Homework 19

Due 11/23/16

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1. The `Subset Sum Decision` problem (SSD) accepts an array of integers $data$ and target t and returns whether $data$ contains some subset that sums up to t. Prove that $SSD \in NP$.

2. The `Subset Sum` problem (SS) accepts the same input as SSD, but it returns a subset that sums to t rather than true or false. The following algorithm describes a reduction from SS to SSD:

```
   Input: data: array of integers
   Input: n: size of data
   Input: t: target value
   Output: S: subset of data that sums to t, or ∅ if no such set exists
 1 Algorithm: SSReduction
 2 if ¬SSD(data, t) then
 3 |   return ∅
 4 end
 5 sub = 0
 6 top = n
 7 while sub < top do
 8 |   if ¬SSD(data[1..(top − 1)], t) then
   |   |   /* Add data[top] to subset                                  */
 9 |   |   sub = sub + 1
10 |   |   Swap data[top] and data[sub]
11 |   else
   |   |   /* Delete data[top] from array                             */
12 |   |   top = top − 1
13 |   end
14 end
15 return data[1..sub]
```

What do we know about the worst-case complexity of SS if the worst-case complexity of SSD is $O(S(n))$ and $\Omega(s(n))$?