

5. Show that if one of the following three problems has a polynomial time algorithm then they all do.

- The Independent Set Problem: The input is a graph  $G$ . The problem is to find the largest independent set in  $G$ . In an independent set all vertices are mutually nonadjacent.
- The Clique Problem: The input is a graph  $G$ . The problem is to find the largest clique in  $G$ . In a clique all vertices are mutually adjacent.
- The Vertex Cover Problem: The input is a graph  $G$ . The problem is to find the smallest vertex cover in  $G$ . A set  $S$  is a vertex cover if each edge in  $G$  is incident to a vertex in  $S$ .

Independent Set  $\leq$  Clique

Program Independent Set:

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read G
Construct  $G'$  with the same vertices
For each vertex pair:  $(v_1, v_2) \ni v_1 \neq v_2$ 
    If there is no edge from  $v_1$  to  $v_2$  in  $G$ :
        Create edge from  $v_1$  to  $v_2$  in  $G'$ 
output Clique( $G'$ )
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8. Show that the subset sum problem is self-reducible. The decision problem is to take a collection of positive integers  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and an integer  $L$  and decide if there is a subset of the  $x_i$ s that sum to  $L$ . The optimization problem asks you to return the actual subset if it exists. So you must show that if the decision problem has a polynomial time algorithm then the optimization problem also has a polynomial time algorithm.

subset sum optimization  $\leq$  subset sum decision.

program subset sub optimization:

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read  $x_1, \dots, x_n, L$ 
If  $x_1, \dots, x_n, L$  decision is 1 then:
     $S = [x_1, \dots, x_n]$ 
    foreach  $x$  in  $S$ :
        if  $S \setminus x, L$  decision is 1 then: if the subset sum is still possible without  $x$  remove it
            remove  $x$  from  $S$ 
output  $S$ 
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12. Consider the following 2Clique problem:

INPUT: A undirected graph  $G$  and an integer  $k$ .

OUTPUT: 1 if  $G$  has two vertex disjoint cliques of size  $k$ , and 0 otherwise.

Show that this problem is  $NP$ -hard. Use the fact that the clique problem is  $NP$ -complete. The input to the clique problem is an undirected graph  $H$  and an integer  $j$ . The output should be 1 if  $H$  contains a clique of size  $j$  and 0 otherwise. Note that a clique is a mutually adjacent collection of vertices. Two cliques are disjoint if they do not share any vertices in common.

Clique  $\leq$  2-Clique

Program Clique:

  read  $H, j$

$G = H + H$ , where both copies of  $H$  are disjoint

  output 2-Clique( $G, j$ )

Therefore, 2Clique is NPH.