1077-05-2436 Lucia C Petito* (lpetito@u.rochester.edu), Jessie Deering, Anant Godbole and William Jamieson. Hitting Set Size for Random Set Systems.

Let Λ be a random set system of $[n] = \{1, 2, ...n\}$, where $\Lambda = \{A_j | A_j \in \mathcal{P}([n]), \text{ and } A_j \text{ selected with probability } p\}$. A set $H \subseteq [n]$ is a hitting set of Λ if $|H \cap A_j| \ge 1$ for all $A_j \in \Lambda$. We explore the minimum cardinality of H with respect to p and n using probabilistic methods. (Received September 22, 2011)