

- You have to discuss the running time of your algorithms. Always try to give algorithm with best possible running time.
- You are required to give proofs of correctness whenever needed.
- You may use any of the following known NP-complete problems to show that a given problem is NP-complete: 3-SAT, INDEPENDENT-SET, VERTEX-COVER, SUBSET-SUM, 3-COLORING, 3D-MATCHING, SET-COVER, CLIQUE.
- **Use of unfair means will be severely penalized.**

There are 3 questions for a total of 50 points.

(20) 1. Consider the following problem:

F-SAT: Given a boolean formula in CNF form such that (i) each clause has exactly 3 terms and (ii) each variable appears in at most 3 clauses (including in negated form), determine if the formula is satisfiable.

Answer the following questions with respect to the above problem under the assumptions (i) $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{NP}$, and (ii) $\mathbf{P} \neq \mathbf{NP}$. Give reasons.

- (a) Is F-SAT $\in \mathbf{NP}$?
- (b) Is F-SAT \mathbf{NP} -complete?
- (c) Is F-SAT \mathbf{NP} -hard?
- (d) Is F-SAT $\in \mathbf{P}$?

(15) 2. For integers $r, s, r < s$, $s \pmod r$ is the remainder when dividing s by r . For integers r, s, t , we say that $r \equiv s \pmod t$ if $r = k \cdot t + s$ for some integer k . For example, $11 \equiv 4 \pmod 7$, $22 \equiv 1 \pmod 7$ etc.

(RSA) The RSA public key cryptosystem for private communication can be described in the following manner: Suppose Alice wants to send a secret message to Bob. Bob picks two large (1024 bits) prime numbers p and q . Let $N = p \cdot q$. He picks two other numbers $e, d < (p-1)(q-1)$ such that $e \cdot d \equiv 1 \pmod{(p-1)(q-1)}$. Bob makes N and e public (e.g., posts these numbers on his blog) while keeping d secret. Alice who wants to send a message $M \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$ to Bob computes $C \leftarrow M^e \pmod N$ and sends C to Bob. Bob decrypts it using $M \leftarrow C^d \pmod N (= M^{ed} \pmod N = M)$.

Show that if $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{NP}$, then RSA is *broken*. By broken we mean that an adversary who can see C will always be able to know the secret message M that Alice sends to Bob even without knowing Bob's secret d . You may assume the following:

1. Given $x, p, x < p$, it is easy to find $y < p$ such that $x \cdot y \equiv 1 \pmod p$.
2. It is easy to determine if a given number is prime.

3. (*MAKESPAN problem*) Consider the following problem:

3-MAKESPAN: Given n jobs with integer durations d_1, \dots, d_n and an integer D , determine if these jobs can be scheduled on 3 machines such that the maximum finishing time of any job is $\leq D$.

(10) (a) Show that 3-MAKESPAN is **NP**-complete.

Now consider the optimization version of the problem.

MIN-3-MAKESPAN: Given n jobs with duration d_1, \dots, d_n , determine a schedule of these n jobs on 3 machines that minimizes the maximum finishing time of any job.

The optimization version of a problem is usually harder than the decision version. The next question asks you to show this formally.

(5) (b) Show that MIN-3-MAKESPAN is **NP**-hard.