

MIDSEM 2021

Answer as much as you can. The grading is relative

1. Show that, if  $P=NP$  then every language  $A \in P$  except  $A = \emptyset$  and  $A = \Sigma^*$  is NP-complete.
2. Show that, if  $P=NP$ , we can factor integers in polynomial time.
3. Identify the error in the  $P \neq NP$  proof:  
Consider an algorithm for SAT: input  $\phi$ , try all possible assignments to check if  $\phi$  is satisfiable.  
Thus SAT requires exponential time, so  $SAT \notin P$  since  $P \neq EXP$ . Hence  $P \neq NP$ .
4. Let  $MAX-CLIQUE = \{ \langle G, k \rangle \mid \text{the largest clique in } G \text{ has } k \text{ vertices} \}$ . Show that if  $P=NP$ , then  $MAX-CLIQUE$  is in  $P$ . Then also give a polynomial time algorithm that finds a largest clique.
5. Let  $E \equiv_{REG} = \{ \langle R, S \rangle \mid R \text{ and } S \text{ are equivalent regular expressions} \}$ .  
Show that  $E \equiv_{REG} \in PSPACE$
6. Let  $A$  be the language of properly nested parentheses. Show that  $A \in L$ .  
For e.g.  $(()) \in A$  but  $)() \notin A$ .

7. Prove that an oracle  $C$  exists such that  $NP^C \neq coNP^C$ .

8. Consider the function  $pad : \Sigma^* \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \Sigma^* \#^*$  as follows. Let  $pad(s, l) = s \#^j$  where  $j = \max(0, l - |s|)$  and  $n = |s|$ .

For any language  $A$  and function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  define the following language:

$$pad(A, f(n)) = \left\{ pad(s, f(n)) \mid |s| = n \right\}$$

Prove that if  $A \in TIME(n^2)$  then  $pad(A, n^2) \in TIME(n)$ .

9. Describe a decidable language in P/poly which is  $\notin P$ .

10. Show that if  $P = NP$  then  $\exists L$  There exists a language  $L \in EXP$  such that  $L$  needs exponential size circuit.