

## Ειδικά Θέματα Αλγορίθμων Ασκήσεις Φροντιστηρίου #9 Approximation Algorithms

1. Give a greedy approximation algorithm for the MAX COVERAGE problem.

(MAX COVERAGE: Given a universe  $\mathcal{U} = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ , a list of sets  $S_i \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  (possibly overlapping) and a bound  $k$ , the goal is to pick  $k$  sets  $S'_1, S'_2, \dots, S'_k$  such that  $|\bigcup_{i=1}^k S'_i|$  is maximized.)

2. a) Design an optimal algorithm for the fractional version of KNAPSACK problem.  
b) Design an approximation algorithm for the 0-1 version of KNAPSACK problem.

(KNAPSACK: As input, Knapsack takes a set of  $n$  items,  $S = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ , each with a weight  $w(a_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and a value  $v(a_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , a “knapsack capacity”  $B \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

Find a subset of objects whose total weight is bounded by  $B$  and total value is maximized.)