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The quantified constraint satisfaction problem QCSP for a fixed finite relational structure has as input a first order sentence over this structure built from atoms, conjunction, and both existential and universal quantifiers. The problem is then to decide whether the sentence is true. This is well-known to be always in PSPACE. We aim to classify structures by the computational complexity of their QCSP.

Using an established algebraic viewpoint we can replace a relational structure by its polymorphism algebra and ask about the complexity of the QCSP for this algebra instead. We show that the QCSP of any finite monoid is either in P or NP-complete. (Received January 17, 2017)