

# Problem Set 4

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## H4.1

(a)

The problem is in **NP** because the problem is a special case on SAT which is in **NP**. Next, we will show that the problem is **NP**-complete by reducing SAT to this problem in polynomial time. For this reduction, we use the idea by Jones (2018).

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Let  $\phi$  be a SAT formula in CNF form. Then, new formula  $\phi'$  in CNF that is logically equivalent to  $\phi$  is constructed as follows.

Add all clauses  $c$  in  $\phi$  that have 1 or 2 literals to  $\phi'$  unmodified.

For all clauses  $c$  in  $\phi$  with more than 3 literals

- 1) Create new clause  $c'$  by substituting each negative literal  $\neg x$  in clause  $c$  by new variable  $z$ .
  - 2) Add clauses  $c'$ ,  $(x \vee z)$  and  $(\neg x \vee \neg z)$  to the formula  $\phi'$ .
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x	z	$(z \wedge ((x \vee z) \wedge (\neg x \vee \neg z)))$
F	F	F
F	T	T
T	F	F
T	T	F

Proof: Literal  $z$  is forced to act as literal  $\neg x$  because

$$z \wedge (x \vee z) \wedge (\neg x \vee \neg z)$$

is true only if  $z$  and  $\neg x$  are true, which is evident from its truth table.

(b)

1-IN-3SAT is in **NP** since verifying the correct solution is same as for normal SAT. We show **NP**-completeness by reducing 3SAT to 1-IN-3SAT.

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We can reduce 3SAT to 1-IN-3-SAT by replacing each clause  $c = (x \vee y \vee z)$  in 3SAT with the clause

$$c' = (\neg x \vee a \vee b) \wedge (b \vee y \vee c) \wedge (c \vee d \vee \neg z).$$

We can prove that  $c'$  is 1-IN-3 satisfiable if and only if  $c$  is satisfiable by using a truth table.

(	¬	x	v	a	v	b	)	∧	(	b	v	y	v	c	)	∧	(	c	v	d	v	¬	z	)
	0	1		1		0				0		1		0				0		1		0	1	
	0	1		1		0				0		1		0				0		0		1	0	
	0	1		1		0				0		0		1				1		0		0	1	
	0	1		0		1				1		0		0				0		0		1	0	
	1	0		0		0				0		1		0				0		1		0	1	
	1	0		0		0				0		1		0				0		0		1	0	
	1	0		0		0				0		0		1				1		0		0	1	
	1	0		0		0				0		0		0				0		0		1	0	

As can be seen, each of the first 7 rows are 1-in-3 satisfiable, but the last row representing assignment  $x = 0, y = 0, z = 0$  is not 1-in-3 satisfiable.

## H4.2

The solution was inspired by Mount (2017).

- i) We show that dominating set (**DS**) is in **NP**.
- ii) We reduce vertex cover (**VS**) to dominating set in logspace.

(i)

Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , set  $U \subseteq V$  is a dominating set if  $U \cup W = V$  where  $W$  is the set of vertices adjacent to vertices in  $U$ , defined as

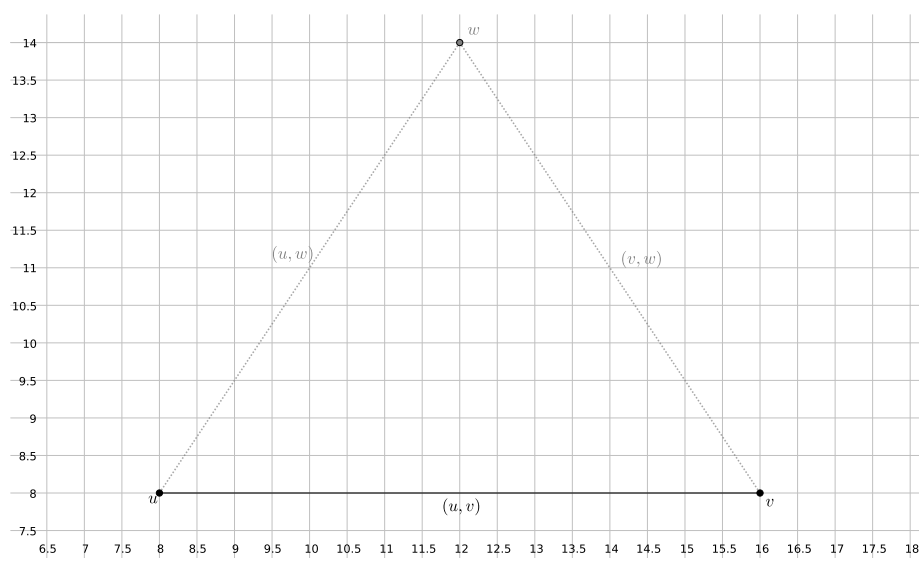
$$W = \{w \mid (u, w) \in E, u \in U\}.$$

The verification can be done in polynomial time  $O(|U||E|) = O(|V||E|)$ , since  $|U| \leq |V|$ .

(ii)

We reduce deciding the vertex cover for undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  and integer  $k$  to deciding dominating set for undirected graph  $G' = (V \cup V', E \cup E')$  and integer  $k + n$  where  $n$  is the number of isolated nodes. We include  $n$  in the size since the dominating set must include all isolated nodes by definition, but the vertex cover does not include them.

The graph  $G'$  contains the original graph  $G$  and auxiliary vertices  $V'$  and auxiliary edges  $E'$ .



We can force the inclusion of atleast one of the vertices  $(u, v) \in E$  in the dominating set such that it satisfies the condition for vertex cover as follows.

For each edge  $(u, v) \in E$ , we add vertex  $w$  to  $V'$  and edges  $(u, w)$  and  $(v, w)$  to  $E'$ . The dominating set must now include atleast one of the vertices in  $u, v$  or  $w$ . If  $w$  is included, we can replace it with  $u$  or  $v$  because the vertices  $u, v$  and  $w$  are adjacent, thus, the set still remains a dominating set.

Now, we find a dominating set  $U' \subseteq V \cup V'$  of size  $k + n$  in graph  $G'$ . Then, we create a new dominating set  $U \subseteq V$  such that for each vertex  $u \in U'$

- 1) If  $u \in V$  and  $u$  is not isolated, add  $u$  to  $U$ .
- 2) If  $u \in V'$  add one of its adjacent vertices to  $U$ .

The dominating set  $U$  is a vertex cover of size  $k$  of graph  $G$ .

The reduction is computable in constant space, and is therefore logspace computable.

## H4.3

(i)

A Turing machine  $M$  (with input and output) on input  $k; x$ , where  $k \geq 0$ , computes the mapping  $x \mapsto 1^{k|x|}$  in linear time and constant space as follows.

- 1) Copy  $k$  to work tape 1.
- 2) Copy  $k$  from work tape 1 to work tape 2, which will act as a counter. Input tape cursor should be now in the first symbol of  $x$ .
- 3) Write 1 for  $k$  times on the output tape by reducing the counter each time 1 is written until it reaches zero.
- 4) Move the input tape cursor to the next symbol of  $x$ .
- 5) Copy  $k$  from work tape 1 to work tape 2.
- 6) Repeat from step (3) or halt if input tape cursor is on  $\sqcup$ .

(ii)

We have padded universal set

$$U = \{M; x; 1^{|M||x|} \mid \text{Turing machine } M \text{ accepts input } x \text{ in space } |x|\}$$

(iii)

(iiii)

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