Complexity

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You do not have to type this homework (though I would appreciate it if your handwriting is not ideal). You can hand-write it and scan into a pdf (there are lots of scanner apps out there).

1 DNF is easy

Show that the problem of determining the satisfiability of boolean formulas in disjunctive normal form (DNF) is polytime solvable. (As opposed to CNF, which is NP-complete.)

2 2-CNF is easy

2-CNF is the problem of determining satisfiability of a formula in CNF but with exactly two terms per clause. (For example $(x_1 \lor x_3) \land (\neg x_2 \lor x_4) \ldots$). Show that this can be solved in polytime by describing an algorithm to solve the problem.

3 Clique

This is to help you understand the proof that Clique is NPC. Consider the 3-CNF problem: Is there an assignment to

$$\phi = (\neg x_1 \lor x_2 \lor x_3) \land (x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor \neg x_3) \land (x_1 \lor x_2 \lor x_3))$$

that satisfies ϕ ? Convert this problem into a graph problem of the form : "Here is a graph. Does it have a clique of size 3?" I want to see the graph. Draw it as cleanly as possible.

4 Vertex Cover

This is to help you understand the proof that Vertex Cover is NPC. Consider the Clique problem: Is there a clique of size 4 in the following graph

$$G = (\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, \{(0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3), (0, 4), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 5), (2, 3), (2, 4), (4, 5)\})$$

Convert this problem to a Vertex Cover problem. Give me the graph and the exact question.

5 Subset sum

Construct the subset sum matrix corresponding to the Vertex Cover of the preceeding question.