

# Basi di dati

# Schema

An **attribute** is a (name, domain) pair; we can define the  $dom()$  function on a set of names, which associates to each **name** a specific **domain** (*different attributes can have the same domain*)

$$dom : \{ \text{name}_1, \dots, \text{name}_n \} \rightarrow \{ \text{domain}_1, \dots, \text{domain}_k \}$$
$$\text{name}_i \mapsto \text{domain}_j$$

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A **relation schema**  $R = \{ A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \}$  is a set of attributes

# Tuples & instances

PDF 7 slide 3 Given a relation schema  $R = A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$ , a **tuple**  $t$  on  $R$  is a function such that

$$t : R \rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{dom}(A_i)$$
$$A_i \mapsto a \in \text{dom}(A_i)$$

Given a relation schema  $R$ , a subset  $X \subseteq R$  and  $t$  a tuple on  $R$ , the **reduction** of  $t$  on  $X$  is defined as

$$t[X] = \{ (A, t[A]) \mid A \in X \}$$

PDF 7 slide 4 Given a relation schema  $R$ , a subset  $X \subseteq R$  and  $t_1, t_2$  tuples on  $R$

$$t_1[X] = t_2[X] \iff t_1[A] = t_2[A] \forall A \in X$$

PDF 7 slide 5 Given a relation schema  $R$  and  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k$  tuples on  $R$ , a set  $r = \{ t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k \}$  is an **instance** of  $R$

# Functional dependencies

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Given a relation schema  $R$  and  $X, Y \in \mathcal{P}(R) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$  we have that  $(X, Y)$  is a **functional dependency** on  $R$  (*noted as  $X \rightarrow Y$* )

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Given a relation schema  $R$  and a functional dependency  $X \rightarrow Y$  defined on  $R$  we say that an **instance  $r$**  of  $R$  **satisfies** the functional dependency  $X \rightarrow Y$  if

$$\forall t_1, t_2 \in r \quad t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$$

# Instance legality & closure

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Given a relation schema  $R$  and a set  $F$  of functional dependencies defined on  $R$ , an **instance**  $r$  of  $R$  is **legal** if it satisfies every dependency in  $F$

$$\forall X \rightarrow Y \in F \quad \forall t_1, t_2 \in r \quad t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$$

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Given a relation schema  $R$  and a set  $F$  of functional dependencies defined on  $R$ , the **closure** of  $F$  is the **set of functional dependencies** that are satisfied by every **legal instance** of  $R$

$$F^+ = \{ V \rightarrow W \mid \forall \text{ legal } r \text{ of } R, r \text{ satisfies } V \rightarrow W \}$$

$V \rightarrow W$  doesn't necessarily have to be in  $F$

$$F \subseteq \underline{F^+}$$

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$$F \subseteq F^+$$

## Proof

$$F^+ = \{ V \rightarrow W \mid \forall \text{ legal } r \text{ of } R, r \text{ satisfies } V \rightarrow W \}$$

By definition  $r$  is legal if it satisfies every dependency  $X \rightarrow Y \in F \implies$  given  $X \rightarrow Y \in F$ , every legal instance of  $R$  satisfies  $X \rightarrow Y \implies X \rightarrow Y \in F^+$

# Keys

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Given a relation schema  $R$  and a set  $F$  of functional dependencies on  $R$ ,  $K \subseteq R$  is a **key** of  $R$  if

- $K \rightarrow R \in F^+$
- $\forall K' \subset K, K' \rightarrow R \notin F^+$

”  $\subset$  ” means **proper subset**, which implies that  $K \neq K'$

# Trivial dependencies

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Given a schema  $R$  and  $X, Y \in \mathcal{P}(R) \setminus \{\emptyset\} : Y \subseteq X$ , we have that **every instance  $r$  of  $R$  satisfies the dependency  $X \rightarrow Y$**

## Proof

Given an instance  $r$  of  $R$ ,  $\forall t_1, t_2 \in r$  we have that

$t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies$  by definition  $t_1[A] = t_2[A] \forall A \in X \implies$  as  $Y \subseteq X$  we have that  
 $t_1[A'] = t_2[A'] \forall A' \in Y \implies$  by definition  $t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$

As  $t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$  we have that  $r$  satisfies  $X \rightarrow Y$

# Decomposition

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Given a schema  $R$  and a set of functional dependencies  $F$  on  $R$ , we have that

$$X \rightarrow Y \in F^+ \iff X \rightarrow A \in F^+ \forall A \in Y$$

## Proof

$$\begin{aligned} X \rightarrow Y \in F^+ &\implies \forall \text{ legal } r \text{ of } R \quad \forall t_1, t_2 \in r \quad t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies t_1[Y] = t_2[Y] \implies \\ t_1[A] &= t_2[A] \quad \forall A \in Y \implies X \rightarrow A \in F^+ \quad \forall A \in Y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X \rightarrow A \in F^+ \quad \forall A \in Y &\implies \forall \text{ legal } r \text{ of } R \quad \forall t_1, t_2 \in r \quad t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies \\ t_1[A] &= t_2[A] \quad \forall A \in Y \implies t_1[Y] = t_2[Y] \implies X \rightarrow Y \in F^+ \end{aligned}$$

# $F^A$

PDF 8 slide 3  $F^A$  is a set of functional dependencies on  $R$  such that

- $X \rightarrow Y \in F \implies X \rightarrow Y \in F^A$
- $Y \subseteq X \in R \implies X \rightarrow Y \in F^A$  (*reflexivity*)
- $\forall Z \in R, X \rightarrow Y \in F^A \implies ZX \rightarrow ZY \in F^A$  (*augmentation*)
- $X \rightarrow Y, Y \rightarrow Z \in F^A \implies X \rightarrow Z \in F^A$  (*transitivity*)

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- $X \rightarrow Y, X \rightarrow Z \in F^A \implies X \rightarrow YZ \in F^A$  (*union*)
- $X \rightarrow Y \in F^A \wedge Z \subseteq Y \implies X \rightarrow Z \in F^A$  (*decomposition*)
- $X \rightarrow Y, WY \rightarrow Z \in F^A \implies WX \rightarrow Z \in F^A$  (*pseudotransitivity*)

PDF 8 slide 8  $X \rightarrow A_1A_2...A_n \in F^A \iff \forall i = 1, ..., n \quad X \rightarrow A_i \in F^A$

# Derivates (*Proofs*)

## Union

$X \rightarrow Y, X \rightarrow Z \in F^A \implies$  by augmentation  $X \rightarrow XY, XY \rightarrow YZ \in F^A \implies$  by transitivity  
 $X \rightarrow YZ \in F^A$

## Decomposition

$X \rightarrow Y \in F^A \wedge Z \subseteq Y \implies Y \rightarrow Z \in F^A \implies$  by transitivity  $X \rightarrow Z \in F^A$

## Pseudotransitivity

$X \rightarrow Y, WY \rightarrow Z \in F^A \implies$  by augmentation  $WX \rightarrow WY \in F^A \implies$  by transitivity  
 $WX \rightarrow Z \in F^A$

$(X)_F^+$

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Given a relation schema  $R$ , a set  $F$  of dependencies on  $R$  and  $X \subseteq R$ . The **closure** of  $X$  with respect to  $F$ , denoted  $(X)_F^+$  is defined as

$$(X)_F^+ = \{ A \in R \mid X \rightarrow A \in F^A \}$$

We have that  $X \subseteq (X)_F^+$

## Proof

$\forall A \in X$  by reflexivity  $X \rightarrow A \in F^A \implies$  by definition  $A \in (X)_F^+ \implies X \subseteq (X)_F^+$

| We can use Armstrong's axioms as  $(X)_F^+$  is defined of  $F^A$

| NOTE:  $\$(X)$

# Lemma of closure

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Let  $R$  be a schema and  $F$  a set of functional dependencies on  $R$

$$X \rightarrow Y \in F^A \iff Y \subseteq (X)_F^+$$

## Proof

$X \rightarrow Y \in F^A \implies$  by decomposition  $X \rightarrow A \in F^A \forall A \in Y \implies$  by definition  
 $A \in (X)_F^+ \forall A \in Y \implies Y \subseteq (X)_F^+$

$Y \subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies A \in (X)_F^+ \forall A \in Y \implies$  by definition  $X \rightarrow A \in F^A \forall A \in Y \implies$  by union  
 $X \rightarrow Y \in F^A$

$$F^+ = F^A$$

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Let  $R$  be a relation schema and  $F$  a set of functional dependencies on  $R$  then  $F^+ = F^A$

## Proof

Let  $F_i$  be the value of  $F$  after the  $i$ -th application of an Armstrong's axiom, with  $F_0 = F$

$$F^A \subseteq F^+$$

**Base case**

$$F_0 = F \subseteq F^+ \implies F_0 \subseteq F^+$$

**Inductive step**

$$F_i \subseteq F^+ \implies F_{i+1} \subseteq F^+$$

Let  $X \rightarrow Y \in F_{i+1}$ , either

- $X \rightarrow Y \in F_i \implies$  by HP  $X \rightarrow Y \in F^+$
- $X \rightarrow Y \in F_{i+1} \setminus F_i$ , which means that  $X \rightarrow Y$  has been obtained through one of the axioms

$$\underline{F^A} \subseteq F^+$$

## Reflexivity

$Y \subseteq X \implies$  given that  $X \rightarrow Y$  is satisfied by every instance  $X \rightarrow Y \in F^+$

## Augmentation

$Z \subseteq R, X = ZV, Y = ZW \wedge V \rightarrow W \in F_i$  given  $t_1, t_2 \in r$  legal instance of  $R$  we have that  
 $t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies (t_1[V] = t_2[V] \implies \text{by HP } t_1[W] = t_2[W]) \wedge t_1[Z] = t_2[Z] \implies$   
 $t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$

## Transitivity

$X \rightarrow Z, Z \rightarrow Y \in F_i \implies$  by HP  $\forall$  legal  $r$  of  $R, \forall t_1, t_2 \in r, t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies t_1[Z] = t_2[Z] \implies t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$  we have that  $t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies t_1[Y] = t_2[Y] \implies X \rightarrow Y \in F^+$

## $F^+ \subseteq F^A$ (*legal instance*)

Given  $X \subseteq R$  we can build an instance  $r = \{t_1, t_2\}$  on  $R$  such that

$r$	$(X)_F^+$					$R \setminus (X)_F^+$					
$t_1$	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	1
$t_2$	1	1	1	1	...	1	0	0	0	...	0

Let's verify that  $r$  is a legal instance. Given  $V \rightarrow W \in F$ , as  $V, W \neq \emptyset$  by definition, we could have

- $V \not\subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies \exists A \in V : A \in R \setminus (X)_F^+ \implies t_1[V] \neq t_2[V] \implies r$  satisfies  $V \rightarrow W$
- $V \subseteq (X)_F^+$ , we could have that
  - $W \subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies t_1[V] = t_2[V] \wedge t_1[W] = t_2[W] \implies r$  satisfies  $V \rightarrow W$
  - $W \not\subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies \exists A \in W : A \in R \setminus (X)_F^+ \implies t_1[V] = t_2[V] \wedge t_1[W] \neq t_2[W]$

## $F^+ \subseteq F^A$ (*legal instance*)

In the last case  $r$  doesn't satisfy  $V \rightarrow W$ , so we have to show that it can't happen. Let's suppose that  $\exists V \rightarrow W \in F$  such that  $r$  doesn't satisfy  $V \rightarrow W$ ; by construction we have that

$$V \subseteq (X)_F^+ \wedge \exists A \in W : A \in R \setminus (X)_F^+ \implies A \notin (X)_F^+$$

We have that

- $V \subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies$  by the lemma of closure  $X \rightarrow V \in F^A$
- $A \in W \implies$  by decomposition  $V \rightarrow A \in F^A$

By transitivity  $X \rightarrow A \in F^A \implies$  by the lemma of closure  $A \in (X)_F^+$  which is a contradiction

## Legality

In the first 2 cases  $r$  satisfies  $V \rightarrow W \in F$ , case 3 can't happen  $\implies r$  is a legal instance of  $R$

$$\underline{F}^+ \subseteq F^A$$

Let's consider  $X \rightarrow Y \in F^+$

By definition we have that  $X \subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies$  by construction  $t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies$  by hypothesis and given that  $r$  is a legal instance  $t_1[Y] = t_2[Y] \implies$  by the lemma  $Y \subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies X \rightarrow Y \in F^A$

$$F^+ = F^A$$

Given that  $F_i \subseteq F^+ \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $F^+ \subseteq F^A$  we have that  $F^+ = F^A$

# 3NF

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Given a relation schema  $R$  and a set of functional dependencies  $F$  on  $R$ .

$R$  is in 3NF if  $\forall X \rightarrow A \in F^+ : A \notin X$  either

- $A$  is prime (*belongs to a key*)
- $X$  is superkey

## 3NF pt.2

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Let  $R$  be a relation schema and  $F$  a set of functional dependencies on  $R$

An attribute  $A \in R$  **partially** depends on a key  $K$  if

- $\exists X \subset R : A \notin X \wedge X \rightarrow A \in F \wedge X \subset K$
- $A$  isn't prime

An attribute  $A \in R$  **transitively** depends on a key  $K$  if

- $\exists X \subset R : A \notin X \wedge X \rightarrow A \in F \wedge K \rightarrow X \in F$
- $X$  isn't a key
- $A$  isn't prime

$X \subset R$  means that  $X \neq R$ , otherwise  $X$  would be a superkey, as  $R \rightarrow R \in F^A = F^+$

## 3NF pt.3

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Given a schema  $R$  and a set of functional dependencies  $F$  on  $R$ , TFAE

- $R$  is in 3NF
- there are **no attributes that partially or transitively depend on a key**
- $\forall X \rightarrow A \in F^+ : A \notin X$  either:
  - $A$  is prime (*belongs to a key*)
  - $X$  is superkey

## Proof

| TODO: I have it, I just have to write it out in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## BCNF (*Boyce-Codd*)

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A relation schema  $R$  is in **Boyce-Codd Normal Form** (BCNF) when every determinant in  $F$  is a superkey.

A relation that respects Boyce-Codd Normal Form is also in **3NF**, but the opposite is not true.

$(X)_F^+$

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```
def closure(R, F, X):
    Z = X
    S = { A ∈ R | Y → V ∈ F ∧ Y ⊆ Z ∧ A ∈ V }

    if S ⊆ Z:
        return Z

    return closure(R, F, Z ∪ S)
```

$(X)_F^+$ 

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The algorithm `closure()` correctly computes the closure of a set of attributes  $X$  respectively to a set  $F$  of functional dependencies on  $R$

## Proof

Let's consider  $Z_i, S_i$  the values of  $Z$  and  $S$  at the  $i$ -th call of the function and  $Z_f, S_f \mid S_f \subseteq Z_f$  the values of  $Z, S$  at the last call of the function. Let's prove by induction that  $Z_i \subseteq (X)_F^+$

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**Base case**

$$Z_0 = X \subseteq (X)_F^+$$

**Inductive step**  $Z_i \subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies Z_{i+1} \subseteq (X)_F^+$

Given that  $Z_{i+1} = Z_i \cup S_i$  then if  $A \in Z_{i+1}$  either

- $A \in Z_i \implies$  by HP  $A \in (X)_F^+$
- $A \in S_i \implies$  by construction  $\exists Y \rightarrow V \in F \mid Y \subseteq Z_i \wedge A \in V \implies$  by HP  $Y \subseteq (X)_F^+ \implies$  by the lemma of closure  $X \rightarrow Y \in F^A$  and by decomposition  $Y \rightarrow A \in F^A \implies$  by transitivity  $X \rightarrow A \in F^A \implies$  by definition  $A \in (X)_F^+$

## $(X)_F^+ \subseteq Z_f$ (*legal instance*)

Given  $Z_f$  we can build an instance  $r = \{t_1, t_2\}$  on  $R$  such that

$r$	$Z_f$					$R \setminus Z_f$				
$t_1$	1	1	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	1
$t_2$	1	1	1	...	1	0	0	0	...	0

Let's verify that  $r$  is a legal instance. Given  $V \rightarrow W \in F$  as  $V, W \neq \emptyset$  we could have either

- $V \not\subseteq Z_f \implies \exists A \in V : A \in R \setminus Z_f \implies t_1[V] \neq t_2[V] \implies r \text{ satisfies } V \rightarrow W$
- $V \subseteq Z_f$ 
  - $W \subseteq Z_f \implies$  by construction  $t_1[V] = t_2[V] \wedge t_1[W] = t_1[W] \implies r \text{ satisfies } V \rightarrow W$
  - $W \not\subseteq Z_f \implies$  by construction  $t_1[V] = t_2[V] \wedge t_1[W] \neq t_2[W]$

## $(X)_F^+ \subseteq Z_f$ (*legal instance*)

Let's suppose that  $\exists V \rightarrow W \in F : r$  doesn't satisfy  $V \rightarrow W \implies$  by construction

$$V \subseteq Z_f \wedge \exists A \in W : A \in R \setminus Z_f \implies A \notin Z_f$$

Given that  $V \subseteq Z_f \wedge V \rightarrow W \in F \wedge A \in W \implies$  by construction of  $S_f$ ,  $A \in Z_f$  which is a contradiction

## Legality

In the first 2 cases  $r$  satisfies  $V \rightarrow W \in F$  case 3 can't happen  $\implies r$  is a legal instance of  $R$

$$(X)_F^+ \subseteq Z_f$$

Let's consider  $A \in (X)_F^+$

Given that  $X \rightarrow A \in F^A = F^+$  and  $r$  is a legal instance  $\implies r$  satisfies  $X \rightarrow Y$ , and given that by construction  $X \subseteq Z_f \implies t_1[X] = t_2[X] \implies$  by definition  $t_1[A] = t_2[A] \implies$  by construction  $A \in Z_f$

$$Z_f = (X)_F^+$$

Given that  $Z_i \subseteq (X)_F^+ \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(X)_F^+ \subseteq Z_f$ , we have that  $Z_f = (X)_F^+$

# Intersection Rule

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Given a relation scheme  $R$  and a set of functional dependencies  $F$  on  $R$

$$X := \bigcap_{V \rightarrow W \in F} R - (W - V)$$

If  $X \rightarrow R \in F^+$  then the intersection is the only key to  $R$  otherwise there are multiple keys, and ALL of them must be identified to check if  $R$  is in 3NF

# Decomposition

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Let  $R$  be a relation scheme, a decomposition  $\rho$  of  $R$  is such that

$$\rho = \{ R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k \} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(R) : \bigcup_{i=1}^k R_i = R$$

# Equivalence

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Let  $F$  and  $G$  be two sets of functional dependencies, we can define an equivalence relation

$$F \equiv G \iff F^+ = G^+$$

- reflexivity  $F \implies F^+ = F^+ \implies F \equiv F$
- symmetry  $F \equiv G \implies F^+ = G^+ \implies G^+ = F^+ \implies G \equiv F$
- transitivity  $F \equiv G \wedge G \equiv H \implies F^+ = G^+ \wedge G^+ = H^+ \implies F^+ = H^+ \implies F \equiv H$

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Let  $F$  and  $G$  be two sets of functional dependencies

$$F \subseteq G^+ \implies F^+ \subseteq G^+$$

$$\underline{F} \subseteq G^+ \implies F^+ \subseteq \underline{G}^+$$

### Base case

$$F_0 = F \subseteq G^+ \implies F_0 \subseteq G^+$$

### Inductive Step

$$F_i \subseteq G^+ \implies F_{i+1} \subseteq G^+$$

$X \rightarrow Y \in F_{i+1} \implies X \rightarrow Y$  has been obtained through

- reflexivity  $Y \subseteq X \implies$  given that  $X \rightarrow Y$  is satisfied by every instance  $X \rightarrow Y \in G^+$
- augmentation  $\exists Z \subseteq R, V \rightarrow W \in F_i \mid X = ZV, Y = ZW$
- transitivity

TODO

# Preserving F

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Let  $R$  be a relation scheme,  $F$  a set of functional dependencies on  $R$  and  $\rho = \{ R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k \}$  a decomposition of  $R$ , we say that  $\rho$  preserves  $F$  if

$$F \equiv G = \bigcup_{i=1}^k \pi_{R_i}(F)$$

Where

$$\pi_{R_i}(F) = \{ X \rightarrow Y \in F^+ \mid XY \subseteq R_i \}$$

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Given the definition of  $G$ , it will always be that  $G \subseteq F^+ \implies G^+ \subseteq F^+$  so it is enough to verify that  $F \subseteq G^+$

# Dependency preservation

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```
def preserves_dependencies(R, F, ρ):
    for X → Y ∈ F:
        if Y ∉ closure_G(R, F, ρ, X):
            return false

    return true
```

This algorithm is enough as we just have to check whether  $F \subseteq G^+$

Given  $X \rightarrow Y \in F$  we have that  $X \rightarrow Y \in G^+ = G^A \iff$  by the lemma of closure  $Y \subseteq (X)_G^+$

$(X)_G^+$ 

```
def closure_G(R, F, X, ρ):
    Z = X
    S = ∅

    for P ∈ ρ:
        S = S ∪ (closure(R, F, Z ∩ P) ∩ P)

    if S ⊆ Z
        return Z

    return closure_G(R, F, Z ∪ S)
```

PDF 13 slide 23 Let  $R$  be a relation schema,  $F$  a set of functional dependencies on  $R$  and  $\rho = \{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k\}$  a decomposition of  $R$  and  $X \subseteq R$  the algorithm `closure_G()` correctly computes  $(X)_G^+$

$$Z_f \subseteq (X)_G^+$$

Let  $Z_i, S_i$  the values of  $Z$  and  $S$  at the  $i$ -th call of the function, with  $Z_0 = X$ , and  $S_f \subseteq Z_f$

### Base case

$$Z_0 = X \subseteq (X)_G^+ \implies Z_0 \subseteq (X)_G^+ \text{ by HP}$$

### Inductive step

$$Z_i \subseteq (X)_G^+ \implies Z_{i+1} \subseteq (X)_G^+, \text{ given that } S_i = \bigcup_{j=1}^k (Z_i \cap R_j)_F^+ \cap R_j$$

$$\text{Let } A \in Z_{i+1} = Z_i \cup S_i \implies \exists j : A \in (Z_i \cap R_j) \cap R_j \implies Z_i \cap R_j \rightarrow A \in G^A$$

By HP we have that  $Z_i \subseteq (X)_G^+ \implies X \rightarrow Z_i \in G^A$ , let  $Z_i = (Z_i \cap R_j) \cup V$  by decomposition we have that  $X \rightarrow Z_i \cap R_j \in G^A \implies$  by transitivity  $X \rightarrow A \in G^A$

$$X \subseteq Y \implies (X)_F^+ \subseteq (Y)_F^+$$

$X \subseteq Y \implies Y \rightarrow X \in F^A$  by reflexivity

Given  $A \in (X)_F^+ \implies$  by the lemma of closure  $X \rightarrow A \in F^A \implies$  by transitivity  $Y \rightarrow A \in F^A$   
 $\implies$  by the lemma of closure  $A \in (Y)_F^+$

$$(X)_G^+ \subseteq Z_f$$

$X \subseteq Z_f \implies (X)_G^+ \subseteq (Z_f)_G^+$ , we have to prove that  $Z_f = (Z_f)_G^+$

Let's consider  $A \in S' = \{ A \in R \mid V \rightarrow W \in G \wedge V \subseteq Z_f \wedge A \in W \} \implies \exists V \rightarrow W \in G : V \subseteq Z_f \wedge A \in W \implies \exists R_j \in \rho : VW \subseteq R_j \implies V \subseteq Z_f \cap R_j \wedge A \in R_j \implies A \in (Z_f \cap R_j)_F^+ \cap R_j \implies A \in S_f \implies A \in Z_f$

# Loseless join

PDF 15 slide 11 Let  $R$  be a relation schema. A decomposition  $\rho = \{ R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k \}$  of  $R$  has a lossless join if  $\forall r$  legal instance of  $R$  we have that  $r = \pi_{R_1}(r) \bowtie \pi_{R_2}(r) \bowtie \dots \bowtie \pi_{R_k}(r)$

PDF 15 slide 13 Let  $R$  be a relation schema and let  $\rho = \{ R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k \}$  be a decomposition of  $R$ ; for each legal instance  $r$  of  $R$ , we denote  $m_\rho(r) = \pi_{R_1}(r) \bowtie \pi_{R_2}(r) \bowtie \dots \bowtie \pi_{R_k}(r)$

- $r \subseteq m_\rho(r)$
- $\pi_{R_i}(m_\rho(r)) = \pi_{R_i}(r)$
- $m_\rho(m_\rho(r)) = m_\rho(r)$

Given  $S_1, \dots, S_k$  relation schemas with their instances  $s_1, \dots, s_k$ , let's define the  $\bowtie$  operator as

$$\bowtie_{i=1}^k S_i = \{ \bigcup_{i=1}^k t_j \mid \forall s_i \ \forall t_j \in s_i \ \wedge \bigcup_{i=1}^k t_j \text{ is a function} \}$$

$$r \subseteq m_\rho(r)$$

$t \in r \implies t[R_i] \in \pi_{R_i}(r) \forall R_i \in \rho$  by definition

$$\bowtie_{i=1}^k \pi_{R_i}(r) = \{ \bigcup_{i=1}^k p_i[R_i] \mid p_i[R_i] \in \pi_{R_i}(r) \wedge \bigcup_{i=1}^k p_i[R_i] \text{ is a function} \}$$

$\forall t \in r, t = \bigcup_{i=1}^k t[R_i]$  as by definition of  $\rho$  we have that  $R = \bigcup_{i=1}^k R_i$

$t \in r \implies t$  is a function by definition

$$t = \bigcup_{i=1}^k t[R_i] \in \bowtie_{i=1}^k \pi_{R_i}(r) = m_\rho(r) \implies t \in m_\rho(r)$$

$$\pi_{R_i}(m_\rho(r)) = \pi_{R_i}(r)$$

$t \in r \implies$  by definition  $t[R_i] \in \pi_{R_i}(r) \forall R_i \in \rho$

$$\pi_{R_i}(m_\rho(r)) = \{ q[R_i] \mid q \in \bigtriangleright_{i=1}^k \pi_{R_i}(r) \}$$

$$\pi_{R_i}(r) \subseteq \pi_{R_i}(m_\rho(r))$$

$t \in r \implies t \in m_\rho(r) \implies t[R_i] \in \pi_{R_i}(m_\rho(r))$

$$\pi_{R_i}(m_\rho(r)) \subseteq \pi_{R_i}(r)$$

$q \in \bigtriangleright_{i=1}^k \pi_{R_i}(r) \implies$  by definition of join  $q = \bigtriangleright_{i=1}^k \{ p_i[R_i] \} \mid p_i \in r \implies$  given that  $q$  is a function  $q[R_i] = p_i[R_i]$  and  $p_i \in r \implies p_i[R_i] \in \pi_{R_i}(r)$  we have that  $q[R_i] \in \pi_{R_i}(r)$

$$m_\rho(m_\rho(r)) = m_\rho(r)$$

$$m_\rho(m_\rho(r)) = \bigtriangleright_{i=1}^k \pi_{R_i}(m_\rho(r)) = \bigtriangleright_{i=1}^k \pi_{R_i}(r) = m_\rho(r)$$

## Loseless join pt.2

PDF 15 slide 15 Given  $\rho = \{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k\}$ , build a table  $r$  with  $|R|$  columns and  $k$  rows. At the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column put  $a_j$  if  $A \in R_i$  else  $b_{ij}$

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def has_looseless_join(R, F, ρ):
    while !(∃ t ∈ r | ∀ A ∈ R, t[A] = a) and r changed:
        for X → Y ∈ F:
            for t1 ∈ r:
                for t2 ∈ r:
                    if t1[X] = t2[X] and t1[Y] ≠ t2[Y]:
                        for A ∈ Y:
                            if t1[A] = a:
                                t2[A] = t1[A]
                            else:
                                t1[A] = t2[A]

    return ∃ t ∈ r | ∀ A ∈ R, t[A] = a
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## Correctness

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Let  $R$  be a relation scheme,  $F$  a set of functional dependencies on  $R$  and let  $\rho = \{ R_1, R_2, \dots, R_k \}$  be a decomposition of  $R$ ; the algorithm correctly decides whether  $\rho$  has a lossless join

$r = m_\rho(r) \iff r$  has a tuple with all  $a$  when the algorithm terminates

TODO: I can prove  $r = m_\rho(r) \implies r$  has a tuple with all  $a$  when the algorithm terminates, I just have to write it in  $\text{\LaTeX}$

# Minimal cover

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Let  $R$  be a schema and  $F$  be a set of functional dependencies on  $R$ . A **minimal cover** of  $F$  is a set of functional dependencies  $G \equiv F$  such that:

- $\forall X \rightarrow Y \in G, |Y| = 1$
- $\forall X \rightarrow A \in G, \nexists X' \subset X \mid G \equiv (G - \{X \rightarrow A\}) \cup \{X' \rightarrow A\}$
- $\nexists X \rightarrow A \in G \mid G \equiv G - \{X \rightarrow A\}$

## Minimal cover (*step 1*)

$$F_1 = \{ X \rightarrow A \mid X \rightarrow Y \in F \wedge A \in Y \}$$

$$F \xrightarrow{A} F_1 \text{ by decomposition } F_1 \xrightarrow{A} F_1^A \implies F \subseteq F_1^A$$

$$F_1 \xrightarrow{A} F \text{ by union } F \xrightarrow{A} F^A \implies F_1 \subseteq F^A$$

$$F \equiv F_1$$

## Minimal cover (step 2)

Given  $X \rightarrow A \in F_1, X' \subset X \wedge X' \rightarrow A \in F_1^+ \implies F_2 = (F_1 \setminus \{X \rightarrow A\}) \cup \{X' \rightarrow A\}$

$X' \subseteq X \implies X \rightarrow X' \in F_1^+ \wedge X' \rightarrow A \in F_2^+$  by reflexivity

$X \rightarrow A \in F_1$

- $X \rightarrow A \in F_2 \implies X \rightarrow A \in F_2^+$
- $X \rightarrow A \notin F_2 \implies X \rightarrow X' \in F_2^+ \wedge X' \rightarrow A \in F_2^+ \implies X \rightarrow A \in F_2^+$  by transitivity

$X \rightarrow A \in F_2$

- $X \rightarrow A \in F_1 \implies X \rightarrow A \in F_1^+$
- $X \rightarrow A \notin F_1 \implies X \rightarrow A \in F_1^+$  by HP

$F_2 \equiv F_1 \implies F \equiv F_2$  by transitivity of the  $\equiv$  relationship

## Minimal cover (step 3)

$$X \rightarrow A \in F_2, A \in (X)_{F_2 \setminus \{X \rightarrow A\}}^+ \implies F_3 = F_2 \setminus \{X \rightarrow A\}$$

$$X \rightarrow A \in F_2$$

- $X \rightarrow A \in F_3 \implies X \rightarrow A \in F_3^+$
- $X \rightarrow A \notin F_3 \implies X \rightarrow A \in F_3^+$  by HP as  $A \in (X)_{F_3}^+$

$$X \rightarrow A \in F_3$$

- $X \rightarrow A \in F_2 \implies X \rightarrow A \in F_2^+$
- $X \rightarrow A \notin F_2$  is a contraddiction as  $F_3 = F_2 \setminus \{X \rightarrow A\}$  by definition

$$F_2 \equiv F_3 \implies F \equiv F_3$$

# Decomposition

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def decomposition(R, F: minimal cover):
    S = ∅
    ρ = ∅

    for A ∈ R | ∃ X → Y ∈ F : A ∈ XY:
        S = S ∪ {A}

    if S ≠ ∅:
        R = R - S
        ρ = ρ ∪ {S}

    if ∃ X → Y ∈ F | XY = R:
        ρ = ρ ∪ {R}
    else:
        for X → A ∈ F:
            ρ = ρ ∪ {XA}
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# Decomposition pt.2

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Let  $R$  be a relational schema and  $F$  a set of functional dependencies on  $R$ , which is a minimal cover; the algorithm `decomposition()` computes (*in polynomial time*) a decomposition  $\rho$  of  $R$  such that:

- each relational schema in  $\rho$  is in 3NF
- $\rho$  preserves  $F$