

- Figure 6-41 (pg 289) shows Actions to enforce Minimum Cardinality for required parents
- Figure 6-42 (pg 290) shows " " for Work-To-Trans relationship
- * - Figure 6-43 (pg 291) shows all column properties

Database Ch. 8 notes: Database Redesign

- the 3rd reason db's can be created is db redesign

I. The Need For Redesign

- a) Could've been designed incorrectly the 1st time
 - especially common in large enterprise db's
- b) as user behavior needs to change with the changes made in the information system of the organization, the db may need need to be updated in it's design
- this is the system maintenance step of SDLC in the systems analysis & design process (of info systems)
 - changes & redesign are going to happen no matter what; we must be prepared

II. SQL Statements for Checking Functional Dependencies

- redesign is hard w/ lots of already-existing data
- find all issues & before making 1 change

2 SQL helpers:

- 1) correlated subqueries (i.e. nested query loop)
- 2) SQL EXISTS & NOT EXISTS ~~statements~~ keywords

1a.) correlated subqueries are when the bottom, cannot be select stmt ran before the top select statement; rather they're ran concurrently

- Kind of works like a nested loop

Example:

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Select W1.Title, W1.Copy
From WORK as W1
Where W1.Title IN (
  Select W2.Title
  From WORK as W2
  Where W1.Title = W2.Title
  And W1.WorkID <> W2.WorkID);

```

call same column here

← like a new instance of the WORK table

Logic: - take row 1 from W1

- evaluate the subquery (W2). To do this

we compare each row in W2 w/ the 1 title from W1. Once all rows from W2 have been ran against the first row from W1, grab W1's next row

Using Corr. Subq. to check for Funct. Dep.

- run similar query as above

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Correlated Subq. w/ EXISTS & NOT EXISTS

- these operators test whether there are any values returned by the subquery, indicating conditions are being met

- values returned from the subquery are used to run against the top query

- works again like a nested loop; if any ~~EXIST~~ returns true, it's kept and used against the top query

NOT EXISTS in a Double Negative

- NOT EXISTS will only be true if all rows in subquery fail the conditional

- can be used to find rows that do not, not match a condition

Logic for
nest query
loop

- Ex. pg 402
- if a row doesn't match any row, it matches every row
 - surprisingly used often ??

III. How Do I Analyze an Existing Db?

Example: "I want you to change the PK of Table 1."

checks:

- how many foreign keys were used w/ the PK
- do any Views use the PK?
- do any triggers / stored procs use ~~PKs~~ the PK?

This could turn into a major project

- be very gentle (make a list to check it twice)
- get a test db (sandbox) ready to test the actions in
- create a backup db (prod) if possible as insurance

Reverse Engineering

- process of reading db schema & making a data model from it
 - it's a table-relationship diagram dressed in entity-relationship clothes (Figure 8-3 pg 404)
- logical = data model
- physical = db design
- MySQL Workbench only makes db designs?

Dependency Graphs

- diagrams w/ nodes connected to other nodes by lines
- Figure 8-4 (pg 405)
- shows all dependencies (references) to a specific entity, attr, etc.

Db Backup & Test Db's

- do this prior to any changes being made
- thorough testing procedures (3 copies of db schema for testing)

- test envr. must be able to revert easily
- smaller test db's must still have same characteristics of operational db.
- for large organizations, it may not be possible to make a complete copy of the prod db.
- very large job todo! They're jobs for it out today just for making test db's

IV. Changing Table Names + Table Columns

Table Names

- there will be a lot of references to that specific name throughout the db and its functions
- MySQL has a stat! `RENAME {Name1} to {Name2}`
 - this doesn't modify triggers or stored proc's
- nuclear solution:
 - 1.) new table w/ all same structures
 - 2.) drop old table once all is working in the new

Example: pgs 406-407

Adding/Dropping columns

- if you add a DEFAULT value after data is already in the table, all prior column values will still be null

Adding NOT NULL columns

- ~~SQL~~ stat will fail if the column hasn't been given values in all rows
- to drop a FK column, 1st the constraint defining the FK must be dropped (same as PK) → ~~also~~, all FK's that use the PK = dropped

Changing a Column Data Type or Column Characteristics

- may cause data loss
- converting likewise types (i.e. Char to Varchar) is usually fine

V. Changing Relationship Cardinalities (common)

Changing Minimum Cardinalities

IF Parent entity:

- matter of ~~changing~~ whether null values are allowed for the FK repping the relationship
- depending on the DBMS, the FK constraint can be dropped & readded before and after the change to the parent
- Ex. moving col's Min. card. from zero to one would mean changing the col from null to not null

IF Child entity:

- must write triggers ~~(appt code)~~ to change from $0 \rightarrow 1$
- if going from $1 \rightarrow 0$, just remove the trigger enforcing the constraint
- don't use appl. code to change/enforce constraints

Changing Maximum Cardinality

- preserve existing relationships

From 1:1 to 1:N

- decide parent entity (since 1:1, parent doesn't matter)
- drop the unique constraint from child entity

From 1:N to N:M

- create intersection table w/ correct FK constraints
- drop old FK column

Reducing Cardinalities (w/ Data Loss)

- to reduce from $N:M$ to $1:N$, do opposite of
- to reduce from $1:N$ to $1:1$, do opposite of
 - ~~drop~~ make FK values unique, then define a unique constraint on it
- many changes will need to be made & much data could potentially be lost.

VI. Adding / Deleting Tables & Relationships

- creating a table is like normal; just don't forget FK and FK constraints
- deleting tables means dropping FK constraints, then dropping the tables
- * • construct Dependency Graphs once removed to understand which programs will be affected by the deletion
- this is all for the purpose of either normalization or denormalization

VII. Forward Engineering

- many skeptics don't use redesign tools bc its automated & the importance level to make the correct changes is very high
- automation may not be the best idea when dealing w/ lots of data (write my own SQL)