


Database System Quiz (01/11/2025)

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3. Question 1: Which of the following best defines a functional dependency?





- ☐ B. A constraint between tables
- ☐ C. A property of the schema that links databases
- ☒ A. A relationship between two attributes
- ☐ D. A dependency between two tuples

4. Question 2: If X determines Y, which of the following holds true?  

- ☐ B. If two tuples have the same Y, they must have the same X
- ☐ C. X and Y are independent
- ☐ D. Y determines X

☒ A. If two tuples have the same X, they must have the same Y

5. Question 3: Which of the following inference rules states: If Y is a subset of X, then X determines Y?  

☒ A. Reflexive

☐ B. Transitive

☐ C. Augmentation

☐ D. Decomposition

6. Question 4: The transitive rule in functional dependencies can be expressed as:





☐ B. If $X \rightarrow Z$ and $Z \rightarrow Y$, then $X \rightarrow Y$

☒ A. If $X \rightarrow Y$ and $Y \rightarrow Z$, then $X \rightarrow Z$

☐ C. If $X \rightarrow Y$, then $Y \rightarrow X$

☐ D. If $X \rightarrow Y$ and $X \rightarrow Z$, then $Y \rightarrow Z$

7. Question 5: Which inference rule allows attributes to be added to both sides of a dependency?  

☐ B. Union


☐ C. Decomposition

☐ D. Transitive



☒ A. Augmentation

8. Question 6: If $X \rightarrow YZ$, then $X \rightarrow Y$ and $X \rightarrow Z$. This rule is known as:  

- ☒ A. Decomposition
- ☐ B. Union
- ☐ C. Reflexive
- ☐ D. Pseudotransitivity

9. Question 7: If $X \rightarrow Y$ and $X \rightarrow Z$, then $X \rightarrow YZ$. This rule is called: 

- ☐ A. Union
- ☐ B. Decomposition
- ☐ C. Augmentation
- ☐ D. Reflexive

10. Question 8: If $X \rightarrow Y$ and $WY \rightarrow Z$, then $WX \rightarrow Z$. This rule is known as:  

- ☐ B. Transitive
- ☒ A. Pseudotransitivity
- ☐ C. Union
- ☐ D. Reflexive

11. Question 9: Armstrong's axioms are used to:  

- ☐ B. Check referential integrity
- ☒ A. Infer all possible functional dependencies

☐ C. Test foreign key relationships

☐ D. Determine primary keys

12. Question 10: Which of the following is not part of Armstrong's axioms?



☐ B. Transitive

☐ C. Reflexive

☒ A. Union

☐ D. Augmentation

13. Question 11: Closure of a set of functional dependencies F , denoted as F^+ , means:



☒ A. All FDs that can be inferred from F

☐ B. Only minimal FDs

☐ C. Only FDs that violate BCNF

☐ D. A subset of candidate keys

14. Question 12: Closure of attributes X with respect to F , denoted X^+ , means:



☐ B. All keys in the relation



☒ A. All attributes functionally determined by X

☐ C. All redundant attributes

☐ D. All transitive attributes

15. Question 13: If F and G are equivalent sets of FDs, it means:  

- ☐ B. F covers G but not vice versa
- ☐ C. They have the same number of dependencies
- ☒ A. $F^+ = G^+$
- ☐ D. They are defined on different relations

16. Question 14: If F covers G, it means:  

- ☐ B. Every FD in F can be inferred from G
- ☐ C. Both F and G have no overlap
- ☒ A. Every FD in G can be inferred from F
- ☐ D. They are mutually exclusive

17. Question 15: The closure of attributes is useful to determine:  



- ☒ A. Candidate keys
- ☐ B. Primary key selection only
- ☐ C. Null values
- ☐ D. Referential integrity

18. Question 16: Which of the following statements is true?  

- ☐ B. Every non-key attribute determines the key
- ☐ C. A key cannot have dependencies

☒ A. If K is a key, then K functionally determines all attributes

☐ D. Only foreign keys determine attributes



19. Question 17: Functional dependencies are derived from:  

☒ A. The semantics and interrelationships of data attributes

☐ B. Database size

☐ C. Normalization

☐ D. Physical storage details

20. Question 18: Which of the following indicates a violation of functional dependency?  

☐ B. X and Y have same domain

☒ A. Two tuples have same X but different Y values

☐ C. X and Y are both keys

☐ D. All attributes are atomic

21. Question 19: To find the closure X^+ of attribute set X, we repeatedly apply:



☐ B. Join operations

☐ C. Aggregation functions

☐ D. Normalization steps

☒ A. Armstrong's inference rules



22. Question 20: If $A \rightarrow B$ and $B \rightarrow C$ hold, then $A \rightarrow C$ by which rule?  

- ☐ B. Reflexive
- ☐ C. Union
- ☒ A. Transitive
- ☐ D. Augmentation

23. Question 21: If $X \rightarrow Y$ and $Z \rightarrow W$, which of the following is valid by union rule?



- ☐ B. $X \rightarrow YW$
- ☐ C. $X \rightarrow Y$
- ☒ A. $XZ \rightarrow YW$
- ☐ D. $Z \rightarrow X$

24. Question 22: Which rule allows us to remove attributes from the right-hand side?  

- ☐ B. Union
- ☐ C. Transitive
- ☐ D. Augmentation
- ☒ A. Decomposition



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