

# 1. Graded Problems

1. State True/False. The set of all vertices in a graph is a vertex cover.

2. State True/False. If  $A \leq_p B$  and  $A \in \text{NP-complete}$ , then  $B \in \text{NP-complete}$ .

3. Show that the independent set problem is polynomial time reducible to the Hitting Set problem (Refer to Kleinberg and Tardos, Chapter 8, Exercise 5 for the definition of the Hitting Set problem).

4. A company makes three models of desks, an executive model, an office model and a student model. Building each desk takes time in the cabinet shop, the finishing shop and the crating shop as shown in the table below:

| Type of desk    | Cabinet shop | Finishing shop | Crating shop | Profit |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------|
| Executive       | 2            | 1              | 1            | 150    |
| Office          | 1            | 2              | 1            | 125    |
| Student         | 1            | 1              | .5           | 50     |
| Available hours | 16           | 16             | 10           |        |

How many of each type should they make to maximize profit? Use linear programming to formulate your solution. Assume that real numbers are acceptable in your solution.

## 2. Practice Problems

1. Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$  and a positive integer  $k < |V|$ . The longest-simple-cycle problem is the problem of determining whether a simple cycle (no repeated vertices) of length  $k$  exists in a graph. Show that this problem is NP-complete.

2. In the Bipartite Directed Hamiltonian Cycle Problem, we are given a bipartite directed graph  $G = (V; E)$  and asked whether there is a simple cycle which visits every node exactly once. Note that this problem might potentially be easier than Directed Hamiltonian Cycle because it assumes a bipartite graph. Prove that Bipartite Directed Hamiltonian Cycle is in fact still NP-Complete.

3. Assume that you are given a polynomial time algorithm that decides if a directed graph contains a Hamiltonian cycle. Describe a polynomial time algorithm that given a directed graph that contains a Hamiltonian cycle, lists a sequence of vertices (in order) that form a Hamiltonian cycle.