

# SamplePackage -- a package for combinatorial optimization

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## Description

This package leverages matroids for algorithms in combinatorial optimization such as shortest paths in graphs.

```
i1 : R = QQ[x,y,z]
o1 = R
o1 : PolynomialRing

i2 : I = ideal R_*
o2 = ideal (x, y, z)
o2 : Ideal of R
```

## Contributors

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## References

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## Certification a gold star

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- Symbols
  - MyCustomClass -- see [SamplePackage](#) -- combinatorial algorithms