

9. Assume that a WVG is described by  $\Gamma = (q; w_1, \dots, w_n)$ . Analyze the computational complexity of the problemS

- Compute the smallest number of players that can form a winning coalition in  $\Gamma$ .
- Compute the biggest number of players that can form a losing coalition in  $\Gamma$ .

10. **The diameter game.** Consider a cooperative game which is defined on an undirected connected graph  $G = (V, E)$ . The players are the edges in the graph. For  $X \subseteq E$ , let  $G_X = (V, X)$  be the graph formed by  $V$  and the edges in  $X$ . The valuation function is the following

$$v(X) = \begin{cases} 2|X| - \text{diam}(G_X) & \text{if } G_X \text{ is connected} \\ \frac{|X|}{2} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\text{diam}(H)$  is the diameter of the graph  $H$ .

- Is the valuation function monotone? superadditive? supermodular?
- Are there connected graphs such that the core of the associated diameter game is non-empty?

11. **Games on social networks** One of the criticism to simple games is the fact of assuming that any coalition can be formed. In the context in which the players participate in a social networks, a natural restriction on a coalition to take effect is that the members of a should at least be able to establish some level of communication among themselves.

For simplicity you can assume that a simple game  $\Gamma = (N, \mathcal{W})$  is defined and that the social network is an undirected graph  $H = (N, E)$ .

On top of that we can come out with different combinations for defining winning coalitions in an associated *social game*,  $\Gamma_s$  on  $N$ . Consider the following options:

- A coalition  $X$  is winning in  $\Gamma_s$  iff  $X$  wins in  $\Gamma$  and  $H[X]$  has no isolated vertices.
- A coalition  $X$  is winning in  $\Gamma_s$  iff  $X$  wins in  $\Gamma$  and  $H[X]$  is connected.
- A coalition  $X$  is winning in  $\Gamma_s$  iff there is  $Y \subseteq X$ , so that  $Y$  wins in  $\Gamma$  and  $H[Y]$  is connected.

Under which of the options (a), (b) or (c) is  $\Gamma_s$  a simple game?

For those cases in which a simple game is defined, assuming that you have access to a polynomial time algorithm that given  $X$  decides whether  $X \in \mathcal{W}$ , analyze the computational complexity of the problem of deciding whether  $\Gamma_s$  has an empty core.

12. **Vertex cover games** For a given undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$ , the associated *vertex cover game* has  $N = V$  and in it a coalition wins iff and only if  $X$  is a vertex cover in  $G$ .

- (a) Show that vertex cover games are simple games.
- (b) Are there games in which the core is non-empty?
- (c) Analyze the computational complexity of the IsPROPER and IsSTRONG problem on vertex cover games