

1. Given  $R(C, D, E, F, G)$ , and the following functional dependencies:  $F \rightarrow E$ ,  $F \rightarrow G$ ,  $C \rightarrow D$ . We decompose  $R$  into two relations  $R_1(C, D)$  and  $R_2(E, F, G, C)$ . Does this decomposition have the lossless join property?

**Solution:**

**Step # 1)** Create initial Matrix:

	C	D	E	F	G
R1	b11	b12	b13	b14	b15
R2	b21	b22	b23	b24	b25

**Step # 2)** Mark Attributes Present in Relations

	C	D	E	F	G
R1	a1	a2	b13	b14	b15
R2	a1	b22	a3	a4	a5

**Step # 3)** Apply Functional Dependencies

- Using  $F \rightarrow E$ :  
In initial matrix, we have different symbol corresponding to  $F$  in both relations. Hence, this cause no change in Matrix. (Unchanged)
- Using  $F \rightarrow G$ :  
Again, we have different symbol corresponding to  $F$  in both relations. Hence, this cause no change in Matrix. (Unchanged)
- Using  $C \rightarrow D$ :  
Given that  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  have the same symbol for  $C$ ,  $D$  in  $R_2$  is derived from  $R_1$  :

	C	D	E	F	G
R1	a1	a2	b13	b14	b15
R2	a1	<del>b22</del> a2	a3	a4	a5

Looking at the final matrix, the row  $R_2$  is entirely filled with attribute symbols (a). Hence, this shows that it is decomposition have the lossless join property.

2. Decompose  $R$  into 3rd normal form with both dependency preservation property and loss-less join property.

$R(a, b, c, d, e, f, g)$

Fd1:  $a \rightarrow \{b, c\}$

Fd2:  $d \rightarrow \{e, f\}$

**Solution:**

**Step -1)** Find Minimal Cover:

$a \rightarrow b$   
 $a \rightarrow c$   
 $d \rightarrow e$   
 $d \rightarrow f$

**Step-2) Produce relations:**

**R1** (a, b, c)

**R2** (d, e, f)

**Step-3)**

In above Relation we have b, c, e and f as non-essential attributes and a, d, g are essential attributes.

Closure of {a, d, g} = {a, b, c, d, e, f, g}

Hence, Candidate key is **(a, d, g)**.

Given that this key has not been covered by the existing relation schemas, we create a new schema:

**R3** (a, d, g)

**Step-4) Eliminate Redundant Relations:**

No redundant relations.

Hence, resulted 3NF is R1 (a, b, c), **R2** (d, e, f), **R3** (a, d, g).

3. Given R(x, y, c, z, e, f, g). There are two keys: (x, y) and z. Given the following functional dependency:  $F = \{(x, y) \rightarrow \{c, z, e, f, g\}, z \rightarrow \{x, y, c, e, f, g\}, f \rightarrow x\}$ . Decompose R into BCNF.

Solution:

**Step#1) Finding all candidate keys:**

Closure of z = (x, y, c, z, e, f, g)  
Closure of (x, y) = (x, y, c, z, e, f, g)  
Closure of (f, y) = (x, y, c, z, e, f, g)

Hence,

Prime Attributes: x, y, z, f

Non-Prime Attributes: c, e, g

**Step # 2) Determine if each Functional Dependency violate BCNF or not:**

- $(x, y) \rightarrow (c, z, e, f, g)$ : It is in BCNF. It does not have any partial and transitive dependencies. Also,  $(x, y)$  is a super key. So, no violation to BCNF.
- $z \rightarrow (x, y, c, e, f, g)$ : It is in BCNF. It does not have any partial and transitive dependencies. Also,  $(x, y)$  is a super key. So, no violation to BCNF.
- $f \rightarrow x$ : This violate BCNF property. Left part of a functional dependency must be a super key. Hence, R will be decomposed to two relations.

$R_1(f, x)$  and  $R_2(c, e, f, g, y, z)$  are resulted BCNF decomposition.