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1. (5 points) [W12, ★] NP-Completeness. For the following questions, select whether the statement is true or false, and write a *brief* explanation of your reasoning.

- (a) Consider two decision problems  $A$  and  $B$  where  $A$  is known to be NP-Complete, and every instance of  $B$  can be reduced to an instance of  $A$  in polynomial size and time.  $B$  is NP-Complete.

■ True □ False

If  $A$  is NP-Complete, and  $B$  can be reduced to  $A$  in polynomial time, then  $B$  is also NP-Complete.

- (b) If a problem,  $X$ , is NP-Complete, it is unsolvable

□ True ■ False

NP-Complete problems are solvable, but they are not solvable in polynomial time.

- (c) Let  $\propto$  denote a polynomial-time reduction. Then, for problems  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$ ,

$$(X \propto Y) \wedge (Y \propto Z) \rightarrow (X \propto Z).$$

In other words, the polynomial-time reduction property is transitive

■ True □ False

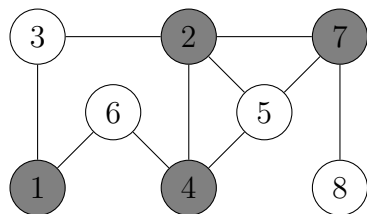
If  $X$  can be reduced to  $Y$  in polynomial time, and  $Y$  can be reduced to  $Z$  in polynomial time, then  $X$  can be reduced to  $Z$  in polynomial time.

2. (10 points) [W12, ★★] Satisfiability. Provide a set of boolean assignments which will satisfy the following expression:

$$(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (x_2 \vee \neg x_3 \vee x_4 \vee \neg x_5) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee \neg x_5) \wedge (x_3 \vee \neg x_5) \wedge (x_3 \vee x_5) \wedge (\neg x_3 \vee \neg x_4) \wedge (\neg x_2 \vee x_4 \vee x_5)$$

- (a)  $x_1$ : ☐ True ☒ False
- (b)  $x_2$ : ☐ True ☒ False
- (c)  $x_3$ : ☒ True ☐ False
- (d)  $x_4$ : ☐ True ☒ False
- (e)  $x_5$ : ☐ True ☒ False

3. (10 points) [W12, ★★★] Vertex Cover. Indicate which vertices are needed in the optimal vertex cover for the following graph.



- (a) 1: ■ Included
- (b) 2: ■ Included
- (c) 3: □ Included
- (d) 4: ■ Included
- (e) 5: □ Included
- (f) 6: □ Included
- (g) 7: ■ Included

4. (10 points) [W12, ★] Satisfiability. Bill has an  $n$ -SAT problem with 10 clauses that he wishes to reduce to 3-SAT. His instance has:

- 1 one-literal clause
- 2 two-literal clauses
- 3 four-literal clauses
- 4 five-literal clauses

- (a) (5 points) Using the reduction discussed in class, how many clauses will Bill end up with?

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- (b) (5 points) Assuming Bill doesn't reuse dummy variables, how many dummy variables will Bill add?

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# of literals, $k$	# of clauses	new dummy var	# 3-literal clause
1	1	2	4
2	2	$1 \times 2 = 2$	$2 \times 2 = 4$
4	3	0	1
5	4	$(5 - 3) = 2$	$(5 - 2) = 3$
total	10	6	12