

Task-8 - Normalizing databases using functional dependencies upto BCNF

Upon relational tables created in task-2, perform normalization up to BCNF based on given dependencies as following for the assumed relations specified below.

Employee Database:

1. Identify employee attributes: Employee-ID, Name, Department, Job-title, Manager-ID, Hire-Date, Salary.
2. Define relational schema: Employee (Employee-ID, Name, Department, Job-title, Manager-ID)
3. Determine functional dependencies (FDs) between attributes:
 - $\text{Employee-ID} \rightarrow \text{Name, Department, Job-title, Manager-ID}$
 - Hire-Date, Salary
 - $\text{Department} \rightarrow \text{Manager-ID}$
 - $\text{Manager-ID} \rightarrow \text{Name}$

Step 1: Convert to 1NF

1. Eliminate repeating groups or arrays.
2. Create separate tables for each repeating group.

Step 2: Convert to 2NF

1. Ensure each non-key attribute depends on the entire primary key.
2. Move non-key attributes to separate table if they depend on only part of the primary key.
 - create Department table: Department (Department-ID, Manager-ID, Name)
 - update Department table: Department (Department-ID, Manager-ID).

Step 3: Convert to 3NF

1. Ensure there are no transitive dependencies.
2. Move non-key attributes to separate tables if they depend on another non-key attribute.
 - create Manager table: Manager (Manager-ID, Name)
 - update Department table: Department (Department-ID, Manager-ID).

Step 4: Convert to BCNF

1. Ensure every determinant is a candidate key.

Output

Normalized tables

Table Name	Attributes
Employee	Employee-ID (PK), Name, Department (FK), Job-Title, Hire-Date, Salary
Department	Department-ID (PK), Manager-ID (FK)
Manager	Manager-ID (PK), Name

- Check for overlapping candidate keys.
- Decompose relations to eliminate redundancy.

- No further decomposition needed.

Using Griffith Tool :-

- Input relational schema and functional dependencies.
- Griffith tool generates a dependency graph.
- Analyze the graph to identify normalization issues.
- Apply normalization rules to transform the schema.
- Verify the resulting schema meets BCNF criteria.

Griffith Tool Steps :-

- Create a new project in Griffith.
- Define the relational schema and FDS.
- Run the "Dependency Graph" tool.
- Analyze the graph for normalization issues.
- Apply transformations using the "Normalize" tool.

Normalized Schema :-

- Employee (Employee-ID, Name, Department-ID, Job-Title, Hire-Date, Salary).
- Department (Department-ID, Manager-ID).
- Manager (Manager-ID, Name).

Result :- Thus, the normalizing database using functional dependencies upto BCNF is executed successfully.

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