?

's5' cancel course 'c1':

sno='s5', cno='c1' ?

'赵民' changes his name to 赵敏, need to do 4 times .

**SCT**

**PK=(sno,cno)**

Sno	Cno	Tno	Sname	Grade	Cname
S1	C1	T1	赵民	90	OS
S1	C2	T2	赵民	90	DS
S1	C3	T3	赵民	85	C++
S1	C4	T4	赵民	87	DB
S2	C1	T4	李军	90	OS
S3	C1	T4	陈江	75	OS
S3	C2	T2	陈江	70	DS
S3	C4	T4	陈江	56	DB
S4	C1	T1	魏致	90	OS
S4	C2	T2	魏致	85	DS
S5	C1	T1	乔远	95	OS

**update anomalies**

◆ insertion anomaly

◆ deletion anomaly

◆ modification anomaly

**Reason: Dependency  
among data is too strong.**



# 4.2 Functional Dependency

◆ Main concept associated with **normalization**.

## ◆ Functional Dependency

- Describes relationship between attributes in a relation.
- The Functional Dependency is specified as a **constraint** between the attributes.
- If A and B are attributes of relation R, **B is functionally dependent on A** (denoted  $A \rightarrow B$ ), if each value of A in R is associated with **exactly one value** of B in R.

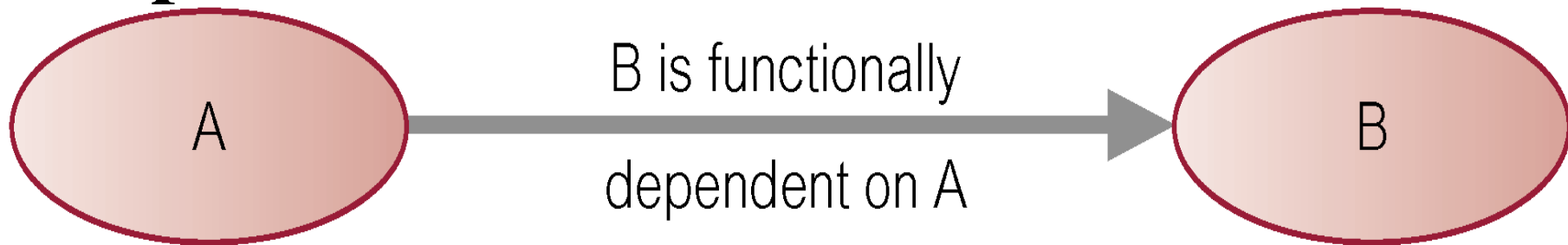
# Strict Definition of Functional Dependencies

➤  $X \rightarrow Y$  is an assertion about a relation  $R$  that whenever two tuples of  $R$  agree on all the attributes of  $X$ , then they must also agree on all attributes in set  $Y$ .

- Say “ $X \rightarrow Y$  holds in  $R$ .”
- **Convention:** ...,  $X, Y, Z$  represent **sets of attributes**;  $A, B, C, \dots$  represent single attributes.
- **Convention:** no set formers  $\{ \}$  in sets of attributes, just  $ABC$ , rather than  $\{A, B, C\}$ .

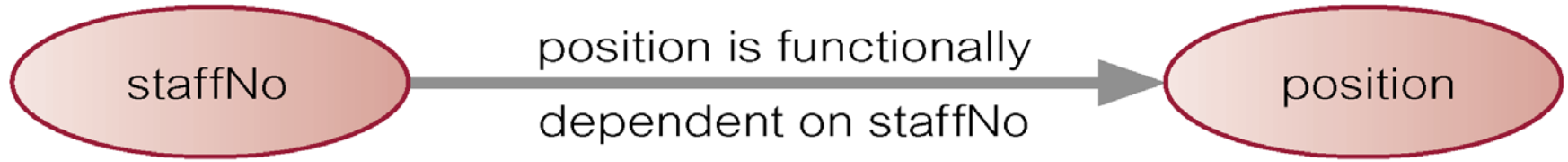
# Functional Dependency (FD)

- FD is a property of the meaning or semantics of the attributes in a relation.
- The **semantics** indicate how attributes relate to one another. Diagrammatic representation:

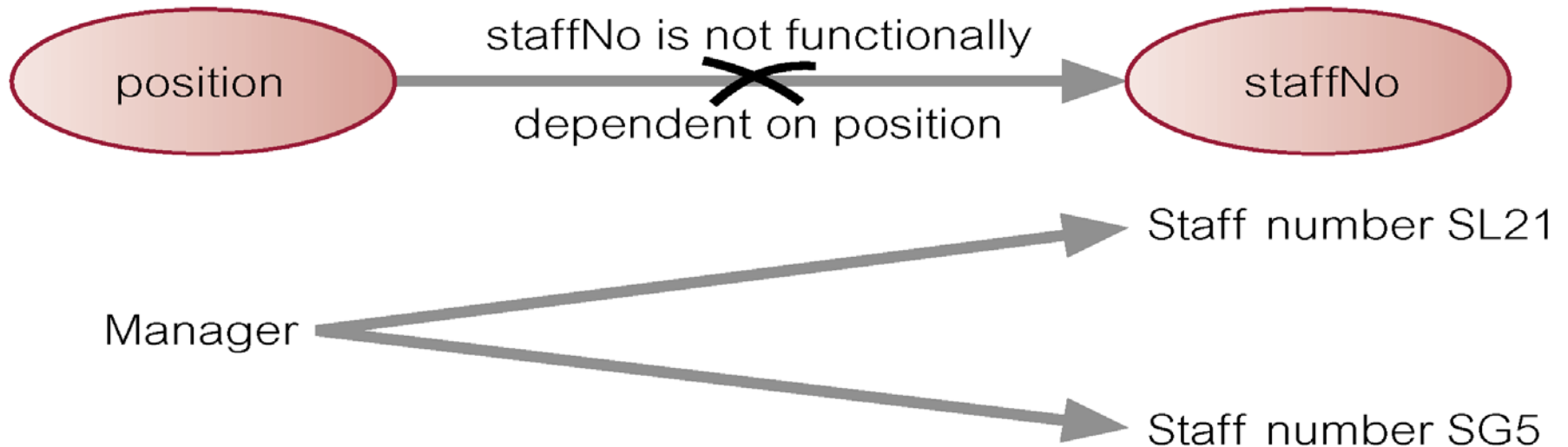


*Determinant* (決定因素) of a functional dependency refers to attribute or group of attributes on left-hand side of the arrow.

# Example - Functional Dependency



Staff number SL21 → Manager  
(a)



(b)

# Functional Dependency

Main characteristics of functional dependencies used in normalization:

- ◆ have a **1:1** relationship between attribute(s) on left and right-hand side of a dependency;
- ◆ **hold for all time**;
- ◆ are **nontrivial**. ( $X \rightarrow Y$  is **trivial** if  $Y \subseteq X$ .)

S(sno,sname,age,sex)

$sno \rightarrow sname$  ?      **Yes!**

$sno \rightarrow age$  ?      **Yes!**

$sname \rightarrow sno$ ?      **No!** It dose not hold for all time.

# How to determine the candidate keys

## ★ (1) Given FD set, How to determine the candidate keys (CK)?

- 1) If an attribute **does not** appear in FD's, then it must be included in CK.
- 2) If an attribute **does not** appear on the right side of any FD, then it must be included in CK.
- 3) If the attribute or attribute set can identify one tuple uniquely, then it must be a CK.

# Example:

1.  $R(A,B,C,D), F=\{A \rightarrow D, B \rightarrow C\}$

$CK = (A,B)$

2.  $R(A,B,C,D), F=\{A \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow C\}$

$CK = (A,B)$

3.  $R(A,B,C,D), F=\{A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow C\}$

$CK = (A,B,D)$

## ★ (2) If FD's is not given, How to determine the candidate keys (CK)?

We can determine the candidate keys based on the semantic description of DB, at the same time we also can give the FD's on the relation schema.

★ If the entire tuple is CK, it is call **Full-Key**.

e.g.  $R(P,W,A)$ , P is the player number.

W is the work number. A is the audient number.

Its CK is  $(P,W,A)$ , Full-key.



**Example:** **R1(zip, city, street)**

**F1 = {zip  $\rightarrow$  city, (city, street)  $\rightarrow$  zip}**

**CK1 = (city, street)**

**CK2 = (zip, street)**

**R2 (sno, sname, cno, grade)**

**F2 = {sno  $\rightarrow$  sname, sname  $\rightarrow$  sno, (sno, cno)  $\rightarrow$  grade}**

**CK1 = (sno, cno)**

**CK2 = (sname, cno)**

**F2' = {sno  $\rightarrow$  sname, (sno, cno)  $\rightarrow$  grade}**

**CK1 = (sno, cno)**

# 习题

1.  $R=(A,B,C,D,E,G)$

$F=\{AB \rightarrow C, CD \rightarrow E, E \rightarrow A, A \rightarrow G\}$

Given  $F$ , find all the candidate keys in  $R$  .

$CK1=(A,B,D)$

$CK2=(B,D, E)$

$CK3=(B, C,D)$

# Chapter 4 Relational Data Theory

## 4.1 Problems

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# Inferring Functional Dependency

- ◆ We are given FD's  $X_1 \rightarrow A_1, X_2 \rightarrow A_2, \dots, X_n \rightarrow A_n$ , and we want to know whether an FD  $Y \rightarrow B$  must hold in any relation that satisfies the given FD's.
  - Example: If  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $B \rightarrow C$  hold, surely  $A \rightarrow C$  holds, even if we don't say so.
- ◆ Important for design of good relation schemas.
- ◆ The set of inference rules, called **Armstrong's axioms**, specifies how new functional dependencies can be inferred from the given ones.

## 4.3 Armstrong's axioms

Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be subsets of the attributes of relation  $R$ . Armstrong's axioms are as follows:

1. **Reflexivity** (自反律)

If  $B$  is a subset of  $A$ , then  $A \rightarrow B$

2. **Augmentation** (增广律)

If  $A \rightarrow B$ , then  $A \cup C \rightarrow B \cup C$

3. **Transitivity** (传递律)

If  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $B \rightarrow C$ , then  $A \rightarrow C$

We use axioms to normalize relations and remove the three kinds of anomalies.

# Splitting rule (分解律)

## Splitting Right Sides of FD's

- $X \rightarrow A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$  holds for  $R$  exactly when each of  $X \rightarrow A_1, X \rightarrow A_2, \dots, X \rightarrow A_n$  hold for  $R$ .
- **Example:**  $A \rightarrow BC$  is equivalent to  
 $A \rightarrow B$  and  $A \rightarrow C$ .
- There is no splitting rule for left sides.  
e.g.  $XY \rightarrow A$  without  $X \rightarrow A$  and(or)  $Y \rightarrow A$
- We'll generally express FD's with singleton right sides.

# Closure of F

The set of all functional dependencies implied by a given set of the functional dependencies  $F$  called **closure of  $F$**  (written  $F^+$ ).

在关系模式  $R \langle U, F \rangle$  中为  $F$  所逻辑蕴含的函数依赖的全体叫作  $F$  的**闭包**（**closure**），记为  $F^+$ 。

e.g.  $R=ABC$ ,  $F=\{\mathbf{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C}\}$ , calculate  $F^+$

$F^+ = \{ \Phi \rightarrow \Phi,$

$A \rightarrow \Phi,$	$B \rightarrow \Phi,$	$C \rightarrow \Phi,$	$AB \rightarrow \Phi,$	$AC \rightarrow \Phi,$	$BC \rightarrow \Phi,$	$ABC \rightarrow \Phi,$
$A \rightarrow A,$	$B \rightarrow B,$	$C \rightarrow C,$	$AB \rightarrow A,$	$AC \rightarrow A,$	$BC \rightarrow B,$	$ABC \rightarrow A,$
$\mathbf{A \rightarrow B,}$	$\mathbf{B \rightarrow C,}$		$AB \rightarrow B,$	$AC \rightarrow B,$	$BC \rightarrow C,$	$ABC \rightarrow B,$
$A \rightarrow C,$	$B \rightarrow BC,$		$AB \rightarrow C,$	$AC \rightarrow C,$	$BC \rightarrow BC,$	$ABC \rightarrow C,$
$A \rightarrow AB,$			$AB \rightarrow AB,$	$AC \rightarrow AB,$		$ABC \rightarrow AB,$
$A \rightarrow AC,$			$AB \rightarrow AC,$	$AC \rightarrow AC,$		$ABC \rightarrow AC,$
$A \rightarrow BC,$			$AB \rightarrow BC,$	$AC \rightarrow BC,$		$ABC \rightarrow BC,$
$A \rightarrow ABC,$			$AB \rightarrow ABC,$	$AC \rightarrow ABC,$		$ABC \rightarrow ABC$

} 43 FD in total,  $\mathbf{F \equiv F^+}$

**显然，  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C\}$  就是  $R$  上的最小函数依赖集。**



# Equivalence of Functional Dependency Set

## 函数依赖集的等价

- ◆ The **Closure** of functional dependencies for a given relation can be very **large**.
- ◆ It is important to find an approach that can **reduce the FD set** to a manageable size.
- ◆ Two functional dependencies **set**, F1 and F2, say F1 is **equivalent to** F2

$$F1 \equiv F2$$

if and only if

Every **FD in F1** can be inferred from **F2**, and every **FD in F2** can be inferred from **F1**.

# Example 1

$F1 = \{A \rightarrow BC, B \rightarrow C\}$ ,  $F2 = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C\}$

$F1 \equiv F2?$       Yes!

(1)  $F1 \Rightarrow F2$

According to **Splitting** rule, we have

$F1 = \{A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow C\}$

(2)  $F2 \Rightarrow F1$

$B \rightarrow C \Rightarrow B \rightarrow BC$  (Augmentation)

$A \rightarrow B \rightarrow BC$  (Transitivity)

## Example 2

$$F1 = \{AB \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow C\}, F2 = \{B \rightarrow C\}$$

$$F1 \equiv F2?$$

Yes!

$$(1) F1 \longrightarrow F2$$

Obviously

$$(2) F2 \longrightarrow F1$$

$$B \rightarrow C \longrightarrow AB \rightarrow AC \text{ (Augmentation)}$$

$$AC \rightarrow C \text{ (Reflexivity)}$$

$$AB \rightarrow AC \rightarrow C \text{ (Transitivity)}$$

# Equivalent FD set (等价的函数依赖集)

(1) Sets of functional dependencies may have **redundant dependencies** that can be inferred from the others.

– e.g:  $A \rightarrow C$  is redundant in:  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow C\}$

(2) **Parts** of a functional dependency may be **redundant**.

e.g. on **Right-hand** Side:  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow \mathbf{CD}\}$

can be simplified to  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D\}$

1)  $\because A \rightarrow \mathbf{CD} \therefore A \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  and  $\mathbf{A \rightarrow D}$

2)  $\because A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C \therefore A \rightarrow C \Rightarrow A \rightarrow AC$  (**Augmentation**)

$\because A \rightarrow D \therefore AC \rightarrow CD \therefore \mathbf{A \rightarrow AC \rightarrow CD}$

e.g. on **Left-hand** Side:  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, \mathbf{AC} \rightarrow D\}$

can be simplified to  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D\}$

1)  $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C \Rightarrow A \rightarrow \mathbf{AC \rightarrow D} \Rightarrow A \rightarrow D$

2)  $A \rightarrow D \Rightarrow \mathbf{AC \rightarrow CD \rightarrow D} \Rightarrow \mathbf{AC \rightarrow D}$

# Minimal sets of FD (最小函数依赖集)

A **Minimal cover** of a set of FD  $F$  is a minimal set of dependencies  $F_{min}$  such that

◆  $F_{min}$  is equivalent to  $F$ , i.e.  $F_{min} \equiv F$

◆ All functional dependency in  $F_{min}$  have **singleton right side**, and

◆ No attribute of **left-hand** side of each functional dependency in  $F_{min}$  is extraneous, and

◆ No **functional dependency** in  $F_{min}$  is extraneous,

# Minimal Cover

- ◆ Intuitively, a minimal cover of  $F$  is a “minimal” set of functional dependencies (最小函数依赖集) equivalent to  $F$ , having no redundant dependencies or redundant parts in dependencies.
- ◆ A minimal cover is **not unique** for a given set of functional dependencies, therefore one set  $F$  can have multiple minimal covers  $F_{min}$

# Computing a Minimal Cover

The **order** of the following three steps **is not fixed**. Different orders can get different results.

(1) For each functional dependency  $X \rightarrow Y$  in  $F$ , make  $Y$  include a **single attribute**.

It guarantees any attribute on **right-hand side (Y)** is not extraneous.

e.g.  $AB \rightarrow CD \Rightarrow \{ AB \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow D \}$

# Computing a Minimal Cover (cont)

(2) For each functional dependency  $X \rightarrow Y$  in  $F$ ,  
check if  $F \equiv F - \{X \rightarrow Y\}$  holds.

i.e. whether you can infer  $X \rightarrow Y$  using only FDs

in  $F - \{X \rightarrow Y\}$ ?  $X \rightarrow Y$  is extraneous?

if it does,  $X \rightarrow Y$  is extraneous and remove it from  $F$ .

e.g.  $F = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow C\}$

$\because A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \quad \therefore A \rightarrow C$

so  $A \rightarrow C$  is extraneous

$F \equiv F - \{A \rightarrow C\}$



# Computing a Minimal Cover (cont)

(3) For each functional dependency  $X \rightarrow Y$  ( $A \subset X$ ) in  $F$ , check if  $F \equiv (F - \{X \rightarrow Y\}) \cup \{A \rightarrow Y\}$  holds.

i.e. whether you can infer  $X \rightarrow Y$  using FDs in  $(F - \{X \rightarrow Y\}) \cup \{A \rightarrow Y\}$ ?

Any attribute on **left-hand side (X)** is extraneous?

if it does,  $(X - A)$  is **extraneous** attribute(s)

and remove  $X \rightarrow Y$  and add  $A \rightarrow Y$  in  $F$ .

e.g.  $F = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, AC \rightarrow D\}$

$\because A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \therefore A \rightarrow C \therefore A \rightarrow AC \rightarrow D$

$\because A \rightarrow D \therefore AC \rightarrow DC \rightarrow D \therefore AC \rightarrow D$

$F \equiv (F - \{AC \rightarrow D\}) \cup \{A \rightarrow D\} = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D\}$

# Example of Computing a Minimal Cover

Example1:  $R = (A, B, C)$

$F = \{A \rightarrow BC, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow B, AB \rightarrow C\}$

(1) decompose  $A \rightarrow BC$  to  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $A \rightarrow C$   
F is now  $\{A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow C\}$

(2)  $\because A \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow BC \rightarrow C \therefore AB \rightarrow C$   
then Remove  $AB \rightarrow C$   
F is now  $\{A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow C\}$

(3)  $\because A \rightarrow B$  and  $B \rightarrow C \therefore A \rightarrow C$   
then Remove  $A \rightarrow C$   
F is now  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C\}$

The minimal cover is:  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C\}$

# Example

**Example:2:**  $F = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow C\}$

$\therefore A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \therefore A \rightarrow C,$

so  **$A \rightarrow C$  is extraneous**

$$F_c = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C\}$$

**Example 3:**  $F = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow \text{CD}\}$

$\therefore A \rightarrow \text{CD} \therefore A \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D$

$F = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow \text{C}, , A \rightarrow \text{D}\}$

$\therefore A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \therefore A \rightarrow C,$

so  **$A \rightarrow C$  is extraneous**

$$F_c = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D\}$$

## **4.4 The Process of Normalization**

**4.4.1 Definition of normal form**

**4.4.2 Definition of normalization**

**4.4.3 Standards for schema decomposition**

**4.4.4 UNF & 1NF & 2NF**

**4.4.5 3NF & BCNF**

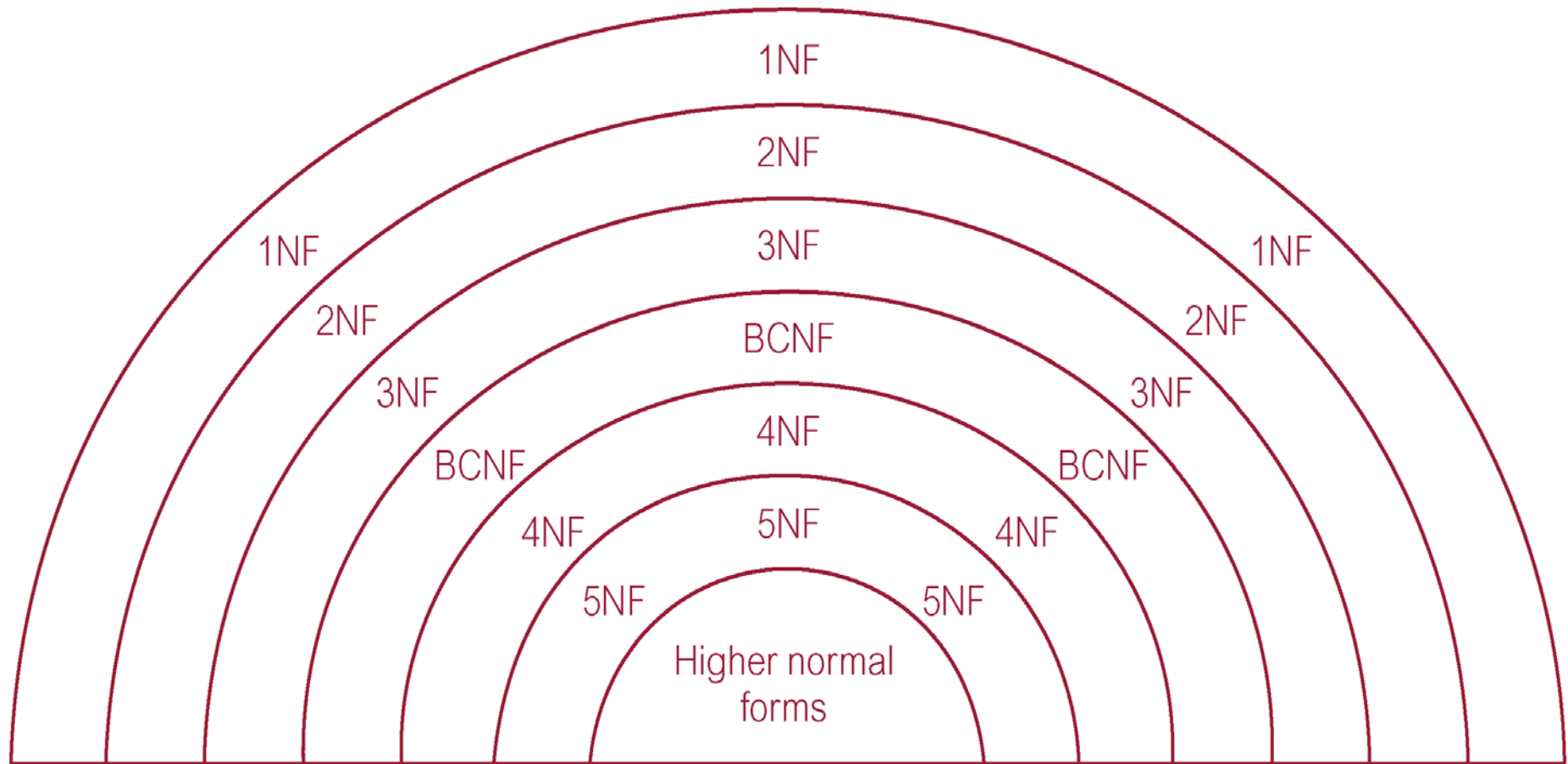
## 4.4 The Process of Normalization

- ◆ **Normalization** is a formal technique (形式化技術) for analyzing a relation based on its **primary key** and **functional dependencies** between its attributes.
- ◆ It is often executed as a series of steps. Each step corresponds to a **specific normal form** that has known properties.
- ◆ As normalization proceeds, relations become **progressively more restricted** (stronger) in format and also less vulnerable to update anomalies.

## 4.4.1 Definition of Normal Form

- ◆ **Normal form** is the set of relation schema that conform to some specific requirements.
- ◆ Different level of normal forms conforms to different degree of requirements.
- ◆ Four most commonly used normal forms are first (**1NF**), second (**2NF**) and third (**3NF**) normal forms, and Boyce–Codd normal form (**BCNF**).
- ◆ All these normal forms are based on **functional dependencies** among the attributes of a relation.
- ◆ A relational schema can be normalized to a specific form to **prevent** the possible occurrence of **update anomalies** (更新异常) .

# Relationship Between Normal Forms



**1NF  $\supset$  2NF  $\supset$  3NF  $\supset$  BCNF  $\supset$  4NF  $\supset$  5NF**

## 4.4.2 Definition of Normalization

A relation schema in a lower level of normal form is transformed to a set of several relation schemas in a higher level of normal form through schema decomposition. This process is called *normalization*.

Simply put, schema decomposition is to distribute the data in one table into several tables.



## 4.4.3 Standards for schema decomposition

When we decompose a relation schema  $R$  with a set of functional dependencies  $F$  into  $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n$  we want

- ◆ **No redundancy**: The relations  $R_i$  preferably should be in either **Boyce-Codd Normal Form** or **Third Normal Form**.
- ◆ **Lossless-join decomposition**: Otherwise decomposition would result in information loss.
- ◆ **Dependency preservation**: Let  $F_i$  be the set of dependencies  $F^+$  that include only attributes in  $R_i$ .
  - Preferably the decomposition should be dependency preserving, that is,

$$(F_1 \cup F_2 \cup \dots \cup F_n)^+ = F^+$$

# Two important properties of decomposition

**1. *Lossless-join property*** enables us to find any instance of original relation from corresponding instances in the smaller relations.

In one word, **Information before and after decomposition are the same.**

# Example

$R(A, B, C)$ ,  $\rho = \{R_1, R_2\}$   $R_1 = (AB)$ ,  $R_2 = (BC)$ ,  
 $r_1 = \pi_{R_1}(r)$ ,  $r_2 = \pi_{R_2}(r)$ , 求  $r_1, r_2, m_\rho(r)$

**r**

A	B	C
a1	b1	c1
a2	b1	c2
a1	b1	c2

**r1**

A	B
a1	b1
a2	b1

**r2**

B	C
b1	c1
b1	c2

**$m_\rho(r)$**

A	B	C
a1	b1	c1
a1	b1	c2
a2	b1	c1
a2	b1	c2

**$r \leftrightarrow m_\rho(r)$**

**So Lossy-Join  
Decomposition**

# Two important properties of decomposition

**2. *Dependency preservation property*** enables us to enforce a constraint on original relation by enforcing some constraint on each of the smaller relations.

**In one word, the sets of functional dependency keep equivalent before and after decomposition.**

**Example**  $R(\text{sno}, \text{dept}, \text{director}), \rho = \{R_1, R_2\}$

$F = \{ \text{sno} \rightarrow \text{dept}, \text{dept} \rightarrow \text{director} \}$

$R_1 = (\text{sno}, \text{dept}), R_2 = (\text{sno}, \text{director})$ ,

$r_1 = \pi_{R_1}(r), r_2 = \pi_{R_2}(r), \text{求 } r_1, r_2, m_\rho(r)$

$r$	sno	dept	director
	s1	d1	John
	s2	d1	John
	s3	d2	Kate
	s4	d3	Jane

$r_1$	sno	dept
	s1	d1
	s2	d1
	s3	d2
	s4	d3

$r_2$	sno	director
	s1	John
	s2	John
	s3	Kate
	s4	Jane

$m_\rho(r)$	sno	dept	director
	s1	d1	John
	s2	d1	John
	s3	d2	Kate
	s4	d3	Jane

**It is Lossless-Join  
Decomposition, but it  
misses  $\text{dept} \rightarrow \text{director}$ .**

*No Dependency preservation*

## How to check if Decomposition is lossless?

- ◆ All attributes of an original schema ( $R$ ) must appear in the decomposition ( $R_1, R_2$ ):

$$R = R_1 \cup R_2$$

- ◆ A decomposition of  $R$  into  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  is lossless join if and only if at least one of the following dependencies is in  $F^+$ :
  - $R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1 - R_2$
  - $R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - R_1$

# Example

$R = (A, B, C)$  ,  $F = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C\}$

Can be decomposed in 3 different ways

(1)  $R_1 = (A, B)$ ,  $R_2 = (B, C)$

- Lossless-join decomposition:

$R_1 \cap R_2 = \{B\}$  ,  $R_2 - R_1 = \{C\}$  and  $B \rightarrow C$

- Dependency preserving

*Both  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $B \rightarrow C$  hold.*

(2)  $R_1 = (A, B)$ ,  $R_2 = (A, C)$

- Lossless-join decomposition:

$R_1 \cap R_2 = \{A\}$  ,  $R_1 - R_2 = \{B\}$  and  $A \rightarrow B$

- Not dependency preserving

$A \rightarrow B$  hold, but  $B \rightarrow C$  does not hold

# Example

$R = (A, B, C)$  ,  $F = \{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C\}$

(3)  $R_1 = (A, C)$ ,  $R_2 = (B, C)$

– Lossy-join decomposition:

$R_1 \cap R_2 = \{C\}$  ,  $R_1 - R_2 = \{A\}$  and  $R_2 - R_1 = \{B\}$

But neither  $C \rightarrow A$  nor  $C \rightarrow B$  holds.

– No Dependency preserving

$B \rightarrow C$  holds. But  $A \rightarrow B$  dose not hold.



# Algorithm of Checking Lossless-Join

Input:  $R(U, F, \rho)$

$U = A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_n,$

FD  $F,$

decomposition  $\rho = \{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k\}$

output :

return **True** if  $\rho$  keep Lossless-Join property,  
otherwise return **False**.

Check-Lossless ( $R, F, \rho$ )

```
{ Construct the initial table  $R_\rho$  ;  
  for (each FD  $X \rightarrow Y$  in  $F$ )  
    { if( $t_{i1}[X]=t_{i2}[X]=\dots=t_{im}[X]$  in  $R_\rho$ )  
      { make  $t_{i1}[Y], t_{i2}[Y], \dots, t_{im}[Y]$  get the same value }  
      if (there is a line like  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  in  $R_\rho$ )  
        { return True ; }  
    }  
  if (there is a line like  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  in  $R_\rho$ )  
    { return True; } else { return false ; }  
}
```

**Example1:** Given  $R(U,F)$  ,

$U = \{SNO, CNO, GRADE, TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

$F = \{(SNO, CNO) \rightarrow GRADE, CNO \rightarrow TNAME, \\ TNAME \rightarrow (TAGE, OFFICE)\}$

There are two decompositions as follows.

$\rho_1 = \{SC, CT, TO\}, \quad \rho_2 = \{SC, GTO\}$

where  $SC = \{SNO, CNO, GRADE\},$

$CT = \{CNO, TNAME\},$

$TO = \{TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

$GTO = \{GRADE, TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

Check if  $\rho_1, \rho_2$  keep Lossless-Join property.

**solution:**  $\rho_1$  is ,  $\rho_2$  is not.

$U = \{SNO, CNO, GRADE, TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

$SC = \{SNO, CNO, GRADE\}, CT = \{CNO, TNAME\},$

$TO = \{TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

$GTO = \{GRADE, TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

$\rho_1 = \{SC, CT, TO\}$

	SNO	CNO	GRADE	TNAME	TAGE	OFFICE
SC	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$b_{14}$	$b_{15}$	$b_{16}$
CT	$b_{21}$	$a_2$	$b_{23}$	$a_4$	$b_{25}$	$b_{26}$
TO	$b_{31}$	$b_{32}$	$b_{33}$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$

$F = \{ (SNO, CNO) \rightarrow GRADE, \\ CNO \rightarrow TNAME, \\ TNAME \rightarrow (TAGE, OFFICE) \}$

	SNO	CNO	GRADE	TNAME	TAGE	OFFICE
SC	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$
CT	$b_{21}$	$a_2$	$b_{23}$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$
TO	$b_{31}$	$b_{32}$	$b_{33}$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$

$\rho_1$  keeps Lossless-Join property.

$U = \{SNO, CNO, GRADE, TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

$SC = \{SNO, CNO, GRADE\}, CT = \{CNO, TNAME\},$

$GTO = \{GRADE, TNAME, TAGE, OFFICE\}$

$\rho_2 = \{SC, GTO\}$

	SNO	CNO	GRADE	TNAME	TAGE	OFFICE
SC	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$b_{14}$	$b_{15}$	$b_{16}$
GTO	$b_{21}$	$b_{22}$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$

$$F = \{ (SNO, CNO) \rightarrow GRADE, \\ CNO \rightarrow TNAME, \\ TNAME \rightarrow (TAGE, OFFICE) \}$$

	SNO	CNO	GRADE	TNAME	TAGE	OFFICE
SC	<b>a<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>a<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>a<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>b<sub>14</sub></b>	<b>b<sub>15</sub></b>	<b>b<sub>16</sub></b>
GTO	<b>b<sub>21</sub></b>	<b>b<sub>22</sub></b>	<b>a<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>a<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>a<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>a<sub>6</sub></b>

$\rho_2$  does not keep Lossless-Join property.

## 4.4.4 UNF & 1NF & 2NF

### (1) Unnormalized Form (**UNF**)

**A table that contains non-atomic elements.**

eno	name	salary		
		basic	bonus	tax
e1	John	\$900.00	\$120	\$45
e2	Lily	\$1200.00	\$180	\$96



## (2) First Normal Form (1NF)

- ◆ Domain is **atomic** if its elements are considered to be indivisible units
- ◆ A relational schema R is in the **first normal form** if the domains of all attributes of R are atomic.
- ◆ **A relation in which intersection of each row and each column contains one and only one value.**

# UNF to 1NF

Separate non-atomic elements into individual columns.

**salary**

eno	name	basic	bonus	tax
e1	John	\$900.00	\$120	\$45
e2	Lily	\$1200.00	\$180	\$96

**A relation schema in 1NF must not be good.**

**student**

sno	cno	sname	cname	grade	sex	credit
s1	c1	ss1	OS	79	f	4
s1	c2	ss1	DB	90	f	3
s2	c1	ss2	OS	85	m	4

# (3) Second Normal Form (2NF)

## ◆ Based on concept of **full functional dependency**:

- A and B are attributes of a relation,
- B is **fully dependent on** A if B is functionally dependent on A but not on any **proper subset** of A.  
If  $A \rightarrow B$ , and for any  $X \subset A$ ,  $X \nrightarrow B$ , then  $A \xrightarrow{f} B$

## ◆ 2NF - A relation that is in 1NF and every **non-primary-key attribute** (not a part of any candidate-key) is fully functionally dependent on any candidate key.

# Example 1

$R(\text{sno}, \text{cno}, \text{sname}, \text{cname}, \text{sex}, \text{grade}, \text{credit})$ ,  
 $R \in 2NF$ ?

sno	cno	sname	cname	grade	sex	credit
s1	c1	ss1	OS	79	f	4
s1	c2	ss1	DB	90	f	3
s2	c1	ss2	OS	85	m	4

No!  $F = \{\text{sno} \rightarrow \text{sname}, \text{cno} \rightarrow \text{cname}, \text{sno} \rightarrow \text{sex},$   
 $(\text{sno}, \text{cno}) \rightarrow \text{grade}, \text{cno} \rightarrow \text{credit}\}$

$\because CK = (\text{sno}, \text{cno})$  and  $(\text{sno}, \text{cno}) \xrightarrow{P} \text{sex}$

$\therefore R \in 1NF$

non-primary-  
key attribute

**Dose there exist three kinds of anomalies?**

# Decompose 1NF to 2NF

- ◆ Identify **candidate key** for the 1NF relation.
- ◆ Identify **functional dependencies** in the relation.
- ◆ If **partial dependencies** exist on any candidate key, remove them by placing them in a new relation along with copy of their **determinant**.

# Example 2

$R(\text{sno}, \text{sname}, \text{cno}, \text{grade})$

$F = \{\text{sno} \rightarrow \text{sname}, (\text{sno}, \text{cno}) \rightarrow \text{grade}\}$

**$R \in 2NF?$**

No!  $\because$  there is a non-candidate-key attribute *sname* which is partially dependent on the candidate key **(sno,cno)**.  $\therefore R \in 1NF$

**[ decompose ]**

$R1 = (\text{sno}, \text{sname}) \quad R2 = (\text{sno}, \text{cno}, \text{grade})$

**$R1 \ \& \ R2 \in 2NF$**

# Example 3

**R(sno,sname, dept,buildingNo)**

**F={sno→sname, sno →dept, dept→buildingNo}**

**R ∈ 2NF?**

sno	sname	dept	buildingNo
s1	ss1	CS	8
s2	ss2	EE	9
s3	ss3	EE	9

**Yes!** ∵ there is no non-primary-key attribute which is partially functionally dependent on any candidate key. ∴ R ∈ 2NF

**Dose there exist three kinds of anomalies?**

## 4.4.5 3NF & BCNF

### (1) Third Normal Form (3NF)

- ◆ Based on concept of **transitive dependency**:
  - A, B and C are attributes of a relation such that if  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $B \rightarrow C$ ,
  - then C is **transitively dependent on** A through B.  
(Provided that A is not functionally dependent on B or C).
- ◆ 3NF - A relation that is in 1NF and 2NF and in which no **non-primary-key attribute** is **transitively dependent** on any candidate key.



# Example 4

**R(sno,sname, dept,buildingNo)**

**F={sno→sname, sno →dept, dept→buildingNo}**

**R ∈ 3NF?**

sno	sname	dept	buildingNo
s1	ss1	CS	8
s2	ss2	EE	9
s3	ss3	EE	9

No!  $\because$  there is a non-primary-key attribute **buildingNo** which is transitively dependent on the candidate key **sno**.  $\therefore R \notin 3NF$

**Dose there exist three kinds of anomalies?**

**Yes!**

# Decompose 2NF to 3NF

- ◆ Identify the **primary key** in the 2NF relation.
- ◆ Identify **functional dependencies** in the relation.
- ◆ If **transitive dependencies** exist on the primary key, remove them by placing them in a new relation along with copy of their **determinant**.

# Example 5

**R(sno, sname, dept, buildingNo)**

**F={sno→sname, sno →dept, dept→buildingNo}**

**R1 (dept, buildingNo)**

**R2 (sno, sname, dept) ,**

**R1∈3NF? R2∈3NF?**

Yes!  $\because$  there is a no non-primary-key attribute which is partially or transitively dependent on the candidate key.

$\therefore R1 \& R2 \in 3NF$

**Dose there exist three kinds of anomalies? No!**

# Example 6

How about  $R(\text{sno}, \text{sname}, \text{cno}, \text{grade})$  and

$F = \{\text{sno} \rightarrow \text{sname}, \text{sname} \rightarrow \text{sno}, (\text{sno}, \text{cno}) \rightarrow \text{grade}\}?$

**$R \in 3NF?$**

Yes!  $\because$  there is a no non-candidate-key attribute which is partially or transitively dependent on the candidate key.  $\therefore R \in 3NF$

Dose there exist three kinds of anomalies?

Yes!

sno	sname	cno	grade
s1	ss1	C1	81
s1	ss1	C2	92
s2	ss2	C1	79

## (2) Boyce–Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

- ◆ Based on functional dependencies that take into account **all candidate keys** in a relation, however BCNF also has additional constraints compared with general definition of 3NF.
- ◆ BCNF - A relation is in BCNF if and only if **every determinant is a candidate key**.

## Boyce–Codd normal form (BCNF)

- ◆ Difference between 3NF and BCNF is that for a functional dependency  $A \rightarrow B$ , 3NF allows this dependency in a relation if  $B$  is a primary-key attribute and  $A$  is not a candidate key. e.g.  $R(\text{sno}, \text{sname}, \text{cno}, \text{grade})$   
 $\text{sno} \rightarrow \text{sname}, \text{sname} \rightarrow \text{sno}, (\text{sno}, \text{cno}) \rightarrow \text{grade}$
- ◆ Whereas, BCNF insists that for this dependency to remain in a relation,  $A$  must be a candidate key.
- ◆ Every relation in BCNF is also in 3NF. However, relation in 3NF may not be in BCNF.

# Boyce–Codd normal form (BCNF)

◆ Violation of BCNF in 3NF is quite rare.

(3NF中不是BCNF的很少)

◆ Potential to violate BCNF may occur in a relation that:

- contains two (or more) **composite candidate keys** (A candidate key that consists of two or more attributes.) ;
- the candidate keys **overlap** (i.e. have at least one attribute in common).

注:

1. 若3NF中存在重叠的复合候选码，则3NF可能是BCNF，也可能不是BCNF。
2. 若3NF中不存在重叠的复合候选码，则 3NF一定是BCNF。

# Example 7

$R(\text{sno}, \text{sname}, \text{cno}, \text{grade})$  and

$F = \{ \text{sno} \rightarrow \text{sname}, \text{sname} \rightarrow \text{sno}, (\text{sno}, \text{cno}) \rightarrow \text{grade} \}$

**$R1(\text{sno}, \text{sname})$  ,  $R2(\text{sno}, \text{cno}, \text{grade})$**

**$F1 = \{ \text{sno} \rightarrow \text{sname}, \text{sname} \rightarrow \text{sno} \}$ ,  $F2 = \{ (\text{sno}, \text{cno}) \rightarrow \text{grade} \}$**

**$R1 \in \text{BCNF? } R2 \in \text{BCNF?}$**

Yes!  $\because$  Every determinant is a candidate key

$\therefore R1 \& R2 \in \text{BCNF}$

Dose there exist three kinds of anomalies? **No!**



## **Example 8: R1(zip, city, street)**

**F1 = {zip  $\rightarrow$  city, (city, street)  $\rightarrow$  zip}**

**CK1 = (city, street)      CK2 = (zip, street)**

**two overlapping composite candidate keys**

**R1  $\notin$  BCNF**

## **Example 9:** R2 (S,P,J)

where S is the student number, J is course number and P is the grade rank in one course. Given one student and one course, there is unique rank to correspond to him or her. Given one course and one rank, there is unique student to correspond to this position.

$$\mathbf{F1 = \{ SJ \rightarrow P, JP \rightarrow S \}}$$

$$\mathbf{CK1 = (S, J) \quad CK2 = (J, P)}$$

**two overlap and composite candidate keys**

**R1 ∈ BCNF**

## **Example10:** R3 (S,T,J)

where S is the student number, J is course number and T is the teacher number. Given one student and one course, there is unique teacher to correspond to him or her. Each teacher teaches only one course.

$$F1 = \{ T \rightarrow J, SJ \rightarrow T \}$$

$$CK1 = (S, T) \quad CK2 = (S, J)$$

**two overlap and composite candidate keys**

**R1  $\notin$  BCNF**

# Conclusion: process of normalization

