

CS 170 DIS 10

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1 NP Basics

Assume A reduces to B in polynomial time. In each part you will be given a fact about one of the problems. What will you know about the other problem from each fact? (*You can answer each part in one sentence.*)

1. A is in **P**.
2. B is in **P**.
3. A is **NP**-hard.
4. B is **NP**-hard.

2 Hitting Set

In the Hitting Set Problem, we are given a family of finite integer sets $\{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n\}$ and a budget b , and we wish to find an integer set H of size $\leq b$ which intersects every S_i , if such an H exists. In other words, we want $H \cap S_i \neq \emptyset$ for all i .

Show that the Hitting Set Problem is NP-complete.

3 Reliable Network

Reliable Network is the following problem: We are given two $n \times n$ matrices (a cost matrix d_{ij} and a connectivity requirement matrix r_{ij}) and also a budget b . We want to find a graph $G = (\{1, \dots, n\}, E)$ such that the total cost of all edges (i.e. $\sum_{(i,j) \in E} d_{ij}$) is at most b and there are exactly r_{ij} vertex-disjoint paths between any two distinct vertices i and j .

Show that Reliable Network is NP-Complete.

4 Dominating Set

A dominating set of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a subset D of V , such that every vertex not in D is a neighbor of at least one vertex in D .

Let the Minimum Dominating Set problem be the task of determining whether there is a dominating set of size $\leq k$.

Show that the Minimum Dominating Set problem is NP-Hard. You may assume for this question that all graphs are connected.