

# CSE 431 Fall 2019

## Assignment #6

Due: Monday, November 18, 2019, 8:59 PM

**Reading assignment:** Read sections 9.3 and 7.5.

### Problems:

1. Show that if  $P = NP$  then every language  $A \in P$ , except  $A = \emptyset$  and  $A = \Sigma^*$ , is NP-complete.
2. Let  $U = \{\langle M, x, 1^t \rangle \mid M \text{ is an NTM that accepts input } x \text{ within } t \text{ steps}\}$ . Show that  $U$  is NP-complete.
3. Let  $\phi$  be a 3CNF-formula. An NAE assignment to the variables of  $\phi$  is one that satisfies  $\phi$  but does not set all three literals to true in any clause.
  - (a) Show that the negation of an NAE assignment for  $\phi$  is also an NAE assignment for  $\phi$ .
  - (b) Let  $NAESAT$  be the set of all 3CNF formulas  $\phi$  that have an NAE assignment. Prove that  $NAESAT$  is NP-complete. For the hardness part use a reduction from 3SAT.  
(Hint: Use the function that replaces each clause  $C_i$  of  $\phi$  of the form  $(y_1 \vee y_2 \vee y_3)$  where  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  are literals by the two clauses  $(y_1 \vee y_2 \vee z_i)$  and  $(\bar{z}_i \vee y_3 \vee w)$  where  $w$  is a single new variable for all clauses and there is one  $z_i$  variable per original clause.)
4. For any set of people  $V$ , an *influential subset* is a set  $S \subseteq V$  of people so that everyone in  $V$  is either in  $S$ , has a friend in  $S$ , or both. We can represent the friendship relationships between pairs of people by edges in an undirected graph  $G$  with vertices  $V$  so we carry over the definition of influential subset to subsets of vertices of such graphs.  
Let  $INFLUENTIAL-SUBSET = \{\langle G, k \rangle \mid G \text{ has an influential subset } S \subseteq V \text{ of size } \leq k\}$ . Show that  $INFLUENTIAL-SUBSET$  is NP-complete, using the NP-hardness of  $VERTEX-COVER$ .  
(Hint: In the reduction from  $VERTEX-COVER$ , add vertices and edges to the original graph using precisely one extra vertex per original edge.)
5. Let  $01ROOT = \{\langle p \rangle \mid p \text{ is a polynomial in } n \text{ variables with integer coefficients such that } p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0 \text{ for some assignment } (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \{0, 1\}^n\}$ .
  - (a) Show that  $01ROOT \in NP$ .
  - (b) Show that  $3SAT \leq_m^P 01ROOT$ . (HINT: First figure out how to convert each clause into a polynomial that evaluates to 0 iff the clause is satisfied. Then create a polynomial  $q$  that evaluates to 0 if and only if all of its inputs are 0. Finally, figure out how to combine the individual polynomials for the clauses using the polynomial  $q$ .)

6. (Extra credit) Recall that a 2-CNF formula is a CNF formula in which each clause has 2 literals and that  $2\text{-SAT} = \{\langle \phi \rangle \mid \phi \text{ is a satisfiable 2-CNF formula}\}$ . Show that  $2\text{SAT} \in P$ .