

# Computational Complexity

## Assignment 1

Due date: 30 Azar

**Problem 1.** Let  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  are three positive integers such that  $c_3 > 2$ . Show or disprove that

$$c_1 \cdot n^{2^n} \cdot 2^{c_2 n \cdot c_3^n} \in 2^{2^{O(n)}}.$$

**Problem 2.** Let  $A, B$  be two languages in  $P$  and let the strings  $x \in A$  and  $y \notin A$  are given. Prove that there is a polytime reduction from  $A$  to  $B$ .

**Problem 3.** Consider the languages

- $A_1 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid L(M) \text{ is empty} \}$
- $A_2 = \{ \langle M, x \rangle \mid M \text{ accepts the string } x \}$
- $B_1 = \{ (\langle M \rangle, \langle N \rangle) \mid L(N) \text{ is the complete of } L(M) \}$
- $B_2 = \{ (\langle M \rangle, x) \mid M \text{ accepts the strings } x \text{ and } x^R \text{ (the revers of string } x) \}$

where  $M, N$  are Turing machine and  $\langle M \rangle$  is the representation of a machine  $M$ . For each  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , we know that  $A_i$  is undecidable, use this fact and prove that  $B_i$  is undecidable.

**Problem 4.** Define a TM  $M$  to be *oblivious* if its head movement does not depend on the input but only on the input length. That is,  $M$  is oblivious if for every input  $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$  and  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , the location of each of  $M$ 's heads at the  $i$ th step of execution on input  $x$  is only a function of  $|x|$  and  $i$ . Show that for every  $T : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ , if  $L \in \mathbf{DTIME}(T(n))$  then there is an oblivious TM that decides  $L$  in time  $O(T(n)^2)$ .

**Problem 5.** In the *Two Hamilton Cycle* problem, we have a graph  $G$  and a Hamilton cycle  $C$  in  $G$  and asked whether  $G$  contains another Hamilton cycle. What is the complexity of this problem (polynomial solvable or NP-hard)?

**Problem 6.** In the *2023-SAT* problem, the input is a boolean formula  $\phi$  and the query is if  $\phi$  has at least 2023 different satisfying assignments. Prove that *2023-SAT* is NP-complete. (Hint: Make a reduction from SAT problem.)

**Problem 7.** Consider a partition  $P = \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$  of set  $\cup_{i=1}^n P_i$ . A *nice sub-partition* of size  $k$  for  $P$  is a subset  $\{P'_1, \dots, P'_k\}$  of  $P$  such that  $\cup_{i=1}^k P'_i = \cup_{i=1}^n P_i$ . In *nice sub-partition* problem, the input is a partition  $P$  and integer  $k$  and the question is  $P$  has a nice sub-partition of size at least  $k$ . Prove that this problem is NP-complete.

**Problem 8.** Prove that  $\text{PRIMES} \in NP$  without using the fact that  $\text{PRIMES} \in P$ .

Hint: A number  $n$  is prime iff for every prime factor  $q$  of  $n-1$ , there exists a number  $a \in \{2, \dots, n-1\}$  satisfying  $a^{n-1} = 1 \pmod{n}$  but  $a^{(n-1)/q} \neq 1 \pmod{n}$ . Use this fact and induction to guess certificates for prime factors of  $n-1$ .

**Problem 9.** A language is called unary if every string in it is of the form  $1^i$  (the string of  $i$  ones) for some  $i > 0$ . Show that if there exists an NP-complete unary language then  $P = NP$ .

**Good luck!**