Split Graphs and Amphoras in Posets

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An amphora in a poset is a subposet consisting of a minimum element m, an antichain A of maximal elements, and all elements between m and one or more elements of A. A graph is a split graph if its vertex set can be partitioned into a clique and an independent set. Membership in the class of split graphs can be determined from degree sequences. Moreover, degree sequences can be partitioned into two parts called blocks and the set of blocks representing the degree sequences of all split graphs with a fixed number of edges forms a poset where the relation depends on majorization. We partition this poset into amphoras where each amphora represents a natural class of split graphs.

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