

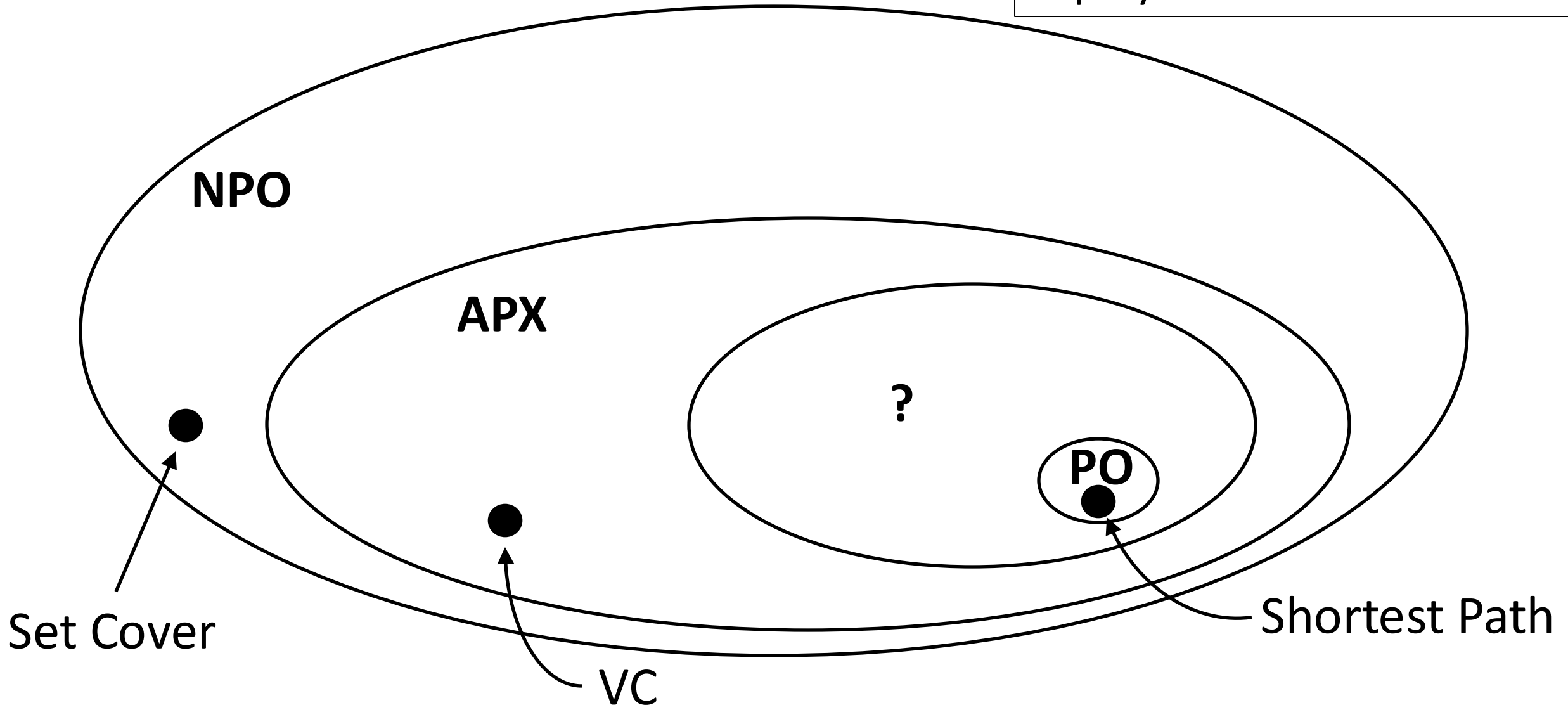
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Final Presentation Scheduling

- 12/02, 12/03, 12/11
- Email me if you have restrictions on which days you can present.

Approximability Hierarchy

PO: Optimization problems that can be optimally solved in polynomial time.



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$\{3, 4\}$: weight = 11, value = 40

$\{4, 5\}$: weight = 13, value = 50



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How could we approach this?

Greedy?

ILP?

Flow Network?

Dynamic Program?

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$$W = 12$$

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Yes, removing some item must give an optimal selection for the remaining weight.

E.g. If $\{\text{item}_1, \text{item}_3, \text{item}_7\}$ is optimal for weight of 10, and item_3 weighs 3, $\{\text{item}_1, \text{item}_7\}$ **must** be optimal for a weight of 7.

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To find the optimal solution, find largest V such that $\text{opt}(n, V) \leq W$.



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If item i is in the optimal solution, removing it decreases the value by v_i and weight by w_i . What remains must be the minimum weight whose value is at least $V - v_i$.

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$$\text{opt}(i, V) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } V = 0 \\ \infty & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ and } V > 0 \\ \min \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{opt}(i - 1, V), \\ \text{opt}(i - 1, V - v_i) + w_i \end{array} \right) & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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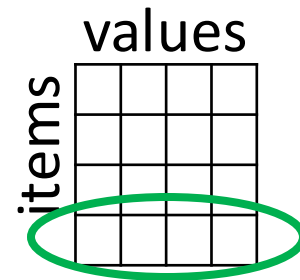
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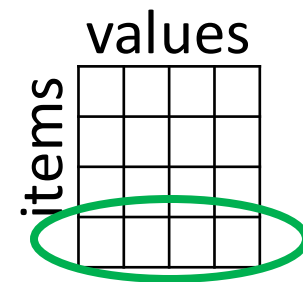
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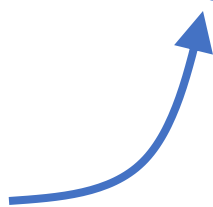
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