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Fall 2023: CS 313: Computational Complexity Theory

Due: 4:45 pm, Thursday, November 16, 2023. Total Marks: 24

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Question 1

[12 points]

For each part, provide brief explanations and/or proofs.

1. We have defined a relation \leq_p among languages. This relation is reflexive (i.e. $L \leq_p L'$ for all languages) and transitive (i.e. if $L \leq_p L'$ and $L' \leq_p L''$ then $L \leq_p L''$). Why is it not symmetric, namely, why is it that $L \leq_p L'$ need not imply $L' \leq_p L$?
2. Show that **NP** is closed under union.
3. Why is every **NP-Hard** language not decidable by a Turing Machine?

4. Show that if $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{NP}$ then $\mathbf{NP} \subset \mathbf{EXP}$, where \subset denotes the proper subset relation.

Question 2

[6 points]

Show that the language

$\text{FCLIQUE} = \{ (G, k, F) \mid \text{Undirected graph } G \text{ has a clique}^1 \text{ of size } k, \text{ such that no vertex from the forbidden set}^2 F \text{ is in the clique } \}$.

is **NP-Complete**.

¹a set of vertices such that every two distinct vertices in are adjacent

²the forbidden set contains vertices

Question 3

[6 points]

Show that $\mathbf{NP} = \mathbf{coNP}$ iff **CLIQUE** and **TAUTOLOGY** are polynomial time reducible to one another.