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Database Systems (CS2005)

Sessional-II Exam

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Attempt all the questions.

CLO # 3

Q. No 1: Consider a relation R (A, B, C, D, E, F), with the set of FDs F= {AB→C, CD→E, EF→A, BC→ D, DE→F}. Find all possible keys (i.e. candidate keys) of this relation? Prove it. [5]

Ans: Keys are Ans: AB, BC, BDE, BEF.

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Q. No 2: Consider the relation schema R (A, B, C, D, E), with FDs F= {A→BC, BCD→E, BC→D, A→D}. Find a minimal cover of *F* (i.e. F_c). [5]

Ans: F_c= {A→BC, BCD→E, BC→D, A→D} i.e. F_c= {A→BC, BC→DE}.

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Q. No 3: Consider two sets of FDs, F and G, F = {A→BC, B→D, C→E, D→E} and G = {A→BC, B→D, C→E, BD→E, A→D}. Are F and G equivalent? Prove it. [5]

Ans: Not equivalent. F covers G, but G does not cover F, as FD: D→E is not determined by G.

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Q. No 4: Consider the relation R (A, B. C, D, E), with FDs {AC→B, D→E}. State which of the following decompositions of R relation are lossless decomposition. Prove/disprove it. [5]

a. R1(A, C, D), R2(A, B, C), and R3(D, E).

b. R1(A, B, D), R2 (A, B, C), and R3(D, E).

Ans: Key of R is {ACD}.

a. Lossless decomposition. R1(A, C, D), R2(A, B, C), R3(D, E); R1∩R2→R2 & R1∩R3→R3.

b. Lossy decomposition. R1(A, B, D), R2(A, B, C), R3(D, E); Only one condition is true i.e. R1∩R3→R3.

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Q. No 5: Consider the relation schema R (A, B, C, D, E), with FDs F= {AB → C, BC → D, D → E, AE → B}. Keys of this relation are AB, AD, and AE. Identify the best normal form that R satisfies (1NF, 2NF, 3NF, or BCNF). Justify your answer. If R is not in BCNF, decompose it into a set of BCNF relations and show your steps. Indicate which dependencies if any are not preserved by the BCNF decomposition. [5]

Ans: HNF=3NF as FD2/FD3 violate BCNF. BCNF Schema is R1(A B C), R2(B C D), R3(D E). FD4: AE→B is lost.