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then
  i := i + 1;
  Ri := any candidate key for Ri;
  /* Optionally, remove redundant relations */
repeat
  if any schema Rj is contained in another schema Rk
  then
    /* Delete Rj */
    Rj := Rk;
    i := i - 1;
until no more Rjs can be deleted
return (R1, R2, ..., Ri)

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Figure 8.12 Dependency-preserving, lossless decomposition into 3NF.

of functional dependencies on the relation

$A \rightarrow BCD$   
 $BC \rightarrow DE$   
 $B \rightarrow D$   
 $D \rightarrow A$

d. Give a 3NF decomposition of  $r$  based on the canonical cover.

We've calculated canonical cover :

①  $A \rightarrow BC$  ②  $B \rightarrow DE$  ③  $D \rightarrow A$

Therefore, using

$r_1(A, B, C)$   $r_2(B, D, E)$   $r_3(D, A)$

Since  $F$  is not dependent on any attribute,  
and none of the attribute could determine  $F$   
 $r_4(A, F)$  or  $r_4(D, F)$ .

2. Consider a relation schema  $R(A, B, C, D, E)$  and its functional dependencies,  $F = \{A \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow A, B \rightarrow AC, D \rightarrow AC\}$ , complete the following questions:

- Compute  $(AD)^+$
- Compute the candidate keys for  $R$ .
- Compute the canonical cover  $F_c$ .
- Is  $R$  in 3NF? If it is, justify your answer. If not, produce a decomposition of  $R$  into 3NF. (Ref. Figure 8.12)

a)  $(AD)^+ = \{AD\}$

①  $A \rightarrow C$   $(AD)^+ = \{ADC\}$ . ②  $C \rightarrow A$   $(AD)^+ = \{ADC\}$ . ④  $D \rightarrow AC$   $(AD)^+ = \{ADC\}$ .

Therefore,  $(AD)^+ = \{ADC\}$

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let  $F_c$  be a canonical cover for  $F$ ;
i := 0;
for each functional dependency  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$  in  $F_c$ 
  i := i + 1;
   $R_i := \alpha \beta$ ;
if none of the schemas  $R_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, i$  contains a candidate key for  $R$ 
then
  i := i + 1;
   $R_i :=$  any candidate key for  $R$ ;
/* Optionally, remove redundant relations */
repeat
  if any schema  $R_j$  is contained in another schema  $R_k$ 
  then
    /* Delete  $R_j$  */
     $R_j := R_k$ ;
    i := i - 1;
until no more  $R_j$ s can be deleted
return ( $R_1, R_2, \dots, R_i$ )

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Figure 8.12 Dependency-preserving, lossless decomposition into 3NF.

b)  $\left. \begin{array}{l} B \rightarrow AC \\ D \rightarrow AC \\ BD \rightarrow BD \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow BD \rightarrow ABCD$  , candidate key is BDE

E is dependent from ABCD.

B and D couldn't be concluded from each other.

Since A and C couldn't conclude B or D

Therefore, candidate key of R is BDE

c) Since  $A \rightarrow C$  and  $C \rightarrow A$

The F could be simplify as  $A \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow A, B \rightarrow A, D \rightarrow A$

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

d) It's not 3NF, since  $A \rightarrow C$  and  $C \rightarrow A$

$\gamma_1(B, D, A), \gamma_2(A, C)$

3. Suppose that we have a schema  $R(A, B, C, D, E)$ . You are given the following dependencies:

$A \rightarrow B$

$BC \rightarrow E$

$ED \rightarrow A$

a) List all candidate keys for R.

b) Is R in 3NF? If it is, justify your answer. If not, produce a decomposition of R into 3NF. (Ref. Figure 8.12)

a) ①  $A \rightarrow B$  A couldn't conclude all the attributes.  
 $A^+ = (AB)$

②  $BC \rightarrow E$  D couldn't be derived.  
 $(AC)^+ = (ABCE)$

③  $ED \rightarrow A$  ACD is one of the candidate..  
 $(ACD)^+ = (ABCDE)$

$(ED)^+ = (ABED)$  ED couldn't derive C.

Therefore: candidate keys are: ACD, CDE

b) Since:  $ACD \rightarrow BCD$

$BCD \rightarrow ED$

$ED \rightarrow A$

Therefore, R is not 3NF.

Decomposition  $\gamma_1(A.B.C.E).$

$\gamma_2(E.D.A)$

4. Which normal form do the schemas you obtained in Chapter 7 Exercise belong to? Is it possible to transform them into 3NF? And how?

2NF

It's possible to transform.

Here are the steps:

- ① Identify Functional Dependencies.
- ② Check Transitive Dependencies
- ③ Remove Transitive Dependencies
- ④ Update Relationship til there exists no transitive Dependencies