CS4.301 Data & Applications

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The ALTER table command

Alter table actions include:

Adding or dropping a column (attribute)
Changing a column definition

Adding or dropping table constraints

Example:

ALTER TABLE COMPANY. EMPLOYEE ADD COLUMN Job VARCHAR (12);

Keeping track of jobs of employees

Adding and Dropping Constraints

Change constraints specified on a table Add or drop a named constraint

ALTER TABLE COMPANY.EMPLOYEE

DROP CONSTRAINT EMPSUPERFK CASCADE;

To be dropped, a constraint must have been given a name when it is specified

Dropping Columns, Default Values

To drop a column

Choose either CASCADE or RESTRICT

CASCADE would drop the column from views etc. RESTRICT is possible if no views refer to it.

ALTER TABLE COMPANY.EMPLOYEE DROP COLUMN Address **CASCADE**;

removes the attribute Address from the employee base table

Default values can be dropped and altered:

ALTER TABLE COMPANY.DEPARTMENT ALTER COLUMN Mgr_ssn DROP DEFAULT;

ALTER TABLE COMPANY.DEPARTMENT ALTER COLUMN Mgr_ssn SET DEFAULT '333445555';

The EXISTS Functions in SQL for correlating queries

EXISTS function

Check whether the result of a correlated nested query is empty or not. They are Boolean functions that return a TRUE or FALSE result.

EXISTS and NOT EXISTS

Typically used in conjunction with a correlated nested query

USE of EXISTS

SELECT Fname, Lname FROM Employee WHERE EXISTS (SELECT * FROM DEPENDENT WHERE Ssn= Essn);

USE OF NOT EXISTS

SELECT Fname, Lname FROM Employee WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT Pnumber FROM PROJECT WHERE Dno=5);

Specifying Joined Tables in the FROM Clause of SQL

Joined table

Permits users to specify a table resulting from a join operation in the FROM clause of a query

The FROM clause in Q1A

Contains a single joined table. JOIN may also be called INNER JOIN

Select fname, Iname, address from (employee join department on dno=dnumber) where dname='research';

```
mysql> Select fname, lname, address from (employee
join department on dno=dnumber) where dname='resear
ch';
  fname
             lname
                       address
  John
             Smith
                        731 Fondren, Houston TX
  Franklin
             Wong
                       638 Voss, Houston TX
             English
                       5631 Rice, Houston TX
  Joyce
                       975 Fire Oak, Humble TX
  Ramesh
             Narayan
 rows in set (0.04 sec)
```

Different Types of JOINed Tables in SQL

Specify different types of join

NATURAL JOIN

Various types of OUTER JOIN (LEFT, RIGHT, FULL)

NATURAL JOIN on two relations R and S

No join condition specified

Is equivalent to an implicit EQUIJOIN condition for each pair of attributes with same name from R and S

The associated tables have one or more pairs of identically named columns

The columns must be the same data type

No need for ON

NATURAL JOIN

```
[mysql> select Fname, Lname, Address FROM (EMPLOYEE NATURAL JOIN DEPARTMEN]
T) WHERE Dname='Research';
                       Address
  Fname
             Lname
             Smith
                       731 Fondren, Houston TX
  John
  Franklin
                       638 Voss, Houston TX
             Wong
             English
                       5631 Rice, Houston TX
  Joyce
  Ramesh
             Narayan |
                       975 Fire Oak, Humble TX
  James
             Borg
                       450 Stone, Houston TX
  Jennifer
                       291 Berry, Bellaire TX
             Wallace |
                       980 Dallas, Houston TX
  Ahmad
             Jabbar
  Alicia
             Zelaya
                       3321 Castle, Spring TX
8 rows in set (0.01 sec)
```

INNER and OUTER Joins

INNER JOIN (versus OUTER JOIN)

Default type of join in a joined table

Tuple is included in the result only if a matching tuple exists in the other relation

LEFT OUTER JOIN

Every tuple in left table must appear in result

If no matching tuple

Padded with NULL values for attributes of right table

RIGHT OUTER JOIN

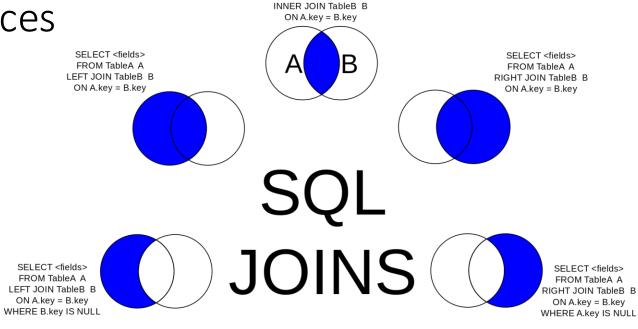
Every tuple in right table must appear in result

If no matching tuple

Padded with NULL values for attributes of left table

| | company | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|---|
| | R JOIN foods | | | | | | |
| 4 ON co | ompany.company_i | d = foods.compar | ny_id; | | | | |
| utput: | | | | | | | |
| COMPANY_ID | COMPANY_NAME | COMPANY_CITY | ITEM_ID | ITEM_NAME | ITEM_UNIT | COMPANY_ID | |
| 16 | Akas Foods | Delhi | 1 | Chex Mix | Pcs | 16 | |
| 15 | Jack Hill Ltd | London | 6 | Cheez-It | Pcs | 15 | |
| 15 | | London | | BN Biscuit | | | |
| 17 | Foodies. | London | 3 | Mighty Munch | Pcs | 17 | |
| | Table 110 1 1 Table | London | 4 | Pot Rice | Pcs | 15 | |
| 15 | Jack HIII Ltd | London | | | | | |
| | | Boston | 5 | Jaffa Cakes | Pcs | 18 | |
| 1 SELEC 2 FROM | | Boston | 5 | Jaffa Cakes | Pcs | 18 | C |
| 1 SELEC 2 FROM 3 NATUR utput: | T * company AL JOIN foods; | | | Jaffa Cakes | | 18 | C |
| 1 SELEC 2 FROM 3 NATUR utput: COMPANY_ID | T * company AL JOIN foods; COMPANY_NAME | COMPANY_CITY | ITEM_ID | ITEM_NAME | ITEM_UNIT | 18 | C |
| 1 SELEC 2 FROM 3 NATUR utput: COMPANY_ID | T * company AL JOIN foods; COMPANY_NAME | COMPANY_CITY Delhi London | ITEM_ID | ITEM_NAME | ITEM_UNIT Pcs Pcs | 18 | C |
| 1 SELEC 2 FROM 3 NATUR utput: COMPANY_ID | T * company AL JOIN foods; COMPANY_NAME | COMPANY_CITY Delhi London London | ITEM_ID | ITEM_NAMEChex Mix Cheez-It BN Biscuit | ITEM_UNIT Pcs Pcs Pcs Pcs | 18 | 0 |
| 1 SELEC 2 FROM 3 NATUR utput: COMPANY_ID 16 15 15 17 | T * company AL JOIN foods; COMPANY_NAME | COMPANY_CITY Delhi London London London | ITEM_ID1 | ITEM_NAME | ITEM_UNIT PCS PCS PCS PCS | 18 | |

Joins differences



SELECT <fields>
FROM TableA A



ON A.key = B.key

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SELECT <fields>
FROM TableA A

FULL OUTER JOIN TableB B
ON A.key = B.key
WHERE A.key IS NULL
OR B.key IS NULL

This Lecture

Multiway JOIN in the FROM clause

Can nest JOIN specifications for a multiway join:

SELECT Pnumber, Dnum, Lname, Address, Bdate FROM ((PROJECT JOIN DEPARTMENT ON Dnum=Dnumber) JOIN EMPLOYEE ON Mgr_ssn=Ssn) WHERE Plocation='Stafford';

Try it yourself!

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CHAPTER 14

Basics of Functional Dependencies and

Normalization for Relational Databases

Informal Design Guidelines for Relational Databases

We first discuss informal guidelines for good relational design

Then we discuss formal concepts of functional dependencies and normal forms

- 1NF (First Normal Form)
- 2NF (Second Normal Form)
- 3NF (Third Normal Form)
- BCNF (Boyce-Codd Normal Form)

Additional types of dependencies, further normal forms, relational design algorithms by synthesis are discussed in Chapter 15

1.1 Semantics of the Relational Attributes must be clear

GUIDELINE 1: Informally, each tuple in a relation should represent one entity or relationship instance. (Applies to individual relations and their attributes).

Attributes of different entities (EMPLOYEEs, DEPARTMENTs, PROJECTs) should not be mixed in the same relation

Only foreign keys should be used to refer to other entities

Bottom Line: Design a schema that can be explained easily relation by relation. The semantics of attributes should be easy to interpret.

Figure 14.1 A simplified COMPANY relational database schema

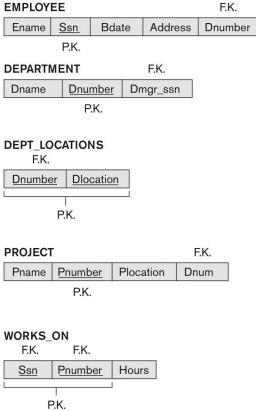
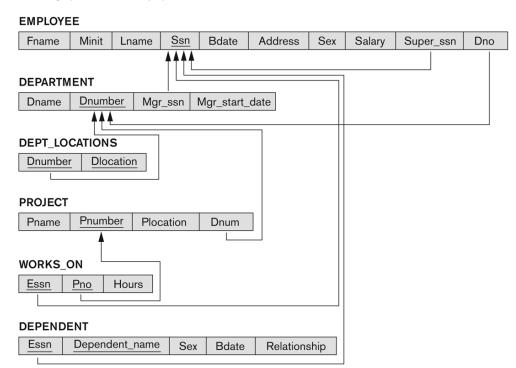
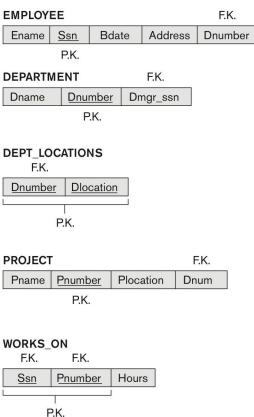


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Figure 5.7Referential integrity constraints displayed on the COMPANY relational database schema.





EMPLOYEE

| Ename | <u>Ssn</u> | Bdate | Address | Dnumber |
|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|---------|
| Smith, John B. | 123456789 | 1965-01-09 | 731 Fondren, Houston, TX | 5 |
| Wong, Franklin T. | 333445555 | 1955-12-08 | 638 Voss, Houston, TX | 5 |
| Zelaya, Alicia J. | 999887777 | 1968-07-19 | 3321 Castle, Spring, TX | 4 |
| Wallace, Jennifer S. | 987654321 | 1941-06-20 | 291Berry, Bellaire, TX | 4 |
| Narayan, Ramesh K. | 666884444 | 1962-09-15 | 975 Fire Oak, Humble, TX | 5 |
| English, Joyce A. | 453453453 | 1972-07-31 | 5631 Rice, Houston, TX | 5 |
| Jabbar, Ahmad V. | 987987987 | 1969-03-29 | 980 Dallas, Houston, TX | 4 |
| Borg, James E. | 888665555 | 1937-11-10 | 450 Stone, Houston, TX | 1 |

DEPARTMENT

| Dname | <u>Dnumber</u> | Dmgr_ssn |
|----------------|----------------|-----------|
| Research | 5 | 333445555 |
| Administration | 4 | 987654321 |
| Headquarters | 1 | 888665555 |

DEPT_LOCATIONS

| <u>Dnumber</u> | Dlocation | | | | |
|----------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | Houston | | | | |
| 4 | Stafford | | | | |
| 5 | Bellaire | | | | |
| 5 | Sugarland | | | | |
| 5 | Houston | | | | |
| | | | | | |

WORKS_ON

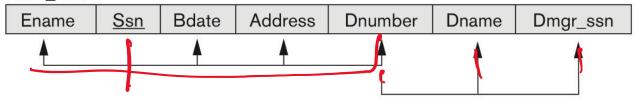
| <u>Ssn</u> | Pnumber | Hours |
|------------|---------|-------|
| 123456789 | 1 | 32.5 |
| 123456789 | 2 | 7.5 |
| 666884444 | 3 | 40.0 |
| 453453453 | 1 | 20.0 |
| 453453453 | 2 | 20.0 |
| 333445555 | 2 | 10.0 |
| 333445555 | 3 | 10.0 |
| 333445555 | 10 | 10.0 |
| 333445555 | 20 | 10.0 |
| 999887777 | 30 | 30.0 |
| 999887777 | 10 | 10.0 |
| 987987987 | 10 | 35.0 |
| 987987987 | 30 | 5.0 |
| 987654321 | 30 | 20.0 |
| 987654321 | 20 | 15.0 |
| 888665555 | 20 | Null |

PROJECT

| Pname | Pnumber | Plocation | Dnum |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|------|
| ProductX | 1 | Bellaire | 5 |
| ProductY | 2 | Sugarland | 5 |
| ProductZ | 3 | Houston | 5 |
| Computerization | 10 | Stafford | 4 |
| Reorganization | 20 | Houston | 1 |
| Newbenefits | 30 | Stafford | 4 |

(a)

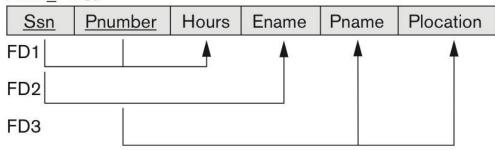
EMP_DEPT



Any concerns here?

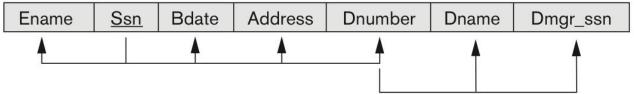
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EMP_PROJ



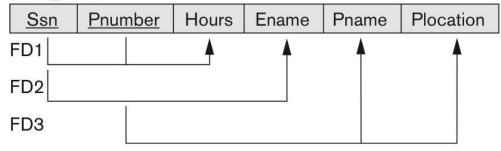
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EMP_PROJ



Any concerns here?

EMP_DEPT: mixing attributes of employees & departments

EMP_PROJ: mixes attributes of employees, projects & works_on

Figure 14.4

Sample states for EMP_DEPT and EMP_PROJ resulting from applying NATURAL JOIN to the relations in Figure 14.2. These may be stored as base relations for performance reasons.

| EMP_DEPT | l. | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|---------|----------------|-----------|
| Ename | <u>Ssn</u> | Bdate | Address | Dnumber | Dname | Dmgr_ssn |
| Smith, John B. | 123456789 | 1965-01-09 | 731 Fondren, Houston, TX | 5 | Research | 333445555 |
| Wong, Franklin T. | 333445555 | 1955-12-08 | 638 Voss, Houston, TX | 5 | Research | 333445555 |
| Zelaya, Alicia J. | 999887777 | 1968-07-19 | 3321 Castle, Spring, TX | 4 | Administration | 987654321 |
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Redundancy

| | | | Redundancy | Redunda | ıncy |
|-----------|---------|-------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| EMP_PROJ | | | | | |
| Ssn | Pnumber | Hours | Ename | Pname | Plocation |
| 123456789 | 1 | 32.5 | Smith, John B. | ProductX | Bellaire |
| 123456789 | 2 | 7.5 | Smith, John B. | ProductY | Sugarland |
| 666884444 | 3 | 40.0 | Narayan, Ramesh K. | ProductZ | Houston |
| 453453453 | 1 | 20.0 | English, Joyce A. | ProductX | Bellaire |
| 453453453 | 2 | 20.0 | English, Joyce A. | ProductY | Sugarland |
| 333445555 | 2 | 10.0 | Wong, Franklin T. | ProductY | Sugarland |
| 333445555 | 3 | 10.0 | Wong, Franklin T. | ProductZ | Houston |
| 333445555 | 10 | 10.0 | Wong, Franklin T. | Computerization | Stafford |
| 333445555 | 20 | 10.0 | Wong, Franklin T. | Reorganization | Houston |
| 999887777 | 30 | 30.0 | Zelaya, Alicia J. | Newbenefits | Stafford |
| 999887777 | 10 | 10.0 | Zelaya, Alicia J. | Computerization | Stafford |
| 987987987 | 10 | 35.0 | Jabbar, Ahmad V. | Computerization | Stafford |
| 987987987 | 30 | 5.0 | Jabbar, Ahmad V. | Newbenefits | Stafford |
| 987654321 | 30 | 20.0 | Wallace, Jennifer S. | Newbenefits | Stafford |
| 987654321 | 20 | 15.0 | Wallace, Jennifer S. | Reorganization | Houston |
| 888665555 | 20 | Null | Borg, James E. | Reorganization | Houston |

1.2 Redundant Information in Tuples and Update Anomalies

Information is stored redundantly

Wastes storage

Causes problems with update anomalies

Insertion anomalies

Deletion anomalies

Modification anomalies

EXAMPLE OF AN INSERT ANOMALY

Consider the relation:

EMP_PROJ(Emp#, Proj#, Ename, Pname, No_hours)

Insert Anomaly:

Cannot insert a project unless an employee is assigned to it

Conversely

Cannot insert an employee unless an he/she is assigned to a project

EXAMPLE OF A DELETE ANOMALY

Consider the relation:

EMP_PROJ(Emp#, Proj#, Ename, Pname, No_hours)

Delete Anomaly:

When a project is deleted, it will result in deleting all the employees who work on that project.

Alternately, if an employee is the sole employee on a project, deleting that employee would result in deleting the corresponding project.

EXAMPLE OF AN UPDATE ANOMALY

Consider the relation:

EMP_PROJ(Emp#, Proj#, Ename, Pname, No_hours)

Update Anomaly:

Changing the name of project number P1 from "Billing" to "Customer-Accounting" may cause this update to be made for all 100 employees working on project P1.

Guideline for Redundant Information in Tuples and Update Anomalies

GUIDELINE 2:

Design a schema that does not suffer from the insertion, deletion and update anomalies

If there are any anomalies present, then note them so that applications can be made to take them into account

1.3 Null Values in Tuples

GUIDELINE 3:

Relations should be designed such that their tuples will have as few NULL values as possible

Attributes that are NULL frequently could be placed in separate relations (with the primary key)

Reasons for nulls; different meanings for null:

Attribute not applicable or invalid [visa status to US students]

Attribute value unknown [DOB of an employee]

Value is known but absent; it has not been recorded yet [phone # of employee]

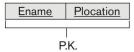
1.4 Generation of Spurious Tuples – avoid at any cost

Bad designs for a relational database may result in erroneous results for certain JOIN operations

GUIDELINE 4:

No spurious tuples should be generated by doing a natural-join of any relations.

(a) EMP_LOCS



EMP_PROJ1

| <u>Ssn</u> | <u>Pnumber</u> | Hours | Pname | Plocation |
|------------|----------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| | | | | |
| | P.K. | | | |

(b)

EMP_LOCS

| Ename | Plocation |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Smith, John B. | Bellaire |
| Smith, John B. | Sugarland |
| Narayan, Ramesh K. | Houston |
| English, Joyce A. | Bellaire |
| English, Joyce A. | Sugarland |
| Wong, Franklin T. | Sugarland |
| Wong, Franklin T. | Houston |
| Wong, Franklin T. | Stafford |
| Zelaya, Alicia J. | Stafford |
| Jabbar, Ahmad V. | Stafford |
| Wallace, Jennifer S. | Stafford |
| Wallace, Jennifer S. | Houston |
| Borg, James E. | Houston |
| | |

EMP_PROJ1

| Ssn | Pnumber | Hours | Pname | Plocation |
|-----------|---------|-------|-----------------|-----------|
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| 999887777 | 10 | 10.0 | Computerization | Stafford |
| 987987987 | 10 | 35.0 | Computerization | Stafford |
| 987987987 | 30 | 5.0 | Newbenefits | Stafford |
| 987654321 | 30 | 20.0 | Newbenefits | Stafford |
| 987654321 | 20 | 15.0 | Reorganization | Houston |
| 888665555 | 20 | NULL | Reorganization | Houston |

| | Ssn | Pnumber | Hours | Pname | Plocation | Ename |
|---|-----------|---------|-------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|
| | 123456789 | 1 | 32.5 | ProductX | Bellaire | Smith, John B. |
| * | 123456789 | 1 | 32.5 | ProductX | Bellaire | English, Joyce A. |
| | 123456789 | 2 | 7.5 | ProductY | Sugarland | Smith, John B. |
| * | 123456789 | 2 | 7.5 | ProductY | Sugarland | English, Joyce A. |
| * | 123456789 | 2 | 7.5 | ProductY | Sugarland | Wong, Franklin T. |
| | 666884444 | 3 | 40.0 | ProductZ | Houston | Narayan, Ramesh K. |
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| * | 333445555 | 2 | 10.0 | ProductY | Sugarland | English, Joyce A. |
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Additional tuples that were not there in Emp_proj is here, they are called spurious tuples

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2. Functional Dependencies

Functional dependencies (FDs)

Are used to specify *formal measures* of the "goodness" of relational designs And keys are used to define **normal forms** for relations

Are **constraints** that are derived from the *meaning* and *interrelationships* of the data attributes

A set of attributes X functionally determines a set of attributes Y if the value of X determines a unique value for Y

2.1 Defining Functional Dependencies

 $X \rightarrow Y$ holds if whenever two tuples have the same value for X, they *must have* the same value for Y

For any two tuples t1 and t2 in any relation instance r(R): If t1[X]=t2[X], then t1[Y]=t2[Y]

 $X \rightarrow Y$ in R specifies a *constraint* on all relation instances r(R)

Written as $X \rightarrow Y$; can be displayed graphically on a relation schema as in Figures; denoted by the arrow \rightarrow

FDs are derived from the real-world constraints on the attributes

Examples of FD constraints (1)

Social security number determines employee name

SSN → ENAME

Project number determines project name and location PNUMBER → {PNAME, PLOCATION}

Employee ssn and project number determines the hours per week that the employee works on the project

 $\{SSN, PNUMBER\} \rightarrow HOURS$

Examples of FD constraints (1)

Social security number determines employee name

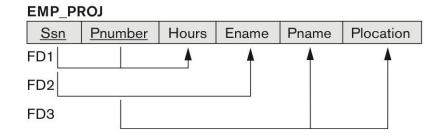
 $SSN \rightarrow ENAME$

Project number determines project name and location

PNUMBER \rightarrow {PNAME, PLOCATION}

Employee ssn and project number determines the hours per week that the employee works on the project

 $\{SSN, PNUMBER\} \rightarrow HOURS$



Examples of FD constraints (2)

An FD is a property of the attributes in the schema R
The constraint must hold on *every* relation instance r(R)
If K is a key of R, then K functionally determines all attributes in R

Defining FDs from instances

Note that in order to define the FDs, we need to understand the meaning of the attributes involved and the relationship between them.

Given the instance (population) of a relation, all we can conclude is that an FD *may exist* between certain attributes.

What we can definitely conclude is – that certain FDs <u>do not exist</u> because there are tuples that show a violation of those dependencies.

Ruling Out FDs

T, T -> C

Text > Could, Fex Text > Could T, C > Text

TEACH

| Teacher | Course | Text |
|---------|-----------------|----------|
| Smith | Data Structures | Bartram |
| Smith | Data Management | Martin |
| Hall | Compilers | Hoffman |
| Brown | Data Structures | Horowitz |

Ruling Out FDs

Note that given the state of the TEACH relation, we can say that the FD: Text \rightarrow Course may exist. However, the FDs Teacher \rightarrow Course, Teacher \rightarrow Text and Course \rightarrow Text are ruled out.

TEACH

| Teacher | Course | Text |
|---------|-----------------|----------|
| Smith | Data Structures | Bartram |
| Smith | Data Management | Martin |
| Hall | Compilers | Hoffman |
| Brown | Data Structures | Horowitz |

What FDs may exist?

A relation R(A, B, C, D) with its extension. Which FDs may exist in this relation?

| A | В | С | D |
|----|----|----|----|
| a1 | b1 | c1 | d1 |
| a1 | b2 | c2 | d2 |
| a2 | b2 | c2 | d3 |
| a3 | b3 | c4 | d3 |

What FDs may exist?

A relation R(A, B, C, D) with its extension. Which FDs may exist in this relation?

| | 20 | 3 | |
|----|----|----|----|
| A | В | С | D |
| al | b1 | c1 | d1 |
| a1 | b2 | c2 | d2 |
| a2 | b2 | c2 | d3 |
| a3 | b3 | c4 | d3 |

$$B \rightarrow C; C \rightarrow B; \{A,B\} \rightarrow C; \{A,B\} \rightarrow D; \{C,D\} \rightarrow B$$

How about A
$$\rightarrow$$
 B? B \rightarrow A? D \rightarrow C?

Normal Forms Based on Primary Keys

Normalization of Relations

Practical Use of Normal Forms

Definitions of Keys and Attributes Participating in Keys

First Normal Form

Second Normal Form

Third Normal Form

Administrativia

Quiz?

All marks done except Q3?

Quiz on 18th Topics between last quiz and topics to be covered on 18th also

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Quiz on 30th Entire syllabus – Please fill the form for taking the quiz

3.1 Normalization of Relations (1)

Normalization:

The process of decomposing unsatisfactory "bad" relations by breaking up their attributes into smaller relations

Normal form:

Condition using keys and FDs of a relation to certify whether a relation schema is in a particular normal form

Normalization of Relations (2)

2NF, 3NF, BCNF

based on keys and FDs of a relation schema

4NF

based on keys, multi-valued dependencies: MVDs;

5NF

based on keys, join dependencies: JDs

Additional properties may be needed to ensure a good relational design (lossless join, dependency preservation; see Chapter 15)

3.2 Practical Use of Normal Forms

Normalization is carried out in practice so that the resulting designs are of high quality and meet the desirable properties

The practical utility of these normal forms becomes questionable when the constraints on which they are based are *hard to understand* or to *detect*

The database designers *need not* normalize to the highest possible normal form (usually up to 3NF and BCNF. 4NF rarely used in practice.)

Denormalization:

The process of storing the join of higher normal form relations as a base relation—which is in a lower normal form

3.3 Definitions of Keys and Attributes Participating in Keys (1)

A **superkey** of a relation schema R = {A1, A2,, An} is a set of attributes S *subset-of* R with the property that no two tuples t1 and t2 in any legal relation state r of R will have t1[S] = t2[S]

A **key** K is a **superkey** with the *additional property* that removal of any attribute from K will cause K not to be a superkey any more.

Definitions of Keys and Attributes Participating in Keys (2)

If a relation schema has more than one key, each is called a **candidate** key.

One of the candidate keys is *arbitrarily* designated to be the **primary key**, and the others are called **secondary keys**.

Prime attribute must be a member of some candidate key

A Nonprime attribute is not a prime attribute—that is, it is not a member of any candidate key.

3.4 First Normal Form

Disallows

composite attributes

multivalued attributes

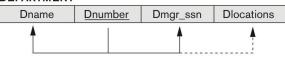
nested relations; attributes whose values for an *individual tuple* are non-atomic

Considered to be part of the definition of a relation

Most RDBMSs allow only those relations to be defined that are in First Normal Form

Normalization into 1NF

(a) DEPARTMENT



(b)

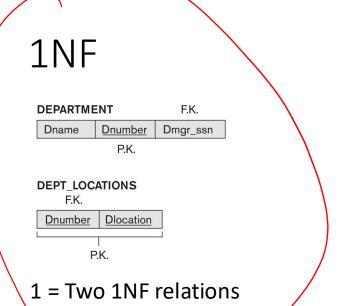
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| Dname | <u>Dnumber</u> | Dmgr_ssn | Diocations |
|----------------|----------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Research | 5 | 33344555 | {Bellaire, Sugarland, Houston} |
| Administration | 4 | 987654321 | {Stafford} |
| Headquarters | 1 | 888665555 | {Houston} |

Ways to make it make it 1NF?

Figure 14.9

Normalization into 1NF. (a)
A relation schema that is
not in 1NF. (b) Sample
state of relation
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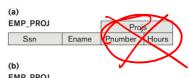
2 = Redundancy, Dnumber & Dlocation primary key

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| Dname | Dnumber | Dmar con | Dlocation |
|----------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Dhame | Dhumber | Dmgr_ssn | Diocation |
| Research | 5 | 333445555 | Bellaire |
| Research | 5 | 333445555 | Sugarland |
| Research | 5 | 333445555 | Houston |
| Administration | 4 | 987654321 | Stafford |
| Headquarters | 1 | 888665555 | Houston |

3 = If the maximum number of values (n) for location is known, replace it with n attributes e.g. Only 3 locations for the company – Dlocation1, Dlocation2, Dlocation3 Introducing NULL if most departments have fewer than 3 locations Hard to query, e.g. List the departments that have 'Bellaire' as one of the locations 1st option is commonly used one

Normalizing nested relations into 1NF



| Ssn | Ename | Pnumber | Hours |
|-----------|----------------------|---------|-------|
| 123456789 | Smith, John B. | 1 | 32.5 |
| | | 2 | 7.5 |
| 666884444 | Narayan, Ramesh K. | 3 | 40.0 |
| 453453453 | English, Joyce A. | 1 | 20.0 |
| | | 2 | 20.0 |
| 333445555 | Wong, Franklin T. | 2 | 10.0 |
| | | 3 | 10.0 |
| | | 10 | 10.0 |
| | | 20 | 10.0 |
| 999887777 | Zelaya, Alicia J. | 30 | 30.0 |
| | | 10 | 10.0 |
| 987987987 | Jabbar, Ahmad V. | 10 | 35.0 |
| | | 30 | 5.0 |
| 987654321 | Wallace, Jennifer S. | 30 | 20.0 |
| | | 20 | 15.0 |
| 888665555 | Borg, James E. | 20 | NULL |

Ssn is the primary key, Pnumber is the partial key

Remove the nested relation attributes into a new relation and propagate primary key

This idea can be applied recursively to a relation with multiple-level nesting to unnest

BLOB, CLOB – atomic, single-valued so 1NF



Pnumber

Hours

Figure 14.10

Normalizing nested relations into 1NF. (a) Schema of the EMP_PROJ relation with a nested relation attribute PROJS. (b) Sample extension of the EMP_PROJ relation showing nested relations within each tuple. (c) Decomposition of EMP_PROJ into relations EMP_PROJ1 and EMP_PROJ2 by propagating the primary key.

3.5 Second Normal Form (1)

Uses the concepts of FDs, primary key

Definitions

Prime attribute: An attribute that is member of the primary key K

Full functional dependency: a FD Y -> Z where removal of any attribute from Y means

the FD does not hold any more

Examples:

{SSN, PNUMBER} -> HOURS is a full FD since neither SSN -> HOURS nor PNUMBER -> HOURS hold

{SSN, PNUMBER} -> ENAME is not a full FD (it is called a partial dependency) since SSN -> ENAME also holds

Second Normal Form (2)

A relation schema R is in **second normal form (2NF)** if every non-prime attribute A in R is fully functionally dependent on the primary key

R can be decomposed into 2NF relations via the process of 2NF normalization or "second normalization"

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