

1. Is it true that  $\text{coNP} \subseteq \text{PSPACE}$ ? Show that  $\text{NTIME}(n)$  is a proper subset of  $\text{PSPACE}$ . □
2. Is it true that  $\text{NTIME}(f(n)) \subseteq \text{DSPACE}(f^2(n))$  for  $f(n) \geq \log n$ . □
3. Show that 2SAT is in **NL**. Show that if 3SAT is in **NL** then **P=NP**. □
4. Show that the problem of checking whether a given  $n$  bit number is prime is in  $\text{coNTIME}(n^2)$ . □
5. Show that if **P=NP** then every language in **P** except just two languages are NP-complete. Which are those two languages? (Hint: One of the languages is the empty set). □
6. Define **polyL** as  $\cup \text{DSPACE}(\log^i n)$ . Steve's class **SC** is defined as the class of languages that can be decided by deterministic machines that run in polynomial time and  $\log^i n$  for some  $i \geq 0$ . Why does it NOT follow from Savitch's theorem that **SC=PolyL**? Is **SC** same as **polyL**  $\cap$  **P**? □
7. Recall that in the proof of the hierarchy theorem showing that for any constructable function  $f(n) \geq \log n$ , there exists a language  $L \in \text{DSPACE}(f(n)) \setminus \text{DSPACE}(g(n))$  for any  $g(n) \in o(f(n))$ , we defined the language  $L = \{x = M0^* : M \text{ is a TM and rejects } M \text{ in atmost } f(|x|) \text{ steps}\}$ . What goes wrong with the proof if instead of  $L$ , we the language  $L' = \{M : M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ rejects } M \text{ in atmost } f(|M|) \text{ steps}\}$  is used in the proof? □
8. We have defined **NP** as  $\cup_{i \geq 0} \text{NTIME}(n^i)$ . Here is an alternative definition. We define **NP** to be the class of all languages  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$  such that there is a deterministic Turing machine  $M$  that runs in time polynomial in the size of its input and an integer  $k$  such that if  $x \in L$  then there exists  $y \in \Sigma^*$  with  $|y| \leq |x|^k$  and  $M(x, y) = 1$  whereas if  $x \notin L$ , for all  $y \in \Sigma^*$   $M(x, y) = 0$ . This is the "certificate" characterization of the class **NP**. Show that the two definitions are equivalent. (ie., show that for any language  $L$  in **NP**, such machine  $M$  exists and conversly, given  $M$ , we can construct a polynomial time NDTM  $M'$  for accepting  $\{x | M(x, y) = 1\}$ . □
9. Derive a similar characteristic for **co-NP**. □
10. Show that if  $L$  is NP-complete then its complement is co-NP complete. □
11. Prove that **P**  $\subseteq$  **NP**  $\cap$  **co-NP**. □
12. Show that  $\text{SAT} \preceq_m^p 3\text{SAT}$ .  $\text{CLIQUE} \preceq_m^p \text{VERTEX COVER}$  and  $\text{VERTEX COVER} \preceq_m^p \text{INDEPENDENT SET}$ . □
13. Assuming NP-completeness of the Directed Hamiltonian Path (*DHP*) (called *HAMPATH* in Sipser, Theorem 7.35), Show that the following problems are NP-complete: □
  1. *DHC*: Given a directed graph  $G$ , does it contain a (directed) Hamiltonian cycle?
  2. *UHP*: Given an (undirected) graph  $G$ , does it contain a Hamiltonian path?
  3. *UHC*: Given an (undirected) graph  $G$ , does it contain a Hamiltonian cycle?
14. A directed graph is *strongly connected* if every two nodes are connected by a directed path in each direction. Let  $\text{STR-CON} = \{G | G \text{ is a strongly connected graph}\}$ . Show that the problem is NL-complete. □
15. Show that the problem of checking whether a graph is bipartite is is NL. (You need to know a characterization of bipartite graphs to solve this — look at your graph theory text.) □
16. Let  $L \in \text{NTIME}(2^{n^c})$  for some constant  $c > 0$ . Define the language  $L_{\text{pad}} = \{(x, 1^z) : z = 2^{|x|^c}\}$ . Show that  $L_{\text{pad}} \in \text{NP}$  Hence show that if **P=NP** then **NEXP=EXP**. □
17. Show that for any language  $L$ ,  $L \in \text{DTIME}(n^k)$  if and only if for any  $L' = \{(x, 1^z) \text{ where } x \in L, z = |x|^k\}$  is in  $\text{DTIME}(n)$ . Hence show that **P**  $\neq$  **PSPACE**. □
18. Show that there exists an oracle  $C$  such that  $\text{NPC} \neq \text{coNPC}$ . □