

CSCD 327 Lab 7 (16 points)

1. (6 points) A given relation $R=\{A, B, C, D, E\}$ is decomposed into three relations:

$R1=\{A, B, C\}$, $R2=\{B, C, D\}$, and $R3=\{A, C, E\}$

- a. Based on the given set of FDs $F=\{B \rightarrow E, CE \rightarrow A\}$, is the above decomposition a lossless-join decomposition?

$R1$ and $R2$ and $R3 = C$

$(C)^* = (C, A, B, D, E)$

No, because $B \rightarrow E$ is not a key in $R1$, $R2$, or $R3$.

- b. Based on the given set of FDs $F=\{AC \rightarrow E, BC \rightarrow D\}$, is the above decomposition a lossless-join decomposition?

With the information above, this is a lossless-join composition since both $AC \rightarrow E$ and $BC \rightarrow D$ are both keys from $R3$ and $R1$ respectively.

2. (10 points) A given relation $R=\{A, B, C, D, E\}$, and a given set of FDs $F=\{AB \rightarrow C, DE \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow D\}$.

- a. Is R in BCNF? If not, do the decomposition accordingly.

$R1 = \{A, B, C\}$

$R2 = \{D, E, C\}$

$R3 = \{B, D\}$

$R1$ and $R2$ and $R3 = \{ \}$, therefore $R3 = \{C, D\}$ so $R1$ and $R2$ and $R3 = \{C\}$

$(C)^* = \{C, A, B, D, E\}$

- b. Is your decomposition a lossless-join decomposition? Why?

Yes, since all FD's are keys in all $R1$, $R2$, and $R3$

- c. Is your decomposition a dependency-preserving decomposition? Why?

$AB \rightarrow C$ not preserved

$DE \rightarrow C$ not preserved

$C \rightarrow D$ preserved

- d. List all the candidate keys of relation R .

$\{C\}$

- e. Is R in the 3rdNF? Why?

$$(C)^* = (C)$$

$$(AC)^* = A, C, B, D, E$$

$$(BC)^* = B, C, A, D, E$$

$$(DC)^* = D, C, A, B, E$$

$$(EC)^* = E, C, A, B, D$$

Yes, because A, B, D, E are prime attributes.