

# Homework 6

8.28:

relation  $r$  such as:

A	B	C	D	E
a <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>1</sub>	e <sub>1</sub>
a <sub>2</sub>	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>2</sub>	e <sub>2</sub>

will result  $\pi_{A,B,C}(r) \bowtie \pi_{C,D,E}(r)$  as:

A	B	C	D	E
a <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>1</sub>	e <sub>1</sub>
a <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>2</sub>	e <sub>2</sub>
a <sub>2</sub>	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>1</sub>	e <sub>1</sub>
a <sub>2</sub>	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	d <sub>2</sub>	e <sub>2</sub>

which proves that  $(A,B,C), (C,D,E)$  are lossy decomposition

## Practice Problem 8.1:

if we do  $R_1 \cap R_2$ , we will have:

$$(A,B,C) \cap (A,D,E) = (A)$$

based on FD  $A \rightarrow BC$ , we will have  $\{A,B,C\}$

$$\text{Therefore, } (A,B,C) \cap (A,D,E) \Rightarrow (A,B,C)$$

shows that  $(A,B,C), (A,D,E)$  are lossless decomposition

8.29:

a. starts with  $B \rightarrow D$ , we had  $\{B,D\}$ , then

$D \rightarrow A$  leads to  $\{B,D,A\}$ , then

$A \rightarrow BCD$  leads to  $\{A,B,C,D\}$ , then

$BC \rightarrow DE$  leads to  $\{A,B,C,D,E\}$

Therefore,  $B^+$  is  $\{A,B,C,D,E\}$

b.  $\because A \rightarrow BCD \therefore A \rightarrow ABCD$

and  $BC \rightarrow DE$

$\therefore ABCD \rightarrow DE$  by applying Reflexivity Rule

$\therefore ABCD \rightarrow ABCDE$



$\therefore A \rightarrow ABCDE$  by applying Transitivity Rule

$\therefore AF \rightarrow ABCDEF$  by applying Augmentation Rule

Therefore  $AF$  is a superkey

d. Because of the dependencies on the canonical cover,  
we had relations:  $(A, B, C), (B, D, E), (D, A)$

$\therefore F$  doesn't appear at initial Functional Dependencies,  
and  $F$  are not included in the above newly formed relations,  
we need one more relation with superkey  $AF$

Therefore, the 3NF decomposition of  $r$  are relations:

$(A, B, C), (B, D, E), (D, A), (A, F)$

e. Because all of the dependencies violate BCNF :  
 $A^+ = \{A, B, C, D\}$   
 $BC^+ = \{A, D, E\}$   
 $B^+ = \{A, B, C, D, E\}$   
 $D^+ = \{A, B, C, D, E\}$

So decompose the original relation based on  $D \rightarrow A$ , we had:

$(B, C, D, E, F), (D, A)$

To further decompose  $(BCDEF)$  because it still violates BCNF, we had

$(B, C, F), (B, C, D, E), (D, A)$

and now they are all in the BCNF

Therefore, the BCNF decomposition of  $r$  are relations:

$(B, C, F), (B, C, D, E), (D, A).$