

Announcements

- · Final exam,
 - Monday, December 12, 2:30-4:20 pm
 - Comprehensive (2/3 post midterm, 1/3 pre midterm)
- Review session
 - Lowe 101
 - Friday, December 9, 2:30-4:20
 - Ben and Max



Exact Cover (sets of size 3) XC3

Given a collection of sets of size 3 of a domain of size 3N, is there a sub-collection of N sets that cover the sets

 $\begin{array}{l} \{(A, B, C), (D, E, F), (A, B, G), (A, C, I), (B, E, G), (A, G, I), (B, D, F), (C, E, I), (C, D, H), (D, G, I), (D, F, H), (E, H, I), (F, G, H), (F, H, I)\} \end{array}$

ABCDEFGHI

Number Problems

- Subset sum problem
 - Given natural numbers w_1, \ldots, w_n and a target number W, is there a subset that adds up to exactly W?
- Subset sum problem is NP-Complete
- Subset Sum problem can be solved in O(nW) time

$XC3 <_P SUBSET SUM$

Idea: Represent each set as a bit vector, then interpret the bit vectors as integers. Add them up to get the all one's vector.

 $\{x_3,\,x_5,\,x_9\} => 001010001000$

Does there exist a subset that sums to exactly 11111111111?

Annoying detail: What about the carries?



Scheduling with release times and deadlines

- Tasks T_1, \ldots, T_n with release time $r_i,$ deadline $d_i,$ and work w_i
 - Reduce from Subset Sum
 Given natural numbers w₁,..., w_n and a target number K, is there a subset that adds up to exactly K?
 Suppose the sum w₁+...+ w_n = W
- Task T has release time 0 and deadline W+1
- Add an additional task with release time K, deadline K+1 and work 1

Coping with NP-Completeness

- Approximation Algorithms
- · Exact solution via Branch and Bound
- Local Search

Multiprocessor Scheduling Unit execution tasks Precedence graph K-Processors Polynomial time for k=2 Open for k = constant NP-complete is k is part of the problem

Highest level first is 2-Optimal

Choose k items on the highest level Claim: number of rounds is at least twice the optimal.





Bin Packing

- Given N items with weight w_i, pack the items into as few unit capacity bins as possible
- Example: .3, .3, .3, .3, .4, .4

First Fit Packing

- · First Fit
 - Theorem: FF(I) is at most 17/10 Opt(I) + 2
- · First Fit Decreasing
 - Theorem: FFD(I) is at most 11/9 Opt (I) + 4

Branch and Bound

- Brute force search tree of all possible solutions
- Branch and bound compute a lower bound on all possible extensions
 - Prune sub-trees that cannot be better than optimal



Local Optimization

- Improve an optimization problem by local improvement
 - Neighborhood structure on solutions
 - Travelling Salesman 2-Opt (or K-Opt)
 - Independent Set Local Replacement