



Simplified rough sets

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ABSTRACT

Z. Pawlak first proposed the rough set (RS) in 1982. For over forty years, scholars have developed a large number of RS models to solve various data problems. However, most RS models are designed based on inherent rules, and their mathematical structures are similar and complex. For this reason, the efficiency of RS methods in analyzing data has not been significantly improved. To address this issue, we propose some new rules to simplify traditional RS models. These simplified RS models, which are equivalent to traditional RS models, can mine data more quickly. In this paper, we take Pawlak RS as an example to compare the computational efficiency between the simplified Pawlak RS (SPRS) and the traditional RSs. Numerical experiments confirm that the computational efficiency of the SPRS is not only far superior to that of traditional Pawlak RS (TPRS), but also higher than that of most existing RSs.

1. Introduction

After experiencing the agricultural age, industrial age, and information age, humanity is entering the era of digital intelligence. In today's society, data is more massive, complex, and important than ever before. Data has been regarded as one of the very critical production factors. Quickly and accurately analyzing data has become an important issue of the times. This requires us to continuously explore effective methods to handle complex and massive data.

1.1. Overview of related works

So far, many methods and theories have been proposed to deal with various types of data. For example, in the 20th century, with the discovery of maximum likelihood method, hypothesis testing method, trust inference method, and Bayesian decision theory, statistics experienced rapid development [1,2]. Based on the theory of fuzzy sets established by L.A. Zadeh [3], fuzzy theory is proposed to solve fuzzy reasoning and fuzzy decision [4–6]. In addition, quotient space theory is explored to address complex data and achieve the goal of reducing computational complexity [7].

In 1982, Z. Pawlak proposed rough set (RS) model, which uses two precise sets, namely upper and lower approximations (ULAs), to approximate a set with fuzzy boundaries [8]. RS theory has undergone over 40 years of development, and has achieved many results in the establishment of system theory, computational models, and the development of application systems [9,10]. In RS theory, membership relationship is no longer a primitive concept, and there is no need to artificially assign a membership degree to an element, which effectively avoids the influence of subjective factors. When RS is used to analyze data, no prior knowledge is required

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and all parameters can be obtained from the sample set of the information table. Therefore, RS method extensively involves many fields such as knowledge representation and discovery, uncertain reasoning, granular computing, and feature selection [11–13].

Traditional Pawlak RS (TPRS) model, as we all know, is defined by an equivalence relationship or a partition on the universe. For any target concept X , the union of all equivalent classes contained in X is called the lower approximation (LA) of X . While the union of all equivalent classes whose intersections with X are not empty is referred to as the upper approximation (UA) of X . However, in most cases, it is impossible to induce an equivalence relationship or a partition on the universe. Therefore, researchers develop many generalized RS models to address data problems [14–16].

Meanwhile, we note that most of the mathematical structures of these generalized RS models are similar to that of the TPRS model. Therefore, the computational efficiency of most existing models is not significantly different from that of TPRS model.

1.2. Defects in existing rough sets

Although scholars are constantly trying to improve RS models in order to mine data more quickly, most of the proposed RS models are constructed based on the inherent methods, namely the traditional rules. That is to say, the mathematical structure of most RS models is similar to that of the TPRS model. This has resulted in little improvement in the computational efficiency of RS theory for over 40 years. There are two reasons to prevent existing RS models from mining data more quickly.

- For the RS models based on traditional rules, too much data needs to be analyzed. When RS method is employed to represent the target concepts, we need to examine all data in the data set. For example, for the TPRS model, it is necessary to calculate the equivalence class of each data. This is the main reason that restricts TPRS from quickly analyzing data.
- The process of calculating ULAs of the existing RS models is cumbersome, which reduces computational efficiency of RS models. For example, when the UA of TPRS is constructed, we must calculate the equivalence classes of all data in the universe, and then verify whether the intersection of each equivalence class and the target concept is an empty set.

1.3. Our work

Based on the above analysis, one can find that in order to improve computational efficiency of RS models, we have to overcome the above two defects, especially the first one. Firstly, when approximating the target concept, it is advisable to prioritize data specifically associated with the target concept, rather than considering the entirety of the dataset. Secondly, there is a need to improve the traditional RS models to make their mathematical structures simpler. According to these considerations, we should undertake a redesign of the traditional RS models to enhance their computational efficiency. Therefore, the motivation of this study is to propose some new rules and simplify existing RS models. And these simplified rough set models are not only equivalent to traditional models but also have higher computational efficiency. Here, taking Pawlak RS as an example, we will introduce the simplified Pawlak RS (SPRS) that is equivalent to TPRS and can process data more efficiently. The main contributions of this article are listed as follows.

(1) Based on the new rules, the TPRS can be simplified and equivalently defined. Then, SPRS model has two characteristics: First, calculating the ULAs of SPRS involves less data. Second, the structure of the SPRS model is simpler. These advantages result in SPRS having higher computational efficiency than TPRS. For example, the time complexity of algorithms for calculating the ULAs of SPRS is linear in terms of the universe, while that of TPRS is quadratic.

(2) Additionally, based on the new rules proposed in this paper, we can simply and equivalently redesign most of these existing models. That is to say, with the support of these proposed rules, the computing efficiency of RS method can be generally improved.

The remaining parts of the paper are arranged as follows. Section 2 lists some basic and important concepts of TPRS. Section 3 provides a detailed study of the SPRS model and its vital properties. Section 4 explores the relationship between attribute reductions of UA and LA on Pawlak RS, and proves that these two types of reduction are actually equivalent. Section 5 designs six algorithms for computing ULAs and reductions of SPRS. In Section 6, we conduct the numerical experiments to study the computing efficiency of SPRS. Experimental results show that SPRS is more effective in mining data than traditional RS models. Section 7 briefly summarizes the main contents of this paper and clarifies the works that need further study.

2. Preliminaries

A sequence group

$$I = (U, AT, \{V_a | a \in AT\}, \{f_a | a \in AT\}) \tag{1}$$

is called an information table, where U, AT, V_a and f_a represent the universe, attribute set, attribute value of attribute a and information function about attribute a , respectively [17,18]. And $U/E_{AT} = \{[x]_{AT} | x \in U\}$ is the partition on U , where $[x]_{AT}$ is the equivalence class of x .

Since TPRS model was proposed, it has been extensively and deeply studied. Several equivalent definitions of TPRS are listed as follows [8].

Definition 2.1. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), for each target concept $X \subseteq U$, the UA of X can be shown as follows.

$$\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) = \{x \in U \mid [x]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset\} \tag{2}$$

$$= \cup \{ [x]_{AT} \in U/E_{AT} \mid [x]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset \}. \quad (3)$$

And the LA of X (where $X^C = U - X$) can be written as follows.

$$\underline{apr}_{AT}(X) = \{ x \in U \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X \}, \quad (4)$$

$$= \cup \{ [x]_{AT} \in U/E_{AT} \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X \} \quad (5)$$

$$= (\overline{apr}_{AT}(X^C))^C. \quad (6)$$

Eqs. (2)-(6) show classical methods for constructing TPRS. These methods involve two issues: One is that the equivalence class of each object needs to be calculated. Another is that the relationship between each equivalence class and the target concept has to be distinguished. Here, these classical methods are referred to as the traditional rules. To address various learning tasks, researchers develop various generalized RS models. However, most of these models are designed by the traditional rules. Therefore, computational efficiency of these models is similar to that of TPRS model. Based on TPRS model, for any target concept $X \subseteq U$, all samples of the information table fall into three disjoint parts, namely positive, negative and boundary regions, as follows.

$$Pos_{AT}(X) = \underline{apr}_{AT}(X);$$

$$Neg_{AT}(X) = U - \overline{apr}_{AT}(X);$$

$$Bou_{AT}(X) = \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - \underline{apr}_{AT}(X).$$

Attribute reduction, also known as feature selection, is a core issue of RS theory. In order to achieve various learning tasks, scholars propose many types of attribute reduction [8,19–23]. Two widely used and important kinds of attribute reduction are as follows.

Definition 2.2. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), for any target concept $X \subseteq U$, if $A \subseteq AT$ satisfies the following two conditions:

$$(1) \underline{apr}_A(X) = \underline{apr}_{AT}(X),$$

$$(2) \text{ For any } a \in A, \underline{apr}_{A-\{a\}}(X) \neq \underline{apr}_{AT}(X),$$

then A is called the LA reduction of AT with respect to X , and is denoted as $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$.

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$$(1) \overline{apr}_A(X) = \overline{apr}_{AT}(X),$$

$$(2) \text{ For any } a \in A, \overline{apr}_{A-\{a\}}(X) \neq \overline{apr}_{AT}(X),$$

then A is called the UA reduction of AT with respect to X , and is denoted as $Reduct(AT)_{U,X}$.

3. Simplified Pawlak rough set (SPRS)

Over the past forty years, people have designed a large number of RS models to address numerous data mining tasks. However, most of these models are proposed using the same or similar rules. In this part, we come up with some new rules and simply Pawlak RS as follows.

Theorem 3.1. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), $X \subseteq U$ is a target concept, then the UA of TPRS can be equivalently defined by:

$$\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) = \cup_{x \in X} [x]_{AT}, \quad (7)$$

$$= U - \{ x \in X^C \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X^C \}. \quad (8)$$

Proof. Firstly, let's verify that Eq. (7) is true.

(\Leftarrow): For each $x_0 \in \cup_{x \in X} [x]_{AT}$, there exists $x_1 \in X$ such that $x_0 \in [x_1]_{AT}$. Then we have $[x_1]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset$ and $[x_1]_{AT} = [x_0]_{AT}$. So, it can be obtained that $[x_0]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset$. Hence, $x_0 \in \{ x \in U \mid [x]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset \}$, i.e., $x_0 \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$. Therefore, we have $\cup_{x \in X} [x]_{AT} \subseteq \overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.

(\Rightarrow): For each $x_0 \in \{ x \in U \mid [x]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset \}$, we have $[x_0]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset$. Then there exists $x_1 \in U$ such that $x_1 \in [x_0]_{AT}$ and $x_1 \in X$. Based on $x_1 \in [x_0]_{AT}$, one can find that $[x_1]_{AT} = [x_0]_{AT}$. Then we have $x_0 \in [x_1]_{AT}$ and $x_1 \in X$. Hence, $x_0 \in \cup_{x \in X} [x]_{AT}$, i.e., $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \subseteq \cup_{x \in X} [x]_{AT}$.

Secondly, let's prove that Eq. (8) holds.

(\Leftarrow): For each $x_0 \in U - \{ x \in X^C \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X^C \}$, we have $x_0 \notin \{ x \in X^C \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X^C \}$. Then $[x_0]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset$. Hence, $x_0 \in \cup \{ [x]_{AT} \in U/E_{AT} \mid [x]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset \}$. By Eq. (3), it can be obtained that $x_0 \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$, i.e., $U - \{ x \in X^C \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X^C \} \subseteq \overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.

(\Rightarrow): For each $x_0 \in \{ x \in U \mid [x]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset \}$, we have $[x_0]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset$. Then $[x_0]_{AT} \not\subseteq X^C$ i.e., $x_0 \in U - \{ x \in X^C \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X^C \}$. Therefore, $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \subseteq U - \{ x \in X^C \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X^C \}$. \square

Theorem 3.2. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), $X \subseteq U$ is a target concept, then the LA of TPRS can be equivalently defined by:

$$\underline{apr}_{AT}(X) = \{x \in X \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X\}, \quad (9)$$

$$= X - \cup_{x \in X^C} [x]_{AT}. \quad (10)$$

Proof. Similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1, it is immediate. \square

Based on Theorems 3.1 and 3.2, we simplify and redefine TPRS using new rules. That is, we only need to calculate the equivalence classes of the data in the target concept. Moreover, from Eqs. (7) and (10), there is no need to test the relationship between the equivalence classes and the target concept.

The boundary and negative regions are two common and useful sets in RS theory. Similarly, we can simplify and redefine these two sets as follows.

Theorem 3.3. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), $X \subseteq U$ is a target concept, then we can equivalently define the boundary region of X with respect to TPRS as follows:

$$Bou_{AT}(X) = \cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X} [x]_{AT}, \quad (11)$$

$$= \cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X^C) - X^C} [x]_{AT}. \quad (12)$$

Proof. Let's verify that Eq. (11) is true.

(\Leftarrow): Obviously, $\cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X} [x]_{AT} = \cup\{[x]_{AT} \mid x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X\}$. According to Definition 2.1, we have $Bou_{AT}(X) = \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - \underline{apr}_{AT}(X) = \cup\{[x]_{AT} \mid x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - \underline{apr}_{AT}(X)\}$. Because for any target concept X , the relationship $\underline{apr}_{AT}(X) \subseteq X$ holds. So $\cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X} [x]_{AT} \subseteq Bou_{AT}(X)$.

(\Rightarrow): For any $x_0 \in Bou_{AT}(X)$, we have $[x_0]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset$ and $[x_0]_{AT} \not\subseteq X$. Then, there exists $y \in [x_0]_{AT}$ such that $[y]_{AT} \cap X \neq \emptyset$ and $y \notin X$. So, $y \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X$. Thus, $[y]_{AT} \subseteq \cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X} [x]_{AT}$. Due to $[y]_{AT} = [x_0]_{AT}$, we have $[x_0]_{AT} \subseteq \cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X} [x]_{AT}$, i.e., $x_0 \in \cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X} [x]_{AT}$. Therefore, $Bou_{AT}(X) \subseteq \cup_{x \in \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - X} [x]_{AT}$.

Similarly, Eq. (12) can be proven to be valid. \square

Corollary 3.1. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), $X \subseteq U$ is a target concept, we have

$$Bou_{AT}(X) = Bou_{AT}(X^C).$$

Theorem 3.4. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), $X \subseteq U$ is a target concept, then we can equivalently define the negative region of X with respect to TPRS as follows:

$$Neg_{AT}(X) = U - \cup_{x \in X} [x]_{AT},$$

$$= \{x \in X^C \mid [x]_{AT} \subseteq X^C\}.$$

Proof. It is immediate. \square

4. Attribute reduction

Attribute reduction aims to remove redundant or unimportant attributes to reduce data dimensionality and complexity. It is of great significance for improving the efficiency of analyzing data and reducing over-fitting phenomena. In the theory of reduction, attribute reductions of UA and LA are very important and representative. So far, people have paid little attention to the relationship between them. In this part, we try to study the relationship between them and obtain the following interesting fact.

Theorem 4.1. In an information table represented by Eq. (1), $X \subseteq U$ is a target concept, then A is a LA reduction of AT with respect to X if and only if A is an UA reduction of AT with respect to X^C .

Proof. (\Rightarrow): Suppose that A is a LA reduction of AT with respect to X . Then we have

$$(1) \underline{apr}_A(X) = \underline{apr}_{AT}(X),$$

$$(2) \text{ For any } a \in A, \underline{apr}_{A/\{a\}}(X) \neq \underline{apr}_{AT}(X).$$

Because $\underline{apr}_A(X) \cap \overline{apr}_A(X^C) = \emptyset$ and $\underline{apr}_A(X) = U - \overline{apr}_A(X^C)$, from equations $\underline{apr}_A(X) = \underline{apr}_{AT}(X)$ and $\underline{apr}_{A/\{a\}}(X) \neq \underline{apr}_{AT}(X)$, we can get $\overline{apr}_A(X^C) = \overline{apr}_{AT}(X^C)$ and $\overline{apr}_{A/\{a\}}(X^C) \neq \overline{apr}_{AT}(X^C)$. Then, we have

$$(1') \overline{apr}_A(X^C) = \overline{apr}_{AT}(X^C),$$

Table 1
An information table.

<i>OB</i>	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4
x_1	1	1	0	1
x_2	1	1	0	0
x_3	1	0	1	0
x_4	1	0	1	0
x_5	0	0	0	1
x_6	0	0	0	1
x_7	0	1	1	1
x_8	0	1	1	0

(2') For any $a \in A$, $\overline{apr}_{A/\{a\}}(X^C) \neq \overline{apr}_{AT}(X^C)$.

Based on Definition 2.3, A is an UA reduction of AT with respect to X^C .

(\Leftarrow) Similarly, it is immediate. \square

In order to have a more intuitive understanding of Theorem 4.1, we provide a specific example as follows.

Example 4.1. Here is an information table, where $U = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_8\}$, and $AT = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4\}$. See Table 1 for details.

For $X = \{x_2, x_3, x_5, x_7\}$, based on Definition 2.2, one can find that $A = \{a_3, a_4\}$ is a LA reduction with respect to X . Meanwhile, according to Definition 2.3, we know that $A = \{a_3, a_4\}$ is also the UA reduction with respect to X^C , i.e., $Reduct(AT)_{L,X} = Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}$.

5. Algorithms

In the previous two sections, we discuss the equivalent characterization of TPRS, and prove that the attribute reductions of UA and LA are equivalent. Here, based on SPRS, we will design algorithms for calculating ULAs reduction, and study the time complexity of these algorithms.

- Algorithm for calculating upper approximation (UA)

Here, we design two algorithms to compute UA of Pawlak RS based on new rules. From Theorem 3.1, UA of SPRS can be computed by Eqs. (7) and (8). Based on Eqs. (7) and (8), we develop Algorithms 1 and 2 as follows.

Algorithm 1 An algorithm for computing $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.

INPUT: An information table $I = (U, AT, \{V_a | a \in AT\}, \{f_a | a \in AT\})$, and a target concept $X \subseteq U$;
 OUTPUT: $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.
 $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow \emptyset$
 For $i = 1 : |X|; i \leq |X|; i++$ do
 Computing $[x_i]_{AT}, x_i \in X$
 $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \cup [x_i]_{AT}$

Algorithm 2 An algorithm for computing $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.

INPUT: An information table $I = (U, AT, \{V_a | a \in AT\}, \{f_a | a \in AT\})$, and a target concept $X \subseteq U$;
 OUTPUT: $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.
 $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow U$
 For $i = 1 : |X^C|; i \leq |X^C|; i++$ do
 Computing $[x_i]_{AT}, x_i \in X^C$
 If $[x_i]_{AT} \subseteq X^C$, then $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - \{x_i\}$

- Algorithms for calculating lower approximation (LA)

Next, we explore two algorithms to calculate LA of Pawlak RS according to new rules. By Theorem 3.2, we provide two equivalent characterizations of LA of Pawlak RS. Based on Eqs. (9) and (10), Algorithms 3 and 4 are developed for calculating LA of SPRS, respectively.

- Algorithms for calculating attribute reduction

By Theorem 4.1, the LA reduction of the target set X is equal to the UA reduction of X^C , i.e., $Reduct(A)_{L,X} = Reduct(A)_{U,X^C}$. According to SPRS model, we develop Algorithms 5 and 6 to compute $Reduct(A)_{L,X}$ and $Reduct(A)_{U,X^C}$, respectively.

Table 2
The time complexity of Algorithms.

SPRS Algorithms	The time complexity	TPRS Algorithms	The time complexity
Algorithm 1	$O(X U)$	Algorithm _T 1	$O(U ^2) + O(X U)$
Algorithm 2	$O(X^C U) + O(X^C ^2)$	Algorithm _T 2	$O(U ^2) + O(X U)$
Algorithm 3	$O(X U) + O(X ^2)$	Algorithm _T 3	$O(l \times U ^2) + O(l \times X U)$
Algorithm 4	$O(X^C U)$		
Algorithm 5	$O(l \times X U) + O(l \times X ^2)$		
Algorithm 6	$O(l \times X^C U)$		

Algorithm 3 An algorithm for computing $\underline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.

INPUT: An information table $I = (U, AT, \{V_a|a \in AT\}, \{f_a|a \in AT\})$, and a target concept $X \subseteq U$;
 OUTPUT: $\underline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.
 $\underline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow \emptyset$
 For $i = 1 : |X|; i \leq |X|; i++$ do
 Computing $[x_i]_{AT}, x_i \in X$
 If $[x_i]_{AT} \subseteq X$, then $\underline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow \underline{apr}_{AT}(X) \cup \{x_i\}$

Algorithm 4 An algorithm for computing $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.

INPUT: An information table $I = (U, AT, \{V_a|a \in AT\}, \{f_a|a \in AT\})$, and a target concept $X \subseteq U$;
 OUTPUT: $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X)$.
 $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow X$
 For $i = 1 : |X^C|; i \leq |X^C|; i++$ do
 Computing $[x_i]_{AT}, x_i \in X^C$
 $\overline{apr}_{AT}(X) \leftarrow \overline{apr}_{AT}(X) - [x_i]_{AT}$

Algorithm 5 An algorithm for computing $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$.

INPUT: An information table $I = (U, AT, \{V_a|a \in AT\}, \{f_a|a \in AT\})$, and a target concept $X \subseteq U$;
 OUTPUT: $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$.
 $Reduct(AT)_{L,X} \leftarrow AT$
 For $i = 1 : |AT|; i \leq |AT|; i++$ do
 If $\underline{apr}_{Reduct(AT)_{L,X}/\{a_i\}}(X) = \underline{apr}_{Reduct(AT)_{L,X}}(X)$, then $Reduct(AT)_{L,X} \leftarrow Reduct(AT)_{L,X} - \{a_i\}$

Algorithm 6 An algorithm for computing $Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}$.

INPUT: An information table $I = (U, AT, \{V_a|a \in AT\}, \{f_a|a \in AT\})$, and a target concept $X \subseteq U$;
 OUTPUT: $Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}$.
 $Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C} \leftarrow AT$
 For $i = 1 : |AT|; i \leq |AT|; i++$ do
 If $\overline{apr}_{Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}/\{a_i\}}(X) = \overline{apr}_{Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}}(X)$, then $Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C} \leftarrow Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C} - \{a_i\}$

Finally, we will study the complexity of all proposed algorithms. We develop Algorithms 1 and 2 to calculate the UA of the SPRS model, respectively. Here, we first provide a detailed introduction to the time complexity of these two algorithms, and then compare it with the complexity of the traditional algorithm (Algorithm_T 1) that calculates the UA of TPRS. In Algorithm 1, we only need to calculate the equivalent classes of each object in X . So, the time complexity of Algorithm 1 is $O(|X||U|)$. In Algorithm 2, we first calculate the equivalent classes of objects in X^C , with a time complexity of $O(|X^C||U|)$. Then, we determine whether they are included in X^C , with a complexity of $O(|X^C|^2)$. So the total time complexity of Algorithm 2 is $O(|X^C||U|) + O(|X^C|^2)$. In Algorithm_T 1, we first calculate the equivalent classes of all objects in U , where the time complexity is $O(|U|^2)$. Then, we determine whether they intersect with X , where the time complexity is $O(|X||U|)$. Hence, the time complexity of Algorithm_T 1 is $O(|U|^2) + O(|X||U|)$. The complexity of all algorithms is shown in Table 2, where the letter l represents the number of attributes in the information table. And Algorithm_T 2 and Algorithm_T 3 represent the traditional algorithms for calculating the LA and attribute reduction of TPRS model, respectively.

Table 3
The basic information of data sets.

No.	Datasets	Objects	Attributes
1	Statlog	1000	24
2	OPPORTUNITY	2511	240
3	Seismic-bumps	2584	17
4	Page-blocks	5472	10
5	Thyroid Disease	7200	21
6	Mushroom	8124	23
7	Occupancy-Estimation	10129	17
8	Magic	19020	10
9	Shuttle	57999	9

Table 4
Specific information about the operating environment.

Name	Model	Parameter
CPU	Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-6300HQ	2.30 GHz
Platform	Python	3.11
System	Windows10	64 bit
Memory	SAMSUNG DDR4	8 GB; 2666 MHz
Hard Disk	SAMSUNG SSD	256 GB

6. Experimental analysis

In this section, we choose nine data sets in UCI (<http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets.html>) for experimental analysis. The details of data sets are in Table 3. A private computer completed all the experimental processes and results. And Table 4 shows the experimental operating environment including relevant parameters. To distinguish the time consumption, each of the nine data sets falls into ten disjoint parts with equal size, and denoted as $U'_1, U'_2, \dots, U'_{10}$. Here, $U_i = \cup_{j=1}^i U'_j$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, 10$) are selected as ten universes with increasing sizes in sequence. And we randomly select 10%, 20%, ..., 90% of the data in each data set as target concepts with increasing scales and denote them as X_1, X_2, \dots, X_9 , respectively.

Next, we will evaluate the computational efficiency of the SPRS model from three aspects: UA, LA, and attribute reduction. We use many tables, namely Tables A.1–A.13, to present the experimental results in Sections 6.1–6.3. Please refer to them in the appendix of this article.

6.1. Experimental analysis on SPRS

- Experimental analysis on UA

According to Theorem 3.1, we can calculate the UA of SPRS by Eqs. (7)–(8), respectively. From Table A.1, as the size of target concept increases, the time consumption for computing UA by Eq. (7) (TC 7) continues to increase, while the time consumption related to Eq. (8) (TC 8) gradually decreases. Moreover, when the scale of target concept does not exceed about half of the size of data set, the TC 7 is shorter than TC 8. Otherwise, the TC 7 is longer than TC 8.

- Experimental analysis on LA

According to Theorem 3.2, we can compute the LA of SPRS by Eqs. (9)–(10), respectively. From Table A.2, as the size of target concept increases, the time consumption related to Eq. (9) (TC 9) continues to increase, while the time consumption related to Eq. (10) (TC 10) gradually decreases. Moreover, when the scale of target concept does not exceed about half of the size of data set, the TC 9 is shorter than TC 10. Otherwise, the TC 9 is longer than TC 10.

- Experimental analysis on attribute reduction

Now, let's analyze the time consumption of attribute reduction. By Theorem 4.1, $Reduct(AT)_{L,X} = Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}$. In what follows, we will compare the time consumption with respect to $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ and $Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}$. From Table A.3, as the size of target concept increases, the time consumption related to $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ (TC $R_{L,X}$) continues to increase, while the time consumption related to $Reduct(AT)_{U,X^C}$ (TC R_{U,X^C}) gradually decreases. Moreover, when the scale of the target concept exceeds about half of that of data set, TC R_{U,X^C} is shorter than TC $R_{L,X}$. Otherwise, TC R_{U,X^C} is longer than TC $R_{L,X}$.

6.2. Comparative analysis between SPRS and traditional RSs

TPRS, as we all know, is good at analyzing complete symbolic data. When the information table contains certain errors or important information is missing, TPRS can not make effective analysis. For this reason, variable precision RS (VPRS) is introduced [20]. As an important extension of TPRS, VPRS can effectively handle data with noise.

We know that TPRS has very strict requirements for knowledge classification and lacks fault tolerance. In order to address this issue, probabilistic RS (PRS) is proposed [21]. The classification of PRS is not entirely correct or uncertain, but it has a certain degree of error tolerance.

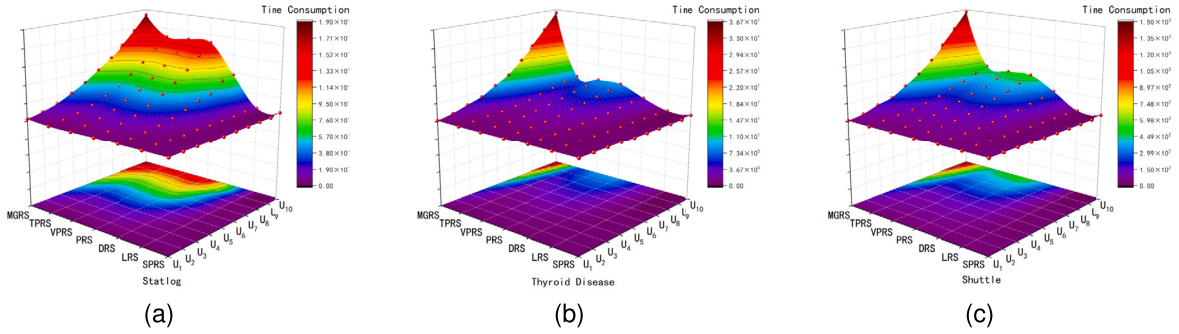


Fig. 1. The time consumption for computing UA in different universes.

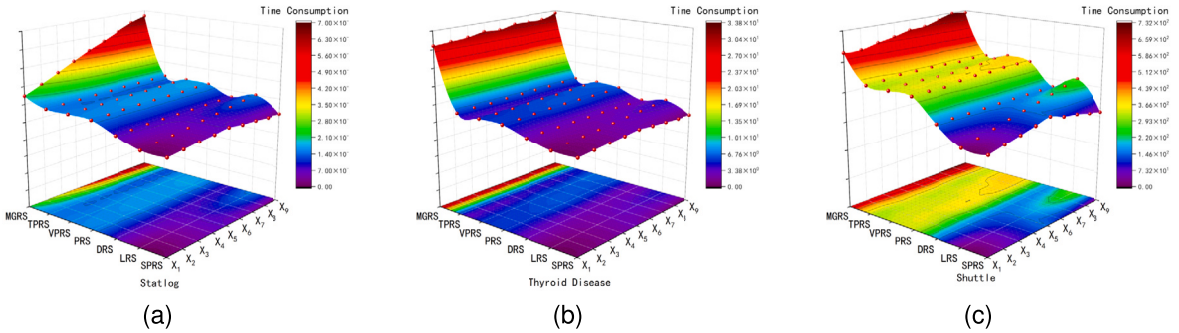


Fig. 2. The time consumption for computing UA in different target concepts.

TPRS divides objects in the universe into known concepts through a single granular structure or an equivalent relationship, and then the unknown concepts are represented by using the known concepts. However, there are often multiple granular structures in a data set, so TPRS needs to be promoted, and multi-granulation RS (MGRS) based on multiple granular structures is developed and widely studied [11].

For TPRS model, all objects in the data set participate in the calculation of ULAs, which leads to low efficiency in analyzing the data. Y.H. Qian, et al. initially propose the local RS (LRS) [22], in which only the data in the target concept, rather than all data in the data set, is focused on. This helps greatly improve the computational efficiency of RS model.

Traditional data mining methods often encounter difficulties in balancing the efficiency and accuracy of data processing. To tackle this challenge, Q.Z. Kong et al. propose a novel data processing technique called the DMF strategy, and further introduce a DMF-based RS (DRS) model [23]. The DRS model enables rapid and precise data analysis.

The six types of RS models mentioned above have been widely discussed and are very representative. Here, from the perspective of the computational efficiency, we compare SPRS with these six types of RSs.

• Comparative analysis on UA

Now, let's analyze the impact of data size on the time spent calculating UA. Here, we draw Fig. 1 by Table A.4. From Fig. 1 and Table A.4, we can observe the following phenomena.

(1) When calculating the UA of Pawlak RS, the computational efficiency of SPRS is much higher than that of TPRS. And as the size of universe increases, the advantage of SPRS in terms of computational efficiency becomes increasingly apparent. For example, in the first data set, if U_{10} is taken as the universe, the time consumption of SPRS is only 1/23 of that of TPRS. In the ninth data set, when considering U_{10} as the universe, the computing efficiency of SPRS model is 280 times that of TPRS.

(2) Regardless of the size of the universe, calculating the UA of SPRS always takes less time than that of MGRS, VPRS, PRS, and DRS. For the SPRS and LRS models, regardless of whether the size of universe is large or small, in most cases, SPRS is more effective in analyzing data than LRS.

Next, let's analyze the impact of the size of target concept on the time spent calculating UA. According to Table A.1, if the scale of the target concept is smaller, we select Algorithm 1 to analyze the data. Otherwise, we use Algorithm 2 to process the data. From Fig. 2 and Table A.5, we can get the following conclusions.

(1) The time taken to obtain the UA by using SPRS is always shorter than that by using TPRS, which is not affected by the size of the target concept. And the less data the target concept contains, the greater the advantage of the SPRS model is. For example, if the target concept is X_1 , the efficiency of SPRS often exceeds that of TPRS by more than ten times.

(2) Regardless of the size of target concept, calculating the UA of SPRS always takes less time than that of MGRS, VPRS, PRS, and DRS. Additionally, in the vast majority of cases, SPRS analyzes data faster than LRS.

• Comparative analysis on LA

Here, we obtain Fig. 3 by the data in Table A.6. From Table A.6 and Fig. 3, we can get two important results as follows.

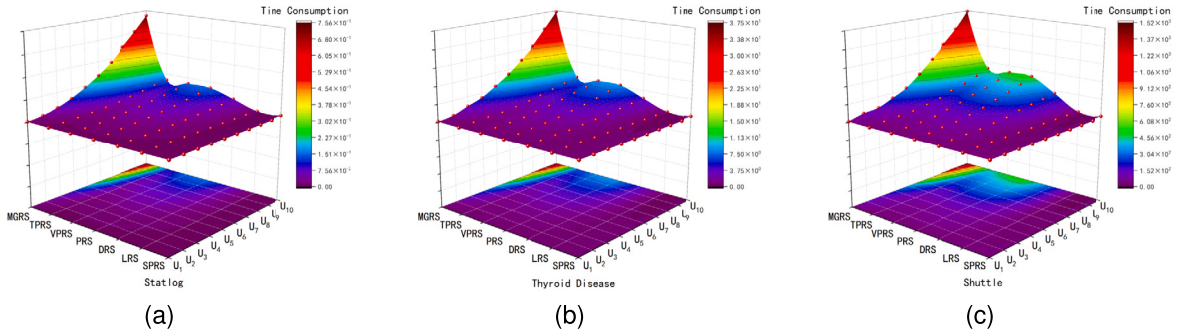


Fig. 3. The time consumption for computing LA in different universes.

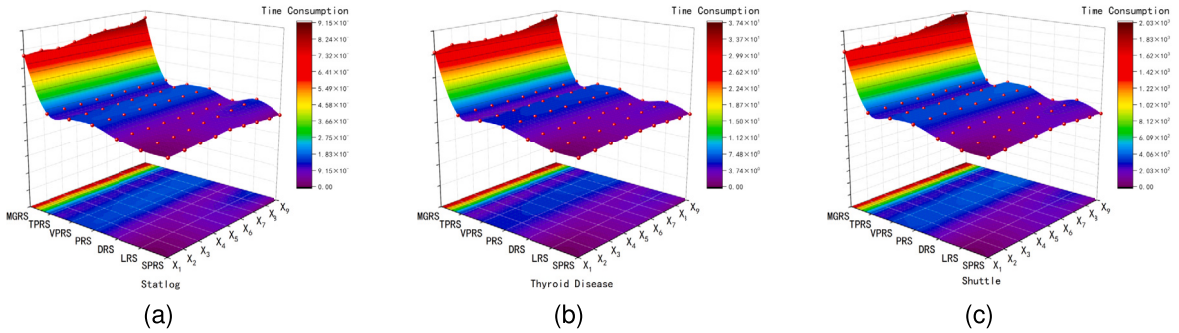


Fig. 4. The time consumption for computing LA in different target concepts.

(1) SPRS model always takes less time to compute LA of Pawlak RS than TPRS model, which is independent of the scale of universe. And the more data there is, the more prominent the computational efficiency of SPRS is. For example, for the universe U_{10} in the ninth data set, the time consumption of SPRS and TPRS models is 2.0822 seconds and 480.9877 seconds, respectively. Obviously, there is a gap of approximately 240 times between them.

(2) Regardless of the number of data in universe, compared to all models except LRS, SPRS model always takes less time to obtain the LA. While the computational efficiency of SPRS and LRS is similar, and the size of universe has no significant impact on this result.

Note that we can compute LA of SPRS by Algorithm 3 or 4. According to Table A.2, if the number of data in the target concept does not exceed half of the total number of data, we employ Algorithm 3 to calculate the LA. Otherwise, Algorithm 4 is available.

Based on Table A.7 and Fig. 4, we have the following results.

(1) For any target concept, SPRS is able to calculate LA faster than TPRS. And the efficiency of SPRS can even be more than ten times higher than that of TPRS.

(2) For any target concept, compared to other models except LRS, SPRS always takes less time. If the number of data in the target concept does not exceed half of the number in the data set, SPRS and LRS take similar amount of time to compute the LA. If the scale of the target concept is larger, the calculation speed of SPRS increases rapidly. At this point, the efficiency of SPRS can be about ten times of that of LRS.

• Comparative analysis on attribute reduction

In this section, compared with other traditional RSs, we will verify the efficiency of attribute reduction with respect to SPRS.

From Table A.8 and Fig. 5, we have the following important results.

(1) For any universe, calculating $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ by using SPRS takes less time than that by using TPRS. Moreover, as the size of the universe increases, the advantages of SPRS become more apparent. For example, for the universe U_{10} in the ninth data set, the time taken by TPRS and SPRS is 6754.9284 seconds and 32.9951 seconds, respectively. Obviously, the efficiency of SPRS is more than two hundred times higher than that of TPRS.

(2) No matter how much data the universe contains, we can use the SPRS instead of MGRS, VPRS, PRS and DRS to select the desired attributes or features faster. While for the universe of any size, the efficiency of using SPRS and LRS to select attributes is similar.

Here, we will verify that SPRS can quickly select attributes in different scales of target concept. According to Table A.3, if the scale of the target concept is less than half of the scale of the universe, Algorithm 5 selects attributes more quickly. Otherwise, Algorithm 6 is available. From Table A.9 and Fig. 6, we have the following basic facts.

(1) For target concepts containing any amount of data, the efficiency of using SPRS to calculate reduction is higher than that of TPRS. Specifically, when the scale of the target concept is particularly small or large, the advantages of SPRS will be greater.

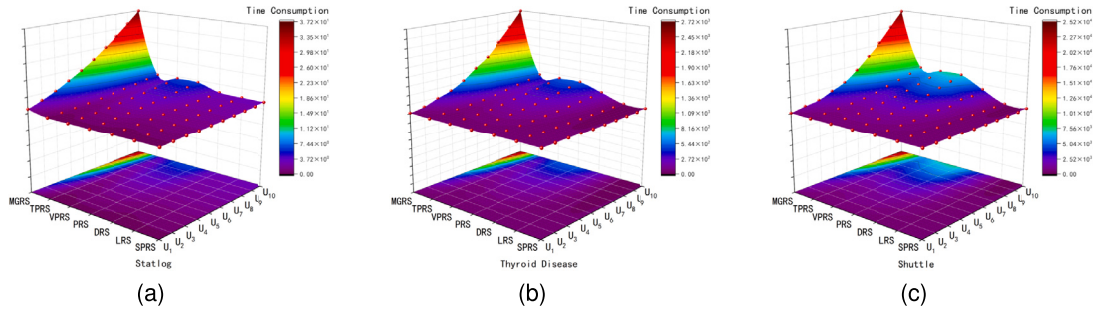


Fig. 5. The time consumption for computing reductions $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ of RS models in different universes.

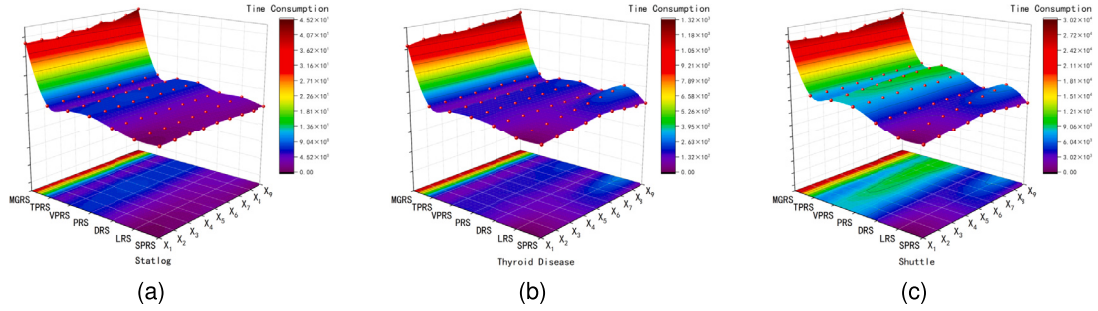


Fig. 6. The time consumption for computing reductions $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ of RS models in different target concepts.

(2) For target concepts containing any amount of data, compared to models such as MGRS, VPRS, PRS, and DRS, SPRS can be used to select the required attributes more quickly. If the size of the target concept does not exceed half of that of the data set, both SPRS and LRS can be used to quickly select attributes, and the speed of attribute selection is similar. However, if there is a large amount of data in the target concept, the speed of selecting attributes by using SPRS is significantly faster than that by using LRS.

Next, we employ the Wilcoxon test to conduct statistical significance hypothesis testing (significance level is selected as 0.05) to confirm that SPRS model can analyze data more quickly than traditional RS models.

Here, using Wilcoxon test, we analyze the experimental data of SPRS and six traditional RSs in sequence. From Table A.10, one can find that there are significant differences in experimental data between SPRS and traditional RSs, regardless of the scale of the universe and target concept. This confirms that SPRS can mine data more quickly than traditional RSs at any data scale.

6.3. Experimental analysis on SPRS equipped with lexicographical order

After the introduction of RS theory, how to improve the efficiency of RS model in analyzing data has become a focus of attention. In the 1990s and early this century, many scholars have been committed to improving the computational efficiency of RS models and have proposed lots of efficient algorithms [24–27]. For example, S.H. Nguyen and H.S. Nguyen use the lexicographic order method (LOM) to calculate equivalent classes, which greatly improves the efficiency of calculating the upper and lower approximations of the TPRS model [28]. Obviously, for the Pawlak RS model, we can combine SPRS with LOM to propose a more efficient data mining method ($SPRS_{LOM}$).

In this part, we contrast $SPRS_{LOM}$ with three techniques: TPRS, SPRS and LOM. Our intention is to illustrate that SPRS equipped with LOM excels at extracting data with greater efficiency.

From Tables A.11–A.12 and Figs. 7–8, one can find that although both SPRS and LOM can process data faster than TPRS, $SPRS_{LOM}$ has higher computational efficiency than SPRS and LOM. Additionally, we use the Wilcoxon test to perform significance analysis (significance level is selected as 0.05) on the data in Tables A.11 and A.12. The results of Wilcoxon test in Table A.13 indicate that there are significant differences between the experimental data of $SPRS_{LOM}$ and those of the three methods: TPRS, SPRS and LOM. It once again verifies that, in comparison to SPRS and LOM, SPRS based on LOM has higher computational efficiency. This discovery inspires us to combine SPRS with other data mining techniques to further improve the efficiency of data analysis.

7. Conclusion and future work

7.1. Conclusion

So far, although scholars have introduced a large number of RS models, most of these models are developed based on traditional rules. Therefore, the mathematical structures of most RS models are similar, and there has been no substantial enhancement in the computational efficiency of RS methods. The main conclusions of this paper include:

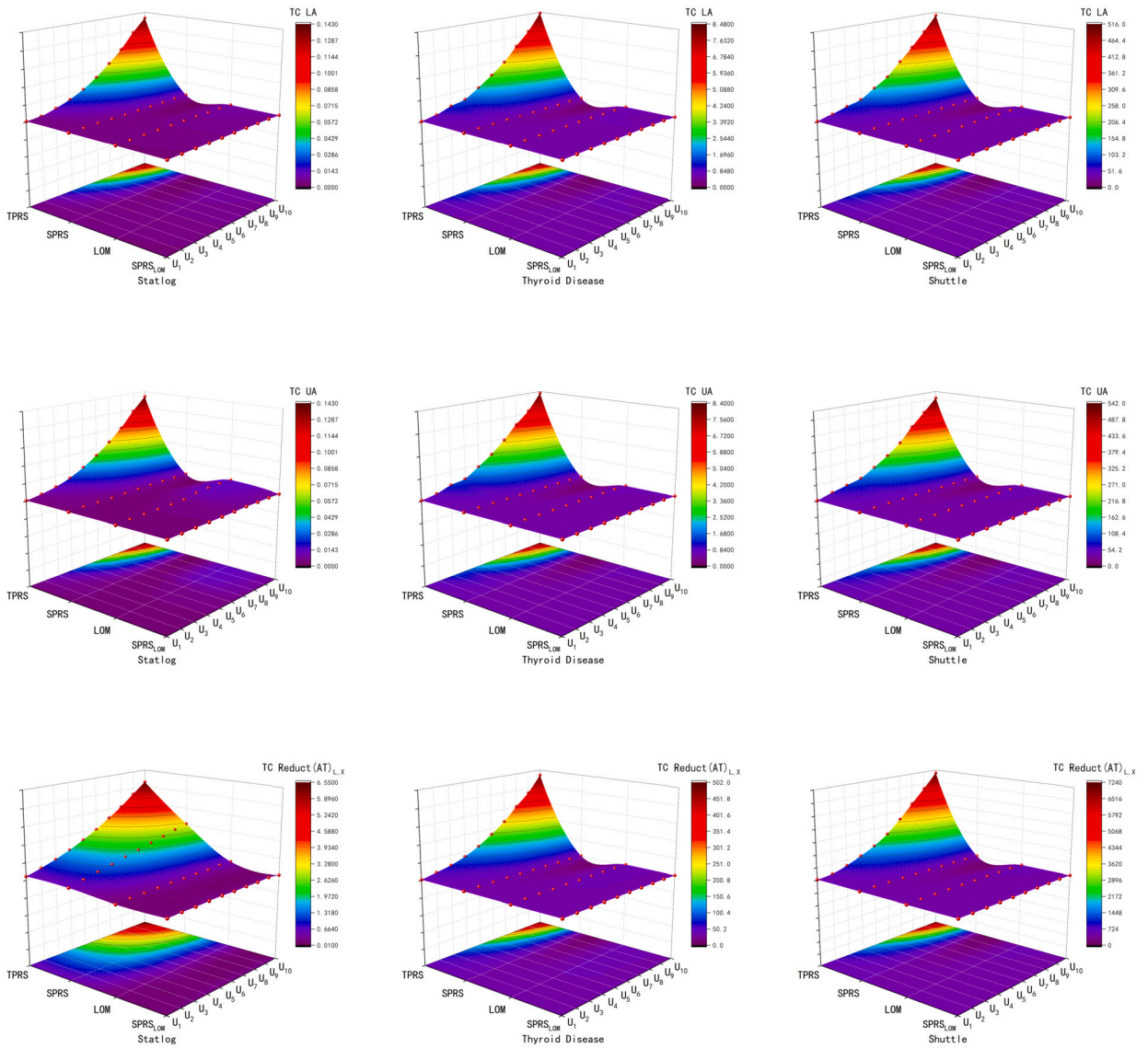


Fig. 7. The time consumption for computing LA, UA and $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ in different universes.

(1) We redesign TPRS based on new rules. Experimental analysis demonstrates that the computational efficiency of SPRS is extremely excellent, usually several hundred times higher than that of TPRS. Compared with several representative existing RSS, one can find that in most cases, SPRS can analyze data faster than most RSs.

(2) The attribute reductions of UA and LA play an important role in RS theory. In this article, we conclude that the LA reduction for any target concept is equal to the UA reduction of the complement set of that target concept. It means that these two reductions are essentially the same.

(3) Combined with lexicographic order method, SPRS can analyze data more efficiently.

7.2. Future work

We discover that the simplified Pawlak RS model, founded upon the new rules, excels at analyzing data with greater speed than the traditional Pawlak RS model. Due to this crucial observation, we can undertake the subsequent research work. Firstly, we can develop other simplified RS models and assess their computational efficiency. Secondly, we can explore the integration of the simplified RS models with fuzzy set theory to propose and investigate the simplified fuzzy RS models. Thirdly, we can study the potential of combining the simplified RS model with other data mining techniques to devise innovative methods that can further enhance the efficiency of data analysis within the RS framework. Finally, we also recognize that some covering RS models can not be equivalently simplified according to the proposed rules. So how to simplify these covering RS models needs further attention.

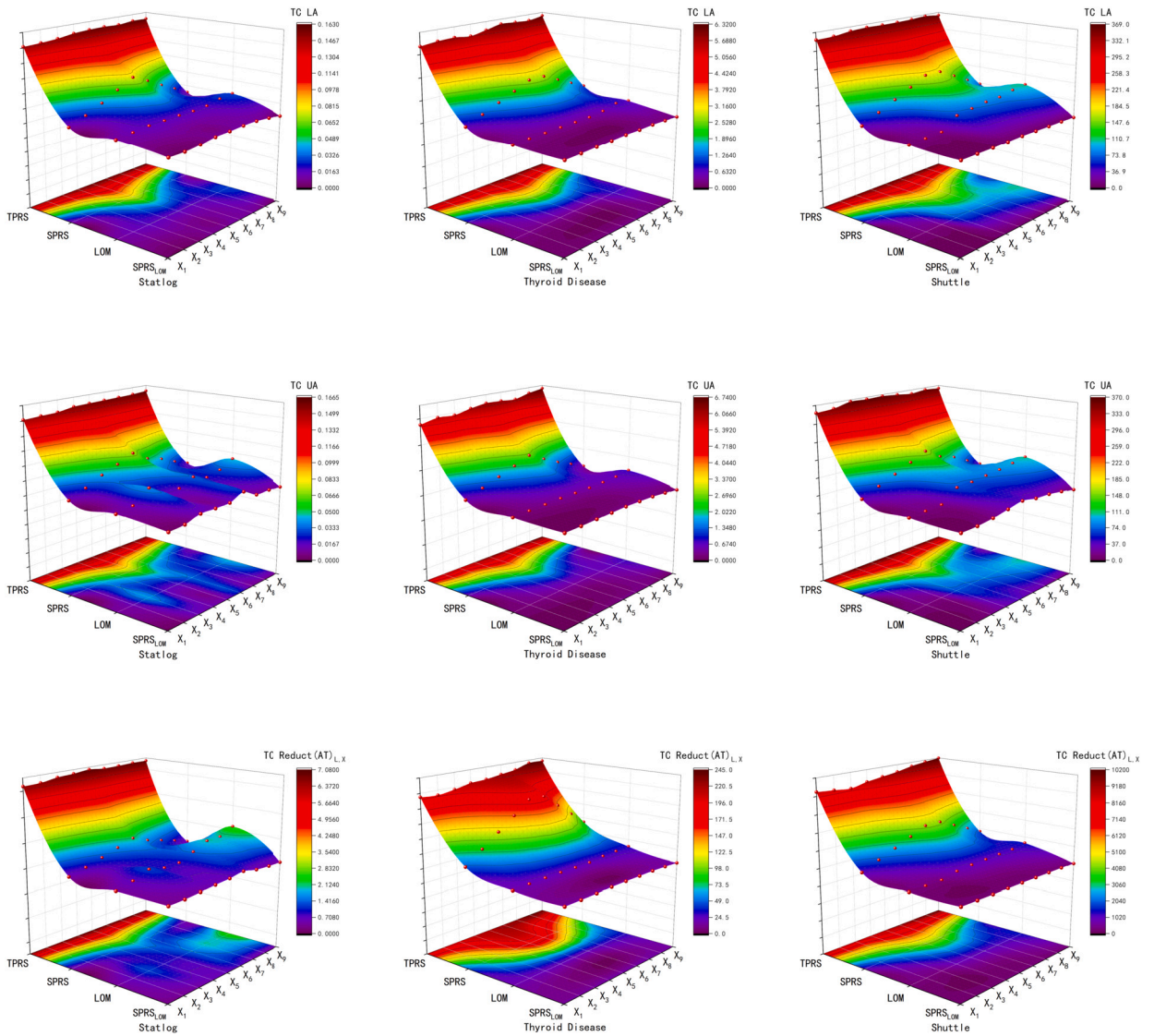


Fig. 8. The time consumption for computing LA, UA and $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ in different target concepts.

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Appendix A. Tables related to experimental analysis

Table A.1
The time consumption for computing UA of SPRS by Eqs. (7)-(8).

No.s	TC	X_1	X_2	X_3	X_4	X_5	X_6	X_7	X_8	X_9
1	7	0.0090	0.0199	0.0309	0.0389	0.0499	0.0598	0.0728	0.0748	0.0997
	8	0.1027	0.0888	0.0778	0.0658	0.0529	0.0439	0.0299	0.0189	0.0091
2	7	0.0668	0.1296	0.2014	0.2703	0.3471	0.4169	0.5046	0.5696	0.6483
	8	0.7071	0.6264	0.5585	0.4612	0.3790	0.3156	0.2284	0.1417	0.0708
3	7	0.0658	0.1336	0.2035	0.2912	0.3326	0.4374	0.5346	0.5768	0.6565
	8	0.7640	0.6570	0.5814	0.4932	0.4079	0.3010	0.2274	0.1496	0.0718
4	7	0.2484	0.5116	0.7486	0.9993	1.6805	1.9774	2.0491	2.5990	2.6419
	8	2.6895	2.2616	1.9689	2.1535	1.7150	1.2965	0.9689	0.5934	0.3870
5	7	0.5417	1.3880	1.7297	1.8127	2.3061	2.7377	3.1936	3.7390	4.1542
	8	7.5896	5.1389	3.8664	3.0193	2.4611	2.0167	1.4372	0.9515	0.4638
6	7	0.5160	1.0454	1.6720	2.1504	2.6990	3.2607	3.8388	4.4334	5.0225
	8	5.7560	5.1187	4.4540	3.6256	3.0050	2.3927	1.7656	1.1779	0.5799
7	7	0.9032	1.8487	2.8131	3.7634	4.7945	5.9183	6.9217	8.1321	12.9093
	8	10.6195	10.7996	8.2244	7.0329	5.8968	4.2626	3.1816	2.1081	1.0752
8	7	3.3971	7.4120	10.5654	14.1877	18.2195	22.3109	26.8448	30.9229	36.3427
	8	39.6670	35.2671	30.2703	26.0702	21.3641	17.0093	12.8212	7.8749	3.8194
9	7	31.7707	63.9949	95.3883	127.1779	158.7870	188.8332	224.6585	255.5586	286.5385
	8	294.7623	260.0291	225.4803	185.2510	161.9970	118.9991	99.2265	66.7298	35.4209

Table A.2
The time consumption for computing LA of SPRS by Eqs. (9)-(10).

No.s	TC	X_1	X_2	X_3	X_4	X_5	X_6	X_7	X_8	X_9
1	9	0.0130	0.0260	0.0400	0.0570	0.0730	0.0900	0.1060	0.1250	0.1430
	10	0.1300	0.1170	0.1036	0.0882	0.0730	0.0590	0.0460	0.0299	0.0150
2	9	0.0940	0.1966	0.3065	0.4200	0.5410	0.6578	0.7794	0.9018	1.0248
	10	0.9337	0.8319	0.7393	0.6364	0.5356	0.4255	0.3215	0.2130	0.1070
3	9	0.0598	0.1237	0.2254	0.2443	0.3271	0.3560	0.4528	0.5535	0.6054
	10	0.6054	0.5635	0.4747	0.3969	0.3101	0.2314	0.1945	0.1267	0.0629
4	9	0.3819	0.7745	1.2073	1.6392	2.0800	2.5601	2.9845	3.4683	4.2163
	10	3.7238	3.3226	2.8803	2.5276	2.0698	1.6414	1.2713	0.8206	0.4139
5	9	0.6368	0.8477	1.2766	1.7662	2.2872	2.7233	3.3223	3.8874	4.4353
	10	5.3591	3.6743	3.2328	2.7668	2.2875	1.8282	1.3843	0.9221	0.4478
6	9	0.6104	1.6915	2.2370	2.6958	3.4318	5.3048	6.0937	6.2573	7.0032
	10	6.9305	6.9335	5.5166	4.1609	3.4767	3.1655	2.3198	1.5418	0.6742
7	9	1.2726	2.9893	4.4369	7.3680	9.1030	11.0936	13.6775	12.5804	14.8322
	10	13.4269	13.2416	12.2899	10.6051	8.8318	7.9067	4.2511	2.8504	1.7124
8	9	4.0318	8.3645	13.1352	18.1427	22.7474	28.1915	33.6920	39.0301	44.1038
	10	40.7255	35.7799	31.4716	26.8861	22.2527	17.8046	13.2332	8.7302	4.3070
9	9	31.6491	64.6309	98.9135	154.3552	196.4386	239.5567	285.4801	327.9593	376.5661
	10	333.0028	293.8888	254.0872	213.9053	176.4765	139.8453	102.9273	68.0112	34.0175

Table A.3
The time consumption for computing $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ and $Reduct(AT)_{U,X^c}$.

No.s	TC	X_1	X_2	X_3	X_4	X_5	X_6	X_7	X_8	X_9
1	$R_{L,X}$	3.2281	3.5300	3.8876	4.3105	4.7614	5.1209	5.5486	5.9723	6.3550
	R_{U,X^c}	6.0903	5.7627	5.4615	5.1000	4.7226	4.3464	4.0012	3.6548	3.2454
2	$R_{L,X}$	206.5144	232.6477	259.0989	286.7574	317.2264	345.0704	373.5206	403.5474	434.0623
	R_{U,X^c}	414.1914	385.8488	361.9456	335.2094	312.5853	285.2354	259.5804	235.0160	208.0597
3	$R_{L,X}$	3.7879	5.4664	6.9145	7.7742	9.4039	11.5990	12.0388	13.1311	15.6172
	R_{U,X^c}	16.2794	12.7419	10.5199	10.8819	8.6798	8.4374	6.7260	5.9700	3.9415
4	$R_{L,X}$	13.2145	18.4506	23.9634	29.3443	34.8807	40.5286	46.6336	52.6181	61.1621
	R_{U,X^c}	54.1312	49.1370	44.1046	39.5836	34.6065	29.4209	24.1639	18.5800	13.5845
5	$R_{L,X}$	33.8745	51.7991	69.4297	84.9461	107.9610	130.3369	152.9633	179.9613	199.6641
	R_{U,X^c}	183.7521	164.5374	147.4273	125.9613	104.9916	88.9134	61.9469	45.9164	29.4432
6	$R_{L,X}$	19.6500	31.1298	39.9931	50.7323	61.6621	73.4616	89.0507	98.2216	111.3283
	R_{U,X^c}	101.8079	96.5438	82.6852	73.2971	62.4609	52.3779	41.2986	30.6839	20.5791
7	$R_{L,X}$	37.1180	60.2795	81.6254	93.1651	124.1684	159.1916	186.1652	221.9416	263.4631
	R_{U,X^c}	224.8226	198.5517	175.6727	155.4913	137.4981	103.1916	79.9411	54.9463	31.9493
8	$R_{L,X}$	71.7859	127.0945	186.7164	246.0780	307.0746	371.3767	441.3410	509.3631	579.4085
	R_{U,X^c}	520.4219	461.0685	404.9159	350.6180	294.2670	239.1114	185.3126	129.6961	75.8641
9	$R_{L,X}$	476.8629	917.4517	1482.0596	2046.3941	2469.1228	2930.8462	3377.9134	3801.9231	4394.9441
	R_{U,X^c}	4677.5042	4086.8970	3533.2387	3091.9463	2631.6583	2049.1631	1599.6134	996.4961	493.4955

Table A.4
The time consumption for computing UA in different universes.

No.s	U	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRs	SPRS	U	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRs	SPRS
1	U_1	0.0049	0.0010	0.0010	0.0020	0.0007	0.0010	0.0010	U_6	0.0770	0.0490	0.0500	0.0265	0.0040	0.0040	
	U_2	0.0120	0.0051	0.0045	0.0050	0.0025	0.0020	0.0020	U_7	0.0991	0.0680	0.0700	0.0690	0.0381	0.0040	0.0046
	U_3	0.0219	0.0110	0.0110	0.0120	0.0057	0.0020	0.0020	U_8	0.1240	0.0900	0.0910	0.0909	0.0461	0.0050	0.0050
	U_4	0.0376	0.0201	0.0210	0.0199	0.0100	0.0019	0.0020	U_9	0.1540	0.1170	0.1150	0.1165	0.0683	0.0060	0.0050
	U_5	0.0550	0.0330	0.0340	0.0330	0.0170	0.0040	0.0030	U_{10}	0.1879	0.1405	0.1426	0.1420	0.0743	0.0070	0.0060
2	U_1	0.0250	0.0080	0.0080	0.0080	0.0045	0.0040	0.0040	U_6	0.5098	0.3801	0.3734	0.3739	0.1813	0.0290	0.0280
	U_2	0.0810	0.0360	0.0380	0.0370	0.0173	0.0090	0.0080	U_7	0.6726	0.5129	0.5081	0.5089	0.2502	0.0330	0.0330
	U_3	0.1584	0.0900	0.0920	0.0915	0.0403	0.0140	0.0130	U_8	0.8550	0.6629	0.6584	0.6570	0.3328	0.0370	0.0375
	U_4	0.2509	0.1679	0.1676	0.1661	0.0893	0.0190	0.0190	U_9	1.0465	0.8189	0.8279	0.8194	0.4132	0.0420	0.0420
	U_5	0.3584	0.2621	0.2619	0.2625	0.1476	0.0241	0.0230	U_{10}	1.2422	0.9959	1.0035	0.9919	0.4834	0.0465	0.0480
3	U_1	0.0302	0.0050	0.0050	0.0050	0.0030	0.0020	0.0020	U_6	0.3112	0.1963	0.1926	0.1896	0.0978	0.0151	0.0140
	U_2	0.0499	0.0219	0.0209	0.0219	0.0102	0.0050	0.0040	U_7	0.3880	0.2594	0.2663	0.2563	0.1193	0.0170	0.0170
	U_3	0.0958	0.0459	0.0473	0.0479	0.0287	0.0080	0.0071	U_8	0.4992	0.3505	0.3385	0.3301	0.1721	0.0190	0.0219
	U_4	0.1561	0.0828	0.0840	0.0859	0.0462	0.0101	0.0092	U_9	0.5966	0.4260	0.4220	0.4169	0.2803	0.0219	0.0209
	U_5	0.2176	0.1410	0.1388	0.1366	0.0794	0.0121	0.0120	U_{10}	0.7081	0.5339	0.5302	0.5097	0.3102	0.0251	0.0239
4	U_1	0.1150	0.0410	0.0412	0.0407	0.0183	0.0200	0.0170	U_6	1.9470	1.3870	1.3723	1.3757	0.6284	0.1020	0.1009
	U_2	0.3229	0.1669	0.1665	0.1660	0.0815	0.0380	0.0369	U_7	2.5303	1.8849	1.8628	1.8292	0.9313	0.1170	0.1220
	U_3	0.6244	0.3667	0.3656	0.3645	0.1832	0.0549	0.0530	U_8	3.2035	2.4287	2.3960	2.3846	1.2937	0.1360	0.1311
	U_4	0.9664	0.6284	0.6166	0.6160	0.3144	0.0710	0.0680	U_9	3.9808	3.0246	2.9997	3.0129	1.6004	0.1500	0.1471
	U_5	1.4498	0.9914	0.9785	0.9823	0.4896	0.0879	0.0860	U_{10}	5.0190	3.7553	3.7307	3.7035	1.8269	0.1629	0.1639
5	U_1	0.2786	0.0600	0.0610	0.0620	0.0321	0.0300	0.0250	U_6	12.2507	2.7163	2.8290	2.9292	1.3346	0.0327	0.0279
	U_2	1.5709	0.3043	0.3877	0.3819	0.1612	0.0301	0.0247	U_7	17.4931	3.8275	3.9450	4.0489	1.8659	0.0334	0.0286
	U_3	3.5782	0.7661	0.6369	0.6391	0.3771	0.0298	0.0257	U_8	23.0251	5.1581	5.2554	5.2603	2.4264	0.0335	0.0300
	U_4	5.5122	1.0001	1.0552	1.1778	0.5013	0.0316	0.0263	U_9	29.3175	6.2707	6.4650	6.4835	3.2331	0.0351	0.0296
	U_5	8.9810	1.8186	1.9186	1.8351	0.9616	0.0327	0.0276	U_{10}	36.1035	7.8360	7.9989	8.0053	3.6435	0.0347	0.0303
6	U_1	0.4119	0.0888	0.0947	0.0768	0.0435	0.0369	0.0339	U_6	8.5212	2.5851	2.5761	2.5951	1.2106	0.1935	0.2014
	U_2	1.8800	0.3760	0.3201	0.4757	0.1731	0.0708	0.0778	U_7	11.3865	3.5714	3.5216	3.5415	1.7320	0.2214	0.2184
	U_3	3.3411	0.6772	0.6712	0.6892	0.3332	0.0977	0.0987	U_8	14.0334	4.6316	4.5429	4.5977	2.1153	0.2603	0.2892
	U_4	5.0346	1.1719	1.1619	1.2128	0.6106	0.1316	0.1306	U_9	16.8270	5.8214	5.7835	5.7606	2.8113	0.2932	0.2833
	U_5	6.7070	1.8500	1.8331	1.8610	0.9348	0.1626	0.1726	U_{10}	20.2518	7.1499	7.1419	7.0641	3.4301	0.3221	0.3141
7	U_1	0.2972	0.1139	0.1118	0.1117	0.0503	0.0529	0.0459	U_6	9.4652	3.1655	3.1641	3.1946	1.6240	0.0821	0.0633
	U_2	1.1941	0.3491	0.3164	0.3116	0.1691	0.0649	0.0503	U_7	13.6133	4.1694	4.1946	4.1550	2.0133	0.0860	0.0684
	U_3	2.5913	0.8496	0.8913	0.8794	0.4182	0.0694	0.0543	U_8	15.9950	5.6943	5.6114	5.6344	2.7217	0.0896	0.0731
	U_4	4.9613	1.4961	1.4891	1.4613	0.7015	0.0764	0.0561	U_9	18.9160	7.6131	7.8123	7.7994	3.6532	0.0934	0.0811
	U_5	7.6616	2.3691	2.4316	2.3112	1.1823	0.0799	0.0598	U_{10}	22.2164	9.3465	9.2613	9.3946	4.1694	0.1005	0.0901
8	U_1	1.1481	0.4098	0.4155	0.4129	0.1913	0.1925	0.1866	U_6	19.2992	14.3993	13.7654	13.9201	7.8642	1.0942	1.0500
	U_2	3.1771	1.5618	1.5779	1.5644	0.8133	0.3762	0.3642	U_7	25.3074	18.9473	18.9159	18.9259	9.6641	1.2554	1.2594
	U_3	5.9791	3.3784	3.3794	3.6787	1.6217	0.5490	0.5238	U_8	32.4064	24.5154	24.7594	24.6844	12.9143	1.5232	1.4393
	U_4	9.7787	6.2244	6.0717	6.0702	3.2132	0.7220	0.7063	U_9	40.4706	32.7425	31.8664	32.3235	16.0019	1.6790	1.6452
	U_5	14.4554	9.5321	9.5351	9.7534	4.7648	0.9175	0.8798	U_{10}	49.3040	39.9544	40.6798	40.1505	20.8746	1.8429	1.8382
9	U_1	11.0993	3.9320	3.6834	3.6783	1.8065	1.7979	1.6558	U_6	507.7071	178.0702	166.2304	164.1308	85.9466	2.1563	1.6566
	U_2	53.2522	29.0141	15.8673	24.6637	15.4168	1.8200	1.6574	U_7	700.6612	244.7367	239.6338	231.2859	118.6937	2.1447	1.6866
	U_3	142.3747	50.4673	47.6812	40.3657	24.2210	1.8531	1.6509	U_8	931.4923	339.6167	304.4991	312.5235	167		

Table A.5
The time consumption for computing UA in different target concepts.

No.s	X	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS	X	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS
1	X ₁	0.2190	0.1519	0.1545	0.1540	0.0802	0.0130	0.0125	X ₆	0.5421	0.1629	0.1649	0.1641	0.0872	0.0959	0.0529
	X ₂	0.2835	0.1536	0.1562	0.1560	0.0811	0.0280	0.0270	X ₇	0.6045	0.1640	0.1661	0.1649	0.0885	0.1150	0.0439
	X ₃	0.3496	0.1550	0.1582	0.1589	0.0848	0.0440	0.0439	X ₈	0.6620	0.1653	0.1709	0.1689	0.0893	0.1340	0.0299
	X ₄	0.4185	0.1605	0.1629	0.1630	0.0850	0.0610	0.0570	X ₉	0.7024	0.1679	0.1706	0.1655	0.0910	0.1490	0.0189
	X ₅	0.4850	0.1619	0.1649	0.1635	0.0861	0.0786	0.0720								
2	X ₁	1.4368	1.0338	1.0189	1.0190	0.5105	0.0939	0.0929	X ₆	3.2466	1.0845	1.0968	1.0883	0.5312	0.6417	0.3790
	X ₂	1.8116	1.0428	1.0486	1.0449	0.5184	0.1999	0.1923	X ₇	3.6496	1.0896	1.1179	1.1186	0.5294	0.7571	0.3156
	X ₃	2.2238	1.0528	1.0595	1.0554	0.5213	0.3075	0.2939	X ₈	4.0151	1.0976	1.1017	1.1017	0.5241	0.8870	0.2284
	X ₄	2.6179	1.0598	1.0679	1.0699	0.5225	0.4148	0.3974	X ₉	4.3131	1.1228	1.1388	1.1330	0.5388	1.0140	0.1417
	X ₅	2.9562	1.0894	1.1022	1.1026	0.5274	0.5248	0.4888								
3	X ₁	0.8559	0.5416	0.5534	0.5326	0.2684	0.0511	0.0531	X ₆	2.0562	0.6025	0.5966	0.6003	0.2794	0.3626	0.2231
	X ₂	1.1780	0.5615	0.5591	0.5545	0.2735	0.1097	0.1009	X ₇	2.3434	0.6031	0.6107	0.5974	0.2736	0.4121	0.1874
	X ₃	1.3364	0.5527	0.5663	0.5575	0.2717	0.1614	0.1528	X ₈	2.5706	0.6164	0.6197	0.6543	0.2801	0.4983	0.1296
	X ₄	1.6257	0.5595	0.5771	0.5744	0.2798	0.2154	0.2064	X ₉	2.7953	0.6313	0.6212	0.6124	0.2818	0.5510	0.0718
	X ₅	1.8690	0.5905	0.5867	0.5836	0.2742	0.2894	0.2543								
4	X ₁	5.8792	3.9184	3.9150	3.9308	1.7901	0.3745	0.3599	X ₆	12.9475	4.2426	4.1931	4.2610	2.0311	2.4893	1.7150
	X ₂	7.1308	4.0589	4.0237	4.0311	1.8053	0.7730	0.7555	X ₇	14.4307	4.2722	4.2547	4.2610	2.0374	2.9795	1.2965
	X ₃	8.5756	4.0830	4.1097	4.1589	1.8732	1.1765	1.1254	X ₈	15.5098	4.3396	4.3514	4.3490	2.1391	3.4743	0.9689
	X ₄	10.1202	4.1113	4.1213	4.1734	1.9346	1.6080	1.5308	X ₉	16.8898	4.5493	4.5380	4.5328	2.0413	4.0861	0.5934
	X ₅	11.6150	4.1820	4.1949	4.2004	2.0235	2.0695	1.9548								
5	X ₁	29.3222	5.5314	5.5237	5.5177	2.8105	0.5290	0.5243	X ₆	32.2922	6.2811	6.2094	6.1037	2.9174	3.1774	2.0167
	X ₂	29.7587	5.8425	5.5441	5.5236	2.8163	1.0573	1.0489	X ₇	32.2420	6.2127	6.4682	5.9901	2.9590	3.7122	1.4372
	X ₃	30.2514	5.7976	5.6540	5.7032	2.8291	1.5943	1.5788	X ₈	32.1920	6.5345	6.7246	5.9503	2.8313	4.2409	0.9515
	X ₄	31.4110	6.0991	5.9335	6.0396	2.8312	2.1180	2.0924	X ₉	33.9809	6.7528	6.9122	6.2283	2.9385	4.7672	0.4638
	X ₅	31.0091	6.3089	6.1935	6.1457	2.8646	2.6527	2.6198								
6	X ₁	21.4891	8.4300	8.2789	8.3985	4.7103	1.0334	0.7650	X ₆	36.9082	10.1321	10.7052	8.8166	5.1191	5.2819	3.0050
	X ₂	23.5530	12.8912	7.8919	7.2885	5.3236	1.2816	1.7124	X ₇	37.7108	9.3622	9.8598	9.3485	5.3015	6.4037	2.3927
	X ₃	23.1451	6.7808	6.7559	6.8367	5.3325	2.3507	1.9488	X ₈	44.6270	11.9871	9.4324	9.6242	5.1039	7.5806	1.7656
	X ₄	27.9014	8.2091	10.8613	8.3506	5.6181	4.6526	3.1256	X ₉	51.0729	9.4170	9.3927	9.4876	5.0014	12.1351	1.1779
	X ₅	38.4137	12.0418	8.9448	10.8121	5.1380	4.8243	3.6034								
7	X ₁	15.5571	11.4820	11.2153	11.0492	5.1362	0.9994	1.0031	X ₆	16.2100	12.1670	11.4517	11.3014	5.2349	6.0975	4.2626
	X ₂	15.7440	11.3704	11.2327	11.0889	5.1391	2.1382	2.2145	X ₇	16.4182	12.3213	11.6579	11.7709	5.2147	6.9636	3.1816
	X ₃	16.4055	11.3409	11.6087	10.8678	5.3152	3.0852	3.0070	X ₈	17.3124	12.5252	12.0586	12.1253	5.2310	8.1085	2.1081
	X ₄	16.3423	11.9241	11.3843	10.8805	5.1664	4.1724	3.9634	X ₉	17.3570	12.4472	12.2906	12.5973	5.2734	9.1771	1.0752
	X ₅	16.4115	12.0695	11.3687	11.2634	5.2135	5.2014	5.2337								
8	X ₁	56.3389	43.6799	42.9756	42.9810	22.6234	4.1339	4.0143	X ₆	131.2026	47.3810	47.8464	47.6750	23.9642	27.9608	17.0093
	X ₂	71.2648	43.3129	43.3171	43.3921	22.2294	8.3645	8.1209	X ₇	145.2854	47.9516	47.8703	47.8510	24.4638	33.1917	12.8212
	X ₃	86.6800	45.8092	46.0380	45.8538	23.5320	13.2110	12.4836	X ₈	156.5767	48.2574	48.4319	48.4312	24.5546	38.6455	7.8749
	X ₄	101.6271	46.2532	46.4191	46.3489	23.1056	18.1639	16.6935	X ₉	169.8781	48.9584	49.1646	49.2505	24.5188	44.1797	3.8194
	X ₅	116.5740	46.9581	47.3378	46.8932	23.1946	23.1492	21.3188								
9	X ₁	572.8750	344.4470	343.0540	338.9970	169.1543	32.1548	31.7707	X ₆	673.0085	364.1453	366.8894	367.1577	178.9563	192.7906	118.9991
	X ₂	570.1477	350.3151	356.3165	343.3970	171.2638	64.0103	63.9949	X ₇	711.1030	358.1425	370.6119	378.1878	179.6374	225.3054	99.2265
	X ₃	603.1796	367.6490	357.3666	339.1443	172.1134	96.6496	95.3887	X ₈	744.4520	365.4627	391.6371	378.8494	180.2652	257.1951	66.7298
	X ₄	629.4101	366.3897	354.2629	359.3774	173.1349	129.1476	127.1779	X ₉	731.1933	361.8157	393.9296	371.8013	181.2564	289.2644	35.4209
	X ₅	663.2179	368.8275	353.2547	370.7721	177.1946	160.6731	158.7870								

Table A.6
The time consumption for computing LA in different universes.

No.s	U	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS	U	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS
1	U ₁	0.0050	0.0010	0.0010	0.0010	0.0005	0.0010	0.0010	U ₆	0.2665	0.0480	0.0500	0.0500	0.0243	0.0030	0.0040
	U ₂	0.0240	0.0039	0.0050	0.0050	0.0021	0.0010	0.0010	U ₇	0.3659	0.0680	0.0680	0.0690	0.0343	0.0050	0.0040
	U ₃	0.0590	0.0110	0.0110	0.0111	0.0057	0.0020	0.0020	U ₈	0.4890	0.0890	0.0910	0.0915	0.0427	0.0050	0.0050
	U ₄	0.1120	0.0199	0.0211	0.0210	0.0102	0.0030	0.0020	U ₉	0.6148	0.1160	0.1160	0.1160	0.0543	0.0060	0.0060
	U ₅	0.1826	0.0319	0.0340	0.0340	0.0171	0.0030	0.0030	U ₁₀	0.7518	0.1395	0.1443	0.1420	0.0774	0.0060	0.0070
2	U ₁	0.0260	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0050	0.0040	0.0040	U ₆	1.6108	0.3761	0.3719	0.3721	0.1984	0.0280	0.0280
	U ₂	0.1556	0.0360	0.0370	0.0379	0.0172	0.0090	0.0090	U ₇	2.2093	0.5128	0.5088	0.5065	0.2513	0.0330	0.0330
	U ₃	0.3829	0.0890	0.0920	0.0910	0.0430	0.0140	0.0140	U ₈	2.9138	0.6548	0.6596	0.6568	0.3135	0.0370	0.0370
	U ₄	0.7013	0.1639	0.1677	0.1656	0.0812	0.0189	0.0180	U ₉	3.7019	0.8205	0.8213	0.8278	0.4002	0.0420	0.0417
	U ₅	1.1064	0.2629	0.2605	0.2574	0.1402	0.0239	0.0240	U ₁₀	4.5288	0.9898	1.0048	0.9900	0.4950	0.0470	0.0450
3	U ₁	0.0180	0.0050	0.0040	0.0050	0.0030	0.0020	0.0030	U ₆	1.0165	0.1846	0.1876	0.1876	0.0947	0.0160	0.0172
	U ₂	0.1077	0.0199	0.0229	0.0210	0.0057	0.0071	0.0050	U ₇	1.3892	0.2594	0.2593	0.2543	0.1335	0.0180	0.0170
	U ₃	0.2374	0.0476	0.0481	0.0550	0.0210	0.0081	0.0								

Table A.7
The time consumption for computing LA in different target concepts.

No.s	X	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS	X	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS
1	X ₁	0.7319	0.1521	0.1529	0.1539	0.0708	0.0150	0.0137	X ₆	0.8447	0.1639	0.1676	0.1639	0.0739	0.0950	0.0640
	X ₂	0.7519	0.1536	0.1559	0.1559	0.0711	0.0280	0.0270	X ₇	0.8537	0.1629	0.1659	0.1639	0.0742	0.1150	0.0470
	X ₃	0.7413	0.1561	0.1579	0.1570	0.0713	0.0430	0.0430	X ₈	0.8651	0.1661	0.1699	0.1686	0.0753	0.1331	0.0310
	X ₄	0.7768	0.1610	0.1629	0.1640	0.0724	0.0615	0.0611	X ₉	0.9167	0.1659	0.1669	0.1659	0.0795	0.1490	0.0150
	X ₅	0.8173	0.1631	0.1649	0.1639	0.0731	0.0812	0.0790								
2	X ₁	4.3714	1.0115	1.0187	1.0197	0.5301	0.0946	0.0930	X ₆	4.7656	1.0822	1.0876	1.0886	0.5684	0.6373	0.4154
	X ₂	4.4310	1.0419	1.0468	1.0463	0.5432	0.1995	0.1989	X ₇	4.7323	1.1045	1.1058	1.1147	0.5763	0.7550	0.3182
	X ₃	4.6743	1.0495	1.0567	1.0578	0.5486	0.3062	0.3049	X ₈	4.7018	1.0985	1.1108	1.1078	0.5811	0.8868	0.2059
	X ₄	4.5873	1.0609	1.0740	1.0730	0.5513	0.4159	0.4145	X ₉	4.8452	1.1220	1.1353	1.1338	0.5891	1.0118	0.1040
	X ₅	4.5629	1.0919	1.1044	1.1001	0.5594	0.5270	0.5258								
3	X ₁	2.8633	0.5536	0.5427	0.5450	0.3003	0.0518	0.0509	X ₆	3.0481	0.5834	0.5860	0.5926	0.3294	0.3559	0.2277
	X ₂	2.8830	0.5610	0.5577	0.5610	0.3087	0.1124	0.1140	X ₇	3.2082	0.6038	0.6092	0.6084	0.3335	0.4169	0.1616
	X ₃	2.8404	0.5596	0.5637	0.5585	0.3132	0.1647	0.1666	X ₈	3.3706	0.6014	0.6245	0.6044	0.3396	0.4859	0.1067
	X ₄	2.9114	0.5757	0.5717	0.5595	0.3185	0.2263	0.2145	X ₉	3.5347	0.6164	0.6045	0.6260	0.3408	0.5616	0.0578
	X ₅	2.9335	0.5934	0.5991	0.5974	0.3264	0.2852	0.2832								
4	X ₁	17.0027	3.9240	3.9235	3.9263	1.7911	0.3741	0.3683	X ₆	19.4429	4.2517	4.2456	4.2587	2.1273	2.5002	1.6478
	X ₂	18.0133	4.0533	3.9701	4.0293	1.8098	0.7735	0.7703	X ₇	20.4778	4.2834	4.2598	4.2671	2.1419	2.9761	1.2310
	X ₃	18.6551	4.0403	4.1828	4.1444	1.8504	1.1786	1.1695	X ₈	20.3463	4.3310	4.3538	4.3434	2.1596	3.4081	0.8225
	X ₄	19.0479	4.0997	4.1354	4.1769	1.9113	1.6073	1.5976	X ₉	20.4050	4.5681	4.5499	4.5397	2.1675	4.0965	0.4115
	X ₅	18.6920	4.1962	4.1780	4.2197	2.0815	2.0698	2.0567								
5	X ₁	30.7627	5.5124	5.5242	5.5295	2.8337	0.5284	0.5278	X ₆	33.1671	6.1358	6.2748	6.2748	3.1438	3.1667	2.6481
	X ₂	32.6039	5.6659	5.4821	5.4204	2.8342	1.0544	1.0508	X ₇	34.5047	6.0835	6.2619	5.9720	3.1498	3.7051	2.1144
	X ₃	32.3583	5.7222	5.7435	5.6651	2.9357	1.5955	1.5888	X ₈	36.1980	6.0353	6.4435	6.2167	3.1530	4.2259	1.5789
	X ₄	32.2079	5.6138	5.9440	5.8385	2.9365	2.1223	2.1074	X ₉	37.5642	6.2385	6.7772	6.4000	3.1584	4.7518	1.0658
	X ₅	32.7192	5.8597	6.0084	5.7246	3.0394	2.6400	2.6457								
6	X ₁	29.0113	8.3836	8.2320	8.2620	4.6714	1.2088	0.7660	X ₆	34.1967	10.0151	9.9014	8.8605	4.2105	5.4452	3.9339
	X ₂	35.7733	9.1755	7.8859	6.9175	4.6733	1.2826	1.4571	X ₇	40.3092	11.1710	9.4409	10.7128	4.0384	6.5520	2.7059
	X ₃	35.0453	6.7609	6.7979	6.9454	4.6852	2.1842	1.9967	X ₈	47.9954	13.0692	9.5602	9.5105	4.9431	7.4590	1.8287
	X ₄	36.0703	9.0179	10.5554	8.3936	4.6877	4.5877	3.8936	X ₉	49.2934	9.3256	9.3073	9.7312	4.9658	9.8900	0.8712
	X ₅	35.9687	11.7476	9.6988	11.1228	4.9113	4.9620	3.7709								
7	X ₁	50.1704	11.1899	11.1159	11.0163	6.2218	1.1084	1.1041	X ₆	55.7775	11.9894	10.7806	12.3604	6.4953	6.1297	5.5388
	X ₂	50.1635	11.6925	11.0451	10.9699	6.2384	2.0615	2.4735	X ₇	56.5947	11.9180	10.5998	12.2829	6.5318	7.1319	4.5646
	X ₃	52.2432	11.8952	10.9438	11.4947	6.2643	3.1661	3.5252	X ₈	58.4792	12.2773	11.0206	12.2596	6.5713	8.3816	3.5133
	X ₄	54.3069	11.7440	10.8478	11.2798	6.2334	4.5208	4.3841	X ₉	58.4892	12.4897	10.9204	12.3455	6.5106	9.3048	2.3714
	X ₅	56.1519	11.9410	10.8038	11.7731	6.4316	5.0747	5.5963								
8	X ₁	171.1221	44.0022	42.8408	43.1613	23.7915	4.2631	4.1663	X ₆	175.4944	47.4940	47.6369	47.7284	24.6984	27.8994	17.8496
	X ₂	170.3744	43.3608	43.5247	43.1948	23.6648	8.5301	8.4258	X ₇	183.4739	47.8719	47.9399	48.1898	24.8912	33.0647	13.3864
	X ₃	173.0614	45.9732	45.9559	45.7759	23.6194	13.2615	13.6250	X ₈	181.7856	48.1872	48.4805	48.4289	24.7769	38.5688	8.8134
	X ₄	179.1732	46.1807	46.3589	46.1769	23.7613	18.1234	18.0109	X ₉	186.4951	49.2353	48.9710	49.2636	24.1140	44.1506	4.3554
	X ₅	177.6678	47.0834	46.9392	46.9619	24.4691	23.1530	22.8880								
9	X ₁	1630.0957	344.4836	341.4052	340.5702	167.3340	35.2002	34.6222	X ₆	1855.9502	361.2939	377.6293	367.1202	173.6140	193.2551	173.0095
	X ₂	1673.4235	347.2022	360.6339	350.6613	168.1946	64.5283	61.2282	X ₇	1928.5680	363.6652	381.9210	379.7134	175.0048	225.8352	139.1737
	X ₃	1674.3552	356.9558	358.1380	350.2956	169.6648	96.4172	103.6314	X ₈	2027.6925	367.8221	393.3836	388.7150	175.9762	258.1618	103.8976
	X ₄	1731.0074	361.2274	357.0676	358.9260	171.3644	128.4805	138.6131	X ₉	2021.7360	361.6415	412.3720	389.3733	176.2843	290.3578	69.7588
	X ₅	1763.5885	360.3457	369.8323	370.5823	172.9465	160.8882	173.2931								

Table A.8
The time consumption for computing $Reduct(AT)_{LX}$ of RS models in different universes.

No.s	U	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS	U	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS
1	U ₁	1.9779	0.3359	0.3351	0.3369	0.2846	0.3195	0.3185	U ₆	17.6356	2.9171	2.9495	2.9419	1.8469	1.8411	1.8317
	U ₂	4.2842	0.7054	0.7124	0.7104	0.4515	0.6173	0.6191	U ₇	22.2072	3.7088	3.7474	3.7534	2.2516	2.1498	2.1590
	U ₃	6.9453	1.1365	1.1407	1.1394	0.9819	0.9165	0.9145	U ₈	26.8004	4.5032	4.5589	4.6306	2.5849	2.5455	2.4472
	U ₄	10.2135	1.6430	1.6629	1.6679	1.2222	1.2312	1.2168	U ₉	31.9407	5.4503	5.4640	5.4384	2.9915	2.7805	2.7724
	U ₅	13.6863	2.2478	2.2805	2.2429	1.6051	1.5310	1.5431	U ₁₀	37.3944	6.3865	6.4437	6.4351	3.1563	3.1253	3.0499
2	U ₁	100.6286	20.2101	20.1839	20.0377	13.2169	19.4126	19.2153	U ₆	977.3303	201.3501	201.5366	203.0291	135.1630	116.4785	118.0968
	U ₂	227.9829	45.4617	45.7109	45.6978	39.0519	38.5437	38.8345	U ₇	1232.8326	252.6657	252.7511	253.0056	158.3361	138.7301	137.4041
	U ₃	382.8443	76.5307	77.1198	77.4911	59.3318	58.5431	58.5879	U ₈	1517.3755	309.4786	310.5106	310.8196	194.3310	158.2086	158.6285
	U ₄	555.9708	113.0485	114.2998	114.1692	84.9493	78.4673	78.2905	U ₉	1783.3055	371.4025	368.7235	371.2445	227.9920	175.8207	176.8607
	U ₅	759.2833	153.9150	155.1204	157.1008	107.9964	97.7969	98.4999	U ₁₀	2109.7167	433.9403	433.1682	433.4948	237.9943	192.0267	196.9899
3	U ₁	2.3448	0.3845	0.3692	0.3835	0.2120	0.3182	0.3251	U ₆	32.4027	5.3299	5.3697	5.3578	2.6618	1.8810	1.8701
	U ₂	5.9820	0.9581	0.9375	0.9305	0.6505	0.6933	0.6263	U ₇	42.5744	6.9237	6.9112	6.9863	3.7418	2.1773	2.2650
	U ₃															

Table A.9

The time consumption for computing reductions $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ of RS models in different target concepts.

No.s	X	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS	X	MGRS	TPRS	VPRS	PRS	DRS	LRS	SPRS
1	X_1	36.6976	6.3570	6.4181	6.4633	3.2715	0.3187	0.2415	X_6	40.5543	6.6884	6.7518	6.6676	3.3548	2.1379	1.3362
	X_2	36.9369	6.3971	6.5099	6.5072	3.2944	0.5356	0.5691	X_7	40.0751	6.7108	6.7314	6.7749	3.3394	2.6808	0.9988
	X_3	36.4261	6.5999	6.6413	6.6659	3.3087	0.9684	0.9661	X_8	42.3422	6.7617	6.7369	6.7927	3.3692	2.9979	0.6440
	X_4	38.5049	6.6767	6.9831	6.8222	3.3490	1.5381	1.4029	X_9	44.8270	6.7547	6.7460	6.7251	3.3947	3.4798	0.2715
	X_5	38.2665	6.8089	7.0607	6.9301	3.3615	1.7199	1.8328								
2	X_1	1558.3150	353.0747	318.7862	318.5877	170.3321	33.6243	32.4814	X_6	1754.5069	389.9895	351.3492	343.8250	180.9940	201.6716	162.9441
	X_2	1566.5049	354.4419	322.2124	324.9994	170.9161	66.9818	64.8106	X_7	1743.7193	411.4860	369.7579	361.4088	181.9463	235.6558	129.6087
	X_3	1650.3223	354.5530	339.9732	340.9205	172.2494	100.8934	97.9332	X_8	1765.9133	435.2008	375.8752	358.0608	183.9466	268.7840	97.7098
	X_4	1657.3133	364.5605	347.9727	335.7244	177.1699	134.5093	130.4178	X_9	1757.5781	452.3873	382.8376	372.6655	188.1993	302.7991	64.7813
	X_5	1737.2826	378.7818	345.7079	333.5758	179.1386	168.3706	162.9361								
3	X_1	76.9023	12.8012	13.0222	13.1424	7.8815	3.6059	3.7072	X_6	84.3162	13.8513	14.0753	14.0545	7.0845	9.1126	6.7749
	X_2	75.9403	13.2355	13.2290	13.1110	7.1182	4.7590	4.6737	X_7	89.3120	13.9320	13.9592	13.9304	7.2193	10.4728	5.7985
	X_3	78.8868	13.2508	13.1984	13.3640	7.0039	5.7359	5.7318	X_8	90.8558	14.0185	14.2639	14.3055	7.1547	11.7073	4.6466
	X_4	1657.3133	13.5575	13.3149	13.3389	7.9715	6.8240	6.7746	X_9	94.6658	14.0827	14.4346	14.3467	7.2039	13.1698	3.6680
	X_5	80.8297	13.8663	13.8763	13.7970	7.9736	8.2251	7.9095								
4	X_1	285.2071	58.4628	60.5482	59.5794	31.8463	13.0875	13.2844	X_6	342.8252	63.0736	62.3146	63.2298	34.1659	40.3239	29.0808
	X_2	284.2664	60.2019	59.7857	60.5526	32.0847	18.2386	18.1849	X_7	336.6062	63.5545	64.4349	64.0174	47.1661	47.1661	29.5238
	X_3	300.2404	62.6885	61.5584	62.1608	32.8431	23.7387	23.7922	X_8	343.3722	64.1137	63.8781	64.7815	34.3371	52.7976	18.9477
	X_4	316.5769	61.9780	62.5330	62.8432	33.6492	33.6492	29.0348	X_9	353.9865	67.6782	67.3194	67.2840	35.5208	61.7055	13.8391
	X_5	329.6314	62.3464	62.3722	63.0661	34.1158	34.8761	34.0965								
5	X_1	1103.1636	190.0786	188.3967	188.7906	137.1884	34.1252	33.7407	X_6	1233.1709	212.4663	194.1113	203.5311	146.4746	204.5030	145.6793
	X_2	1160.0605	186.9908	188.1185	185.9338	139.5846	68.2179	67.5618	X_7	1260.2580	218.6874	205.0760	212.9481	148.1515	238.7675	134.7203
	X_3	1184.5200	190.6315	190.7185	183.9317	141.2895	102.3790	101.4878	X_8	1260.9376	231.5135	213.4035	216.6183	148.9969	272.9597	100.8924
	X_4	1181.6863	203.3043	187.1390	189.5278	143.0039	136.3649	135.0409	X_9	1330.2879	231.1615	211.3668	229.4246	149.1188	306.9996	67.3597
	X_5	1194.5794	206.0728	195.0831	196.2439	154.3945	170.3137	169.2146								
6	X_1	855.4559	160.0473	165.9921	178.2074	77.1149	18.6897	19.2900	X_6	827.4491	182.7963	183.2563	182.6594	80.8462	52.7042	37.2372
	X_2	861.9443	162.7748	178.9630	179.1662	78.3210	20.8384	20.8798	X_7	829.2313	186.4313	186.8101	187.4526	80.4467	62.9507	29.5238
	X_3	848.7194	173.4052	180.2783	180.5365	78.9748	28.3523	28.6660	X_8	830.1124	186.2462	187.5965	187.6538	79.4823	70.7800	22.2942
	X_4	840.5062	174.3291	180.1227	180.9620	79.1185	36.3034	36.0996	X_9	835.3485	188.6488	187.2941	188.2406	81.1118	80.4747	18.8348
	X_5	844.4260	179.3587	181.7937	181.5853	79.4973	44.1849	44.1034								
7	X_1	1064.8504	214.6636	213.4953	222.7989	149.8846	34.7949	34.3372	X_6	1169.4624	227.0727	231.8097	246.8540	166.1482	211.3620	161.4476
	X_2	1076.7798	212.4903	221.9402	226.0558	152.3394	69.2732	74.8744	X_7	1226.3268	240.2356	238.9211	255.8232	157.1184	244.7919	139.1706
	X_3	1113.6156	216.4481	221.3506	229.1921	153.1984	103.4834	109.2443	X_8	1205.3031	249.9577	239.1399	259.3642	159.1365	286.7189	110.1145
	X_4	1133.6313	223.9889	225.3332	241.7506	157.1195	141.3913	139.7951	X_9	1197.1494	264.2096	250.0322	271.6758	162.8432	316.5978	68.3396
	X_5	1192.9256	224.7330	221.8434	237.9962	164.2949	175.4007	179.1545								
8	X_1	1958.4032	435.6568	437.9733	439.5902	287.1184	60.2578	59.7765	X_6	2178.4571	503.7325	495.6582	532.5266	300.1846	360.3527	299.4760
	X_2	2035.8204	458.8927	450.3599	463.2823	290.1846	123.6486	125.7950	X_7	2178.0859	525.5329	510.7796	556.7030	303.9160	434.3821	238.7361
	X_3	2152.7371	453.0280	445.7574	479.7848	293.2250	188.4903	185.0951	X_8	2268.2912	541.8812	537.0639	551.6403	304.8483	480.5918	191.3652
	X_4	2204.1050	469.2585	463.2361	492.5314	295.9358	250.7031	244.5664	X_9	2283.0185	552.6304	534.2221	577.1697	309.8318	552.5698	120.6071
	X_5	2222.7111	481.0586	473.8532	509.6513	297.9997	309.4499	297.3803								
9	X_1	27316.4933	8492.3923	8645.3194	8162.5904	4301.9465	832.4462	813.3551	X_6	28223.2803	9163.7391	10247.2112	8149.1764	4449.4948	4988.1445	4065.1261
	X_2	27180.1935	8337.7764	8957.1113	8051.9014	4372.6314	1675.9883	1639.5053	X_7	29078.0570	9543.6098	10482.8324	8077.2799	4455.1795	5819.0437	3261.9712
	X_3	26817.8140	8185.6473	9438.7109	8129.3370	4367.4968	2491.5197	2438.1044	X_8	29104.8873	9786.1992	10697.5849	8537.8249	4489.6330	6675.5628	2449.4604
	X_4	27163.1290	8610.9773	9694.5904	8409.8733	4395.6540	3329.3511	3258.1633	X_9	30578.5750	9992.9319	10517.2861	8597.4188	4396.4487	7496.7497	1633.8596
	X_5	26876.4928	8889.4180	9949.4720	8263.6673	4369.1182	4164.5351	4061.5215								

Table A.10

P value of the Wilcoxon test.

Data		(SPRS, MGRS)	(SPRS, TPRS)	(SPRS, VPRS)	(SPRS, PRS)	(SPRS, DRS)	(SPRS, LRS)
Table A.4	$ U $ is smaller	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	$ U $ is larger	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Table A.5	$ X $ is smaller	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	$ X $ is larger	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Table A.6	$ U $ is smaller	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	$ U $ is larger	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Table A.7	$ X $ is smaller	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	$ X $ is larger	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Table A.8	$ U $ is smaller	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	$ U $ is larger	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Table A.9	$ X $ is smaller	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	$ X $ is larger	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01

Table A.11
The time consumption for computing LA, UA and $Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$ in different universes.

No.s	U	LA				UA				$Reduct(AT)_{L,X}$			
		TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}
1	U ₁	0.0010	0.0010	0.0007	0.0001	0.0010	0.0010	0.0006	0.0001	0.3359	0.3185	0.0229	0.0210
	U ₂	0.0039	0.0010	0.0010	0.0006	0.0051	0.0020	0.0012	0.0007	0.7054	0.6191	0.0687	0.0681
	U ₃	0.0110	0.0020	0.0016	0.0009	0.0110	0.0020	0.0016	0.0014	1.1365	0.9145	0.0918	0.0772
	U ₄	0.0199	0.0020	0.0020	0.0011	0.0201	0.0020	0.0019	0.0016	1.6430	1.2168	0.1376	0.1148
	U ₅	0.0319	0.0030	0.0023	0.0017	0.0330	0.0030	0.0025	0.0021	2.2478	1.5431	0.2064	0.1353
	U ₆	0.0480	0.0040	0.0031	0.0025	0.0490	0.0040	0.0037	0.0027	2.9171	1.8317	0.2066	0.1032
	U ₇	0.0680	0.0040	0.0035	0.0027	0.0680	0.0046	0.0080	0.0037	3.7088	2.1590	0.2535	0.1223
	U ₈	0.0890	0.0050	0.0041	0.0031	0.0900	0.0050	0.0100	0.0038	4.5032	2.4472	0.2523	0.1101
	U ₉	0.1160	0.0060	0.0047	0.0033	0.1170	0.0050	0.0109	0.0041	5.4503	2.7724	0.3671	0.1564
	U ₁₀	0.1395	0.0070	0.0049	0.0040	0.1405	0.0060	0.0113	0.0042	6.3865	3.0499	0.3448	0.0390
2	U ₁	0.0080	0.0040	0.0039	0.0012	0.0080	0.0040	0.0035	0.0012	20.2101	19.2153	9.3738	9.1856
	U ₂	0.0360	0.0090	0.0082	0.0058	0.0360	0.0080	0.0067	0.0038	45.4617	38.8345	19.2287	16.5368
	U ₃	0.0890	0.0140	0.0098	0.0066	0.0900	0.0130	0.0117	0.0112	76.5307	58.5879	34.8515	25.4803
	U ₄	0.1639	0.0180	0.0176	0.0124	0.1679	0.0190	0.0176	0.0131	113.0485	78.2905	60.6131	39.0797
	U ₅	0.2629	0.0240	0.0228	0.0148	0.2621	0.0230	0.0214	0.0188	153.9150	98.4999	76.6888	42.5435
	U ₆	0.3761	0.0280	0.0304	0.0211	0.3801	0.0280	0.0266	0.0246	201.3501	118.0968	100.7838	49.5382
	U ₇	0.5128	0.0330	0.0341	0.0255	0.5129	0.0330	0.0305	0.0281	252.6657	137.4041	112.2368	45.5087
	U ₈	0.6548	0.0370	0.0436	0.0234	0.6629	0.0375	0.0269	0.0244	309.4786	158.6285	122.1460	41.3149
	U ₉	0.8205	0.0417	0.0495	0.0278	0.8189	0.0420	0.0398	0.0307	371.4025	176.8607	158.1281	35.3858
	U ₁₀	0.9898	0.0450	0.0504	0.0370	0.9959	0.0480	0.0464	0.0392	433.9403	196.9899	167.3608	17.4910
3	U ₁	0.0050	0.0030	0.0030	0.0008	0.0050	0.0020	0.0017	0.0009	0.3845	0.3251	0.1259	0.0528
	U ₂	0.0199	0.0050	0.0043	0.0029	0.0219	0.0040	0.0026	0.0015	0.9581	0.6263	0.1437	0.1066
	U ₃	0.0476	0.0070	0.0062	0.0058	0.0459	0.0071	0.0058	0.0029	1.7318	0.9327	0.2155	0.1436
	U ₄	0.0846	0.0100	0.0091	0.0063	0.0828	0.0092	0.0077	0.0053	2.7202	1.2880	0.2871	0.1912
	U ₅	0.1318	0.0122	0.0107	0.0082	0.1410	0.0120	0.0099	0.0070	3.9316	1.5850	0.3590	0.2118
	U ₆	0.1846	0.0172	0.0134	0.0130	0.1963	0.0140	0.0117	0.0093	5.3299	1.8701	0.3770	0.1885
	U ₇	0.2594	0.0170	0.0158	0.0123	0.2594	0.0170	0.0200	0.0135	6.9237	2.2650	0.8078	0.3607
	U ₈	0.3439	0.0199	0.0167	0.0132	0.3505	0.0219	0.0379	0.0102	8.6211	2.4596	0.6283	0.1838
	U ₉	0.4221	0.0219	0.0239	0.0081	0.4260	0.0209	0.0239	0.0134	10.6539	2.8167	0.6110	0.1422
	U ₁₀	0.5128	0.0235	0.0318	0.0045	0.5339	0.0239	0.0269	0.0076	12.9308	3.0708	1.1158	0.1113
4	U ₁	0.0406	0.0185	0.0050	0.0038	0.0410	0.0170	0.0060	0.0038	1.3868	1.0895	0.0718	0.0238
	U ₂	0.1650	0.0380	0.0120	0.0078	0.1669	0.0369	0.0259	0.0185	3.8887	2.1702	0.2513	0.1658
	U ₃	0.3619	0.0550	0.0179	0.0104	0.3667	0.0530	0.0267	0.0199	7.2988	3.2764	0.2752	0.2312
	U ₄	0.6149	0.0680	0.0259	0.0212	0.6284	0.0680	0.0424	0.0248	11.5999	4.3153	0.5984	0.2561
	U ₅	0.9915	0.0870	0.0336	0.0330	0.9914	0.0860	0.0397	0.0229	16.9463	5.3997	0.4663	0.2686
	U ₆	1.3585	0.1010	0.0582	0.0284	1.3870	0.1009	0.0348	0.0292	23.6177	6.4405	0.6353	0.4667
	U ₇	1.8535	0.1230	0.0399	0.0254	1.8849	0.1220	0.0625	0.0324	31.2871	7.5341	0.9099	0.2898
	U ₈	2.3813	0.1320	0.0473	0.0239	2.4287	0.1311	0.0644	0.0300	39.6968	8.6863	0.7779	0.3677
	U ₉	2.9705	0.1470	0.0707	0.0163	3.0246	0.1471	0.0523	0.0213	49.4151	9.6726	1.2349	0.2054
	U ₁₀	3.7074	0.1651	0.0910	0.0106	3.7553	0.1639	0.0787	0.0082	59.8983	10.6920	1.2507	0.1246
5	U ₁	0.0600	0.0300	0.0150	0.0025	0.0600	0.0250	0.0197	0.0186	3.5360	2.6569	0.7181	0.5864
	U ₂	0.3343	0.0310	0.0229	0.0158	0.3043	0.0247	0.0203	0.0191	22.0668	2.7294	1.9747	1.0663
	U ₃	0.7923	0.0306	0.0319	0.0239	0.7661	0.0257	0.0217	0.0198	41.0548	2.6764	2.6803	1.5559
	U ₄	1.0756	0.0321	0.0418	0.0365	1.0001	0.0263	0.0231	0.0212	70.7401	2.7752	2.7227	2.2341
	U ₅	1.8634	0.0327	0.0408	0.0359	1.8186	0.0276	0.0256	0.0220	111.4719	2.9021	3.2014	2.0478
	U ₆	2.7716	0.0326	0.0428	0.0311	2.7163	0.0279	0.0259	0.0231	164.4130	2.8917	3.3982	2.1394
	U ₇	3.7608	0.0332	0.0527	0.0468	3.8275	0.0286	0.0261	0.0237	224.4869	2.9454	4.0218	1.5594
	U ₈	5.0701	0.0350	0.0528	0.0439	5.1581	0.0300	0.0264	0.0242	301.0812	2.9390	4.3744	1.3316
	U ₉	6.3045	0.0355	0.0559	0.0349	6.2707	0.0296	0.0270	0.0253	371.2047	2.9148	4.6073	1.1391
	U ₁₀	7.9271	0.0349	0.0575	0.0380	7.8360	0.0303	0.0276	0.0269	468.3123	2.9401	4.7488	0.8527
6	U ₁	0.0847	0.0359	0.0120	0.0066	0.0888	0.0339	0.0120	0.0065	2.4565	1.7087	0.7894	0.4344
	U ₂	0.3591	0.0708	0.0399	0.0126	0.3760	0.0778	0.0239	0.0146	8.3469	3.7688	0.8378	0.5184
	U ₃	0.6652	0.1017	0.0349	0.0207	0.6772	0.0987	0.0499	0.0214	15.1405	5.5185	0.9126	0.5530
	U ₄	1.1898	0.1406	0.0469	0.0324	1.1719	0.1306	0.0628	0.0459	25.4511	8.5615	1.3613	1.0684
	U ₅	1.8580	0.1735	0.0588	0.0465	1.8500	0.1726	0.0724	0.0636	36.1992	8.8738	1.2805	0.8209
	U ₆	2.6111	0.1967	0.0726	0.0563	2.5851	0.2014	0.0878	0.0561	49.8823	10.4591	2.2454	0.8677
	U ₇	3.4917	0.2169	0.1024	0.0630	3.5714	0.2184	0.1048	0.0626	68.0164	13.0020	2.1093	0.8652
	U ₈	4.6177	0.2647	0.1135	0.0583	4.6316	0.2892	0.1101	0.0543	86.8257	14.2394	2.4535	0.7612
	U ₉	5.7885	0.2796	0.1241	0.0631	5.8214	0.2833	0.1267	0.0498	121.9329	17.6591	2.9630	0.5732
	U ₁₀	7.1958	0.2963	0.1562	0.0607	7.1499	0.3141	0.1377	0.0208	144.9191	18.6892	3.7266	0.3270
7	U ₁	0.1068	0.0519	0.0179	0.0089	0.1139	0.0459	0.0370	0.0313	3.6453	2.5577	0.4640	0.4320
	U ₂	0.6663	0.0533	0.0299	0.0134	0.3491	0.0503	0.0469	0.0351	15.3193	2.7078	1.0521	0.7217
	U ₃	1.1162	0.0530	0.0529	0.0235	0.8496	0.0543	0.0518	0.0372	48.0178	2.8254	1.5685	0.9510
	U ₄	1.9729	0.0545	0.0708	0.0653	1.4961	0.0561	0.0527	0.0396	71.1940	2.8018	1.6876	1.4265
	U ₅	3.2351	0.0543	0.0778	0.0719	2.3691	0.0598	0.0562	0.0438	115.7854	2.8904	2.3398	1.1515
	U ₆	4.7125	0.0563	0.1395	0.0898	3.1655	0.0633	0.0590	0.0512	164.0647	3.0035	2.5431	1.5217
	U ₇	6.6403	0.0575	0.1783	0.0693	4.1694	0.0684	0.0602	0.0577	232.8319	2.9563	3.9856	1.2026
	U ₈	9.0520	0.0577	0.1687	0.0666	5.6943	0.0731	0.0681	0.0631	312.1140	3.1131	4.3245	1.1374
	U ₉	11.2129	0.0592	0.2065	0.0545	7.6131	0.0811	0.1982	0.0518	382.6400	3.1008	4.5456	0.8774
	U ₁₀	14.0223	0.0598	0.1729	0.0251	9.3465	0.0901	0.1964	0.0264	475.9421	3.1325	4.1724	0.4318

Table A.11 (continued)

No.s	U	LA				UA				Reduct(AT) _{L,X}			
		TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}
8	U ₁	0.4079	0.2045	0.0519	0.0421	0.4098	0.1866	0.0568	0.0302	6.7044	4.5411	0.7540	0.7037
	U ₂	1.5687	0.3787	0.0907	0.0609	1.5618	0.3642	0.0967	0.0571	17.7656	4.7319	1.5676	1.2469
	U ₃	3.4008	0.5366	0.1216	0.1122	3.3784	0.5238	0.1586	0.1003	30.4397	4.8391	2.2714	1.6990
	U ₄	6.0785	0.7141	0.1985	0.1701	6.2244	0.7063	0.1984	0.1676	46.1064	5.0135	3.3653	1.8685
	U ₅	9.5278	0.9057	0.2752	0.2001	9.5321	0.8798	0.2563	0.2197	68.3429	5.1394	3.7960	2.1139
	U ₆	14.0041	1.0774	0.2870	0.2597	14.3993	1.0500	0.2834	0.2016	97.3524	5.3016	4.9086	2.0824
	U ₇	19.0267	1.2488	0.3032	0.2404	18.9473	1.2594	0.3470	0.2327	142.3664	5.5639	5.0630	2.2182
	U ₈	24.9118	1.4528	0.3610	0.1768	24.5154	1.4393	0.3526	0.1690	193.6324	5.8638	6.4348	1.8309
	U ₉	32.8464	1.6778	0.3976	0.1144	32.7425	1.6452	0.3951	0.1085	268.1507	6.1101	7.1738	1.5918
	U ₁₀	39.3288	1.8735	0.4633	0.0599	39.9544	1.8382	0.5119	0.0608	377.4193	6.2934	8.5402	0.7422
9	U ₁	3.6820	1.7747	0.2962	0.2607	3.9320	1.6558	0.3072	0.2941	52.1803	28.4988	5.8810	4.1130
	U ₂	24.8117	1.7907	0.5871	0.2841	29.0141	1.6574	0.6056	0.3016	192.6647	28.6983	6.1054	5.1394
	U ₃	47.0233	1.8748	0.8789	0.4194	50.4673	1.6509	0.8690	0.4410	555.2914	29.4750	9.2219	6.3394
	U ₄	66.2718	1.8826	1.1702	0.5315	72.2806	1.6792	1.1722	0.6712	1045.2326	29.3204	13.1463	8.2316
	U ₅	114.1196	1.8675	1.4550	0.5943	120.9333	1.6780	1.4773	0.7103	1590.1432	30.6001	17.4495	9.9942
	U ₆	163.1812	1.9358	1.7867	0.6349	178.0702	1.6566	1.7577	0.7913	2330.0022	31.2958	20.9820	11.3136
	U ₇	237.7911	2.0171	1.9977	0.6849	244.7367	1.6866	2.0129	0.6194	3354.0526	32.2933	24.3319	13.1649
	U ₈	311.7575	2.0003	2.3422	0.7713	339.6167	1.7551	2.3031	0.7133	4456.5791	32.2024	27.1394	15.3319
	U ₉	392.6148	2.0647	2.5799	0.8120	421.6650	1.7206	2.5830	0.5487	5571.7179	31.9831	29.9649	17.9485
	U ₁₀	480.9877	2.0822	2.8891	1.0191	505.6805	1.7996	2.8003	0.6103	6754.9284	32.9951	31.1399	18.1315

Table A.12

The time consumption for computing LA, UA and Reduct(AT)_{L,X} in different target concepts.

No.s	X	LA				UA				Reduct(AT) _{L,X}			
		TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}
1	X ₁	0.1521	0.0137	0.0129	0.0053	0.1519	0.0125	0.0103	0.0023	6.3570	0.2415	0.1258	0.0506
	X ₂	0.1536	0.0270	0.0162	0.0044	0.1536	0.0270	0.0151	0.0045	6.3971	0.5691	0.4357	0.0828
	X ₃	0.1561	0.0430	0.0194	0.0067	0.1550	0.0439	0.0396	0.0141	6.5999	0.9661	0.9175	0.1692
	X ₄	0.1610	0.0611	0.0195	0.0110	0.1605	0.0570	0.0193	0.0135	6.6767	1.4029	0.6424	0.2821
	X ₅	0.1631	0.0790	0.0206	0.0116	0.1619	0.0720	0.0196	0.0139	6.8089	1.8328	0.6653	0.3523
	X ₆	0.1639	0.0640	0.0200	0.0129	0.1629	0.0529	0.0339	0.0258	6.6884	1.3362	1.1756	0.5107
	X ₇	0.1629	0.0470	0.0219	0.0123	0.1640	0.0439	0.0239	0.0102	6.7108	0.9988	1.7118	0.2510
	X ₈	0.1661	0.0310	0.0281	0.0090	0.1653	0.0299	0.0313	0.0102	6.7617	0.6440	1.7340	0.1541
	X ₉	0.1659	0.0150	0.0314	0.0037	0.1679	0.0189	0.0468	0.0083	6.7547	0.2715	2.2772	0.1216
2	X ₁	1.0115	0.0930	0.0892	0.0826	1.0338	0.0929	0.1008	0.0828	353.0747	32.4814	23.8772	20.3312
	X ₂	1.0419	0.1989	0.1581	0.1461	1.0428	0.1923	0.1272	0.1460	354.4419	64.8106	53.8071	35.1234
	X ₃	1.0495	0.3049	0.2707	0.2549	1.0528	0.2939	0.2917	0.2881	354.5530	97.9332	69.2531	61.5969
	X ₄	1.0609	0.4145	0.3943	0.3315	1.0598	0.3974	0.3489	0.3371	364.5605	130.4178	104.2054	78.8438
	X ₅	1.0919	0.5258	0.4765	0.4024	1.0894	0.4888	0.4120	0.3929	378.7818	162.9361	155.2304	95.0993
	X ₆	1.0822	0.4154	0.3873	0.3454	1.0845	0.3790	0.3762	0.3707	389.9895	162.9441	165.7345	83.8586
	X ₇	1.1045	0.3182	0.3077	0.3018	1.0896	0.3156	0.2987	0.2768	411.4860	129.6087	178.1336	74.5619
	X ₈	1.0985	0.2059	0.3513	0.1477	1.0976	0.2284	0.2065	0.1646	435.2008	97.7098	168.6873	43.4753
	X ₉	1.1220	0.1040	0.4001	0.0870	1.1228	0.1417	0.1209	0.0918	452.3873	64.7813	177.5988	16.7319
3	X ₁	0.5536	0.0509	0.0317	0.0075	0.5416	0.0531	0.0483	0.0048	12.8012	3.7072	1.2925	0.0934
	X ₂	0.5610	0.1140	0.0433	0.0118	0.5615	0.1009	0.0449	0.0177	13.2355	4.6737	2.9441	0.2850
	X ₃	0.5596	0.1666	0.0687	0.0239	0.5527	0.1528	0.0549	0.0302	13.2508	5.7318	1.8671	0.5306
	X ₄	0.5757	0.2145	0.0786	0.0360	0.5595	0.2064	0.0631	0.0476	13.5575	6.7746	1.6531	0.7738
	X ₅	0.5934	0.2832	0.1002	0.0670	0.5905	0.2543	0.0843	0.0584	13.8663	8.1095	3.5277	1.0090
	X ₆	0.5834	0.2277	0.0933	0.0789	0.6025	0.2231	0.1135	0.0592	13.8513	6.7749	3.0722	0.9729
	X ₇	0.6038	0.1616	0.1128	0.0577	0.6031	0.1874	0.1356	0.0485	13.9320	5.7985	2.8495	0.8725
	X ₈	0.6014	0.1067	0.1165	0.0337	0.6164	0.1296	0.1176	0.0385	14.0185	4.6466	3.1780	1.1878
	X ₉	0.6164	0.0578	0.1599	0.0175	0.6313	0.0718	0.1325	0.0188	14.0827	3.6680	3.5033	0.4266
4	X ₁	3.9240	0.3683	0.0908	0.0165	3.9184	0.3599	0.1137	0.0177	58.4628	13.2844	1.3912	0.1806
	X ₂	4.0533	0.7703	0.1420	0.0483	4.0589	0.7555	0.1234	0.0357	60.2019	18.1849	2.2619	0.3889
	X ₃	4.0403	1.1695	0.2402	0.0896	4.0830	1.1254	0.2490	0.1303	62.6885	23.7922	3.2366	0.9275
	X ₄	4.0997	1.5976	0.2687	0.1607	4.1113	1.5308	0.2903	0.1677	61.9780	29.0348	4.0157	1.5461
	X ₅	4.1962	2.0567	0.3649	0.2097	4.1820	1.9548	0.3275	0.1690	62.3464	35.0965	4.5525	2.1152
	X ₆	4.2517	1.6478	0.3405	0.2244	4.2426	1.7150	0.3783	0.1853	63.0736	29.0808	5.1989	2.0698
	X ₇	4.2824	1.2310	0.3720	0.1814	4.2722	1.2965	0.3882	0.1680	63.5545	24.0633	5.7341	1.9988
	X ₈	4.3310	0.8225	0.4795	0.1131	4.3396	0.9689	0.4316	0.1169	64.1137	18.9477	6.3727	1.4409
	X ₉	4.5681	0.4115	0.6586	0.0819	4.5493	0.5934	0.6604	0.0776	67.6782	13.8391	9.3708	0.9264
5	X ₁	5.5124	0.5278	0.1165	0.0231	5.5314	0.5243	0.1445	0.0275	190.0786	33.7407	5.3897	0.6162
	X ₂	5.6659	1.0508	0.1574	0.0471	5.8425	1.0489	0.2108	0.0647	186.9908	67.5618	7.4493	1.4972
	X ₃	5.7222	1.5888	0.1789	0.0869	5.7976	1.5788	0.2833	0.1296	193.6015	101.4878	9.1854	2.6521
	X ₄	5.6138	2.1074	0.2229	0.1345	6.0991	2.0924	0.3669	0.1998	203.3043	135.0409	9.9103	4.4171
	X ₅	5.8597	2.6457	0.2356	0.1712	6.3089	2.6198	0.3923	0.2595	206.0728	169.2146	9.9699	4.9717
	X ₆	6.1358	2.6481	0.2633	0.1583	6.2811	2.0167	0.4374	0.2576	212.4663	168.6793	10.7711	5.0172
	X ₇	6.0835	2.1144	0.3957	0.1759	6.2127	1.4372	0.5254	0.2418	218.6874	134.7203	16.1499	5.3347
	X ₈	6.0353	1.5789	0.6668	0.1308	6.5345	0.9515	0.6365	0.1572	231.5135	100.8924	17.9108	3.7427
	X ₉	6.2385	1.0658	0.5621	0.0680	6.7528	0.4638	0.8511	0.0799	231.1615	67.3597	20.2520	2.1433

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Table A.12 (continued)

No.s	X	LA				UA				Reduct(AT) _{L,X}			
		TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}	TPRS	SPRS	LOM	SPRS _{LOM}
6	X ₁	8.3836	0.7660	0.2035	0.0256	8.4300	0.7650	0.1817	0.0243	160.0473	19.2900	4.9884	0.4974
	X ₂	9.1755	1.4571	0.3067	0.0723	12.8912	1.7124	0.3094	0.0751	162.7748	20.8798	8.0147	1.3190
	X ₃	6.7609	1.9967	0.3750	0.1499	6.7808	1.9488	0.4039	0.1447	173.4052	28.6860	8.4694	2.8660
	X ₄	9.0179	3.8936	0.5299	0.2445	8.2091	3.1256	0.5560	0.2237	174.3291	36.0996	14.0522	4.8555
	X ₅	11.7476	3.7709	0.6075	0.3642	12.0418	3.6034	0.5950	0.3022	179.3587	44.1034	15.1384	7.2308
	X ₆	10.0151	3.9339	0.7552	0.3160	10.1321	3.0050	0.8069	0.3465	182.7963	37.2372	15.5724	6.1153
	X ₇	11.1710	2.7059	1.0950	0.4171	9.3622	2.3927	1.0918	0.3869	186.4313	29.5238	23.6261	7.8257
	X ₈	13.0692	1.8287	1.1922	0.2750	11.9871	1.7656	1.2297	0.2852	186.2462	22.2942	24.7171	5.4203
	X ₉	9.3256	0.8712	1.3264	0.1688	9.4170	1.1779	1.1957	0.2071	188.6488	18.8348	31.4747	2.7781
7	X ₁	11.1899	1.1041	0.2482	0.0377	11.4820	1.0031	0.2405	0.0381	214.6636	34.3372	6.1281	0.6587
	X ₂	11.6925	2.4735	0.3744	0.1088	11.3704	2.2145	0.3996	0.1173	212.4903	74.8744	9.3823	1.9788
	X ₃	11.8952	3.5252	0.5237	0.2482	11.3409	3.0070	0.5335	0.2312	216.4481	109.2443	11.5680	4.0354
	X ₄	11.7440	4.3841	0.7272	0.3738	11.9241	3.9634	0.7327	0.3773	223.9889	139.7951	14.4650	6.4782
	X ₅	11.9410	5.5963	0.9921	0.6666	12.0695	5.2337	1.0994	0.7159	224.7330	179.1545	22.3842	12.9901
	X ₆	11.9894	5.5388	1.2411	0.7092	12.1670	4.2626	1.2183	0.7256	227.0727	171.4476	26.1431	12.4510
	X ₇	11.9180	4.5646	1.2829	0.5794	12.3213	3.1816	1.3560	0.6096	240.2356	139.1706	29.2973	10.7099
	X ₈	12.2773	3.5133	1.6674	0.4391	12.5252	2.1081	1.5805	0.4299	249.9577	110.1145	32.9486	6.8007
	X ₉	12.4897	2.3714	1.8530	0.2341	12.4472	1.0752	1.8335	0.2610	264.2096	68.3396	38.7818	3.7035
8	X ₁	44.0022	4.1663	0.8685	0.1194	43.6799	4.0143	0.8069	0.1153	435.6568	59.7765	12.0444	1.3475
	X ₂	43.3608	8.4258	1.5381	0.3085	43.3129	8.1209	1.3141	0.3229	458.8927	125.7950	19.0314	3.6449
	X ₃	45.9732	13.6250	2.2259	0.9126	45.8092	12.4836	2.1481	0.9156	453.0280	185.0951	34.3066	10.8342
	X ₄	46.1807	18.0109	2.6140	1.4416	46.2532	16.6935	2.6058	1.4469	469.2585	244.5664	44.1858	17.3021
	X ₅	47.0834	22.8880	3.1453	2.1221	46.9581	21.3188	3.1541	2.1034	481.0586	298.3803	60.9701	24.7680
	X ₆	47.4940	17.8496	3.7087	2.2255	47.3810	17.0093	3.7158	2.2380	503.7325	305.4760	66.5063	26.1116
	X ₇	47.8719	13.3864	4.3922	2.1002	47.9516	12.8212	4.6691	2.0453	525.5329	238.7361	77.6657	24.3326
	X ₈	48.1872	8.8134	5.1917	1.4640	48.2574	7.8749	5.1725	1.4720	541.8812	191.3652	87.7453	17.5830
	X ₉	49.2353	4.3554	6.3856	0.8196	48.9584	3.8194	6.9228	0.8190	552.6304	120.6071	102.3940	9.9978
9	X ₁	344.4836	34.6222	6.9598	0.7358	344.4470	31.7707	6.4881	1.4570	8492.3923	813.3551	63.4195	7.6130
	X ₂	347.2022	69.2282	10.1467	1.1747	350.3151	63.9949	10.0881	3.4453	8337.7764	1639.5053	107.1467	12.1139
	X ₃	356.9558	103.6314	14.6370	1.4333	367.6490	95.3883	14.5749	11.4420	8185.6473	2438.1044	145.6500	14.9438
	X ₄	361.2274	138.6131	62.3935	3.0935	366.3897	127.1779	64.4243	24.5762	8610.9773	3258.1633	552.1433	30.1940
	X ₅	360.3457	173.2931	72.2250	5.1249	368.8275	158.7870	67.8099	37.2427	8889.4180	4061.5215	714.4960	48.3169
	X ₆	361.2939	173.0095	81.3125	4.1195	364.1453	118.9991	76.1239	26.4447	9163.7391	4065.1261	801.4315	37.9914
	X ₇	363.6652	139.1737	83.9986	3.1938	358.1425	99.2265	83.6892	23.1962	9543.6098	3261.9712	894.8439	30.3310
	X ₈	367.8221	103.8976	97.6042	2.6702	365.4627	66.7298	94.8532	14.5300	9786.1992	2449.4604	967.9432	25.1084
	X ₉	361.6415	69.7588	105.4638	1.5738	361.8157	35.4209	105.8357	5.2720	9992.9319	1633.8596	1273.1946	16.1313

Table A.13
P value of the Wilcoxon test.

Data		(SPRS _{LOM} , TPRS)	(SPRS _{LOM} , SPRS)	(SPRS _{LOM} , LOM)
Table A.11	LA	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	UA	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	Reduct(AT) _{L,X}	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Table A.12	LA	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	UA	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
	Reduct(AT) _{L,X}	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01

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