

ET6501701
Homework #4

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Due Date: May 29, 2024.

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Please note that **NO late homework** will be accepted.

1. By using the reduction technique, explain how would you solve each of the following questions:
 - (a) Finding the median: Given a set of numbers, find the median value.
 - (b) Distinct values: Determine the number of distinct values in a set of numbers.
2. Show that the \leq_P relation is a transitive relation on languages. That is, show that if $L_1 \leq_P L_2$ and $L_2 \leq_P L_3$ then $L_1 \leq_P L_3$.
3. The set-partition problem takes as input a set S of numbers. The question is whether the numbers can be partitioned into two sets A and $\bar{A} = S - A$ such that $\sum_{x \in A} x = \sum_{x \in \bar{A}} x$. Show that the set -partition problem is NP -complete.
4. The 3-color problem is that we are given an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, determine whether G can be colored with three colors or not. Show that the 3-color problem is NP -complete.