

## Randomization and derandomization

1. Give a randomized FPT algorithm for the problem of deciding whether a given undirected graph contains a cycle of length at least  $k$ . Your algorithm should have running time  $c^k n^{O(1)}$ . Note that a graph may not have any cycle of length exactly  $k$ , but contain a much longer cycle. Derandomize your algorithm using perfect hash families.
2. A graph  $H$  is called  $r$ -colorable if there exists a function  $\chi : V(H) \rightarrow [r]$  such that  $\chi(u) \neq \chi(v)$  for every  $uv \in E(H)$ . Consider the following problem: given a perfect graph  $G$  and integers  $k$  and  $r$ , check whether  $G$  admits an  $r$ -colorable induced subgraph on at least  $k$  vertices. Show an algorithm for this problem with running time  $f(k; r)n^{O(1)}$ . You could use the fact that we can find a maximum independent set in perfect graphs in polynomial time.
3. In the Pseudo Achromatic Number problem, we are given an undirected graph  $G$  and a positive integer  $k$ , and the goal is to check whether the vertices of  $G$  can be partitioned into  $k$  groups such that every two groups are connected by an edge. Obtain a randomized algorithm for Pseudo Achromatic Number running in time  $2^{O(k^2 \log k)} n^{O(1)}$ .
4. Consider a slightly different approach for Subgraph Isomorphism on graphs of bounded degree, where we randomly color vertices (instead of edges) with two colors.
  - Show that this approach leads to  $2^{(d+1)k} k! n^{O(1)}$ -time Monte Carlo algorithm with false negatives.
  - Improve the dependency on  $d$  in running time of the algorithm to  $d^{O(k)} k! n^{O(1)}$ .
5. Show that, for every  $n, \ell \geq 2$ , any  $(n, 2, \ell)$ -splitter needs to contain at least  $\log_\ell n$  elements. In other words, show that the  $\log n$  dependency in the size bound of splitter is optimal.
6. Give a deterministic version of the first algorithm developed in Exercise 3. Your algorithm should run in time  $2^{(d+1)k + o(dk)} k! n^{O(1)}$ .