CSC 373 H1 QUIZ # 9 8 November 2012 Aids Allowed: none Worth: 1.5% Duration: 10 minutes

1. Recall the CLIQUE decision problem from last week's tutorial.

Input: An undirected graph G = (V, E) and a positive integer k.

Question: Does G contain a *clique* of size at least k, *i.e.*, a subset of k or more vertices such that G contains **every** possible edge between the vertices in the clique?

In last week's tutorial, you showed that $CLIQUE \in NP$. Now, show that CLIQUE is NP-hard. Give a detailed reduction and argument of correctness. (HINT: You can use any of the problems you know to be NP-hard from lectures, tutorials, or the textbook—except for CLIQUE itself, of course!)