

1. Consider the universal relation  $R = \{a, b, c, d, E\}$  and the set of functional dependencies  $FD = \{\{a\} \rightarrow \{b, c\}, \{b\} \rightarrow \{d\}\}$  and MVD =  $\{\{b\} \twoheadrightarrow \{c, d\}\}$

- ① 1. (1) Write all the candidate keys for R.
- $a \rightarrow b, c, d$   
 $\Rightarrow b \twoheadrightarrow c$   
 $a \in$

minimal set

$a \rightarrow b, c, d$   
 $b \rightarrow d$   
 $b \twoheadrightarrow c$

- ② 2. (6) What schema(s) would be produced by the 4NF decomposition algorithm?

- A.  $R_1(a, d), R_2(b, c), R_3(a, b), R_4(a, E)$   
 B.  $R_1(b, d), R_2(b, c), R_3(a, b), R_4(a, E)$   
 C. both options are correct  
 D. both options are wrong

start with  $b \rightarrow d$

$R_1 \{ \underline{b}, d \}$

$R_2 \{ a, b, c, E \} \times$

$R_3 \{ \underline{b}, \underline{c} \}$

$R_4 \{ a, b, E \} \times$

$R_5 \{ \underline{a}, b \}$

$R_6 \{ \underline{a}, \underline{E} \}$

start with  $b \twoheadrightarrow c$

$R_1(\underline{b}, c) \checkmark$

$R_2(\underline{a}, b, d, E) \times$

$R_3(\underline{a}, b, d) \times$

$R_4(\underline{a}, \underline{E}) \checkmark$

$R_5(\underline{a}, b) \checkmark$

$R_6(\underline{b}, d) \checkmark$

start with  $a \rightarrow b, c, d$

$a \rightarrow b, c, d$

$R_1(\underline{a}, b, c, d) \times$

$R_2(\underline{a}, \underline{E})$

$R_3(\underline{b}, \underline{c})$

$R_4(\underline{b}, d)$

$R_5(\underline{a}, b)$

$$\begin{aligned} a &\twoheadrightarrow b \\ ab &\rightarrow E \\ a &\rightarrow d \end{aligned} \Rightarrow a \rightarrow E$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &\twoheadrightarrow b \\ ab &\twoheadrightarrow c \end{aligned} \Rightarrow a \twoheadrightarrow c$$

2. Consider the universal relation  $R = \{a, b, c, d, E\}$  and the set of functional dependencies  $FD = \{\{a, b\} \rightarrow \{E\}, \{a\} \rightarrow \{d\}\}$  and the set of MVDs  $= \{\{a\} \twoheadrightarrow \{b\}, \{a, b\} \twoheadrightarrow \{c\}\}$ .

③ 1. (1) Write all the candidate keys for R.

(abc)

$$a \twoheadrightarrow c d E \quad ab \twoheadrightarrow d E$$

$$a \twoheadrightarrow d$$

$$a \twoheadrightarrow b$$

$$a \twoheadrightarrow c E$$

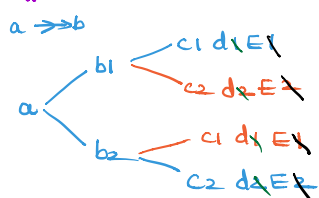
④ 2. (4) What schema(s) would be produced by the 4NF decomposition algorithm?

A.  $R_1 = \{a, b\}, R_2 = \{a, d\}, R_3 = \{a, c, E\}$

B.  $R_1 = \{a, b\}, R_2 = \{a, E\}, R_3 = \{a, c\}, R_4 = \{a, d\}$

C.  $R_1 = \{a, b\}, R_2 = \{a, d, E\}, R_3 = \{a, c\}$

D.  $R_1 = \{a, b, E\}, R_2 = \{a, b\}, R_3 = \{a, c\}, R_4 = \{a, d\}$



$$a \rightarrow d$$

$R_1 \{a, b, c\} \times$

$R_2 \{a, b, d, E\}$

$R_3 (\underline{a}, \underline{b}) \quad R_4 (\underline{a}, \underline{c})$

$R_5 (\underline{a}, \underline{d}, E)$

$$\begin{aligned} a &\rightarrow d, E \\ a &\twoheadrightarrow b \\ ab &\twoheadrightarrow c \end{aligned}$$

$$FD: ab \rightarrow E$$

$R_1 (\underline{a}, \underline{b}, E) \times$

$R_2 (\underline{a}, \underline{b}, c, d) \times$

$R_3 (\underline{a}, \underline{b}) \quad R_4 (\underline{a}, E)$

$R_5 (\underline{a}, \underline{c}) \quad R_6 (\underline{a}, d)$

prove by contradiction:

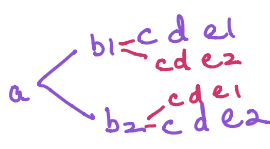
Suppose  $a \twoheadrightarrow E$

$$\Rightarrow \exists a e_1 \neq a e_2$$

$abcde_1; abcde_2$  but  $ab \rightarrow e$

$\Rightarrow ab_1 cde_1; ab_2 cde_2$

But  $a \twoheadrightarrow b$



But this contradicts

$$ab \rightarrow E$$

Hence  $a \rightarrow E$

$$a \twoheadrightarrow b$$

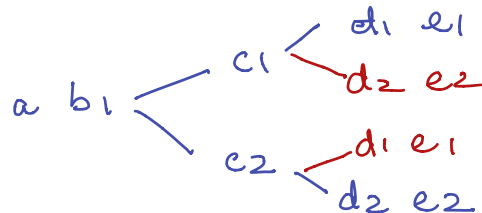
$$ab \twoheadrightarrow c$$

$a b_1 c_1 d_1 e_1$

$a b_2 c_1 d_1 e_1$

$a b_1 c_2 d_2 e_2$

$a b_2 c_2 d_2 e_2$



3. Consider the universal relation  $R = \{a, b, c, d, E\}$  and the set of functional dependencies  $FD = \{\{a\} \rightarrow \{b\}, \{b\} \rightarrow \{ce\}\}$  and the set of MVDs  $= \{\{b\} \twoheadrightarrow \{d\}\}$ .

⑤

1. (1) Write all the candidate keys for R.

$$a \rightarrow b, c, e$$

$$a \twoheadrightarrow d$$

$ad$

⑥

2. (3) Decompose the relation R into 4NF relations.

$$R_1(\underline{b}, c, e) \quad R_2(\underline{b}, \underline{d}) \quad R_3(\underline{a}, b)$$

or

$$R_1(\underline{b}, c, e) \quad R_2(\underline{a}, \underline{d}) \quad R_3(\underline{a}, b)$$

Even if you start with  $A \rightarrow BCE$

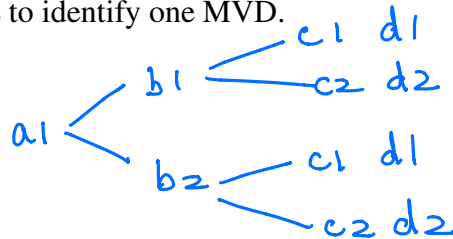
$$R_1(\underline{a}, b, c, e) \quad \times \rightarrow R_3(\underline{b}, c, e) \quad R_4(\underline{a}, b)$$

$$R_2(\underline{a}, \underline{d})$$

A	B	C	D
a1	b1	c1	d1
a1	b2	c1	d1
a1	b2	c2	d2
a1	b1	c2	d2
a2	b3	c1	d2

7. (4) Does the above table have a non-trivial MVD that is not a FD? If so, identify the MVD. You just have to identify one MVD.

$A \twoheadrightarrow B$

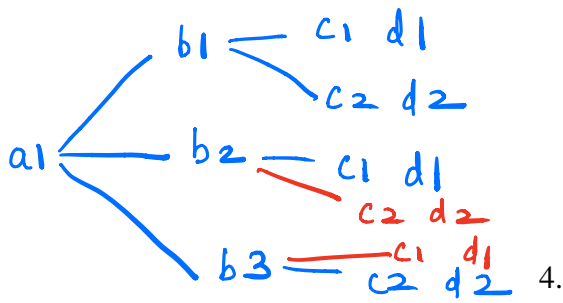


$a2 - b3 - c1 d1$

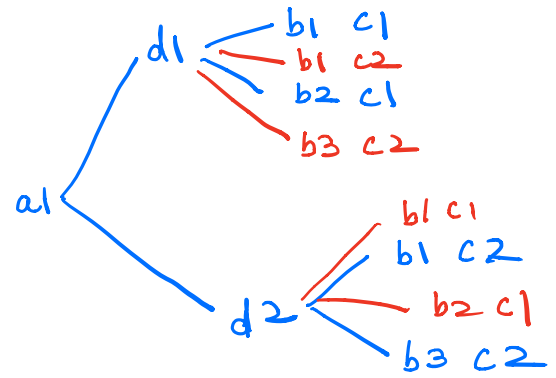
8. (2) Identify one candidate key.

$(b, c)$

$(b, d)$



A	B	C	D
a1	b1	c1	d1
a1	b1	c2	d2
a1	b2	c1	d1
a1	b3	c2	d2
a2	b2	c1	d1



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1. (3) What functional dependencies would be satisfied by inserting the tuples (a1,b1,c2,d1) and (a1,b1,c1,d2) in the table:

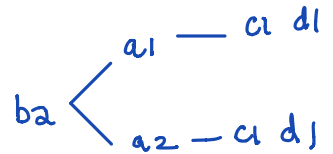
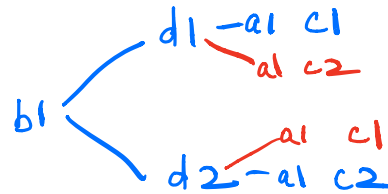
A.  $A \rightarrow B$

B.  $A \rightarrow D$

C.  $B \rightarrow A$  — okay answer

D.  $B \rightarrow D$

E. none of the above



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2. (3) What functional dependencies would be satisfied by inserting the tuples (a1,b2,c2,d2) and (a1,b3,c1,d1) in the table:

A.  $A \rightarrow B$

B.  $A \rightarrow D$

C.  $B \rightarrow D$

D.  $D \rightarrow A$

E. none of the above

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3. (3) What functional dependencies would be satisfied by inserting the tuples (a1,b1,c1,d2), (a1,b2,c1,d2), (a1,b1,c2,d1) and (a1,b3,c2,d1) in the table:

A.  $A \rightarrow B$

B.  $A \rightarrow D$

C.  $D \rightarrow B$

D.  $B \rightarrow A$

E. none of the above

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4. (3) What functional dependencies would be satisfied by inserting the tuple (a2,b1,c1,d1) in the table:

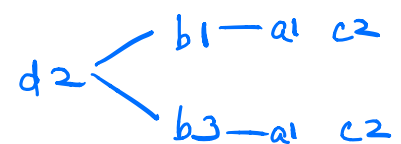
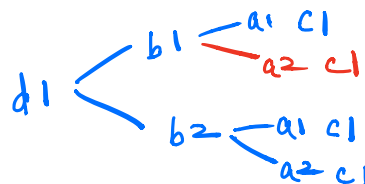
A.  $B \rightarrow A$

B.  $A \rightarrow D$

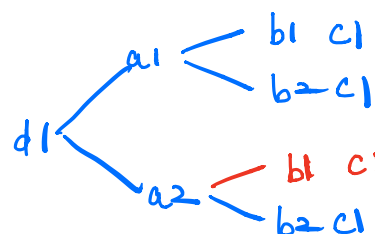
C.  $D \rightarrow B$

D.  $D \rightarrow A$

E. none of the above



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5. Consider the relation  $R = \{a, b, c, d, E\}$  and the set of functional dependencies  $FD = \{\{b\} \rightarrow \{c\}\}$  and the set of MVDs  $= \{\{a\} \twoheadrightarrow \{b\}\{c\} \twoheadrightarrow \{d\}\}$ .

(13)

1. (1) Write all the candidate keys for R.

~~(a, b, d)~~ (a, b, d, E)

2. (3) Decompose the relation R into 4NF relations.

$R_1 (\underline{b}, c)$  ✓  
 $R_2 (\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{d}, \underline{E})$  X  
 ↳ ↑

$R_3 (\underline{a}, \underline{b})$

$R_4 (\underline{a}, \underline{d}, E)$

$R = R_1 \bowtie R_3 \bowtie R_4$

There <sup>may be</sup> other 4NFs.

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6. (6) Consider a relation  $R(A,B,C,D)$  that satisfies  $A \twoheadrightarrow B$  and  $A \twoheadrightarrow C$ . Prove that  $A \twoheadrightarrow BC$   
OR present a counter example showing the relationship as false.

Proof:

$$A \twoheadrightarrow B \Rightarrow A \twoheadrightarrow CD \quad \text{Rule 4}$$

$$A \twoheadrightarrow C \Rightarrow A \twoheadrightarrow BD \quad \text{Rule 4}$$

Now  $A \twoheadrightarrow CD$  and  $A \twoheadrightarrow BD$

$$\Rightarrow A \twoheadrightarrow D \quad (\text{by Rule 5})$$

$$\Rightarrow A \twoheadrightarrow BC \quad (\text{by Rule 4})$$

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Proof 2

you can also prove by contradiction.

This is a longer proof.



Proof 2: by contradiction.

Suppose  $A \twoheadrightarrow B$  and  $A \twoheadrightarrow C$ , but  $A \not\Rightarrow BC$

Case 1  $\exists$  tuples  $(a b c d), (a b_1 c d_1)$   
but  $\nexists$  tuples  $(a b c d_1)$  and  $(a b_1 c d)$ .  
Since  $A \twoheadrightarrow B$ ,  $(a, b, c, d), (a b_1 c d_1) \quad \text{--- ①}$   
 $\Rightarrow \exists$  tuples  $(a, b, c, d_1)$  and  $(a b_1 c d_1)$   
Thus statement ① is false.

Case 2  $\exists$  tuples  $(a b c d), (a b c_1 d_1)$  but  
 $\nexists$  tuples  $(a b c d_1)$  and  $(a b c_1 d) \quad \text{--- ②}$   
Since  $A \twoheadrightarrow C$ ,  $(a b c d), (a b c_1 d_1)$   
 $(a b c_1 d)$  and  $(a b c d_1)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  statement ② is false.

Case 3:  $\exists (a b c d) (a b_1 c_1 d_1)$  but  
 $\nexists (a b c d_1)$  and  $(a b_1 c_1 d) \quad \text{--- ③}$   
Since  $A \twoheadrightarrow B \exists (a b c_1 d_1)$  and  $(a b_1 c d)$   
Since  $A \twoheadrightarrow C \exists (a b c d_1)$  and  $(a b_1 c_1 d)$ ,  
Statement ③ is false.

Thus,  $A \twoheadrightarrow B, A \twoheadrightarrow C \Rightarrow A \twoheadrightarrow BC$