

# Normalization

# Database Normalization

- **Normalization:** The process of structuring data to minimize duplication and inconsistencies.
- The process usually involves breaking down a **single Table** into two or more tables and defining relationships between those tables.
- Normalization is usually done in stages, with each stage applying some rules to the types of information which can be stored in a table.

# Well-Structured Relations

- Goal is to avoid anomalies
  - **Insertion Anomaly** – adding new rows forces user to create duplicate data
  - **Deletion Anomaly** – deleting rows may cause a loss of data that would be needed for other future rows
  - **Modification Anomaly** – changing data in a row forces changes to other rows because of duplication

**a table should not have more than one entity type**

# Example

<u>SID</u>	<b>Sname</b>	<b>Bdate</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>ZipCode</b>	<u>Subject</u>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Teacher</b>
1	Ahmed	1/1/1980	Cairo	1010	DB	A	Hany
1	Ahmed	1/1/1980	Cairo	1010	Math	B	Eman
1	Ahmed	1/1/1980	Cairo	1010	WinXP	A	khalid
2	Ali	1/1/1983	Alex	1111	DB	B	Hany
2	Ali	1/1/1983	Alex	1111	SWE	B	Heba
3	Mohamed	1/1/1990	Mansoura	1210	NC	C	Mona

Question – What's the primary key?      Answer – Composite: SID, Subject

Why do these anomalies exist?

Because we've combined two themes (entity types) into one relation. This results in duplication, and an unnecessary dependency between the entities

# Functional dependency

- a constraint between two attributes (columns) or two sets of columns
- $A \rightarrow B$  if “for every valid instance of A, that value of A uniquely determines the value of B”
- or ... $A \rightarrow B$  if “existing of B depending on a value of A”

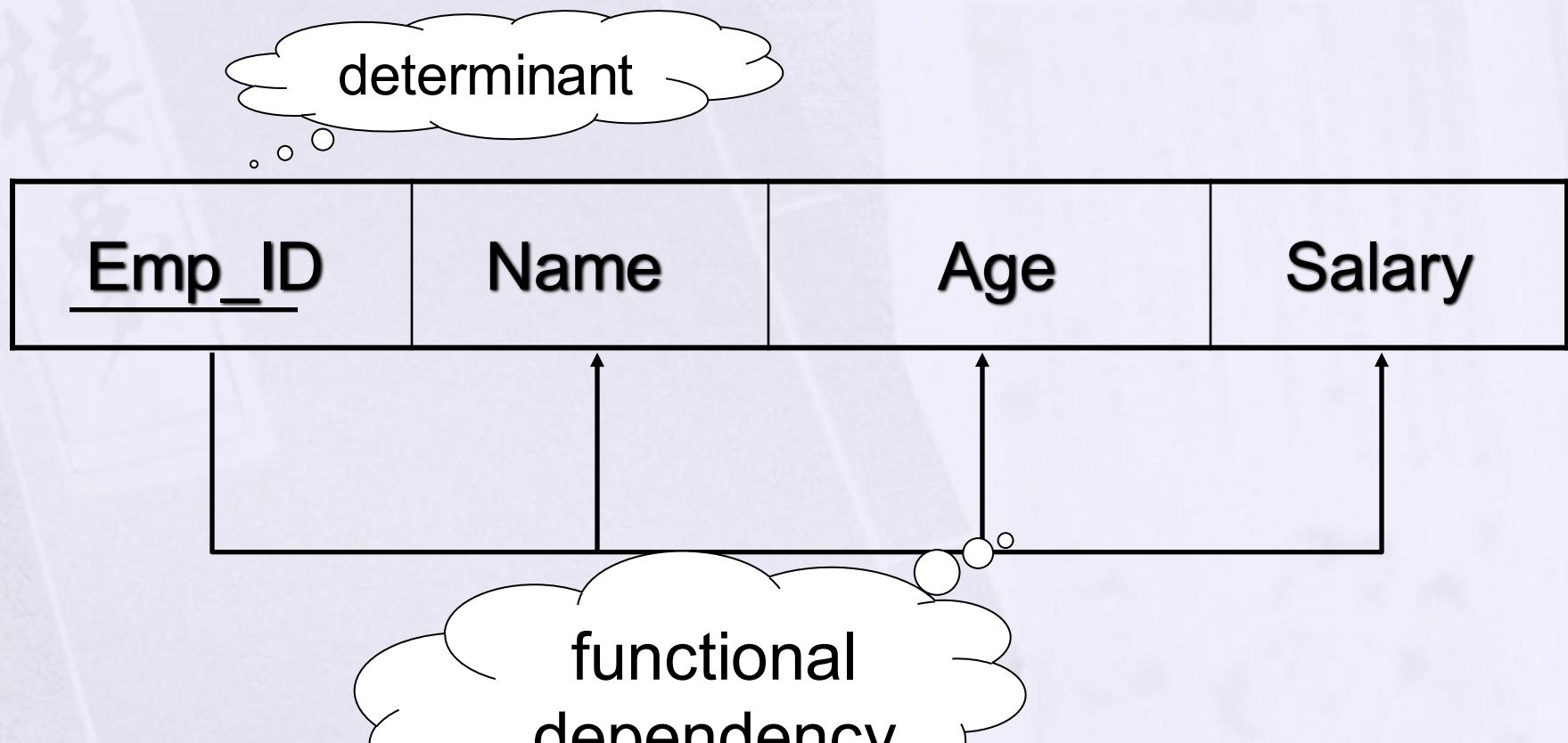
# ... functional dependency

## some examples

- social security number determines employee name  
 $SSN \rightarrow ENAME$
- project number determines project name and location  
 $PNUMBER \rightarrow \{PNAME, PLOCATION\}$
- employee ssn and project number determines the hours per week that the employee works on the project  
 $\{SSN, PNUMBER\} \rightarrow HOURS$

# keys and dependencies

**EMPLOYEE1 (Emp\_ID, Name, Age, Salary)**



# Types of functional dependency

- **Full Functional Dependency**

Attribute is fully Functional Dependency on a PK if its value is determined by the **whole PK**

- **Partial Functional Dependency**

Attribute if has a Partially Functional Dependency on a PK if its value is determined by **part of the PK**(Composite Key)

- **Transitive Functional Dependency**

Attribute is Transitively Functional Dependency on a table if its value is determined by another **non-key attribute** which it self determined by PK

# Example

<b><u>SID</u></b>	<b><u>SName</u></b>	<b><u>Birthdate</u></b>	<b><u>City</u></b>	<b><u>Zip Code</u></b>	<b><u>Subject</u></b>	<b><u>Grade</u></b>	<b><u>Teacher</u></b>
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Full Functional Dependency

Sid, Subject → Grade

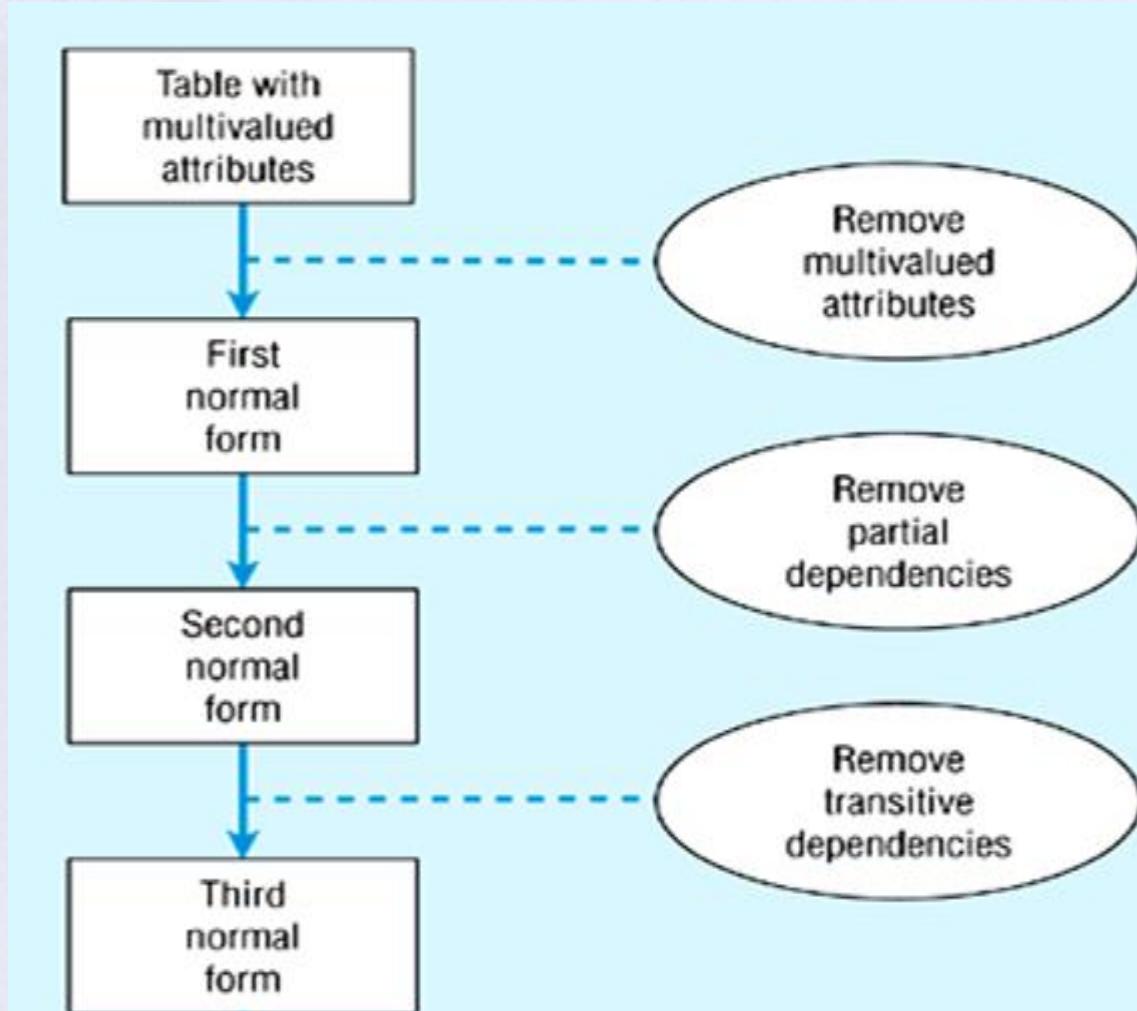
Partial Functional Dependency

Sid → SName  
Subject → Teacher

Transitive Functional Dependency

ZipCode → City

# Steps in normalization



# 1NF

- relation is in **first normal form** if it contains no multivalued or composite attributes
- remove repeating groups to a new table as already demonstrated, “carrying” the PK as a FK
- All columns (fields) must be atomic
  - Means : no repeating items in columns

# Example

<b><u>SID</u></b>	<b><u>SName</u></b>	<b><u>Birthdate</u></b>	<b><u>City</u></b>	<b><u>Zip Code</u></b>	<b><u>Subject</u></b>	<b><u>Grade</u></b>	<b><u>Teacher</u></b>
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Repeating Groups  
Or multivalued



# 1NF

Student(SID, Sname, Birthdate, City, Zip Code)

<u>SID</u>	SName	Birthdate	City	Zip Code
1	Ahmed	1/1/1980	Cairo	1010
2	Ali	1/1/1983	Alex	1111
3	Mohamed	1/1/1990	Cairo	1010

Stud\_Subject (SID, Subject, Grade, Teacher)

<u>SID</u>	Subject	Grade	Teacher
1	DB	A	Hany
1	Math	B	Eman
1	WinXP	A	khalid
2	DB	B	Hany
2	SWE	B	Heba
3	NC	C	Mona

# 2NF

- a relation is in **second normal form** if it is in first normal form AND every nonkey attribute is fully functionally dependant on the primary key
- i.e. remove partial functional dependencies, so no nonkey attribute depends on just part of the key

# 2NF

Student(SID, Sname, Birthdate, City, Zip Code)

<u>SID</u>	SName	Birthdate	City	Zip Code
1	Ahmed	1/1/1980	Cairo	1010
2	Ali	1/1/1983	Alex	1111
3	Mohamed	1/1/1990	Cairo	1010

2NF

Because there is no  
Composite PK

Stud\_Subject (SID, Subject, Grade, Teacher)

<u>SID</u>	Subject	Grade	Teacher
1	DB	A	Hany
1	Math	B	Eman
1	WinXP	A	khalid
2	DB	B	Hany
2	SWE	B	Heba
3	NC	C	Mona

SID, Subject → Grade.....FFD

Subject → Teacher.....PFD

# 2NF

Student(SID, Sname, Birthdate, City, Zip Code)

<u>SID</u>	SName	Birthdate	City	Zip Code
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2	Ali	1/1/1983	Alex	1111
3	Mohamed	1/1/1990	Mansoura	1210

Stud\_Subject (SID, Subject, Grade)

<u>SID</u>	<u>Subject</u>	Grade
1	DB	A
1	Math	B
1	WinXP	A
2	DB	B
2	SWE	B
3	NC	C

Subject (Subject, Teacher)

<u>Subject</u>	Teacher
DB	Hany
Math	Eman
WinXP	khalid
SWE	Heba
NC	Mona

# Third Normal Form

- 2NF PLUS ***no transitive dependencies***  
(one attribute functionally determines a second, which functionally determines a third)

# 2NF

Student(SID, Sname, Birthdate, City, Zip Code)

<u>SID</u>	SName	Birthdate	City	Zip Code
1	Ahmed	1/1/1980	Cairo	1010
2	Ali	1/1/1983	Alex	1111
3	Mohamed	1/1/1990	Cairo	1010

Zip Code  $\rightarrow$  City ..... TFD

Stud\_Subject (SID, Subject, Grade)

<u>SID</u>	<u>Subject</u>	Grade
1	DB	A
1	Math	B
1	WinXP	A
2	DB	B
2	SWE	B
3	NC	C

Subject (Subject, Teacher)

<u>Subject</u>	Teacher
DB	Hany
Math	Eman
WinXP	khalid
SWE	Heba
NC	Mona

3NF

Because there is no Transitive Functional Dependency

# 3NF

**Student(SID, Sname, Birthdate,)**

<u>SID</u>	SName	Birthdate	ZipCode
1	Ahmed	1/1/1980	1010
2	Ali	1/1/1983	1111
3	Mohamed	1/1/1990	1010

**Stud\_City(City, Zip Code)**

City	<u>Zip Code</u>
Cairo	1010
Alex	1111

**Stud\_Subject (SID, Subject, Grade)**

<u>SID</u>	<u>Subject</u>	Grade
1	DB	A
1	Math	B
1	WinXP	A
2	DB	B
2	SWE	B
3	NC	C

**Subject (Subject, Teacher)**

<u>Subject</u>	Teacher
DB1	Hany
Math	Eman
WinXP	khalid
DB2	Hany
SWE	Heba
NC	Mona

# ITI Example

## ITI Students Sheet

**Platform Name : SWE**

**Platform Description:** Software Engineering

**Graduate Manager: Dr.Baha**

Appno	Name	F-code	Faculty	Address	Telno	Grade	Att. Hrs	Sdate
123	Ahmed	SC-phy	Science	Haram	3386842	A	600	14 Sep
124	Mona	Eng-cs	Engineering	Dokki	3389745, 3389744, 5123445	B	591	15 Sep
127	Ali	Com-ac	Commerce	Nasr City	2241593, 2222345	A	550	21 Sep
223	Karim	Med-bio	Medicine	Sheraton	2286845	C	600	14 Sep

# **1NF :**

- **Platform** :pfname , pfdesc , pfManager
- **Students\_pf**: pfname, appno, name , faculty , F-Code, address, grade, attd , start\_date
- **Std\_Tel**: appno, telno

# 2NF

- **Students:** appno, name , faculty , FCode, address
- **Students\_pf:** pfname,appno, grade, attd , start\_date

## Unchanged Tables

- **Platform :**pfname , pfdesc , pfManager
- **Std\_Tel:** appno, telno

# 3NF

- **Students:** appno, name , FCode, address
- **Fac\_majors:**faculty , FCode

## Unchanged Tables

- **Platform :**pfname , pfdesc , pfManager
- **Std\_Tel:** appno, telno
- **Students\_pf:** pfname,appno, grade, attd , start\_date

# Thank You !!!