Different Normalization Form of the Project "Library Management System"

Step 1: Unnormalized Form(UNF)

The original unnormalized data structure contains repeated groups and redundant data.

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|---|--------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|
| Book ID | Title | Author | Member | Member | Loan Date | Return |
| | | Name | ID | Name | | Date |
| 1 | Book A | Author X | 101 | Alice | 2025-01- | 2025-01- |
| | | | | | 01 | 15 |
| 2 | Book B | Author Y | 102 | Bob | 2025-01- | 2025-01- |
| | | | | | 03 | 17 |
| 1 | Book A | Author X | 103 | Charlie | 2025-02- | 2025-02- |
| | | | | | 01 | 15 |

Step 2: First Normal Form (1NF)

In 1NF, we ensure atomicity and remove repeating groups by splitting multivalued attributes into separate rows.

| Loan ID | Book ID | Title | Author | Member | Member | Loan | Return |
|---------|---------|--------|----------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| | | | Name | ID | Name | Date | Date |
| 1 | 1 | Book A | Author X | 101 | Alice | 2025- | 2025- |
| | | | | | | 01-01 | 01-15 |
| 2 | 2 | Book B | Author Y | 102 | Bob | 2025- | 2025- |
| | | | | | | 01-03 | 01-17 |
| 3 | 1 | Book A | Author X | 103 | Charlie | 2025- | 2025- |
| | | | | | | 02-01 | 02-15 |

Step 3: Second Normal Form (2NF)

In 2NF, we remove partial dependencies by ensuring every non-key attribute is fully dependent on the primary key.

Books Table:

| Book ID | Title | Author Name |
|---------|--------|-------------|
| 1 | Book A | Author X |
| 2 | Book B | Author Y |

Members Table:

| Member ID | Member Name |
|-----------|-------------|
| 101 | Alice |
| 102 | Bob |
| 103 | Charlie |

Loans Table:

| Loan ID | Book ID | Member ID | Loan Date | Return Date |
|---------|---------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| 1 | 1 | 101 | 2025-01-01 | 2025-01-15 |
| 2 | 2 | 102 | 2025-01-03 | 2025-01-17 |
| 3 | 1 | 103 | 2025-02-01 | 2025-02-15 |

Step 5: Third Normal Form (3NF)

In 3NF, we remove transitive dependencies by ensuring no non-prime attribute depends on another non-prime attribute.

Authors Table:

| Author ID | Author Name |
|-----------|-------------|
| 1 | Author X |
| 2 | Author Y |

Updated Books Table:

| Book ID | Title | Author ID |
|---------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Book A | 1 |
| 2 | Book B | 2 |