# Summary: Lecture 12

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# **Approximation**

- to solve function problems
- optimization problems: find less than perfect answers
- $\epsilon$  for how many percent are *perfect*
- PTAS: how much do you care about the result? algorithm will adapt time to this

$$\frac{c(M(x)) - \mathrm{OPT}(x)}{c(M(x))} \le \epsilon$$

## Decision problem: Node Cover

Given: Graph G = (V, E) and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ 

Is there a subset  $V' \subseteq V$  with  $|V'| \le k$  such that every edge  $e \in E$  contains a node from the subset V'?

### Optimization problem: Node Cover

Given: Graph G = (V, E) and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ 

Something else :D

#### TODO

Questions:

# References

- [1] Martin Berglund. Lecture notes in Computational Complexity.
- [2] Christos H. Papadimitriou. Computational Complexity. Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1994.