

# CS4400 Intro Database Systems

## In Class Practice Questions – Functional Dependencies & Normalization

14.26. Consider the following relation:

A	B	C	TUPLE#
10 <i>G</i>	b1	c1	1
10 <i>G</i>	b2	c2	2
11 <i>o</i>	b4	c1	3
12	b3	c4	4
13	b1	c1	5
14	b3	c4	6

- a. Given the previous extension (state), which of the following dependencies *may hold* in the above relation? If the dependency cannot hold, explain why *by specifying the tuples that cause the violation*.

*✓ 2X* i.  $A \rightarrow B$ ,    *may* ii.  $B \rightarrow C$ ,    *3/1* iii.  $C \rightarrow B$ ,    *✓ 6* iv.  $B \rightarrow A$ ,    *✓ 3* v.  $C \rightarrow A$

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14.24. Consider the universal relation  $R = \{A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J\}$  and the set of functional dependencies  $F = \{\{A, B\} \rightarrow \{C\}, \{A\} \rightarrow \{D, E\}, \{B\} \rightarrow \{F\}, \{F\} \rightarrow \{G, H\}, \{D\} \rightarrow \{I, J\}\}$ . What is the key for  $R$ ? Decompose  $R$  into 2NF and then 3NF relations.



$$\{A\} = \{A, D, E, I, J\}$$

$$\{B\} = \{B, F, G, H\}$$

$$A = \{A, D, E, F, I, J\}$$

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**14.25.** Repeat Exercise 14.24 for the following different set of functional dependencies  $G = \{\{A, B\} \rightarrow \{C\}, \{B, D\} \rightarrow \{E, F\}, \{A, D\} \rightarrow \{G, H\}, \{A\} \rightarrow \{I\}, \{H\} \rightarrow \{J\}\}$ .

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**14.27.** Consider a relation  $R(A, B, C, D, E)$  with the following dependencies:

$$AB \rightarrow C, CD \rightarrow E, DE \rightarrow B$$

Is  $AB$  a candidate key of this relation? If not, is  $ABD$ ? Explain your answer.