

Database Management System
Assignment 2

Q1. Consider the relation schema $R(A, B, C, D, E, F)$ with functional dependencies $AC \rightarrow B$, $BD \rightarrow F$ and $F \rightarrow CE$.

1. How many candidate keys does R have?
2. List all the candidate keys of R . If a candidate key is composite then use parenthesis
e.g. (A, B) .
3. Is R in 3NF? If yes, justify. If no, specify at least one FD which violates the definition?
4. Which FD(s) (if any) of R violates BCNF?
5. Consider the decomposition of R into $R_1(A, B, C)$, $R_2(C, E, F)$ and $R_3(A, D, F)$.
Give YES/NO answers for the following:
 - i. Is this decomposition lossless?
 - ii. Is this decomposition dependency preserving?
 - iii. Is this decomposition in BCNF (i.e. are R_1 , R_2 and R_3 all in BCNF)?

Q2. Consider the following legal instance of a relational schema S with attributes ABC :

A	B	C
α	9	T
α	16	F
β	20	F

Which of the following dependencies are *violated* by the instances of S ?

- ~~i) $A \rightarrow B$ is violated.~~
- ii) $B \rightarrow A$ is violated.
- ~~iii) $C \rightarrow A$ is violated.~~
- iv) $AC \rightarrow B$ is violated.
- v) $B \rightarrow AC$ is violated.

Q3. Consider the relational schema $r = \{P, Q, R, S, T, U, V\}$ and the set of functional dependencies FD:

$P \rightarrow Q$

$Q \rightarrow R$

$PS \rightarrow TRV$

$QT \rightarrow UR$

$S \rightarrow V$

a) Which of the following is a minimum cover of the FD?

- i) The given FD is a minimum cover.

- ii) $\{P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R, PS \rightarrow T, QT \rightarrow UR, S \rightarrow V\}$
- iii) $\{P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R, P \rightarrow T, Q \rightarrow U, S \rightarrow V\}$
- iv) $\{P \rightarrow Q, Q \rightarrow R, PS \rightarrow T, QT \rightarrow U, S \rightarrow V\}$
- v) none of the above - the cover is _____

(b) Which of the following functional dependencies can be deduced, from the above set of functional dependencies?

- i) $P \rightarrow R$
- ii) $PS \rightarrow U$
- iii) $QS \rightarrow U$
- iv) $QST \rightarrow P$

c) The attribute closure $\{Q\}^+$ is _____.

d) The attribute closure $\{PS\}^+$ is _____.

Q4. Consider the relation with attributes, $S = \{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$, Let the following functional dependencies FD be defined over the relation S :

$$A \rightarrow D \quad A \rightarrow E \quad D \rightarrow C \quad D \rightarrow F$$

- a) Provide the attribute closure of $\{AB\}$.
- b) Identify whether the decomposition ABC, CDE, EFA is lossless and dependency preserving?
- c) Identify whether the decomposition $ABCE, ADC, ADEF$ is lossless and dependency-preserving?

Q5. Consider the relation with attributes, $S = \{A, B, C, D, E\}$. Let the following functional dependencies be defined over the relation S ,

$$A \rightarrow BC \quad CD \rightarrow E \quad B \rightarrow D \quad E \rightarrow A$$

- a) Identify whether this relationship in 3NF and/or BCNF?
- b) Give a BCNF decomposition of S that is lossless.
- c) Is your BCNF decomposition dependency preserving?
- d) Give a 3NF decomposition of S that is lossless and dependency preserving.