

7.1 Suppose that we decompose the schema $R = (A, B, C, D, E)$ into

(A, B, C)

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Show that this decomposition is a lossless decomposition if the following set F of functional dependencies holds:

$A \rightarrow BC$

$CD \rightarrow E$

$B \rightarrow D$

$E \rightarrow A$

7.2 List all nontrivial functional dependencies satisfied by the relation of Figure 7.17.

A	B	C
a_1	b_1	c_1
a_1	b_1	c_2
a_2	b_1	c_1
a_2	b_1	c_3

Figure 7.17 Relation of Exercise 7.2.

7.14 Show that there can be more than one canonical cover for a given set of functional dependencies, using the following set of dependencies:

$X \rightarrow YZ$, $Y \rightarrow XZ$, and $Z \rightarrow XY$.

7.15 The algorithm to generate a canonical cover only removes one extraneous attribute at a time. Use the functional dependencies from Exercise 7.14 to show what can go wrong if two attributes inferred to be extraneous are deleted at once.