

MODULE 4 ASSIGNMENT 1

CREATING RELATIONS IN 3NF FROM AN ENTITY RELATIONSHIP DIAGRAM (ERD)

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1. Identify all partial dependencies.

- The composite keys INV_NUMBER and LINE_NUMBER functionally determine the attributes LINE_UNITS and LINE_PRICE, but they are only determined by LINE_NUMBER. This may produce a partial dependency.

2. Identify all transitive dependencies.

- CUS_CODE functionally determines the attributes CUS_AREACODE and CUS_CODE, but these can also be candidate keys. This may produce transitive dependencies to other customers. However, these will not cause insert/delete/update anomalies.
- INV_NUMBER functionally determines the attribute CUS_DATE but CUS_DATE is also dependent on CUS_CODE. This may produce a transitive dependency.
- V_CODE functionally determines V_AREACODE, V_PHONE, and V_CONTACT, but these can also be candidate keys. This may produce transitive dependencies with other VENDOR attributes.

3. Create relations in 3NF that represent the given Crow's Foot ERD.

There are five entities that need to be represented by relations (CUSTOMER, INVOICE, LINE, PRODUCT, and VENDOR). There are four relationships that have different cardinalities.

- The CUSTOMER entity has a zero-to-many relationship with INVOICE.
- The INVOICE entity has a zero-to-many relationship with LINE.
- The PRODUCT entity has a zero-to-many relationship with LINE.
- The PRODUCT entity has a zero-to-many relationship with VENDOR.

4. List the primary keys and the foreign keys associated with the given relations.

Below are the primary keys (PK) and foreign keys (FK) associated with each relation:

CUSTOMER

PK: CUS_CODE

INVOICE

PK: INV_NUMBER

LINE

PK: INV_NUMBER, LINE_NUMBER

FK: INV_NUMBER, P_CODE

PRODUCT

PK: P_CODE

FK: V_CODE

VENDOR

PK: V_CODE