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What is it?

A Python module for polyadic concept analysis

Where can I find it?

- alexandrebazin.com
- github.com/Authary/PCA

What does it do?

Okay so...



	s	vc	mc	s	vc	mc	s	vc	mc
A: MyManga	×			×		×			×
B: Manga Store	×			×					
C: Manga Home	×	×			\times			\times	×
	FinalUser			Administrator			Product Manager		

n-concepts:

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(\{A,B\},\{search\},\{FinalUser,Administrator\}),\\ (\{A,B,C\},\{search\},\{FinalUser\})\\ (\{C\},\{search,viewComment\},\{FinalUser\})
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Input

A formal context in the form (Incidence relation, $|\mathsf{Dim}\ 1|,\ ..., |\mathsf{Dim}\ n|)$

Output

A list of the *n*-concepts (no orders)

Efficiency

Good



Implications

What?

Computes two implication bases

- Proper premises
- Canonical base

Efficiency

Okay+: Next Closure for the canonical base, hypergraph dualization through external tool for proper premises

As found in

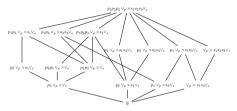
On Implication Bases in n-Lattices. Alexandre Bazin. Discrete Applied Mathematics 2020.



Association Rules

What.

Computes a base of n-ary association rules



Efficiency

Okay-: Requires ordering the n-concepts by inclusion on their n-1 last components

As found in

Condensed Representations of Association Rules in n-ary Relations. Alexandre Bazin, Nicolas Gros, Aurélie Bertaux, Christophe Nicolle. IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering 2022.



Introducer Concepts

What?

Computes introducer concepts

Efficiency

Good

As found in

Reduction and Introducers in d-contexts. Alexandre Bazin and Giacomo Kahn. ICFCA 2019.



Polyadic Relational Concept Analysis

What?

Plants	s	m	t	ℓ	s	m	t	ℓ
Citrus (C)	×	×			×	×		
Alpinia (A)			\times	×		\times	\times	
Pelagonium (P)	×	\times				\times	\times	
Laphangium (L)			×	×			×	×
		Ro	ot			Le	af	

Areas	Forests (F)	Desert (D)	Grassland (G)
Europe (Eu)	×	×	
Africa (Af)	×	×	
Asia (As)	×		×
America (Am)	×	×	×

$$\mathsf{GrowsIn} = \{(\mathsf{C},\mathsf{Eu}), (\mathsf{C},\mathsf{Af}), (\mathsf{A},\mathsf{Eu}), (\mathsf{A},\mathsf{Am}), (\mathsf{P},\mathsf{As}), (\mathsf{L},\mathsf{Eu})\}$$

Efficiency

Meh: the scaling part is a bit too naive

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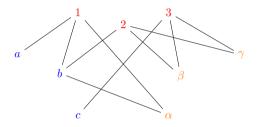
Polyadic Relational Concept Analysis. Alexandre Bazin, Jessie Galasso-Carbonnel, Giacomo Kahn. International Journal of Approximate Reasoning 2024.



k-partite Graphs as Contexts

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Computes the maximal complete m-partite subgraphs of a k-partitioned graph



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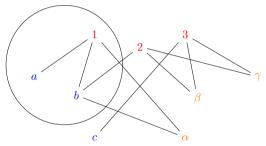
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Summary

▶ *n*-concepts: Good

► Introducers: Good

► Implications: Okay

Association rules: Okay

► Graphs: Okay

Relational: Meh



Coming soon!

- ► Performance improvements
- ▶ Better *n*-dimensional implications
- Distances between PCA structures

There:

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