

## Meta-algorithms on graphs — problem batch 1

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**Problem 1.** In the CHANNEL ASSIGNMENT problem we are given a graph  $G$  where each edge  $e$  is labelled by a request  $\rho(e)$ , which is a positive integer. The goal is to determine the minimum number  $W$  for which there is an assignment  $\lambda: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, \dots, W\}$  such that for each edge  $uv$  of  $G$  we have  $|\lambda(u) - \lambda(v)| \geq \rho(uv)$ . Construct an algorithm that solves this problem in time  $2^{\mathcal{O}(k \log(kL))} \cdot n$ , where  $k$  is the treewidth of the input graph,  $n$  is the number of its vertices, and  $L$  is the maximum among  $\rho(e)$  for  $e$  ranging over the edges.

**Problem 2.** We are given an  $\text{mso}_2$  formula  $\varphi(u)$  with one free vertex variable  $u$ , and a graph  $G$  with  $n$  vertices, given together with its tree decomposition of width at most  $k$ . Prove that one can compute the set of all vertices  $u \in V(G)$  such that  $G, u \models \varphi$  in time  $f(\|\varphi\|, k) \cdot n$ , for some computable function  $f$ .

**Problem 3.** A vertex subset  $X \subseteq V(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is a *vertex cover* of  $G$  if every edge of  $G$  has at least one endpoint in  $X$ . We are given an  $\text{mso}_2$  sentence  $\varphi$ , a graph  $G$ , and some its vertex cover  $X$ . Give an algorithm deciding whether  $G \models \varphi$  in time  $2^{2^{\text{poly}(\|\varphi\|, |X|)}} \cdot n$ , where  $n$  denotes the number of vertices of  $G$ .