

# COMP 3005 Winter 2011 Mid-Term Test

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The following definitions are to be used for answering any related questions on the test. These definitions are consistent with those in your notes. Notice that the definition for prime attribute refers to **any** key, not just the primary key of a table schema.

**Prime Attribute:** If  $R=(A_1,A_2,\dots,A_n)$  is a table, attribute  $A_i$  is prime if there exists a key  $K$  of  $R$  such that  $A_i$  is an element of  $K$ . If an attribute is not **prime** it is called **non-prime**.

**Trivial Dependency:** A dependency  $X \rightarrow Y$  is **trivial** if  $Y$  is a subset of  $X$ .

**Closure of F:** if  $F$  is a set of functional dependencies, the closure of  $F$ , denoted  $F^+$ , is  $\{X \rightarrow Y \mid F \text{ logically implies } X \rightarrow Y\}$ .

**Partial Dependency:** Suppose  $X$  is a key of table  $R$  and  $Y$  is a proper subset of  $X$ , and  $A$  is an attribute not in  $Y$ . Then  $Y \rightarrow A$  is a **partial dependency**.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Normal Form:** A table  $R$  with associated functional dependencies  $F$  is in 2<sup>nd</sup> normal form if  $F^+$  contains no partial dependencies  $Y \rightarrow A$  where  $A$  is non-prime.

**Transitive Dependency:** Let  $Y$  be a set of attributes from table  $R$  and  $A$  be an attribute not contained in  $Y$ . The functional dependency  $Y \rightarrow A$  is a **transitive dependency** if  $Y$  is neither a superkey of  $R$  nor a proper subset of a key of  $R$ .

**3<sup>rd</sup> Normal Form:** A table, with dependencies  $F$ , is in 3<sup>rd</sup> normal form if it is in 2<sup>nd</sup> normal form and if  $F^+$  contains no transitive dependencies  $Y \rightarrow A$  where  $A$  is non-prime. (Equivalently, a table is in 3<sup>rd</sup> normal form if, for each non-trivial dependency  $Y \rightarrow A$ ,  $Y$  is a superkey or  $A$  is prime.)

**Boyce-Codd Normal Form:** A table, with dependencies  $F$ , is in BCNF if  $F^+$  contains no partial or transitive dependencies. (Equivalently, a table is in BCNF if the left side of each non-trivial dependency in  $F^+$  is a superkey.)

## Functional Dependency Inference Rules:

if $Y$ is a subset of $X$ then $X \rightarrow Y$	//reflexive rule
if $X \rightarrow AB$ then $X \rightarrow A$ and $X \rightarrow B$	//decomposition rule
if $X \rightarrow Y$ and $Y \rightarrow Z$ then $X \rightarrow Z$	//transitive rule
if $X \rightarrow A$ , and $X \rightarrow B$ , then $X \rightarrow AB$	//union rule
if $X \rightarrow Y$ then $WX \rightarrow WY$	//augmentation rule
if $X \rightarrow Y$ and $WY \rightarrow Z$ then $WX \rightarrow Z$	//pseudo transitive rule

### Question 1 [12 marks]

For each question below a relation R has been defined over attributes U,V,W,X,Y,Z along with a set of functional dependencies that apply to them. In each case provide the possible candidate keys for the relation, state the highest normal form the table R=UVWXYZ would currently satisfy, then show the decomposition of R into as few tables as possible such that each resulting tables are in Boyce-Codd Normal Form. Show the primary key for each table in the decomposition by underlining it.

1a)  $F = \{UV \rightarrow WXYZ, X \rightarrow W, V \rightarrow X, \}$

Candidate Keys: UV

Current Normal Form: = 1nf //V→X is partial that violates 2nf [1mark]

Decompositions:  $\underline{UV}WXYZ \quad \underline{V}X \quad [1 \text{ mark}]$   
OR Decompositions:  $\underline{UV}YZ \quad \underline{V}X \quad \underline{X}W$

1b)  $F = \{UV \rightarrow WXYZ, YZ \rightarrow UV \}$

Candidate Keys: UV, YZ

Current Normal Form: Already in BCNF –no decomposition [2 marks]

Decompositions: -not required

1c)  $F = \{UV \rightarrow WXYZ, X \rightarrow V, YZ \rightarrow V\}$

Candidate Keys: UV, UYZ, UX

Current Normal Form: = 3nf [1mark]

Decompositions:  $\underline{UX}WXYZ \quad \underline{X}V \quad [1 \text{ mark}]$   
OR

Decompositions:  $\underline{UYZ}XW \quad \underline{YZ}V$

1d)  $F = \{UV \rightarrow WXYZ, YZ \rightarrow V, V \rightarrow U \}$

Candidate Keys: V, YZ

Current Normal Form: Already in BCNF –no decomposition [2 marks]

Decompositions: not required

**Question 2[ 10 marks]**

A rock and roll band wishes to create a database to keep track of their performances (gigs) at local bars, arena's, corporate parties etc. The database will be used to print out set lists for each performance and to generate invoices to the venues so that they can be paid for the performance. The CRTC (Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission) also requires that "Cue Sheets" be submitted for any public performance which exceeds 500 spectators. A cue sheet lists the song, author and publisher and the date and location where the song was performed. Cue sheets are used to ensure that the author and publisher get royalty payments.

Each performance (or gig) happens on a particular date, and time, at a particular venue (address). The database should also keep track of the contact person at the venue, to whom the invoice will be sent. Each gig will also have an expected and actual audience size. A performance consists of a number of sets (typically three or four). During each set a number of songs are played in a particular order. A typical set is 45 minutes long; between sets the band takes a 15 minute break. The database will be used to print out set lists for each musician for each gig. A set list simply lists the songs to be performed in that set and the sequence in which they will be played. Each performance can have different set lists.

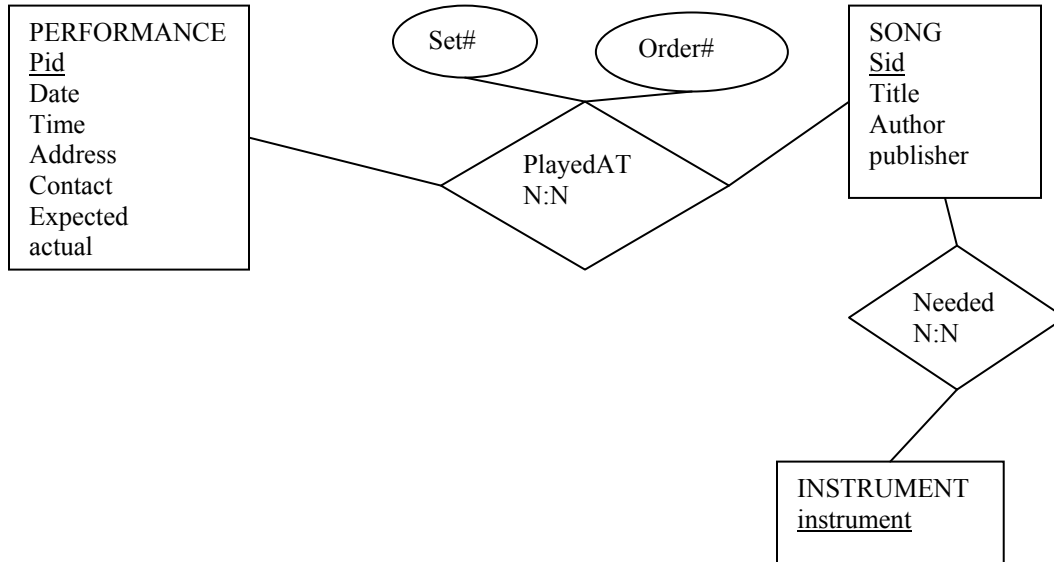
The database should also record for each song that the band performs, what instruments are needed in that song. This will allow the band manager to make sure that all the proper instruments are sent to the venue for that performance.

Based on an analysis of the above here is a list of all the attributes that the database designers think needs to be stored in the database. The comments indicate what the attribute represents.

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pid      //unique ID for performance
date     //performance date
time     //performance time
address  //performance venue address
contact  //name of contact person for venue
expected //expected attendees at performance
actual   //actual attendees at performance
title    //title of a song
author   //author of song
publisher //publisher of a song
sid      // unique id for song
instrument //name of an instrument
id       //unique id for an instrument
setNo    //number of a set at a performance
orderNo  //the order of a song in a set
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2a) [5 marks] Using the attributes described above draw an ER diagram for the intended database. Make sure to show the primary key for all entities by underlining them. Also show relationship cardinalities and mandatory participation and any entities that are weak

[-1 mark for any wrong, missing, or unnecessary feature]



2b) [5 marks] Show the table schema that corresponds to the ER diagram. Underline the primary key and show for each table any foreign keys that refer to other tables.

[-1 mark for anything that does not correspond directly to their ER diagram or missing foreign key. The foreign keys are not shown below but should be quite obvious]

PERFORMANCE:  
Pid,Date,Time,Address,Contact,Expected,Actual

SONG:Sid,Title,Author,Publisher

INSTRUMENT:Instrument

PLAYED\_AT:Pid,Sid,Set#,Order#

NEEDED\_FOR:Sid,instrument

**Question 3) [8 marks]** Consider the set of attributes  $R=\{A,B,C,D,E,F\}$  and the following set of functional dependencies.

$Fd = \{ABD \rightarrow AC, C \rightarrow BE, AD \rightarrow BF, B \rightarrow E\}$

3a) Find a minimal cover for F.

$fd = \{ABD \rightarrow A, ABD \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow E, C \rightarrow B, AD \rightarrow B, AD \rightarrow F, B \rightarrow E\}$  //decomposition rule

$fd = \{ABD \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow B, AD \rightarrow B, AD \rightarrow F, B \rightarrow E\}$  //  $ABD \rightarrow A, C \rightarrow E$  implied by others

$fd = \{AD \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow B, AD \rightarrow F, B \rightarrow E\}$  // replace  $ABD \rightarrow A$ , with  $AD \rightarrow C$   
// $AD \rightarrow B$  implied by others

Min Cover:  $F_m = \{AD \rightarrow C, C \rightarrow B, AD \rightarrow F, B \rightarrow E\}$  or  $\{AD \rightarrow CF, C \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow E\}$

4 marks for final answer, give part marks for correct steps if final answer is wrong

3b) Show the set of tables the would decompose R into Lossless-Join, 3nf, Dependency Preserving decomposition.

ADCF

CB

BE

1 mark each for tables and 1 mark for three correct primary keys.

**Question 4) [10 marks]** The following tables have been implemented to represent the telephone switching example described in the course and your assignments. The keys are underlined in the table descriptions. Important foreign keys are shown as // comments in the table descriptions.

TABLES:

CALLS //describes calls in progress  
 FACILITIES //represents lines trunks or treatments by portid  
 LINES //represents lines of the switch including their directory number  
 SERVICES //services customer lines can subscribe to  
 SERVICE SUBSCRIBERS //services that lines currently subscribe to  
 SUBSCRIBERS //customers who rent lines  
 TREATMENTS //treatments that can be applied to lines if a call fails  
 TRUNKS //trunks that connect to other (foreign) switches  
 TRUNK\_CHANNELS //use of trunk channels  
 TRUNK\_ROUTES //area codes and office codes served by trunks

facilities

Name	Null?	Type
<u>PORTID</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38)
FACILITY_TYPE		VARCHAR2(10)

lines

Name	Null?	Type
<u>PORTID</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38)
AREA_CODE		CHAR(3)
OFFICE_CODE		CHAR(3)
STATION_CODE		CHAR(4)
STATE		CHAR(4) // "busy" or "idle"

trunks

Name	Null?	Type
<u>PORTID</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38)
END_OFFICE		VARCHAR2(10)

services

Name	Null?	Type
<u>SERVICE_CODE</u>	NOT NULL	CHAR(3)
SERVICE_NAME		VARCHAR2(15)

service subscribers

Name	Null?	Type
<u>LINE_PORT_ID</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38) //references lines
<u>SERVICE_CODE</u>	NOT NULL	CHAR(3) //ref. services

treatments

Name	Null?	Type
<u>TREATMENT_CODE</u>	NOT NULL	CHAR(4)
PORTID	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38)
TREATMENT_NAME		VARCHAR2(15)

trunk\_channels

Name	Null?	Type
<u>PORTID</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38)
<u>CHANNEL</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38)
STATE		CHAR(4) // "busy" or "idle"

subscribers

Name	Null?	Type
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<u>NAME</u>	NOT NULL	VARCHAR2(25)
<u>ADDRESS</u>	NOT NULL	VARCHAR2(30)
PORTID		NUMBER(38) //references lines

calls

Name	Null?	Type
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<u>CALL_ID</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38)
ORIG_ID		NUMBER(38) //ref. facility
ORIG_CHANNEL		NUMBER(38) // 0 for lines
TERM_ID		NUMBER(38) //ref. facility
TERM_CHANNEL		NUMBER(38) // 0 for lines
DIALED_AREA		CHAR(3)
DIALED_OFFICE		CHAR(3)
DIALED_STATION		CHAR(4)

trunk\_routes

Name	Null?	Type
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<u>PORTID</u>	NOT NULL	NUMBER(38) //ref. trunks
<u>AREA_CODE</u>	NOT NULL	CHAR(3)
<u>OFFICE_CODE</u>	NOT NULL	CHAR(3)

Example trunk\_routes data

SQL> select \* from trunk\_routes;

PORTID	AREA_CODE	OFFICE_CODE
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100	613	235
100	613	232
101	613	000
101	416	765
101	416	763
101	905	555
101	905	543
101	416	238
102	905	000
102	416	000
103	802	000
103	514	000
103	000	000

For the following questions provide a relational algebra query that would produce a relation with the required information

**4a) [3 marks]** Write a relational algebra expression that will list the name and address of all the subscribers that subscribe to the services with names “call waiting” and “message answer”.

PROJ[name,adress](subscriber JOIN[portid=line\_port\_id] (service\_subscribers \*  
SEL[service name="call waiting"(services))) [1 mark]

INTERSECT 1[mark]

PROJ[name,adress](subscriber JOIN[portid=line\_port\_id] (service\_subscribers \*  
SEL[service name="message answer"(services))) [1 mark]

**Their answers might look different but should be logically equivalent.**

**4b) [3 marks]** Write a relational algebra expression that will list the name and address of all subscribers and the number of services to which they subscribe.

[name,adress] F[count \*] (Subscribers JOIN[line\_port\_id = portid] Service\_Subscribers)

[1mark] -----[1mark]-----[1marks]

