# Sandwich problems on orientations 

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## Algorithmic aspects

(1) Matroid is given by an oracle that answers if $F \in \mathcal{M}$.
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(3) more generally, given a matroid $M, F_{1} \in \mathcal{M}$ and $\left|F_{1}\right| \leq k \leq$ rank of $M$, it finds $F \in \mathcal{M}$ that contains $F_{1}$ and that has size $k$.

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Thank you for your attention!


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