

# 1. Fiber Connectivity

## Step1:

Prove that Fiber Connectivity is in NP.

Certificate: Given a subset of roads  $T$  in  $C$ .

Certifier: Verify whether this subset of roads connecting all cities in  $C$  and every city has at most  $k$  incident roads in  $T$  in polynomial time  $O(n)$ .

For each city, first check if it is connected to any other cities. If no, this certificate is not a solution. If yes, check if this city is connected to at most 2 roads. If yes, go to the next city. If no, this certification is not a solution.

Each check operation takes  $O(1)$  time so the time complexity is  $O(n)$ . Hence, a given certificate can be verified in polynomial time.

## Step2:

Choose Hamiltonian Path as known NP-Completeness problem.

Hamiltonian Path: Given an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$ , does there exist a simple path  $\Gamma$  that contains every node in  $V$ ?

## Step3:

We prove that the fiber connectivity problem is NP complete by a polynomial-time reduction from the Hamiltonian Cycle problem.

- ⊙ Show that an instance  $I_1$  of Hamiltonian Cycle can be transformed into an instance  $I_2$  of Fiber Connectivity.

For Ham Path, we have a graph of nodes and edges and a subset of edges which can visit each node exactly once. Consider each node as a city and each edge as a road. We get a set of roads that connect all cities and each city is connected to at most two roads (in fiber connectivity,  $k=2$ ). This transformation didn't take any extra computational time. Hence, we can do this transformation in polynomial time.

- ⊙ Show that if  $I_1(\text{YES})$  then  $I_2(\text{YES})$ .

Assume we have a subset of edges in graph  $G$  which can visit each node exactly once. These edges represent the set of roads chosen in the Fiber Connection problem. Suppose this set is not a solution to the Fiber Connection problem ( $k = 2$ ), which means there exists a city that is connected by more than 2 roads or is not connected to any other cities. Transform this case into Ham Path problem, which means there is a node that is not connected to any other nodes or is connected to more than 2 nodes. This means the given set of edges is not a solution to a Ham Path problem and this contradicts our assumption at first. Hence, if in a graph  $G$ , there exists a Hamiltonian Path, then there must exist a subset of roads that can connect all cities and each city is connected to at most 2 roads.

- ⊙ Show that if  $I_2(\text{YES})$  then  $I_1(\text{YES})$ .

Assume we have a set of roads such that all cities are connected and every city is connected to at most two roads. These roads equate to a set of edges in the Ham Path problem. Suppose this set of edges is not the solution to Ham Path. This means we have a node such that it is not connected to any other nodes or is connected to more than 2 nodes (be visited more than once). In the Fiber Connectivity problem, this means that there is a city which is connected to more than 2 roads or is not connected to any other cities. This contradicts the assumption that we started with

a solution for Fiber Connectivity. Hence, if we had a subset of roads to solve Fiber Connectivity problem, we know how to solve the Hamiltonian Path problem.

## 2. Pygmalion

### Step 1:

Prove that Pygmalion is in NP

Certificate: Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , each town is a vertex and each road between two towns is an edge and a set of  $k$  bunker vertices.

Certify: Verify if each town has a bunker or is connected directly to a bunker town.

For each town, first check if it has a bunker. If yes, go to the next town. If no, check if one of the neighboring towns has a bunker. If yes, go to the next town. If no, this certification is not a solution.

Each town can have at most  $n-1$  neighboring towns so the time complexity is  $O(n^2)$ . Hence, a given certificate can be verified in polynomial time.

### Step 2:

Choose Vertex Cover as known NP-Completeness problem.

Vertex Cover: Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , is there a set of at most  $k$  vertices that cover each edge?

### Step 3:

We prove that the Pygmalion problem is NP complete by a polynomial-time reduction from the Vertex Cover problem.

- ⊙ Show that an instance  $I_1$  of Vertex Cover can be transformed into an instance  $I_2$  of Pygmalion.

For vertex cover, we have a graph of nodes and edges. Consider each node as a town and each edge as a road, then the  $k$  vertices represent for  $k$  bunker towns. This transformation didn't take any extra computational time. Hence, we can do this transformation in polynomial time.

- ⊙ Show that if  $I_1(\text{YES})$  then  $I_2(\text{YES})$ .

Assume we have a set of  $k$  vertices that for each edge  $(u, v)$ , either  $u$  or  $v$  lies in the set. These  $k$  vertices represent  $k$  bunker towns in the Pygmalion problem. Suppose this set is not a solution to the Pygmalion problem, which means there exists a town which does not have a bunker and is not connected to any town with a bunker. Transform this case into VC problem, which means there is a node that is not in the set of  $k$  vertices and does not belong to any edge covering by the  $k$  vertices. This means the given set of  $k$  vertices is not a solution to a Vertex Cover problem and this contradicts our assumption at first. Hence, if we have a solution for Vertex Cover, we have a solution for Pygmalion.

- ⊙ Show that if  $I_2(\text{YES})$  then  $I_1(\text{YES})$ .

Assume we have a set of  $k$  towns with bunkers such that every town either has its own bunker, or is connected by a direct road to a town that has a bunker. These  $k$  towns equate to  $k$  vertices in the Vertex Cover problem. Suppose these  $k$  vertices are not the solution. This means we have a node such that it is not in the set of  $k$  vertices and does not belong to any edge covered by the  $k$  vertices. In the Pygmalion problem, this means that there is a town which has no bunker and is not connected

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to any town with a bunker. This contradicts the assumption that we started with a solution for Pygmalion. Hence, if we have a solution for Pygmalion, we have a solution for Vertex Cover.