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Database Management System

Relational model and Normal
forms

DPP 03 (Discussion Notes)



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[MCQ]



#Q. Assume a relation schema R with 5 attributes P, Q, R, S, T and the set of FD'S

$P \rightarrow RS$, $Q \rightarrow RT$, $T \rightarrow Q$ consider the statements:

S_1 : The only candidate keys of R are PQ and PT

$\times S_2$: The highest normal form satisfied by R is 2NF

Which of the statement is true?

$$\begin{array}{l} PQ^+ = \{P, Q, R, S, T\} \\ \downarrow \\ PT^+ \end{array}$$

P

A Only S_1 is true

B Only S_2 is true

C Both S_1 and S_2 are true

D Neither S_1 and S_2 is true

#Q. Assume a relation $R = (P, Q, R, S)$ and a set F of functional dependencies:

$F = \{\underline{PR} \rightarrow \underline{S}, \underline{S} \rightarrow \underline{P}, \underline{S} \rightarrow \underline{Q}, \underline{S} \rightarrow \underline{R}\}$, Highest normal form satisfied by the relation R is?

A 2NF

B 3NF

C BCNF

D 1NF

$$\begin{aligned} \sim S^+ &= \{P, Q, R, S\} \\ \sim PR^+ & \end{aligned}$$

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

$\{RW \rightarrow V, P \rightarrow QR, Q \rightarrow RUW, T \rightarrow P, U \rightarrow TV\}$, then highest normal form of the relation R is _____.

☒ **A** 1NF

$$P \rightarrow^+ = \{P, Q, R, S, U, W, T, V\}$$
$$TS, US, QS$$

☐ **B** 2NF

☐ **C** 3NF

☐ **D** BCNF

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#Q. Consider a table/Relation R has only one candidate key, then which of the following is always true?

- ☒ **A** If R is in 2NF, then it is also in 3NF.
- ☒ **B** If R is in 3NF, then it is also in BCNF.
- ☒ **C** If R is in 2NF, but it is not in 3NF. *and*
- ☐ **D** None of the above.

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#Q.Consider a relation R(P, Q, R, S, T) with the set of FD's

$\{\underline{PQR} \rightarrow ST \text{ and } T \rightarrow \underline{QRS}\}$ which of the following statements is true?

- ☒ **A** R is not in 2NF
- ☐ **B** R is in 2NF but not in 3NF
- ☐ **C** R is in 3NF but not in BCNF
- ☐ **D** R is in BCNF

$$\begin{array}{c} \underline{PQR}^+ = \{P, Q, R, S, T\} \\ \downarrow \\ \underline{PT} \\ \downarrow \\ T \rightarrow S \end{array}$$

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#Q.Consider a relation R (L, M, N, O) with the functional dependencies:

$$\begin{array}{l} L \rightarrow M, \\ M \rightarrow N, \\ N \rightarrow O \end{array}$$

lossy

Which one of the following decompositions is not lossless?

A

$R_1 (L, M), R_2(M, N), R_3 (N, O)$

B

$R_1(L, M), R_2(L, N), R_3 (L, O)$

C

$R_1(L, O), R_2(M, O), R_3 (N, O)$
 $L \rightarrow O \quad M \rightarrow O \quad N \rightarrow O$

D

All of the above are lossless

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#Q. Suppose functional dependency $Q \rightarrow R$ holds in relation R (P, Q, R, S) which additional FD will make R be in 3NF, but not BCNF?

☒ **A** $S \rightarrow PQ$ ✓

☒ **B** $PR \rightarrow S$

☒ **C** $RS \rightarrow Q$

☒ **D** $PS \rightarrow Q$

$$A = \left\{ \underbrace{Q \rightarrow R}_{\text{X 3NF}}, \underbrace{S \rightarrow PQ}_{\text{BCNF}} \right\}$$
$$S^+ = \{S, P, Q, R\}$$

$$B = \left\{ \underbrace{Q \rightarrow R}_{\text{PSCK NPA}}, \underbrace{PR \rightarrow S}_{\text{NPA}} \right\}$$
$$PQ^+ = \{P, Q, R, S\}$$

$$C = \left\{ \underbrace{Q \rightarrow R}_{\text{3NF PSCK}}, \underbrace{RS \rightarrow Q}_{\text{PA PSCK}} \right\}$$
$$PS^+ = \{P, S\}$$

$$\left\{ \underbrace{PQS^+ = \{P, Q, R, S\}}_{\text{PRS}} \right\}$$

$$D = \left\{ \underbrace{Q \rightarrow R}_{\text{2NF}}, \underbrace{PS \rightarrow Q}_{\text{BCNF}} \right\}$$
$$PS^+ = \{P, S, Q, R\}$$

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#Q. Consider a relation schema $S = \{ A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H \}$ with the following set of functional dependencies:

$AB \rightarrow E$

$A \rightarrow CF$

$B \rightarrow D$

$D \rightarrow GH$

$$B^+ = \{ B, D, G, H, \}$$

#Q. Now, consider the following decompositions of S:

Decomposition 1: $D_1 = \{S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4\}$

$S_1 = \{A, B, C\}$

$S_2 = \{A, D, F\}$

$S_3 = \{B, E\}$

$S_4 = \{D, G, H\}$

Decomposition 2: $D_2 = \{S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4\}$

$S_1 = \{A, B, C\}$

$S_2 = \{D, F\}$

$S_3 = \{B, E\}$

$S_4 = \{D, G, H\}$

$B \rightarrow AC$ ✗

$B \rightarrow E$ ✗

$S_3 \nsubseteq S_1$
 $S_3 \cap S_1 = \{B\}$

A

Only D_1

B

Only D_2

C

Both D_1 and D_2

D

Neither D_1 nor D_2

Which of the above decompositions has the lossless join property?

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#Q. Which of the following statements is FALSE ?

$R(A, B)$

AB is CK

$P \rightarrow Q \equiv T$
 \downarrow
F

- A** Any relation with 2 attributes is in BCNF. True
- B** A relation in which every key has only one attribute is in 2NF. TRUE → $P \rightarrow CK \rightarrow NP \times$
 \uparrow
 \times
- C** A prime attribute can be transitively dependent on a key in a 3NF relation. TRUE
- D** A prime attribute can be transitively dependent on a key in a BCNF relation.

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#Q. A functional dependency of the form $P \rightarrow Q$ is trivial if:



$$P \supseteq Q$$

- ☒ **A** $Q \subseteq P$
- ☐ **B** $P \subset Q$
- ☐ **C** $P \subseteq Q$
- ☐ **D** $P \subseteq Q$ and $Q \subseteq P$



THANK - YOU

