## CS 6400 A Midterm Review

Lecture 9 09/17/25

## Midterm Logistics

- Midterm will be held Monday Sep 22 from 5:00pm 6:15pm (during class time).
- Please arrive early the exam is going to start at 5:00pm.
- Open notes, no electronic devices. Can bring calculator.
- Contents covered: Lec 2 (SQL I) Lec 7 (Design Theory II)
- Past Exam: available on canvas, under Files->Past Exams

## SQL

## SQL Query

Basic form (there are many many more bells and whistles)

```
SELECT <attributes>
FROM <one or more relations>
WHERE <conditions>
```

Call this a **SFW** query.

LIKE: Simple String Pattern Matching

SELECT \*
FROM Products
WHERE PName LIKE '%gizmo%'

DISTINCT: Eliminating Duplicates

SELECT DISTINCT Category FROM Product

ORDER BY: Sorting the Results (ascending by default)

SELECT PName, Price
FROM Product
WHERE Category='gizmo'
ORDER BY Price, Pname
LIMIT 10;

## Joins

#### Product

PName	Price	Category	Manuf
Gizmo	\$19	Gadgets	GWorks
Powergizmo	\$29	Gadgets	GWorks
SingleTouch	\$149	Photography	Canon
MultiTouch	\$203	Household	Hitachi

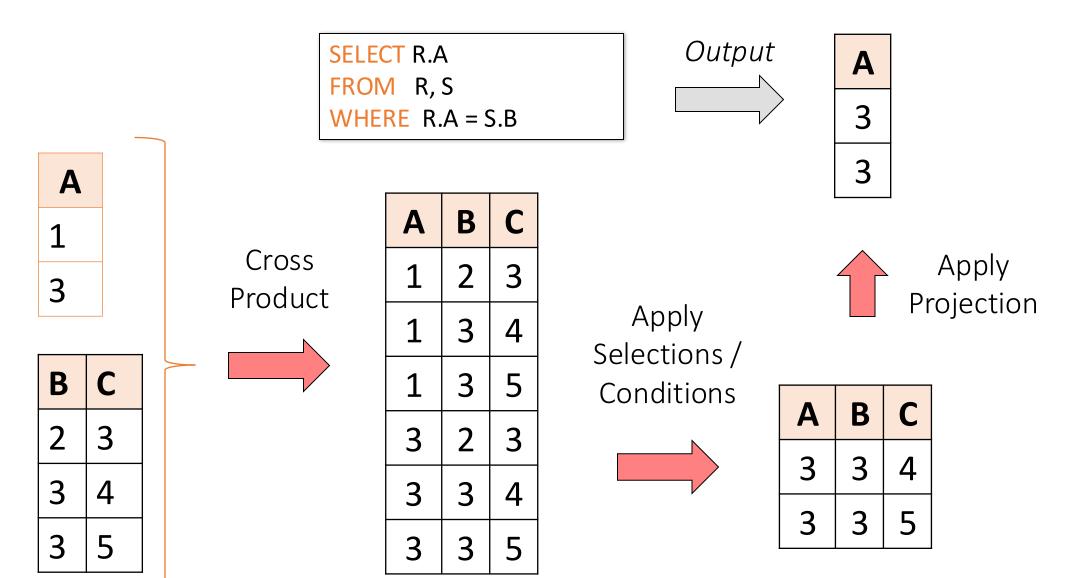
		Company
Cname	Stock	Country
GWorks	25	USA
Canon	65	Japan
Hitachi	15	Japan



SELECT PName, Price
FROM Product, Company
WHERE Manufacturer = CName
AND Country='Japan'
AND Price <= 200

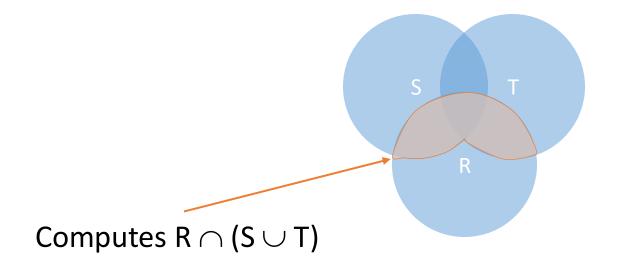
PName	Price
SingleTouch	\$149

## An example of SQL semantics



## An Unintuitive Query

SELECT DISTINCT R.A FROM R, S, T WHERE R.A=S.A OR R.A=T.A



But what if  $S = \phi$ ?

Go back to the semantics!

#### INTERSECT

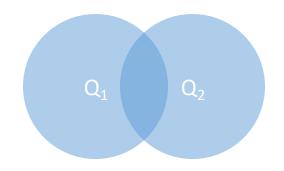
#### UNION

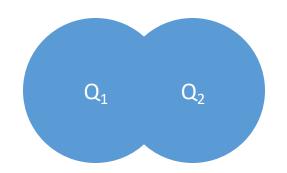
#### **EXCEPT**

SELECT R.A
FROM R, S
WHERE R.A=S.A
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#### Nested queries: Sub-queries Returning Relations

```
Company(<u>name</u>, city)
Product(<u>name</u>, maker)
Purchase(<u>id</u>, product, buyer)
```

```
SELECT c.city
FROM Company c
WHERE c.name IN (
SELECT pr.maker
FROM Purchase p, Product pr
WHERE p.product = pr.name
AND p.buyer = 'Joe Blow')
```

"Cities where one can find companies that manufacture products bought by Joe Blow"

#### Nested Queries

#### Are these queries equivalent?

```
SELECT c.city
FROM Company c
WHERE c.name IN (
SELECT pr.maker
FROM Purchase p, Product pr
WHERE p.name = pr.product
AND p.buyer = 'Joe Blow')
```

```
FROM Company c,

Product pr,

Purchase p

WHERE c.name = pr.maker

AND pr.name = p.product

AND p.buyer = 'Joe Blow'
```

Beware of duplicates!

## Nested Queries: Operator Semantics

Product(name, price, category, maker)

#### ALL

SELECT name
FROM Product
WHERE price > ALL(X)

#### ANY

SELECT name
FROM Product
WHERE price > ANY(X)

#### **EXISTS**

FROM Product p1
WHERE EXISTS (X)

Price must be > all entries in multiset X

Price must be > at least one entry in multiset X

X must be non-empty

\*Note that p1 can be referenced in X (correlated query!)

## Nested Queries: Operator Semantics

Product(name, price, category, maker)

#### ALL

SELECT name
FROM Product
WHERE price > ALL(
SELECT price
FROM Product
WHERE maker = 'G')

#### ANY

FROM Product
WHERE price > ANY(
SELECT price
FROM Product
WHERE maker = 'G')

#### **EXISTS**

```
FROM Product p1
WHERE EXISTS (
SELECT *
FROM Product p2
WHERE p2.maker = 'G'
AND p1.price =
p2.price)
```

Find products that are more expensive than *all products* produced by "G"

Find products that are more expensive than *any one product* produced by "G"

Find products where there exists some product with the same price produced by "G"

#### Correlated Queries

Movie(title, year, director, length)

Find movies whose title appears more than once.

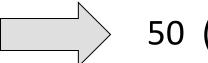
Note the scoping of the variables!

## Simple Aggregations

#### **Purchase**

Product	Date	Price	Quantity
bagel	10/21	1	20
banana	10/3	0.5	10
banana	10/10	1	10
bagel	10/25	1.50	20

SELECT SUM(price \* quantity)
FROM Purchase
WHERE product = 'bagel'



50 (= 1\*20 + 1.50\*20)

## Grouping & Aggregations: GROUP BY

```
SELECT product, SUM(price*quantity)
```

FROM Purchase

WHERE date > '10/1/2005'

**GROUP BY product** 

**HAVING** SUM(quantity) > 10

Find total sales after 10/1/2005, only for products that have more than 10 total units sold

HAVING clauses contains conditions on aggregates

Whereas WHERE clauses condition on individual tuples

### Order of Operations

SELECT product, SUM(price\*quantity)

**FROM** Purchase

WHERE date > '10/1/2005'

**GROUP BY product** 

**HAVING** SUM(quantity) > 10

HAVING clauses contains conditions on aggregates

Whereas WHERE clauses condition on individual tuples...

- 1. FROM
- 2. WHERE
- 3. GROUP BY
- 4. HAVING
- SELECT
- 6. ORDER BY

## GROUP BY: (1) Compute FROM-WHERE

SELECT product, SUM(price\*quantity) AS TotalSales

**FROM** Purchase

WHERE date > '10/1/2005'

**GROUP BY product** 



Product	Date	Price	Quantity
Bagel	10/21	1	20
Bagel	10/25	1.50	20
Banana	10/3	0.5	10
Banana	10/10	1	10
Craisins	11/1	2	5
Craisins	11/3	2.5	3

#### GROUP BY: (2) Aggregate by the GROUP BY

SELECT product, SUM(price\*quantity) AS TotalSales

FROM Purchase

WHERE date > '10/1/2005'

**GROUP BY** product

Product	Date	Price	Quantity
Bagel	10/21	1	20
Bagel	10/25	1.50	20
Banana	10/3	0.5	10
Banana	10/10	1	10
Craisins	11/1	2	5
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Banana	10/10	1	10
Craisins	11/1	2	5
	11/3	2.5	3

#### GROUP BY: (3) Filter by the HAVING clause

SELECT product, SUM(price\*quantity) AS TotalSales

FROM Purchase

WHERE date > '10/1/2005'

**GROUP BY product** 

Product	Date	Price	Quantity
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Bagel	10/25	1.50	20
Banana	10/3	0.5	10
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Bagel	10/25	1.50	20
Banana	10/3	0.5	10
	10/10	1	10

## GROUP BY: (3) SELECT clause

**SELECT** product, SUM(price\*quantity) AS TotalSales

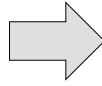
FROM Purchase

WHERE date > '10/1/2005'

**GROUP BY product** 

Product	Date	Price	Quantity
D 1	10/21	1	20
Bagel	10/25	1.50	20
Banana	10/3	0.5	10
	10/10	1	10





Product	TotalSales
Bagel	50
Banana	15

## General form of Grouping and Aggregation

#### Evaluation steps:

- 1. Evaluate FROM-WHERE: apply condition  $C_1$  on the attributes in  $R_1, ..., R_n$
- 2. GROUP BY the attributes  $a_1, \ldots, a_k$
- 3. Apply HAVING condition  $C_2$  to each group (may have aggregates)
- 4. Compute aggregates in SELECT, S, and return the result

## General form of Grouping and Aggregation

```
SELECT S
FROM R_1,...,R_n
WHERE C_1
GROUP BY a_1,...,a_k
HAVING C_2
```

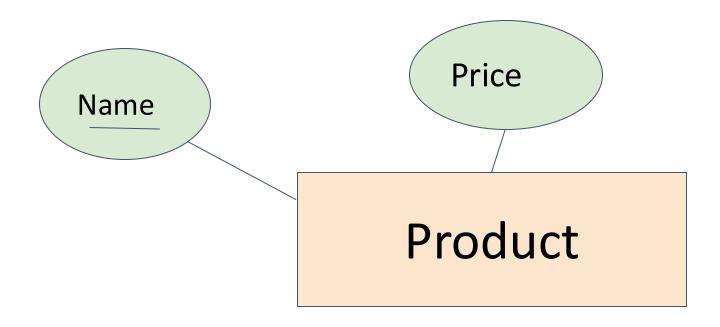
- S = Can ONLY contain attributes  $a_1, ..., a_k$  and/or aggregates over other attributes
- $C_1$  = is any condition on the attributes in  $R_1, ..., R_n$
- $C_2$  = is any condition on the aggregate expressions

#### Practice Question

- 2. SQL Reading
  - 2.2

# E/R Diagram

### **Entity Set**

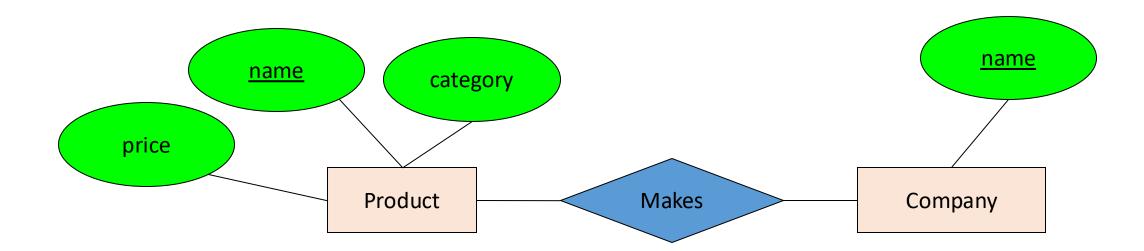


A <u>key</u> is a **minimal** set of attributes that uniquely identifies an entity.

#### Relationship

#### A **relationship** is between two entities

Represented by diamonds



## What is a Relationship?

#### **Company**

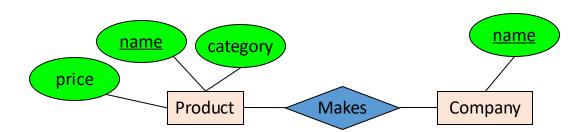
#### <u>name</u>

GadgetCorp

GizmoWorks

#### **Product**

<u>name</u>	category	price
Gizmo	Electronics	\$9.99
GizmoLite	Electronics	\$7.50
Gadget	Toys	\$5.50



A <u>relationship</u> between entity sets P and C is a subset of all possible pairs of entities in P and C, with tuples uniquely identified by P and C's keys

#### **Company C** × **Product P**

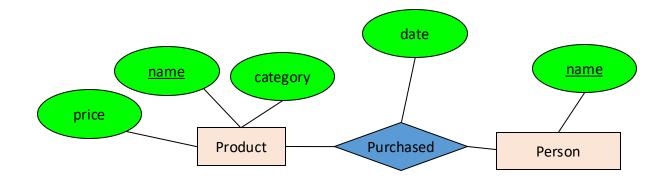
<u>C.name</u>	<u>P.name</u>	P.category	P.price
GizmoWorks	Gizmo	Electronics	\$9.99
GizmoWorks	GizmoLite	Electronics	\$7.50
GizmoWorks	Gadget	Toys	\$5.50
GadgetCorp	Gizmo	Electronics	\$9.99
GadgetCorp	GizmoLite	Electronics	\$7.50
GadgetCorp	Gadget	Toys	\$5.50

#### Makes

<u>C.name</u>	<u>P.name</u>
GizmoWorks	Gizmo
GizmoWorks	GizmoLite
GadgetCorp	Gadget

# Modeling something as a relationship makes it unique

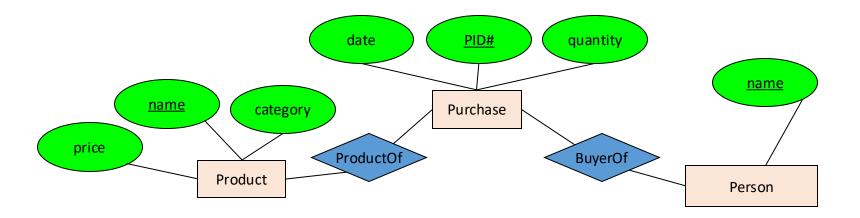
Q: What does this say?



A: A person can only buy a specific product once (on one date)

# Modeling something as a relationship makes it unique

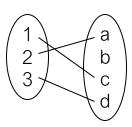
Q: What about this way?

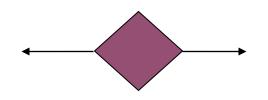


A: Now we can have multiple purchases per product, person pair!

## Multiplicity of binary relationships

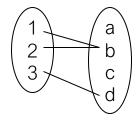
One-to-one:

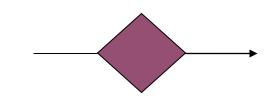




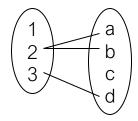
Indicated using arrows

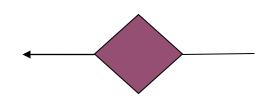
Many-to-one:



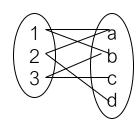


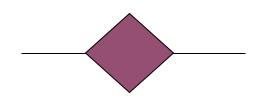
One-to-many:





Many-to-many:

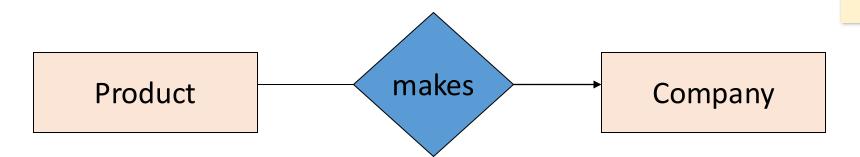




## Referential Integrity Constraints

Arrow: <= 1

Rounded arrow: =1



Each product made by <u>at most one</u> company. Some products made by no company?

Product makes Company

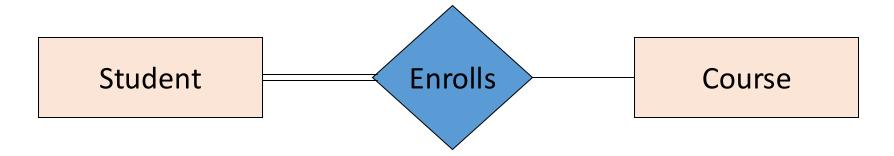
Each product made by exactly one company.

A rounded arrow to F means

- The relationship is manyone and
- The entity of set F related to an entity of E must exist

## Participation Constraints: Partial v. Total

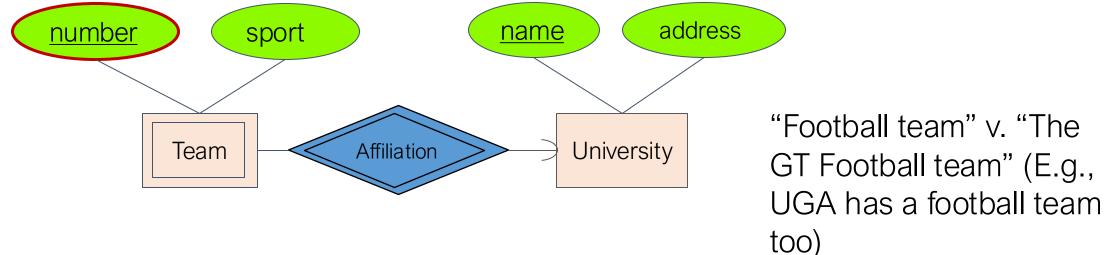
- Partial participation (single line): Some entities may exist without being associated with the relationship.
- Total participation (double line): all entities must be associated with at least one instance of the relationship.



- Every student must enroll in at least one course
- Some courses might not have any students.

#### Weak entity set

Entity sets are <u>weak</u> when their key comes from other classes to which they are related.



- number is a <u>partial key.</u>
- The key also contains keys of the University entity set
- Affiliation must have referential integrity from Team to University

#### Practice Question

• 3. ER Diagram

# Design Theory

#### Data Anomalies

Student	Course	Room
Mary	CS145	B01
Joe	CS145	B01
Sam	CS145	B01
	••	



Student	Course
Mary	CS145
Joe	CS145
Sam	CS145
•••	• •

Course	Room
CS145	B01
CS229	C12

# Eliminate anomalies by decomposing relations.

- Redundancy
- Update anomaly
- Delete anomaly
- Insert anomaly

# Finding Functional Dependencies

Equivalent to asking: Given a set of FDs,  $F = \{f_1, ..., f_n\}$ , does an FD g hold?

Inference problem: How do we decide?

Three simple rules called Armstrong's Rules.

- 1. Reflexivity,
- 2. Augmentation, and
- 3. Transitivity...

#### Closure of a set of Attributes

```
Given a set of attributes A_1, ..., A_n and a set of FDs F:
Then the <u>closure</u>, \{A_1, ..., A_n\}^+ is the set of attributes B s.t. \{A_1, ..., A_n\} \rightarrow B
```

```
Example: F = \{name\} \rightarrow \{color\} \}

\{category\} \rightarrow \{department\} \}

\{color, category\} \rightarrow \{price\} \}
```

```
Example Closures:
```

```
{name}+ = {name, color}
{name, category}+ =
{name, category, color, dept, price}
{color}+ = {color}
```

## Closure algorithm

Start with  $X = \{A_1, ..., A_n\}$  and set of FDs F.

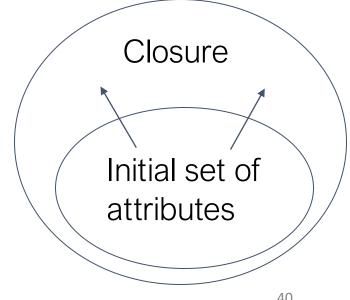
**Repeat until** X doesn't change; **do**:

if  $\{B_1, ..., B_n\} \rightarrow C$  is entailed by F and  $\{B_1, ..., B_n\} \subseteq X$ 

then add C to X.

Return X as X<sup>+</sup>

Helps to split the FD's of F so each FD has a single attribute on the right



# Keys and Superkeys

A <u>superkey</u> is a set of attributes  $A_1$ , ...,  $A_n$  s.t. for *any other* attribute **B** in R, we have  $\{A_1, ..., A_n\} \rightarrow B$ 

I.e. all attributes are functionally determined by a superkey

A **key** is a *minimal* superkey

Meaning that no subset of a key is also a superkey

## Computing Keys and Superkeys

#### • Superkey?

- Compute the closure of A
- See if it = the full set of attributes

#### Key?

- Confirm that A is superkey
- Make sure that no subset of A is a superkey
  - Only need to check one 'level' down!

Let A be a set of attributes, R set of all attributes, F set of FDs:

IsSuperkey(A, R, F):

Return  $(A^+==R)$ ?

 $A^{+} = ComputeClosure(A, F)$ 

```
IsKey(A, R, F):
If not IsSuperkey(A, R, F):
return False
For B in SubsetsOf(A, size=len(A)-1):
if IsSuperkey(B, R, F):
return False
return True
```

### Boyce-Codd Normal Form

BCNF is a simple condition for removing anomalies from relations:

A relation R is <u>in BCNF</u> if: if  $\{A_1, ..., A_n\} \rightarrow B$  is a non-trivial FD in R then  $\{A_1, ..., A_n\}$  is a superkey for R

Equivalently:  $\forall$  sets of attributes X, either  $(X^+ = X)$  or  $(X^+ = all attributes)$ 

# Example

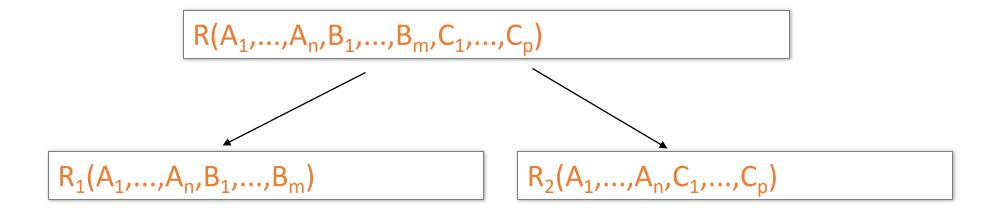
#### BCNFDecomp(R):

- Find an FD X → Y that violates BCNF (X and Y are sets of attributes)
- Compute the closure X+
- <u>let</u>  $Y = X^+ X$ ,  $Z = (X^+)^C$ decompose R into  $R_1(X \cup Y)$  and  $R_2(X \cup Z)$
- Recursively decompose R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub>

R(A,B,C,D,E)

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

### Lossless Decompositions

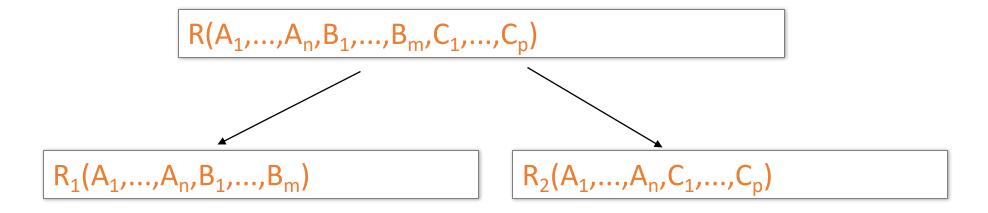


 $R_1$  = the *projection* of R on  $A_1$ , ...,  $A_n$ ,  $B_1$ , ...,  $B_m$ 

 $R_2$  = the *projection* of R on  $A_1$ , ...,  $A_n$ ,  $C_1$ , ...,  $C_p$ 

A decomposition R to (R1, R2) is <u>lossless</u> if R = R1 Join R2

### Lossless Decompositions



If 
$$A_1, ..., A_n \rightarrow B_1, ..., B_m$$
  
Then the decomposition is lossless

Note: don't need 
$$A_1, ..., A_n \rightarrow C_1, ..., C_p$$

BCNF decomposition is always lossless.

# Lossy vs. Lossless

Name	Price	Category
Gizmo	19.99	Gadget
OneClick	24.99	Camera
Gizmo	19.99	Camera



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# Lossy vs. Lossless

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Gizmo	19.99	Recorder

{Category} → {Name}

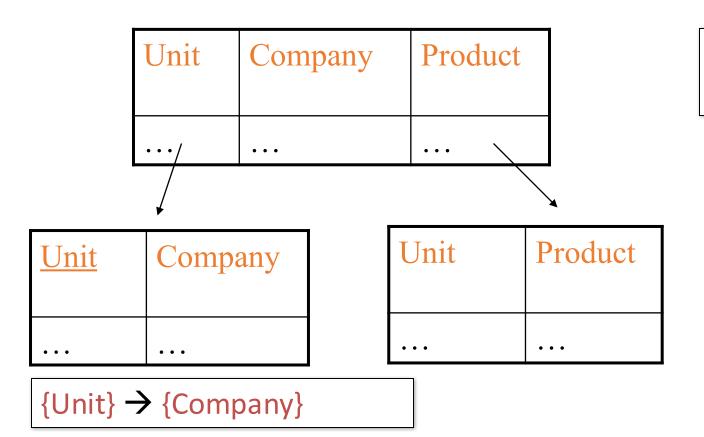


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#### A Problem with BCNF



{Unit} → {Company} {Company,Product} → {Unit}

We do a BCNF decomposition on a "bad" FD: {Unit}+ = {Unit, Company}

We lose the FD {Company, Product} → {Unit}!!

### Third normal form (3NF)

#### A relation R is in 3NF if:

For every non-trivial FD  $A_1$ , ...,  $A_n \rightarrow B$ , either

- $\{A_1, ..., A_n\}$  is a superkey for R
- B is a prime attribute (i.e., B is part of some candidate key of R)

#### Example:

- The keys are AB and AC
- B → C is a BCNF violation, but not a 3NF violation because C is prime (part of the key AC)

R(A,B,C)

 $AC \rightarrow B$  $B \rightarrow C$ 

#### BCNF vs 3NF

3NF BCNF

- Given a non-trivial FD  $X \rightarrow B$  (X is a set of attributes)
  - BCNF: X must be a superkey
  - 3NF: X must be a superkey or B is prime
- Use 3NF over BCNF if you need dependency preservation
- However, 3NF may not remove all redundancies and anomalies

### Practice Question

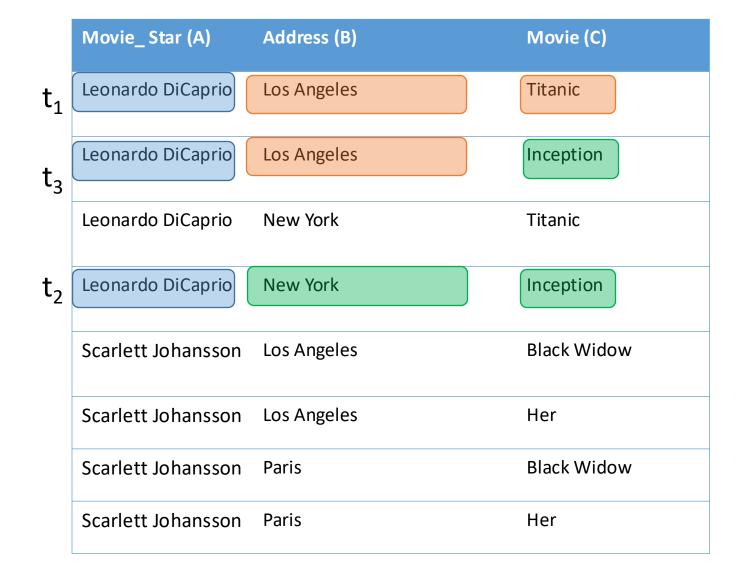
• 5.2 3CNF

### MVD Example

Movie_Star (A)	Address (B)	Movie (C)
Leonardo DiCaprio	Los Angeles	Titanic
Leonardo DiCaprio	Los Angeles	Inception
Leonardo DiCaprio	New York	Titanic
Leonardo DiCaprio	New York	Inception
Scarlett Johansson	Los Angeles	Black Widow
Scarlett Johansson	Los Angeles	Her
Scarlett Johansson	Paris	Black Widow
Scarlett Johansson	Paris	Her

- Independence: The set of addresses is independent of the set of movies for a given movie star.
- Redundancy: Notice how each movie is repeated for every address that the star lives in, and vice versa.

## MVD Example



We write  $A \rightarrow B$  if for any tuples  $t_1, t_2$  s.t.  $t_1[A] = t_2[A]$  there is a tuple  $t_3$  s.t.

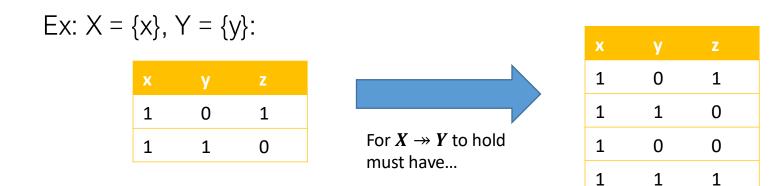
- $t_3[A] = t_1[A]$
- $t_3[B] = t_1[B]$
- and  $t_3[R\backslash B] = t_2[R\backslash B]$

Where R\B is "R minus B" i.e. the attributes of R not in B

# Multi-Value Dependencies (MVDs)

One less formal, literal way to phrase the definition of an MVD:

The MVD  $X \rightarrow Y$  holds on R if for any pair of tuples with the same X values, the tuples with the same X values, but the other permutations of Y and A\Y values, is also in R



### Practice Question

• 4.4 MVD

# Relational Algebra

## Relational Algebra (RA)

- Five basic operators:
  - 1. Selection: σ
  - 2. Projection:  $\Pi$
  - 3. Cartesian Product: ×
  - 4. Union: ∪
  - 5. Difference: -
- Derived or auxiliary operators:
  - Intersection, complement
  - Joins (natural, equi-join, theta join, semi-join)
  - Renaming: ρ
  - Grouping:  $\gamma$

RDBMSs use *multisets*, however in relational algebra formalism we will consider **sets!** 

### Selection $(\sigma)$

- Returns all tuples which satisfy a condition
- Notation:  $\sigma_c(R)$
- The condition c can be =, <, >, <>

Students(sid,sname,gpa)

#### SQL:

SELECT \*
FROM Students
WHERE gpa > 3.5;



RA:

$$\sigma_{gpa>3.5}(Students)$$

### Projection $(\Pi)$

- Eliminates columns, then removes duplicates
- Notation:  $\Pi_{A1,...,An}(R)$

Students(sid,sname,gpa)

#### SQL:

#### **SELECT DISTINCT**

sname, gpa

FROM Students;



RA:

 $\Pi_{sname,gpa}(Students)$ 

### Renaming $(\rho)$

- Changes the schema, not the instance
- A 'special' operator- neither basic nor derived
- Notation: ρ<sub>B1,...,Bn</sub> (R)
- Note: this is shorthand for the proper form (since names, not order matters!):
  - $\rho_{A1\rightarrow B1,...,An\rightarrow Bn}$  (R)

Students(sid,sname,gpa)

#### SQL:

#### **SELECT**

sid AS studId, sname AS name, gpa AS gradePtAvg FROM Students;



RA:

 $\rho_{studId,name,gradePtAvg}(Students)$ 

#### Natural Join (⋈)

- Notation:  $R_1 \bowtie R_2$
- Joins R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> on equality of all shared attributes
  - If  $R_1$  has attribute set A, and  $R_2$  has attribute set B, and they share attributes  $A \cap B = C$ , can also be written:  $R_1 \bowtie_C R_2$
- Our first example of a derived RA operator:
  - Meaning:  $R_1 \bowtie R_2 = \prod_{A \cup B} (\sigma_{C=D}(\rho_{C \rightarrow D}(R_1) \times R_2))$
  - Where:
    - The rename  $\rho_{C \to D}$  renames the shared attributes in one of the relations
    - The selection  $\sigma_{\text{C=D}}$  checks equality of the shared attributes
    - The projection  $\Pi_{\text{A U B}}$  eliminates the duplicate common attributes

Students(sid,name,gpa)
People(ssn,name,address)

#### SQL:

#### **SELECT DISTINCT**

ssid, S.name, gpa, ssn, address

#### **FROM**

Students S, People P

WHERE S.name = P.name;



RA: Students ⋈ People

# Converting SFW Query -> RA

You should also be able to convert RA -> SQL query.

Remember to add the DISTINCT keyword

SELECT DISTINCT A<sub>1</sub>,...,A<sub>n</sub>

FROM  $R_1,...,R_m$ 

WHERE  $c_1 \text{ AND } ... \text{ AND } c_k$ ;

$$\Pi_{A_1,\ldots,An}(\sigma_{c_1}\ldots\sigma_{c_k}(R_1\bowtie\cdots\bowtie R_m))$$

The selections should happen before the projections