

Worth: 15%

1. [10 marks]

Recall that an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ is **3-colorable** iff there is a map $f : V \rightarrow \{red, green, blue\}$ such that no edge is assigned the same color to both its end points. Define

$$3\text{-COL} = \{\langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is a 3-colorable graph}\}.$$

Give an explicit reduction showing that $3\text{-COL} \leq_p 3\text{-SAT}$. Justify your answer.

2. [15 marks]

Given an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, we say that a subset $S \subseteq V$ is **triangle-free** if for every size three subset $\{u, v, w\} \subseteq S$, at least one of the edges uv, vw, uw is not in E . Define

$$\text{TRIANGLEFREE} = \{\langle G, k \rangle \mid G \text{ has a triangle-free subset of size at least } k\}.$$

Show that TRIANGLEFREE is \mathcal{NP} -complete by reducing from INDEPENDENTSET .

3. [25 marks]

A Boolean formula φ is a **tautology** if φ evaluates to true on every possible truth assignment. Define

$$\text{TAUTOLOGY} = \{\langle \varphi \rangle \mid \varphi \text{ is a tautology}\}$$

Prove the following:

(a) [15 marks] TAUTOLOGY is coNP -complete.

(b) [10 marks] If $\text{TAUTOLOGY} \in \mathcal{NP}$, then $\mathcal{NP} = \text{coNP}$.

4. [30 marks]

Let FACTOR be the following search problem: given $\langle x \rangle$, where x is an integer ≥ 2 , output $\langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m \rangle$, where each p_i is a prime number and x is the product $p_1 p_2 \cdots p_m$.

Let

$$\text{DIV} = \{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x, y \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } x \text{ has a divisor } d \text{ with } 1 < d \leq y\}.$$

Prove the following:

(a) [15 marks] $\text{FACTOR} \xrightarrow{p} \text{DIV}$.

(b) [15 marks] $\text{DIV} \in \mathcal{NP} \cap \text{coNP}$.

Note: All integers are represented in binary notation.