CSE 4701 Spring 2020 (Homework No. 3)

Due April 7 (Tue), 2020, 11:59 pm in HuskyCT (5% penalty per day late submission).

Problem 1

Prove or disprove that the following inference rules for functional dependencies. A proof can be made by using inference rules IR1 through IR3. A disproof should be done by showing a relational instance that refutes the rule. (20 points)

- (a) If $\{A \rightarrow B, C \rightarrow D\}$, then $\{AC \rightarrow BD\}$
- (b) If $\{AB \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D\}$, then $\{A \rightarrow D\}$

Problem 2

Show that $AB \rightarrow D$ is in the closure of $\{AB \rightarrow C, CE \rightarrow D, A \rightarrow E\}$ (10 points)

Problem 3

Consider the relation schema $R = \{A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J\}$ and the set of functional dependencies $F = \{AB \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow DE, B \rightarrow F, F \rightarrow GH, D \rightarrow IJ\}$ that hold true for R. Determine whether each of the decompositions given below has (1) the dependency preservation property, and (2) the lossless join property, with respect to F. Also determine which normal form each relation in the decomposition is in. (20 points)

- (a) $D_1 = \{R_1, R_2, R_3\}$ where $R_1 = \{A, B, C, D, E\}, R_2 = \{B, F, G, H\}, \text{ and } R_3 = \{D, I, J\},$
- (b) $D_2 = \{R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4, R_5\}$ where $R_1 = \{A, B, C, D\}$, $R_2 = \{D, E\}$, $R_3 = \{B, F\}$, $R_4 = \{F, G, H\}$, and $R_5 = \{D, I, J\}$.

Problem 4

Consider the relation schema $R = \{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$ and the set of functional dependencies $F = \{ABC \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow E, BC \rightarrow E, D \rightarrow F\}$ hold in R. Assume all domains of the attributes in R is atomic. (20 points)

- (a) Can you decompose R into R_1 and R_2 in which this decomposition is lossless and R_2 is 1NF at best and R_1 is BCNF?
- (b) Now, can you decompose R_2 into R_3 and R_4 in which this decomposition is lossless and both R_3 and R_4 are BCNF?