

Negative cell values, singletons and linked tables in τ -argus

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Statistics Netherlands

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B	215	10	70	135	c_{11}	-2	s	-10	40	-	-
					c_{21}	10	u	0	100	2	2
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A	157	1	53	103
B	224	13	73	138

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c_{00}	381	s	18	568	-	-
c_{01}	14	s	6	556	-	-
c_{11}	1	s	-7	43	-	-
c_{21}	13	u	3	103	2	2
c_{23}	138	s	3	553	-	-

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Total	c_{00}	c_{01}	c_{02}	c_{03}	c_{04}
A	c_{10}	c_{11}	c_{12}	c_{13}	c_{14}
B	c_{20}	c_{21}	c_{22}	c_{23}	c_{24}

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A	c_{10}	\times	\times	c_{13}	\times
B	c_{20}	\times	c_{22}	c_{23}	\times

Compare 'old' approach

Linked tables

- Provide set of tables
- Tables linked by shared cells
- Cover table is possible
- Find suppression pattern ‘simultaneously’
- Nicer solution compared to ‘naive approach’

Linked tables

$T_1 = (\text{Total}, A, A1, A11, A12, A2, A21, A22, B, B1, B11, B12, B2) \times (X, X1, X2)$

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	X	X1	X2		X21	X22
		X11	X12			
Total						
A						
A1		A11	A12			
A2		A21	A22			
B						
B1		B11	B12			
B2						

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Total							
A							
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	X	X1	X11	X12	X2	X21	X22
Total	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A11	✓	✓		x	x		x
A12	✓	✓		x	x		x
A2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A21	✓	✓		x	x		x
A22	✓	✓		x	x		x
B	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
B1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
B11	✓	✓		x	x		x
B12	✓	✓		x	x		x
B2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

