

1 problem 1

Since $L' \leq_m L$, we have a Polynomial time computable function f , $\forall x \ x \in L' \text{ iff } f(x) \in L$.

Since $L \in P$, we have a det polynomial time algorithm M_L to solve L .

We construct a polynomial time algorithm to solve L' .
for all input x

compute $f(x)$

If $f(x) \in L$ then M_L accepts x , otherwise M_L rejects x .

So if $L \in P$ and $L' \leq_m L$, clearly $L' \in P$.

2 problem 2

Since $L' \leq_m L$, we have a Polynomial time computable function f , $\forall x \ x \in L' \text{ iff } f(x) \in L$.

So we know $\forall x' \in \overline{L'}, x' \notin L', f(x') \notin L, f(x') \in \overline{L}$

So $\forall f(x') \in \overline{L}, f(x') \notin L, x' \notin L', x' \in \overline{L'}$

So $x' \in \overline{L'} \text{ iff } f(x') \in \overline{L}$. So $\overline{L'} \leq_m \overline{L}$.

3 problem 3

We assume that recursive language is NP.

This means for any recursive language, there have an polynomial time algorithm accept it.

For example we construct a recursive language L , $L = 0^i$:
 0^i is not accepted by M_i in 2^{n_k} steps.

But $L \notin \text{DTIME}(2^{nk})$. So recursive language is not in NP.

4 problem 4

Let L be a recursive language and $L_1 = \text{SAT}$ and $L_2 = L_1 \cup L$. Clearly we know that L_1 is NP-complete, and L_2 is not in NP.

5 problem 5

First we need show that problem Q is in NP:

Guess S' and check that $S' \subseteq S$, $|S'| \leq k$, and S' contains at least one element from each subset in C . Guessing S' takes $O(n)$ time and checking S' takes $O(n^2)$ time, so $Q \in \text{NP}$.

Secondly, we need show problem Q is NP-hard:

$\text{VC} \leq_m Q$: The Vertex Cover problem is NP-complete, so if VC can be transformed into Q in polynomial time, then Q is NP-hard. Transform the Vertex Cover problem to Q as follows:

1. Start with a graph $G=(V, E)$ and value k .
2. Set $S=V$.
3. For each $(v, v') \in E$, add the subset v, v' to C .

From S and C , form the set S' . The set S' is a vertex cover for G , where $|S'| \leq k$. In the original VC problem, the size of the VC is k . If $|S'| < k$, then $\exists S''$, where $S' \subset S'' \subseteq S$, and $|S''|=k$. The set S'' is formed by setting

$S'' = S'$ and adding elements of S until $|S''|=k$. S'' is still a VC for G . The transformation of VC to Q can be performed in deterministic polynomial time, so $VC \leq_m Q$. VC is NP-complete, so Q is NP-hard.

6 problem 6

If $L \in \text{NP-complete}$, then $L \in \text{NP}$, and if $L \in \text{co-NP-complete}$, then $L \in \text{co-NP}$.

Firstly, $\text{NP} \subseteq \text{co-NP}$: $\forall L' \in \text{NP}$, $L' \leq_m L$, since $L \in \text{NP-complete}$. So we know $L' \in \text{co-NP}$.

Secondly, $\text{co-NP} \subseteq \text{NP}$: $\forall L' \in \text{co-NP}$, $L' \leq_m L$. Since $L \in \text{NP}$, $L' \in \text{NP}$.

$\text{NP} \subseteq \text{co-NP}$ and $\text{co-NP} \subseteq \text{NP}$, so we know $\text{NP}=\text{co-NP}$.

7 Problem 7

To show that problem R is NP-complete. We just need to show that problem R is NP and Problem R is NP-hard.

Firstly, $R \in \text{NP}$: Guess spanning tree T and check that T is a spanning tree. To check that T is a spanning tree, check that T contains all vertices in G , that the degree of each vertex is no more than k , and that every edge in T is in G . Guessing T takes $O(n)$ time and checking T takes $O(n^2)$ time, so $R \in \text{NP}$. Secondly, $\text{HP} \leq_m R$: The Hamiltonian Path problem is concerned with finding a path through a graph that visits each vertex once. Transform the HP

problem to Q as follows:

1. Start with a graph $G=(V,E)$.
2. Set $k=2$.

From G , find a spanning tree T where the degree of each vertex in T is $\leq k$. The spanning tree T is a HP for G . The transformation of HP to R can be performed in deterministic polynomial time, so $HP \leq_m R$. HP is NP-complete, so R is NP-hard.