

CS631002 - Data Mgt Systems Design

Assignment - 5

Consider a relation $R(ABCDEFGHIJ)$ with the following set of functional dependencies $G = \{ F \rightarrow AB, CD \rightarrow E, C \rightarrow FG, H \rightarrow IJ, D \rightarrow H \}$

1. Is CDE a superkey of R (w.r.t. G)?

$$CDE^+ = CDEFGHIJAB = R$$

Hence, CDE is superkey of R

2. Is CDE a key of R (w.r.t. G)?

CDE is a super key.

Removing 'E'

$$CD^+ = CDEFGHABIJ = R$$

CDE' is a super key but not a minimal super key

CDE is NOT a key of R

3. Apply the appropriate algorithm to determine a key for R (w.r.t. G).

$$K = ABCDEFGHIJ$$

$$\text{Order} = J, I, H, G, F, E, D, C, B, A$$

Removing J

$$ABCSDEFGHI^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Removing I

$$ABCDEFGH^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Removing H

$$ABCDEF^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Removing G

$$ABCDEF^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Removing F

$$ABCDE^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Removing E

$$ABCD^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Removing B

$$ACD^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Removing A

$$CD^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

C,D cannot be removed because they did not appear in RHS on any FD

Therefore The Key of R (w.r.t. G) is "CD"

4. Apply the appropriate algorithm to determine all the keys for R (w.r.t. G).

Consider all the attributes that do not appear on RHS , CD

$$CD^+ = ABCDEFGHIJ = R$$

Therefore CD is the key of R

5. Determine the prime attributes of R.

Prime attributes are the part of some key of R

Therefore C,D are the prime attributes of R

6. Is R in BCNF (w.r.t. G)?

To check if R is in BCNF:

R is in BCNF iff LHS of every FD is a superkey of R

Consider $f \rightarrow AB$ violates BCNF

Therefore R is not in BCNF (w.r.t. G)

7. Is R in 3NF (w.r.t. G)?

For R to be in 3NF:

Either LHS should be a superkey in every FD or

RHS of every FD should be a prime attribute

CD is the Key of R

Therefore Prime attributes are C,D

$$F \rightarrow AB$$

$$F^+ = FAB \neq R$$

Therefore $F \rightarrow AB$ violates 3NF as it is not the superkey or

A,B are not the prime attributes

$$F \rightarrow AB \text{ violates 3NF}$$

R is not in 3NF

8. Determine whether the decomposition $D = \{ CDE, CFG, DH, HIJ, FAB \}$ has (i) the dependency preservation property and (ii) the lossless join property, with respect to G . Also determine which normal form each relation in the decomposition is in.

$G = \{ F \rightarrow AB, CD \rightarrow E, C \rightarrow FG, H \rightarrow IJ, D \rightarrow H \}$

(i)

$F \rightarrow AB$ is in $PiFAB(G)$

$CD \rightarrow E$ is in $PiCDE(G)$

$C \rightarrow FG$ is in $PiCFG(G)$

$H \rightarrow IJ$ is in $PiHIJ(G)$

$D \rightarrow H$ is in $PiDH(G)$

Therefore The decomposition D has dependency preservation property

(ii)

$D = \{ CDE, CFG, DH, HIJ, FAB \}$

Let $R_1 = CDE, R_2 = CFG; R_{12} = CDEFG$

Checking if R_1 and R_2 are in loss-less join of R_{12}

A decomposition $D = \{R_1, R_2\}$ of R is lossless w.r.t. a set of FD's on R iff either

$F \models (R_1 \text{ AND } R_2) \rightarrow (R_1 - R_2)$ or

$F \models (R_1 \text{ AND } R_2) \rightarrow (R_2 - R_1)$

Let $R_1 = CDE, R_2 = CFG$

$R_1 \text{ and } R_2 = C$

$R_1 - R_2 = DE$

$R_2 - R_1 = FG$

$G \models C \rightarrow DE$ or $G \models C \rightarrow FG$

$C^+ = CFAAB$

$R_2 - R_1$ is a part of $(R_1 \text{ and } R_2)^+$

$(R_1 \text{ or } R_2)$ is a lossless join

Continue with $(R_1 \text{ or } R_2)$

$R_{12} = CDEFG$, let $R_3 = DH, R_{123} = CDEFGH$

Check if R_{12} and R_3 are lossless join

$R_{12} \text{ and } R_3 = D$

$R_{12} - R_3 = CEFG$

$R_3 - R_{12} = H$

$G \neq D \longrightarrow C E F G$. Or $D \longrightarrow H$

$D^+ = H$

$R_3 - R_{12}$ is a part of $(R_{12} \text{ and } R_3)^+$

Therefore $D^+ = H$ is a subset of H

R_{12} and R_3 are a lossless join

Continue with R_{123}

$R_{123} = C D E F G H$ and let $R_4 = H I J \Rightarrow R_{1234} = C D E F G H I J$

Check R_{123} and R_4 is a lossless join

R_{123} and $R_4 = H$

$R_{123} - R_4 = C D E F G$

$R_4 - R_{123} = I J$

$G \neq H \longrightarrow C D E F G$ or $H \longrightarrow I J$

$H^+ = I J$

$H^+ = I J$ is a subset of $I J$

R_{123} or R_4 is a loss less join

Continue with R_{1234}

$R_{1234} = C D E F G H I J$ let $R_5 = F A B \Rightarrow R_{1234} = C D E F G H I J$

R_{1234} and $R_5 = F$

$R_{1234} - R_5 = C D E G H I J$

$R_5 - R_{1234} = A B$

$G \neq F \longrightarrow C D E G H I J$ or $F \longrightarrow A B$

$F^+ = A B$ is a subset $A B$

R_{1234} or R_5 is a loss less join

$D = R_1$ or R_2 or R_3 or R_4 or R_5

D has a lossless join property with respect to G