BMEG3120: Exercise List 9

Consider the set F of following functional dependencies¹ on relation R(ABCD):

$$\begin{array}{rccc} AB & \to & C \\ AB & \to & D \\ C & \to & A \\ D & \to & B \end{array}$$

Answer the following questions.

Problem 1. Is R in BCNF?

Problem 2. Is the decomposition of R into $R_1(ABD)$ and $R_2(AC)$ lossless?

Problem 3. Decompose R into BCNF tables.

Problem 4.** Prove that R does not have any BCNF decomposition that is dependency preserving.

¹These dependences were taken from Exercise 19.7 in the reference book of this course.