

Database Management Systems

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Database Tables and Normalization

- Normalization is a process that "improves" a database design by generating relations that are of higher normal forms. It reduces data redundancies and helps eliminate the data anomalies.
- Normalization works through a series of stages called normal forms:
 - First normal form (1NF)
 - Second normal form (2NF)
 - Third normal form (3NF)

Normalization

We consider a relation in 3NF to be fully normalized.

NF		
3NF		
	NF 3NF	NF 3NF

a relation in 3NF is also in 2NF

a relation in 2NF is also in 1NF

a relation in 1NF is need a process

Database Tables and Normalization

• The Need for Normalization

- Case of a Construction Company
 - **Building project** -- Project number, Name, Employees assigned to the project.
 - **Employee** -- Employee number, Name, Job classification
 - The company charges its clients by billing the hours spent on each project. The hourly billing rate is dependent on the employee's position.
 - Periodically, a report is generated.
 - The table whose contents correspond to the reporting requirements is shown in Table 5.1.

Scenario



Sample Form

Project Num : 15

Project Name : Evergreen



Emp Num	Emp Name	Job Class	Chr Hours	Hrs Billed	Total
101					
102					
103					
105					

A Sample Report Layout

TABLE 5.1 A SAMPLE REPORT LAYOUT

PROJ.	PROJECT	EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EMPLOYEE NAME	JOB CLASS.	CHG/ HOUR	HOURS	TOTAL
15	Evergreen	103	June E.Arbough	Elec. Engineer	\$84.50	23.8	\$2,011.10
		101	John G. News	Database Designer	\$105.00	19.4	\$2,037.00
		105	Alice K. Johnson *	Database Designer	\$105.00	35.7	\$3,748.50
		106	William Smithfield	Programmer	\$35.75	12.6	\$450.45
		102	David H. Senior	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	23.8	\$2,302.65
				Subtotal		ŝ	\$10,549.70
18	Amber	114	Annelise Jones	Applications Designer	\$48.10	24.6	\$1,183.26
	Wave	118	James J. Frommer	General Support	\$18.36	45.3	\$831.71
		104	Anne K. Ramoras *	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	32.4	\$3,134.70
		112	Darlene M. Smithson	DSS Analyst	\$45.95	44.0	\$2,021.80
				Subtotal			\$7,171.47
22		105	Alice K. Johnson	Database Designer	\$105.00	64.7	\$6,793.50
		104	Anne K. Ramoras	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	48.4	\$4,682.70
		113	Delbert K. Joenbrood*	Applications Designer	\$48.10	23.6	\$1,135.16
		111	Geoff B. Wabash	Clerical Support	\$26.87	22.0	\$591.14
		106	William Smithfield	Programmer	\$35.75	12.8	\$457.60
				Subtotal		1	\$13,660.10
25		107	Maria D.Alonzo	Programmer	\$35.75	24.6	\$879.45
		115	Travis B. Bawangi	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	45.8	\$4,431.15
		101	John G. News *	Database Designer	\$105.00	56.3	\$5,911.50
		114	Annelise Jones	Applications Designer	\$48.10	33.1	\$1,592.11
		108	Ralph B.Washington	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	23.6	\$2,283.30
		118	James J. Frommer	General Support	\$18.36	30.5	\$559.98
		112	Darlene M. Smithson	DSS Analyst	\$45.95	41.4	\$1,902.33
				Subtotal		ł	\$17,559.82
				Total			48,941.09

Table Structure Matches the Report Format

	PROJ_NUM	PROJ_NAME	EMP_NUM	EMP_NAME	JOB_CLASS	CHG_HOUR	HOURS
•	15	Evergreen	103	June E. Arbough	Elect. Engineer	\$84.50	23.8
			101	John G. News	Database Designer	\$105.00	19.4
	0	1	105	Alice K. Johnson *	Database Designer	\$105.00	35.7
	1	1	106	William Smithfield	Programmer	\$35.75	12.6
		1	102	David H. Senior	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	23.8
	18	Amber Wave	114	Annelise Jones	Applications Designer	\$48.10	24.6
			118	James J. Frommer	General Support	\$18.36	45.3
			104	Anne K. Ramoras *	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	32.4
			112	Darlene M. Smithson	DSS Analyst	\$45.95	44.0
	22	Rolling Tide	105	Alice K. Johnson	Database Designer	\$105.00	64.7
	1		104	Anne K. Ramoras	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	48.4
			113	Delbert K. Joenbrood *	Applications Designer	\$48.10	23.6
			111	Geoff B. Wabash	Clerical Support	\$26.87	22.0
	100	1	106	William Smithfield	Programmer	\$35.75	12.8
	25	Starflight	107	Maria D. Alonzo	Programmer	\$35.75	24.6
		1	115	Travis B. Bawangi	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	45.8
		1	101	John G. News *	Database Designer	\$105.00	56.3
		1	114	Annelise Jones	Applications Designer	\$48.10	33.1
		1	108	Ralph B. Washington	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	23.6
		3	118	James J. Frommer	General Support	\$18.36	30.5
	5		112	Darlene M. Smithson	DSS Analyst	\$45.95	41.4

FIGURE 5.1

A TABLE WHOSE STRUCTURE MATCHES THE REPORT FORMAT

Database Tables and Normalization

- Problems with the Figure 5.1
 - The project number is intended to be a primary key, but it contains nulls.
 - The table displays data redundancies.
 - The table entries invite data inconsistencies.
 - The data redundancies yield the following anomalies:
 - Update anomalies.
 - Insertion anomalies.
 - Deletion anomalies.

First Normal Form (1 NF)

• 1NF Definition

- The term first normal form (1NF) describes the tabular format in which:
 - All the key attributes are defined.
 - There are no repeating groups in the table.
 - All attributes are dependent on the primary key.

Database Tables and Normalization

- Conversion to First Normal Form
 - A relational table must not contain repeating groups.
 - Repeating groups can be eliminated by adding the appropriate entry at the primary key column(s).

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FIGURE 5.2 THE EVERGREEN DATA

Data Organization: First Normal Form

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 PROJ_NUM	PROJ_NAME	EMP_NUM	EMP_NAME	JOB_CLASS	CHG_HOUR	HOURS
15	Evergreen	103	June E. Arbough	Elect. Engineer	\$84.50	23.8
		101	John G. News	Database Designer	\$105.00	19.4
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	1	101	John G. News *	Database Designer	\$105.00	56.3
		114	Annelise Jones	Applications Designer	\$48.10	33.1
		108	Ralph B. Washington	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	23.6
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	15	Evergreen	105	Alice K. Johnson *	Database Designer	\$105.00	35.7
	15	Evergreen	106	William Smithfield	Programmer	\$35.75	12.5
	15	Evergreen	102	David H. Senior	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	23.9
	18	Amber Wave	114	Annelise Jones	Applications Designer	\$48.10	24.6
	18	Amber Wave	118	James J. Frommer	General Support	\$18.36	45.3
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	25	Starflight	114	Annelise Jones	Applications Designer	\$48.10	33.1
1	25	Starflight	108	Ralph B. Washington	Systems Analyst	\$96.75	23.9
	25	Starflight	118	James J. Frommer	General Support	\$18.36	30.2
	25	Starflight	112	Darlene M. Smithson	DSS Analyst	\$45.95	41.4

FIGURE 5.3 DATA ORGANIZATION: FIRST NORMAL FORM

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Second Normal Form (2 NF)

- Dependency Diagram
 - The primary key components are underlined .
 - The arrows above entities indicate all desirable dependencies, i.e., dependencies that are based on PK.
 - The arrows below the dependency diagram indicate less desirable dependencies -- partial dependencies and transitive dependencies.

Dependency Diagram Concept

Example: Suppose we keep track of employee email addresses, and we only track one **email address** for each employee.

Suppose each employee is identified by their unique **employee number**. We say there is a **functional dependency** of email address on employee number:

employee number \rightarrow email address

Functional Dependencies

<u>EmpNum</u>	EmpEmail	EmpFname	EmpLname
123	jdoe@abc.com	John	Doe
456	psmith@abc.con	n Peter	Smith
555	alee1@abc.com	Alan	Lee
633	pdoe@abc.com	Peter	Doe
787	alee2@abc.com	Alan	Lee

If EmpNum is the **PK** then the **FD**s:

EmpNum → EmpEmail EmpNum → EmpFname EmpNum → EmpLname

Functional Dependencies





Transitive Dependency Concept

Transitive dependency

Consider attributes A, B, and C, and where

$A \rightarrow B$ and $B \rightarrow C$.

Functional dependencies are transitive, which means

that we also have the functional dependency $A \rightarrow C$

We say that **C** is transitively dependent on **A** through B.

Transitive dependency



DeptName is *transitively dependent* on EmpNum via DeptNum EmpNum → DeptName

Partial dependency Concept

A partial dependency exists when an attribute B is functionally dependent on an attribute A, and A is a component of a multipart candidate key.



Candidate keys: {InvNum, LineNum} **InvDate** is *partially dependent* on {InvNum, LineNum} as **InvNum** is a determinant of **InvDate** and **InvNum** is part of a candidate key

Dependency Diagram Example

personid	projectid	personname	projectcode	projectname	personphone
1	1	john	PROJ1	DBproject	345
2	1	sam	PROJ1	DBproject	754
3	1	anil	PROJ1	DBproject	456
4	1	das	PROJ1	DBproject	123
1	2	john	PROJ2	webproject	345
2	2	sam	PROJ2	webproject	754
3	2	anil	PROJ2	webproject	456
4	2	das	PROJ2	webproject	123

Dependency Diagram Result

person

personid	personname	personphone
1	john	345
2	sam	754
3	anil	456
4	das	123

project

projectid	projectcode	projectname
1	PROJ1	DBproject
2	PROJ2	webproject

personproject

personid	projectid
1	1
2	1
3	1
4	1
1	2
2	2
3	2
4	2

Dependency Diagram



Second Normal Form (2 NF)

All attributes dependent on full primary key

- Conversion to Second Normal Form
 - Starting with the 1NF format, the database can be converted into the 2NF format by
 - Writing each key component on a separate line, and then writing the original key on the last line and
 - / Writing the dependent attributes after each new key.

PROJECT (PROJ_NUM, PROJ_NAME)

EMPLOYEE (<u>EMP_NUM</u>, EMP_NAME, JOB_CLASS, CHG_HOUR)

ASSIGN (<u>PROJ_NUM</u>, <u>EMP_NUM</u>, HOURS)

Dependency Diagram



Second Normal Form (2 NF)

A table is in 2NF if:

- It is in 1NF and
- It includes no partial dependencies; that is, no attribute is dependent on only a portion of the primary key.

(It is still possible for a table in 2NF to exhibit **transitive dependency**; that is, one or more attributes may be functionally dependent on nonkey attributes.)

3NF- STOCKS example for 2nd normal form

The functional dependencies we can see are: **FD1: Symbol** \rightarrow **Company**, **FD2: Company** \rightarrow **place so therefore: Symbol** \rightarrow **place**

This is a transitive dependency.

The solution again is to split this relation up into two new relations: **STOCK_SYMBOLS**(Company, <u>Symbol</u>) **COMPANY_PLACE** (<u>Company</u>, place) This gives us the following sample data and FD for the new relations **FD1**: Symbol \rightarrow Company **FD2**: Company \rightarrow place



Third Normal Form (3 NF)

• **3NF Definition**

- A table is in 3NF if:
 - It is in 2NF and
 - It contains no transitive dependencies.



Third Normal Form (3 NF)

All columns can be determined only by the key in the table and no other column

- Conversion to Third Normal Form
 - Create a separate table with attributes in a transitive functional dependence relationship.

PROJECT (<u>PROJ_NUM</u>, PROJ_NAME) EMPLOYEE (<u>EMP_NUM</u>, EMP_NAME, JOB_CLASS) ASSIGN (<u>PROJ_NUM</u>, <u>EMP_NUM</u>, HOURS) JOB (<u>JOB_CLASS</u>, CHG_HOUR)

Normalization

- Normalization will help us identify correct and appropriate TABLES.
- Until Now we have 4 tables

PROJECT (PROJ_NUM, PROJ_NAME)
ASSIGN (PROJ_NUM, EMP_NUM, HOURS)
EMPLOYEE (EMP_NUM, EMP_NAME, JOB_CLASS)
JOB (JOB_CLASS, CHG_HOUR)

1st Normal Form Example

Un-normalized Students table:

Student#	AdvID	AdvName	AdvRoom	Class1	Class2
123	123A	James	555	102-8	104-9
124	123B	Smith	467	209-0	102-8

Normalized Students table:

Student#	AdvID	AdvName	AdvRoom	Class#
123	123A	James	555	102-8
123	123A	James	555	104-9
124	123B	Smith	467	209-0
124	123B	Smith	467	102-8

2nd Normal Form Example

Students table

Student#	AdvID	AdvName	AdvRoom
123	123A	James	555
124	123B	Smith	467

Registration table

Student#	Class#
123	102-8
123	104-9
124	209-0
124	102-8

3rd Normal Form Example

Students table:

Student#	AdvID	AdvName	AdvRoom
123	123A	James	555
124	123B	Smith	467

Student table:

Student#	<u>AdvID</u>
123	123A
124	123B

Advisor table:

<u>AdvID</u>	AdvName	AdvRoom
123A	James	555
123B	Smith	467

3rd Normal Form Example Cont.

Students table:

Student#	<u>AdvID</u>
123	123A
124	123B

Registration table:

Student#	Class#
123	102-8
123	104-9
124	209-0
124	102-8

Advisor table:

AdvID	AdvName	AdvRoom
123A	James	555
123B	Smith	467