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# Schema Design and Refinement

- How do we obtain a good design?
- Functional dependencies & keys
- Desirable properties of schema refinement
- Boyce Codd Normal Form (BCNF)
- • Third Normal Form (3NF) and 3NF Decomposition
- Fourth Normal Form (4NF)

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## Third Normal Form - Motivation

- There is one structure of FD's that causes trouble when we decompose.  
 $AB \rightarrow C$  and  $C \rightarrow B$  (Example:  $A$  = street address,  $B$  = city,  $C$  = zip.)
- There are two keys,  $\{A,B\}$  and  $\{A,C\}$ .  
 $C \rightarrow B$  is a BCNF violation, so we must decompose into  $AC$ ,  $BC$ .
- The problem is that if we use  $AC$  and  $BC$  as our database schema, we cannot enforce the FD  $AB \rightarrow C$  by checking FD's in these decomposed relations.

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# An Unenforceable FD

| street       | zip   |
|--------------|-------|
| 545 Tech Sq. | 02138 |
| 545 Tech Sq. | 02139 |

| city      | zip   |
|-----------|-------|
| Cambridge | 02138 |
| Cambridge | 02139 |

Join tuples with equal zip codes.

| street       | city      | zip   |
|--------------|-----------|-------|
| 545 Tech Sq. | Cambridge | 02138 |
| 545 Tech Sq. | Cambridge | 02139 |

Although no FD's were violated in the decomposed relations,  
FD **street city → zip** is violated by the database as a whole.

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## 3NF Let's Us Avoid This Problem

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Normal Form (3NF) modifies the BCNF condition so we do not have to decompose in this problem situation.
- An attribute is *prime* if it is a member of any key.
- $X \rightarrow A$  violates 3NF if and only if  $X$  is not a superkey, and also  $A$  is not prime.

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# Example

- In our problem situation with FD's  
 $AB \rightarrow C$  and  $C \rightarrow B$ , we have keys  $AB$  and  $AC$ .
- Thus  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  are each prime.
- Although  $C \rightarrow B$  violates BCNF, it does not violate 3NF.

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# What 3NF and BCNF Give You

- There are two important properties of a decomposition:
  1. *Recovery* : it should be possible to project the original relations onto the decomposed schema, and then reconstruct the original.
  2. *Dependency Preservation* : it should be possible to check in the projected relations whether all the given FD's are satisfied.

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# 3NF and BCNF, Continued

- We can get (1) with a BCNF decomposition.
  - Explanation needs to wait for relational algebra.
- We can get both (1) and (2) with a 3NF decomposition.
- But we can't always get (1) and (2) with a BCNF decomposition.
  - street-city-zip is an example.

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## 保持函数依赖和无损连接的3NF模式分解算法

已知关系模式和函数依赖集合，保持FD和无损连接3NF模式分解的算法如下：

- ① 求极小函数依赖集  $S_{min}$  和关系模式的所有键（keys）；
- ② 在  $S_{min}$  中按函数依赖左部相同原则进行分组，每个组中的所有属性形成分解后的子关系模式，  $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_m$
- ③ 如果某个关系模式  $R_i$  的所有属性被另一个关系模式  $R_j$  所包含，删除关系模式  $R_i$ ；
- ④ 判断是否有某个key出现在其中的一个关系模式中，如果出现则结束；如果没有出现，将任意一个key也作为子关系模式  $R_k$  加入到分解后的模式中。

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# 最小函数依赖集

如果函数依赖集合 $F$ 满足如下条件，则称 $F$ 为一个**极小函数依赖集**，也称为最小依赖及或最小覆盖。

- (1)  $F$ 中的任意函数依赖的右部仅含有一个属性；
- (2)  $F$ 中不存在这样的函数依赖 $X \rightarrow A$ ，使得 $F$ 与 $F - \{X \rightarrow A\}$ 等价；
- (3)  $F$ 中不存在这样的函数依赖 $X \rightarrow A$ ， $X$ 有真子集 $Z$ ，  
使得 $F - \{X \rightarrow A\} \cup \{Z \rightarrow A\}$ 与 $F$ 等价。

如果 $G^+ = F^+$ ，就称 $F$ 与 $G$ 等价。 $G^+ = F^+$ 的充分必要条件是 $F \subseteq G^+$ 和 $G \subseteq F^+$

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## 举例

- $S(SNO, SNAME, SDEPT, MN, CNAME, G)$
- $F = \{SNO \rightarrow SDEPT, SNO \rightarrow SNAME, SDEPT \rightarrow MN, SNO \rightarrow MN, (SNO, SNAME) \rightarrow SDEPT, (SNO, CNAME) \rightarrow G\}$

① 求最小函数依赖集合和所有键

$F_{min} = \{SNO \rightarrow SDEPT, SNO \rightarrow SNAME, SDEPT \rightarrow MN, (SNO, CNAME) \rightarrow G\}$   
键key为 $(SNO, CNAME)$

② 函数依赖左部相同分组

$\{SNO \rightarrow SDEPT, SNO \rightarrow SNAME\}$      $S1(SNO, SDEPT, SNAME)$

$\{SDEPT \rightarrow MN\}$                            $S2(SDEPT, MN)$

$\{(SNO, CNAME) \rightarrow G\}$                            $S3(SNO, CNAME, G)$

③ 不存在子模式的包含情况;    ④  $S3$ 中含有key, 分解终止。

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## 判断无损连接分解的算法

- 已知  $R < U, F >$ ,  $U = \{A, B, C, D, E\}$
- $F = \{AB \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow E\}$
- $R$  的一个分解  $R_1(A, B, C), R_2(C, D), R_3(D, E)$

|                | A        | B        | C                   | D                   | E              |       |
|----------------|----------|----------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------|
| $R_1(A, B, C)$ | $a_1$    | $a_2$    | $\textcircled{a}_3$ | $b_{14}^{a_4}$      | $b_{15}^{a_5}$ | $a_5$ |
| $R_2(C, D)$    | $b_{21}$ | $b_{22}$ | $\textcircled{a}_3$ | $\textcircled{a}_4$ | $b_{25}^{a_5}$ | $a_5$ |
| $R_3(D, E)$    | $b_{31}$ | $b_{32}$ | $b_{33}$            | $a_4$               | $a_5$          |       |



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- 已知 $R<U,F>$ ,  $U=\{A,B,C,D,E\}$
- $F=\{A \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D, DE \rightarrow C, CE \rightarrow A\}$
- $R$ 的一个分解  
 $R1(A,D), R2(A,B), R3(B,E), R4(C,D,E), R5(A,E)$

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# Review

- Third Normal Form (3NF)
- 任何关系模式都可以保持函数依赖和无损连接分解到3NF
- 保持函数依赖和无损连接的3NF模式分解算法
- 判断无损连接分解的算法

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## 互动交流一

关系模式R(ABCD), F={B→D,AB→C}, R最高属于第几范式?

- A R属于3NF
- B R属于BCNF
- C R属于1NF
- D 以上答案都不正确

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## 互动交流二

关系模式R(ABCD), F={B→D,D→B,AB→C}, R最高属于第几范式?

- A R属于3NF
- B R属于BCNF
- C R属于1NF
- D 以上答案都不正确

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## 互动交流三

关系模式R(ABC),F={A→B,B→A,A→C}, R最高属于第几范式?

- A R属于3NF
- B R属于BCNF
- C R属于1NF
- D 以上答案都不正确

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## 互动交流四

关系模式R(ABCD),  $F=\{B\rightarrow D, AB\rightarrow C\}$ , 在保证无损连接和函数依赖的前提下, 将它分解为一组3NF关系模式, 应为如下哪种分解?

- A R1(A,B), R2(B,C), R2(B,D)
- B R1(A,B), R2(B,C), R2(C,D)
- C R1(A,B,D), R2(C,D)
- D R1(A,B,C), R2(B,D)

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## 互动交流五

关系模式 $R(ABCDE)$ ,  $F=\{B\rightarrow D, AB\rightarrow C\}$ , 在保证无损连接和函数依赖的前提下, 将它分解为一组3NF关系模式, 应为如下哪种分解?

- A R1(A,B,C), R2(B,D)
- B R1(A,B,C), R2(B,D), R3(B,E)
- C R1(A,B,C), R2(B,D), R3(A,B,E)
- D R1(A,B,C), R2(B,D), R3(A,E)

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## 互动交流六

某学校设计了关系模式：

学生（身份证号，学号，姓名，籍贯，家庭住址）

这个关系模式是BCNF的吗？它是否存在插入、删除和更新异常等问题？

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## 互动交流七

某学校设计了关系模式：

学生 (学号、课号、课程名称、成绩)

这个关系模式是BCNF的吗？如果不是，可否在保证无损连接和函数依赖的前提下，将它分解为一组BCNF的关系模式。

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# Multivalued Dependencies

## Fourth Normal Form

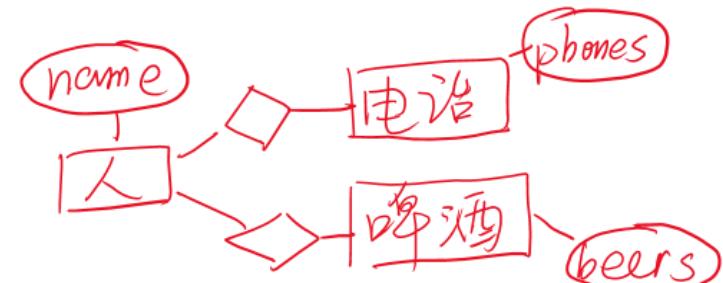
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# A New Form of Redundancy

- Multivalued dependencies (MVD's) express a condition among tuples of a relation that exists when the relation is trying to represent more than one many-many relationship.
- Certain attributes are independent of one another, and their values must appear in all combinations.



| name | phones   | beers        |
|------|----------|--------------|
| 张三   | {P1, P2} | {b1, b2}     |
| 李四   | {P1, P3} | {b2, b4, b5} |



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# Example-Tuples Implied by Independence

Drinkers(name, addr, phones, beersLiked)

- A drinker's phones are independent of the beers they like.
- Thus, each of a drinker's phones appears with each of the beers they like in all combinations.
- This repetition is unlike FD redundancy.
  - $\text{Name} \rightarrow \text{addr}$  is the only FD.

If we have tuples:

| Name | addr | phones | beersLiked |
|------|------|--------|------------|
| sue  | a    | p1     | b1         |
| sue  | a    | p2     | b2         |
| sue  | a    | p2     | b1         |
| sue  | a    | p1     | b2         |

Then these tuples must also be in the relation.

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# Definition of MVD

- A *multivalued dependency* (MVD)  $X \rightarrow\rightarrow Y$  is an assertion that if two tuples of a relation agree on all the attributes of  $X$ , then their components in the set of attributes  $Y$  may be swapped, and the result will be two tuples that are also in the relation.

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# Example

Drinkers(name, addr, phones, beersLiked)

| name | addr | phones | beersLiked |
|------|------|--------|------------|
| sue  | a    | p1     | b1         |
| sue  | a    | p2     | b2         |
| sue  | a    | p2     | b1         |
| sue  | a    | p1     | b2         |

- MVD

$\text{name} \rightarrow\rightarrow \text{phones}$

and the MVD

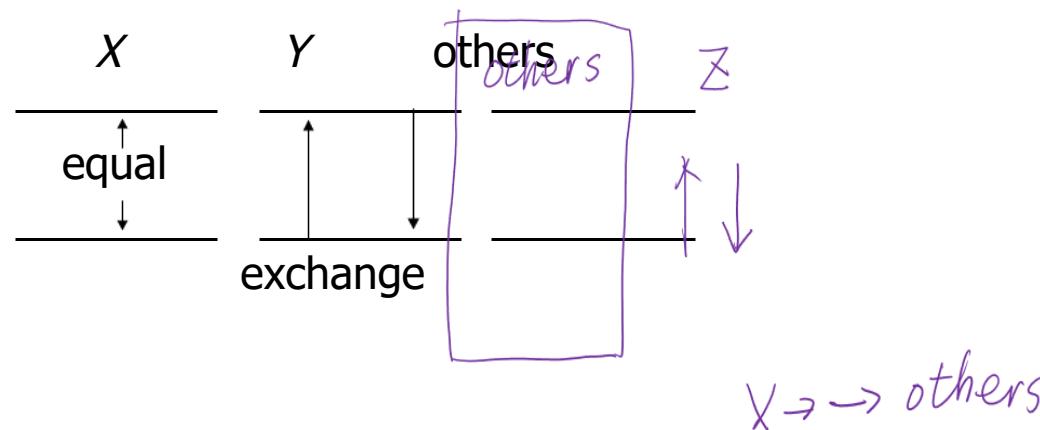
$\text{name} \rightarrow\rightarrow \text{beersLiked}$ .

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# Picture of MVD $X \rightarrow\rightarrow Y$



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# MVD Rules

- Every FD is an MVD (*promotion* ).
  - If  $X \rightarrow Y$ , then swapping  $Y$ 's between two tuples that agree on  $X$  doesn't change the tuples.
  - Therefore, the “new” tuples are surely in the relation, and we know  $X \rightarrow\rightarrow Y$ .
- *Complementation* : If  $X \rightarrow\rightarrow Y$ , and  $Z$  is all the other attributes, then  $X \rightarrow\rightarrow Z$ .

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# Splitting Doesn't Hold

- Like FD's, we cannot generally split the left side of an MVD.
- But unlike FD's, we cannot split the right side either --- sometimes you have to leave several attributes on the right side.

If  $AB \rightarrow C$  then  $A \rightarrow C$ ,  $B \rightarrow C$  错误  
If  $A \rightarrow BC$  then  $A \rightarrow B$ ,  $A \rightarrow C$  正确

If  $AB \rightarrow \rightarrow C$  then  $A \rightarrow \rightarrow C$ ,  $B \rightarrow \rightarrow C$  错误  
If  $A \rightarrow \rightarrow BC$  then  $A \rightarrow \rightarrow B$ ,  $A \rightarrow \rightarrow C$  错误

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# Example

Drinkers(name, areaCode, phone, beersLiked, manf)

- A drinker can have several phones, with the number divided between areaCode and phone (last 7 digits).
- A drinker can like several beers, each with its own manufacturer.

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# Example, Continued

- Since the areaCode-phone combinations for a drinker are independent of the beersLiked-manf combinations, we expect that the following MVD's hold:

$\text{name} \rightarrow\rightarrow \text{areaCode phone}$

$\text{name} \rightarrow\rightarrow \text{beersLiked manf}$

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# Example Data

Here is possible data satisfying these MVD's:

| name | areaCode | phone    | beersLiked | manf   |
|------|----------|----------|------------|--------|
| Sue  | 650      | 555-1111 | Bud        | A.B.   |
| Sue  | 650      | 555-1111 | WickedAle  | Pete's |
| Sue  | 415      | 555-9999 | Bud        | A.B.   |
| Sue  | 415      | 555-9999 | WickedAle  | Pete's |

But we cannot swap area codes or phones by themselves.

That is, neither name →→ areaCode nor name →→ phone  
holds for this relation.      ✗      ✗



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# Fourth Normal Form

- The redundancy that comes from MVD's is not removable by putting the database schema in BCNF.
- There is a stronger normal form, called 4NF, that (intuitively) treats MVD's as FD's when it comes to decomposition, but not when determining keys of the relation.

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## 4NF Definition

- A relation  $R$  is in  $4NF$  if whenever  $X \rightarrow\!\!\!\rightarrow Y$  is a nontrivial MVD, then  $X$  is a superkey.
  - *Nontrivial* means that:
    1.  $Y$  is not a subset of  $X$ , and
    2.  $X$  and  $Y$  are not, together, all the attributes.
  - Note that the definition of “superkey” still depends on FD’s only.

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# Example

Drinkers(name, addr, phones, beersLiked)

FD:

$$\text{name} \rightarrow \text{addr}$$

MVD's:  $\text{name} \rightarrow\!\!\rightarrow \text{phones}$

$$\text{name} \rightarrow\!\!\rightarrow \text{beersLiked}$$

- Key is {name, phones, beersLiked}.
- All dependencies violate 4NF.

Drinkers & 4NF  
Drinkers & BCNF



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# Example, Continued

- Decompose using name → addr:

1. Drinkers1(name, addr)  $\not\in 4NF$

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In 4NF; only dependency is name → addr.

2. Drinkers2(name, phones, beersLiked)  $\not\in 4NF$

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Not in 4NF. MVD's name →→ phones and name →→ beersLiked apply. No FD's, so all three attributes form the key.



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## Example: Decompose Drinkers2

- Either MVD  $\text{name} \rightarrow\!\!\!}\rightarrow \text{phones}$  or  $\text{name} \rightarrow\!\!\!}\rightarrow \text{beersLiked}$   
tells us to decompose to:

- $\text{Drinkers3}(\underline{\text{name}}, \underline{\text{phones}}) \in 4NF$
- $\text{Drinkers4}(\underline{\text{name}}, \underline{\text{beersLiked}}) \in 4NF$



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# Decomposition and 4NF

- If  $X \twoheadrightarrow Y$  is a 4NF violation for relation  $R$ , we can decompose  $R$  using the same technique as for BCNF.
  1.  $XY$  is one of the decomposed relations.
  2. All but  $Y - X$  is the other.

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# BCNF Versus 4NF

- Remember that every FD  $X \rightarrow Y$  is also an MVD,  $X \rightarrow\rightarrow Y$ .
- Thus, if  $R$  is in 4NF, it is certainly in BCNF.
  - Because any BCNF violation is a 4NF violation.
- But  $R$  could be in BCNF and not 4NF, because MVD's are “invisible” to BCNF.

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# 本章主要知识点

- Functional dependencies
  - 函数依赖：属性之间的约束，应用背景领域信息，通过用户得到
- Keys
  - 键或候选码：可以通过函数依赖求出。一个关系模式可以有多个键，在工程设计时一个关系模式只能指定一个键为主键，主键不能为空值，也不能出现重复值（实体完整性）
- Various normal forms
  - BCNF, 3rd normal form, 4th normal form. 关系模式如果不能达到3NF以上，会出现冗余和各种异常（Anomalies）
- schema refinement
  - Lossless Decompositions 无损分解，“lossless” joins 无损连接
  - Dependency Preserving 保持函数依赖

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## 互动交流一

Relation R(A, B, C) satisfies the multi-valued dependency  $A \rightarrow\!\!\! \rightarrow B$ , and has (possibly among others) the following tuples in its current instance: (0, 1, 2), (0, 3, 4), and (1, 5, 6). Which of the following tuples is not necessarily in the current instance of R?

- A (0; 1; 4)
- B (0; 3; 2)
- C (0; 5; 2)
- D None of the above

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## 互动交流二

一个关系模式：学生（学号，社团，课程），这个关系模式是否存在多值函数依赖？

- A 存在社团对学号的多值函数依赖
- B 存在社团对课程的多值函数依赖
- C 存在课程对学号的多值函数依赖
- D 存在学号对课程的多值函数依赖

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## 互动交流三

一个关系模式：学生（学号，社团，课程），它是否为BCNF?  
它是否为4NF?

- A 它是BCNF? 它也是4NF?
- B 它是BCNF? 它不是4NF?
- C 它不是BCNF? 它也不是4NF?
- D 它不是BCNF? 但它是4NF?

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## 互动交流四

一个关系模式：学生（学号，社团，课程），如果这个关系模式存在多值函数依赖，请对模式求精，去除这种多值函数依赖。求精后的模式由哪些关系模式组成？

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