

DATABASE SYSTEMS

Tutorial 5

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Problem 1. Consider the following set of FDs:

$$D \rightarrow AC, \quad AB \rightarrow DE, \quad FD \rightarrow E, \quad C \rightarrow F$$

(a) Determine whether each of the following FDs is implied by the FDs above:

$$\begin{array}{llll} AC \rightarrow E & BD \rightarrow EF & EF \rightarrow BC & BC \rightarrow BF \\ AD \rightarrow CF & ABC \rightarrow DF & DEF \rightarrow AB & DF \rightarrow AE \\ CD \rightarrow DE & BE \rightarrow AC & CD \rightarrow ED & DE \rightarrow AF \end{array}$$

(b) For each of the FDs in point (a) that are implied, give a derivation using the Armstrong's axioms.

Problem 2. Consider a schema with attributes A, B, C, D, E, F and FDs

$$D \rightarrow A, \quad F \rightarrow B, \quad DF \rightarrow E, \quad B \rightarrow C$$

(a) Find the prime attributes and candidate keys of the schema.

(b) Is the schema in BCNF? Justify your answer.

Problem 3. Let R, S and T be relations on attributes A, B, C . Given the following set of INDs:

$$R[A, B] \subseteq S[B, C] \qquad S[B, C] \subseteq T[C, A]$$

determine which of the following INDs are implied:

$$\begin{array}{lll} R[A] \subseteq T[A] & R[B] \subseteq T[B] & R[C] \subseteq T[C] \\ R[A] \subseteq T[B] & R[B] \subseteq T[A] & R[B] \subseteq T[C] \\ R[C] \subseteq T[B] & R[A] \subseteq T[C] & R[C] \subseteq T[A] \end{array}$$

Problem 4. Consider the schema over attributes A, B, C, D, E, F and the following set of FDs:

$$EF \rightarrow BC, \quad A \rightarrow D, \quad B \rightarrow AE, \quad BD \rightarrow C$$

(a) Find all candidate keys and prime attributes of the schema.

(b) Is the schema in BCNF? Justify your answer.