

CSC364 Summer 2004 — Homework 4

The following questions are assigned each week. None of the questions are for hand in, but you are encouraged to try them.

Week 12

1. Let 2-CNF-SAT be the set of satisfiable boolean formulas in CNF with exactly 2 literals per clause. Show that $2\text{-CNF-SAT} \in \mathbf{P}$. Make your algorithm as efficient as possible.

Hint: Observe that $x \vee y$ is equivalent to $\neg x \rightarrow y$. Reduce 2-CNF-SAT to a problem on directed graph that is efficiently solvable.

2. We define the following three related problems.

5-CLIQUE

Instance: $\langle G \rangle$ where G is an undirected graph.

Acceptance Condition: Accept iff G contains a 5-clique.

CLIQUE

Instance: $\langle G, k \rangle$, G is an undirected graph, k an integer in binary.

Acceptance Condition: Accept iff G has a k -clique.

MAX-CLIQUE

Instance: $\langle G \rangle$ where G is an undirected graph.

Output: Return the size of the largest clique of G .

- (a) Give a polynomial time algorithm that solves 5-CLIQUE.
- (b) Prove $\text{MAX-CLIQUE} \xrightarrow{p} \text{CLIQUE}$.
This proves we can solve MAX-CLIQUE with a polynomial number of calls to CLIQUE.
- (c) Prove $\text{CLIQUE} \xrightarrow{p} \text{MAX-CLIQUE}$.
This shows that MAX-CLIQUE is likely not in \mathbf{FP} since CLIQUE is \mathbf{NP} -complete.
- (d) Consider the following algorithm for MAX-CLIQUE:
MAX-CLIQUE(G):
 for $i \leftarrow 1$ to n do
 if not $i\text{-CLIQUE}(G)$ then
 return $i - 1$
 return n

We proved in part (a) that $i\text{-CLIQUE}$ is in P , and we only make a polynomial number of calls to $i\text{-CLIQUE}$. Why does this not prove MAX-CLIQUE is in \mathbf{FP} ?

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3. Linear programming when we restrict the variables to be zero or one is called **0-1 integer programming**. Specifically, the 0-1 integer programming problem asks, when given an integer $m \times n$ matrix A and an integer m -vector b , whether there exists an n -vector whose elements are selected from $\{0, 1\}$ such that $Ax \leq b$.
Prove that 0-1 integer programming is **NP**-complete.
Hint: Try a reduction from 3-SAT.
4. Prove $2\text{-COLOR} \in \mathbf{P}$.
2-COLOR is given a graph G , can we color the vertices of G with 2 colors such that adjacent vertices get different colors?