

Normalization

- Normalization is the process of organizing the data in the database.
- Normalization is used to minimize the redundancy from a relation or set of relations. It is also used to eliminate the undesirable characteristics like Insertion, Update and Deletion Anomalies.
- Normalization divides the larger table into the smaller table and links them using relationship.
- The normal form is used to reduce redundancy from the database table.

Normal Form

Description

1NF

A relation is in 1NF if it contains an atomic value

2NF

A relation will be in 2NF if it is in 1NF and all non-key attributes are fully functional dependent on the primary key.

3NF

A relation will be in 3NF if it is in ~~2NF~~ 2NF and no transitive dependency exists.

4NF

A relation will be in 4NF if it is in Boyce Codd Normal Form and has no multi-valued dependency.

5NF

A relation is in 5NF if it is in 4NF and ^{not} contains any join dependency and any joining should be ~~useless~~ useless.

Keys:-

1. Super key:-

- Set of Attributes that can identify each tuple uniquely in the given relation.
- A super key is not restricted to have any specific number of attributes.
- ⇒ Thus, a super key ~~attributes~~ may consist of any number of attributes.

2. Candidate Key:-

A set of minimal attribute(s) that can identify each tuple uniquely in the given relation is called as a candidate key.

3. Primary Key

- A primary key is a candidate key that the database designer selects while designing the database.
- The value of Primary key can never be NULL.

→ The value of primary key can never be unchanged i.e. no updation is possible.

→ The value of primary key must be assigned when inserting a record.

→ A relation is allowed to have only one primary key.

4. Alternate Keys:-

Candidate keys that are left unimplemented or unused after implementing the primary key are called as alternate keys.

5. Foreign Key:-

Foreign key are the column of the table used to point to the primary key of another table.

6. Composite Key:-

Whenever a primary key consists of more than one attribute, it is known as composite key.

This key is also known as concatenated keys.

Order of Execution

1. From and Join
2. Where
3. Group By
4. Having
5. Select
6. Distinct
7. Order by
8. Limit/Offset

SQL Subqueries

→ SQL Subqueries or nested queries are SQL statements where we need the results from our database after using multiple filters.

→ A Subquery is put to ~~restrict~~ restrict the data pool for the main query, i.e. the inner query gives us the data which is the pool for the main query.

Type of SQL Subquery:-

1. Single Row Subquery:-
Returns zero or one row in results.
2. Multiple Row Subquery.
Returns one or more rows in results.
3. Multiple Column Subquery
Returns one or more columns.
4. Correlated Subquery
Returns one or more columns according to the main or outer query.
Ex. This is called a correlated subquery.
5. Nested Subquery :-
Queries within a query (inner and outer query).