

## Tutorial 02 – The class NP (Group 2)

**Exercise 1.**

Boolean circuits

Let  $f_n: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  be the function defined as

$$f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_1 + \dots + x_n \text{ is odd,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

1. Draw a boolean circuit that computes  $f_0, f_1, f_2$ . What can you say about  $f_2$ ?
2. Show that  $f_n$  can be computed by a circuit of size and depth  $O(n)$ .

**Exercise 2.**

One-Way Functions

**Definition.** A *one-way function*  $f$  is a bijection of  $\{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$  that satisfies the following two conditions. First, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f|_{n \text{ bits}}$  is also a bijection. Second,  $f$  can be evaluated in polynomial time in  $|x|$ , but  $f^{-1}$  cannot be evaluated in polynomial time.

1. Which of the following are one-way functions?
    - $f(x) := g(x) \parallel g(x)$  where  $g$  is a one-way function.
    - $f(x) := g(g(x))$  where  $g$  is a one-way function
  2. Prove that if *one-way functions* exist, then  $P \neq NP$ .
- The question of the reciprocal is still an open problem.

**Exercise 3.**

NP-Completeness

Show that the following languages are NP-complete.

1. NDTM-T: given  $\langle \alpha, x, 1^t \rangle$ , does the nondeterministic Turing machine  $M_\alpha$  accept on input  $x$  in time  $\leq t$ ?  
*Hint: You can admit that there exists a universal nondeterministic Turing Machine.*
2. INDSET: given  $\langle G = (V, E), k \rangle$ , is there a set  $S$  of  $k$  independent vertices (i.e.  $\forall i, j \in S, i \neq j \implies (i, j) \notin E$ )?
3. 3-SAT: Does a 3CNF formula  $\phi$  have a satisfying assignment?  
*You can admit that CNF-SAT is NP-complete.*

**Exercise 4.**

Tally Language (Berman's Theorem, 1974)

A language is said to be *tally* (or unary), if it is included in a unary alphabet  $\{a\}^*$  for a fixed symbol  $a$ .

**Definition (SUBSET-SUM).** Given  $n$  numbers  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and a *target* number  $T \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we need to decide whether there exists a nonempty subset  $S \subseteq [1, n]$  such that  $\sum_{i \in S} v_i = T$ . The problem size is  $|T|_2 + \sum_{i=1}^n |v_i|_2$ .

1. Prove that SUBSET-SUM is NP-complete.
2. Let UNARY-SUBSET-SUM be the tally variant of SUBSET-SUM where all numbers are represented by their unary representation. Show that UNARY-SUBSET-SUM is in P.
3. Show that if there exists an NP-hard tally language, then  $P = NP$ .