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Q1-a.  $X \rightarrow Y$  and  $Y \rightarrow Z$  imply  $X \rightarrow YZ$

- 1)  $X \rightarrow Y$  (Given)
- 2)  $Y \rightarrow Z$  (Given)
- 3)  $X \rightarrow Z$  (Transitivity rule using 1), 2))
- 4)  $X \rightarrow YZ$  (Union rule using 1), 3))

Q1-b.  $X \rightarrow Y$  and  $Z \rightarrow W$  imply  $XZ \rightarrow YW$

- 1)  $X \rightarrow Y$  (Given)
- 2)  $XW \rightarrow YW$  (Augmentation rule using 1))
- 3)  $Z \rightarrow W$  (Given)
- 4)  $XZ \rightarrow XW$  (Augmentation rule using 3))
- 5)  $XZ \rightarrow YW$  (Transitivity rule using 2), 4))

Q1-c.  $XY \rightarrow Z$  and  $Z \rightarrow X$  imply  $Z \rightarrow Y$

It disapproves by setting up a relation which does violate it.

X	Y	Z
x1	y1	z1
x1	y2	z1

Both  $XY \rightarrow Z$  and  $Z \rightarrow X$  hold, but not  $Z \rightarrow Y$ .

Q2.

1)  $ABH \rightarrow C$  does not violate BCNF since attribute closure of ABH is all attributes and therefore ABH is superkey.

2)  $A \rightarrow DE$  violates BCNF since attribute closure of A is ADE and therefore A is not a superkey.

(attribute closures of F is also not all attributes, so it is not a superkey as well)

3) Split R into

R1(ADE) with  $F1 = (A \rightarrow DE)$

R2(ABCFGH) with  $F2 = (ABH \rightarrow C, BGH \rightarrow F, F \rightarrow AH, BH \rightarrow G)$

4) R1 is in BCNF (decomposition is lossless since A is a key of R1)

5) In R2,  $ABH \rightarrow C$  or  $BGH \rightarrow F$  does not violate BCNF since BH is a key of R2.

6)  $F \rightarrow AH$  violates BCNF since attribute closure of F is AH and therefore F is not a superkey.

7) Split R2 into

R21(FAH) with  $F21 = (F \rightarrow AH)$

R22(BCFG) with no FDs.

8) Both R21 and R22 are in BCNF (decomposition is lossless since F is a key of R21)

Therefore, BCNF schemas are below

R1(ADE) with  $F1 = (A \rightarrow DE)$

R21(FAH) with  $F21 = (F \rightarrow AH)$

R22(BCFG)

Q3. Yes.

Case 1)  $A \rightarrow B$  holds, but  $B \rightarrow A$  does not. This means that A is a key, and BCNF condition is satisfied since the only FD is  $A \rightarrow B$ . (Same as  $A \rightarrow AB$  since we can derive it from  $A \rightarrow B$ . Then, A is a key and BCNF is satisfied)

Case 2)  $B \rightarrow A$  holds, but  $A \rightarrow B$  does not. This means that B is a key, and BCNF condition is satisfied since the only FD is  $B \rightarrow A$ . (Same as  $B \rightarrow AB$  since we can derive it from  $B \rightarrow A$ . Then B is a key and BCNF is satisfied)

Case 3) No functional dependencies, so BCNF is basically satisfied.

Case 4) Both  $A \rightarrow B$  and  $B \rightarrow A$  hold. A and B are both keys, therefore they determine all attributes.

Q4.

$F = \{A \rightarrow BC, B \rightarrow AC, C \rightarrow AB\}$  can be simplified to  $\{A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow A, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow A, C \rightarrow B\}$

Canonical cover of F is a "minimal" set of functional dependencies equivalent to F, having no redundant dependencies or redundant parts of dependencies.

First,  $A \rightarrow C$ (derived from  $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C$ ),  $B \rightarrow A$ (derived from  $B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow A$ ),

$C \rightarrow B$ (derived from  $C \rightarrow A, A \rightarrow B$ ) are redundant.

So, we can get  $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow A$ .

Second,  $A \rightarrow B$ (derived from  $A \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow B$ ),  $B \rightarrow C$ (derived from  $B \rightarrow A, A \rightarrow C$ ),

$C \rightarrow A$ ( $C \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow A$ ) are redundant.

So, we can get  $A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow B$

Therefore, two canonical covers are

1.  $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow A$

2.  $A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow A, C \rightarrow B$

Q5-a.

All Candidate keys of R : A, BC, CD, and E

Q5-b.

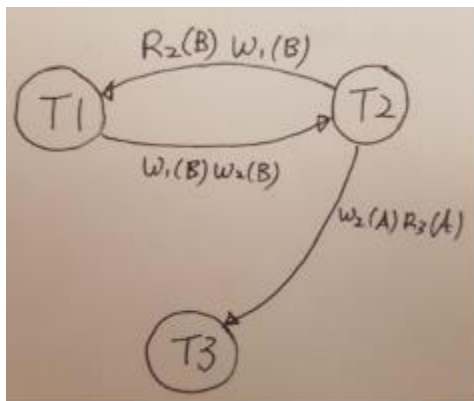
A decomposition  $\{R_1, R_2\}$  is a lossless-join decomposition if and only if at least one of dependencies is  $(R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1 \text{ or } R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_2)$ .

$R_1 \cap R_2 = A$  and A is a candidate key. Therefore,  $R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1$ .

In addition,  $(A \rightarrow BC) \Rightarrow (A \rightarrow ABC) \Rightarrow (R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1)$  shows that this decomposition is lossless

Q6-a.

Precedence graph for this schedule is below



This schedule is not conflict serializable since its precedence graph for this schedule contains cycle.

6-b.

T1	T2
read(X)	
	read(X)
read(Y)	
write(X)	
	write(X)
write(Y)	
	read(Y)
	write(Y)