

### Dependency preservation Example

Decomposition  $D = \{ R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots, R_m \}$  of  $R$  is said to be dependency-preserving with respect to  $F$  if the union of the projections of  $F$  on each  $R_i$ , in  $D$  is equivalent to  $F$ . In other words,  $R \subset \text{join of } R_1, R_2 \text{ over } X$ .

Example 1: Let a relation  $R(A,B,C,D)$  and set a FDs  $F = \{ A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D \}$  are given.

A relation  $R$  is decomposed into -

$R_1 = (A, B, C)$  with FDs  $F_1 = \{ A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C \}$ , and

$R_2 = (C, D)$  with FDs  $F_2 = \{ C \rightarrow D \}$ .

$F' = F_1 \cup F_2 = \{ A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D \}$

so,  $F' = F$ .

And so,  $F'_+ = F_+$ .

Example 2:  $R(A,B,C)$  is decomposed into  $R_1(A,B)$  and  $R_2(B,C)$

The relation  $R$  contains following data.

A	B	C
1	1	1
2	1	2
3	2	1
4	2	2

Answer:

Here the FD's for  $R$ ,  $F = \{ A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, BC \rightarrow A \}$

Now for  $R_1(A,B)$  the relation would be

A	B
1	1
2	1
3	2
4	2

Hence,  $F_1 = \{ A \rightarrow B \}$

Now for  $R_2(B,C)$  the relation would be

B	C
1	1
1	2
2	1
2	2

Hence  $F2 = \{ \}$

Here,  $F \neq F1 \cup F2$

Hence the relation is not dependency preserved.

Example 3:  $R(A,B,C,D,E)$  and  $F = \{ A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow A \}$

and  $R1(A,B,C)$  and  $R2(C,D,E)$

Answer: **For  $R1(A,B,C)$  we will find  $F1$**

We need to find closure of A,B,C

$A^+ = \{ A, B, C, \emptyset \}$  hence FD will be  $A \rightarrow BC$

$B^+ = \{ B, C, \emptyset, A \}$  hence FD will be  $B \rightarrow CA$

$C^+ = \{ C, \emptyset, A, B \}$  hence FD will be  $C \rightarrow AB$

$AB^+ = \{ A, B, C, \emptyset \}$  hence FD will be  $AB \rightarrow C$  duplicate FD as  $A \rightarrow C$  and definitely  $AB \rightarrow C$ . Hence we will discard it.

$AC^+ = \{ A, C, B, \emptyset \}$  hence FD will be  $AC \rightarrow B$  hence duplicated

$BC^+ = \{ B, C, \emptyset, A \}$  hence FD will be  $BC \rightarrow A$  hence duplicated.

$ABC^+$  no need to calculate as it is trivial dependency,

**Hence  $F1 = \{ A \rightarrow BC, B \rightarrow CA, C \rightarrow AB \}$**

**For  $R2(C,D,E)$  we will find  $F2$**

$C^+ = \{ C, D, A, B \}$  hence FD will be  $C \rightarrow D$

$D^+ = \{ D, A, B, C \}$  hence FD will be  $D \rightarrow C$

$E^+ = \{ E \}$

$CD^+ = \{ C, D, A, B \}$

$DE^+ = \{ D, E, A, B, C \}$  hence FD will be  $DE \rightarrow C$  which is duplicated as  $D \rightarrow C$ .

$CE^+ = \{ C, E, D, A, B \}$  hence FD will be  $CE \rightarrow D$  duplicated as  $C \rightarrow D$

**Hence  $F2 = \{ C \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow C \}$**

For dependency preservation,  $F = F1 \cup F2$

$F1 \cup F2 = \{ A \rightarrow BC, B \rightarrow CA, C \rightarrow AB, C \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow C \}$

Simplified  $F1 \cup F2$  after applying Armstrong's axiom:

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

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

**For,  $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D$  they are part of  $F1 \cup F2$  but  $D \rightarrow A$  is not a part of  $F1 \cup F2$ , Hence find  $D^+$  from  $F1 \cup F2$**

$D^+ = \{ D, C, A, B \}$  here A is in closure of D hence  $D \rightarrow A$  is already preserved.

**Hence This relation R is dependency preserved.**