

Normalization



LESSON OBJECTIVES

Understand Normalization

Normalize tables efficiently in MySQL

What is Normalization?

- Normalization is the process of organizing data within a database (relational database) to ensure data is stored logically.
- To organize data so that there are no anomalies.(Update, Delete, Insert)



















What is a Key?

- A KEY is an attribute used to uniquely distinguish a record of a table(A unique identifier).
- A KEY could be an individual column or a combination of multiple columns.

Primary Key>	id	roll_no	student_name	city	dept_id	<foreign key<="" td=""><td></td></foreign>	
	1	22	Matthew	Cape Town	10		
	2	23	Matthew	Durban	10		
	3	24	Joel	Johannesburg	20		
	4	25	Candice	Cape Town	20		
	5	26	Ryan	Pretoria	25		
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Types of Keys

- Primary Key
- Foreign Key
- Super Key
- Candidate Key



Primary Key

Primary Key



- is a set of one or more fields/columns of a table that uniquely identify a record in a database.
- It can not accept null or duplicate values.

				Student Table			
Primary Key>	id		roll_no	student_name	city	dept_id	<foreign key<="" td=""></foreign>
		1	22	Matthew	Cape Town	10	
		2	23	Matthew	Durban	10	
		3	24	Joel	Johannesburg	20	
		4	25	Candice	Cape Town	20	
		5	26	Ryan	Pretoria	25	

Department Table					
10	Sound Engineering				
20	Civil Engineering				
25	Chemical Engineering				
30	Electrical Engineering				



Foreign Key

Foreign Key



• is a field in a database table that is a Primary Key of another table.

			Student Table			
Primary Key>	id	roll_no	student_name	city	dept_id	<foreign key<="" td=""></foreign>
		1 22	Matthew	Cape Town	10	
		2 23	Tarran	Durban	10	
		3 24	Joel	Johannesburg	20	
		4 25	Candice	Cape Town	20	
		5 26	Ryan	Pretoria	25	
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Department Table					
dept_id	dept_name				
10	Sound Engineering				
20	Civil Engineering				
25	Chemical Engineering				
30	Electrical Engineering				



Super Key

Super Key



- is a set of one or more than one key that can be used to identify a record uniquely in a table.
- can have extra attributes that are redundant for distinct identification

			Student Table			
Primary Key>	id	roll_no	student_name	city	dept_id	<foreign key<="" td=""></foreign>
	1	22	Matthew	Cape Town	10	
	2	23	Tarran	Durban	10	
	3	24	Joel	Johannesburg	20	
	4	25	Candice	Cape Town	20	
	5	26	Ryan	Pretoria	25	

{roll_no,student_name,city	}
{id, city}	
{id, student_name}	
{roll_no, dept_id}	
{roll_no, student_name}	

Candidate Key

Candidate Key



- is the minimal super key that can identify a record uniquely in a table.
- Each Candidate Key can work as a Primary
 Key

				Student Table			
Primary Key>	id		roll_no	student_name	city	dept_id	<foreign key<="" td=""></foreign>
		1	22	Matthew	Cape Town	10	
		2	23	Tarran	Durban	10	
		3	24	Joel	Johannesburg	20	
		4	25	Candice	Cape Town	20	
		5	26	Ryan	Pretoria	25	

{roll_no,student_	name,city}				
{id, city}					
{id, student_name	{id, student_name}				
{roll_no, dept_id}					
{roll_no, student_	_name}				

Types of Normal Forms





1st Normal Form

Step 1

Each table cell should contain
 a single value.(Not a
 multivalued attribute)

• Each record should be unique.

id	student_name	course
22	Matthew	MENG1,CENG1
24	Joel	CENG1
25	Candice	SENG1
28	Ryan	EENG1

{PK}id	student_name	course
22	Matthew	MENG1
22	Matthew	CENG1
24	Joel	CENG1
25	Candice	SENG1
28	Ryan	EENG1

2nd Normal Form

Step 2



- Table should be in First Normal Form
- Columns should only depend on the primary key.
- It should not have a partial dependency.
 - If the field of any candidate key
 determines the non-prime attributes, it
 is called a partial dependency.

3rd Normal Form

Step 3



 It should not have any transitive dependencies.(If a field is dependent on any other column other than the primary key of the table)

lecturer_id	course_name	course_price	lecturer_city	lecturer_zipcode
I_1	Mathematics	R6000	Cape Town	7300
I_5	Literature	R5000	Johannesburg	2000
I_3	Social Studies	R4000	Pretoria	0100
I_3	Bible Studies	R3000	Pretoria	0100
I_5	Theology	R3000	Johannesburg	2000
I_2	Astrophysics	R9000	Durban	4000

