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System And Database Design

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Types of NF

- First Normal Form (1NF)
- Second Normal Form (2NF)
- Third Normal Form (3NF)
- Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

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Steps in Normalization

(doesn't meet the definition of a relation)



Entity

First Normal Form

Second Normal Form

Third Normal Form

Boyce-Codd Normal Form

Remove multivalued & composite attributes. Meet definition of relation

Remove partial dependencies

Remove transitive dependencies

Remove any remaining functional dependencies

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First Normal Form (1NF)

If a table of data meets the definition of a relation, it is in first normal form.

- Every relation has a unique name.
- Every attribute value is atomic (single-valued).
- Every row is unique.
- Attributes in tables have unique names.
- The order of the columns is irrelevant.
- The order of the rows is irrelevant.

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Example

- Consider a relation **LIVED_IN**, which keeps the records of person and his residence in different cities
- In this relation, the domain **RESIDENCE** is not simple, e.g. an attribute "Abhishek can have residence in Jamshedpur, Mumbai or Delhi and thus relation is un-normalized.

Relation : LIVED_IN		
PERSON	RESIDENCE	
Abhishek	CITY	DATE-MOVED
	Jamshedpur	121202
	Mumbai	070803
	Delhi	050504
Thomas	CITY	DATE-MOVED
	Singapore	100401
	Kolkata	090202
	Bangalore	010105

Un-normalized Relation

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- Now the relation LIVED_IN is normalized by combining each row in residence with its corresponding value of PERSON and making this combination a row of the relation.
- So non-simple domain RESIDENCE is replaced with simple domains

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Abhishek	Jamshedpur	121202
Abhishek	Mumbai	070803
Abhishek	Delhi	050504
Thomas	Singapore	100401
Thomas	Kolkata	090202
Thomas	Bangalore	010105

Normalized Relation

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Relation : Patient_Doctor					
Patient-Name	DOB	Doctor Name	Contact No.	Date-Time	Duration -Minutes
Mathew	10/02/1957	Abhishek	657-2145063	10/01/10 10:00	15
Ravi	27/01/1962	Sanjay	651-2214381	10/01/10 11:00	10
Jose	30/03/1971	Thomas	011-2324567	10/01/10 10:30	10
Jose	30/03/1971	Thomas	011-2324567	08/03/10 09:00	20
Ravi	27/01/1962	Abhishek	657-2145063	10/01/10 10:15	15
Mathew	10/02/1957	Thomas	011-2324567	10/01/10 10:50	20
Ranjan	02/11/1970	Sanjay	651-2214381	10/01/10 11:10	20
Mathew	10/02/1957	Abhishek	657-2145063	05/05/10 16:00	15

Relation Patient_Doctor in 1NF

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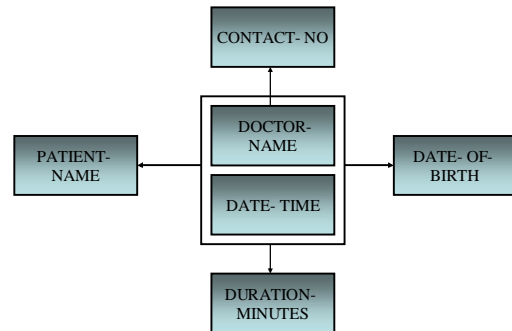
Problems in 1NF

- 1NF contains redundant information. The Relation PATIENT_DOCTOR is in 1NF, even then this has following problems with the structure-
 - A doctor, who does not currently have an appointment with a patient, cannot be represented.
 - Similarly, we cannot represent a patient who does not currently have an appointment with a doctor
 - There is redundant information such as patient's date of birth & doctor's phone number.
 - While deleting the last remaining records containing details of a patient or a doctor, all records of that patient or doctor will be lost.

Therefore the Relation PATIENT_DOCTOR has to be normalized further by separating the information relating to several distinct entities

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Function Dependency diagram for relation PATIENT_DOCTOR



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Definition of FD ...

- Describes the relationship between attributes in a relation.

For example, if **A** and **B** are attributes of relation **R**, **B** is functionally dependent on **A** (denoted **A** → **B**), if each value of **A** in **R** is associated with exactly one value of **B** in **R**.

- Functional dependency is a property of the meaning or semantics of the attributes in a relation.

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Second Normal Form (2NF)

A relation R is said to be in second normal form (2NF) if

- It is in 1NF and every non-prime key attributes of R is fully functionally dependent on each relation (Primary) Key of R i.e. no partial dependency is allowed in the relation R.
- In other words, no attributes of the relation should be functionally dependent on only one part of the concatenated primary key.
- Thus, 2NF can be violated only when a key is a composite key, or one that consisting of more than one attribute.
- 2NF is based on the concept of full functional dependency (FFD)
- 2NF is an intermediate step towards higher normal forms. It eliminates the problems of 1NF

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- It can be observed from the 1NF relational table that a doctor cannot have two simultaneous appointments and thus DOCTOR-NAME and DATE-TIME is a compound key.
- Similarly, a patient cannot have same time from two different doctors. Therefore, PATIENT-NAME and DATE-TIME attributes are also a candidate key.

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- The Relation could be depicted as:
- PATIENT_DOCTOR** (PATIENT-NAME, DOB, DOCTOR-NAME, DATE-TIME, CONTACT-NO, DURATION-MINUTES)
- In this relation composite key (DOCTOR-NAME, DATE-TIME), is taken as a primary key.
- But there is a partial dependency as CONTACT-NO is Dependent upon DOCTOR-NAME, and hence the relation is not in 2NF.
- Therefore, to bring the relation in 2NF, the information about doctors and their contact numbers have to be separated from information about patients and their appointments with doctors.

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- Thus, the relation is decomposed into two table namely PATIENT_DOCTOR and DOCTOR.
- The relation in 2NF can be depicted as:
 - PATIENT_DOCTOR**(PATIENT-NAME, DOB, DOCTOR-NAME, DATE-TIME, DURATION-MINUTES)
 - DOCTOR**(DOCTOR-NAME, CONTACT-NO)

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Relation PATIENT_DOCTOR decomposed into two table for refinement in 2NF

Relation : PATIENT_DOCTOR				
Patient-Name	DOB	Doctor-Name	Date-Time	Duration-Minutes
Mathew	10/02/1957	Abhishek	10/01/05 10:00	15
Ravi	27/01/1962	Sanjay	10/01/05 11:00	10
Jose	30/03/1971	Thomas	10/01/05 10:30	10
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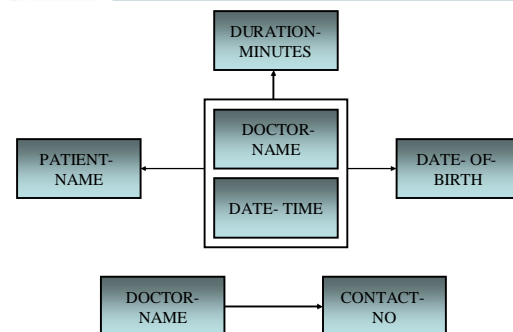
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Relation : DOCTOR	
Doctor Name	Contact No.
Abhishek	657-2145063
Sanjay	651-2214381
Thomas	011-2324567
Thomas	011-2324567
Abhishek	657-2145063
Thomas	011-2324567
Sanjay	651-2214381
Abhishek	657-2145063

Problems in 2NF:

- Deleting a record from PATIENT_DOCTOR may lose patient's details
- Any changes in the details of the patient may involve changing multiple occurrences because this information is still stored redundantly.

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FDDs for Relations PATIENT-DOCTOR AND DOCTOR

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TRANSITIVE DEPENDENCY

Let A, B and C be three attributes of a relations such that $A \rightarrow B$ and $B \rightarrow C$. From these FDs, we may able to derive $A \rightarrow C$, this dependence $A \rightarrow C$ is transitive dependency.

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Third Normal Form (3NF)

- A relation R is said to be in Third Normal Form (3NF) if
 - It is in 2NF, and The non-prime attributes are Mutually independent & Functionally dependent on the primary (or relation) key.
 - No attributes of the relation should be transitively functionally dependent on the primary key or no non-prime attribute is functionally dependent on another non-prime attribute.
 - This means that a relation in 3NF consists of the primary key and a set of independent nonprime attributes.
 - 3NF is based on the concept of transitive dependency.

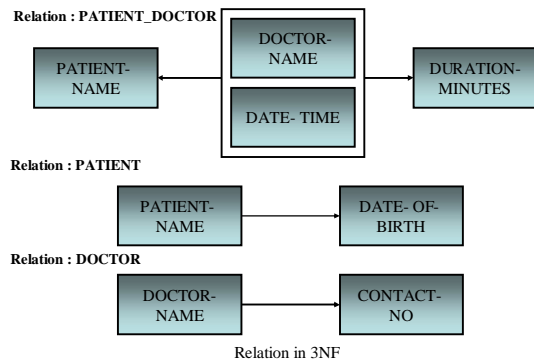
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Example

- The following Relation in 1NF was depicted as:
PATIENT_DOCTOR (PATIENT-NAME, DOB, DOCTOR-NAME, DATE-TIME, CONTACT-NO, DURATION-MINUTES)
- The relation in 2NF can be depicted as:
PATIENT_DOCTOR (PATIENT-NAME, DOB, DOCTOR-NAME, DATE-TIME, DURATION-MINUTES)
DOCTOR(DOCTOR-NAME, CONTACT-NO)
- Thus the relation in 3NF is depicted as:
PATIENT(PATIENT-NAME, DOB)
PATIENT_DOCTOR (PATIENT-NAME, DOCTOR-NAME, DATE-TIME, DURATION-MINUTES)
DOCTOR (DOCTOR-NAME, CONTACT-NO)

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Example



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Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

To eliminate the problems and redundancy of 3NF, R.F. Boyce proposed a normal form known as *Boyce Codd Normal Form* (BCNF).

Relation R is in BCNF :

- if for every nontrivial FD: $X \rightarrow Y$ between attributes X

and Y holds in R That means

- X is super key of R
- $X \rightarrow Y$ is a trivial FD, i.e. $Y \subset X$

In Other words, a relation must only have candidate keys as determinants.

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Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

- 3NF and every determinant is a candidate key.
 - ✓ BCNF is based on the concept of a *determinant*.
 - ✓ A determinant is any attribute (simple or composite) on which some other attribute is fully functionally dependent.
 - ✓ A relation is in BCNF is, and only if, every determinant is a candidate key.

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Let us consider relation PROJECT_PART

PROJECT_PART(PROJECT-NAME, PART-CODE,
VENDER-NAME, QTY)

Relation : PROJECT_PART			
PROJECT-NAME	PART-CODE	QTY	VENDER-NAME
P1	ABC	10	Thomas
P1	BCA	20	John
P2	ABC	30	Thomas
P2	BCA	40	Alok

Relation : PROJECT_VENDOR is in 3NF

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In this table lists the projects, the parts, the quantities of those parts they use and the vender who supply these parts. There are two assumptions.

- Each project is supplied with a specific part by only one vendor, although a vender can supply that part to more than one project.
- A vendor makes only one part but the same part made by other vendors.

The primary key of the relation PROJECT_PART are PROJECT-NAME and PART-CODE.

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The relation PROJECT_PART is in 3NF, since there is no transitive functional dependencies on the prime key. However, it is not in BCNF because the attribute VENDER-NAME is the determinant of PART-CODE.

To Convert this relation form 3NF to BCNF by decomposing this single relation PROJECT_PART into two relation PROJECT_VENDOR and VENDOR_PART.

The decompose relations are

PROJECT_VENDOR(PROJECT-NAME, VENDOR NAME,
QTY)

VENDOR_PART(VENDOR-NAME, PART-CODE)

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Relation: PROJECT_VENDOR		
PROJECT-NAME	VENDOR-NAME	QTY
P1	Thomas	10
P1	John	20
P2	Thomas	30
P2	Alok	40

Relation : VENDOR_PART	
VENDOR-NAME	PART-CODE
Thomas	ABC
John	BCA
Alok	BCA

Relation : PROJECT_VENDOR and VENDOR_PART is in BCNF

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• Database Administrator

Person having central control over data and programs accessing that data.

Roles and Duties of the Database Administrator include:

- Scheme definition
- Storage structure and access method definition
- Scheme and physical organization modification
- Granting of authorization for data access
- Integrity constraint specification

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• Application Programmers

computer professionals interacting with the system through application programs written in a host language.

• Sophisticated users

Interact with the system without writing programs. They form requests by writing queries in a database query language.

• Specialized users

Sophisticated users writing special database application programs. These may be CADD systems, knowledge-based and expert systems, complex data systems (audio/video), etc.

• Naive users

Unsophisticated users who interact with the system by using permanent application programs (e.g. automated teller machine).

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Benefits of Normalization

- Searching, sorting, and creating indexes is faster, since tables are narrower, and more rows fit on a data page.
- Index searching is often faster, since indexes tend to be narrower and shorter.
- You usually have fewer indexes per table, so data modification commands are faster.
- Fewer null values and less redundant data, making your database more compact.

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- Triggers execute more quickly if you are not maintaining redundant data.
- Data modification anomalies are reduced thus maintains data integrity.
- Normalization is conceptually cleaner and easier to maintain and change as your needs change.
- Optimized and faster queries.
- Faster update performance.

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The End

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