

(1) Problem 2-CNF-SAT is an efficiently solvable problem on a directed graph.

Ans: We have to show that 2-CNF-SAT is solvable in linear time. Each sub-clause in our clause in our formula contains at most two literals.

If a clause is viewed as $\bar{a} \rightarrow v$ and $\bar{v} \rightarrow a$, we construct a graph such that if a_1, a_2 are variables of the formula there are two vertices a_1 and \bar{a}_1 (complement) that is in V for each a .

The formula is satisfiable if and only if no pair of complementary literals are in the same strongly connected component of G .

If there is a path from a node u to v and from v to u , it implies that both the nodes must have same value (in truth assignment).

Therefore, if there is a path from u to v and from v to u , following algorithm rejects the value.

for each a in V

if ^{there is} a path from u to \bar{u} and from \bar{u} to u
(where u & \bar{u} are possible values of a)

reject

else

accept

Thus having such a formula a 2-CNF-SAT is a problem that can be solved in polynomial time, thus it is polynomial time decidable.

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The subgraph-isomorphism problem takes two undirected graphs G_1 and G_2 , and it asks whether G_1 is isomorphic to a subgraph of G_2 . Show that the subgraph-isomorphism problem is NP-complete.

Ans: we have two graphs $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$ and $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$. By taking ^{above} problem into consideration we create a subgraph $G = (V, E)$ in G_2 that is isomorphic to G_1 .

In graph G , V is a subset of V_2 and E is a subset of E_2 , such that $|V| = |V_1|$ and $|E| = |E_1|$. For the graphs G and G_1 to be isomorphic there should exist a one-to-one function f from V_1 to V such that

$$(u, v) \in E_1 \iff (f(u), f(v)) \in E_2$$

First, we show that subgraph-isomorphism is in NP. we have to ensure what was described in previous paragraph. i.e.

There exists a sub-graph $G = (V, E)$, function f from V_1 to V and $|V| = |V_1|$, $|E| = |E_1|$, $V \subseteq V_2$, $E \subseteq E_2$ and the function f correctly maps all edges in E_1 to all the edges in E .

Since there are $O(n^2)$ such pairs, ^(between G & G_1) the check requires polynomial time. This shows that subgraph-isomorphism is in NP.

→ we now show that subgraph-isomorphism is NP-hard. we show this by using subgraph-isomorphism to solve the known NP-complete problem Clique.

We create a clique of size k . This clique is isomorphic to another clique of same size. Using this fact we can create a subgraph isomorphism problem in order to find a subgraph in G_2 that is isomorphic to G_1 . In G_2 we have a completely connected graph with k vertices.

To do this we take $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$ graph and construct a completely connected graph of size k as our second graph, $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ such that $|V_2| = k$ and E_2 contains the edges for the completely connected graph G_2 (k -clique). It requires polynomial time to create G_1 and G_2 .

If there exists a clique of size k in G_2 , then subgraph isomorphism should determine that this graph is equivalent to G_1 . If not, there would not be such graph equivalent to G_1 . Based on this fact subgraph isomorphism is NP-hard and hence NP-complete.

③ Used programming (shown in lab, and code uploaded to D2L) as substitute for
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Other 3-problems