

The Fiduccia and Mattheyses (FM) Algorithm

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1. Take the initial x^0 , calculate $f(x^0)$, set $x^{max} = x^0$; $flag = 1$, $Pass = 1$
 2. Let F be the set of indices corresponding to unlocked/free variables (initially $F = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$). Let L be the set of indices corresponding to locked variables (initially $L = \emptyset$)
 3. WHILE $flag = 1$
 - 3.1 Set $flag = 0$ & $Epoch = 0$. Set $F = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, $L = \emptyset$
 - 3.1.1 Until $Epoch = n$ DO
 - 3.1.2 For each $j \in F$ based on x^t (x^0 for $Epoch = 0$), calculate $x^j = (x_1, \dots, 1 - x_j, \dots, x_n)$ by flipping x_j and find $f(x^j)$.
 - 3.1.3 Let $x^t = \arg \max_j \{f(x^j), j \in F\}$. Set $F = F \setminus \{t\}$, $L = L \cup \{t\}$, $Epoch = Epoch + 1$
 - 3.1.4 EndDO
 - 3.2 Let x^t be the best solution at the end of the t -th Epoch and $x = \arg \max_t \{f(x^t), t \in L\}$
 - 3.3 IF $f(x) > f(x^0)$
 - 3.3.1 $x^{max} = x$, $x^0 = x$, $flag = 1$, $Pass = Pass + 1$
 - 3.4 ENDIF
 4. ENDWHILE
 5. RETURN x^{max}
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