Fall 2007 CS186 Discussion Section: Week 12, 11/12 - 11/16

Your friendly TAs

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1 Attribute Closure

Consider the attribute set R = ABCDE and the FD set $F = \{AB \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow E, \text{ and } AC \rightarrow B\}$. Compute the attribute closure for each of A, AB, B, and D.

2 Schema Decomposition

Decompose the following attribute sets, R, and FD sets, F, into (a) BCNF and (b) 3NF:

- R = ABCEG; $F = \{AB \rightarrow C, AC \rightarrow B, BC \rightarrow A, E \rightarrow G\}$.
- $\bullet \ R = ABCDE, F = \{AB {\rightarrow} C, \, DE {\rightarrow} C, \, and \, \, B {\rightarrow} D\}.$
- R = ABCDEFG, $F = \{AB \rightarrow CD, C \rightarrow EF, G \rightarrow A, G \rightarrow F, CE \rightarrow F\}$.
- $\bullet \ R = ABCDEFGH, F = \{ABH \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow DE, BGH \rightarrow F, F \rightarrow ADH, BH \rightarrow GE\}.$

3 Lossless? Dependency Preserving?

Which of the following decompositions of R = ABCDEG, with $F = \{AB \rightarrow C, AC \rightarrow B, AD \rightarrow E, B \rightarrow D, BC \rightarrow A, E \rightarrow G\}$ is (i) dependency-preserving? (ii) lossless-join?

- AB, BC, ABDE, EG
- ABC, ACDE, ADG