

9.2 n -ary Relations and Their Applications

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The 3-tuples in a 3-ary relation represent the following attributes of a student database: student ID number, name, phone number.

- Is student ID number likely to be a primary key?
- Is name likely to be a primary key?
- Is phone number likely to be a primary key?

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The 5-tuples in a 5-ary relation represent these attributes of all people in the United States: name, Social Security number, street address, city, and state.

- Determine a primary key for this relation.
- Under what conditions would (name, street address) be a composite key?
- Under what conditions would (name, street address, city) be a composite key?

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What do you obtain when you apply the selection operator S_C , where C is the condition $\text{Destination} = \text{Detroit}$, to the database in Table 8?

Table 8 Flights

| Airline | Flight_number | Gate | Destination | Departure_time |
|---------|---------------|------|-------------|----------------|
| Nadir | 122 | 34 | Detroit | 08:10 |
| Acme | 221 | 22 | Denver | 08:17 |
| Acme | 122 | 33 | Anchorage | 08:22 |
| Acme | 323 | 34 | Honolulu | 08:30 |
| Nadir | 199 | 13 | Detroit | 08:47 |
| Acme | 222 | 22 | Denver | 09:10 |
| Nadir | 322 | 34 | Detroit | 09:44 |

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What do you obtain when you apply the selection operator S_C , where C is the condition $(\text{Airline} = \text{Nadir}) \vee (\text{Destination} = \text{Denver})$, to the database in Table 8?

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Display the table produced by applying the projection $P_{1,4}$ to Table 8.

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Construct the table obtained by applying the join operator J_2 to the relations in Tables 9 and 10.

Table 9 Part_needs

| Supplier | Part_number | Project |
|----------|-------------|---------|
| 23 | 1092 | 1 |
| 23 | 1101 | 3 |
| 23 | 9048 | 4 |
| 31 | 4975 | 3 |
| 31 | 3477 | 2 |
| 32 | 6984 | 4 |
| 32 | 9191 | 2 |
| 33 | 1001 | 1 |

Table 10 Part_inventory

| Part_number | Project | Quantity | Color_code |
|-------------|---------|----------|------------|
| 1001 | 1 | 14 | 8 |
| 1092 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 1101 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| 3477 | 2 | 25 | 2 |
| 4975 | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| 6984 | 4 | 10 | 1 |
| 9048 | 4 | 12 | 2 |
| 9191 | 2 | 80 | 4 |