
A POLYNOMIAL-TIME REDUCTION OF THE QUADRATIC CONGRUENCE PROBLEM TO THE 3-SAT AND RELATED PROBLEMS

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ABSTRACT. In this term paper for MAC6927 — Computational Number Theory, we explore the history behind the quadratic congruence problem (QCP) and other related number theory problems; show a polynomial-time reduction from the QCP to the 3-SAT quoting Adleman and Mander’s 1978 article [MA78], implying that quadratic congruence is NP-complete; and show some open and solved problems in Number Theory that are directly (or indirectly) related to the QCP problem and its membership in NP.

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