## Chair for <br> INFORMATICS I

Efficient Algorithms and

## Advanced Algorithms

Winter term 2019/20
Lecture 6. Approaches using Randomisation or: Color Coding and "Isolation" Lemmas
Source: [Parameterized Algorithms: §3.3, 5, 5.1, 5.2, 11.2] (slides by Thomas van Dijk \& Alexander Wolff)
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## In this lecture:

- Coloring $\neq$ Graphcoloring.
- $k$-coloring of $n$ elements:
label each element with one number from 1.. $k$.


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