

1) SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM is in NP as we can build a polynomial time verifier for it. Consider a subgraph of G with mappings between its vertices and vertices of H such that it is possible to verify that H is isomorphic to a subgraph of G in polynomial time. Next we will reduce from CLIQUE to show that SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM is NP-hard. Given (G, k) of CLIQUE, we know that a clique of size k exists in G . Consider an instance of SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM (G', H) where $G' = G$ and H is a complete graph of size k that is a subgraph of G' . On input (G, H) , then (G, H) is an instance of SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM if (G, k) is an instance of CLIQUE. This reduction runs in polynomial time. If we have a YES instance of CLIQUE, we know that a connected subgraph of G exists in size k . Since G satisfies CLIQUE and $G' = G$, then a subgraph of size k exists in G' and H is a connected graph of size k and is a subgraph of G' . $\therefore G'$ has a subgraph that is isomorphic to H . Thus yes maps to yes. If we have a YES instance of SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM, then we can create a YES instance of CLIQUE. Consider H a complete graph of size k that is a subgraph of G' . Since H is a complete graph of size k we can convert it to a CLIQUE of size k in a given graph $G = G'$. Thus we have created a YES instance (G, k) of CLIQUE. No maps to no. \therefore SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM is NP-complete.

2) Given $T \subseteq C$, we can verify that T is a valid cover of U and whether $|T| \leq k$. Specifically, we check that every element $u \in U$ appears in at least one set $S_i \in T$. Since this verification can be done in polynomial time, SET COVER belongs to NP. We now prove that SET COVER is NP-hard by reducing from VERTEX COVER. Let $G = (V, E), k$ be an instance of VERTEX COVER, where G is an undirected graph with vertex set V and edge set E , and k is the maximum allowed size of the vertex cover. We will construct an instance of SET COVER as follows: define the universe $U = E$, the set of elements to be covered corresponds to the edges of G . For each vertex $v \in V$, define a set S_v containing all edges incident to v . Let $C = \{S_v : v \in V\}$ and set the cover size bound to be k . This transformation runs in polynomial time. If G has a vertex cover $V' \subseteq V$ of size at most k . Every edge is contained in at least one of the sets S_u or S_v for $u, v \in V'$. The collection $T = \{S_v : v \in V'\}$ forms a valid set cover of size $\leq k$. \therefore yes maps to yes. If there is a set cover $T \subseteq C$ with $|T| \leq k$, we will define $V' = \{v \in V : S_v \in T\}$. Since T covers $U = E$, every edge $e = (u, v)$ is included in at least one set S_u or S_v , so at least one of u or v is in V' . $\therefore V'$ is a vertex cover of G with size $\leq k$. \therefore no maps to no. Therefore, we have shown that SET COVER is NP-complete.

3) MINIMUM BISECTION is in NP because given a set $S \subseteq V$, we can verify in polynomial time that $|S| = |V|/2$ and we can count the number of edges crossing the cut to check for at least k edges. We will reduce from MAXCUT, which is NP-complete. Given an instance of MAXCUT with $G = (V, E)$, k then we can reduce as follows: Let G' be the altered version of G such that G' has n more isolated nodes. If there is a cut $S \subseteq V$ in G with M edges crossing it, if $n - |S|$ isolated nodes are added to the old cut, then \exists a bisection of G' with M edges crossing it. Similarly, if \exists a bisection in G' with exactly M edges crossing it, if we remove the isolated nodes, then we have created a cut of G with M edges crossing it. Let E represent the maximum number of parallel edges between two edges in G' such that we let G_1 be the graph with pairs of vertices $u, v \in G'$ where $u \neq v$ with " E minus the number of parallel edges between u and v in G' " numbers of parallel edges. A bisection in G' with x edges has $En^2 - x$ edges crossing it in G_1 and a bisection in G_1 with x edges yields exactly $En^2 - x$ edges crossing G' . Consider G'' to be a graph with $2|V|$ nodes and adding cliques to all of the edges. This reduction produces an instance of MINIMUM BISECTION with $(G'', En^2 + n^2 - k)$ that runs in polynomial time. Consider a cut of G with at least k edges crossing it, then \exists a bisection of G' with at least k edges crossing it and there is also a bisection of G_1 with at most $En^2 - k$ edges crossing it. Since in G'' we have additional n^2 edges from the cliques, then we get $En^2 - k + n^2$ edges crossing it in G'' . Thus yes maps to yes. Consider a bisection of G'' with at most $En^2 + n^2 - k$ edges crossing it. We know that the cliques add n^2 edges so the same bisection in G_1 has at most $En^2 - k$ edges crossing it. Thus no maps to no. Therefore we have shown that MINIMUM BISECTION is NP-complete.

4a) PARTITION is in NP because given $T \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ we can verify that $\sum_{i \in T} a_i = \sum_{i \notin T} a_i$ in polynomial time. We will show that PARTITION is NP-hard by reduction from SUBSET SUM. Consider the instance $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, B)$ of SUBSET SUM. This reduction produces an instance of PARTITION: $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, a_{n+1} = \sum_i a_i + 1 - B, a_{n+2} = \sum_i a_i + 1 - (\sum_i a_i - B)$ which runs in polynomial time. If we have a YES instance of SUBSET SUM, we will show that it produces a YES instance of PARTITION. Consider a subset $T \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ where $\sum_{i \in T} a_i = B$. Thus $\sum_{i \notin T} a_i = \sum_i a_i - B$ and $a_{n+1} + \sum_{i \in T} a_i = a_{n+2} + \sum_{i \notin T} a_i$, which is clearly able to be partitioned. \therefore yes maps to yes. If we have a YES instance of PARTITION, then we also have a YES instance of SUBSET SUM. Consider the partition T . a_{n+1} and a_{n+2} can't be in the same partition because the sum of the integers would be greater than $\sum_i a_i$ and the sum of the integers in the other part would be at most $\sum_i a_i$. \longrightarrow

4a) Thus $\sum_{i \in T} a_i = \sum_{i \notin T} a_i$. If a_{n+1} is in the first partition then $T - a_{n+1}$ is a subset that sums to B , and if B is the second part then $T - a_{n+1}$ is a subset that sums to B . Thus, the set $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, B)$ is a YES instance of SUBSET SUM and a YES instance of PARTITION indicates a YES instance of SUBSET SUM. Thus no maps to no. Therefore PARTITION is NP-complete.

b) KNAPSACK is NP because given a subset of the n elements we can verify that the sum of the values is at least V and takes at most C in polynomial time. We will reduce from SUBSET SUM to prove KNAPSACK is NP-hard. Given an instance of SUBSET SUM of (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) we can reduce as follows. Let cost of item i be c_i where $c_i = a_i$ and the value v_i of the item is also a_i . Consider $V = C = B$ | our reduction runs in polynomial time. If we started with a YES instance of SUBSET SUM, we will show that we also have a YES instance of KNAPSACK. Consider the subset $T \subseteq \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ where $\sum_{a \in T} a = B$. Then the element in T in KNAPSACK has cost B and value B | the reduction of KNAPSACK is a YES instance. \therefore YES maps to YES. If the reduction produces a YES instance of KNAPSACK, we show that we also have a YES instance of SUBSET SUM. Consider $T \subseteq \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ be in KNAPSACK | the total value of the items is at least V and cost is at most C | $\sum_{a \in T} a \geq V$ and $\sum_{a \in T} a \leq C$ | $\sum_{a \in T} a = B$. Thus, the instance $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, B)$ is a YES instance of SUBSET SUM. \therefore no maps to no. Therefore KNAPSACK is NP-complete.