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1 Instructions

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3 Standard 29- Computational Complexity: Problems in NP

Problem 2. A rank-3 hypergraph $\mathcal{H}(V, E)$ consists of a set of vertices V, together with a set of hyperedges E where each hyperedge is a set $\{a, b, c\}$ of distinct vertices. [Note: In this language, a simple graph would be a rank-2 hypergraph.]

We say that two rank-3 hypergraphs on n vertices $\mathcal{H}_1(V_1, E_1)$ and $\mathcal{H}_2(V_2, E_2)$ are isomorphic if there exists a one-to-one map $\varphi: V_1 \to V_2$ such that $\{a, b, c\} \in E_1$ if and only if $\{\varphi(a), \varphi(b), \varphi(c)\} \in E_2$.

Show that the problem of deciding whether two rank-3 hypergraphs are isomorphic

Answer. We take as certificate two isomorphic rank-3 hypergraphs $\mathcal{H}_1(V_1, E_1)$ and $\mathcal{H}_2(V_2, E_2)$ with n vertices each. We now find a polynomial time algorithm to verify that the hypergraphs are isomorphic. We know that V_1 and V_2 both have n elements. In order to verify our solution we must show that if $\{\varphi(a), \varphi(b), \varphi(c)\} \in E_2$ then $\{a, b, c\} \in E_1$. To do this we compare each set of three vertices in E_2 to find the corresponding mappings. There are n(n-1)/3 sets to compare thus taking $O(n^2)$ time to compute all the mappings in E_2 . We then must confirm that those sets of vertices than are in E_2 are also in E_1 . There can be at most n(n-1)/3 sets to check meaning this step will also $O(n^2)$ time to compute. We must also check that the map is one-to-one. To do this we check that for each distinct element pair $x, y \in V_1$ that $\varphi(x) = \varphi(y)$. There are n(n-1)/2 pairs to compare thus taking $O(n^2)$ time to compute. Thus with the certificate and a verifier algorithm that runs in polynomial time we can determine that this problem is indeed in NP.