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Question 9. Consider the relation R with schema R(A,B,C,D), and functional dependencies $\{AB \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow A\}$.

- (a) Is the relation in BCNF? Is it in 3NF? Explain why or why not.
- (b) Is the decomposition of R into AB, BC and CD lossless? Why or why not?
- (c) Is the decomposition of R into AB, BC and CD dependency preserving? Why or why not?
- a) The keys are AB, BC, BD (by augmentation of FDs). Hence, the latter two dependencies violate BCNF but not 3NF (since all attributes are prime). R is in 3NF not BCNF.
- b) No, since B is not a key for AB nor BC.
- c) No, $AB \rightarrow C$ is lost.

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Q10

Prove the following inference rule for functional dependencies using only Armstrong's axioms: If $P \rightarrow QR$ and $R \rightarrow S$, then $P \rightarrow QS$.

Show the steps of your proof, and indicate which of Armstrong's axioms is applied in each step.

$P \rightarrow QR$ Given
 $R \rightarrow S$ Given
 $P \rightarrow Q$ decomposition
 $P \rightarrow R$ decomposition
 $P \rightarrow S$ transitivity w/ $R \rightarrow S$
 $P \rightarrow QS$ union

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Q11

- For each schedule indicate which properties hold.

a) $R_1(A), W_2(A), R_1(B), Commit_1, W_3(B), R_3(B), W_3(A), Commit_3, R_2(C), Commit_2$.

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b) $R_1(A), W_2(B), R_1(B), Commit_1, Commit_2$

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c) $R_1(A), W_2(B), R_1(B), Commit_2, Commit_1$

Same as above except this schedule is recoverable.

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Q12 (see practice final for full details)

- Give the sequence of lock requests using Wound-Wait policy.

(a) $R_1(X), W_2(Y), W_2(X), W_3(Y), W_1(Y)$

- T1 acquires shared lock on X; T2 acquires an exclusive lock on Y.
- T2 requests an exclusive lock on X. Since T2 is lower priority, it will wait.
- T3 requests an exclusive lock on Y; it also waits.
- T1 now requests an exclusive lock on Y; since it has the higher priority than T2, it will abort T2.

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Q12

- Given the following actions, under strict 2PL with deadlock detection, is there a deadlock? If so, show the WFG.

$R_1(X), W_2(Y), W_2(X), W_3(Y), W_1(Y), Commit_1, Commit_2, Commit_3$

- Yes, deadlock exists.

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FINAL REVIEW

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Final Exam

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- December 21, 2021 at 9:00am (2.5 hours)

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Relational Model

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- Logical model, physical model
- Data Independence
- Schemas
- Integrity Constraints (tuple, domain)
- Keys (superkey, PK, FK)
- Referential integrity (what is it, enforcement)

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E-R Model

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- Read and interpret an ER diagram
- How to translate English requirements to an ER diagram
- Avoid redundancy
- Different types of relationships (one-many, many-many, one-one)
- Total vs. partial participation
- Weak entities
- ISA hierarchies
- Covering and overlap constraints

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SQL

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- DDL, DML
- Create table, update, delete statements
- Relational predicates, clauses, operators
- Joins (outer, full, equijoin, self), aggregation, grouping, sub-queries, etc.
- Keys: PKs, FKs, referential integrity (ways of enforcement)
- Bag semantics vs. set semantics
- Given a schema:
 - ▣ Evaluate the results (output) of an SQL query
 - ▣ Translate English statement to write an SQL query

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Views and Indexes

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- View definition
- Distinction between virtual vs. materialized views
 - ▣ Benefits, disadvantages of each
- Insertions and updates on views
- Clustered vs. unclustered index
- B+ tree index, hash index, composite index
- When are indexes best used
- How to select the best index for a workload

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Relational Algebra

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- RA operators and operands (selection, projection, joins, renaming, set operations, and others...)
- Set vs. bag semantics
- Extended operators
- Given a schema, know how to:
 - ▢ Write an RA expression from English statement
 - ▢ Evaluate an RA expression for its output

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Database Design

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- Redundancy, and how this causes anomalies
- Functional Dependencies (FDs)
- Keys, superkeys
- Armstrong's Axioms
- Dependency inference
- Closure
- Minimum Cover

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Database Design (cont'd)

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- Projection of FDs
- Given R, and set of FDs F, find the keys
- Schema decomposition (properties, goals)

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Normalization

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- Lossless join decomposition
 - ▢ What does this mean
 - ▢ Test to determine if a decomposition is lossless
- Dependency preserving
 - ▢ What does this mean
 - ▢ How to check if a decomposition is dependency preserving
- BCNF, 3NF
 - ▢ Distinction between the two
 - ▢ Properties of each
 - ▢ Is a decomposition BCNF or 3NF?
 - ▢ Find a BCNF, 3NF decomposition: decomposition algorithms

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Transactions

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- Transaction properties (ACID)
- Schedules
 - ▣ properties such as: serial, equivalent, serializable, conflict serializable, avoid cascading aborts, recoverable, 2PL, strict 2PL
 - ▣ How to check for these properties
- Conflict operations
- Precedence graph
- Given a schedule, determine its properties

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Locking

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- Types of locks
- Strict 2PL, 2PL
- Phantom problem
- Performance/overhead of locks
- Isolation levels

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Locking

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- Deadlocks
 - ▣ Detection: Waits-for-graph
 - ▣ Prevention: Wait-die, Wound-wait
- Multiple Granularity Locking
 - ▣ Intention locks, lock conversions (upgrades/downgrades)

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Course Evaluations

Final reminder if you can please
complete by end of today – thank you!

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