

Week 1 - 8

Week 5  
→ functional dependency & Axioms

- Closure
- C.R & S.K
- Canonical cover
- Lossless decomposition
- Dependency Preservation

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1NF  
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MVD & 4NF

## Quiz 2 Revision Session 1

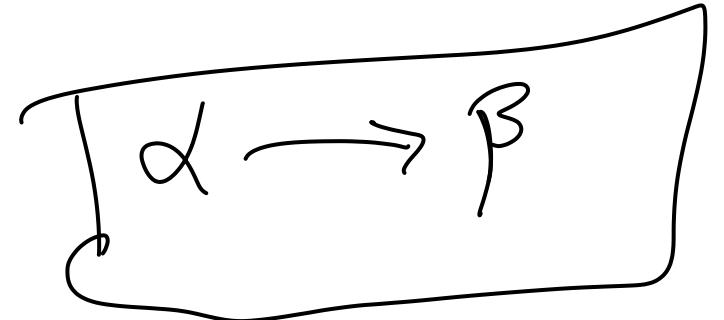
Week 5 & 6

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# Functional Dependencies

- Let  $R$  be a relation schema  
 $\alpha \subseteq R$  and  $\beta \subseteq R$
- The functional dependency or FD

$$\alpha \rightarrow \beta$$



holds on  $R$  if and only if for any legal relations  $r(R)$ , whenever any two tuples  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  of  $r$  agree on the attributes  $\alpha$ , they also agree on the attributes  $\beta$ . That is,

$$t_1[\alpha] = t_2[\alpha] \Rightarrow t_1[\beta] = t_2[\beta]$$

- Example: Consider  $r(A, B)$  with the following instance of  $r$ .

A	B
1	4
1	5
3	7

$$A \rightarrow B$$

$$B \rightarrow A$$

- On this instance,  $A \rightarrow B$  does **NOT** hold, but  $B \rightarrow A$  does hold. So we cannot have tuples like  $(2, 4)$ , or  $(3, 5)$ , or  $(4, 7)$  added to the current instance.

8) Consider relational instance given in Figure 1.

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V	W	X	Y	Z
b	9	8	7	5
9	b	8	7	1
b	9	8	2	2
b	9	8	3	6

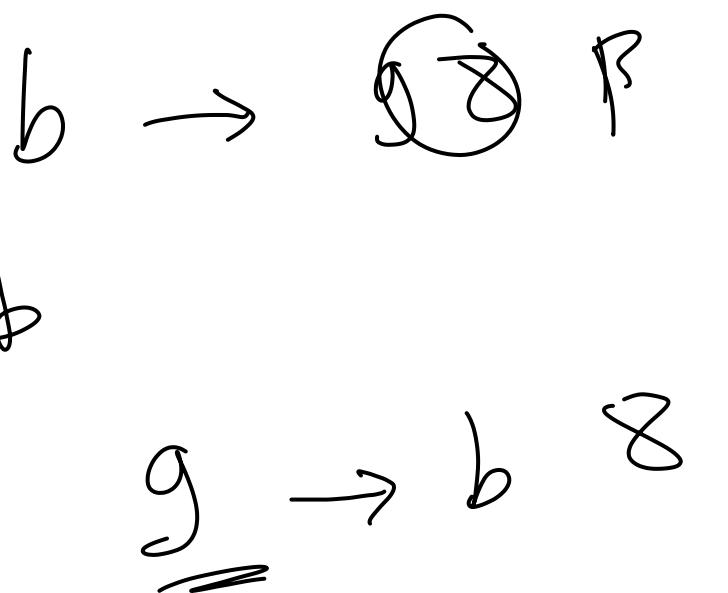


Figure 1: Relational instance

Which of the following functional dependencies does not hold on the given table?

- $\underline{V} \rightarrow \textcircled{W} \textcircled{X} \rightarrow \textcircled{R}$  ✓
- $\underline{Y} \underline{Z} \rightarrow X$  ✓
- $\underline{X} \rightarrow Y \underline{Z}$
- $W Y \rightarrow Z$

# Functional Dependencies : Armstrong's Axioms: Derived Rules

- Additional Derived Rules:

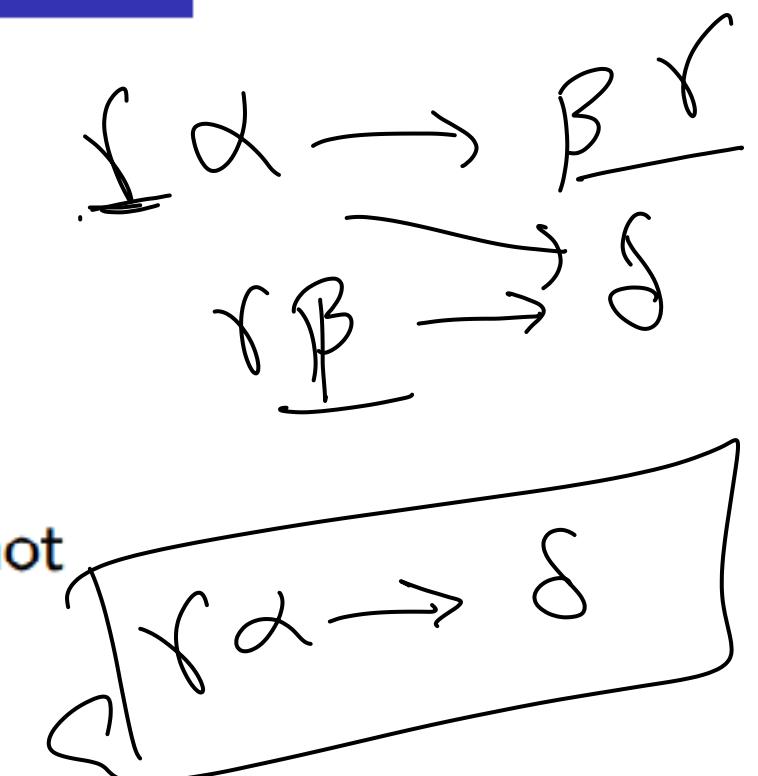
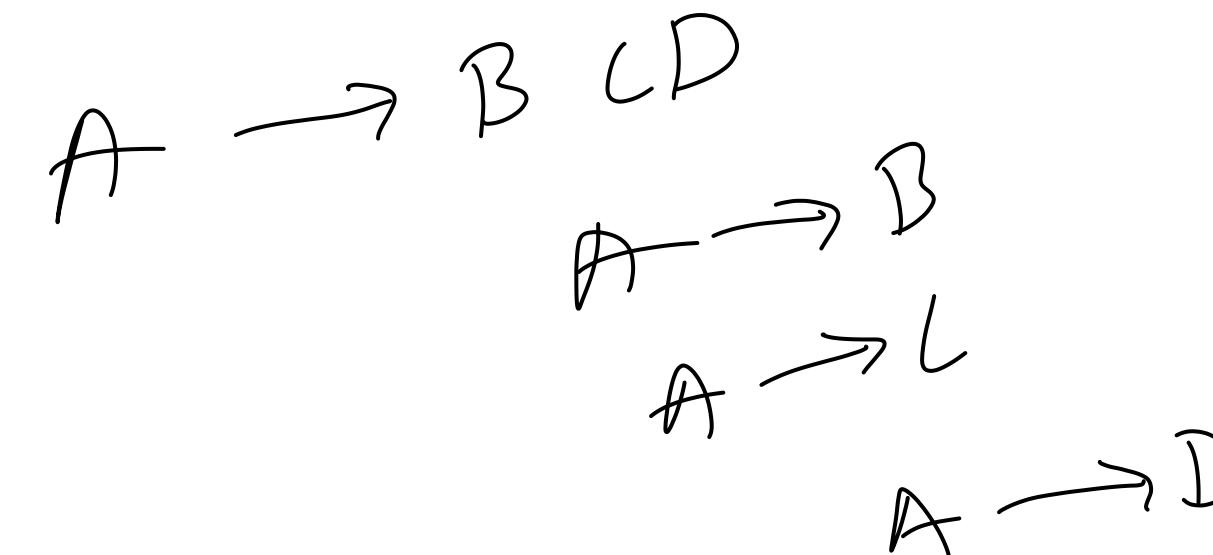
- Union:** if  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  holds and  $\alpha \rightarrow \gamma$  holds, then  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta\gamma$  holds
- Decomposition:** if  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta\gamma$  holds, then  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  holds and  $\alpha \rightarrow \gamma$  holds
- Pseudotransitivity:** if  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  holds and  $\gamma\beta \rightarrow \delta$  holds, then  $\alpha\gamma \rightarrow \delta$  holds

The above rules can be inferred from basic Armstrong's axioms (and hence are not included in the basic set). They can be proven independently too

- Reflexivity:** if  $\beta \subseteq \alpha$ , then  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$
- Augmentation:** if  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ , then  $\gamma\alpha \rightarrow \gamma\beta$
- Transitivity:** if  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  and  $\beta \rightarrow \gamma$ , then  $\alpha \rightarrow \gamma$

12) Pseudo-transitivity is a derived Armstrong's axiom. From among the options, select those basic Armstrong's axiom(s) which are used to derive the pseudo-transitivity axiom. 2 points

- Composition Axiom
- Decomposition Axiom
- Transitivity Axiom
- Augmentation Axiom



# Functional Dependencies : Closure of Attribute Sets: Example

- $R = \{A, B, C, G, H, I\}$
  - $F = \{A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C, CG \rightarrow H, CG \rightarrow I, B \rightarrow H\}$
  - $(AG)^+$ 
    - result = AG
    - result = ABCG ( $A \rightarrow C$  and  $A \rightarrow B$ )
    - result = ABCGH ( $CG \rightarrow H$  and  $CG \subseteq AGBC$ )
    - result = ABCGHI ( $CG \rightarrow I$  and  $CG \subseteq AGBCH$ )
  - Is AG a candidate key?
    - Is  $\underline{AG}$  a super key?
      - Does  $\underline{AG} \rightarrow R$ ?  $\Leftrightarrow$  Is  $(AG)^+ \supseteq R$
      - Is any subset of  $\underline{AG}$  a superkey?
        - Does  $\underline{A} \rightarrow R$ ?  $\Leftrightarrow$  Is  $(A)^+ \supseteq R$
        - Does  $\underline{G} \rightarrow R$ ?  $\Leftrightarrow$  Is  $(G)^+ \supseteq R$
- $\textcircled{A} \quad A, B, C \quad \checkmark_{(AG)} = \{AGBC\} = \underline{R}$
- $\textcircled{AG} \quad \text{must be part of } \underline{R}$
- $\textcircled{A}^+ = \underline{R}$
- $\textcircled{G}^+ = \underline{G}$
- $\rightarrow \text{Every C.K is S.K}$

15. Consider a relation  $R(P, Q, R, S, T, U)$  with the following functional dependencies:

$$\mathcal{F} = \{PQ \rightarrow R, S \rightarrow P, RS \rightarrow T, PR \rightarrow UT, TS \rightarrow Q\}$$

Which among the following option(s) is/are the super key(s)?

Answer: Option A & Option D

[MSQ: 1 Point]

$$\begin{aligned} (SP)^+ &= \{SQ, PR\} \\ (SQ)^+ &= \{SQ, PR\} \\ SR & \\ ST & \\ SU & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (PQS)^+ &= \{PQRS, TU\} = R \\ (PS)^+ &= \{PS\} \\ QRU & \\ QS & \end{aligned}$$

$$(key)^+ = R$$

$$\begin{aligned} (GRU)^+ &= \{GRU\} \\ (GS)^+ &= \{GSPR\} = R \end{aligned}$$

$S$  must be part of  
C.K

$$(S)^+ = \{SP\}$$

7) Let  $R(V, W, X, Y, Z)$  be a given relation with the following functional dependencies:

$$\mathcal{F} = \{V \rightarrow W, WX \rightarrow Z, YZ \rightarrow V\}$$

Then, which among the following is/are the candidate key(s)?

$XY$

$\underline{WXY}$

$\underline{VXY}$

$\underline{VW}$

$X Y V Z W$

$Z Y V W$

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$(X, Y)$

must be part of  $\underline{\underline{CIL}}$

$$(XY)^+ = \{XY\}$$

$$(XWY)^+ = \{XYWZ\}$$

$$(XWZ)^+ = \{XWZY\}$$

$$(YZ)^+ = \{YZ\}$$

$$(VWZ)^+ = \{VWZY\}$$

$$(VZ)^+ = \{VZY\}$$

$$R = \{XYWZ, XWZY, XWZY, VZY\}$$

$$R = \{XWZY, XWZY, VZY\}$$

$$R = \{VZY\}$$

# Extraneous Attributes

- Consider a set  $F$  of FDs and the FD  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  in  $F$ .
  - Attribute  $A$  is **extraneous** in  $\alpha$  if  $A \in \alpha$  and  $F$  logically implies  $(F - \{\alpha \rightarrow \beta\}) \cup \{(\alpha - A) \rightarrow \beta\}$ .
  - Attribute  $A$  is **extraneous** in  $\beta$  if  $A \in \beta$  and the set of FDs  $(F - \{\alpha \rightarrow \beta\}) \cup \{\alpha \rightarrow (\beta - A)\}$  logically implies  $F$ .
- Note: Implication in the opposite direction is trivial in each of the cases above, since a "stronger" functional dependency always implies a weaker one

- Example: Given  $F = \{A \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow C\} \Rightarrow \{A \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow C\}$   ~~$BA \rightarrow C$~~ 
  - $B$  is extraneous in  $AB \rightarrow C$  because  $\{A \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow C\}$  logically implies  $A \rightarrow C$  (that is, the result of dropping  $B$  from  $AB \rightarrow C$ ).
  - $A^+ = AC$  in  $\{A \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow C\}$

- Example: Given  $F = \{A \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow CD\} \Rightarrow \{A \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow D\} \Rightarrow (AB)^+ = ABC$ 
  - $C$  is extraneous in  $AB \rightarrow CD$  since  $AB \rightarrow C$  can be inferred even after deleting  $C$
  - $AB^+ = ABCD$  in  $\{A \rightarrow C, AB \rightarrow D\}$   
→ check if  $D = A \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$

# Canonical Cover

A **Canonical Cover** for  $F$  is a set of dependencies  $F_c$  such that ALL the following properties are satisfied:

$$F^+ = F_c^+$$

$$F^+ \cap$$

$$F = G$$

$$\Leftrightarrow F \text{ covers } G$$

$$F_c$$

$$F_c$$

$\hookrightarrow$  Step 1 : Find Out  
(Ex)ample

Fa

$\checkmark$  Step 2 : Remove  
Redundant FDs

- $F$  logically implies all dependencies in  $F_c$   $\Rightarrow G$  covers  $F$
- $F_c$  logically implies all dependencies in  $F$
- No functional dependency in  $F_c$  contains an extraneous attribute
- Each left side of functional dependency in  $F_c$  is unique. That is, there are no two dependencies  $\alpha_1 \rightarrow \beta_1$  and  $\alpha_2 \rightarrow \beta_2$  in such that  $\alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2$
- Intuitively, a **Canonical cover** of  $F$  is a **minimal** set of FDs
  - Equivalent to  $F$
  - Having no redundant FDs
  - No redundant parts of FDs

## ④ Minimal / Irreducible Set of Functional Dependencies

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow B \\ A \rightarrow C \\ A \rightarrow E \end{array}$$

$$\{ A \rightarrow B, C, E \}$$

$$\{ A' \rightarrow B, C, E \}$$

11) Consider a relation  $R(I, J, K, L, M, N)$  with the following set of functional dependencies.

$$\mathcal{F} = \{IK \rightarrow N, L \rightarrow MN, JK \rightarrow L, KN \rightarrow JL, IKL \rightarrow J, KM \rightarrow IN\}$$

$\begin{matrix} KN \rightarrow J \\ KM \rightarrow N \end{matrix}$

MCQ 2

Find out Explain

From among the following options, choose all the sets of functional dependencies which serve as canonical covers of  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $R$ .

$\mathcal{F}_c = \{L \rightarrow MN, JK \rightarrow L, KM \rightarrow I, KM \rightarrow N\}$

Take close of  $(IK)^+$  based  $FC$

$\mathcal{F}_c = \{L \rightarrow MN, JK \rightarrow L, KM \rightarrow I, IK \rightarrow N, KN \rightarrow J\}$

$$(IK)^+ = (KN)^+ = \{KN\}$$

$\mathcal{F}_c = \{L \rightarrow MN, JK \rightarrow L, KM \rightarrow IJ, IK \rightarrow J\}$

$\mathcal{F}_c = \{L \rightarrow MN, JK \rightarrow L, KM \rightarrow I, IK \rightarrow J, KN \rightarrow L\}$

$\Rightarrow$  Both  $\mathcal{F}$  &  $\mathcal{F}_c$  must be equal

$$(KM)^+ = \{KM, IJ, LN\}$$

$$(JK)^+ = \{IK, NJ\}$$

$$KM \rightarrow N$$

$$\mathcal{F}^+ = \mathcal{F}_c^+$$

$\Rightarrow$  equivalence

$$\begin{aligned} KN \rightarrow L \\ (KN)^+ = \{KN, JL\} \\ (KM)^+ = \{KM, IN\} \end{aligned}$$

# Lossless Join Decomposition

- For the case of  $R = (R_1, R_2)$ , we require that for all possible relations  $r$  on schema  $R$

$$r = \pi_{R_1}(r) \bowtie \pi_{R_2}(r)$$



- A decomposition of  $R$  into  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  is lossless join if at least one of the following dependencies is in  $F^+$ :
  - $R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1$
  - $R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_2$
- The above functional dependencies are a sufficient condition for lossless join decomposition; the dependencies are a necessary condition only if all constraints are functional dependencies

To Identify whether a decomposition is lossy or lossless, it must satisfy the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} & R_1 \cup R_2 = R \\ & R_1 \cap R_2 \neq \emptyset \text{ and} \\ & R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1 \text{ or } R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \end{aligned}$$

all the condition  
must be satisfied

4) Consider a relation  $R(A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J)$  having functional dependencies as follows  $\mathcal{F} = \{AB \rightarrow C, B \rightarrow F, D \rightarrow IJ, A \rightarrow DE, F \rightarrow GH\}$ , **4 points**

Then, which among the following is a lossless decomposition of  $R$

R1 (A, B, C, I, J), R2 (D, E, F) and R3 (G, H, I)

R1 (A, B, C), R2 (D, E, F), R3 (G, H) and R4 (D, I, J) ~~Lossy~~

R1 (A, B, C), R2 (A, D, E), R3 (B, F), R4 (F, G, H) and R5 (D, I, J)

R1 (A, B, C, D), R2 (D, E), R3 (B, F), R4 (F, G, H) and R5 (D, I, J)

(1)

$$R_1 \cup R_2 \cup R_3 \dots \cup R_n = \underline{\underline{R}}$$

$$R_1 \cup R_2 \cup R_3 \cup R_n = \{R_3\}$$

$$\underline{\underline{R_2 \cap R_4}} = (D)^+ = \{DIJ\}$$

$$Sg \underline{\underline{R_{24}}} = \underline{\underline{R_2 \cap R_4}} = (DEFIJ)$$

Option C  $R_1 \cup R_2 \cup R_3 \cup R_4 \cup R_5 = \underline{\underline{R}}$

$$\underline{\underline{R_{12} \cap R_5}} = (D)^+ = \{DIJ\} = \underline{\underline{R_5}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{R_1 \cap R_2}} = \underline{\underline{[A]}}^+ = \{ADE\} = \underline{\underline{R_2}}$$

$$Lg \underline{\underline{R_{125}}} = \underline{\underline{R_{12} \cup R_5}} = \{ABCDEIJ\}$$

$$Sg \underline{\underline{R_{12}}} = R_1 \cup R_2 = (AB(CDE))$$

$$\underline{\underline{R_{34} \cap R_{125}}} = \{F\}^+ = \{BFGH\} = \underline{\underline{R_{34}}}$$

$$Sg \underline{\underline{R_3 \cap R_4}} = (F)^+ = \{FGH\} = \underline{\underline{R_4}}$$

$$Sg \underline{\underline{R_{34} \cup R_{125}}} = \underline{\underline{R_{12345}}} = \underline{\underline{R}}$$

$$Sg \underline{\underline{R_{34}}} = R_3 \cup R_4 = \{BFGH\}$$

# Dependency Preservation

- Let  $F_i$  be the set of dependencies  $F^+$  that include only attributes in  $R_i$
- A decomposition is **dependency preserving**, if
  - $(F_1 \cup F_2 \cup \dots \cup F_n)^+ = F^+$
- If it is not, then checking updates for violation of functional dependencies may require computing joins, which is expensive

Let  $R$  be the original relational schema having FD set  $F$ . Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  having FD set  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  respectively, are the decomposed sub-relations of  $R$ . The decomposition of  $R$  is said to be preserving if

- $F_1 \cup F_2 \equiv F$  {Decomposition Preserving Dependency}
- If  $F_1 \cup F_2 \subset F$  {Decomposition NOT Preserving Dependency} and
- $F_1 \cup F_2 \supset F$  {this is not possible}

9) In the relational schema given below, all attributes take atomic values only.

$R(bike\_name, bike\_model, bike\_engine\_no)$

Suppose  $R$  satisfies the following functional dependencies:

$F_1: bike\_name \rightarrow bike\_model$

$\cancel{be \rightarrow bn}$

$bike\_model \rightarrow bike\_engine\_no$

$bike\_engine\_no \rightarrow bike\_name$

If  $R$  is decomposed into:

$R_1(bike\_name, bike\_model)$  and

$R_2(bike\_model, bike\_engine\_no)$ ,

then the decomposition is:

$F_1 = \{ bn \rightarrow bm, bm \rightarrow bn \}$

$F_2 = \{ bm \rightarrow be, be \rightarrow pm \}$

a lossless decomposition as well as a dependency preserving one

not a lossless decomposition but dependency preserving

a lossless decomposition but not dependency preserving

neither a lossless decomposition nor dependency preserving

$$R_1 \cup R_2 = R$$
$$R_1 \cap R_2 = (bike\_model)^+$$
$$\Rightarrow \{ pm, be, bn \}$$

$$R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1$$

or

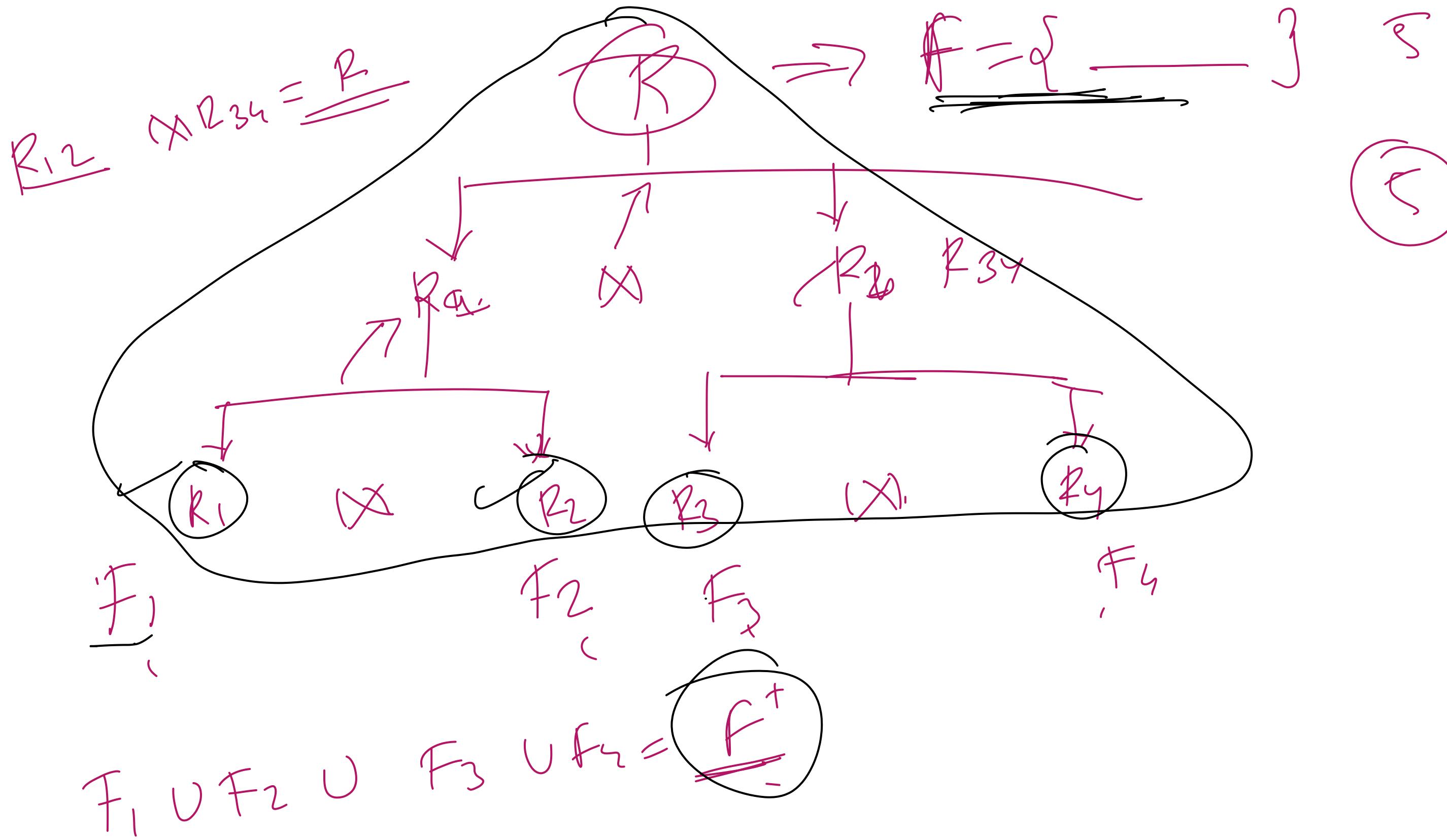
$$R_2$$

$$(be)^+ = \{ be, bn \}$$

$$F_1 \cup F_2 = \{ bn \rightarrow bm, bm \rightarrow bn, bm \rightarrow be, be \rightarrow bn \}$$

$$be = \{ be, bm, bn \}$$

$$be \rightarrow bn$$



case 2 C.L - A  $\cdot$  B  $\cdot$  C

S.K based on  $\sim A = 2^{n-m} = 2^{4-1} = 2^3 = 8$

S.K based on  $\sim B = 2^{n-m} = 2^{4-2} = 4$

(A ∩ B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A ∪ B)

$$= 8 + 8 = 4$$

$$= \underline{\underline{12}}$$

$A \cap B$

$$2^{n-m} = 2^{4-2} = \underline{\underline{4}}$$

$A, B, C \wedge P$

$A \cap B$

$A \cap B \cap C$

$2^{n-m} \rightarrow C.L$

$2^{n-m} \rightarrow \underline{\underline{C.L}}$

$2^{n-m}$

)

$= 2^n - 1$

$2^{4-1} = \underline{\underline{15}}$

$R | A \oplus B \quad (D)$ .  $n, m$

$F = \{ A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D \}$

①  $\underline{\underline{C.L}} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\underline{(A)^t}} = \{P\} \Leftrightarrow \underline{\underline{B}}$

$\underline{\underline{D \rightarrow A}}$

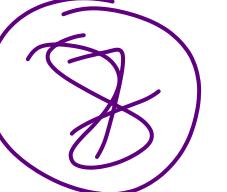
$$\rightarrow n \cdot g \underline{\underline{S.L}} \equiv 2^{n-m} = 2^{4-1} = 2^3 = \underline{\underline{8}}$$

$n \rightarrow$  total no. of attributes in R

$m \rightarrow$  no. of attributes present in C.R

$\checkmark$   $\boxed{\text{no. of Sol} = 2^{n-m}} =$

A  
AB  
AC  
AD  
ACD

A B C  
A B D  
A B C D  


15. In the relational schema given below, the domains of all its attributes are atomic only.

**R**(*employee\_num*, *employee\_name*, *department\_num*, *department\_name*)

Suppose **R** satisfies the following functional dependencies:

$$\{ \begin{aligned} & \textit{employee\_num} \rightarrow \textit{employee\_name}, \\ & \textit{department\_num} \rightarrow \textit{department\_name}, \\ & \textit{employee\_num} \rightarrow \textit{department\_name} \end{aligned} \}$$

If **R** is decomposed into:

**R1**(*employee\_num*, *employee\_name*) and

**R2**(*department\_num*, *department\_name*),

then, which among the following statement(s) is/are correct?

[ MSQ: 4 points]

**Answer:** Option A & Option B

- R1** and **R2** are in BCNF, but decomposition is not a dependency preserving one.
- R1** and **R2** are in BCNF, but decomposition is a lossy.
- R1** and **R2** are in BCNF, but decomposition is a lossless decomposition as well as dependency preserving.
- R1** and **R2** are not in BCNF, and decomposition is neither a lossless nor dependency preserving.

3. Consider the relational schema  $\mathbf{R}(A, B, C, X, U)$  with the following functional dependencies (assume that all the attributes have atomic values).

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F} = \{ &U \rightarrow B, \\ &XA \rightarrow C, \\ &XA \rightarrow U, \\ &B \rightarrow A, \\ &XA \rightarrow A \\ \}&\end{aligned}$$

Check if the relation schema  $\mathbf{R}$  is in third normal form or not. If not, which of the following functional dependency can be removed to make the relation in third normal form?

[ MCQ: 3 points]

**Answer:** Option D

- $U \rightarrow B$
- $B \rightarrow A$
- $XA \rightarrow U$
- $R$  is in third normal form.

5. Consider a relation **CustomerLogs**(*Name, Items, Restaurant, Date*) with the following data values.

[MCQ: 4 points]

Name	Items	Restaurant	Date
Zury	Coffee	Your's cafe	19-10-21
Zury	Tea	Our's cafe	21-10-21
Zury	Tea	C	E
Zury	A	B	D

If multivalued dependency ( $Name \twoheadrightarrow \{Items, Date\}$ ) exists in the above **CustomerLogs** relation, then what are the values of A, B, C, D, E?

**Answer:** Option C

- A = Tea, B = Your's cafe, C = Our's cafe, D = 21-10-21, E = 19-10-21
- A = Coffee, B = Your's cafe, C = Our's cafe, D = 21-10-21, E = 19-10-21
- A = Coffee, B = Our's cafe, C = Your's cafe, D = 19-10-21 , E = 21-10-21
- A = Tea, B = Our's cafe, C = Your's cafe, D = 19-10-21, E = 21-10-21