

1. Suppose we have a relation on attributes A, B, C, D, E, and F , and these functional dependencies hold: $S = \{B \rightarrow DE, BF \rightarrow C, CF \rightarrow B, DF \rightarrow AE\}$.

Solution.

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(a)

$$B^+ = BDE$$

(b)

$$CF^+ = ABCDEF$$

(c)

$$DF^+ = ADEF$$

(d)

$$BC^+ = BCDE$$

(e)

$$ABC^+ = ABCDE$$

2. Again,suppose we have a relation on attributes A, B, C, D, E, and F,and these functional dependencies hold : $S = \{B \rightarrow DE, BF \rightarrow C, CF \rightarrow B, DF \rightarrow AE\}$.

Solution.

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- (a) Does it follow from S that $B \rightarrow A$?

No, because A not in B^+ from Q1

- (b) Does it follow from S that $CF \rightarrow E$?

Yes, because E in CF^+ from Q1

- (c) Does it follow from S that $DF \rightarrow B$?

No, because B not in DF^+ from Q1

- (d) Does it follow from S that $BD \rightarrow C$?

$$BD^+ = BDE$$

So No, C not in BD^+

- (e) Does it follow from S that $BFC \rightarrow A$?

$$BFC^+ = ABCDEF$$

Yes, since A in BFC^+

3. Suppose we have a relation with attributes ABCDE and these functional dependencies $S = \{A \rightarrow D, B \rightarrow A, C \rightarrow A, D \rightarrow CE\}$ Project functional dependencies onto ABD

Solution.

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$$A^+ = ACDE \text{ so } A \rightarrow D$$

$$B^+ = ABCDE \text{ so } B \rightarrow AD$$

$$D^+ = ACDE \text{ so } D \rightarrow A$$

Dont have to consider superset of B , since it functionally determines all of ABD .

$$AD^+ = ACDE$$

which does not yield new FDs so the projection of S onto ABD is

$$\{A \rightarrow D, B \rightarrow AD, D \rightarrow A\}$$

4. Consider relation $R(A, B, C, D, E, F)$ with functional dependencies

$$S = \{CD \rightarrow A, B \rightarrow EF, A \rightarrow BC, F \rightarrow D\}$$

Create an instance of R that satisfies its FDs and has redundant data. Identify redundancy by circling a single value in the table that could be erased and yet we would know what its value must be. (what does it have to do with FDs)?

Solution.

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A	B	C	D	E	F
3	1	4	1	5	6
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Note the cell is colored instead of circled due to technical difficulty with latex. We can deduce the minimal basis for the set of FDs.