

10th Exercise sheet for Advanced Algorithmics, Summer 17

Hand In: Until Wednesday, 05.07.2017, 12:00 am, hand-in box in 48-4 or via email.

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Problem 23

30 points

Prove Theorem 5.8:

`greedyMaxCut` is a (deterministic) 2-approximation for MAX-CUT.

N. B.: Lecture Notes 18 have been updated to show the correct algorithm.

Problem 24

20 points

Show that there is no $\epsilon > 0$ so that `layeringSetCover` is an $(f - \epsilon)$ -approximation for SET-COVER, i. e. that f is tight.

Hint: Give a set of instances that contains infinitely many counterexamples for every $\epsilon > 0$.

Problem 25

30 points

We consider the vertex cover problem again, which can be written as the following ILP:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \sum_{v \in V} x_v \\ \text{s. t.} & x_u + x_v \geq 1 \quad \text{for all } \{u, v\} \in E \\ & x_v \in \mathbb{N}_0 \quad \text{for all } v \in V \end{array}$$

- a) Argue that any *optimal* solution x^* to above ILP “is 0/1”, i. e., consists only of entries 0 and 1.

- b) Consider the LP relaxation of the vertex cover ILP and determine its dual LP.
- c) Now consider the dual LP restricted to integer solutions; argue that here in fact *any* feasible integral solution is 0/1.

Which graph problem is described by the dual LP with integrality constraints?

- d) Assume you are given an optimal integral solution for the dual LP. What do the complementary slackness conditions allow to deduce about an optimal solution of the primal LP?