## Answer to GSAT Exercise

- Global minimum is  $\neg A \land \neg B \land \neg C$
- If one defines the following constraints, there is a risk of settling in local minimum, AABAC:

(a) 
$$A \lor \neg B$$

(b) 
$$\neg A \lor B$$

- (c)  $\mathsf{B} \lor \neg \mathsf{C}$
- (d)  $\neg B \lor C$
- (e)  $\neg A \lor C$

(f) 
$$A \lor \neg C$$

 $(g) \ \neg \ A \lor \neg \ B \lor \neg \ C$ 

- However, in the following formulation (not in CNF), one has only got plateaus, not local minimum
  - 1.  $A \leftrightarrow B$
  - 2.  $B \leftrightarrow C$
  - 3.  $A \leftrightarrow C$

4. 
$$\neg A \land \neg B \land \neg C$$

- This shows:
  - The significance of problem formulation
  - One potential drawback of formulating problems in SAT