

Polymorphisms in CSPs, Topology and Social Choices

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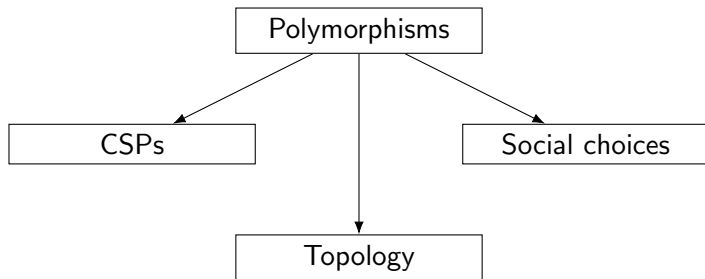
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Polymorphisms of structures, clones, minions, topological spaces, Coalgebras over a field (with \otimes), ...

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- Which minions correspond to problems in P ? (Solved for $A = B$ by Bulatov 2017 and Zhuk 2017)
- Which minions correspond to problems in L , NL , $\text{Mod}_2 L$, ... ?
- Find good definitions for a generalization to infinite domain $(P)\text{CSPs}$.

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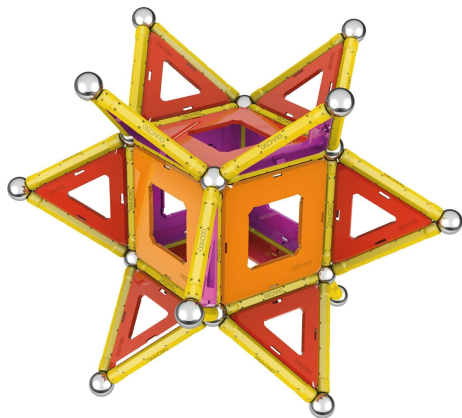
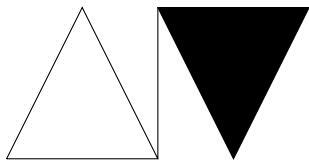
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Two connected compact abstract simplicial complexes¹

¹right picture from <https://www.kinderkram-direkt.de/GEOMAG-Magnet-Spiel-Panels-114-Teile.htm>

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Consider $A = B$ abstract simplicial complexes with simplicial maps.

Theorem (Larose, Zádori 2005 and Meyer unpublished)

Let A be a connected compact abstract simplicial complex that has any idempotent Taylor polymorphism. Then, every connected component of A is contractible.

Questions

- Which polymorphisms classify that a map is contractible (homotopic to a constant map)?
- What about infinite simplicial complexes?

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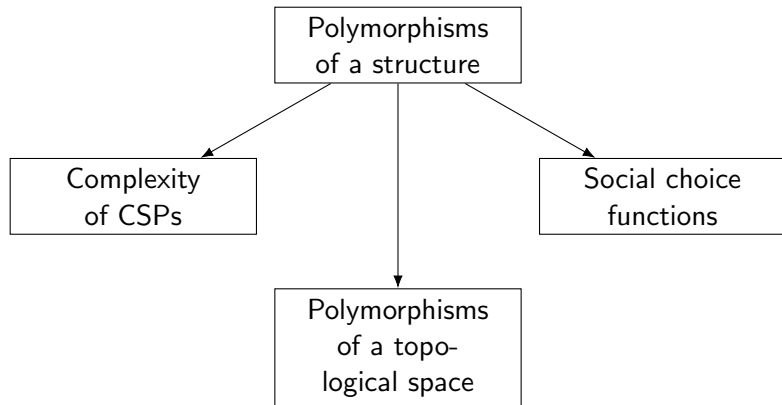
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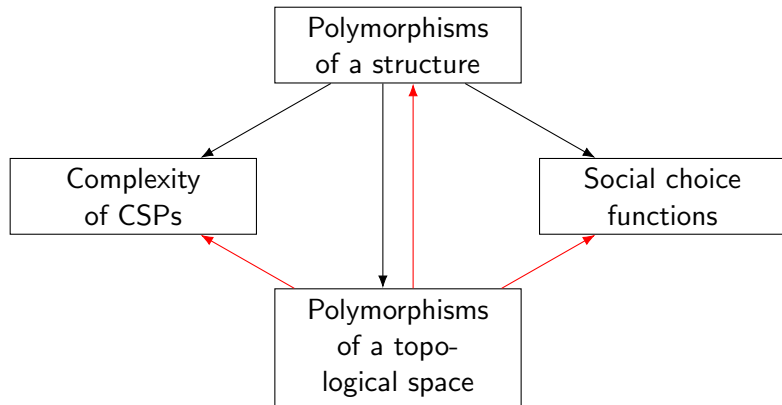
Proof.

Every polymorphism of K_n is essentially unary. □

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Theorem (Weinberger 2004)

Let A be a topological space that has for every n a continuous, unanimous, anonymous choice function. Then, A is contractible or the choice functions are not sober.

Example

Let A be a set with the structure of a simplicial complex. If there is a choice function on this set satisfying any Taylor conditions, then each component is contractible.

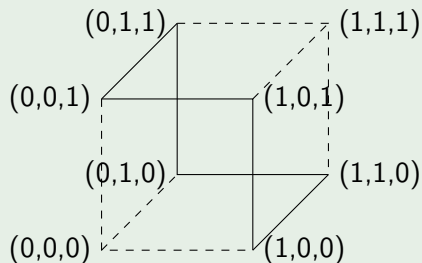
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Definition

Let A be a structure and $B \subseteq A^n$ be a pp-definable subset. Then, B becomes a simplicial complex with faces

$$\left\{ (b_{1,1}, \dots, b_{1,n}), \dots, (b_{k,1}, \dots, b_{k,n}) \in B^k \mid \bigwedge_{i:[n] \rightarrow [k]} (b_{i_1,1}, \dots, b_{i_n,n}) \in B \right\}$$

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(Idea based on Krokhin, Opršal, Wrochna, Živný 2022)



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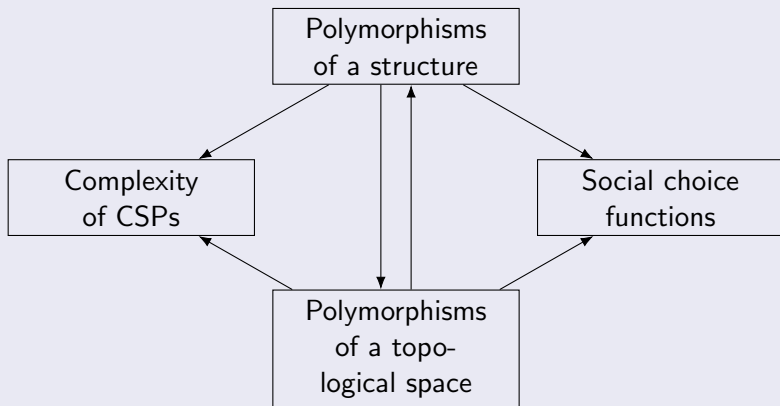
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Questions

- Can we get new results for promise CSPs? (K.O.W.Ž. 2022)
- Does this result generalize to 0-homotopic maps and PCSPs?
- What about infinite domain CSP and non-compact simplicial complexes?

Thank you for your attention



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