

CSCI4333 Database Design & Implement

Lecture Twenty-five: Normalization 3

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Normalization

- Consider relation obtained
 - Hourly_Emps(ssn, name, lot, rating, hrly_wage, hrs_worked)
 - call it SNLRHW
- What if we *know* rating (**R**) determines hrly_wage (**W**)?

S	N	L	R	W	H
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Redundancy exists
because of the existence
of *integrity constraints*
(*e.g.*, *FD: R* → *W*).

What do we do? Decomposition

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8	10
5	7

Decomposition

- Decomposition of R into R_1 and R_2
 - To enforce FD constraint
 - Reduce Redundancy

Decomposition

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 - How to formally describe this operation in **Relational Algebra**?

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Projection!

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$$R_1 = \pi_{S,N,L,R,H}(R)$$

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$$R_2 = \pi_{R,W}(R)$$

Decomposition

- Decomposition of R into R_1 and R_2
 - To enforce FD constraint
 - Reduce Redundancy
- Reconstruction from R_1 and R_2
 - Check whether the information is unintentionally modified

Reconstruction

- Formally Describe Reconstruction in Relational Algebra

$$R' = R_1 \bowtie R_2$$



Reconstruct Table

Not So Good Situation: $R \neq R'$

Student_ID	Name	Dcode	Cno	Grade
123-22-3666	Attishoo	INFS	501	A
231-31-5368	Guldu	CS	102	B
131-24-3650	Smethurst	INFS	614	B
434-26-3751	Guldu	INFS	614	A
434-26-3751	Guldu	INFS	612	C

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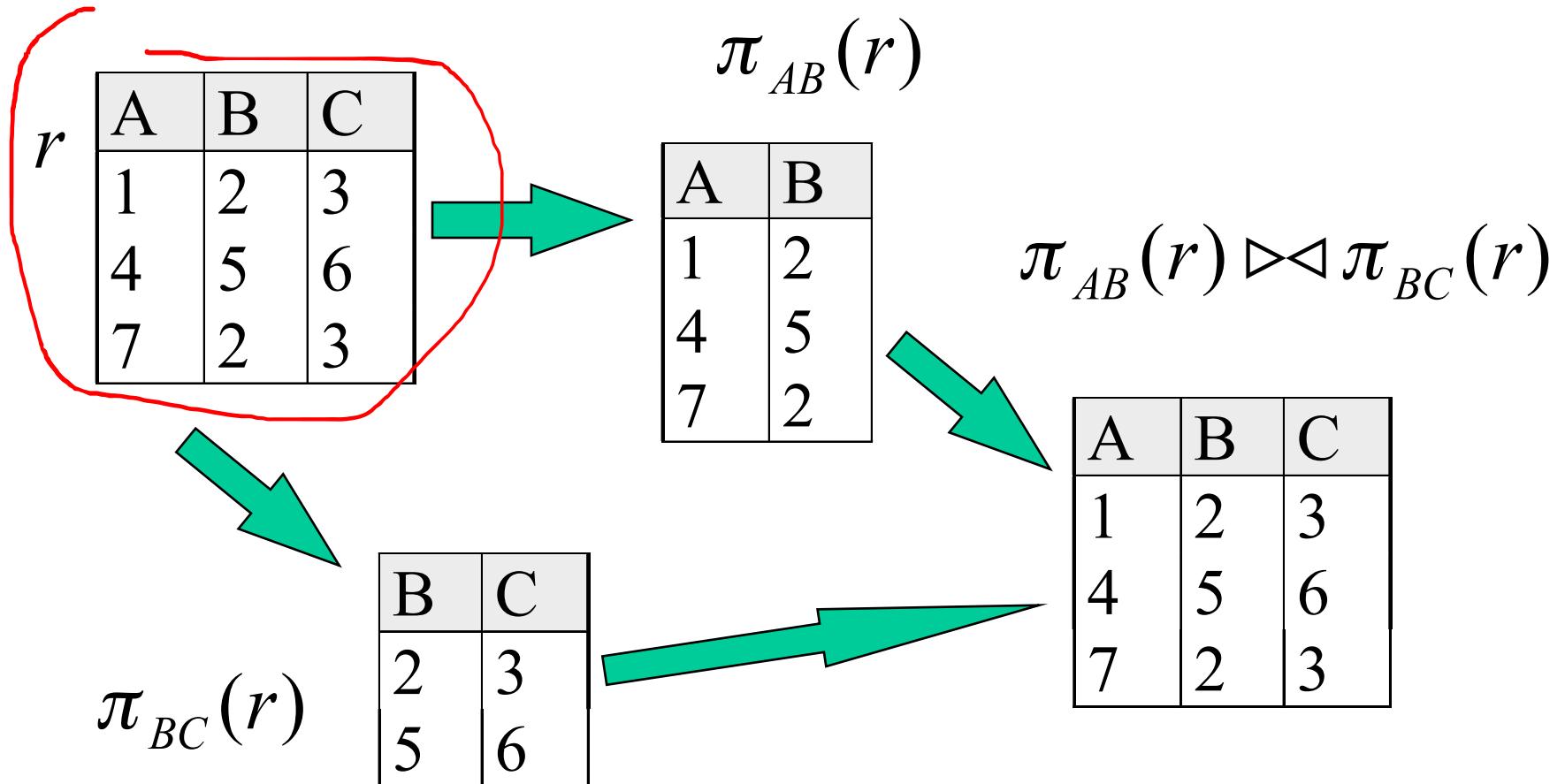
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Observation

- Given instances of the decomposed relations, we may **not be able to** reconstruct the corresponding instance of the original relation!

Example A

$\pi_{AB}(r)$

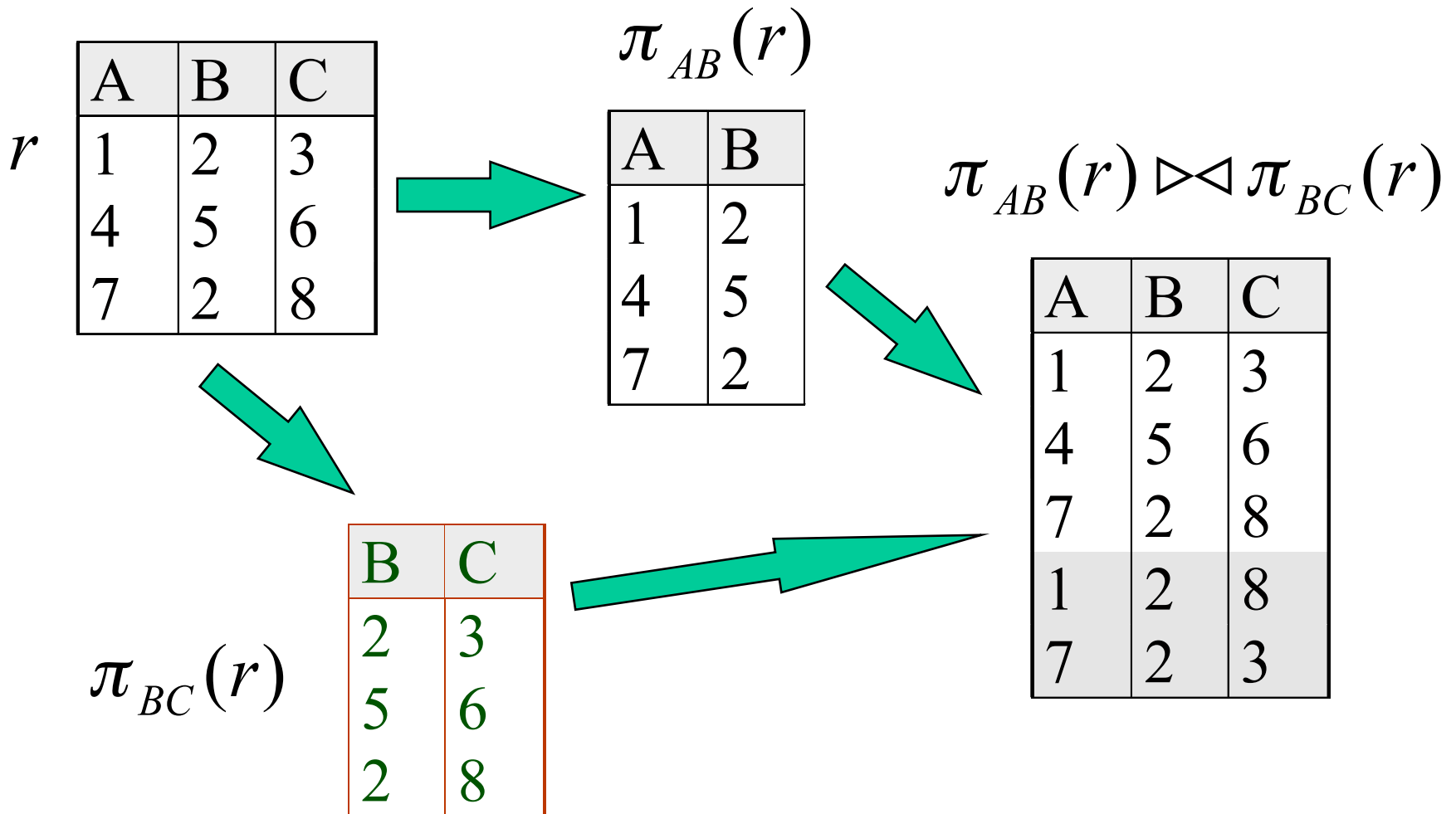


Example B

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A	B	C
1	2	3
4	5	6
7	2	8

Example B



Conclusion

- What Different between Example A and Example B? Hint: Consider FD

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Example A

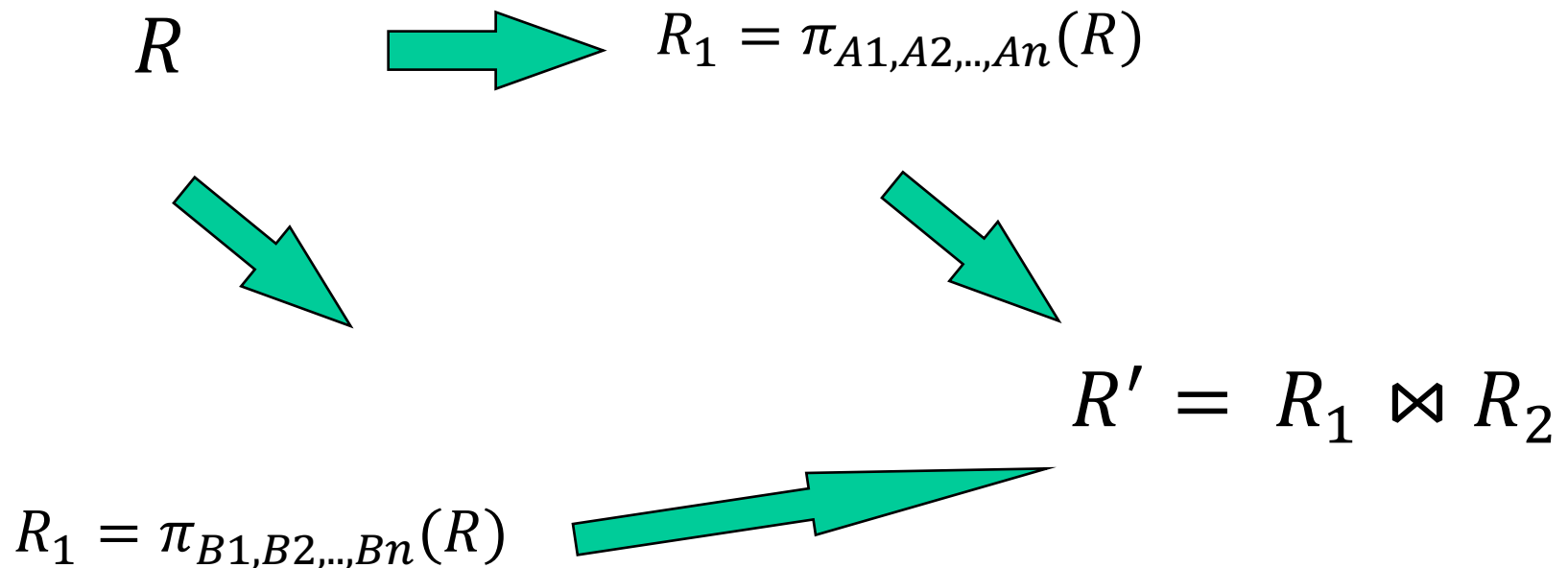
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Example B

$B \rightarrow BC$ holds in Example A, but not holds in Example B

Conclusion

- In which condition $R' = R$?



Lossless Join Decomposition

- Formally: The decomposition of R into R_1 and R_2 is lossless-join wrt F **if and only if** F^+ contains:
 - $R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_1$, or
 - $R_1 \cap R_2 \rightarrow R_2$

A more useful variation

- Suppose we have $U = R_1 \cap R_2$
- The decomposition of R into R_1 and R_2 is lossless-join wrt F if and only if:
 - $U \rightarrow R_1 - U$, or
 - $\overline{U} \rightarrow \overline{R_2 - U}$holds in R

Lossless Join Decompositions

- If decomposition of R into R_1 and R_2 is lossless-join, then we have: $R' = R$

Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

We know what is Lossless Join Decomposition.

But how can we always have Lossless Join
Decomposition? **BCNF Decomposition**

Superkey and F^+

- Given $F = \{ A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C \}$. Compute F^+ (with attributes A, B, C).

	A	B	C	AB	AC	BC	ABC	Attribute closure
A	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	$A^+ = ABC$
B		√	√			√		$B^+ = BC$
C			√					$C^+ = C$
AB	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	$AB^+ = ABC$
AC	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	$AC^+ = ABC$
BC		√	√			√		$BC^+ = BC$
ABC	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	$ABC^+ = ABC$

- An entry with √ means FD (the row) \rightarrow (the column) is in F^+ .
- An entry gets √ when (the column) is in (the row) $^+$

Superkey and F^+

- What is the super key of this table?

$A \rightarrow ABC$

	A	B	C	AB	AC	BC	ABC
A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
B		✓	✓			✓	
C			✓				
AB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
BC		✓	✓			✓	
ABC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Attribute closure
$A^+ = ABC$
$B^+ = BC$
$C^+ = C$
$AB^+ = ABC$
$AC^+ = ABC$
$BC^+ = BC$
$ABC^+ = ABC$

- A, AB, AC, ABC

Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

- Relation R with FDs F is in **BCNF** if:
 - for each non-trivial FD $X \rightarrow A$ in F , **X** is a super key for **R** (i.e., $X \rightarrow R$ in F^+).
 - An FD $X \rightarrow A$ is said to be “trivial” if $A \in X$.
 - If not all XA are in R , then we don't care.
- In other words, R is in BCNF if the only non-trivial FDs that hold over R are key constraints.
- BCNF means no “data” in R can be predicted using FDs alone.

Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

- Relation R with FDs F is in BCNF if **all** FD in F satisfies:
 - for each non-trivial FD $X \rightarrow A$ in F , X is a super key for R (i.e., $X \rightarrow R$ in F^+).
 - An FD $X \rightarrow A$ is said to be “trivial” if $A \in X$.
 - If not all XA are in R , then we don't care.
- Another useful definition:
 - $X \rightarrow Y$ in F over R violates BCNF if $X \rightarrow Y$ does not satisfy BCNF condition

BCNF Decomposition

- Given a table R, we want to decompose it into multiple BCNF tables.
- If we found a dependency in F cause violation of BCNF, we decompose it into two table.

Decomposition into BCNF

- Consider relation R with FDs F . If $X \rightarrow Y$ in F over R violates BCNF,
- Then: decompose R into $\underline{R - Y}$ and \underline{XY} .

r

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$R = ABC$

$B \rightarrow C$

$\pi_{AB}(r)$

A	B
1	2
4	5
7	2

$R - Y = AB$

$\pi_{BC}(r)$

B	C
2	3
5	6

$XY = BC$

Decomposition into BCNF

- Consider relation R with FDs F . If $X \rightarrow Y$ in F over R violates BCNF, i
- Then: decompose R into $R - Y$ and XY .
- Recursively do it until every table is BCNF

Decomposition into BCNF

- Why we want to Decomposition into BCNF
 - Lossless joint decomposition
 - Always terminate

BCNF Decomposition Example

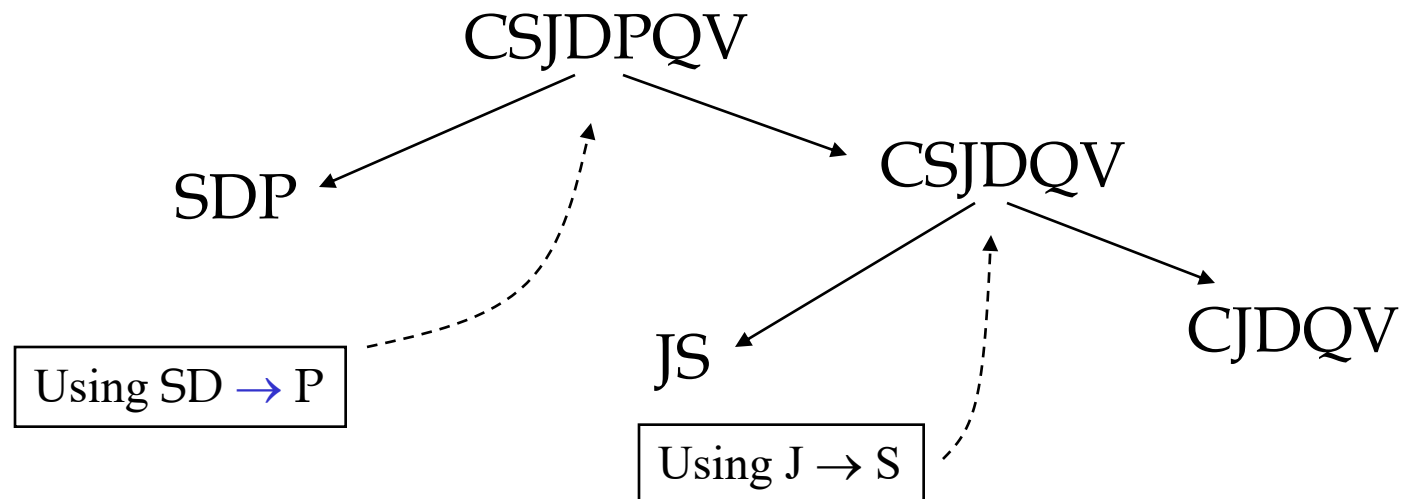
- $R = (A, B, C)$
 $F = \{A \rightarrow B; B \rightarrow C\}$
- Key = $\{A\}$
- R is not in BCNF ($B \rightarrow C$ but B is not a superkey)
- Decomposition
 - $R_1 = (B, C)$
 - $R_2 = (A, B)$

BCNF Decomposition Example 2

- Assume relation schema CSJDPQV:
Contracts(contract_id, supplier, project, dept, part, qty, value)
 - key C ($C \rightarrow CSJDPQV$), $JP \rightarrow C$, $SD \rightarrow P$, $J \rightarrow S$

BCNF Decomposition Example 2

- Assume relation schema CSJDPQV:
Contracts(contract_id, supplier, project, dept, part, qty, value)
 - key C, $JP \rightarrow C$, $SD \rightarrow P$, $J \rightarrow S$
- To deal with $SD \rightarrow P$, decompose into SDP, CSJDQV.
- To deal with $J \rightarrow S$, decompose CSJDQV into JS and CJDQV
- A tree representation of the decomposition:



Question Extra

- $R(A, B, C, D, E, G, H)$
 $F = \{B \rightarrow D, AB \rightarrow C, AC \rightarrow B, BC \rightarrow A, E \rightarrow G\}$
- Answer the BCNF Decomposition of $R(ABCDEFGH)$

Question Extra

- Same as previous
- Not in BCNF
- Decomposition:

