



# Prep7 - Part 2 of 2

## Functional Dependencies

Consider this instance of a relation  $R(L, M, N, O)$ :


L	M	N	O
8	5	6	0
8	5	7	0
6	1	8	9
7	1	9	8

Which of the following functional dependencies are satisfied by this instance?

- ☒  $LO \rightarrow M$
- ☒  $N \rightarrow M$
- ☐  $M \rightarrow O$
- ☒  $O \rightarrow M$
- ☐  $MO \rightarrow LN$

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## FD conclusion

Suppose a functional dependency is satisfied by an instance of relation  $R$ . Does that mean that the FD holds in  $R$ ?

- ☐ No, we need to see more instances of  $R$  before we can make this conclusion.

- ☒ No, we need to know that it must be satisfied by *every* possible instance of R before we can make this conclusion.
- ☐ Yes, this is sufficient to conclude that the FD holds in R.

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## How many, part 1



Suppose that we have a relation  $R(A, B, C, D)$ , and that  $B \rightarrow ACD$ . Suppose also that we have just a single tuple  $\{5, 2, 1, 9\}$ . How many more tuples can we add with the value 5 for A?

- ☐ none
- ☐ at most one, and the values of the other attributes can be anything
- ☐ at most one, but there are constraints on the values of the other attributes
- ☐ an unlimited number, and the values of the other attributes can be anything
- ☒ an unlimited number, but there are constraints on the values of the other attributes

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## How many, part 2



Again, suppose that we have a relation  $R(A, B, C, D)$ , and that  $B \rightarrow ACD$ , and that we have just a single tuple  $\{5, 2, 1, 9\}$ . How many more tuples can we add with the value 2 for B?

- ☒ none



- ☐ at most one, but there are constraints on the values of the other attributes
- ☐ an unlimited number, and the values of the other attributes can be anything
- ☐ an unlimited number, but there are constraints on the values of the other attributes

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## Equivalent sets of FDs



Suppose we have a relation  $R(A, B, C, D)$  and that this set of FDs holds in  $R$ :  $S = \{C \rightarrow D, A \rightarrow BC\}$ . Which of these sets of FDs are equivalent to  $S$ ?

- ☐  $\{A \rightarrow D, A \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D\}$
- ☐  $\{A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D\}$
- ☒  $\{A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D\}$
- ☒  $\{A \rightarrow BC, A \rightarrow D, C \rightarrow D\}$
- ☐  $\{A \rightarrow D, A \rightarrow B, C \rightarrow D\}$

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