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Group Assignment 3 – **SOLUTIONS**
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I. Database Design (25 marks)

Question 1 (10 marks)

From the `Schedule` relation, you are required to represent the following additional information:

- a) No professor can be assigned to teach two (or more) courses on the same day and time.
ANSWER: $\text{professor, day, time} \rightarrow \text{course}$
- b) There is at most one teaching assistant per course.
ANSWER: $\text{course} \rightarrow \text{teaching assistant}$
- c) No two (or more) courses can be assigned to the same location on the same day and time.
ANSWER: $\text{location, day, time} \rightarrow \text{course}$
- d) No two (or more) professors can be assigned to the same location on the same day and time.
ANSWER: $\text{location, day, time} \rightarrow \text{professor}$
- e) The combination of course, day, and time will uniquely determine what professor is teaching.
ANSWER: $\text{course, day, time} \rightarrow \text{professor}$

Answer the following questions:

1. Given the additional information, a – e, list all of the functional dependencies that can be inferred. [5 marks]

ANSWERS ARE INLINE ABOVE

2. Dr. Strange will only be satisfied if your design is a good one (i.e. the schema satisfies either the 3NF or the BCNF). Is the design of your schema with the functional dependencies from part (1), above, a good one? Justify your answer. If the design is not a good

one, provide a better one, using one of the decomposition algorithms discussed in class. [5 marks]

ANSWER: This is a BCNF Decomposition. The relation `Schedule` is not currently in BCNF as `course` \rightarrow `teaching assistant` directly violates BCNF. The decomposition should look like: $R_1(\textit{teaching assistant}, \textit{course})$ and $R_2(\textit{course}, \textit{professor}, \textit{location}, \textit{day}, \textit{time})$ along with the projected functional dependencies.

Please Note: Students are required to justify their answer (i.e. WHY is it in BCNF). **2 marks of 5** are allocated to justification.

Question 2 (5 marks)

1. List all of the functional dependencies that this `Relation Table` satisfies. [3 marks]

ANSWER: $C \rightarrow B$, $A \rightarrow B$, and $AC \rightarrow B$.

2. Now let's modify attribute **C**'s last record from c_3 to c_2 . What functional dependencies, if any, from question (2) part (1), above, have been changed? List them. Explain your reasoning in no more than two sentences. [2 marks]

ANSWER: The FDs are identical to above. The set is unchanged.

Question 3 (10 marks)

- (a) Candidate Keys: $\{\{C\}, \{H\}, \{A, D\}, \{D, E\}, \{D, F\}\}$. We can prove this by looking at the closure of each key:

$C^+ = C$
 $C^+ = ACFH \quad (C \rightarrow AFH)$
 $C^+ = ACFGH \quad (C \rightarrow ACG)$
 $C^+ = ACEFGH \quad (H \rightarrow EA)$
 $C^+ = ABCEFGH \quad (A \rightarrow B)$
 $C^+ = ABC \quad (AEH \rightarrow BD)$
 $\therefore C$ is a candidate key.

$H^+ = H$
 $H^+ = AEH \quad (H \rightarrow EA)$
 $H^+ = ABDEH \quad (AEH \rightarrow BD)$
 $H^+ = ABDEFH \quad (E \rightarrow F)$
 $H^+ = ABCDEFH \quad (DF \rightarrow AC)$
 $H^+ = ABCDEFGH \quad (ABD \rightarrow FGH)$
 $\therefore H$ is a candidate key.

$AD^+ = AD$
 $AD^+ = ABD \quad (A \rightarrow B)$
 $AD^+ = ABDFGH \quad (ABD \rightarrow FGH)$
 $AD^+ = ABCDFGH \quad (DF \rightarrow AC)$
 $AD^+ = ABCDEFGH \quad (BC \rightarrow EH)$
 $\therefore AD$ is a candidate key.

$DE^+ = DE$
 $DE^+ = BDEH \quad (DE \rightarrow HB)$
 $DE^+ = ABDEH \quad (H \rightarrow EA)$
 $DE^+ = ABDEFH \quad (E \rightarrow F)$
 $DE^+ = ABCDEFH \quad (DF \rightarrow AC)$
 $DE^+ = ABCDEFGH \quad (ABD \rightarrow FGH)$
 $\therefore DE$ is a candidate key.

$DF^+ = DF$
 $DF^+ = ACDF \quad (DF \rightarrow AC)$
 $DF^+ = ACDFH \quad (C \rightarrow AFH)$
 $DF^+ = ACDFGH \quad (C \rightarrow ACG)$
 $DF^+ = ACDEFGH \quad (H \rightarrow EA)$
 $DF^+ = ABCDEFGH \quad (AEH \rightarrow BD)$
 $\therefore DF$ is a candidate key.

Marking: **1 mark** per key = 5 marks, **2 marks** for correct use of axioms. If only the keys are found without use of axioms, you may award **0.5 marks** per key (max 2.5/7).

- (b) i. FALSE – 3NF decomp is different from closure.
 ii. FALSE – there are two 3NF decomp for this example

Marking: **1 mark** for correct FALSE response and **2 marks** for a sufficient justification/proof.

Given Functional Dependencies:

$DF \rightarrow AC$ $AEH \rightarrow BD$ $C \rightarrow AFH$ $C \rightarrow ACG$ $E \rightarrow F$
 $BC \rightarrow EH$ $A \rightarrow B$ $DE \rightarrow HB$ $ABD \rightarrow FGH$ $H \rightarrow EA$

Redundant	Minimal Cover	Minimal Redundant
$DF \rightarrow C$	$DF \rightarrow C$	$AEH \rightarrow D$ (E is redundant)
$AEH \rightarrow B$	$E \rightarrow F$	$ABD \rightarrow G$ (B is redundant) $ABD \rightarrow H$ (B is redundant)
$C \rightarrow A$	$A \rightarrow B$	
$C \rightarrow F$		
$C \rightarrow H$	$H \rightarrow A$	
	$H \rightarrow E$	
$C \rightarrow A$		
$C \rightarrow C$		
$C \rightarrow G$		
$BC \rightarrow E$		
$BC \rightarrow H$		
$DE \rightarrow B$		
$DE \rightarrow H$		
$ABD \rightarrow F$		

Eliminate Redundant FDs	Eliminate Unnecessary Attributes
$DF \rightarrow A$ (Redundant) $DF \rightarrow DF$ (Reflexivity) $DF \rightarrow C$ ($DF \rightarrow C$) $DF \rightarrow A$ ($C \rightarrow A$) $AH \rightarrow B$ (Redundant) $AH \rightarrow AH$ (Reflexivity) $AH \rightarrow AEH$ ($H \rightarrow E$) $AH \rightarrow DE$ ($AH \rightarrow D$) $AH \rightarrow HB$ ($DE \rightarrow HB$) $AH \rightarrow B$ (Decomposition) $C \rightarrow A$ (Redundant) $C \rightarrow C$ (Reflexivity) $C \rightarrow H$ ($C \rightarrow H$) $C \rightarrow A$ (Transitivity: $H \rightarrow A$) $C \rightarrow F$ (Redundant) $C \rightarrow C$ (Reflexivity)	$AEH \rightarrow BD$ $AEH^+ = \{ABEFH\}$ $AH \rightarrow BD$ (Min Cover) $AH \rightarrow AH$ (Reflexivity) $AH \rightarrow ABH$ ($A \rightarrow B$) $AH \rightarrow ABEH$ ($H \rightarrow E$) $AH \rightarrow ABEFH$ ($E \rightarrow F$) $AH^+ = \{ABEFH\}$ $\therefore E$ can be eliminated $ABD \rightarrow GH$ (B is redundant so remove it) $AD \rightarrow GH$ (Min Cover) $AD \rightarrow AD$ (Reflexivity) $AD \rightarrow ABD$ ($A \rightarrow B$) $AD \rightarrow FGH$ ($ABD \rightarrow FGH$) $\therefore B$ can be eliminated as we reached GH without the aid of B

$C \rightarrow E$ ($C \rightarrow E$) $C \rightarrow F$ (Transitivity: $E \rightarrow F$) $C \rightarrow G$ (Redundant) $C \rightarrow C$ (Reflexivity) $C \rightarrow H$ ($C \rightarrow H$) $C \rightarrow AEH$ (Transitivity: $H \rightarrow A, H \rightarrow E$) $C \rightarrow ABD$ ($AEH \rightarrow B, AEH \rightarrow D$) $C \rightarrow G$ ($ABD \rightarrow G$) $BC \rightarrow E$ (Redundant) $BC \rightarrow BC$ (Reflexivity) $BC \rightarrow H$ ($BC \rightarrow H$) $BC \rightarrow E$ (Transitivity: $H \rightarrow E$) $BC \rightarrow H$ (Redundant) $BC \rightarrow BC$ (Reflexivity) $BC \rightarrow BH$ (Transitivity: $C \rightarrow H$) $BC \rightarrow H$ (Augmentation) $DE \rightarrow B$ (Redundant) $DE \rightarrow DE$ (Reflexivity) $DE \rightarrow H$ ($DE \rightarrow H$) $DE \rightarrow A$ ($H \rightarrow A$) $DE \rightarrow B$ ($A \rightarrow B$) $DE \rightarrow H$ (Redundant) $DE \rightarrow DE$ (Reflexivity) $DE \rightarrow DF$ ($E \rightarrow F$) $DE \rightarrow C$ ($DF \rightarrow C$) $DE \rightarrow H$ ($C \rightarrow H$) $AD \rightarrow F$ (Redundant) $AD \rightarrow AD$ (Reflexivity) $AD \rightarrow E$ ($AD \rightarrow E$) $AD \rightarrow F$ (Transitivity: $E \rightarrow F$)	
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\therefore the minimal cover are:

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 A \rightarrow B & AD \rightarrow GH & AH \rightarrow D & C \rightarrow H \\
 DF \rightarrow C & E \rightarrow F & H \rightarrow AE &
 \end{array}$$

3NF Decomposition:

Step 1: Find the minimal cover.

- Found above

Step 2: Give all the FDs in minimal cover their own schema.

- $\{A, B\}, \{A, D, G, H\}, \{A, D, H\}, \{A, E, H\}, \{C, H\}, \{C, D, F\}, \{E, F\}$
 - $\{A, B\}, \{A \rightarrow B\}$
 - $\{A, D, G, H\}, \{AD \rightarrow GH\}$
 - $\{A, D, H\}, \{AH \rightarrow D\}$
 - $\{A, E, H\}, \{H \rightarrow AE\}$
 - $\{C, H\}, \{C \rightarrow H\}$
 - $\{C, D, F\}, \{DF \rightarrow C\}$
 - $\{E, F\}, \{E \rightarrow F\}$

Step 3: Check that all candidate keys are included in at least one schema.

- They are, so we can proceed to the next step.

Step 4: Remove all subsets.

- $\{A, B\}, \{A \rightarrow B\}$
- $\{A, D, G, H\}, \{AD \rightarrow GH\}$
- $\{A, D, H\}, \{AH \rightarrow D\}$
- $\{A, E, H\}, \{H \rightarrow AE\}$
- $\{C, H\}, \{C \rightarrow H\}$
- $\{C, D, F\}, \{DF \rightarrow C\}$
- $\{E, F\}, \{E \rightarrow F\}$

The keys from the above 3NF decomposition are: A, AD, AH, H, C, DF, and E.

Another minimal cover and 3NF decomposition solution is:

```
DF -> C   R1[DFC]  key DF
H  -> ADE  R2[HADE] key H
C  -> H    R3[CH]   key C
E  -> F    R4[EF]   key E
A  -> B    R5[AB]   key A
AD -> GH   R6[ADGH] key AD
```

Question 4 (10 marks)

I forgot to add the column for “strict” in the Assignment itself, this column is not required. It will NOT count towards the grades for this section.

Property Question	Serializable	Conflict-Serializable	View-Serializable	Recoverable	ACA	Strict
1.	✓	✓	✓	?	?	X
2.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
3.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5.	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓

Marking: **2 marks** per question. “?” must have associated justifications. For example, in Q1, we cannot decide whether it’s recoverable or not, since the abort/commit sequence of these two transactions are not specified.

Question 5 (15 marks)

Answers:

Question 2:

Auto-commit is off in Session A and thus the command "commit;" must be run to appear in Session B.

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM Accounts;
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+
| username | name          | balance |
+-----+-----+-----+
| capt     | Captain America | 1250.00 |
| hulk     | The Hulk       | 4750.00 |
| iron     | Iron Man       | 6000.00 |
| nat      | Black Widow   | 550.00  |
| thor     | Thor           | 4250.00 |
+-----+-----+-----+
5 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

Question 6:

Withdraw \$750 from Thor's Account:

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance-750 WHERE username="thor";
```

Deposit \$750 into Hulk's Account:

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance+750 WHERE username="hulk";
```

Session B: select * from Accounts;

```
+-----+-----+-----+
| username | name          | balance |
+-----+-----+-----+
| capt     | Captain America | 1250.00 |
| hulk     | The Hulk       | 4750.00 |
| iron     | Iron Man       | 6000.00 |
| nat      | Black Widow   | 550.00  |
| thor     | Thor           | 4250.00 |
+-----+-----+-----+
5 rows in set (0.01 sec)
```

Withdraw \$300 from Black Widow's Account:

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance-300 WHERE username="nat";
```

Deposit \$300 into the Hulk's Account:

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance+300 WHERE username="hulk";
```

What happens and why?

- Session B hangs as it is pending on the completed transaction (commit) from Session A.

- After you commit Session A, Session B completed it's attempt to transfer giving the following message:

Query OK, 1 row affected (47.33 sec)

Rows matched: 1 Changed: 1 Warnings: 0

Question 8:

The Hulk's balance is \$5800.00.

Question 10:

Transfer 80% of the Hulk's account balance to Captain America's Account. Commit the transaction.

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance*0.2 WHERE username="hulk";
```

- The Hulk has \$5,800. 80% is \$4,640.

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance+4640 WHERE username="capt";
```

Question 11:

Transfer 50% of Iron Man's funds to Captain America's Account

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance*0.5 WHERE username="iron";
```

- Iron Man has \$6,000. 50% is \$3,000.

```
UPDATE Accounts SET balance=balance+3000 WHERE username="capt";
```

WITHOUT COMMITTING!! Session B's Balances are:

```
mysql> select * from Accounts;
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+
| username | name           | balance |
+-----+-----+-----+
| capt     | Captain America | 5890.00 |
| hulk     | The Hulk        | 1160.00 |
| iron     | Iron Man        | 6000.00 |
| nat      | Black Widow    | 250.00  |
| thor     | Thor            | 3500.00 |
+-----+-----+-----+
5 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

NOTICE that it DOES NOT reflect the latest transfer from Iron Man.

For reference only, Session A looks like this prior to committing:

```
mysql> select * from Accounts;
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+
| username | name           | balance |
```

```

+-----+-----+-----+
| capt   | Captain America | 8890.00 |
| hulk   | The Hulk        | 1160.00 |
| iron   | Iron Man        | 3000.00 |
| nat    | Black Widow    | 250.00  |
| thor   | Thor            | 3500.00 |
+-----+-----+-----+
5 rows in set (0.00 sec)

```

Question 12:

If I implement the rollback, then I will have:

SESSION A:

```
mysql> rollback;
```

```
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)
```

```
mysql> select * from Accounts;
```

```

+-----+-----+-----+
| username | name          | balance |
+-----+-----+-----+
| capt     | Captain America | 5890.00 |
| hulk     | The Hulk        | 1160.00 |
| iron     | Iron Man        | 6000.00 |
| nat      | Black Widow    | 250.00  |
| thor     | Thor            | 3500.00 |
+-----+-----+-----+
5 rows in set (0.00 sec)

```

SESSION B:

```
mysql> select * from Accounts;
```

```

+-----+-----+-----+
| username | name          | balance |
+-----+-----+-----+
| capt     | Captain America | 5890.00 |
| hulk     | The Hulk        | 1160.00 |
| iron     | Iron Man        | 6000.00 |
| nat      | Black Widow    | 250.00  |
| thor     | Thor            | 3500.00 |
+-----+-----+-----+
5 rows in set (0.00 sec)

```