

A: Query Containment

1. (a). $q \subseteq q'$. Because there is a homomorphism h from q' to q ,
 h from q' to q : $(y \rightarrow x, z \rightarrow z, t \rightarrow z, w \rightarrow y)$
 But there is no homomorphism from q to q' .
- (b) $q \subseteq q'$. Because there is a homomorphism h from q' to q ,
 h from q' to q : $(x \rightarrow x, y \rightarrow y, z \rightarrow z, u \rightarrow x, v \rightarrow y)$
 But there is no homomorphism from q to q' .
- (c) None. Because there is no homomorphism from q' to q ,
 And there is no homomorphism from q to q' .

According to Homomorphism Theorem.

2. $q(x): \neg R(x, z_1)$

Firstly: $q \subseteq S_k$, because there is a homomorphism h from S_k to q ,
 h from S_k to q : $(x \rightarrow x, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k \rightarrow z_1)$
Thus $q \subseteq S_k$ according to Homomorphism Theorem.

Secondly: $S_k \subseteq q$, because there is a homomorphism h from q to S_k ,
 h from q to S_k : $(x \rightarrow x, z_1 \rightarrow z_1)$
Thus $S_k \subseteq q$ according to Homomorphism Theorem.

Thus $S_k \equiv q$, and obviously, q is the minimal CQ which is equivalent to S_k , since q only has one atom.

3. There is no such q .

Because if $q_1 \subsetneq q \subsetneq q_2$, then there is a homomorphism h from q_2 to q ,
~~But $q_1 \subsetneq q \subsetneq q_2$ and q is not equivalent to q_2 , so q must~~
be like $q(x) : -R(x, y) R(\quad) \dots$, there are 3 cases:

- 1° If $q(x) : -R(x, y) R(z) \dots$, then there is no homomorphism from q to q_1 ,
- 2° If $q(x) : -R(x, y) R(z, z) \dots$, then there is no homomorphism from q to q_1 ,
- 3° If $q(x) : -R(x, y) R(z, t) \dots$, then there is a homomorphism from q_1 to q ,
which means $q \subseteq q_1$, which is not allowed.

Thus there is no such q , that will lead to $q_1 \subsetneq q \subsetneq q_2$.

4. Let $q_1 = q = R(x, 10), x < 10$
 $q_2 = q = R(x, 10), x < 10$

Then $q = q_1 \cup q_2$

Let $q'_1 = R(y, 10), R(q, y), y < 10$

$q'_2 = R(y, 10), R(q, y), y = 10$

Then $q' = q'_1 \cup q'_2$

$q'_1 \subseteq q_1$, since there is a homomorphism from q_1 to q'_1
 h from q_1 to $q'_1 : (x \rightarrow y)$

$q'_2 \subseteq q_2$, since there is a homomorphism from q_2 to q'_2
 h from q_2 to $q'_2 : (x \rightarrow q)$

Because $q'_1 \subseteq q_1$, $q'_2 \subseteq q_2$, $q = q_1 \cup q_2$, $q' = q'_1 \cup q'_2$

So $q' \subseteq q$.

5. To determine whether q' contain q , ~~we just~~ if and only if there exists a homomorphism from q' to q . To find the homomorphism, we can check the variables in q' one by one and define a h to map the corresponding variable in q' to the one in q . If q ~~has~~ has no self join, the time is linear to the number of variables in q and q' . After this process, if we end with a homomorphism, then $q \subseteq q'$, otherwise $q \not\subseteq q'$. Thus the algorithm is in polynomial time.

B. Query Complexity

1. (a) $O(|Q| \cdot |I|)$ $|Q|$ is the size of query, $|I|$ is size of dataset.

Because in this case, we can join the variables one by one, and for each variable, we join all the corresponding atoms one by one.

(b) NP-complete . Because there is a reduction to 3-coloring problem.

For an undirected graph $G=(V, E)$, ~~for~~ for each vertex $v_i \in V$, ~~has~~ has an atom $R_i(v_i)$, and the table of R_i contains 3 possible values 1, 2, 3. For each edge (v_i, v_j) , ~~for~~ $v_i \neq v_j$. Then this problem become solving the 3-coloring problem. Thus the combined complexity is NP-complete.

2. (a) According to GYO algorithm, Yes, q_1 is acyclic.

$$q_1() : -R(x, t_1, y), S(y, t_2, z), T(z, t_3, x), U(x, y, z)$$

Since $R(x, t_1, y)$ is ear, ~~remove~~ remove t_1 and remove R ,

Then $S(y, t_2, z)$ is ear, remove t_2 and remove S ,

Then $T(z, t_3, x)$ is ear, remove t_3 and remove T ,

Lastly, $U(x, y, z)$ is ear, remove x, y, z and remove U ,

H is the empty hypergraph. Thus q_1 is acyclic and the join tree of q_1 is



(b). No. Since R, S, T, U are all not ear, we can not remove any one of them. Thus q_2 is not acyclic.

(c). $q_3(): -R(x, y, z), S(x, y), T(y, z), U(z, x)$

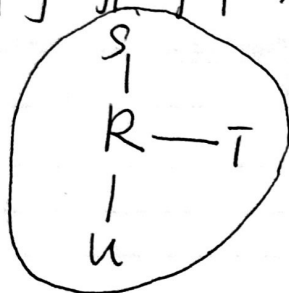
Since $S(x, y)$ is ear, remove S

Then $T(y, z)$ is ear, remove T

Then $U(z, x)$ is ear, remove U

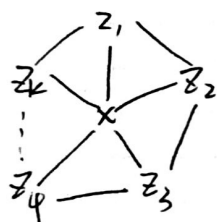
At last, $R(x, y, z)$ is ear, remove x, y, z and R .

It is the empty hypergraph, Thus q_3 is acyclic and the join tree of q_3 is



3. (a)

HD with the smallest possible ghw:



$$\chi(v_i) = \{x, z_1, z_i, z_{i+1}\} \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, k)$$

$$ghw = 3$$

(b). HD with smallest possible ghw:

$$\chi(v_i) = \{x_1, x_i, x_{i+1}\} \text{ or } \{x_1, z_i, z_{i+1}\} \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, k)$$

$$ghw = 2$$

4. the maximum possible ghw of CQs with n atoms in the body is

$$\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 8n}}{2} - 1$$

The class of queries achieves this ghw is a complete connected graph, for that graph, it has $\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 8n}}{2}$ vertices, and each couple of vertices is connected with each other.