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1. (a) First find the closure for the left side of each dependency
 $LP R^+ = LPQRST$
 $LR^+ = LRST$
 $M^+ = LMO$
 $MR^+ = LMNORST$
Since none of the closures of the FDs cover every element, all of the FDs violate BCNF.
- (b) Decompose V using FD $MR \rightarrow N$. $MR^+ = LMNORST$
 $T_1 = MPQR$ and $T_2 = LMNORST$
Since none of the FDs project onto T_1 , it is in BCNF and has no FDs.

Decompose V_2 using FD $M \rightarrow LO$ since M is not a superkey.
 $M^+ = LMO$
 $T_2 = LMO$ and $T_3 = MRST$
 T_2 is in BCNF because the only projected FD is $M \rightarrow LO$
and M is a superkey for LMO .
 T_3 is also in BCNF because the only projected FD is $MR^+ = ST$
and MR is a superkey for $MRST$.

Using $V_1 = T_2, V_2 = T_1, V_3 = T_3$
Therefore, we end up with 3 tables in BCNF:
 $V_1 = LMO$
with FD = $\{ M \rightarrow LO \}$
 $V_2 = MPQR$
with no FDs
 $V_3 = MRST$
with FD = $\{ MR \rightarrow ST \}$

2. (a) First, split the RHS of each FD in T

1. $AB \rightarrow C$
2. $AB \rightarrow D$
3. $ACDE \rightarrow B$
4. $ACDE \rightarrow F$
5. $B \rightarrow A$
6. $B \rightarrow C$
7. $B \rightarrow D$
8. $CD \rightarrow A$
9. $CD \rightarrow F$
10. $CDE \rightarrow F$
11. $CDE \rightarrow G$
12. $EB \rightarrow D$

Then, check if we can remove elements from left side of FD.

1. $B \rightarrow C$ discard A
2. $B \rightarrow D$ discard A
3. $ACDE \rightarrow B$ no discard
4. $CD \rightarrow F$ discard AE
5. $B \rightarrow A$ no discard
6. $B \rightarrow C$ no discard
7. $B \rightarrow D$ no discard
8. $CD \rightarrow A$ no discard
9. $CD \rightarrow F$ no discard
10. $CD \rightarrow F$ discard E
11. $CDE \rightarrow G$ no discard
12. $B \rightarrow D$ discard E

Then, reduce duplicates to get a new set of FDs.

1. $ACDE \rightarrow B$
2. $B \rightarrow A$
3. $B \rightarrow C$
4. $B \rightarrow D$
5. $CD \rightarrow A$
6. $CD \rightarrow F$
7. $CDE \rightarrow G$

Then, check each FD to see if it is redundant.

1. $ACDE \rightarrow B$ not redundant.
2. $B \rightarrow A$ redundant because $B \rightarrow CD$ and $CD \rightarrow A$,
so $B \rightarrow A$ is implied even if not specified.
3. $B \rightarrow C$ not redundant.
4. $B \rightarrow D$ not redundant.
5. $CD \rightarrow A$ not redundant.
6. $CD \rightarrow F$ not redundant.
7. $CDE \rightarrow G$ not redundant.

Therefore, the resulting minimal basis is:

$\{ ACDE \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow D, CD \rightarrow A, CD \rightarrow F, CDE \rightarrow G \}$

- (b) Since E never shows up on any right side of the FDs, we know it is part every key.

Since G only shows up on the right side of the FDs, we know it can not be a part of any key.

By calculating the closures of each combination with above conditions, we come up with a key of BE because $BE^+ = ABCDEFG$.

- (c) Simply create new tables for each FD of the minimal basis.

$P_1 = ABCDE$

$P_2 = ACDF$

$P_4 = CDEG$

Since the key shows up in P_1 , we don't need to add another table.

- (d) Since the $B \rightarrow CD$ is a non-trivial FD in P_1 , but $B^+ = ABCD$ and does not include E , meaning B is not a superkey. This violates BCNF, which means there is redundancy in the table.