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T-79.4202 Principles of Algorithmic Techniques (5 cr)
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Write down on each answer sheet:

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- The text: “T-79.4202 Principles of Algorithmic Techniques 9.6.2016”
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Note: You can write down your answers in either Finnish, Swedish, or English.

1. How many lines (as a function of n) does the following program print? Derive a recurrence and solve it exactly. You may assume that n is a power of 3.

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function f(n)
  if n > 1:
    print_line('foobar')
    f(n/3)
    f(n/3)
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2. Explain how the “twice-around-the-tree” approximation algorithm for the metric Travelling Salesman Problem works, and prove the associated approximation ratio bound.

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3. Give an algorithm with running time $O(nt)$ for the following task.

Input: A list of n positive integers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n and a positive integer t .

Question: Decide (output “yes” or “no”) whether there is a subset of the a_i ’s whose sum is equal to t . Each a_i may be used at most once.

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4. Design a linear-time algorithm for the following task: given a connected undirected graph G , find a vertex v that can be removed from G without making it disconnected. (*Hint:* Think about other linear-time graph algorithms that you know.)

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