

Computer Science & IT

Database Management System



Relational Model & Normal Forms

Lecture No. 14



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Recap of Previous Lecture

- ✓ Topic Redundancy in relation because of FD
- ✓ Topic Second normal form (2NF)
- ✓ Topic Third normal form (3NF)
- ✓ Topic Boyce codd normal form (BCNF)
- ✓ Topic Decomposition of relation



Topics to be Covered



✓
Topic

Decomposition of relation



#e.g.

Given $R(ABCDEF)$ and $F = \{A \rightarrow BCDEF, BC \rightarrow ADEF, D \rightarrow \underline{E}, E \rightarrow F\}$

Find the normal form of the relation, and if relation is not already in BCNF then decompose the relation up to BCNF.

$A \rightarrow BCDEF$ (BCNF)
S.K

$BC \rightarrow ADEF$ (BCNF)
S.K

$\underline{D} \rightarrow E$ (2NF)
N.P.A. N.P.A.

$E \rightarrow F$ (2NF)
N.P.A. N.P.A.

C.K = A, B, C

P.A = {A, B, C}

N.P.A. = {D, E, F}

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

Not in 3NF because of $D \rightarrow E$ & $E \rightarrow F$

Decompose w.r.t. $E \rightarrow F$
 $(EF)^+ = \{E, F\}$

for lossless Join

$R_1(E, F)$ BCNF
 $F_1 = \{E \rightarrow F\}$ BCNF
PK: E

2NF

$R_2(A, B, C, D, E)$
 $F_2 = \{A \rightarrow BCDE \text{ (BCNF)}, BC \rightarrow ADE \text{ (BCNF)}, D \rightarrow E \text{ (2NF)}\}$
PK: A, BC

overall normal form of DB = 2NF

Lossless + Join decomposition

Dep. preserving decomposition

$R_2(A, B, C, D, E)$ is not in 3NF because of $D \rightarrow E$

\therefore Decompose w.r.t. $D \rightarrow E$ for lossless

$(DE)^+ = \{D, E\}$

$R_1(E, F)$ BCNF
 $F_1 = \{E \rightarrow F\}$ BCNF
PK: E

$R_3(D, E)$ BCNF
 $F_3 = \{D \rightarrow E\}$ (BCNF)
PK: D

$R_4(A, B, C, D)$ BCNF
 $F_4 = \{A \rightarrow BCD \text{ (BCNF)}, BC \rightarrow AD \text{ (BCNF)}\}$
PK: A, BC

3NF + BCNF

lossless + Join

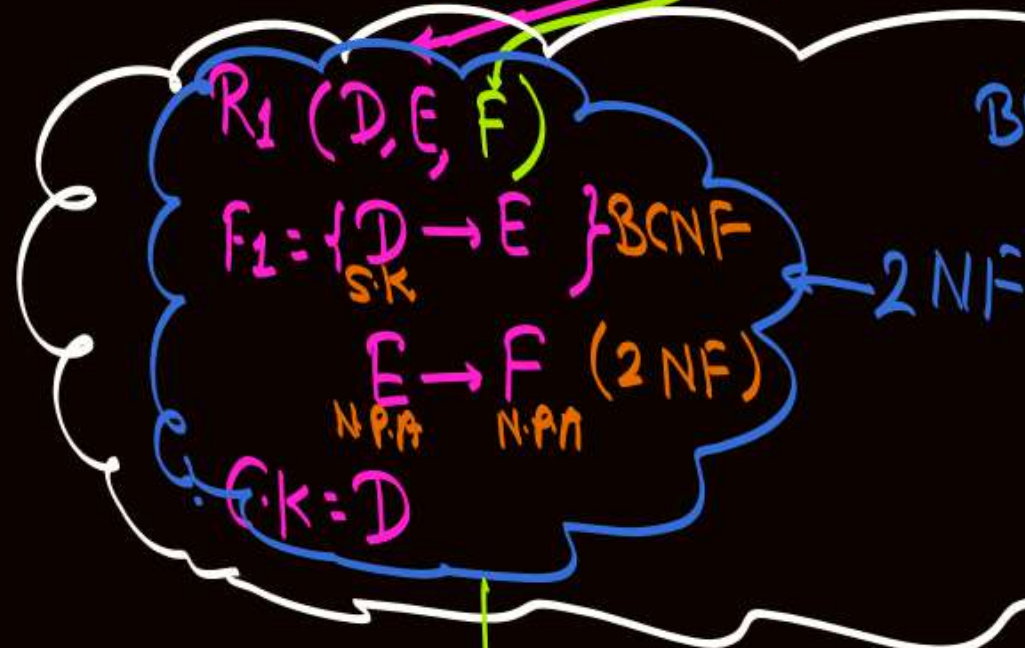
Dep. preserving

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

Not in 3NF because of $D \rightarrow E$ & $E \rightarrow F$

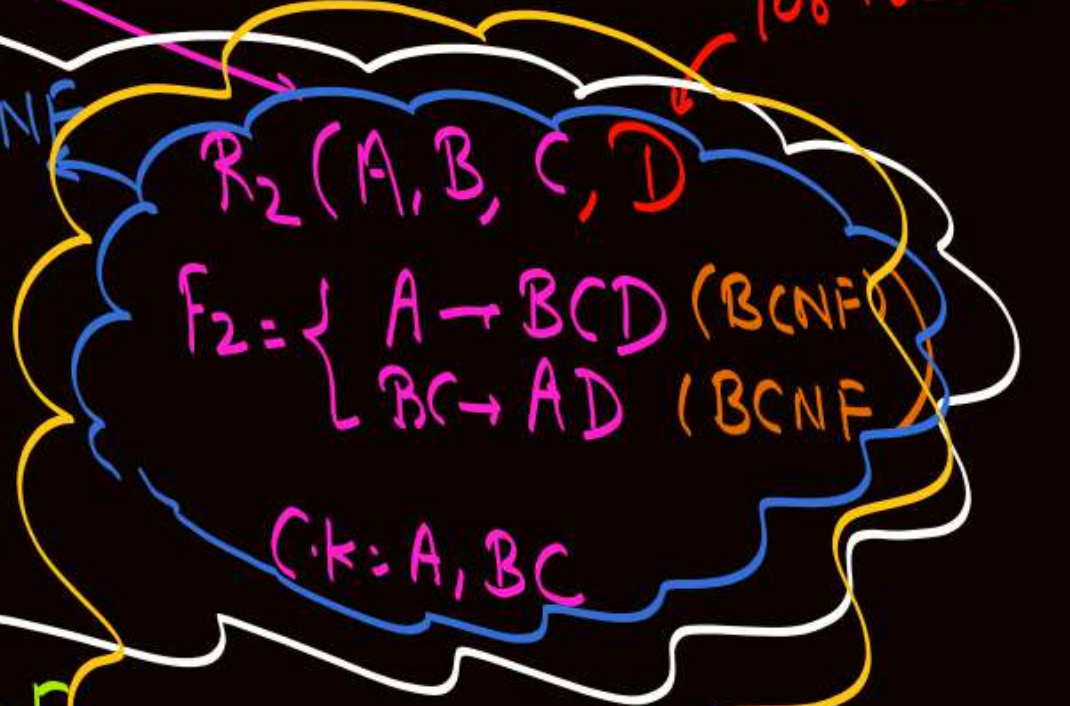
Decompose w.r.t. $D \rightarrow E$

$(DE)^+ = \{D, E, F\}$



BCNF

2NF

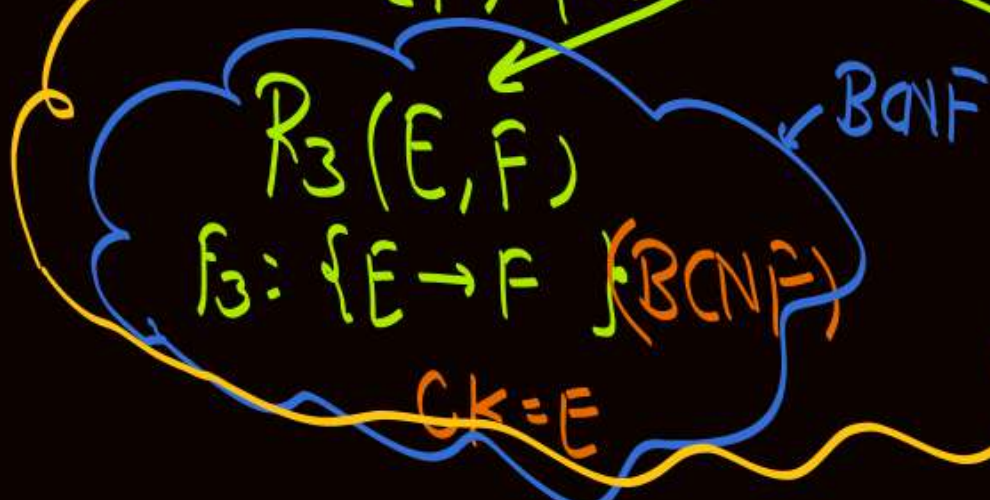


for lossless

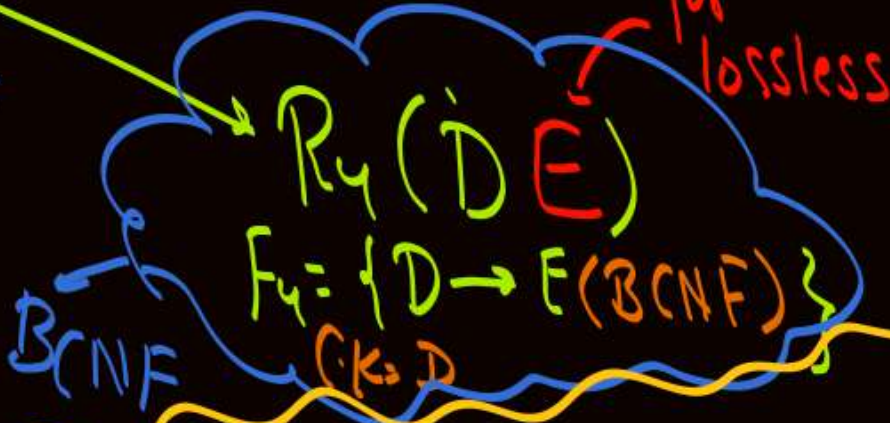
Not in 3NF because of $E \rightarrow F$

Decompose w.r.t. $E \rightarrow F$

$(EF)^+ = \{E, F\}$



BCNF



for lossless

BCNF + 3NF

lossless⁺ join decomposition

+ Dep. preserving

#e.g. Given $R(ABCD)$ and $F=\{AB \rightarrow C, BC \rightarrow D\}$

Find the normal form of the relation, and if relation is not already in BCNF then decompose the relation up to BCNF.

$\underline{AB} \rightarrow C$ (BCNF)
S.K

C.K = AB

P.A. = {A, B}

N.P.A. = {C, D}

Relation is in 2NF

$BC \rightarrow D$ (2NF)
(P.S.C.K + N.P.A.) \rightarrow (N.P.A.)

Case ②

{ Allowed in 2NF
but, not allowed in 3NF }

$R(A, B, C, D)$

not in 3NF because of $BC \rightarrow D$

∴ Decompose w.r.t. $BC \rightarrow D$

$(BCD)^+ = \{B, C, D\}$

$R_1(B, C, D)$

$F_1 = \{ \underbrace{BC}_{S.K} \rightarrow D (BCNF) \}$

C.K = BC

BCNF = BCNF

$R_2(A, B, C)$

$F_2 = \{ \underbrace{AB}_{S.K} \rightarrow C (BCNF) \}$

C.K = AB

for lossless

Overall Normal Form = BCNF + 3NF

+
Lossless join

+
Dep. preserving



#e.g.

Given $R(ABCDEFGH IJ)$ and $F = \{AB \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow DE, B \rightarrow F, F \rightarrow GH, D \rightarrow IJ\}$

Find the normal form of the relation, and if relation is not already in BCNF then decompose the relation up to BCNF.

$AB \xrightarrow{SK} C$ (BCNF)
 $A \xrightarrow{PSCK} \underline{DE}$ (1NF)
 $B \xrightarrow{PSCK} F$ (1NF)
 $D \xrightarrow{NPA} \underline{IJ}$ (2NF)
 $F \xrightarrow{NPA} \underline{GH}$ (2NF)

Normal form of relation is 1NF

C.K. = AB

P.A. = {A, B}

N.P.A. = {C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J}

R(A B C D E F G H I J)

Not in 2NF becoz of $A \rightarrow DE$ & $B \rightarrow F$
let us first decompose w.r.t. $A \rightarrow DE$

$(ADE)^+ = \{A, D, E, I, J\}$

$R_1(A, D, E, I, J)$

$F_1 = \{ A \rightarrow DE \text{ (BCNF)} \}$
 $\{ D \rightarrow IJ \text{ (2NF)} \}$ 2NF

CK = A

1NF

$R_2(A, B, C, F, G, H)$

$F_2 = \{ AB \rightarrow C \text{ (BCNF)} \}$
 $\{ B \rightarrow F \text{ (1NF)} \}$
 $\{ F \rightarrow GH \text{ (2NF)} \}$
CK = AB

1NF

lossless join

+
Dep. preserving

Not in 2NF becoz of $B \rightarrow F$
so Decompose w.r.t. $B \rightarrow F$

$(BF)^+ = \{B, F, G, H\}$

$R_3(B, F, G, H)$

$F_3 = \{ B \rightarrow F \text{ (BCNF)} \}$
 $\{ F \rightarrow GH \text{ (2NF)} \}$
CK = B

for lossless

$R_4(A, B, C)$

$F_4 = \{ AB \rightarrow C \text{ (BCNF)} \}$
CK = AB

2NF

+
lossless join

Dep. preserving

$R_5(D, I, J)$

$F_5 = \{ D \rightarrow IJ \}$
BCNF-
CK = D

$R_6(A, D, E)$

$F_6 = \{ A \rightarrow DE \}$
BCNF
CK = A

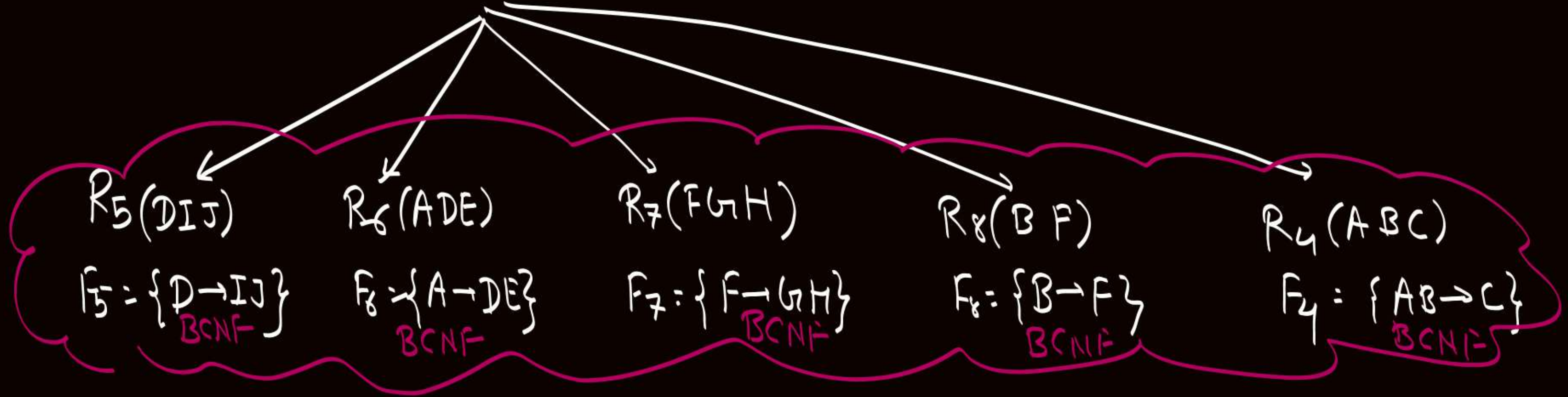
$R_7(F, G, H)$

$F_7 = \{ F \rightarrow GH \}$
BCNF
CK = F

$R_8(B, F)$

$F_8 = \{ B \rightarrow F \}$
BCNF
CK = B

$R(ABCDEFGHIJ)$



BCNF + 3NF

+
lossless join

+
Dep. preserving

#e.g.

Given $R(ABDLPT)$ and $F = \{B \rightarrow PT, T \rightarrow L, A \rightarrow D\}$

Find the normal form of the relation, and if relation is not already in BCNF then decompose the relation up to BCNF.

CK = AB

$R(ABDLPT)$ is not in 2NF Because of $B \rightarrow PT$ & $A \rightarrow D$
Decompose wrt $A \rightarrow D$

$(AD)^+ = \{A, D\}$

$R_1(AD)$

$F_1 = \{A \rightarrow D\}$ BCNF

CK = A

BCNF

1NF

$R_2(ABLPT)$

for lossless

$F_2 = \{B \rightarrow PT (1NF), T \rightarrow L (2NF)\}$

CK = (AB)

$(BPT)^+ = \{B, P, T, L\}$

Decompose wrt $B \rightarrow PT$

for lossless

$R_3(BPTL)$

$F_3 = \{B \rightarrow PT (BCNF), T \rightarrow L (2NF)\}$

CK = B

$R_4(AB)$

$F_4 = \{\text{it will be empty}\}$

2NF

Decompose wrt $T \rightarrow L$ & it will be in BCNF

$R_5(BPT)$ $R_6(TL)$
 $B \rightarrow PT$ $T \rightarrow L$

$R_4(AB)$
is a sub-relation
with Empty FD set

$F_4 = \{ \quad \}$

$CK = (AB)$

(i) If there are
no non-trivial FDs
in FD set of a relation,
then Candidate Key of that
relation will be formed by
Combining all the attributes
of that relation

it is in
BCNF

→ If there exist a
non-trivial FD $X \rightarrow Y$
in which 'X' is not a SK
then it causes redundancy.

↓
But if there is no
non-trivial FD, then there
will be 0% redundancy
because functional dependencies

↓
No redundancy because of FD
∴ A relation with Empty FD set
will always be in BCNF

#e.g.

Given $R(ABCDE)$ and $F:\{A \rightarrow BC, CD \rightarrow E, B \rightarrow D, E \rightarrow A\}$

Find the normal form of the relation, and if relation is not already in BCNF then decompose the relation up to BCNF.

$CK = A, E, CD, BC$

3NF

$R(ABCDE)$

Not in BCNF because of $B \rightarrow D$
∴ Decompose wrt $B \rightarrow D$

$(BD)^+ = \{BD\}$

BCNF

$R_1(BD)$

$F_1 = \{B \rightarrow D \text{ (BCNF)}\}$

$CK: B$

for lossless join
 $R_2(ABCE)$

$F_2 = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow BC \text{ (BCNF)} \\ E \rightarrow A \text{ (BCNF)} \end{array} \right\}$

$CK: A, E$

$A \rightarrow BCE$
 $E \rightarrow ABC$
 $BC \rightarrow AE$

BCNF
+
Lossless Join

∴ Not dep preserving

To Preserve $CD \rightarrow E$
We can create a new
sub-relation $R_3(CDE)$
 $R_3(CDE)$

$F_3 = CD \rightarrow E \text{ BCNF}$
 $CK: CD$

$(CD)^+$ wrt $F_1 \cup F_2 = \{C, D\}$
 $E \notin (CD)^+$ wrt $F_1 \cup F_2$

BCNF
+
Lossless join decomposition
+
Dep. preserving

Note ∴ While decomposing a relation into BCNF, and we loose some functional dependency then we will try to preserve those functional dependencies by creating new sub-relations w.r.t. those functional dependencies, if possible.
important

#e.g.

Given $R(ABCD)$ and $F = \{ \underbrace{AB \rightarrow CD}_{\text{BCNF}}, \underbrace{D \rightarrow A}_{(3NF)} \}$

Handwritten notes above the formula:
 $\underbrace{AB \rightarrow CD}_{S.K}$ (underlined)
 $\underbrace{D \rightarrow A}_{P.S.K}$ (underlined)
 $\underbrace{D \rightarrow A}_{P.S.K}$ (underlined)

Find the normal form of the relation, and if relation is not already in BCNF then decompose the relation up to BCNF. $CK = (AB), (DB)$

$R(ABCD)$ is not in BCNF because of $D \rightarrow A$
∴ Decompose w.r.t $D \rightarrow A$

$$(DA)^+ = \{D, A\}$$

$R_1(DA)$

$$F_1 = \{D \rightarrow A \text{ (BCNF)}\}$$

CK: D

$R_2(BCD)$

$$F_2 = \{\underline{BD} \rightarrow C\} \text{ BCNF}$$

CK: BD

for lossless

BCNF
+
lossless Join

+
But not dep.
Preserving

To Preserve $AB \rightarrow CD$
We can not create a
sub-relation $R'(ABCD)$
because $D \rightarrow A$ will also
exist in $R'(ABCD)$

$$(AB)^+ \text{ w.r.t } F_1 \cup F_2 = \{A, B\}$$

∴ $AB \rightarrow CD$ is lost

And hence sub-relation will remain in 3NF
i.e., Normal form will not improve to BCNF

W.r.t. Relation $R(ABCD)$

& FD set $F = \{ AB \rightarrow CD, D \rightarrow A \}$

Dep. preserving decomposition
into BCNF
is not possible



Topic : NOTE

- ① We can always ensure Lossless join decomposition while decomposing a relation upto BCNF.
- ② We can always ensure dependency preserving decomposition while decomposing a relation upto 3NF.

But while trying to decompose a relation into BCNF some times it may not be possible to preserve some of the functional dependencies.



Topic : NOTE



- ③ Upto 3NF we can ensure both lossless join decomposition as well as dependency preserving decomposition { During BCNF decomposition we may loose some FDs }
∴ most adequate normal form of database is 3NF.



2 mins Summary



Topic

Decomposition of relation

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