

## Homework #8

### 1. Reductions

Let  $A \leq B$  for two problems  $A$  and  $B$  mean that problem  $A$  can be solved in big  $\mathcal{O}$  of the time it takes to solve problem  $B$ .

- (a) Show that **MULTIPLICATION**  $\leq$  **SQUARING**.
- (b) Show that **SQUARING**  $\leq$  **MULTIPLICATION**.
- (c) Show that **SQUARING**  $\leq$  **RECIPROCAL**.
- (d) If  $A \equiv B$  means  $A \leq B$  and  $B \leq A$  which of **MULTIPLICATION**, **SQUARING**, and **RECIPROCAL** are equivalent ?

**HINT:**  $\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} = \frac{y-x}{xy}$ . Try  $y = x + 1$ .

### 2. Lucas Numbers:

INPUT: A  $K$  bit number  $X$ .

QUESTION: Is  $X$  a Fibonacci number?

The Lucas numbers are defined by the recurrence

$$L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2}$$

with the initial conditions:  $L_0 = 2$ ,  $L_1 = 1$  Show that this problem is in  $\mathcal{P}$  by outlining (NO CODE, just explain what you're doing) an algorithm, **AND** showing that your algorithm runs in polynomial time in  $K$ , the number of bits.

### 3. Roots:

Without finding the solutions, show that  $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$  has:

- (a) NO positive integer solutions
- (b) NO rational solutions

HINTS:

- i. Assume that  $x = p/q$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers with no common factors.
- ii.  $p^2 - q^2 = (p - q)(p + q)$ .
- iii. Each integer is either ODD or EVEN.

### 4. Average Case:

Do Exercise 5.5 in the NOTES on page 61.

### 5. Lower Bound:

Exercise 6.1 in the NOTES on page 71, is about the lower bound of  $\frac{3}{2}n - 2$  comparisons to find the largest and smallest elements in an array. Devise a divide-and-conquer algorithm for this problem and show that the number of comparisons used by your algorithm achieves this lower bound.

## 6. Boolean Expression:

Assume that you have an algorithm **YS**( ) so that when you input a Boolean expression  $E(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  into **YS**( ),  
**YS**(  $E$  ) outputs *YES* if  $E$  is satisfiable, and  
**YS**(  $E$  ) outputs *NO* if  $E$  is not satisfiable.

- (a) Show how to use **YS**( ) to construct an algorithm **FIND**(  $D(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  ) which when given a satisfiable Boolean expression  $D(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , returns an assignment  $x_1 = a_1, x_2 = a_2, \dots, x_n = a_n$ , so that  $D(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is *TRUE*.
- (b) Assume that **YS**(  $D(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  ) has run time  $\mathcal{O}(n^k)$  and find the run time of **FIND**(  $D(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  ) .

## 7. Platonic Hamiltonian Circuits:

Show that each of the *PLATONIC* solids has a Hamiltonian circuit.

## 8. s-t Hamiltonian Path:

INPUT: A graph  $G$  and two specified vertices  $s$  and  $t$ .

QUESTION: Does  $G$  have a Hamiltonian Path which starts at  $s$  and ends at  $t$ ?

- (a) Assume that you know that Hamiltonian Circuit is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -Complete, show that s-t Hamiltonian Path is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -Complete.
- (b) Assume that you know that s-t Hamiltonian Path is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -Complete, show that Hamiltonian Circuit is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -Complete.
- (c) Show that the Yes/No version of TSP (Traveling Sales Person) with all edge weights in  $\{1, 2\}$  is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -Complete. (You should assume that Hamiltonian Circuit is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -Complete.)

## 9. Graph Isomorphism:

Graph isomorphism is an example of a problem which is in  $\mathcal{NP}$ , but is not known to be  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete, nor is it known to be in  $\text{co-}\mathcal{NP}$ .

INPUT: Two graphs,  $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$  and  $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ .

QUESTION: Can the vertices of  $G_1$  be renamed so that  $G_1$  becomes  $G_2$ ? (Is there a one-to-one onto function  $f : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$  so that  $\forall x, y \quad (x, y) \in E_1$  iff  $(f(x), f(y)) \in E_2$ ?

Show that GRAPH ISOMORPHISM is in  $\mathcal{NP}$ .

## 10. Canonical Number:

A graph with  $n$  vertices can be represented as an  $n \times n$  binary matrix which has a 1 in position  $(i, j)$  if and only if there is an edge  $(v_i, v_j)$ . If you “unroll” this matrix (say by rows), you will have a vector of  $n^2$  bits and you can consider this to be a number in standard binary notation. So, there is a correspondence between  $n$  vertex graphs and  $n^2$  bit numbers. If we re-label the vertices of the graph, we don’t change the graph properties. Different re-labelings of the graph will (usually) give different numbers. Clearly among all re-labelings of the graph, there is some re-labeling which gives the smallest value for this binary number. We would like to represent a graph by the minimum number we can get by re-labeling. We’ll call this minimal number the *canonical number* of the graph. It’s easy to see that two graphs are isomorphic iff they have the same canonical number.

- (a) The graph  $v_1 - v_2 - v_3$  is isomorphic to  $v_1 - v_3 - v_2$  and is also isomorphic to  $v_2 - v_1 - v_3$ .  
Find the canonical number of  $v_1 - v_2 - v_3$ .

- (b) Show that if finding the *canonical number* of a graph is easy, then GRAPH ISOMORPHISM is easy. (Here, *easy* means takes polynomial time. )

However, *canonical number* may be harder than GRAPH ISOMORPHISM. If I can tell that two graphs are NOT isomorphic, I know that their canonical numbers are different, but I don’t know what their canonical numbers are. Further, if I know that two graphs are isomorphic, I know that their canonical numbers are identical, but again I don’t know what these canonical numbers are.

- (c) **Is-Canonical:**

INPUT: A graph  $G$  and an integer  $I$ .

QUESTION: Is  $I <$  the canonical number of  $G$ ?

**EXERCISE:** Show that IS-CANONICAL is in  $\text{co-}\mathcal{NP}$ .

## 11. Tautology:

INPUT: A Boolean Expression  $E(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .

QUESTION: Does  $E$  evaluate to **TRUE** for each and every assignment of **TRUE** and **FALSE** to the variables, the  $x$ ’s ?

Show that **TAUTOLOGY** is  $\text{co-}\mathcal{NP}$ -complete.

## 12. 3-SAT:

INPUT: A Boolean Expression  $E(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  in Clause form with at most 3 literals per clause.

QUESTION: Does  $E$  evaluate to **TRUE** for some assignment of **TRUE** and **FALSE** to the variables, the  $x$ ’s ?

Show that if **SAT** is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete, then **3-SAT** is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete.