

CS 353 Spring 2024

Homework 5

Due: April 16, Tuesday till midnight

You will use the Moodle course page for submission of this assignment

Q.1 [10 pts] Consider the following instance of relation $R(A, B, C, D, E)$:

A	B	C	D	E
a1	b1	c1	d1	e1
a2	b2	c2	d2	e2
a3	b3	c2	d1	e1
a4	b2	c1	d1	e1
a1	b1	c3	d1	e1

Which of the following functional dependencies are **violated** by this instance?

- (a) $A \rightarrow B$
- (b) $AB \rightarrow C$
- (c) $CD \rightarrow A$
- (d) $BC \rightarrow D$
- (e) $C \rightarrow DE$
- (f) $DE \rightarrow A$
- (g) $ADE \rightarrow B$
- (h) $ADE \rightarrow C$

Q.2 [14 pts] Given a relation $R(A, B, C, D)$ with the following functional dependencies:

$\{ A \rightarrow BC, B \rightarrow D, C \rightarrow D \}$

- (a) [3 pts] Determine if $A \rightarrow D$ holds on R .
- (b) [3 pts] Determine if $C \rightarrow B$ holds on R .
- (c) [8 pts] Determine if R in BCNF. If not, decompose it into BCNF relations using the BCNF decomposition algorithm.

Q.3 [20 pts, 10 pts each] Given a relation $R(A, B, C, D)$ with the following functional dependencies:

$\{ A \rightarrow B, C \rightarrow A, BC \rightarrow D \}$

- (a) Is the decomposition of R into $R_1(A, B, C)$ and $R_2(C, D)$ lossless? Explain why or why not. If it is not lossless, show this through an example instance of R .
- (b) Is the decomposition of R into $R_1(A, B)$ and $R_2(B, C, D)$ lossless? Explain why or why not. If it is not lossless, show this through an example instance of R .

Q.4 [36 pts] Given a relation $R(A, B, C, D, E, F)$ and its functional dependencies:

$\{ A \rightarrow BC, AD \rightarrow F, AF \rightarrow E \}$

(a) [4 pts] Show that R is not in BCNF.

(b) [8 pts] Decompose R into BCNF relations using the BCNF decomposition algorithm.

(c) [6 pts] Find the candidate key(s) of R .

(d) [4 pts] Show that R is not in 3NF.

(e) [6 pts] Find the canonical cover of the given functional dependency set.

(f) [8 pts] Decompose R into 3NF relations using the lossless and dependency preserving 3NF decomposition algorithm which makes use of the canonical cover.

Q.5 [20 pts] Given a relation $R(A, B, C, D, E)$ and its functional dependencies:

$A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow E,$

and multivalued dependencies:

$A \twoheadrightarrow C, A \twoheadrightarrow D.$

Check if R is in 4NF. If not, decompose it into 4NF relations.