Exercise Sheet 5 COMP6741: Parameterized and Exact Computation

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1. Recall that an independent set of a graph G = (V, E) is a subset of pairwise non-adjacent vertices.

INDEPENDENT SET

Input: Graph G, integer k

Question: Does G have an independent set of size k?

• Show that INDEPENDENT SET is FPT for parameter q, where $q = k + \Delta(G)$ and $\Delta(G)$ denotes the maximum degree of G.