

## Tutorial Exact Algorithms

### Exercise T3

Let  $F$  be a formula in CNF. A clause  $\{l_1, \dots, l_k\}$  is exactly satisfied if exactly one of the literals is true. An assignment satisfies  $F$  exactly, if each clause is exactly satisfied.

Find an algorithm that decides whether  $F$  can be exact satisfied in time  $O^*(\tau(3, 3, 3)^n)$ .

### Exercise T4

The problem SET PACKING is defined as follows:

Input: A family  $\mathcal{S} = \{S_1, \dots, S_m\}$  of sets.

Question: Is there a subset  $S' \subset \mathcal{S}$  of size at least  $k$   
such that  $S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset$  for all  $S_i, S_j \in S'$  with  $i \neq j$ ?

Design an algorithm that solves this problem in  $O^*(1.47^m)$ .

### Homework Assignment H3 (10 Points)

The problem HITTING SET is defined as follows:

Input: A family  $\mathcal{S} = \{S_1, \dots, S_m\}$  of subsets of a universe  $\mathcal{U}$ .

Question: Is there a  $U \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  of size at most  $k$   
such that  $U \cap S_i \neq \emptyset$  for all  $S_i \in \mathcal{S}$ ?

Design an algorithm that solves this problem in at most  $O^*(\sqrt{2}^{|\mathcal{U}|+|\mathcal{S}|})$  steps. Hint: This problem is similar to SET COVER.

### Homework Assignment H4 (10 Points)

Give a formal proof for the following lemmas:

**Lemma 1** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph and  $v \in V$  with  $\deg(v) = 1$ . Then

$$\alpha(G) = \alpha(G \setminus \{v\}) + 1.$$

**Lemma 2** Let  $G = (V, E)$  and let  $G$  consist of connected components  $G_1, \dots, G_l$ . Then

$$\alpha(G) = \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha(G_i).$$

**Lemma 3** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph and  $\Delta(G) \leq 2$ . Then  $\alpha(G)$  can be computed in polynomial time.