

# Group Control for Procedural Rules: Parameterized Complexity and Consecutive Domains

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# Problems & Ideas

- Problem of Group Control by Adding Individuals (GCAI)

Input: A set  $N$  of individuals, a profile  $\delta$  over  $N$ , two nonempty subsets  $S, T$  of  $N$  such that  $S$  is a subset of  $T$ , and an integer  $k$ .

Question: Is there a subset  $U$  of  $N \setminus T$  of at most  $k$  individuals so that all individuals in  $S$  are socially qualified with respect to the profile  $\delta$  restricted to the union of  $T$  and  $U$ ?

- Ideas: Use complexity theory to establish the complexity of GCAI for two procedural rules.

	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$e$		
$N$	$S$	$a$	1	0	1	0	0
		$b$	0	0	1	1	1
	$c$	1	0	0	0	1	
	$d$	0	0	0	1	0	
	$e$	0	1	0	0	1	

An illustration of the problem of group control by adding individuals.

# Main Contributions

- Contributions:
  - We prove that GCAI for the two procedural rules are fixed-parameter tractable with respect to the number of distinguished individuals;
  - We prove that GCAI for the two procedural rules are W[2]-hard with respect to the solution size;
  - We study the complexity of GCAI for the consensus-start-respecting rule and the liberal-start-respecting rule restricted to consecutive domains.

	parameters		restricted domains	
	$\ell$	$k$	QC	DQC
$f^{\text{CSR}}$	FPT (Thm. 2)	W[2]-hard (Thm. 4)	P (Thm. 5)	P (Thm. 7)
$f^{\text{LSR}}$	FPT (Thm. 3)	W[2]-hard (Thm. 6)	W[2]-hard (Thm. 6)	P (Thm. 7)

A summary of our main results.