

An algorithm to be analyzed

1 Pseudocode

We modify the famous greedy algorithm for the set-covering problem to give the following algorithm, called ALG, for the minimum paired-dominating set problem.

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1:  $\mathcal{D} \leftarrow \emptyset$ ;  
2: while  $\bigcup_{v \in \mathcal{D}} N[v] \neq V$  do  
3:   Among the edges in  $E$  not having an endpoint in  $\mathcal{D}$ , pick an edge  
    $(a, b)$  that maximizes  $|(N[a] \cup N[b]) \cap (V \setminus \bigcup_{v \in \mathcal{D}} N[v])|$ , breaking ties  
   arbitrarily;  
4:    $\mathcal{D} \leftarrow \mathcal{D} \cup \{a, b\}$ ;  
5: end while  
6: return  $\mathcal{D}$ ;
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Lemma 1. *Whenever line 3 of A is executed,*

$$\left| V \setminus \bigcup_{v \in \mathcal{D}} N[v] \right| > 0.$$

Proof. To be written. □

Let D^* be a smallest dominating set of $G = (V, E)$.

Lemma 2. *Whenever line 3 of A is executed, there exists $u \in D^* \setminus \mathcal{D}$ satisfying*

$$\left| N[u] \cap \left(V \setminus \bigcup_{v \in \mathcal{D}} N[v] \right) \right| \geq \frac{1}{|D^*|} \cdot \left| V \setminus \bigcup_{v \in \mathcal{D}} N[v] \right|$$

and that $N(u) \not\subseteq \mathcal{D}$.

Proof. To be written.

□

Lemma 3. *Right after each execution of line 3 of A,*

$$\left| (N[a] \cup N[b]) \cap \left(V \setminus \bigcup_{v \in \mathcal{D}} N[v] \right) \right| \geq \frac{1}{|D^*|} \cdot \left| V \setminus \bigcup_{v \in \mathcal{D}} N[v] \right|.$$

Proof. To be written.

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