

1. (a) Step1: split RHS

M->I, M->J, M->L, J->L, J->I, JN->K, JN->M, M->J(repeat, remove), KLN->M, K->I, K->J, K->L, IJ->K

Step2: remove attributes from LHS

FD	Reason	Change or not
M->I	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
M->J	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
M->L	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
J->L	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
J->I	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
JN->K	$J^+ = \{J, L, I, K\}$ $N^+ = \{N\}$, N is not in J^+ and J is not in N^+	No change
JN->M	$J^+ = \{J, L, I, K\}$ $N^+ = \{N\}$, N is not in J^+ and J is not in N^+	No change
KLN->M	$K^+ = \{K, I, J, L\}$, L is in K^+ but N is not in K^+	KN->M
K->I	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
K->J	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
K->L	Only one attribute in LHS	No change
IJ->K	$J^+ = \{J, L, I, K\}$, I is in J	J->K

Step3: remove unnecessary FDs

FD	Reason	Remove or Keep
M->I	$M^+ = \{I, J, K, L, M\}$, M->I is implied by other FDs	Remove
M->J	$M^+ = \{I, L, M\}$, M->J is not implied by other FDs	Keep
M->L	$M^+ = \{I, J, K, L, M\}$, M->L is implied by other FDs	Remove
J->L	$J^+ = \{I, J, K, L\}$, J->L is implied by other FDs	Remove
J->I	$J^+ = \{I, J, K, L\}$, J->I is implied by other FDs	Remove

JN->K	JN+ = {I, J, K, L, M, N}, JN->K is implied by other FDs	Remove
JN->M	JN+ = {I, J, K, L, M, N}, JN->M is implied by other FDs	Remove
KN->M	KN+ = {I, J, K, L, N}, KN->M is not implied by other FDs since KN->M is removed	Keep
K->I	K+ = {J, K, L}, K->I is not implied by other FDs since J->I is removed	Keep
K->J	K+ = {I, K, L}, K->J is not implied by other FDs	Keep
K->L	K+ = {I, J, K}, K->L is not implied by other FDs since J->L is removed	Keep
J->K	J+ = {J}, J->K is not implied by other FDs	Keep

Therefore, the minimal basis for R is {J->K, K->I, K->J, K->L, KN->M, M->J}

1. (b) All attributes: IJKLMNPO

Since O and P do not appear in any FDs in the minimal basis in either LHS or RHS, O and P must be in every key.

Since N only appears in LHS of FD in the minimal basis, N must be in every key.

Since I and L only appear in RHS of FD in the minimal basis, I and L should not be in any key.

So we only consider NOP+combinations of {J, K, M} with a total of $2^3 = 8$ possibilities.

1. NOP+ = {N, O, P}, NOP is not a key
2. JNOP+ = {I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P}, JNOP is a key
3. KNOP+ = {I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P}, KNOP is a key
4. MNOP+ = {I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P}, MNOP is a key

Since the rest possibilities are either superset of 2 or 3 or 4, we do not consider them.

Therefore, the keys for R are {J,N,O,P}, {K,N,O,P} and {M,N,O,P}

1. (c) 3NF, with minimal basis {J->K, K->IJL, KN->M, M->J}

By 3NF synthesis, we get {JK}, {KIJL}, {KMN}, and {MJ}, but {JK} is a subset of {KIJL}, so remove {JK}.

Also, no relation is a superkey of L, so we add relation {MNOP}.

Therefore, the 3NF decomposition result is {K,I,J,L}, {K,M,N}, {M,J}, and {M,N,O,P}

It is lossless and dependency preserving because 3NF guarantees preservation of dependencies and lossless join.

1. (d) The schema does not allow redundancy.

According to the worksheet solution, “Because we formed each relation from an FD, the LHS of those FDs are indeed superkeys for their relations. However, there may be other FDs that violate BCNF and therefore allow redundancy. The only way to find out is to project the FDs onto each relation.” Check FDs in minimal basis, $J \rightarrow K$ will project onto $\{K, I, J, L\}$ and $J^+ = \{K, I, J, L\}$, $K \rightarrow IJL$ will also project onto $\{K, I, J, L\}$ and $K^+ = \{K, I, J, L\}$, $KN \rightarrow M$ will project onto $\{K, M, N\}$ and $K^+ = \{K, M, N\}$, $M \rightarrow J$ will project onto $\{M, J\}$ and $M^+ = \{M, J\}$. Therefore our schema does not allow redundancy.

2. T: C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J
 ST = $\{C \rightarrow EH, DEI \rightarrow F, F \rightarrow D, EH \rightarrow CJ, J \rightarrow FGI\}$

2(a).

FDs	Closure	Violate BCNF?
$C \rightarrow EH$	$C^+ = \{C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J\}$	No, does not violate (since C is a superkey)
$DEI \rightarrow F$	$DEI^+ = \{D, E, F, I\}$	Yes, violate (since DEI is not a superkey)
$F \rightarrow D$	$F^+ = \{D, F\}$	Yes, violate (since F is not a superkey)
$EH \rightarrow CJ$	$EH^+ = \{C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J\}$	No, does not violate (since EH is a superkey)
$J \rightarrow FGI$	$J^+ = \{D, F, G, I, J\}$	Yes, violate (since J is not a superkey)

2(b).

- Decompose T using FD: $DEI \rightarrow F$. $DEI^+ = \{D, E, F, I\}$, so this yields two relations:
 $R1 = DEFI$, $R2 = CDEGHIJ$.
- Project the FDs onto $R1 = DEFI$.

D	E	F	I	closure	FDs
√				$D^+ = \{D\}$	nothing
	√			$E^+ = \{E\}$	nothing
		√		$F^+ = \{D, F\}$	$F \rightarrow D$: violate BCNF; abort the projection

We must decompose R1 further.

- Decompose R1 using FD: $F \rightarrow D$. $F^+ = \{D, F\}$, so this yields two relations:
 $R3 = DF$, $R4 = EFI$.
- Project the FDs onto $R3 = DF$.

D	F	closure	FDs
√		$D^+ = \{D\}$	nothing
	√	$F^+ = \{D, F\}$	$F \rightarrow D$; F is a superkey of R3
Superset of F		irrelevant	Can only generate weaker FDs than what we already have

This relation satisfies BCNF.

- Project the FDs onto $R4 = EFI$.

E	F	I	closure	FDs
√			$E^+ = E$	nothing
	√		$F^+ = \{D, F\}$	nothing
		√	$I^+ = I$	nothing
√	√		$EF^+ = \{D, E, F\}$	nothing
√		√	$EI^+ = \{E, I\}$	nothing
	√	√	$FI^+ = \{D, F, I\}$	nothing
√	√	√	$EFI^+ = \{E, F, I\}$	nothing

This relation satisfies BCNF.

- Return to $R2 = CDEGHIJ$ and project the FDs onto it.

C	D	E	G	H	I	J	closure	FDs
√							$C^+ = \{C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J\}$	$C \rightarrow DEGHIJ$; C is a superkey of R2
	√						$D^+ = \{D\}$	nothing
		√					$E^+ = \{E\}$	nothing
			√				$G^+ = \{G\}$	nothing
				√			$H^+ = \{H\}$	nothing
					√		$I^+ = \{I\}$	nothing
						√	$J^+ = \{D, F, G, I, J\}$	$J \rightarrow DGI$: violate BCNF; abort the projection

We must decompose R2 further.

- Decompose R2 using FD: $J \rightarrow DGI$. $J^+ = \{D, G, I\}$, so this yields two relations:
 $R5 = DGIJ$, $R6 = CEHJ$.
- Project the FDs onto $R5 = DGIJ$.

D	G	I	J	closure	FDs
√				$D^+ = \{D\}$	nothing
	√			$G^+ = \{G\}$	nothing
		√		$I^+ = \{I\}$	nothing
			√	$J^+ = \{D, F, G, I, J\}$	$J \rightarrow DGIJ$; J is a superkey of R5
√	√			$DG^+ = \{D, G\}$	nothing
√		√		$DI^+ = \{D, I\}$	nothing
	√	√		$GI^+ = \{G, I\}$	nothing
√	√	√		$DGI^+ = \{D, G, I\}$	nothing

This relation satisfies BCNF.

- Project the FDs onto $R6 = CEHJ$.

C	E	H	J	closure	FDs
√				$C^+ = \{C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J\}$	$C \rightarrow EHJ$; C is a superkey of R6
	√			$E^+ = \{E\}$	nothing
		√		$H^+ = \{H\}$	nothing
			√	$J^+ = \{D, F, G, I, J\}$	nothing
	√	√		$EH^+ = \{C, E, H, J\}$	$EH \rightarrow CJ$; EH is a superkey of R6
	√		√	$EJ^+ = \{E, J\}$	nothing
		√	√	$HJ^+ = \{H, J\}$	nothing

This relation satisfies BCNF.

- Final decomposition:
 - $R3 = DF$ with FD $F \rightarrow D$.
 - $R4 = EFI$ with no FDs.
 - $R5 = DGIJ$ with FD $J \rightarrow DGI$.
 - $R6 = CEHJ$ with FD $C \rightarrow EHJ$, $EH \rightarrow CJ$.