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**Experiment Title:** Implementation of basic programs on Non-Deterministic Algorithms - I.

**Aim/Objective:** To understand the concept and implementation of Basic programs on Non-Deterministic Algorithms.

**Description:**

The students will be able to understand and implement programs on Non-Deterministic Algorithms.

**Pre-Requisites:**

**Knowledge:** Non-Deterministic Algorithms in C/C++/Java/Python

**Tools:** Code Blocks/Eclipse IDE

**Pre-Lab:**

Read the following conversation

**Jaya:** Travelling salesman problem is a NP hard problem. **Hema:** I do not think so

**Jaya:** No, I am so sure that Travelling Salesman problem is a NP hard problem. **Hema:** ...!!

You are Jaya's friend. Help her prove her statement.

**Procedure:**

### 1. Definition of TSP:

- TSP asks whether there exists a Hamiltonian cycle in a weighted graph such that the total weight is less than or equal to a given value  $k$ .

### 2. Belongs to NP:

- Given a proposed solution (a path), it can be verified in polynomial time whether:
  - The path visits every vertex exactly once.
  - The total cost is less than or equal to  $k$ .

### 3. Reduction from Hamiltonian Cycle:

- The **Hamiltonian Cycle Problem (HCP)** is a known NP-complete problem.
- HCP can be reduced to TSP:
  - Assign weights of 1 to edges in the Hamiltonian cycle.
  - Assign very large weights (e.g., infinity) to all other edges.
  - Solving the TSP in this case also solves HCP.

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#### 4. Conclusion:

- Since TSP can verify solutions in polynomial time and a known NP-complete problem (HCP) reduces to it, TSP is NP-hard.

Jaya is correct.

#### In-Lab:

Raju prepares for the examination, but he got stuck into a concept called "NP-HARD AND "NP-COMplete PROBLEMS" on Nondeterministic Algorithms. So, help Raju to score good marks. Help him to define the Nondeterministic algorithms by sorting an array.

#### Procedure/Program:

### Nondeterministic Algorithm - Explanation Using Array Sorting

A **nondeterministic algorithm** is a conceptual model where the algorithm can "guess" solutions instantly and verify them efficiently. Sorting an array using such an algorithm involves:

- Guessing:** The algorithm guesses a permutation of the array.
- Verification:** It checks if the guessed permutation is sorted in  $O(n)$  time.

Though nondeterministic algorithms are theoretical, they highlight the concept of solving problems efficiently if "perfect guesses" were possible.

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- **Data and Results:**

### Data

Array of integers to be sorted using nondeterministic algorithm.

### Result

Guesses a permutation and verifies if it's sorted efficiently.

- **Analysis and Inferences:**

### Analysis

Verification is polynomial, guessing theoretically bypasses exhaustive search process.

### Inferences

Nondeterministic sorting highlights efficiency with hypothetical perfect guessing.

### Post-Lab:

**Hema:** Hamiltonian Path is NP-Complete.

**Jaya:** Well, prove that!

**Hema:** I will prove and let you know.

Help Hema to try and prove that Hamilton Path is NP-Complete

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### Procedure/Program:

#### 1. Hamiltonian Path in NP:

- A given path can be verified in polynomial time to check if it visits all vertices exactly once.

#### 2. Reduction from Hamiltonian Circuit (HC):

- HC asks for a cycle visiting each vertex exactly once.
- Transform HC graph  $G$  to a new graph  $G'$  by splitting a vertex  $v$  into  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  with an edge  $v_1 \rightarrow v_2$ .
- HC in  $G$  corresponds to HP in  $G'$ .

#### 3. Conclusion:

- HP is NP (verification) and NP-hard (reduction).
- Thus, Hamiltonian Path is NP-Complete.

### • Data and Results:

#### Data

Hamiltonian Path verification can be done in polynomial time efficiently.

#### Result

Hamiltonian Path problem is proven to be NP-Complete.

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- **Analysis and Inferences:**

## Analysis

Reduction from Hamiltonian Circuit ensures NP-hardness of Hamiltonian Path.

## Inferences

Hamiltonian Path combines verification and reduction for NP-Completeness proof.

- **Sample VIVA-VOCE Questions:**

1. How does a non-deterministic algorithm differ from a deterministic algorithm?

- **Deterministic:** Executes a single sequence of steps.
- **Non-deterministic:** Explores multiple possibilities simultaneously.

2. Is the clique decision problem in the class NP?

- **Yes, verifying a solution (a clique of size  $k$ ) is possible in polynomial time.**

3. What is the NP complexity class? What is the relationship between NP and P complexity classes?

- **NP:** Problems verifiable in polynomial time.
- **$P \subseteq NP$ ; unknown if  $P = NP$ .**

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4. What is the power of non-deterministic algorithms? How are they related to the concept of polynomial-time verification?

- Non-deterministic algorithms solve problems by guessing and verifying solutions in polynomial time.

5. Give some applications of non-deterministic algorithms.

- Applications: Traveling Salesman Problem, graph coloring, scheduling, and optimization problems.

Evaluator Remark (if Any):	Marks Secured___ out of 50
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