

Task 1. Will the conversion to BCNF be dependency preserving in any case? Proof your statement and give a reasoning for choosing BCNF design.

dept_advisor(s_ID, i_ID, department_name)

With function dependencies:

$i_ID \rightarrow dept_name$

$s_ID, dept_name \rightarrow i_ID$

dept_advisor is not in BCNF

i_ID is not a superkey.

Any decomposition of *dept_advisor* will not include all the attributes in

$s_ID, dept_name \rightarrow i_ID$

Thus, the composition is NOT be dependency preserving

Task 2. Given table in 1NF, convert to 3NF if PK is UnitID:

UnitID	StudentID	Date	Tutor ID	Topic	Room	Grade	Book	TutEmail
U1	St1	23.02.03	Tut1	GMT	629	4.7	Deumlich	tut1@fhbb.ch
U2	St1	18.11.02	Tut3	Gln	631	5.1	Zehnder	tut3@fhbb.ch
U1	St4	23.02.03	Tut1	GMT	629	4.3	Deumlich	tut1@fhbb.ch
U5	St2	05.05.03	Tut3	PhF	632	4.9	Dümmers	tut3@fhbb.ch
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Task 3. Given table in 1NF, convert to 2NF if PK is {ProjectName, ProjectManager}, use decomposition:

ProjectName	ProjectManager	Position	Budget	TeamSize
Project1	Manager1	CTO	1 kk \$	15
Project2	Manager2	CTO2	1.5 kk \$	12

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Task 4. Given table, convert to 3NF if PK is Group, use decomposition:

Faculties have a number of specialities, each speciality consists of a set of particular groups.

Group	Faculty	Speciality
g1	f1	s1
g2	f2	s2

Group	Speciality
g1	s1
g2	s2

Speciality	Faculty
s1	f1
s2	f2

Task 5. Given table, convert to BCNF if PK is {ProjectID, Department}, use decomposition:

Curator depends on projectID and related departments, teamSize directly relates to project and related departments, ProjectGroupsNumber depends on TeamSize.

ProjectID	Department	Curator	TeamSizeID
p1	d1	e1	1
p2	d2	e2	2

TeamSizeID	TeamSize	ProjectGroupsNumber
1	100	5
2	120	6

Task 6. List the three design goals for relational databases, and explain why each is desirable. Give an example of both desirable and undesirable types of decompositions.

The three design goals are lossless-join decompositions, dependency preserving decompositions, and minimization of repetition of information. They are desirable so we can maintain an accurate database, check correctness of updates quickly, and use the smallest amount of space possible