

Sample 3NF Problem

Questions

Consider a relation R with attributes $ABCDEFGH$ and functional dependencies S :

$$S = \{A \rightarrow CD, \quad ACF \rightarrow G, \quad AD \rightarrow BEF, \\ BCG \rightarrow D, \quad CF \rightarrow AH, \quad CH \rightarrow G, \quad D \rightarrow B, \quad H \rightarrow DEG\}$$

1. Compute all keys for R .
2. Compute a minimal basis for S . In your final answer, put the FDs into alphabetical order.
3. Using the minimal basis from part (b), employ the 3NF synthesis algorithm to obtain a lossless and dependency-preserving decomposition of relation R into a collection of relations that are in 3NF.
4. Does your schema allow redundancy?

Explain all your answers and show your rough work.