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Multiple Choice

3/6 points (graded)

[Q1] Consider relation $R(A,B,C,D,E)$ with multivalued dependencies:

$A \twoheadrightarrow B, B \twoheadrightarrow D$

and no functional dependencies. Suppose we decompose R into 4th Normal Form. Depending on the order in which we deal with 4NF violations, we can get different final decompositions. Which one of the following relation schemas could be in the final 4NF decomposition?

☐ AE

☒ ACE ✓

☐ ABCDE

☐ CE

[Q2] Let $R(A,B,C,D,E)$ be a relation in Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF). Suppose ABC is the only key for R. Which of the following functional dependencies is guaranteed to hold for R?

☐ $ABE \rightarrow C$

☒ $BCE \rightarrow D$ ✗

☐ $ACD \rightarrow E$

☐ $ABC \rightarrow D$

Answer-Selection Feedback

Does the left side of the FD contain a key? It must, if the relation is in BCNF.

[Q3] Consider a relation $R(A,B,C,D)$. For which of the following sets of FDs is R in Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)?

☐ $AC \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow A, D \rightarrow C, D \rightarrow B$

☒ $A \rightarrow D, C \rightarrow A, D \rightarrow B, AC \rightarrow B$ ✖

☐ $A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow A, A \rightarrow D, AD \rightarrow C$

☐ $BC \rightarrow A, AD \rightarrow C, CD \rightarrow B, BD \rightarrow C$

Answer-Selection Feedback

$A^+ = ADB$, so $A \rightarrow D$ is a BCNF violation.

[Q4] Consider relation $R(A,B,C,D)$ with functional dependencies:

$A \rightarrow B, C \rightarrow D, AD \rightarrow C, BC \rightarrow A$

Suppose we decompose R into Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF). Which of the following schemas could **not** be in the result of the decomposition?

☐ AC

☒ ABD ✔

☐ AB

☐ CD

Answer-Selection Feedback

$A \rightarrow B$ but A is not a key.

[Q5] Consider a relation $R(A,B,C,D,E)$. For which of the following sets of FDs is R in Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)?

☐ $BDE \rightarrow A, AC \rightarrow E, B \rightarrow C, DE \rightarrow A$

☒ $ABE \rightarrow C, BDE \rightarrow A, BE \rightarrow D, CDE \rightarrow B$ ✓

☐ $AD \rightarrow B, ABC \rightarrow E, BD \rightarrow A, B \rightarrow A$

☐ $ACD \rightarrow E, AE \rightarrow C, CE \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow D$

Answer-Selection Feedback

For each given FD, the closure of the left-side attributes is $ABCDE$. Thus, the left-side attributes of each FD contain a key, and the relation is in BCNF.

[Q6] Consider relation $R(A,B,C,D)$ with functional and multivalued dependencies:

$A \rightarrow B, C \rightarrow D, B \twoheadrightarrow C$

Suppose we decompose R into 4th Normal Form. Depending on the order in which we deal with 4NF violations, we can get different final decompositions. Which one of the following relation schemas could be in the final 4NF decomposition?

☐ ABCD

☐ ABC

☒ BCD ✖

☐ CD

Answer-Selection Feedback

Compute the key(s) for R. Does every FD or MVD that holds for BCD have a key on the left side?

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