

Show that the following rules are sound and complete.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{F1}' \quad X \subseteq R &\Rightarrow X \rightarrow X \\ \text{F2}' \quad X \rightarrow YZ &\Rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \\ \text{F3}' \quad X \rightarrow Y, Y \rightarrow Z &\Rightarrow X \rightarrow YZ. \end{aligned}$$

a) To prove that F1'-F3' are sound we can show that they are deducible from Armstrong's axioms (which are sound – see [Silberschatz]):

$$\text{F1}': X \subseteq R \Rightarrow X \subseteq X \Rightarrow X \rightarrow X \quad (\text{F1})$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{F2}': X \rightarrow YZ \\ Y \subseteq YZ \Rightarrow YZ \rightarrow Y \quad (\text{F1}) \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \text{F2}': X \rightarrow YZ \\ Y \subseteq YZ \Rightarrow YZ \rightarrow Y \quad (\text{F1}) \end{array}} \right\} X \rightarrow Y \quad (\text{F3})$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{F3}': X \rightarrow Y \\ Y \rightarrow Z \Rightarrow Y \rightarrow YZ \quad (\text{F2}) \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \text{F3}': X \rightarrow Y \\ Y \rightarrow Z \Rightarrow Y \rightarrow YZ \quad (\text{F2}) \end{array}} \right\} X \rightarrow YZ \quad (\text{F3})$$

Alternatively, we can prove soundness according to the definition (see pp. 261-263)

$$\text{F1}': \forall t_1, t_2 \quad (t_1[X] = t_2[X]) \Rightarrow (t_1[X] = t_2[X])$$

which means $X \rightarrow X$.

$$\text{F2}': X \rightarrow YZ, \text{ i.e. } \forall t_1, t_2 \quad (t_1[X] = t_2[X]) \Rightarrow (t_1[YZ] = t_2[YZ]),$$

then $t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$.

So if $t_1[X] = t_2[X]$ then $t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]$, which means $X \rightarrow Y$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{F3}': X \rightarrow Y \text{ means that } \forall t_1, t_2 \quad (t_1[X] = t_2[X]) &\Rightarrow (t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]) \\ Y \rightarrow Z \text{ means that } \forall t_1, t_2 \quad (t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]) &\Rightarrow (t_1[Z] = t_2[Z]). \end{aligned}$$

Then $\forall t_1, t_2 \quad (t_1[X] = t_2[X]) \Rightarrow ((t_1[Y] = t_2[Y]) \& (t_1[Z] = t_2[Z])),$ i.e.,

$$\forall t_1, t_2 \quad (t_1[X] = t_2[X]) \Rightarrow (t_1[YZ] = t_2[YZ]),$$

i.e., $X \rightarrow YZ$.

b) To prove that F1'-F3' are complete we show that Armstrong's axioms are deducible from the given set of axioms (and Armstrong's axioms are complete, as we know)

$$\text{F1: } Y \subseteq X \Rightarrow X = Y(X - Y)$$

F1' implies that $X \rightarrow Y(X - Y)$. Then (F2') $X \rightarrow Y$.

$$\text{F2: } X \rightarrow Y, Z \subseteq R.$$

Due to F1', $XZ \rightarrow XZ$.

F2' implies that $XZ \rightarrow X$. Since $X \rightarrow Y$, we get (F3') $XZ \rightarrow XY$.

We have, $XZ \rightarrow XZ$ and $XZ \rightarrow XY$. F3' implies $XZ \rightarrow XYZ$.

Then (F2') $XZ \rightarrow YZ$.

$$\text{F3: } X \rightarrow Y, Y \rightarrow Z. \text{ F3' implies that } X \rightarrow YZ, \text{ and F2' implies then that } X \rightarrow Z.$$